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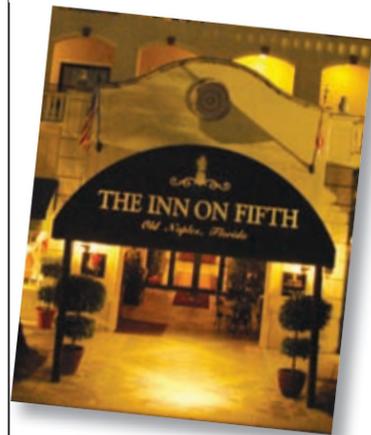
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BY BILL CORNWELL

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SOUTHWEST FLORIDA IS KNOWN FOR MANY things, but rigorous intellectual debate involving the great issues of the day is not among them. Abundant sunshine, sandy beaches, first-class golf courses and a relaxed, subtropical lifestyle are the underpinnings of the region's renown. In other words, if you've got the bucks, Southwest Florida is the place to tune-out and tee-up.

Randy Antik, who retired to Naples from Dallas in 2006, sees a different landscape, however, one that is not based on the pursuit of idle pleasure. "After all," he's fond of saying, "you



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Mature trees are taking root at the new Garden

BY CAROLYN MILLER

Special to Florida Weekly

A veritable nursery's worth of mature trees from various locations around Collier County are taking root at the new Naples Botanical Garden. About 100 large trees and palms have been relocated to the Garden over the past two years as part of a major expansion and renovation project.

They've come from near and far: coconut and royal palms from a neighbor's yard around the corner; more than 40 palms, some as much as 50 years old, from Old Naples; three royal palms from Grey Oaks; and majestic trees from the East Trail and Oil Well Road. There's a massive gumbo limbo from Marco Island, and

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One of four mastic trees moved from the Conservancy is put in place at its new home at the Naples Botanical Garden.

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COMMENTARY

Celibatuey! And thank you, Lord



What you don't want to do is become a spewer, but some do.

Supposing the Lord arrived at your door one day with a questionnaire, hoping to ask just a few simple questions.

You'd hear the bell ring, you'd answer the door, and the Lord would be standing there, looking as friendly as all get-out.

"Hi, I'm the Lord. I have just a few simple questions, do you have a minute?"

"Why, of course, as much time as you need," you'd say.

The Lord would nod politely, then get down to business.

THE LORD: One: Choose between A) a life of celibacy and B) a life in which you can indulge in sexual acts.

YOU: Oh, definitely B, thanks.

THE LORD: Fine. Number two: If you chose the second option, then choose again between sexual acts A) with a member of your own species, or sexual acts B) with a member of another species.

YOU, SMILING INDULGENTLY: A for me, no question about it. Thank you, Lord.

THE LORD: A it is. Three: If you chose the first option, then choose again between sexual acts A) with a member of your own sex, or B) with a member of the opposite sex.

YOU, WITH NO HESITATION: I'll go with B in this case, Lord, if that's ok.

None of that would be a problem, right? Not unless there was a problem. And supposing there was a problem?

THE LORD, SMILING SOMEWHAT APOLOGETICALLY: Sorry, pal, but the B bus is full today, so I'll just put you on the A bus, if you prefer. Either that (this is a Lord who believes in giving you choices, so you can exercise free will and really screw things up, so to speak), or I'll let you go back to question One, and chose the A option — a life of celibacy.

YOU, INCREDULOUSLY: Let me get this straight, no pun intended. Either I get to have sexual acts with a member of my own sex, or I get to be celibate?"

THE LORD: Exactly. Well done. That's what I have available today. What do you say?

I have wrestled with this question, torturously, for at least three minutes, both as a columnist and as a heterosexual male human being.

Keep in mind, the hidden option here, the one agenda you don't want to buy into, especially with the Lord standing on your doorstep looking over your soul, is spewing.

So how would you honestly answer?

Since I believe that touching is similar in value and necessity to breathing — with it you live, and without it you die — I'd have to say.... I'm reluctant to say... I don't want to imagine the consequences of saying, but since I have a good imagination I will be forced to imagine them after I say...

ME: Celibatuey!

THE LORD: Excuse me?

ME: I said, Celibatuey! And thank you, Lord!

That, I think, would be my initial response. Then I'd have to break into song, maybe a call-and-response marching song, like this:

One, two, three, HEY/Gay Gay Gay-Gay GAY,

Here we go, (Here we go),
All the way, (All the way),
Every day, (Every day),
Every night, (Every night),
All the way, (All the way),
Out-a-sight, (Out-a-sight),
Always Gay, (Always Gay).

Nonsensical as all that sounds, I don't think it falls too far from the truth for a number of people. They arrive in our world only to discover themselves presented with roughly the same opportunities. The straight bus is full, so it's the gay bus or nothing.

Based upon my own extensive research in the field, where I hold a Doctor of Celibatuey degree in Intuition, Opinion and Wild Conjecture from the University of Life Experience, I've concluded that on some level many of us are potentially gay.

What if it was gay or nothing? Hard to imagine, isn't it? But there it is.

The fact is, I try to be gay every day, at least in the old sense of the word, which is still the primary sense: "Happily excited; merry. Keenly alive and exuberant: having or inducing high spirits." (Merriam-Webster's definition.)

But whether I am gay or not, and whether you are gay or not, and whether Neapolitan Ruth Dorfman is gay or not, and whether anybody else is gay or not, is really nobody else's business.

Ms. Dorfman, an active member of a

group called, Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, suggested in the *Naples Daily News* a few weeks ago that we should all love one another. (Imagine saying such an outrageous thing. She must be some kind of flaming liberal. Probably a Jew, too, for God's sake, or maybe one of those lovey-dovey Christians.)

Not long thereafter somebody visited her house one night and painted swastikas and wrote mean words on her garage doors, and they forgot to sign their names. Just a simple oversight, I'm sure.

In the same time frame, far to the north, I found myself tooling along in east Lee County, through Alva. There I stopped at a Handy Mart on State Road 80, and filled up my car at pump No. 6. As usual, the price had jumped by 10 cents a gallon in just 24 hours. What money I had left in my debit account began to flow almost directly into the coffers of the Saudi Arabian oil magnates, some 9,000 or 10,000 miles away.

Scratched into the pump to add insult to injury was a Klu Klux Klan symbol, along with several venomous comments. Disappointingly, the workmanship was poor and some of it was hard to read. I really expect a lot more of Klanners, who are obviously gay, as well as gay haters, black haters, and Jew haters.

But they did me an educational favor. Not only does their artistry stink, I realized, but they hate themselves so much — or perhaps they hate their choices so much — that they picked the hidden agenda. They became spewers.

And who wants to touch a spewer?

Nobody. Not gays, not straights, not lefts and not rights. Maybe God will touch them with a big old bolt from the blue, like this: Celibatuey on Youey, Spewey!? ■

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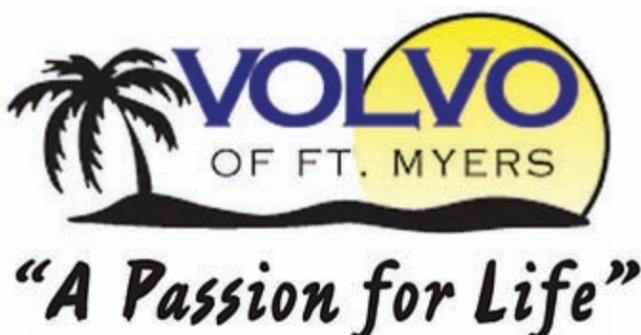
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OPINION

Obama: cut to spend on health care

BY RICH LOWRY

Where does Newt Gingrich go to get his apology? He proposed slowing the rate of growth of Medicare and Medicaid in the mid-1990s and was clobbered by Democrats and the press for waging war on the elderly and the indigent.

Now, almost every other day, Barack Obama finds another hundred billion dollars to cut out of Medicare and Medicaid. He just announced the discovery of another \$313 billion in savings over 10 years, on top of \$300 billion he had already proposed. Soon enough, he will make Gingrich — who infamously sought \$450 billion in savings over seven years in 1995 — look like an extravagantly generous steward of the nation's health programs.

No liberal outcry greeted Obama's proposed budgetary savagery because everyone knows it's in the cause of more government spending. Obama must embrace a simulacrum of spending discipline to have any hope of passing a health-care program that will cost at least \$1.2 trillion over the next 10 years. The game is simple: Pretend to cut so you can spend.

Medicare and Medicaid spending has steadily outpaced inflation through the decades, and accounts for 23 percent of the federal budget. Medicare's unfunded liability is an astonishing \$89 trillion. As Obama put it in his speech to the American Medical Association, there's a risk the programs will "swamp our federal and state budgets, and impose a vicious choice of either unprecedented tax hikes, overwhelming deficits or drastic cuts in our federal and state budgets."

Sounds alarming. So why turn around and immediately spend the \$600 billion in savings? Shouldn't it be used to shore up the rickety finances of these already-existing health programs rather than to create a dubiously financed, entirely new health program?

Obama's Medicare and Medicaid savings will be sustainable over time only by beggaring doctors and hospitals. Compared with the private system, Medicare pays only 81 cents on the dollar for health expenses; Medicaid pays only 56 cents on the dollar. Obama relies on the tried-and-true practice of cutting the payments more. This means there will be fewer doctors willing to accept Medicare and Medicaid patients, and

more cost-shifting to the private system to make up for deficient government payments.

When Obama himself says that the federal deficit is "unsustainable," and when the chairman of the Federal Reserve warns that spending cuts or tax increases are necessary "to stabilize the fiscal situation," it's obviously not the time for a new entitlement program and another \$1.2 trillion in government expenditure.

If Obama thinks he can responsibly squeeze a couple of hundred billion out of Medicare and Medicaid, fine, he should do it and pocket the savings to improve the long-run fiscal picture. And we can adopt modest reforms to make it easier for people to get and keep health insurance, reforms with zero risk of tipping the country further toward fiscal ruin. Obama will then have more time and energy to devote to repairing the government's balance sheet. Newt Gingrich ought to have some ideas how to do it. ■

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

GUEST OPINION

Obama and Iran: No easy answers



danRATHER
Special to Florida Weekly

The election of Mir Hossein Mousavi as president of Iran could have changed the dynamic of U.S.-Iranian relations; the re-election of President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad offered more of the same. Either outcome suggested a relatively clear set of policy actions and reactions for President Barack Obama and his foreign-policy team. There is very little that is clear, however, about how the U.S. ought to respond to an election that returns Ahmadinejad to power with a disputed vote, and that's what makes the evolving situation in Iran a real test of Obama's foreign-policy mettle.

As Obama told CNBC in an interview this week, "The difference between Ahmadinejad and Mousavi in terms of their actual policies may not be as great as has been advertised." While that might be substantively true — on, for example, the subject of Iran's nuclear program — Mousavi has, in his rhetoric, signaled that he would bring a less belligerent tone to Iran's foreign relations. And that could have offered Obama political cover here at home for his policy of diplomatic engagement with Iran.

A clear and undisputed electoral result in favor of Ahmadinejad, meanwhile, would have kept Obama's overt and back-channel diplomatic efforts on their pre-(Iranian) election course, for better or for worse.

But now Obama must negotiate a course that is tricky not only in its domestic, political dimensions, but also in its implications for unfolding events in Iran and relations between the U.S. and Iran going forward.

Obama has come under criticism from some politicians and commentators for not speaking out more forcefully about the dubious election results and the Iranian government's crackdown on post-election protests. But as the president has noted, for the U.S. to be seen as meddling in Iranian affairs, particularly now, carries a high risk with little potential reward. The Iranian government has already complained that the U.S. is doing just that; if Obama were, with highly charged statements, to add fuel to Tehran's attempts to start that particular fire, it could serve to discredit Mousavi's supporters in the eyes of many Iranians, while giving Ahmadinejad and the ruling mullahs a foreign enemy around which they might rally the populace.

And if Iran's electoral results ultimately stand, any vociferous statements emanating from Washington could and probably would be used by Ahmadinejad as a fur-

ther pretext for turning away from diplomacy. It's more complicated than that, though, for anyone who leads a nation that likes to see itself as a beacon for the forces of freedom and democracy around the world.

Obama now finds himself having to walk the always-difficult line between the American ideal and the reality that the U.S. must sometimes deal with oppressive, undemocratic regimes — the age-old debate between human rights and realpolitik. If Ahmadinejad holds on to the Iranian presidency by force, there will be enormous pressure on Obama to suspend diplomacy with Iran, at least for a time. To do otherwise would be unseemly; but would doing so also endanger attempts to curb Iran's nuclear program?

Obama's policy of diplomatic engagement may or may not be the right one for averting a nuclear-armed Iran, but it is the policy he ran on and with which he was elected. His actions so far show him seeking to stick to that policy with logic and an understanding of U.S.-Iranian history. But history can change quickly. And democratic passions — those expressed abroad and those met with sympathy by American eyes, ears, and hearts — have a way of trumping logic. The Iranian election presents Obama with a true challenge at home and abroad, one that comes with a great degree of difficulty and in which the stakes couldn't possibly be higher. ■

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► On **June 27, 1829**, in Genoa, Italy, English scientist James Smithson dies, leaving a will that decreed the whole of his estate should be used to fund the Smithsonian Institution in Washing-

ton, D.C. The amount was more than \$500,000, a fortune at the time.

► On **June 28, 1975**, television writer Rod Serling dies at age 50 after open-heart surgery. Born in Syracuse, N.Y., Serling became one of early television's most successful writers, best known for the anthology series "The Twilight Zone," which he created, wrote and hosted. ■

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15 MINUTES

Passionate pianist enjoys range of professional opportunities

BY PAMELA V. KROL
Special to Florida Weekly

Seeing Robin Shuford-Frank's hands dance across a keyboard is something akin to watching a ballet in miniature — each finger deftly placed for perfect effect. But then, performing at the piano is practically second nature for Ms. Shuford-Frank, who began learning to play the instrument before she was old enough to even remember.

And the piano remains one of her greatest sources of joy.

"One of my favorite things is to sit at the piano and play whatever I'm feeling," she says. "I can create a range of emotions using a variety of tonalities, dynamic levels and physical touch. The scope of possibilities is quite amazing. Playing can truly be a source of therapy.

Ms. Shuford-Frank's mother was her first teacher, and her first job was as the church pianist at age 13.

If you attend any of Naples' musical or theatrical venues, there's a good chance you've heard her play. She's the director of educational outreach, the chorus master and the music administrator for Opera Naples, a professional, self-producing company. In addition, she is the assistant choral director and pianist for the Naples Orchestra and Chorus and the pianist for the Festival Singers of Florida. She also enjoys playing with the Naples Philharmonic, as well as at choral festivals all over the U.S.

Ms. Shuford-Frank grew up on the east coast of Florida and attended Florida State University, where she first majored in piano

performance. "I found that area of study to be too solitary for me, so I switched my major to choral music education, with piano as my primary instrument," she says. She went on to receive her master's degree in piano accompanying and vocal coaching at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N.J.

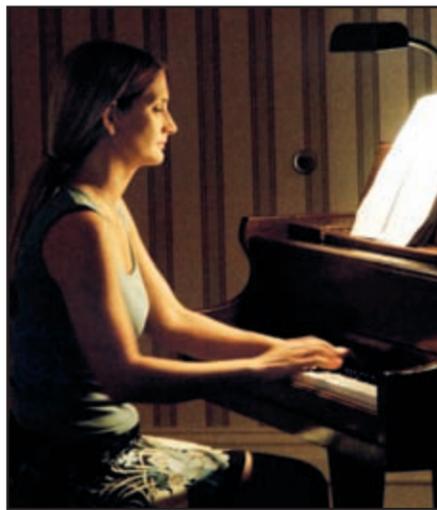
For her, the most difficult aspect of being a pianist is memorizing the music. "That always caused me great anxiety when performing," she says. "Luckily, in the kind of work I do now, I never have to memorize. I actually love to perform."

She sees performing, a challenging endeavor for most musicians, as the art of being in the moment. "You need to have the ability to enter a zone of extreme concentration and confidence," she says. "There's no room for self-doubt or worry."

But she still faces plenty of anxiety-filled situations. Recently, for example, she was flown to Minneapolis, with only a single day's notice, to play with the Broadway tour of "Legally Blonde The Musical."

"Going directly from the airport to the theater to play for a matinee performance was quite nerve-wracking," she says.

Since moving to Naples with her husband Ted two years ago, Ms. Shuford-Frank has enjoyed a wide range of professional musical opportunities. "Part of my personal objective is to expand music education in the area's schools," she says, adding that such outreach is also a key objective for Opera Naples. "I would love to see music programming become a huge priority for kids, but the economy is difficult right now, so we are doing things a little bit at a time."



PAT SHAPIRO / COURTESY PHOTO

Robin Frank at the piano

As supervisor of the company's educational programs throughout the year, she strives to make opera, which she describes as the ultimate combination of all art forms, understandable and accessible for children. "Both musically and visually, opera is completely over the top," she says, adding students of all ages love the productions Opera Naples takes out to area schools. "Even the youngest kids are excited about the shows we put on in their classrooms. We get wonderful cards from them declaring that they love opera and asking us to come and visit them again."

In addition to serving as educational outreach director, Ms. Shuford-Frank is also the musical director of Opera Naples' inten-

sive student boot camp, which has its single performance on Sunday, June 28 (see story on page A13). And she's also working on "Thoroughly Modern Millie," the summer musical by The Naples Player that opens Friday, June 26 (see page C6).

So what's it like to work on a student opera and a community theater musical simultaneously? Although the situation is demanding, Ms. Shuford-Frank is not complaining.

"For both shows I am musically directing from the piano, but in 'Millie' I'm only part of the rehearsal process. In 'Pirates' I play for rehearsals as well as the final performance," she explains. "The most difficult part about doing the shows simultaneously is the long hours." And the hours are, indeed, long — often from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. But she's happy to be doing what she loves.

She's especially pleased that area residents have had such a wonderful response to Opera Naples, but she's not surprised. "The company's performances are world-class, and once audiences see one show, they're anxious to come back again and again," she says.

She identifies the company's biggest challenge as the fact that it doesn't have a facility of its own. "People hear that the performance will be held in a high school auditorium and they don't know what to expect, but once they come out and see a show, they are happy to return the next time."

For those who truly love music, listening to Mr. Shuford-Frank play is a rare treat. "I'm always happy when I'm playing," she says. That goes for her audiences as well. ■

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THINKERS

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can only drink so much wine and play so much golf.”

Many Southwest Floridians seem intent on proving Mr. Antik's thesis to be resoundingly wrong, but that observation misses the larger point he is trying to make.

A tanned energetic man of 66, Mr. Antik looks to be no stranger to the links himself. But he's also someone who fairly bristles with ideas and observations and is on a mission to add a more serious component to Southwest Florida's laid-back portfolio. He envisions a day when this vacation and retirement paradise will also be known as a place where serious issues and ideas (the environment, education, energy, health care and the like) are discussed and debated by the world's greatest thinkers before an audience comprised principally but not exclusively of retired CEOs who live in the area and are willing to use their expertise and intellect to find solutions to these considerable problems.

Thinking big, for the greater good

To that end, Mr. Antik was a driving force behind something known as Searching for Solutions Inc., a Naples-based non-profit organization that will host the Imagine Solutions Conference 2010 in February at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. It is expected that some 600 “exceptional leaders,” mostly drawn from Southwest Florida, will hear and interact with great thinkers who are experts in critical areas facing society today.

As anyone who has met him can attest, Mr. Antik does not think small. He and his organization intend to make the conference an annual event.

And if this all sounds a bit high-falutin and improbable for such a somnolent area, then maybe you don't know as much you think you do about Southwest Florida (which Mr. Antik defines as an area running north to south from Sanibel to Fort Myers to Bonita Springs to Naples to Marco Island).

Within this tightly confined area, more than 200 retired CEOs of Fortune 500 companies live, at least for part of the year. These are people of high accomplishment and skills, men and women who have spent their lives solving problems and running large organizations. They are generally well educated, well informed and, if Mr. Antik is correct, itching to make positive contributions to the greater good.

The concept is not new, although it is shockingly out of character for Florida, and indeed for the eastern United States as a whole. Among the most vigorous and best known of such places are the Milken Institute and TED (which stands for Technology, Entertainment, Design), both in California, and Colorado's Aspen Institute, the granddaddy of them all.

Mr. Antik has been an enthusiastic attendee at events at Milken, TED and Aspen. He also has invested a great deal of donated time to nonprofits like Outward Bound and hospital boards.

When he and his wife arrived in Naples three years, he began to toy with idea of establishing a center for learning and thought in his new hometown. He was struck immediately by the wealth and breadth of talent here — and also by the fact that much of this talent was underutilized.

“I started having conversations at night with other people we met,” he says. “This is an easy area to meet people. I had been going to TED for 17 years; I had been going to Aspen for 16 years. I would come back from those, and I would be incredibly pumped-up. When you come back, you're full of ideas, you're full of conversations you've had with interesting, significant people who are doing things. That motivates you if you're still in the thinking, doing part of life.”

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Speakers engaged for the Imagine Solutions Conference in 2010 include Irshad Manji, Michael E. Porter, Doris Kearns Goodwin, Wade Davis, Juan Enriquez, Forrest Sawyer, The Rev. Dr. Calvin O. Butts III, Anna Deavere Smith, Amory Lovins, Dr. C. Everett Koop, Wendy Kopp, Dr. Robert Ballard, William McDonough, Dr. Keith Black, Keith Bellows, Dean Kamen, Jacqueline Novogratz, Dr. David L. Katz, Nicholas Negroponte and Susan Eisenhower.

Redefining retirement

Mr. Antik, who before his retirement had forged a successful career with private equity firms and also had founded his own marketing and consulting operation, figured he wanted something more than a sedentary retirement removed from the active pursuit of ideas and intellectual engagement.

Searching for Solutions sprang from a luncheon Mr. Antik had with Tom Everist, head of a successful South Dakota manufacturing company who lives seasonally in Naples. When Mr. Antik laid out his vision for a learning center for Southwest Florida, Mr. Everist encouraged him to pursue the idea and offered financial support to get it going.

Soon Mr. Antik discovered other enthusiastic and prominent supporters, such as David Lucas, chairman of the board for the Bonita Bay Group, and Myra Daniels, the driving force behind the Philharmonic Center and countless other projects in Naples.

“Now we had a core group,” Mr. Antik recalls. “I had meetings at all the major thought leader conferences. I made 50 calls to top thought leaders, and I said I will fly up and treat you to lunch or dinner and listen to you talk about current issues of the day. It was amazing. They all took my call.”

Soon he was meeting with and learning from influential thinkers like David McCullough, the historian and author; John Seely Brown, the noted scientist and Anna Deavere Smith, the playwright and actress who was a recipient of a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship (known as the “genius grant”).

In 2008, Searching for Solutions was incorporated and plans for the 2010 conference were under way. Mr. Antik serves as chief experience officer and also is vice chairman of the Southwest Florida board of directors. Mr. Everist chairs the board.

To date, more than 30 speakers have committed to the conference, including experts like Amory Lovins, the author and scientist who is one of the world's leading experts on renewable energy and energy efficiency; Susan Eisenhower, chairman

emeritus of the Eisenhower Foundation; David Walker, formerly Comptroller General of the United States and head of the Government Accounting Office who now is CEO of The Peter G. Peterson Foundation; and Tony Robbins, the motivational guru who also serves on Searching for Solutions' national advisory board.

Organizers hope to have 40 speakers on board by February, and they expect the final list to include at least one Nobel laureate.

Politicians, but not politics, welcome

One of the early ground rules governing the conference and the organization was that neither entity would conform to or espouse a political agenda.

“Our environment from day one was to be as nonpartisan as possible,” Mr. Antik says. “We said from the beginning that we are not going to have politicians on stage. We've had offers from very significant politicians who would like to be on stage. We said no. We said you are welcome to come, to pay, to be in the audience. We think that's fine.”

Mr. Antik says expenses leading up to the conference and including the conference itself will be “north of \$1 million.” Searching for Solutions receives donations from individuals, groups and other sponsors.

Attending Imagine Solutions Conference 2010 will not be cheap. Discounted registration, which requires a \$500 deposit before Sept. 30, is \$2,250. Regular registration is \$2,500.

Speakers will receive no fees, although all expenses — including lodging at a Ritz-Carlton — will be provided.

Mr. Antik and Lynne Groth, executive director of Searching for Solutions, expect it will take about three years for the final shape of the organization to emerge.

While the annual in-season conference will always be a focal point, Ms. Groth says ongoing programs that take place over the entire year will be equally important. “If you can get (conference attendees) to come back for a smaller symposium, where you invite a smaller group of people who really want to roll up their sleeves and do more of a workshop, well, that's where it

the thinkers

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becomes very meaningful,” she says.

She also points out that not everyone who attends will be retired.

“We are reaching out to business leaders,” she says. “We need (the involvement of) young leaders, as well. We are looking for proven, seasoned problem solvers.”

Mr. Antik says Searching for Solutions, which now has six staff members, will not evolve into a “think tank” in the traditional sense.

“We're never going to be a place that has on staff the ability to write white papers or do major research,” he says. “We're more of a ‘doing’ organization.”

The conference will have a global perspective, a national focus and a local orientation, he says, adding taking the brainpower that exists in Southwest Florida and matching it with today's best thinkers is an example of “intelligent networking with a purpose.”

Ms. Groth cautions that those who attend should not expect a passive experience, and they should also be prepared to have preconceived ideas and notions challenged with considerable vigor.

“I expect to see some people squirming in their seats,” she says. “If we make things a tad uncomfortable (for those in the audience), then we've done our job.”

More information about the conference and Searching for Solutions is available at www.ImagineSolutionsConference.com. ■

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The value of history is in the eye of the beholder

BY LOIS BOLIN

Special to Florida Weekly

Last November, a visitor walked through the back door of the Naples Backyard History Mini-Museum who turned out to be the great-great grandson of the founder of the city of Naples. Since then, many surprise guests have passed through our doors, front and back, with stories about the magic of this place we call home. But this past week was something to behold.

What are the odds that another great-great grandson of the founder of our city would find his way through our back door? Pretty good, I'd say now.

Sayer Combs says hello

Sure enough, Sayer Combs, the other great-great grandson of Walter Haldeman, stopped in one afternoon and said he's heard some of his relatives mention the new history museum in town. Although we talked about many things, it was apparent that Mr. Combs simply needed to "speak his piece" (a Southern expression for a cathartic monologue).

He wanted us to know that he had tried his best to keep the Haldeman House (the city's oldest house) where it belonged — next to the Naples Pier.

The move of the Haldeman House to Bonita Springs was and still is painful for many. Three different groups thought they knew what was best for the historic house: One wanted to move it to a site next to Palm Cottage, another wanted to leave it where it originally stood, and the third wanted to move it to the Collier County Museum.

Yet in the final analysis, it was landscape architect Christian Busk who put his money where his mouth was, and saved the Haldeman House (at a great cost to himself, I might add).

That's all water under the proverbial bridge now, though, and after Mr. Combs said his piece, he left with a promise to come back soon for another visit.

Lynne Hixon-Holley and Sue Smith stop by

Lynne Hixon-Holley, a retired county judge, has visited the mini-museum regularly since our recent interview. But on a particular sojourn last week she was accompanied, much to our delight, by a someone who truly needs no introduction for anyone who ever watches city government channel on cable TV. Sue Smith, the champion of city citizens' rights, has been a regular at Naples City Council meetings for some 30-plus years.

A true Southern lady if there ever was one, Ms. Smith grew up in Naples, in more ways than one. She knows where many bodies are buried — figuratively speaking, of course — so she is a force to be reckoned with and will "stand by her Ebenezer" until she feels the job is done (Ebenezer is Southern expression for plant your flag and stand your ground).

On this visit, Ms. Hixon-Holley and Ms. Smith were on a mission to talk about a formidable group of women who were responsible for many important initiatives in the early days of our city: the members of The Naples Woman's Club. These gracious elders left me with not-so-subtle instructions to care for the club's archives.

For the record, I will do what I can.

Along comes Chester Keen

Chester Keen was the fourth visitor from out of the blue to the mini-museum last week. A former Naples police officer and Collier County deputy, he had written some stories about his experiences and called to see if the new museum lady in town (30 years is new, I reckon) cared to see them. I urged him to come on down.

After learning he had just missed seeing the judge, he showed me a story he wrote about a time when he was a bailiff in Ms. Hixon-Holley's court. It seems a social worker who was new to the area had brought a family from Marco Island into court for child neglect because the children had scars on their arms. The attorney for the family said, "Judge, the official county insect for Collier is the no-see-um," and with that the good judge laughed and dismissed the case. It seemed the social worker simply didn't recognize the signs of too much scratching.

When today meets the past

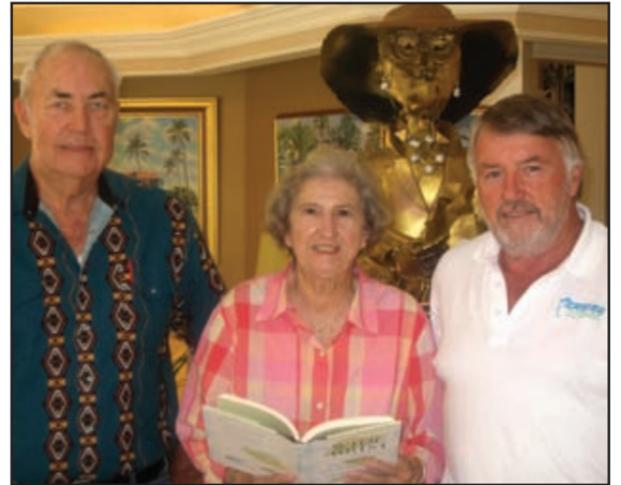
Enter Peter Thomas, a relative newcomer to Naples but an old timer in spirit and duty. Mr. Thomas stopped in to say hello while I was meeting with one of our city's newest newcomers.

Lance Julian, an eighth-generation New

Zealander, has been here for just 10 weeks. He had come by the mini-museum in hopes of learning a bit about the history of the working waterfront, as he and his son, Harry, are designing cultural cruises on Naples Bay.

While the old timers' love of local history is understandable and certainly admirable, I find there's something truly magical about a newcomer who has a heartfelt appreciation for the past. ■

Lois Bolin is the co-founder of Naples Cultural Landscape, a fund at the Community Foundation of Collier County. Naples Backyard History is the fund's educational initiative. For more information, visit the NBYH Mini-Museum at 1300 Third St. S., call 594-2978 or visit www.naplesbackyardhistory.org.



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Chester Keene, Lynne Hixon-Holley and Lance Julian at the mini-museum



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The Shelter's summer assignment: Collect back-to-school supplies

Even though school's out for summer, the staff at the Shelter for Abused Women & Children is looking ahead to fall and the back-to-school needs of children who access programs and services from the non-profit domestic violence center.

The Shelter encourages businesses, community and neighborhood organizations and individuals to help raise awareness and collect much-needed supplies that will ease the stress of the first day of school for youngsters who deal with other kinds of stress every day. Children and their mothers often arrive at the emergency shelter with nothing more than the clothes on their backs.

In addition to gift certificates to Wal-Mart, Target and Payless for back-to-school clothing, the Shelter needs new backpacks and supplies ranging from pencils and markers to lunchboxes, spiral notebooks and three-ring binders, calculators and calendars, glue sticks and scissors.

Collecting school supplies for donation to the Shelter can be a rewarding project for neighbors, friends and office colleagues. For more information about organizing a back-to-school drive, call 775-3862, ext. 235, or e-mail LSantos@naplesselter.org. ■

'Destiny' bank seeks Naples site for collecting, distributing diapers

Destiny Diaper Bank is a nonprofit organization that distributes 8,000-9,000 diapers each month to more than 200 low-income families in Southwest Florida every month. The Rev. Rebecca Hines started the charity in Cape Coral two years ago and now has distribution sites in Fort Myers and Lehigh Acres. She is seeking a collection and distribution site in Naples.

The organization accepts monetary donations and donations of diapers for newborns, toddlers, special-needs children and adults and the elderly. Business, schools, churches and numerous community organizations throughout Southwest Florida have conducted diaper drives for the bank. Computer Outlets in the Publix

plaza at 3300 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs, is serving as a collection site through July 13.

A network of "Moms Passing It Forward" has developed among women who have received donations from the diaper bank for their children. These recipients started giving the diaper bank their babies' outgrown clothing and equipment, including bottles, strollers and cribs, and now the bank passes these things along to other mothers in need.

If you are interested in learning more about making a contribution or becoming a Naples site for Destiny Diaper Bank, call Rev. Hines at 549-2130 or visit www.destinydiaperbank.com. ■

Trinity-by-the-Cove awards grants for youth-related social services

The Community Grant Commission at Trinity-by-the-Cove Episcopal Church has awarded \$6,000 to Youth Haven to help refurbish the kitchen in its emergency shelter, and \$4,000 to the David Lawrence Center & Foundation to expand its Children's Outpatient Services.

Brownie's Emergency Shelter at Youth Haven is the only residential home for abused, abandoned or neglected children in Collier County.

"We prepare more than 14,000 meals in the kitchen every year... a feat for which the existing kitchen was never designed or properly equipped," said Youth Haven CEO Ron McSwiney, adding the grant monies are earmarked for the purchase and installation of commercial grade countertops, appliances, sinks, cupboards and related hardware, as well as for construction of more prep room and space for family-style dining.

The David Lawrence Center will use its grant to help pay for an additional staff person who will provide evaluation and assess-

ment services to at-risk children and their families and to enhance outreach services.

The center plans to target 50 additional at-risk children in Collier County and ensure that once they have a comprehensive evaluation and assessment, they have access to a comprehensive continuum of mental health and substance abuse services specially designed for the needs of children. These services include crisis stabilization, individual, family and group therapy, psychiatric medical services, case management, therapeutic behavioral onsite services, substance abuse intervention and prevention education. Outreach efforts will include helping families who might not realize they are eligible for Medicaid to enroll in the program so they can afford services for their children.

For more information about Youth Haven, call 774-2904 or visit www.youthhaven.net.

For more information about the David Lawrence Center and Foundation, call 354-1468 or visit www.davidlawrencecenter.org. ■

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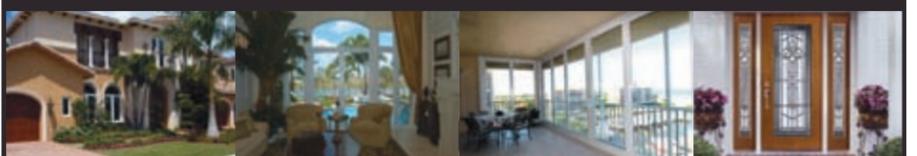
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**Chabad Naples brings
Camp Gan Israel back**

Nearly 100,000 children around the world attend Camp Gan Israel, a network of Jewish summer day camps for ages 4-12. For the fifth year, Camp Gan Israel in Naples is offered this summer by Chabad Naples at Seagate Elementary School. Sessions run from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday now through July 17; half-day sessions are available for 4-year-olds. To register or for more information, call Ettie Zaklos at 262-4474 or e-mail ettie@chabadnaples.com ■

**Send the kids to shape up
at boot camp**

Naples Youth Fitness Boot Camp, a four-week program for kids ages 8-16 of all fitness levels, starts Monday, June 29. Asher Rost, a certified personal trainer, has joined the staff of Naples Fitness Boot Camp to run the youth camp from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at Vineyards Park. Cost is \$157.50. To register or for more information, call 431-6526 or 206-1920, or visit www.naplesfitnessbootcamp.com. ■

ation, call 431-6526 or 206-1920, or visit www.naplesfitnessbootcamp.com. ■

**'Winning Edge' football camp
returns in July**

Winning Edge Summer Football Camp sponsored by First Baptist Church of Naples and The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will take place at the church from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, July 27-30. The non-padded camp is divided into age groups 7-9 years, 10-11 years, and 12-14 years old. Activities include physical exercise as well as lessons about football basics and sports nutrition; daily devotionals are led by FCA Huddle Leaders. To register or for more information, call Matt Jansen at 596-8600, ext. 210, e-mail mjansen@fbalions.org, or visit www.fbcnsportsoutreach.com. ■

**'Learn and Grow'
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Collier County Parks and Recreation "Learn and Grow" summer camp for elementary and middle school children runs through Aug. 7, Monday through Friday, at 10 locations. Fees include breakfast and lunch at all park locations, with the exception of Max Hasse Community Park and Vineyards Community Park. For children not attending camp, the county welcomes walk-ins for both breakfast and lunch at: Veterans Community Park, Golden Gate Community Center, Immokalee Community Park, Parkside Elementary School and Sugden Regional Park. Breakfast is served at 9 a.m. and lunch at noon. To register for Camp Collier, visit www.collierparks.com or sign up in person at your nearest community park. For more information about camp or about summer meals, visit the Web site or call 252-4000. ■

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Opera Naples' Teen Performing Summer Camp comes to a close this weekend with a rousing production of the Gilbert & Sullivan classic, "The Pirates of Penzance," at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at Moorings Presbyterian Church.

By curtain time for their one-time-only performance, the cast and crew of 25 young performers ages 8-19 will have had nine days of intensive rehearsal.

Pamela Leighton-Bilik, creator of International Youth Gilbert & Sullivan, is in Naples to direct the production. A former Disney Teacher of the Year nominee, Ms. Leighton-Bilik was a recent nominee for the Lockheed-Martin Award for Excellence in the Arts and Humanities. She is the founder and artistic director of The G&S Youth Players of Washington, D.C., and former director of education for the International Gilbert and Sullivan Festival in the United Kingdom.

Robin Shuford-Frank, educational outreach director and chorus master for Opera Naples, is music director for the summer show.

"The Pirates of Penzance" is the second production under the auspices of Opera Naples' Teen Performing Summer Camp.



"These are my daughters," the proud papa, played by Luciano Marsalli, third from left, says in a scene from "The Pirates of Penzance." The girls are, left to right: Becca Barton, Hannah Weilminster, Toni-Ann Singh, Rhya Woodland and Alissa Roca.



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Director Pamela Leighton-Bilik at Opera Naples summer camp 2008

For its inaugural season in 2008, Ms. Leighton-Bilik and Ms. Shuford-Frank directed "The Mikado."

Opera Naples thanks patron Clemcello Deliso of Naples and Massachusetts for generously underwriting the summer program. Additional donations to benefit the company's Educational Outreach Program will be welcome at the door before the performance.

For more information, call Opera Naples at 514-SING (7464). ■

<p>This week's Trivia challenge: Answer: (Jeopardy Style!) The White House and Graceland. What is the question? See next week for the answer.</p> <p>Last week's Trivia Q&A: Who won rock music's first Pulitzer Prize? Bob Dylan (whose real name is Robert Zimmerman.)</p>	 <p>Benjamin Franklin THE PUNCTUAL PLUMBER.</p> <p>If there's any delay, it's you we pay!..</p> <p>239 775-2387 www.whistledixie.com</p>	<p>Call Us To Save Money On A New Air Conditioner and qualify for the \$1500 tax credit.</p> <p>601-4687</p>  <p>ONE HOUR AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING Always On Time...Or You Don't Pay A Dime!</p>
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HEALTHY LIVING

'Campers first... Tourette's second'

Kids with neurological disorder find friends, fun all week in Georgia

BY SHANE BLATT

Special To Florida Weekly

Just three days into summer camp, and Amanda Smith is ready to rattle off what she likes.

Swimming. Singing. Dancing. Tree climbing.

And boys.

After a day of physical activities, the 10-year-old said she and her friends like to return to their cabins to do and talk "girl stuff."

That's hair, makeup — and Max.

"I have a crush on an 18-year-old. He knows, but says we can only be friends," said a smiling Amanda, clad in a football

jersey with pink trim.

Such is life at the weeklong camp for youngsters like Amanda, who has Tourette's syndrome.

Camp Twitch and Shout in Winder, Ga., boasts 50 campers with varying degrees of the neurological disorder known for its involuntary movements and vocal sounds, called tics.

Youngsters with Tourette's have come to Georgia from as far as New York and California and range in age from 7 to 18.

Activities — from canoeing and kayaking to archery and arts and crafts — are held at the 53-acre Camp Will-A-Way, a new addition to Atlanta-based Camp Twin Lakes. For 17 summers, Camp



Katie Stapleton, above left, launches Mason Loggins in a kayak at Camp Twitch and Shout in Winder, Ga.



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Brad Cohen, left, and Jimmy Wolk, the actor who played Cohen in a TV movie, teach tree climbing at Camp Twitch and Shout. Mr. Cohen organized the weeklong camp.

Tourette's Syndrome

• **What it is:** Disorder characterized by involuntary, sudden movements and/or vocal outbursts.

• **The symptoms:** May include blinking, head jerking, throat clearing and clicking, among others.

• **How many have it:** About 200,000 in the United States, though it can be difficult to diagnose.

• **The cursing:** It is a common misconception that everyone with Tourette's utters obscenities. Only a small percent-

age affected with Tourette's have this symptom.

• **Treatment:** There is no cure, but medications are available to help control symptoms.

• **For children:** Tourette's doesn't affect a child's intelligence, but it can make learning more difficult. Some people afflicted by Tourette's have difficulty reading or writing. Additionally, some with Tourette's may also have obsessive-compulsive disorder. ■

— Source: Tourette's Syndrome Association

Twin Lakes has served kids with special needs.

Brad Cohen, an educator whose life with Tourette's was chronicled in a television movie last year, is camp director. He's quick to point out that Twitch and Shout is about having fun, not dwelling on the disorder.

"We don't sit around and talk about Tourette's," he said. "This isn't therapy. This isn't a doctor's office. It's not school. We just come here and let them do camp activities ... just be kids."

And by engaging with others with Tourette's, campers realize they're not alone, said Mr. Cohen.

"We all know we have a disability," Mr. Cohen said. "We have a disability because the rest of the world thinks we have one. The reality is, these kids can do anything they want."

Gil Berman, 16, of Sandy Springs, Ga., wants to be a comedian.

"I've always loved making people laugh. It's a great feeling," said Mr. Berman, who came to camp straight from an improv performance in downtown Atlanta.

Actor Jimmy Wolk, who played Cohen in "Front of the Class" on CBS, flew from California to volunteer. "When Brad told he was doing this, I booked my ticket," he said.

A camp counselor growing up, Mr. Wolk and others showed the youngsters the ropes as they climbed 35 feet up a tree. He said he was excited to see them soar.

Rhett Sewell, who's one of the camp's 30 volunteers, said Twitch and Shout hits close to his heart.

"I have Tourette's syndrome as well, so it really touches home," said Mr. Sewell, 18, of Newnan, Ga. "We've been treating them as campers first, kids with Tourette's second."

Ken Frazier, 14, of Powder Springs, Ga., has been to a Tourette's camp before in Chicago. He is drawn to archery and swimming, as well as kayaking — up until he fell out of the boat.

Mr. Frazier finds Twitch and Shout relaxing and spacious, but he does have a camp criticism. "They need to supply everyone with bug spray." ■

Online service holds your spot at the hospital

BY SHEILA M. POOLE

Special To Florida Weekly

Have you ever made an online reservation at your favorite restaurant? What if you could do the same for an emergency room visit?

Tyler Kiley, a 23-year-old entrepreneur, has applied a practice used by the restaurant industry as a remedy to long waits at hospitals. Two years ago, Mr. Kiley launched InQuickER, an online service that lets users hold their places in line in the emergency room.

It may help. Health-care experts say hospital emergency rooms are facing a number of pressures, including more patients and more closings. Between 1994 and 2004, U.S. visits to the ER increased an estimated 18 percent to 26 percent, while the number of emergency departments decreased between 9 percent and 12 percent, according to a report in Health Affairs.

Both contribute to longer wait times. Based

on a 2007 report by Press Ganey Associates, the average time spent in U.S. emergency rooms was 240 minutes, although other reports put it much lower.

"What's frustrating is when you don't know how long is the wait," Mr. Kiley said. "... We want to give patients two things: time and certainty."

InQuickER guarantees its customers will be seen by a physician or physician's assistant within 15 minutes of the specified time. If not (and if the correct information is given online), there is no charge to you or your insurance company for the visit.

Here's how it works: People go to the company's Web site, which shows the next available time at the closest hospital that uses the service. Users are then directed to a page where they describe their symptoms. The reserved time is usually determined by the charge nurse, who factors in current patient load, time of day and ambulance runs.

The cost is \$24.99 per use.

So far, three hospitals use the system, including Emory-Adventist Hospital in Smyrna, Ga.

The service isn't for everyone. If you have symptoms consistent with a stroke or heart attack, Mr. Kiley advises people to call 911.

An official at Emory-Adventist, an 88-bed hospital, said it's helped the ER become more efficient.

And there's an added benefit.

"The biggest selling point for nurses is that the patients are happy. That's just something not seen in the emergency room," said Brandon Dickey, director of the hospital's emergency department, which sees about 23,000 patients annually.

Mr. Dickey said the hospital has more than 1,000 visits through InQuickER, with 11 percent repeat users. An average ER wait during busy hours (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.) is between two and three hours.

An Internet programmer by profession, Mr. Kiley knew other industries were using the Inter-

net and reservation systems. "I said, 'Why don't we expand this to a field where it's really, really needed?'"

The service "is not a moneymaker for the hospital but a money saver," said Mr. Kiley, who says he was more interested in solving a problem than financial gain.

The service is not without some detractors.

Dr. Arthur Kellerman, professor of emergency medicine and associate dean for health policy at Emory University's School of Medicine, understands the issues facing emergency rooms, such as overcrowding, long wait times and other inefficiencies.

"If you're well enough to call and plug in a 10 a.m. time to be seen, why are you going to the emergency department and not your primary care physician?" said Dr. Kellerman, an attending physician at Grady Hospital in Atlanta. "That's really not what emergency departments are supposed to be for." ■

Symposium on human slavery continues with program by former congresswoman

As part of its Human Slavery Symposium Series, Florida Gulf Coast University presents "Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking - Identification and Response to the Victims" from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Thursday, July 30, at the Sugden Welcome Center on the campus at FGCU. The program is free and open to the public.

The Human Trafficking Symposium program is a series of continuing education programs offering practical guidelines for practitioners and the public seeking an in-depth understanding of issues and actions related to human trafficking.

The July 30 presenter is founder and president of Shared Hope International and former U.S. Congresswoman Linda Smith.

While still a member of Congress, Ms. Smith traveled to Falkland Road in Mumbai, India. The hopeless faces of desperate woman and children forced into prostitution compelled her to found Shared Hope International. To build momentum in the international anti-trafficking movement, she founded the War Against Trafficking Alliance in January 2001. WATA coordinates both regional and international efforts necessary to combat sex trafficking.

In February 2003, WATA co-sponsored a World Summit with the U.S. Department of State, which brought together non-government

and government leaders from 114 nations, all demonstrating a sustained commitment to prosecuting trafficking, providing assistance to victims and building regional strategies to protect the vulnerable from the sex trade.

Ms. Smith's presentation at FGCU for the Human Trafficking Symposium Series is designed to help participants:

- Understand the scope of the problem of child sex trafficking
- Identify the victims of domestic minor sex trafficking
- Know what steps are required next in the organized response to domestic minor sex trafficking

Participants who are nurses, ARNPs, clinical nurse specialists, LPNs, CNAs, social workers, marriage and family therapists and mental health counselors can earn two contact hours provided by Florida Gulf Coast University, Division of Continuing Education and Off-Campus Programs.

The symposium series is presented by the FGCU Division of Justice Studies, in collaboration with Continuing Education and Off-Campus Programs and in partnership with the Lee County Sheriff's Office.

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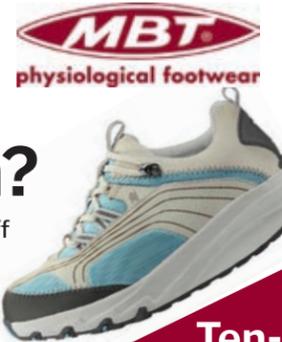
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TREES

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more than a dozen towering trees from the Nature Center at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, which is undergoing its own expansion and renovation.

"Our neighbors and friend have embraced the project with their offerings," says Brian Holley, the Garden's executive director. "Trees of all sizes and shapes have come from people and organizations all over the region.

"We are humbled by this incredible generosity and know that these gifts are the result of the donors' nurturing spirit, which will forever be a part of the Garden."

Twenty-two of the latest crop of trees bound for the Garden were planted as

seedlings more than 30 years ago along Oil Well Road and have been donated to the Garden by Barron Collier Companies.

And Collier Enterprises has donated a large kapok tree, a ficus, a sea grape and a soapberry tree from property it owns along the East Trail of U.S. 41.

As the Conservancy began to plan for the major greening of its campus as part of a \$33 million capital campaign, all trees on the Nature Center site were inventoried. A landscape architect, botanists and arborists were called in to help determine which trees would have to be removed or relocated.

The Garden provided the perfect location for a large number of trees that would have to be removed.

"The timing could not have been better," says Andrew McElwaine, Conservancy president and CEO.

Mr. Holley couldn't agree more. "Partnering with the Conservancy on this effort is what preservation, conservation and community is all about," he says.

The tree-moving project from Conservancy to Garden started June 18. The move was orchestrated by key personnel from both the Garden and the Conservancy, along with O'Donnell Landscaping and Ellin Goetz of Goetz + Stopes Landscape Architects.

The trees were prepared for the move to their new home by pruning the roots several feet from the trunk and then wrapping them in black cellophane and replanting for several days, during which time they were heavily watered to ensure that the soil around the root system remained intact.

On moving day, the 10- to 20-foot-tall trees were laid flat and carefully strapped down on flatbed trucks, strategically placed to reduce the amount of limbs that need to be cut for the five-mile trip from the Conservancy Nature

>> Plant sale proceeds will help the Garden grow

Members of the Naples Botanical Garden and their guests are invited to the ninth annual Summer Plant Sale at the home of Susan Gallagher and Newt Davis from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 27. The 1½-acre property at 77 Center St. in Naples has lots of shade and numerous native and non-native plants that will be for sale at great prices, all to benefit the Garden. Door prizes, guided tours and refreshments will be offered.

Those who plan to go to the sale are asked to call 598-3148 by Thursday, June 25, and leave a message indicating how many people will attend.

Center on Merrihue Drive to the Garden off Bayshore Drive.

Initial plans for the trees from the Conservancy at their new home at the Garden include placing a pop ash in the Vicky C. and David Byron Smith Children's Garden, four mastics in the Tropical Hardwood Hammock and the six gumbo limbos in natural areas throughout the Garden.

Firmly in place and being carefully cared for, the transplanted trees have several more months to establish their roots at the Garden before the weeklong grand opening celebration in November. Perhaps one of the best things about the gift of so many trees from so many in the community is that when opening day comes, visitors will be hard-pressed to identify which trees haven't been growing in the Garden forever. ■

Carolyn Miller is curator of collections at the Naples Botanical Garden. The new Garden will open to the public in November. For more information, call 643-7275 or visit www.naplesgarden.org.

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Everybody's happy when hummingbirds see red

BY LEE BELANGER
Special to Florida Weekly

Everyone loves to watch hummingbirds. Although the ruby-throated hummingbird is the most common variety seen in our part of the world, black-chinned and rufous hummingbirds occur here in smaller numbers. Occasionally, you might spot a couple of other kinds that have strayed from their usual flyways.

Hummingbirds need food, water, space and shelter to survive. They feed primarily on nectar from flowers, but when flowers are scarce, they rely on tree sap exposed by sapsuckers for the sugar that gives them energy. Supplemental dining on gnats, fruit flies, aphids, moths and other insects provides the



hummingbird diet with the necessary protein and minerals.

Southwest Floridians are fortunate because we can attract the fascinating little creatures to our yards year round. Commer-

cial hummingbird feeders come in many shapes and designs, and nearly all of them have at least a bit of bright red color somewhere on them to attract the birds. Some people advise tying a red ribbon to the feeder for added attraction.

If you buy a feeder with perches, you can watch your hummingbird visitors sit and sip. They do just as well without perches, however, since they can hover while they feed (which can be more fun for the bird-watcher).

Select your feeder not only by how it looks but also by how easy it is to fill and clean.

Some feeders come with a commercial food mix, but you can easily make your own hummingbird nectar. Here's my favorite recipe: Bring a mixture of four parts water to one part white sugar to a boil for at least five minutes to sterilize it. Let it come to room temperature before filling your feeder.

Never use honey or brown sugar to make hummingbird nectar, because they can cause a fungus fatal to the sweet little birds. It's also wise to avoid adding red food coloring to the nectar, as many experts suspect it is harmful to the birds. The red feeder itself is enough to attract the hummers.

Clean your feeder frequently with water and a weak vinegar solution, rins-

ing very well before adding fresh sugar water. When the temperature is consistently over 80 degrees, it's best to clean the feeder and change the nectar every three days in order to prevent spoilage.

Hummingbirds cannot survive on sugar water from feeders alone, however. If you have bright flowers blooming, place a feeder near them. A simple pot of annual petunias or fuchsia might be enough. It's also a good idea to place a feeder near trees. Hummers like to perch on tiny, high branches so they can see their surroundings and also be nearby cover.

If you have time and space, plant a hummingbird garden. In Florida you can have one that blooms year around. Flowering trees and shrubs such as fire-bush (*Hamelia patens*) and scarlet hibiscus (*Hibiscus coccineus*) bloom almost continuously. Wild butterfly milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*), scarlet sage (*Salvia coccinea*), trumpet vine (*Campsis radicans*) and coral honeysuckle (*Lonicera sempervirens*) are also long bloomers. Annuals can fill in when perennials are resting. Because hummingbirds find flowers by sight and not smell, your garden doesn't need fragrant flowers.

Whatever flowers you plant, be sure to avoid any pesticides on or near them.

You'll be surprised how quickly hummingbirds find your feeders and flowers, and how they remember. Sometimes it's a matter of minutes before they arrive.

Take care of them and they'll come back again and again. ■

Lee Belanger is a seasonal volunteer trail and canoe guide at Collier-Seminole State Park. To contact her, e-mail Lungwort@aol.com.

Take a hike or grab a paddle

Although guided canoe tours and hikes are ended for the summer, there's much to discover on your own at Collier-Seminole State Park:

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>>Hike 11 miles of trails - Experience pine flatwoods, cypress areas and rare royal palm hammocks. One of three trails is interpretative, another allows for off-road biking, and a third has a remote campsite. Be sure to stop to register at the ranger station for the two longer trails and call ahead to reserve the campsite. Trails are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The park also offers picnicking, birding, fishing, camping, a boat ramp and a chance to see the historic "walking dredge" that was used to build the Tamiami Trail.

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PET TALES

A fear-free Fourth

BY DR. MARTY BECKER & GINA SPADAFORI
Universal Press Syndicate

The Fourth of July is the ultimate summer holiday, a celebration not only of America's history and traditions, but also of family, food and fireworks fun.

But while we may love our pyrotechnics, pet lovers always need to remember our midsummer spectacular is no holiday for many of our animal companions.

While we humans are oohing and aahing, too often our pets are frightened out of their wits. They'll spend the holiday under the bed (or in the basement) cowering, shaking, drooling, and seeking safety and comfort. Scared pets have been known to jump out of apartment windows, leap over or dig under fences, or chew their skin until it's raw. They may also bolt out an open door to become lost but never found.

With the holiday at hand, make plans to ease the stress on your pet.

First, here's what you should not do — reward your pet for being scared. Comforting scared pets may seem the right thing to do, but it sends the wrong message. If you remain calm and don't baby scared pets, they'll be closer to learning how to handle loud noises.

The best defense against Fourth of July problems is a good offense. Professional trainers and behaviorists start socializing dogs and making every potentially negative experience — such as fireworks and thunderstorms — into something rewarding. If a negative experience

comes with tasty treats, then your pet is going to at least tolerate it, if not welcome it. This works best when started as a puppy, but don't give up hope if your dog is already an adult: New behaviors can be learned.

One way to help your pet is to expose him or her to commercial recordings of thunderstorms or fireworks, and play them at increasing volume. Play the recordings at a low volume — recognizing how acute a pet's hearing is — and give praise and treats. It's a party! As the volume and duration are increased during subsequent sessions, give them really tasty treats so they have the expectation of a repeat treat. Initially, play the recording for five minutes, eventually leaving it on during daily activities as "normal" background noise.

That's not going to happen with just a few days to plan, so make a note for next year, and get ready to cope with this year's racket.

Provide pets with safe, secure hiding spaces inside your home. Dogs and cats who are comfortable in crates can find them a good place to ride out the noise, especially if the crate is put in a quiet, darkened part of the house. Whatever



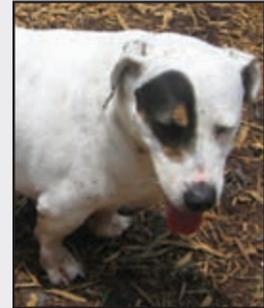
Some pets aren't bothered by holiday festivities, but others need to be protected.

you do, don't just throw your pet outside. A terrified pet can find a way out of the yard and, once out, will just keep running. The Fourth is a sadly busy time for emergency veterinary clinics, with a steady stream of pets hit by cars, and for animal control facilities dealing with an influx of lost pets.

If you know your pet becomes totally uninged by fireworks noise, talk to your veterinarian before the holiday about an appropriate medication to calm your pet. Make sure you understand the dose and how long before the evening falls to give the medication. You might also ask to learn some acupressure points that will help to calm your pet.

This Independence Day, while we enjoy our parades, picnics and fireworks, don't forget your pet: He's counting on you! ■

Pets of the Week



>>Ellie is a 5-year-old basset hound and dalmatian mix. She's very sweet, great on a leash and really just wants someone to spend time with.



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To adopt a pet

Collier County Domestic Animal Services is at 7610 Davis Blvd. Call 252-PETS (7387) or visit DAS online to search for a lost pet or find a new pet at www.collierpets.com. Adoption fees are \$60 for cats and \$85 for dogs and include spay/neuter surgery, a bag of pet food, pet's license and a micro-chip ID.

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MUSINGS

Rub



Rub a dub dub: Mortals in a tub. And how do you think they got there?

I don't mean to rub you the wrong way, to do the disservice of a rub of your nose in an indecent dimension.

I only desire descent without descent into dissension. I want to rub elbows with you. I want to rub shoulders with you.

One object moving, over and against one object stationary, along the surface, with pressure: Ah, there's the rub. It is the agony and the ecstasy.

We remember the agony of obstruction, the rub that is abrasion of uneven surface upon another. Serenity is marred. The difficult ensues. This is no rubber bullet. This rubbing in is rubbing out, lethal.

We find ourselves wandering in the night, sleepless, rubbing our hands to rub away damned spots of guilty body fluids unnamed and unidentified. And if we are unable to rub away the pain, we might obsessively examine rubbings, artifacts of memories etched stone walled in the archives of would be forgettings. Is this perseveration better than rubber rooms? Better yet is

erasure, rubbing senseless into complete censure. Tabula rasa, no more and always less.

Rub a dub: Dub. My mouth is moving and sounds emerge, but all is rubbed senseless, origin and original meaning rubbed out. Superimposed aural rubbings rule. The sense of emergent sound and meaning rub against the deaf receiver. Misinterpretation is reified, dubbed onto oral cavity rubbings. A foreign rubber universe is laid over me, like a masking shroud. Is this the cost of contact? Is this the rub? Who can win in this? How can there be peace, or merely détente? I would even strong arm into victory to make it stop.

Perhaps the rubber match is not incendiary. Perhaps the tie need not be broken. The rubbers that erase and sterilize, that disconnect and insulate, simultaneously protect, allowing some rub, some connection of limited trust and thrust. Is this not a service? Do not mothers everywhere caution their children to wear their rubbers?

The rub is rubbing off on me. "Rub" does not only name abrasion, after all. It is Russian currency and good Ugandan meat spice. It is Libyan date syrup lusciously lapping wheat flour cakes. It is lineament and the applying of lineament by skilled fingers. Rubbing is creative pattern making.

Rubbing is genesis of ecstasy. I have seen the aerial roots of rubber trees. I imagine them mutually rubbing earth and sky, profligate yet unashamed. They are connecting the unconnectable even as they prepare to create the rubbery stuff of ultimate disconnection and



insulation. Such is the rub.

I have hope that my words can rub you the right way, fingers upon desire, ultimate agonists altering reception of worlds.

Rubbing the Aladdin's lamp, I wish into existence twin bodies in embrace, rapt, wrapped. Afloat upon an ostensibly external sea they are kaleidoscopic yantra dancers. Apart from the rub they are not.

The rub is their nesting, their mingling and tingling and rampant song drumming. The rub at their single heart center is intolerable, inexorable, demanding and madness. With it they cannot go on. Without it they merely evaporate: senescent, evanescent, ephemeral,

inconclusive.

But even then I would be the recognizing of it anywhere. It is every where and when and how, closer than the air that rubs us into being. It is we, clean and afloat in the rub a dub tub.

Shakespeare says it: "To die, to sleep. To sleep: Perchance to dream: Ah, there's the rub." ■

— Rx is the FloridaWeekly muse who hopes to inspire profound mutiny in all those who care to read. Our Rx may be wearing a pirate cloak of invisibility, but emanating from within this shadow is hope that readers will feel free to respond. Who knows: You may even inspire the muse. Make contact if you dare.

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BUSINESS & REAL ESTATE

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A GUIDE TO THE NAPLES BUSINESS INDUSTRY

"International business is up for us, and in many cases it's now coming direct (instead of through a tour operator or other referral)." — Cathy Christopher, director of sales and marketing, The Inn on Fifth



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The Inn on Fifth is popular among European travelers because of its downtown location close to shops and restaurants, as well as its proximity to the beach.

The scoop on Euro tourism: It's up, it's down, it's good

BY GEORGE RAAB
Special to Florida Weekly

Unless you're immersed in it daily, data about European tourism from any number of Southwest Florida sources might be confusing. Variables are many, and head-counting methods are not identical county to county.

For example, based on numbers provided by the Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau, European visitors increased by nearly 25 percent in the first quarter of 2009 compared to the same period last year, while numbers from the Naples, Marco Island and the Everglades Convention and Visitors Bureau indicate a 4.6 percent increase.

During the same period, the total number of passengers enplaning and deplaning Air Berlin, which flies direct from Dusseldorf to Southwest Florida International Airport, was off by 24 percent.

"Don't go by that number," cautioned Nancy Hamilton, director of communications for the Lee County VCB, which also is known as The Beaches of Fort Myers



Eco-tourism destinations such as Port of the Islands, above, are also popular among visitors from abroad.

and Sanibel. "Most of our visitors come in through domestic connecting flights."

Even so, when Collier County's Tourism Development Council voted unanimously in early June to tap \$414,836 of a county emergency fund for a domestic summer advertising campaign, one reason cited, in addition to overall tourism being off every month to date in 2009, was that international requests for tourism information have dropped off.

No matter who you talk to, however, this much is clear: Courting travelers from afar is

a hugely competitive business in Southwest Florida and, indeed, across the United States. European tourists account for roughly 10 percent of our visitors during the year, with more coming from the United Kingdom during the summer months and from Germany in the fall and winter.

We ♥ Europeans

In the 1980s, Lee County's tourism arm paid for marketing representation in Germany and the United Kingdom. The effort was so successful that offices were opened in both locations. Collier County recently followed suit, adding a full-time marketing person in both locations last year.

That turned out to be an extremely good investment, said Jack Wert, executive director of the Naples, Marco Island and the Everglades CVB. In Collier County, 187,790 guests visited from Europe in 2008, an increase of 32.8 percent over the previous year.

Hoteliers and area tourism professionals

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WEEK at-a-glance



Inside the News

Touring the new home of the daily, and more business to-dos. **B7 & 8**



On the Move

See who's going where and doing what. **B4**



Know what you have

A detailed home inventory makes sense, especially in storm season. **B9**

Youth Leadership Collier grads reflect on a full, fulfilling week

Thursday night, June 18, in a conference room at the Naples Hilton with Van Halen's "Right Now" playing in the background, 30 teens sat in a circle laughing and crying as their weeklong adventure came to an end.

Having just participated in the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce's Youth Leadership Collier, an intense program that begins with teambuilding exercises, follows with visits to local businesses and concludes with a graduation dinner, their emotion was expect-

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ed. But what was even more amazing to witness was that in a matter of six short days, these young adults from different area high schools formed such a close-knit network you would think

they'd known one another since kindergarten.

Seventeen-year-old Cally Parks of Barron Collier High School said it best. "We were complete strangers a week ago, and by the next day we were all friends and family," she said through tears.

The point of Youth Leadership Collier is to empower students to become effective leaders and, by showcasing the community to them in a new way, encourage them to return to Naples to

start their career.

Victoria Barner, 17, of Community School of Naples, thought she'd just learn some new leadership techniques when in fact she learned so much more about herself, her fellow youth and her community. It was a visit to Arthrex during the week that really opened her eyes.

"You don't really consider Naples to be a huge hub of business," Victoria reflected on graduation night. "But to

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BUSINESS PROFILE

Frank Dolley is finding his way around a new hotel

BY EVAN WILLIAMS
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Frank Dolley has been loyal to the Hyatt Corp. for nine years. He has helped manage its hotels and resorts since a few days after graduating from Johnson and Wales University in Rhode Island with a degree in hotel and restaurant management. He went wherever Hyatt needed him, be it Orlando or San Diego.

"I love it," he said. "I like hosting people, taking care of people. I like seeing smiles on their faces. I've always been told I show a lot of passion in my job."

This year he took on a new position, the general manager of Hyatt Place Coconut Point in Estero, a 108-room hotel inside the sprawling Coconut Point mall, a magnet for locals and tourists alike.

"(The Coconut Point mall) is a selling point," Mr. Dolley said. "Other than having an ocean in your backyard, I can't ask for anything better than this. It sells itself."

It's the first time Mr. Dolley, 31, has been responsible for all the day-to-day operations of a hotel.

"It's very unique, very different," Mr. Dolley said. "There's so much for me to learn."

The Hyatt Place brand — one of eight owned by Hyatt Corp. — is structured without separate housekeeping, restaurant and human resources departments like many other hotels. With the help of one assistant, Mr. Dolley finds himself playing many roles.

It's a streamlined approach to management. The hotel's 20 employees are divided into three groups all working under Mr. Dolley: housekeeping, maintenance and "gallery hosts," who simultaneously check guests in and work in the cafe. But all are considered "hosts," meaning they interact with guests.

Ultimately, Mr. Dolley feels, that means a better experience for guests, because it reduces the disconnectedness and confusion that can result in having many departments all working to help one guest.

"Everyone does everything," he explained. "I provide the service the guest wants on their terms. If you need something we're going to do it, but we don't have a (separate) department to do it for you."

The Hyatt Place brand is also built around a concept called "purposeful service," which means taking a personal interest in guests' comfort.

"Purposeful is about greeting guests, making contact, sharing a moment, sharing a compliment," Mr. Dolley said.

To that end, his first stop every morning — after doing a walk through on the property — is the hotel's 24-hour café, where he mingles with guests at breakfast. He's not hard to spot: a dapper gentleman with a friendly smile in a pressed suit and tie.

After breakfast, it's hard to know where to find him. He might be handling a food and beverage order or health department inspection, calling a landscaping crew, training a new employee or even being a



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Frank Dolley

bell-hop if needed.

The hotel had a soft opening on Feb. 24 with season in full swing. Things had slowed down by the time of the grand opening April 2. Weekdays are generally filled with business travelers, while weekends bring transient visitors, Mr. Dolley said — mostly from Southwest Florida and some from the East Coast.

"I think this year you see a lot of people taking local trips," he said.

Mr. Dolley has lived in the area for four years, but grew up in Beverly, Mass. A go-

getter from the get go, his first job was a paper route for the *Beverly Times*.

"I made bank," Mr. Dolley said, meaning that he earned a lot of cash, at least for what the job was. "I was very eager."

He also made bank working at a Bell's grocery store, then at a Friendly's restaurant and in college as a fine-dining server at Grappa, an Italian restaurant.

As soon as he graduated from Johnson & Wales, Mr. Dolley was assigned to a management position at a Hyatt brand hotel in Orlando.

"I liked Florida," he said. "I'd vacationed here before."

Then he was transferred to a Hyatt brand hotel in Loyola, Calif., where he worked for nine months, before heading to the Hyatt Regency Mission Bay in San Diego. Four years ago, he was transferred to the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa in Bonita Springs, as a front office manager and executive housekeeping manager. His wife, Joyce, still works there, right across the street.

Originally, Mr. Dolley had planned to go into hotel ownership. But now he says that dream is on hold as he focuses on an even brighter future: a 10-year-old daughter, 2-year-old son, and one more on the way. When not working, he might be picking up one of his suits — he buys them from Men's Wearhouse at Coconut Point — from the dry cleaner. But more often than not, he's with his family. "If it's going to the beach, sitting in the pool, shopping, I am just basically engaging with what's going on in their lives," he said. ■



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Chile and Mexico. There are plans for future restaurants in the midtown section of Atlanta and in Istanbul, Turkey.

Piola cuisine is rigorously Italian, specializing in thin-crust, brick oven pizzas prepared with homemade dough and original combinations of the freshest ingredients. Piola also offers a selection of fresh made salads, carpacci and Italian pastas. Hours in The Mercato are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. seven days a week. Call 592-5056. ■

Sweet! Cupcake boutique ready to serve goodies

A new boutique cupcake bakery, Sassy Cakes, opens for business at 2550 Goodlette Frank Road N. on Friday, June 26. Throughout the summer the bakery will accept special orders for pick-up or delivery and will be open for take-out from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Friday, with expanded hours planned for early fall. Call 687-5100 or visit www.sassycakes.biz. ■

New Publix opens in Ave Maria

The area's newest Publix has opened in La Piazza Publix Center, 4975 Avila Ave. in Ave Maria. The 28,800-square-foot store with full-service bakery, deli and seafood departments will employ 80 associates. Store hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week. ■

POWERPOINTS

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see a huge, global company headquartered in Naples was amazing."

Jaime Ceron, a 17-year-old from Palmetto Ridge High School who's still unsure as to what he wants to do career-wise, was happy to see all of the opportunities available to him right here, close to home. During the week the group had toured The Ritz-Carlton, Naples Community Hospital, Fun Time Nursery, Whole Foods, county government offices and the offices of D'Latinos TV station. He was also inspired to see business people not only doing what they love, but doing it to help others. "The Neighborhood Health Clinic gives so much back to the community. It's amazing to see that people who actually do that," Jaime said.

The Neighborhood Health Clinic also made an impression on 18-year-old Cindy Rivas of Golden Gate High School. "It's really hard for me to



Youth Leadership Collier Class of 2009

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cry, but this place got to me," she confessed. Hearing Nancy Lascheid discuss her passion to provide medical services to the low-income, working, uninsured people of Collier County "touched my heart and energized me

to think that whatever I do, it's going to be about helping other people, because that's the biggest satisfaction you can ever feel."

Since 2005, Youth Leadership Collier has been helping young adults to

create networks and resources within their community. This year 76 students applied for 30 positions. The program is offered every June. For more information, visit www.naples-chamber.org. ■

Youth Leadership Collier Class of 2009

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ON THE MOVE

Chambers of Commerce

The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce announces the following appointments to its board of directors: **Mike Carrigan**, CEO/president, TIB Bank; **Murray Hendel**, president, Collier County Presidents' Council; **Bob Murray**; **Colleen Murphy**, senior VP/managing director, Gibraltar Private Bank; and **John Schmieding**, general counsel, Arthrex. In addition, board member **Michael Wynn** of Sunshine Ace Hardware is the new vice-chair/marketing.

Tiffany Esposito and **Ryan Uhler** have joined the staff of the Bonita Springs Chamber of Commerce, effective July 1. A 2009 graduate of Florida Gulf Coast University, Ms. Esposito will be the chamber's communications manager; Mr. Uhler, a 2006 FGCU graduate, will be the marketing manager. Ms. Esposito served as president of Florida Public Relations Association at FGCU and is a member of the American Advertising Federation of Southwest Florida. While a student, Mr. Uhler volunteered at WGCU Public Media. He previously was the marketing manager for Island Air Heating and Cooling Inc.



ESPOSITO



UHLER

The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce announces the following members of the 2010 class of Leadership Collier, a nine-month program that begins in September: **Jeffrey Ahren**,

Legal Aid Service of Collier County; **James Anderson**, RWA Inc.; **Chris Armstrong**, Life's Next Steps; **Earle Borman**, Naples Town Hall Distinguished Speakers; **Clay Brooker**, **Cheffy Passidomo**, P.A.; **Daniel Brown**, BanyanBrown Solutions Inc.; **James Butler**, Grey Oaks Country Club; **Raymond Cabral**, John R. Wood Realtors; **David Corban**, Gregg Development of Naples; **Joseph Cunningham**, Turrell, Hall & Associates; **Robert deCastro**, Lemon Tree Inn; **Mari DeWees**, Florida Gulf Coast University; **Taylor Forrest**, Barron Collier Companies; **Norman Gentry**, DeAngelis Diamond Construction; **Tate Haire**, Wells Fargo Bank; **Erika Hinson**, NCH Healthcare System; **Vacharee Howard**, PACE Center for Girls at Immokalee; **Mark Iannarelli**, Wasmer, Schroeder & Company; **Michelle Jones**, Adventure Training Concepts; **Lavigne Kirkpatrick**, Avow Hospice; **Michele Klinowski**, Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce; **David Kreve**, Physicians Regional Medical Center; **Kyle Langbehn**, Marine Max; **Dan Lavender**, Moorings Park Inc.; **Jeanette Lombardi**, Jeanette M. Lombardi, P.A.; **Rachel Loukonen**, Grant, Fridkin, Pearson, Athan, & Crown; **Shelley Lund**, Florida Weekly; **Anne Marchetti**, Account-Ability Consulting; **Janeice Martin**, State Courts System; **Andrew Meulenberg**, Barron Collier Partnership; **Carla Mills**, Maverick Health; **Teresa Morgenstern**, WordPlay Inc.; **Linda Oberhaus**, Shelter for Abused Women & Children; **Cindy Obrecht**, Arthrex Inc.; **Carol Sheehy**, Prudential Florida Realty; **Annalise Smith**, Sunshine Pharmacy; **Toni Sparkman**, Markham Norton Mosteller Wright & Co.; **Mary Jo Spartz**, Naples News Media Group; **Stephanie Spell**, Collier County Sheriff's Office; **Alina Stanciu**, Advanced Eye Care & Laser Center; **Dan Summers**, Collier County Government; **Marc VanDam**, The Hilton Naples; and **Jason Vogel**, CH2M Hill OML.

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Insurance

Allstate agents **John Books** and **Renee Moisan** have received the Agency Hands in the Community Award for their commitment to helping others in the community. With this award comes a \$1,000 grant from The Allstate Foundation for the YMCA of Palms, where Mr. Books and Ms. Moisan volunteer.

Law & Order

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Susan Mainwaring has been appointed executive director of Classic Chamber Concerts, a nonprofit corporation dedicated to providing world-class music at affordable prices to adults and students in Collier County. Ms. Mainwaring has 11 years of experience serving the local nonprofit arts community. She has worked as an arts management consultant with the Arsenal Gallery, Marco Island Historical Society and Sally M. Woliver & Associates.



SPROUL

Katie Sproul has been named chairman of the Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida Business Hall of Fame Advisory Board for 2009. Ms. Sproul is the vice president of real estate for Barron Collier Companies. Joining her on the advisory board are: **Craig Sherman**, executive vice president/chief loan officer of Bank of Florida Corp.; **Lisa Barnett Van Dien**, attorney with Cheffy, Passidomo, Wilson & Johnson LLP; **Wilma Boyd**, president/CEO of Preferred Travel of Naples; **Carleton Case**, vice president, business development of Brown & Brown Benefits; **Kristin Conroy**, attorney with Conroy, Conroy & Durrant; **Clay Cone**, president of Cone Communications Company; **John English**, PE, vice president/principal of WilsonMiller Inc.; **Paul Jones**, M.D.; and **Jerry Nichols**, executive vice president of Brown & Brown Benefits. ■

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BUSINESS MEETINGS

► **YP Naples** members will meet for speed networking beginning at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25, at The Melting Pot, 2950 Ninth St. North. Members will gather for "Talkin' Over Tapas" from 5:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 23, at IM Tapas, 965 Fourth Ave. North. RSVP to thegiftgirl@msn.com. For more information about YP Naples, visit www.yppnaples.com.

► **Lee-Collier Networkers** meets for lunch once a month in Bonita Springs and also in Naples. The Naples meeting is at 11:15 a.m. on the fourth Friday (next meeting June 26) at the Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club; \$30 at the door or \$25 in advance. The Bonita Springs meeting is at 11:15 a.m. on the second Thursday (next meeting July 9) at the Elks Lodge on Coconut Road; \$21 at the door (cash only), \$16 in advance. www.leecolliernet.com.

► **The Eastern Collier County Chamber of Commerce and Fisher & Phillips LLP** will host a breakfast briefing on 2009 changes in employment laws Wednesday, July 1, at the Seminole Casino in Immokalee. The event is open to the public and will be of interest to in-house counsel, human resource professionals, business owners, risk managers, CEOs and anyone who wants to learn about new labor laws. Registration and breakfast begin at 7:30 a.m., and the program will go from 8-10 a.m. Cost is \$15 per person. Call 657-3237 or email ecoc@comcast.net for reservations.

► The next **Accelerated Networking Luncheon** for members of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce begins at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, July 2, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Cost is \$15, and reservations must be made by June 25. www.napleschamber.org/eventbts.

► **The Naples Area Professional League of Executive Services, N.A.P.L.E.S.**, meets from 7-9 a.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month at The Club at Naples Bay Resort. www.naplesgroup.net.

► **The Jewish Business Network of Southwest Florida** meets for breakfast and business on the second Friday of the month (next meeting July 10) from 7:30-9 a.m. in the conference room at Robb & Stucky in

Fort Myers, 13170 Cleveland Ave. Cost for members is \$5 in advance, \$10 at the door; non-members pay \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Bring business cards, brochures and a friend. To RSVP and for information about how to pay in advance, call 433-7708 or e-mail yourjbn@chabadswf.org.

► Table sponsorships are available for the 2009-10 program year of **Wake Up Naples**, the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce's popular and informative monthly networking breakfast meeting. Held the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Naples Hilton, Wake Up Naples presents a valuable networking opportunity as well as guest speakers who address issues important to Collier County's business climate. Jack Wert of the Naples, Marco Island and The Everglades Convention and Visitor Bureau will be the guest speaker the first meeting of the new program year on July 15. Guest speaker Aug. 19 will be Nancy Peyton of Friends of the Florida Panther. Table sponsors receive four reserved seats and table signage at each of the season's 10 breakfast meetings. For more information, e-mail Brenda O'Connor at Brenda@napleschamber.org.

► The next **Business After Five** meeting for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 16, at the Capital Grille in The Mercato. Register online at www.napleschamber.org/events.

► **The Direct Selling Women's Alliance Southwest Florida Area Chapter** meets on the third Tuesday of every month (next meeting July 21) from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Nonna Regina Italian Restaurant in North Naples. Cost is \$5 and does not include lunch. Chapter president is Mindy Idaspe. For more information, call 248-9704 or e-mail lacl88@dswa.org.

► **The Neapolitan Chapter of the American Business Women's Association** will meet to induct officers and enjoy casino night from 7-10 p.m. Friday, July 24, at the Hilton Naples. For more information, call 513-4652, e-mail info@abwaneapolitan.org or visit www.abwaneapolitan.org.

► **Business Network International** holds its weekly meeting at 7:15 a.m. Thursdays at St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church, 7100 Airport-Pulling Road N., North Naples. For more information and to make a reservation, call 354-3224.

► **Goal Setters Business Network International** holds its weekly breakfast meeting at 8 a.m. Wednesdays at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1225 Piper Blvd. For information, call Lola Moore at 398-3006 or Kelly Salmons at 597-0787. ■

Florida Festival and Events Association will hold annual convention in Bonita Springs

The Florida Festival and Events Association is holding its 2009 convention and trade show Wednesday-Friday, Aug. 5-7, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort and Spa. Event professionals from around the country will address topics including:

- Advanced Sponsorship Strategies
- How to Harness the Power of Multi-Cultural Marketing
- Website Marketing 101
- Site Operations Management
- Assembling Special Event Committees for Today
- Entertainment - Breaking it Down
- Social Media - Let's Give 'em Something to Talk About
- Times are Hard - Take Advantage

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The FFEA Convention and Trade Show is in its 15th year. Registration is \$395 for full delegates and exhibitors and includes the welcome reception, two lunches, two dinners, evening socials and late-night hospitality hours. Day rates are also available. For more information, call (561) 736-7071 or go to www.ffea.com. ■



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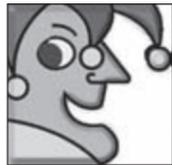
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Term Life vs. Cash Value

If you're single or have no dependents, you probably need little or no life insurance. With a little planning, you can establish a low-risk savings fund to cover funeral costs, and then invest the money you would have paid in insurance premiums.

But if anyone depends on your income stream, you need life insurance to protect it. Aim to replace it, but don't think you need to pay a lot for a policy that will give your family a lottery-like payout if you die.

There are two main types of life insurance: "term" and "cash value."

With term insurance, your premium payments are applied entirely to the cost of the insurance, and coverage can easily be dropped when you no longer have dependents. It's a very simple and effective option.

Cash value insurance, meanwhile, encompasses a wide variety of financial products, such as whole life, universal life and variable life. These combine term life insurance with a long-term, tax-sheltered savings plan. The most important thing to understand about

these policies is that they're designed to be held for life. There are usually significant up-front charges associated with setting up the savings plan, investing the money and paying the agent's commission. Even with these charges, tax-sheltered savings can still catch up to taxed investments and begin delivering a real advantage — but that can take 10 to 20 years.

So never opt for cash value insurance without doing a lot of homework. Don't let an aggressive agent sway you with confusing presentations and emotional arguments. Remember that term life can last as long as you want, via guaranteed renewable policies. If you're attracted to the investment portion of cash value insurance, know that you can always buy less-expensive term insurance and invest the difference on your own. You stand a good chance of outperforming the insurance company, too.

Don't make the common mistakes of buying more insurance than you need, or the wrong kind of insurance. Learn more at www.Fool.com/insurance and <http://insurance.yahoo.com>, and look up some prices at www.insure.com. ■

My Dumbest Investment

Worth \$50 or \$2?

My dumbest move was leaving a lot of money in my former company's stock. I did this after talking to a professional stock analyst who worked for a hedge fund. The fund owned about 7 percent of the company's stock. He told me that according to his analysis, the stock, which was trading around \$18 per share, was worth about \$30 with the current management and would be worth \$50 with better management. It's now selling for about \$2. I paid a high price for not diversifying enough. Part of what made the company valuable was that it sat on some once very valuable real estate in California.

— J.G.T., Queen Creek, Ariz.

The Fool Responds: It's important to understand that not all stock analysts are good ones, and even the good ones are wrong sometimes. In addition, as you now know, it's risky to have too much of your money in one stock, even your employer's. Remember what happened to Enron workers. Even employees at companies such as International Paper and Whirlpool have suffered through prolonged slumps or stagnation. ■



Do you have an embarrassing lesson learned the hard way? Boil it down to 100 words (or less) and send it to *The Motley Fool* c/o *My Dumbest Investment*. Got one that worked? Submit to *My Smartest Investment*. If we print yours, you'll win a Fool's cap!

Last week's trivia answer

I was born in Brooklyn in 1938. My chewing gum was considered a "change-maker," as it was positioned near cash registers, attracting people's pennies. After World War II, I introduced Bazooka Joe bubble gum, after Atom Bubble Boy failed to take off. In 1951, I introduced baseball trading cards. Now I offer not only basketball, football and soccer cards, but also Obama and other specialty cards. I'm an international marketer of collectible trading cards, confections (such as Ring Pops, Push Pops and Baby Bottle Pops), stickers, games and more. I take in around \$300 million annually. Who am I? ■

(Answer: Topps)



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Ask the Fool

Low Margins

Should I avoid companies with low profit margins?

— T.F., Tampa, Fla.

AIn general, higher-margin companies are more promising than lower-margin ones. High margins can reflect some competitive advantages, such as a strong brand. Also, amid a price war, companies with higher margins have more wiggle room. Still, you shouldn't necessarily avoid lower-margin businesses.

Imagine that Buzzy's Broccoli Beer (ticker: BRRRP) has a whopping net profit margin of 28 percent, while Scruffy's Chicken Shack (ticker: BUKBUK) has only a 2 percent margin. If Buzzy's sells only five beers a year, while Scruffy's sells out of chicken each week, Scruffy's may well be the better buy, generating more cash in total than Buzzy's.

Some industries, such as software, typically have high profit margins. Discount stores and supermarkets typically have very low ones — but if they turn over inventory fast enough, they might still be good investments. Wal-Mart's margin, for example, is around 3 percent.

How much will health care cost me in retirement?

— D.E., Mankato, Minn.

AAccording to recent estimates, the Medicare trust fund is expected to run out of money by 2017. Not so long ago, the expected date was 2026, but rising health-care costs, lower tax receipts and new prescription-drug policies are having an effect.

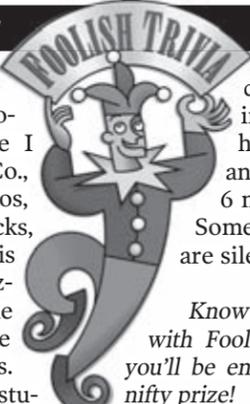
Medical expenses not covered by insurance or Medicare must be paid for out of a retiree's nest egg. How much will be needed to cover such expenses? According to Fidelity Investments, an average 65-year-old couple retiring this year will need to have \$240,000 socked away just to cover health-care costs for the following 20 years (this doesn't include the cost of long-term care).

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Name That Company

I was founded in 1897, when I made reed organs. In 1932 I introduced pipe organs. At that time I was known as Nippon Gakki Co., Ltd. I make or have made pianos, motorcycles, drums, skis, tape decks, boats, golf clubs, furniture, tennis rackets, semiconductors, synthesizers, computer drives, fancy home furnishings and snowmobiles. I've even owned and run some resorts. There are more than 700,000 stu-



dents in my music schools in more than 40 nations. I hold nearly 10,000 patents and have made more than 6 millions pianos since 1900. Some of my newer instruments are silent. ■

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The Motley Fool Take

E*Trade's Hurdles

It's so easy to kick discount broker E*Trade (Nasdaq: ETFC) when it's down. Standard & Poor's Ratings Services is downgrading its debt.

Yes, the picture is ugly. Regulators want the company to raise new capital as it continues to pay for its aggressive online banking mistakes. With \$8.1 billion in debt, E*Trade's balance sheet won't win any beauty pageants. Its income statements aren't any prettier, with seven consecutive quarterly losses.

But when will E*Trade be given credit for its growth? It tacked on 32,550 net brokerage accounts in April alone. It now sports a record 4.5 million accounts.

It's struggling in attracting new banking

accounts, but that's not a surprise. E*Trade's bread-and-butter Complete Savings Account (CSA) has gone from yielding 3.01 percent at the beginning of the year to a puny 0.95 percent recently.

If the growth is gravitating toward its discount brokerage business, that's a good thing. Many of E*Trade's peers, such as TD Ameritrade, are consistently profitable.

The hurdles along the way — billions in debt, deficits projected to continue in the near term and regulator capital requirements — won't be easy to clear. However, at this price (down more than 90 percent over the past two years), and with so much potential upside if it catches up to its discount-brokerage peers, it's an intriguing speculation. Proceed with caution, though. ■

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Dudley Goodlette will retire from firm he co-founded in 1996

J. Dudley Goodlette and Kevin Coleman have announced plans going forward for Goodlette, Coleman, Johnson, Yovanovich & Koester, P.A., the Naples-based law firm they founded in January 1996. Specifically, effective July 1:

- Mr. Goodlette will retire from the firm and from the active practice of law in Naples in favor of remaining chief of staff of the Office of the Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives;

- The firm, with 13 attorneys under the leadership of Mr. Coleman as managing partner and existing full equity partners Richard

Yovanovich and Edmond Koester, will be renamed Coleman, Yovanovich & Koester, P.A.;

- Partner and co-founder Kenneth Johnson will retire from full-time practice while remaining Of Counsel to the firm;

- Attorneys William Burke, Gregory Urbancic and Matthew Grabinski will become full equity partners in the firm.

"It is impossible to adequately express our appreciation for Dudley's contributions to this firm and this community," Mr. Coleman said. "But we truly respect his desire to pursue his public service career. We intend to honor him by sustaining this firm's commitment to community service."

As he moves into the public arena, Mr. Goodlette said, "I would not be where I am today without the support of my law partners.

They have encouraged me every step of the way... In many ways, they are family, and it will be my privilege to refer business to them and to celebrate their continued success."

Mr. Goodlette has received numerous community service awards and has served on the Twentieth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission and as president of the Collier County Bar Association, governor of the Florida Bar and fellow of the American Bar Foundation, among many professional roles. He served as state representative for District 76 in Southwest Florida from November 1998 through November 2006.

Headquartered at 4001 N. Tamiami Trail, Coleman Yovanovich & Koester can be reached by calling 435-3535 or by visiting www.gcjlw.com. ■

Small businesses invited to learn about working with the SFWMD

The South Florida Water Management District will hold a workshop for small-business owners who are interested in learning about the district's procurement process and its Small Business Enterprise program. At "How to do Business with the District," business owners and executives will be able to meet with SFWMD contract specialists and purchasing agents in one-on-one sessions.

The workshop takes place from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday, June 30, at the district's Big Cypress Basin Service Center in Poinciana Professional Park, 2640 Golden Gate Parkway, Naples.

Registration is recommended, as space is limited. Call (866) 922-8923. ■



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NETWORKING

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New model opens in Esperia South tower at Bonita Bay



Esperia South facing Estero Bay

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SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

The Lutgert Companies has introduced its newest model residence in Esperia South at Bonita Bay. On the tower's 25th floor, the two-bedroom-plus-den, three-bath Residence 2502 has 2,730 square feet of interior space, complemented by 320 square feet of outdoor space on two terraces.

The great room and dining room share an L-shaped space that opens

onto a screened terrace overlooking Estero Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. The two rooms, as well as foyer, kitchen and family room, also share dark wood flooring. The great room's conversation area is bordered by a wall that has been finished as an entertainment center and a wall of glass that overlooks the water.

The residence's views and spacious feel are enhanced by 11-foot-tall ceilings throughout most of the home.

Centered between the dining room

and family room, the kitchen has granite counters, a side-by-side refrigerator, electric range and a breakfast bar that separates it from the family room. The family room adjoins an open terrace that faces the Bonita Bay community to the east.

The master suite enjoys a western view of the Gulf. On the opposite side of the residence, the guest suite opens

SEE ESPERIA, B15 ►

Detailed home inventory essential for easing recovery after a storm

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

While no one can predict whether or not their home will be affected by hurricanes, tropical storms or tornadoes, home owners and renters can make sure their property and belongings are properly protected throughout the Atlantic hurricane season, which began June 1 and goes through November.

Regardless of whether you own or rent, this question should be very important to you: If disaster struck your home, would you know what you owned? Remember that even though it can take years to collect your possessions, they could be gone in a split second if a hurricane or tornado hits.

If your home, condo or apartment is damaged or destroyed in a storm, an accurate and up-to-date inventory of your belongings can help make the recovery process easier on you and your family. The following steps for taking a

home inventory are recommended by Allstate Insurance Company:

1. Whenever possible, make sure your home inventory includes photographs or video of your belongings. If you have a video camera, update each room in your house periodically, focusing on individual items and taking additional video of smaller items like jewelry, silver and other valuables or keepsakes. The same recommendations apply if you're using a conventional camera. Be sure to be thorough when taking pictures of your belongings.

2. Include with any picture or video inventory a detailed, written account of what you own. Be as specific as possible, including make, model, serial numbers, receipts and date of purchase whenever you can. If you don't have pictures, a written home inventory list is better than no inventory, but make sure you are as detailed as possible.

3. Store your home inventory list and

video/photos somewhere away from your home. If you have a bank safety deposit box, keep your list there. If you don't have a safety deposit box, ask a friend or relative to keep your inventory list in a safe place. Allstate recommends that wherever you store your home inventory list, make sure it's far enough away from your home that it won't be lost in the same event that may destroy your house. However, make sure your home inventory list is kept close enough so that it is easily accessible to you when you need it.

4. Be sure to update your home inventory after any major purchase or gift. You should be updating your home inventory periodically anyway, but make special effort to do so after any major purchase, holidays or birthdays.

5. If time permits, share your home inventory with your insurance agent so that he or she can help you decide if your coverage meets your needs. ■





MOORINGS, 215 Mooringline Dr - 256' on Water, No Bridges to Gulf, 2 docks w/lifts plus jet ski lift. Totally renovated & stunning. Marble floors, fireplace, 2 sunset terraces, open kitchen. 5/4 (H4144)
The Candito Group, 404-4859 **\$2,950,000**



MOORINGS, 555 Riviera Dr - A rare find! Charming, beautifully landscaped single story Coleman built estate home. Soaring ceilings, gas fireplace, marble floor, summer kitchen. 4+Den/4.5 (H3509)
Bonnie Camp, 734-1212 **\$2,295,000**



QUAIL WEST, 6265 Highcroft Dr - Experience this breathtaking estate home in the prestigious community of Quail West. Graced with an open floor plan and attention to detail. 4+Den/5.5 (H3674)
Karen Sweatlock, 860-5137 **\$1,995,000**



PINE RIDGE, 611 Gordonia Rd - Unique courtyard style home in pristine condition. Very private. Expansive tropical lanai/pool area, fabulous built-ins, high quality finishes & more! 5+Den/4 (H3987)
Dustin Beard, 289-2650 **\$1,595,000**



TERRACINA, 488 Terracina Way - This magnificent estate home, built in 2006 boasts 4379 sq.ft. of luxury under air. Open the 90 degree sliders to the magnificent lanai. 1 yr home warranty. 4/4 (H3257)
Suzanne Gary, 682-5285 **\$1,495,000**



LIVINGSTON WOODS, 6510 Sable Ridge Ln - 2.73 acres, 2-story home w/3-car garage, pool, family room w/FP plus upstairs media room. Commercial pole barn w/1750 SF of storage/work area. 4+Den/3.5 (H3865)
Lisa M. Richardson, 250-8008 **\$1,350,000**



TIBURON, 2761 Medallist Ln - Spectacular Mediterranean villa w/modern amenities. Gated drive & walkway, stone columns, 24' marble fl, beveled glass windows. Cabana guest suite is 3rd BR. 3/3.5 (V499)
Lynn H. Fulton, 293-3125 **\$1,295,000**



IMPERIAL GOLF ESTATES, 2203 Imperial Golf Course Blvd - Lakefront masterpiece built in 04! All the finest appointments on one of the best lots in Imperial Golf Estates. Custom features throughout. An incredible value! 3+Den/3.5 (H3239)
Debbie Frost, 250-8701 **\$1,150,000**



GOLDEN GATE ESTATES, 1971 12th Ave Ne - Equestrian Estate on 5 acres! Beautifully gated two story custom pool home w/oversized 3-car garage. Fireplace, state of the art kitchen & 6-stall barn. 4/2.5 (H3746)
Kelly Kent, 250-5480 **\$999,000**



PARK SHORE, 655 Park Shore Dr - Walk to the Park Shore Beach and Venetian Village from this home which has been thoughtfully redesigned. Open kitchen w/granite. 3+Den/2 (H4038)
Mary Ann Simms, 253-8414 **\$997,000**



SEAGATE, 5093 Starfish Ave - Fabulous location! Charming Gulf access home w/dock. Remodeled w/granite kitchen, vaulted ceilings, private beach club. Walk to The Phil & Waterside Shops. 3/2.5 (H3284)
Nandy Miller, 248-4414 **\$899,500**



NAPLES LAKES COUNTRY CLUB, 5071 Ceromar Dr - Beautifully appointed home. Crown moldings, coffered ceilings, gourmet kitchen w/granite. Open & light floor plan. Pool/spa. Bundled golf. 3+Den/3 (H3851)
Maggie Sanders, Naples Resort Home Team, 269-4499 **\$889,000**



COVE TOWERS, 425 Cove Tower Dr, #1001 - Beautiful end unit w/panoramic southwestern views over the Gulf, Bay & Naples skyline. Shows like a model w/many custom finishes. 3+Den/3 (C5492)
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MONTEREY, 2122 La Paz Ct - LOCATION LOCATION! Triple WOW of locations! So. rear exp, long lake views, quiet cul-de-sac. Beautiful & bright open floor plan. A must see! 5/3 (H4122)
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MOORINGS, 2400 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #804 - Guard Gated 10 acre Resort Community, on the Beach & Bay. Boating, Fishing, Marina, 3 Pools, Spas, Har-Tru, Fitness & Clubhouse. 2/2 (C5541)
Margaret Hutchison, 272-7000, Audrey Carmony, 272-4462 **\$849,000**



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Heather Wightman, 450-1891 **\$800,000**



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Bonnie Camp, 734-1212 **\$795,000**



PELICAN BAY, 8472 Abbotton Cir, #2022 - Crescent. Casually elegant decor PLUS a NEW A/C System in April highlights this lovely top floor coach home with 2-car garage. Move in ready. 3+Den/2.5 (C5451)
Pat and Frank Candito, 290-5236 **\$699,900**



IMPERIAL GOLF ESTATES, 2004 Imperial Golf Course Blvd - Wonderfully remodeled with attention to every detail. This spacious 3 bedroom plus den has new flooring, all new kitchen with granite & more! 3+Den/3 (H4004)
Debbie Frost, 250-8701 **\$695,000**



WATERSIDE AT BAY BEACH, 4198 Bay Beach Ln, #164 - Corner unit with Golf Course Bay & Gulf views. Updated with granite counters & brand new stainless appliances. Enjoy boating, golfing & great views! 3/2.5 (C5438)
Heather Wightman, 450-1891 **\$649,900**



WATERSIDE AT BAY BEACH, 4141 Bay Beach Ln, #464 - Exquisite waterfront delight. Watch boats, dolphins & manatees. Tile in main areas, hurricane shutters, crown molding & more. High enough to see it all! 2+Den/2 (C5232)
Heather Wightman, 450-1891 **\$610,000**



OLD NAPLES, 1222 Gordon Dr, #3 - Outstanding renovation in convenient location between The Pier and Third Street. High end appointments normally found only in multi million dollar properties. 2/2 (C5000)
Merry Coolidge, 450-4924 **\$575,000**



SATURNIA LAKES, 2116 Amargo Way - This exquisite home has all the bells & whistles. Extended lanai, pool w/south exposure, upgraded cabinets & 18" tile. Electric shutters & 3-car extended garage. 4/3 (H3522)
Debbie Zvibleman, 272-8878 **\$549,000**



WORTHINGTON, 13871 Tonbridge Ct - This popular Arthur Rutenberg Monterey floor plan features a formal living room, dining room and a casual FR with wet bar perfect for entertaining. 3+Den/3 (H3150)
Diane Rudd, 851-6918 **\$549,000**



BAYFRONT, 451 Bayfront Pl, #5205 - Bayview! Downtown location. Priced to sell, impeccable condition. 1518 SF plus open terrace. Resident pool/spa, tennis, fitness. Walk to 5th Ave and beach! 2/2 (C5662)
Barbara Morley, 269-6966 **\$549,000**



MOORINGS, 2100 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #103 - Beach & Boating. 2/2, 1200 sq. ft. ON THE FRONT OF THE BLDG FACING THE PARK & GULF. Turnkey furnished. Large custom tile, hurricane shutters & more. 2/2 (C5125)
Margaret Hutchison, 272-7000, Audrey Carmony, 272-4462 **\$549,000**



GLEN EDEN, 14746 Glen Eden Dr - Immaculate detached villa w/pool & lake view west of 41. Minutes to beaches, shopping, dining. Affordable fees - \$640 per quarter. Many upgrades. Turkey. 3+Den/3 (V1017)
Jim Scartz, 877-9726 **\$544,900**



MOORINGS, 2100 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #217 - Boating & beach make this fabulous unit real gem. Deeded boat slip. Walk to the beach. Completely remodeled and turnkey furnished. 2/2 (C4776)
Suzanne Garry, 682-5285 **\$517,000**



PARKRIDGE, 18050 Parkridge Cir - LIKE BRAND NEW! Barely lived in - newer construction, and room to expand! Serene preserve setting is where you'll find this great Key-West style home. 4/2 (H4002)
Heather Wightman, 450-1891 **\$499,900**



FAIRVIEW ISLES, 125 Albatross St - Gulf access, dock & lift. Large family room overlooking wide canal. Easy walk to beautiful beach. Totally renovated. New impact windows & AC. 2+Den/2 (H3617)
Rose Rothell, P.A., 848-8637 **\$499,000**



MOORINGS, 2100 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #104 - Full renovation - boat dock included. 1/2 block to beach. Furnished open concept cream tile floors. Leisure living at its best. 2/2 (C5468)
Margaret Hutchison, 272-7000, Audrey Carmony, 272-4462 **\$499,000**



WILSHIRE LAKES, 8172 Lowbank Dr - Gorgeous lakefront Rutenberg former model with heated pool located in a neighborhood West of I-75 and updated with lots of upgrades. 3+Den/3 (H3028)
Karen Sweatlock, 860-5137 **\$495,000**



FOREST GLEN, 3780 Jungle Plum Dr E - Golf included with this detached villa home. Great room floor plan, split bedrooms, 2 car att garage. Golf course & preserve views. Gated community. 3/2 (V1198)
Lisa M. Richardson, 250-8008 **\$489,000**



IMPERIAL GOLF ESTATES, 1945 Empress Ct - Don't miss this beautifully updated home w/fine craftsmanship throughout & expansive lanai w/rock waterfalls cascading over the pool. 3/2 (H4187)
Debbie Zvibleman, 272-8878 **\$487,000**



THE COLONY, 23821 Merano Ct, #101 - Beautifully upgraded w/custom window treatments, custom closets, electric storm shutters, crown molding, private setting. Walk to the pool. 3/2.5 (C4720)
Rose Rothell, P.A., 848-8637 **\$484,000**



MOORINGS, 2100 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #116 - PORT AU VILLA - Moorings. 4 apts all 1200 Sq. Ft. & Furn. \$490,000 - \$562,000. Pool & 1/2 blk to beach. #104 includes deeded boat dock. 2/2 (C3135)
Margaret Hutchison, 272-7000, Audrey Carmony, 272-4462 **\$479,000**



GOLDEN GATE ESTATES, 5637 Painted Leaf Ln - Spacious 2 year old custom family home on 2.25 acres close to Naples finest shopping and entertainment areas. Open and bright floor plan w/many upgrades. 4+Den/2.5 (H2494)
Mary Ann Simms, 253-8414, Wendy Nelson **\$474,900**



LITTLE HICKORY SHORES, 225 3rd St W - Bring your boat and settle in to this charming and comfortable home with dock and hoist on canal. Ten minutes to Wiggins Pass by boat, Gulf access. 2/2 (H4175)
Jim Scartz, 877-9726 **\$474,900**



THE COLONY AT PELICAN LANDING, 23770 Merano Ct #101 - Offered Exquisitely Furnished! Spacious previous model with great lake, sunset & golf view. Wet bar, 10' ceilings, kitchen features granite, stainless & more! 3/2.5 (C5054)
Rose Rothell, P.A., 848-8637 **\$460,000**



COUNTRY CLUB OF NAPLES, 277 Burning Tree Dr - No HOA fees & optional golf/club mshp. Ranch style home w/pool. Large corner lot w/oaks & tropical foliage, tile roof, 2 car garage. Close in location. 3/2 (H1046)
Lisa Richardson, 250-8008 **\$459,000**



STONEBRIDGE, 1829 Winding Oaks Way - Stonebridge Golf & Country Club offers a challenging 18 hole "bundled" golf membership with purchase of property. Stunning Villa with Private "heated" pool! 2+Den/2 (H3929)
Sandy Weldy, 370-1270 **\$449,500**



MOORINGS, 2600 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #21 - Gorgeous updated Bayfront unit. New kitchen & baths. Beautifully turnkey furnished. Repeat seasonal renter is great for investors! 2/2 (C5093)
Debbie Frost, 250-8701 **\$444,000**



PELICAN BAY, 5964 Pelican Bay Blvd, #412 - Classy renovation to convenient first floor unit with beautiful view of lake & fountains, flowers and famous Sanctuary grounds. You won't be disappointed! 2/2 (C4596)
Merry Coolidge, 450-4924 **\$439,000**



ROYAL HARBOR, 1240 Blue Point Ave, #8-12 - Location & view! A fabulous view of Naples Bay and a short 1.5 miles from 5th Avenue and the beaches. All this and a 39' boat dock! Totally redone. 3/2 (C5482)
Elli Taylor, 860-2064 **\$415,000**



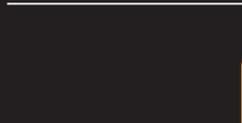
PALM RIVER, 542 Cypress Way E - Phenomenal panoramic view! Spacious home w/large living, family & Florida rooms & oversized garage. Wonderful location, minutes to beach! 3/3 (H4178)
Deborah Hylemon, 659-6372 **\$399,900**



LELY COUNTRY CLUB, 189 Palmetto Dunes Cir - Don't miss this gem! French doors, large lanai w/pool & spa, fresh paint, double crown molding & new tile. Come see for yourself! 3/2 (H3569)
Elli Taylor, 860-2064 **\$399,900**



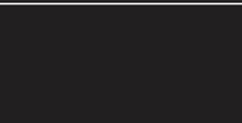
NAPLES IMP CO LITTLE FARMS, 1171 26th Ave N - Location in the heart of Naples on Lake! Beautifully updated 3 bedroom, 2 bath pool home with long lake views. Spacious & private fenced in yard. 3/2 (H2497)
Kelly Kent, 250-5480 **\$399,000**



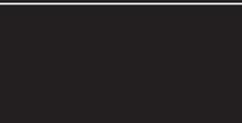
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Claire Licciardi, 250-4564, Carol McElroy, 659-6395 **\$875,000**



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FIDDLER'S CREEK, 3842 Cotton Green Path Dr - Cotton Green is a quaint little neighborhood within Fiddlers Creek that gives you a feeling of quiet serenity. Come see this beautiful home! 3/2 (H3667)
Elli Taylor, 860-2064 **\$389,000**



VILLAGE WALK, 3461 Donoso Ct - Rarely available "extended" Oakmont plan featuring white tile, high ceilings, newer a/c & appliances w/lake view. Community pools & tennis at Town Center. 3+Den/2 (H2548)
Merry Coolidge, 450-4924 **\$385,000**



VILLAGE WALK, 4402 Novato Ct - Well maintained home w/great backyard in gated community w/tennis, pools, fitness center & much more. Beautiful hardwood floors & window treatments. 3+Den/2 (H3887)
Mary Ann Simms, 253-8414 **\$375,000**



WORTHINGTON, 13190 Southampton Dr - The best of the best! Wonderfully upgraded with sought after southern lake exposure. Long fairway views. Heated pool, lovely furnishings, tile & more. 3/2 (V1133)
Diane Rudd, 851-6918 **\$365,000**



BAYFRONT, 451 Bayfront Pl, #5301 - Exceptional downtown waterfront location! 2008 decor & furnishings. Steps to 5th Ave shopping, dining & beach. Pool, spa, tennis and fitness. 1/1 (C4371)
Barbara Morley, 269-6966 **\$359,900**



VINEYARDS, 665 Vintage Reserve Cir, #9D - Fabulous lake & golf course view in Award winning community. Spacious coach home w/upgraded eat in kitchen, plantation shutters, 40' lanai & 2-car garage. 3+Den/3 (C4553)
Nandy Miller, 248-4414 **\$350,000**



ACREAGE, 20590 Sandy Ln - Single family country living in the heart of Estero. Easy access to shopping, dining, airport & more. Room for all your toys in extra boat garage! 4/2 (H4201)
Heather Wightman, 450-1891 **\$350,000**



PELICAN MARSH, 2110 Arielle Dr, #108 - Sunny southern exposure overlooking lakes & golf course. Top floor coach home w/single garage. Active Florida lifestyle - private golf available. 3/2 (C5198)
Merry Coolidge, 450-4924 **\$339,900**



GLEN EAGLE, 224 Glen Eagle Cir - Golf community minutes to 5th, 3rd & beaches. Open floor plan w/2124 SF, granite kitchen, diag tile, coffer ceilings, water softener, pool/spa. 2+Den/2 (H4019)
Jim Scartz, 877-9726, Douglas R. Smith, 682-0414 **\$339,900**



WORTHINGTON, 13450 Bridgeford Ave - Loads of upgrades here! Gorgeous sunsets over the lake view. Large lanai, champ golf & tennis included. 3+Den/2 (V1194)
Sharon Hammond-Tumblad, 851-6918 **\$339,500**



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>> **Premier Properties of Southwest Florida** welcomes Monica Cameron, Meghan Reed, Scott Pearson and Dave Flowers to the company's roster of 200-plus professional Realtors. Ms. Cameron, a longtime Naples resident, has been involved in real estate since 1981 and was a top producer with Coldwell Banker for 10 years. In 1991, she established the residential division at Cameron Real Estate. She will work from Premier sales office at The Village on Venetian Bay. Ms. Reed, a member of NABOR, will work from the Premier office on Vanderbilt Beach Road. She has 10 years of experience in the residential building industry as co-owner of a tile and marble company contracted for remodel projects. Mr. Flowers has 13 years of real estate experience in Marco Island and will be working from the Premier office at The Esplanade. Mr. Pearson has worked in real estate for 13 years, belongs to NABOR and will work from the Premier office at The Village on Venetian Bay.

>> **Top performers for May at Florida Home Realty** were Andrew Occhipinti in sales and Eric Gustafson in listings. The agency's newest real estate agents are Michael Jordan and Tina Adiska.

>> **Sheree Goldenbaum** is the newest agent in the Naples office of VIP Realty Group. Ms. Goldenbaum worked in accounting and finance for 23 years.

>> **Christopher Adkins, Misty Cleek, Doug DeCaster, Joyce Dobbert, Brad Polacek, Corey Stranger and Deborah Wine** have joined John R. Wood Inc., Realtors. Mr. Adkins, Ms. Cleek, Ms. Dobbert and Ms. Wine are based in the agency's Uptown office; Mr. Stranger and Mr. DeCaster are in the Old Naples office; and Mr. Polacek is in the Bonita Springs office.

>> **Leonard Stagoski** has been named sales manager at Bentley Village, A Classic Residence by Hyatt. He has 15 years of experience in sales and hotel hospitality, including two years with Classic Residence by Hyatt. Sue Weber has joined Bentley Village as a sales counselor and brings 10 years of experience in golf communities to the job. Margaret Wilson has also joined Bentley Village as a sales counselor, bringing seven years of experience in the senior living industry. ■



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The Early Childhood Development Center on the Naples campus of Edison State College is the first Gold Level LEED-certified building in Collier County. The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Green Program rating system, developed in 1998 by the U.S. Green Building Council, rates environmentally sustainable construction in areas of site selection, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, material and resources, indoor environmental quality and innovation and design process.

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TOURISM

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love Europeans and attend trade shows internationally — ITB Berlin is the largest — and domestically to court them. In general, European visitors stay longer than guests arriving from within the United States, an average of six days versus three days. Direct business with no middle party receiving compensation — say, returning guests who first came at the recommendation of a travel agent or other referral — is most desirable.

“International business is up for us, and in many cases it’s now coming direct,” said Cathy Christopher, director of sales and marketing for The Inn on Fifth in downtown Naples. “Some of the business from international operators is double what it was last year.”

Ms. Christopher said Europeans are attracted to the boutique leisure hotel because of its location in the heart of Old Naples with dining and shopping within walking distance. “They love to dine out, drink, shop and go on golf outings,” she said. “They enjoy our main street location and often return with friends.”

Sun Stream Hotels & Resorts caters to visitors at different price points with Park Shore Resort, BellaSera Hotel and Port of the Islands Resort in Collier County and three properties — DiamondHead Beach Resort, GullWing Beach Resort and Pointe Estero Beach Resort — on Fort Myers Beach.

On the water in the Everglades, Port of the Islands fills a desire for eco-tourism.

“We’ve seen a dramatic increase in interest from the German market in Port of the Islands,” said Jennifer Seaborn, director of sales and marketing. “Many have been to Naples before, but then they want to come back to really experience the Ten Thousand

Islands, the fishing, an airboat ride or boating. Eco-tourism is a big draw.”

West Wind Inn on Sanibel receives a good number of European visitors looking for a tropical island vacation. Charlene Staton, director of sales, reports that Germany and Great Britain are the top two sources of European visitors for the inn, followed by France and Switzerland. In May, West Wind’s sales professionals attended Pow Wow, an international trade show held domestically, this year in Miami.

Exchange rates a plus

In addition to lying by the pool, walking the beach and in general soaking up the sun’s rays, European guests are thrilled to cash in on favorable exchange rates. They come to shop.

Miromar Outlets reports a steady flow of international traffic throughout the year, but more so from July through October. The upscale shopping outlet actively courts European shoppers, most recently running ads in Selling Long Haul, a travel publication in the U.K., and Florida Sun, a German lifestyle magazine. With the current campaign, they also offer travelers the opportunity to receive a Miromar Outlets gift card when they show their passports at the Visitor Information Kiosk.

Jeff Staner, general manager at the outlets, said the center works closely with the Lee County VCB and its representatives in Europe. He said recent shoppers from abroad included a couple from England who have the outlets on their itinerary when they vacation in Southwest Florida every year. “They said their shopping list for family and friends gets longer every year,” he said, adding this year’s purchases included shirts, shorts, shoes and jeans.

The Trianon hotel in Bonita Springs has established relationships with European tour operators. Darren Robertshaw, vice president of hospitality, has traveled to the trade

shows for years and said that he doesn’t need to any more.

“I used to go to the World Travel Market in London, ITB Berlin and Pow Wow, but right now we’ve signed up the major tour operators and are maintaining the relationships that we have,” he said. “The dollar being as weak as it’s been, Europeans are really coming over in droves.”

Mr. Robertshaw said many guests say for a month and start looking for land or a home to buy while they’re here.

International marketing tips

Persons wanting to sell real estate to Europeans had better fine-tune their Internet search protocol, according to Jo Ellen Nash of Nash & Company Luxury Estates, a Downing-Frye Realtor.

“Resources are critical to getting foreign real estate buyers in the door,” she said. “To use the Internet to draw people, you’d better use the right key words. A lot of investors over there might not know Naples. They know Miami, L.A. and Manhattan. They know Florida. When you’re marketing internationally and you want to draw the traffic, that’s the kind of information you need to refine.”

Ms. Nash, who has owned a real estate agency in Vail for more than 25 years, is familiar with the task of drawing interest from faraway lands. She’s hired a search engine optimization specialist to focus on Europe, and her Web sites are translatable in 10 languages. She’s sending representatives to a Russian trade show for the luxury market in the fall, and she printed brochures in German when a colleague went to Europe to meet with trade ambassadors recently.

Business professionals are also nurturing international commerce.

Four years ago, Dr. Juergen H. Hortwich helped form the European Business Council within the Cape Coral Chamber of Commerce. A longtime member of the chamber,

he received the inspiration following a successful trade junket to Europe with 35 professionals from Southwest Florida.

“Nobody in the surrounding chambers spoke German, and we just decided to go the extra step,” he said.

The venture has been so well received — the group has 156 members — that the council separated last year to focus solely on international business. Its Web site, www.ccebc.org, receives more than 9,000 hits a month and is also listed on the German consulate’s Web site in Miami.

In October, a group of council members including a Realtor, mortgage broker, an immigration attorney and an accountant will visit six cities over seven days in Austria, Switzerland and Germany.

The Cape Coral European Business Council works closely with area chambers of commerce and has one major fundraiser each year, the International Holiday Market in downtown Cape Coral (Dec. 3-5 this year). Air Berlin is the top sponsor.

“What we bring to the European market is different than what they see on CNN,” Dr. Hortwich said. “What they hear in the news about Southwest Florida is not always in the best interest of Southwest Florida... We’re bringing them helpful information.”

Della Booth, a council board member and Realtor with Time Realty in Cape Coral, has participated in trips with the council and plans to go in October. She went to ITB Berlin last year and said that efforts with five German real estate agents she’s been corresponding with ever since have been positive. She e-mails a weekly report on opportunities in Southwest Florida, has had subsequent visits from people coming from Switzerland and Germany, and has sold real estate too.

“It’s been a great venture that keeps getting better,” she said of the European Business Council. “We have such a large European base here already that the people we contact automatically feel a sense of ease.” ■



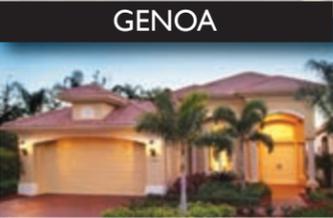
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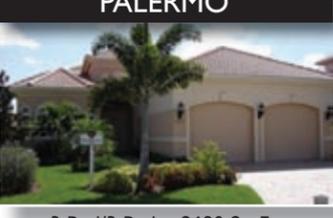

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\$3,495,000 | Karen Van Arsdale | 860-0894



AQUALANE SHORES ▲
Cypress walls, three bedrooms, authentic stone fireplaces, granite kitchen, covered, cut-in boat slip and 135' on water.
\$3,300,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529



WINDSTAR ▲
Architectural gem with four bedrooms plus den. Balconies and terraces off several rooms, 70' boat dock and Gulf access in minutes.
\$2,995,000 | Virginia/Randy Wilson | 450-9091



OLD NAPLES ▲
To-be-built home by one of the Premier builders in the area. Four bedrooms plus den, 5.5 baths, 3-car garage, heated pool/spa.
\$2,995,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



ROYAL HARBOR ▲
Views of Bay! Expanded/remodeled in 1995 with three bedrooms plus office. Pool/spa and summer kitchen, 660 SF boat house.
\$2,950,000 | Isabelle Edwards | 564-4080



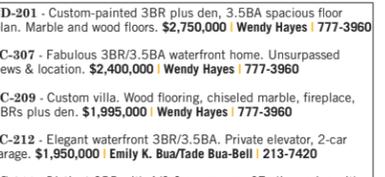
OLD NAPLES ▲
Elegance, up-to-date construction and quality material throughout this three bedroom plus den pool home with over 5,125 total SF.
\$2,900,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529



AQUALANE SHORES ▲
Approximately 167' of waterfront! 58'x195'x167'x136' site with cut-in boat slip. Direct Gulf access. Older home on property.
\$2,895,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



OLD NAPLES - NAPLES BAY RESORT THE RESIDENCES ▲
Luxury living with a waterfront address. First-class amenities include 5 pools, lazy river and world-class spa. Walk to 5th Avenue South for shopping and dining.
#D-201 - Custom-painted 3BR plus den, 3.5BA spacious floor plan. Marble and wood floors. \$2,750,000 | Wendy Hayes | 777-3960
#C-307 - Fabulous 3BR/3.5BA waterfront home. Unsurpassed views & location. \$2,400,000 | Wendy Hayes | 777-3960
#C-209 - Custom villa. Wood flooring, chiseled marble, fireplace, 3BRs plus den. \$1,995,000 | Wendy Hayes | 777-3960
#C-212 - Elegant waterfront 3BR/3.5BA. Private elevator, 2-car garage. \$1,950,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420
#C-211 - Distinct 3BR with A/C 2-car garage, 97-slip marina with charter boat services. \$1,845,000 | Mitch/Sandi Williams | 370-8879
#D-305 - Naples Bay vistas, 3BRs/3.5BAs, marble entry, wood floors, 10' ceilings. \$1,725,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420



ROYAL HARBOR ▲
2220 Snook Drive - Brand new! Open floor plan, over 6,000 total SF, four bedrooms plus den, a 2-car garage and pool/spa. No bridges to the Gulf!
\$2,595,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420



OLD NAPLES - CASA BELLA ▲
Updates include faux paint, hand rubbed finishes and built-ins. Elevator. Plunge pool, outdoor kitchen and fireplace.
\$2,150,000 | Beth Hayhoe McNichols | 821-3304



AQUALANE SHORES ▲
Totally renovated, two bedroom canal front home. Over 2,550 total SF, bamboo floors, granite countertops, generator.
\$1,795,000 | Mary Johnson/Vincent Bandelier | 594-9446



OLD NAPLES ▲
Structure in National Register Historic District. Two-story cottage; heart pine floors, and guest house.
\$1,795,000 | Lodge McKee | 434-2424



OLD NAPLES ▲
Tropical gardens, Koi pond and Balinese orchid house grace the grounds. Fourth bedroom has outside access.
\$1,750,000 | Carolyn Weinand | 269-5678



OLD NAPLES ▲
Private pool and wide views of Alligator Lake. Warm terra cotta floors and neutral decor. Detached guest house.
\$1,595,000 | Karen Cosentino | 571-6329



OLD NAPLES - LAS DUNAS ▲
Three blocks to beach. Townhome with 4 bedrooms, study, 3 baths, gourmet kitchen, private courtyard with pool.
\$1,550,000 | Gary L. Jaarda/Jeff Jaarda | 248-7474



ROYAL HARBOR AREA - GOLDEN SHORES VARSE ▲
#1601 - Custom 3 bedroom, 3 bath "en suite" plus 1/2 bath. Built-in spa on terrace overlooking personal dock and canal.
\$929,000 | Ann M. Nunes | 860-0949



OLD NAPLES - BAYFRONT ▲
Bayside Mediterranean Village. Nicely appointed residences, enjoy on-site galleries, gourmet dining, boating, cabana bar, swimming and tennis. Short walk to 5th Ave. and beaches. Boat slips available, good rental history.



#4508 - Three bedroom penthouse with terrific bay views. Turnkey furnished. Faux paint, mouldings, plantation shutters. \$940,000 Philip N. Collins | 404-6800
#5504 - Stunning residence with furnishings, crown moulding and lovely sunsets from the west facing lanai. \$594,000 | Dave/Ann Renner | 784-5552
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#2202 - Two bedroom plus den featuring private lanai overlooking the landscaped courtyard. \$425,000 | Patrick O'Connor | 293-9411
#1401 - Sophisticated residence with granite, stainless appliances, and wood floors. \$395,000 | Virginia Wilson/Randy Wilson | 450-9091



OLD NAPLES - NAPLES BAY RESORT - THE HOTEL ▲
#244 - Turnkey furnished, 2 bedroom with an expanded patio and southern exposure. Marina views. Rentable by day, week or month.
\$895,000 | Linda Sonders | 860-0119



OLD NAPLES - NAPLES BAY RESORT - THE HOTEL ▲
#342 - Top floor 2 bedroom, 2 bath villa suite with southern exposure. Private corner porch with marina view. Turnkey furnished.
\$785,000 | Michelle Thomas/Cathy Owen | 642-2222

AQUALANE SHORES

Single Family Homes

1700 - 3rd Street South
Well-located and updated 3 bedroom cottage 3 blocks to the beach. Deep lot (165'). Large pool deck. Furnished. **\$1,600,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529**

Condominiums/Villas

AQUALANE MANOR 320 - 14th Avenue South #C
Carefree 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Walk to Gulf beaches and shopping. Deeded covered boat slip with lift. Turnkey furnished. **\$799,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529**

Lots

815 - 21st Avenue South
Direct Gulf access. Building site 1 lot from Naples Bay. Deep-water, approximately 80' dock, covered slip and boat house. **\$2,795,000 | Beth Hayhoe McNichols | 821-3304**

OLD NAPLES

Single Family Homes

135 - 5th Avenue South
Roomy, nicely updated three bedroom, three bath home with writer's retreat. Pool/spa area, and fireplace. Open air balcony.
\$1,975,000 | Karen Coney Coplin/Lodge McKee | 434-2424

181 - 15th Avenue South
A classic Old Naples cottage located 2 blocks from the Gulf of Mexico. Lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath home offered as-is. **\$1,650,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529**

1355 - 4th Street South
Florida cottage offers 3 bedrooms plus den and a separate living area in a peaceful, tropical setting. Close to beach. **\$1,625,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231**

Condominiums/Villas

ROSE VILLAS 510 - 10th Avenue South
Dynamic villa featuring Bosch appliances, elevator, wood and tile flooring, four bedrooms plus den. Private pool. **\$1,949,500 | Jerry Wachowicz | 777-0741**

CHATHAM PLACE 350 - 8th Avenue South #9
Three-story, 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath residence. Private splash pool, 2-car garage. Saturnia marble floors, high ceilings. **\$1,749,000 | Lodge McKee | 434-2424**

SHADOWMOSS 350 - 3rd Avenue South
This 3 bedroom plus den, 3 bath is surrounded by terraces and lovely landscaping. Wood floors, granite counters, wine cooler. **\$1,195,000 | Lodge McKee | 434-2424**

OPEN SUN. 1-4 OLD NAPLES VILLA 1070 - 5th St. South
Over 2,100 SF of living area, 3 bedroom plus den in the downtown historical area! Heated pool, 4.5 blocks to beach. **\$1,099,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231**

OLD NAPLES

Condominiums/Villas

COLONNADE ON 5TH 631 - 6th Avenue South
Spacious and lovely floor plan with 2 master suites. Granite counters, built-in wine refrigerator, and hurricane windows. **\$999,000 | Kevin Rathburn | 269-4575**

BAYPORT VILLAGE 875 - 9th Avenue South #PH-301
Three bedroom plus den. Poolside cabana. Granite, marble, Brazilian cherry wood floors, 2-car garage. Pet friendly. **\$899,000 | Tom McCarthy/Isabelle Edwards | 434-2424**

OPEN SUN. 1-4 VILLAS RAVELLO 842 - 9th Avenue South
Private tropical 2-story villa, with an attached garage, courtyard heated pool, two bedrooms plus den. Walk to 5th Ave. **\$795,000 | Cindy Thompson | 860-6513**

NAPLES BAY RESORT - THE HOTEL 1500 - 5th Ave. South #314
Luxury resort nestled on Naples Bay. Southern exposure view of marina. Spa, tennis, marina, and yacht club. **\$769,000 | Fred Alter | 269-4123**

TIFFANY COURT 1071 - 8th Street South #202
Second floor, 3 bedroom to include new carpet, crown mouldings and baseboards. Bathrooms updated with tile and marble. **\$699,000 | Cindy Thompson | 860-6513**

NAPLES BAY RESORT - THE COTTAGES 985 Sandpiper Street #1-102
Tastefully turnkey furnished 1st floor cottage home. Granite tops, jetted whirlpool tub. Membership privileges. **\$650,000 | Vincent Bandelier | 450-5976**

NAPLES BAY RESORT - THE HOTEL 1500 - 5th Ave. South #322
Owners may choose to occupy all months with remaining time generating (optional) income! Two bedrooms, 2 baths. **\$649,000 | Mitch/Sandi Williams | 370-8879**

NAPLES BAY RESORT - THE HOTEL 1500 - 5th Ave. South #360
Brand new waterfront resort, 2 bedroom, 2 bath hotel condominium with upscale furnishings. First class amenities. Turnkey. **\$629,000 | Linda Platt | 269-2322**

SUNTIDE ON TENTH 653 - 10th Avenue South
Light, bright and open top floor condominium has garage, walled pool, privacy. Only 2 years new! Stone-look floor. **\$595,000 | Karen Van Arsdale | 860-0894**

THE PIERRE CLUB 1222 Gordon Drive #20
Walk to 3rd Street shops, restaurants, Naples Pier, and white-sand beaches. Furnished and ready to enjoy. **\$499,000 | Lodge McKee | 434-2424**

TOWN MANOR CLUB 1021 - 3rd Street South #204
Beautifully renovated, turnkey furnished 2 bedroom. New appliances, tile, kitchen and bathroom cabinetry! Walk to beach. **\$398,000 | Mary Yon | 572-3274**

TOWN MANOR 1021 - 3rd Street South #104
Walk to beach, dining and shops. Bright corner 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 1st floor residence. Co-op with land lease. Turnkey furnished. **\$265,000 | Judy Perry/Penny Lyle | 261-6161**

VILLAGE GREEN - EVERGLADES CLUB 661 - 12th Ave. South #661
Two bedroom, 1.5 bath residence situated close to downtown historic Old Naples. Turnkey furnished. 55+ **\$175,000 | Isabelle Edwards | 564-4080**

ROYAL HARBOR

Single Family Homes

1802 Kingfish Road
Bermuda-style 4 bedroom plus den, 4.5 bath home. Coral stone fireplace, hazelnut wood floors, and elevator. Heated pool. **\$2,395,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231**

2035 Wahoo Court
One of the largest waterfront lots in Royal Harbor. Revamped kitchen with new granite, cabinetry, and appliances. **\$1,699,999 | Ann M. Nunes | 860-0949**

OPEN SUN. 1-4 1303 Cobia Court
4,600+ total SF and 4 bedrooms. 142' of seawall, large dock and 2-boat lifts. Direct access to the Gulf (no bridges). **\$1,200,000 | Isabelle Edwards | 564-4080**

1244 Cobia Court
One of the best waterway locations in Royal Harbor. Very quiet. Very livable three bedroom. Pool. Dock, on 67' seawall. **\$895,000 | Ray Couret | 293-5899**

Lots

1571 Bonita Lane
Exciting opportunity to build a home of your dreams on this vacant lot. Waterway views from backyard. **\$699,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420**

ROYAL HARBOR AREA

FOUR WINDS 1140 Little Neck Court #D-34
Enjoy the view from this 2nd floor, 3-bedroom condominium directly on Naples Bay. Includes a 26' boat dock. **\$399,000 | Kathy Morris | 777-8654**

FOUR WINDS 1200 Blue Point Avenue #A-2
Lovely view from waterway to bay, 3 bedrooms, renovated/expanded kitchen, granite counters and breakfast bar. New A/C. **\$399,000 | Kathy Morris | 777-8654**

SANDPIPER BAY CLUB 3011 Sandpiper Bay Circle #205
Overlooking a lush, tropical nature preserve. Only minutes to downtown Naples and Gulf beaches! Updated kitchen. **\$160,000 | Patrick O'Connor | 293-9411**

OYSTER BAY 1195 Clam Court #101
A boater's dream! First floor, two bedroom, corner residence with upgrades throughout! Offered with a boat slip! **\$155,000 | Bernie Garabed | 571-2466**

WINDSTAR

MARINA COVE 5085 Yacht Harbor Drive #201
Spacious coach home with view of lake. Bright and light 2 bedroom, 2 bath plus den with double garage and lanai. **\$409,000 | Rod Mease | 659-0099**

Lots

195 Central Avenue
Only 1.5 blocks to beach and a short stroll to 5th Ave. shopping and dining. Lot is 76' X 150' with a total of 11,500 SF. **\$1,395,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231**

SEAPORT 1001 - 10th Avenue South BS #21
On Naples Bay. Gated live-aboard floating dock. Approximately 70' x 18', 60-foot finger pier. Walk to downtown. **\$425,000 | Kathy Morris | 777-8654**



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GULF SHORE BLVD. SOUTH ▲
Gulf front building site. Just south of Naples Pier and walking distance to 3rd Street. Lot Size 100'x400'x230'x100'.
\$6,950,000 | Michael D. Browne | 272-3331



155 - 20TH AVENUE SOUTH ▲
One block to the beach! Built in 2008. Over 5,300 A/C SF, four bedrooms plus den and bonus lounge. Heated pool/spa.
\$4,695,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



244 - 4TH AVENUE NORTH ▲
Custom-built, decorated and fully furnished. Just two blocks to beaches. Over 4,700 SF of living area; five bedrooms plus den.
\$3,595,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



15TH AVENUE SOUTH ▲
Two blocks to Gulf! Four bedroom plus den, 5.5 bath Bermuda-style home. Saturated floors, tray ceilings, fireplace and pool/spa.
\$3,497,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420



1355 - GORDON DRIVE ▲
New luxury construction. Four bedrooms, each with private bath, summer kitchen, sitting area complete with fireplace.
\$3,495,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



14TH AVENUE SOUTH ▲
Two-story, four bedroom home with den/office. Hardwood floors, brick fireplace, elevator, granite, and summer kitchen.
\$3,395,000 | Karen Van Arsdale | 860-0894



GARDEN TERRACE ▲
Elegant and innovative new construction on a beautiful street. Steps from the beach. Private outdoor pool and spa.
\$2,995,000 | Jerry Wachowicz | 777-0741



SANDY CAY ▲
Close to beach and 5th Ave. shops. Five bedroom, 5.5 bath with family room, private elevator, fireplace, and built-in cabinets.
\$2,545,000 | Lodge McKee | 434-2424



616 GULF SHORE BLVD. NORTH ▲
Over 1/2 acre site on Alligator Lake. Build a new home or enjoy the existing 3 bedroom cottage surrounded by landscaping.
\$2,395,000 | Chris Yanson | 450-7584



GULF SHORE BLVD. SOUTH ▲
Homesite is ready-to-go for your dream home. One block to Gulf. Plans for a 4 bedroom Stoff Cooney design available.
\$2,375,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529



RIDGE LAKE ▲
Classic Florida architecture with a large courtyard entry, 3 bedroom suites, formal dining, pool. Furnished.
\$2,199,000 | Virginia/Randy Wilson | 450-9091



VILLAS ESCALANTE ▲
#C-6 - This villa has 3,881 SF, 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths and 4 terraces. Marble flooring, private elevator and two-car garage. A Christie's Great Estates Property.
\$2,195,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420



RIDGE LAKE ▲
Built on 200' x 104' homesite with three separate dining and lounging areas. Private pool, spa, waterfall, koi pond.
\$1,999,000 | Jerry Wachowicz | 777-0741



BEACH BUNGALOWS ▲
In the center of downtown, this villa has over 2,500 SF of living area, 3 bedrooms, den, 3.5 baths. Heated pool.
\$1,990,000 | Lindsey Forte Smith | 572-2663



CHATHAM PLACE ▲
#5 - This 4,000+ total SF, 4 bedroom plus den, 4.5 bath offers luxury living on 3 levels. Three blocks to the beach.
\$1,984,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420



PALM CIRCLE WEST ▲
Custom-built home with 4 bedrooms, 5 baths, den and reading room, a loft/media area. Maple floors, granite, heated pool.
\$1,949,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



14TH AVENUE SOUTH ▲
Gulf, beaches, sunsets, and Pier are just steps away. Lofted, paneled ceilings, open decks, 3 bedrooms and 4 baths.
\$1,880,000 | Karen Coney Coplin | 261-1235



7TH STREET SOUTH ▲
Expansive 2-story living room, wraparound porch, oak floors, 3 bedrooms, and outdoor living area. Furnished.
\$1,795,000 | Karen Van Arsdale | 860-0894



RIDGE LAKE ▲
Sophisticated cottage with guest house, lakefront setting, coral floors, fireplace, walls of glass, close to beach.
\$1,795,000 | Virginia/Randy Wilson | 450-9091



13TH AVENUE SOUTH ▲
An enchanting home on a nice size corner lot. Warm wood walls, large family/dining room. Close to dining/shopping.
\$1,495,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529



VILLAS VERONA ▲
Two blocks to the beach and 1 block to 5th Ave. South. Two bedrooms plus den, private heated pool/spa and 2 lanai areas.
\$1,350,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



9TH AVENUE SOUTH ▲
Charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath cottage. Granite, faux finishes, hand-painted murals, open heated tropical pool.
\$1,295,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



CATELENA 306 - 6th Avenue South ▲
Lush tropical landscaping wraps corner condominium built in 2004 in privacy. Two bedrooms plus den. Well-appointed.
\$1,295,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231



780 FIFTH AVENUE SOUTH CONDOMINIUM ▲
#307 - This 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath has high ceilings, 2 skylights, and beautifully detailed mouldings. Completely furnished.
\$975,000 | Judy Perry/Linda Perry/Penny/Bob Lyle | 261-6161

Single Family Homes

520 - 9th Avenue South
Inspired by Addison Mizner design, 3 bedroom plus den, 4 bath home being built. Cypress ceiling, stone, pool/spa. **\$2,494,000 | Jerry Wachowicz | 777-0741**

Condominiums/Villas

364 - 2nd Avenue South
Spanish-inspired Mizner West Palm Beach-style standout! European stone area with pool, spa, summer kitchen. **\$2,795,000 | Jerry Wachowicz | 777-0741**

PETTIT SQUARE 292 - 14th Avenue South #F
The only 3 bedroom! Extremely private with 2 western balconies overlooking a lush garden. Approximately 1,640 total SF. **\$889,000 | Virginia/Randy Wilson | 450-9091**

WHARFSIDE 830 River Point Drive #4
Situated on Naples Bay! Sunsets and long water views! Recently updated 3 bedroom townhouse, 30' boat dock included. **\$490,000 | Julie Rembos/Paula Sims | 262-6600**

Condominiums/Villas

FIFTH AVENUE BEACH CLUB 175 - 5th Avenue South #102
One block to beach! This 2 bedroom is totally redone! Granite countertops, tile and turnkey. Weekly rentals allowed. **\$399,000 | Marty/Debbi McDermott | 564-4231**

BEAUMER 803 River Point Drive #307-B
Totally and beautifully updated two bedroom furnished residence. Awesome kitchen, tile floors, and updated bathroom. **\$299,000 | Jeri Richey | 269-2203**

Lots/Boat Slips

LAKEVIEW TERRACE 300 - 5th Avenue South
Unique site 1/2 block off 5th Ave. S., 3 blocks to beach. PUD approved for 10 condominiums, zoning is in place. **\$3,900,000 | Paige Reddick | 239-272-5767**

PAR LA VILLE 355 - 4th Avenue South
Multi-family site zoned for six villas, each being 3,000 SF. This lot is located three blocks to Naples beaches. **\$3,650,000 | Jerry Wachowicz | 777-0741**

Lots/Boat Slips

175 South Lake Drive
Serene lakefront property just 3 houses from beach. Exceptionally large Alligator Lake lot is a rare offering. **\$3,395,000 | Linda Sonders | 860-0119**

205 South Lake Drive
Magnificent views of Alligator Lake from this secluded half acre lot. Close to the beach and 5th Ave S and 3rd St. S. **\$2,950,000 | Karen Van Arsdale | 860-0894**

115 - 5th Avenue South
SELLER FINANCING EXTENDED. Corner of Gulf Shore Blvd. and 5th Avenue South. High, natural elevation. **\$2,950,000 | Jim Barker | 250-6342**

NAPLES BAY RESORT 1480 - 5th Avenue South BS #B-43
What a value for a 40' dock! Marina with hotel and shops, Yacht Club, and Private Club with spa. No bridges to the Gulf. **\$295,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420**

LUXURY BEACHFRONT LIVING



NAPLES CAY - SEAPOINT ▲
#12N - Amazing uninterrupted Views of Gulf and sugar sand beach from every room! Four bedrooms, family room, four bath beachfront residence.
\$4,500,000 | Paula Sims/Julie Rembos | 262-6600



BAY COLONY - REMINGTON ▲
#204 - Beautifully finished, 3,010 SF, 2 bedrooms plus den/3rd bedroom, private elevator, OVERSIZED terrace with stairs leading directly to pool AND beach. FURNISHED. Ritz-Carlton privileges.
\$3,450,000 | Marlene Abbott-Barber/Leah D. Ritchey | 594-9494



PARK SHORE - LE CIEL PARK TOWER ▲
#1103 - Uninterrupted view of the Gulf. Three bedrooms, three baths, upgrades in kitchen and guest baths. Two parking spaces.
\$2,395,000 | Emily K. Bua/Tade Bua-Bell | 213-7420



MARCO ISLAND - CAPE MARCO - BELIZE ▲
#2107 - Stunning three bedroom, 3.5 bath with over 3,844 sq. ft. of living area. Furnished. Views of the Gulf. Beach access.
\$2,298,000 | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133



COQUINA SANDS - LAURENTIANS ▲
#3A - Unequaled views of sand, surf and sunsets. Top-of-the-line stainless appliances, granite counters. Sun-filled living.
\$2,150,000 | Judy Perry/Penny/Bob Lyle/Linda Perry | 261-6161



MARCO ISLAND - MADEIRA ▲
Situated along Crescent Beach, Madeira embraces pretty panoramas. Amenities invigorate mind, body and spirit. Furnished.
FROM \$1,547,000 | Laura Adams | 404-4766



VANDERBILT BEACH - GULFSIDE II ▲
#505 - Preferred three bedroom corner residence with wraparound vistas of Gulf. New A/C system and electric hurricane shutters.
\$1,450,000 | Pat Callis | 250-0562



MOORINGS - INDIES WEST ▲
#A-4 - TOES IN THE SAND EXPERIENCE! One-of-a-kind 2 bedroom villa-style home. Protected marina with direct access docks. **\$1,100,000**
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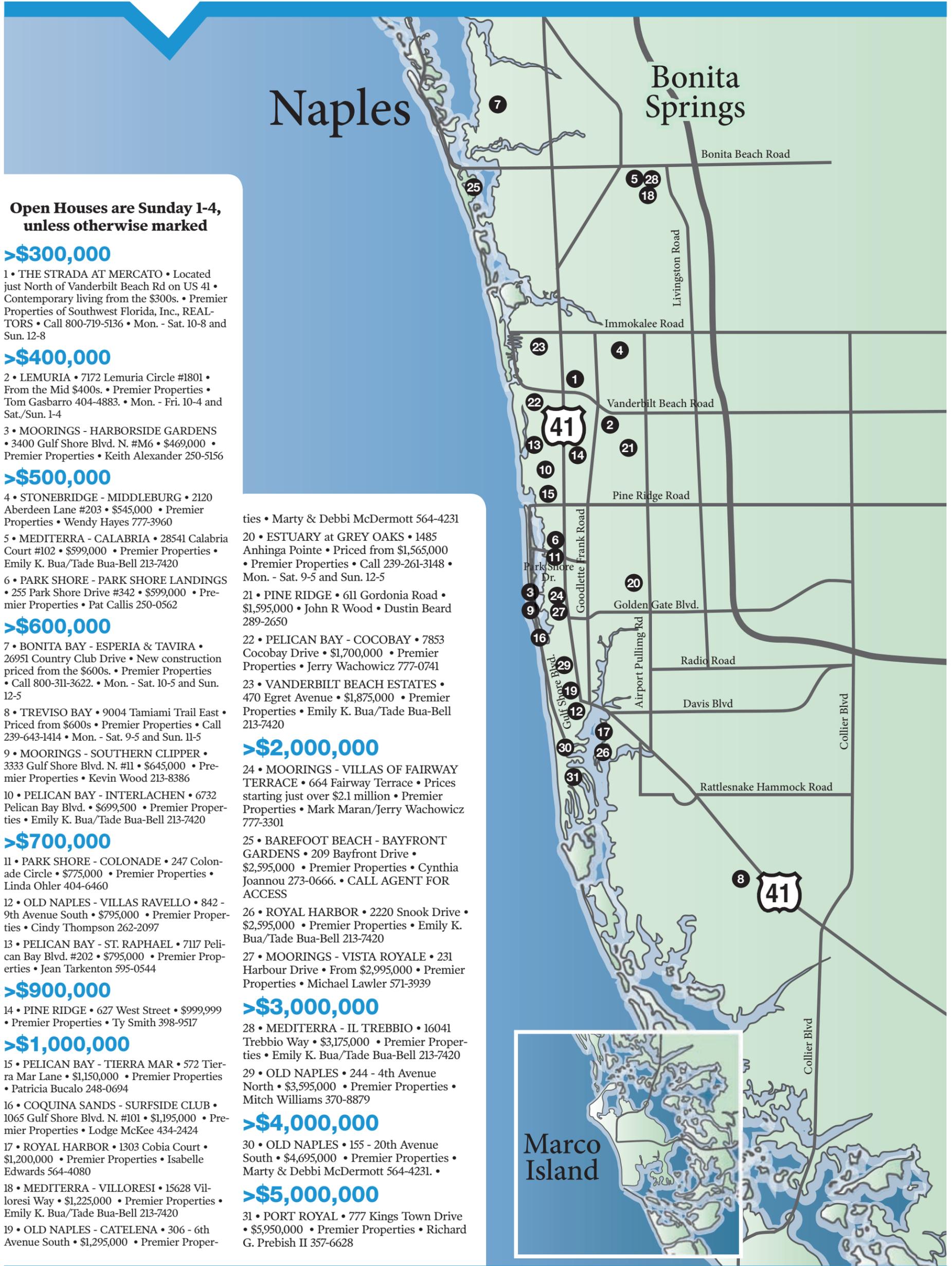
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GERANIUM COURT ▲
Custom built 3 bedroom plus den, 2 bath home. Screened lanai, heated pool & spa. Dock with lift and quick, direct Gulf access. **\$849,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983



MARCO ISLAND - PRINCE ▲
#903 - Views along the beach and Gulf to Cape Marco! Decorator furnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath with spacious balcony. **\$735,000** | Dave Flowers | 404-0493



MARCO BEACH OCEAN RESORT ▲
#501 - Private courtyard, updated end 2 bedroom, 2 bath condominium. Professionally decorated, marble flooring. **\$720,000** | Roe Tamagni | 398-1222



IRONWOOD COURT ▲
Two blocks to beach! Gourmet kitchen, faux painting. Custom pool, 12' ceilings, tray ceilings, granite, fountain. **\$695,000** | Natalie Kirstein/ML Meade | 784-0491



CAMELOT ▲
#305 - Remodeled, turnkey furnished 3 bedroom retreat. Two large terraces. Rooftop garden, bayside pool, walk to beach. **\$519,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983



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CAPE MARCO - BELIZE ▲
Spectacular views of the Gulf and 10,000 Islands from these exceptional residences. Tennis, fitness center, theatre and more. On the southern most tip of Marco Island. **#PH-2102** - Beachfront living at its best! Marble and wood flooring, 12' ceilings, 4 bedrooms plus den & 4,765 A/C SF. **\$3,250,000** | ML Meade/Natalie Kirstein | 293-4851
#2105 - Beautiful dream home in the sky. 3,600+ A/C SF. Three bedrooms. A *Christie's Great Estates Property*. **\$2,075,000** | Chris Adams | 404-5130
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#1803 - Three bedrooms, 3 baths with 3,320+ total SF. Venetian plaster and faux painting. **\$1,699,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685
#403 - Three bedroom with 3,320+ total SF. Luxurious Ethan Allen, Henredon and Robb & Stucky furniture. **\$1,490,000** | Roe Tamagni | 398-1222

Single Family Homes

KEY MARCO 1072 Blue Hill Creek Drive
Finest in luxury living! Exquisite finishes, 3 guest suites, private master suite. Quick Gulf access. A *Christie's Great Estates Property*. **\$4,695,000** | Natalie Kirstein/ML Meade | 784-0491

686 Solana Court
Majestic custom home with spectacular panoramic views of Smokehouse Bay. Featuring 5 bedroom suites plus a study. **\$3,695,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

1051 Barfield Drive South
Views of Caxambas Pass! Four bedroom pool home with 80' dock and 16,000 lb. lift. A *Christie's Great Estates Property*. **\$3,395,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

871 Copeland Drive West
Big view, tip lot location with 242 feet of direct access water frontage. Very spacious, 5 bedroom, livable home. **\$3,395,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

1411 Caxambas Court
Gulf and Caxambas Pass views. Spacious 4 bedroom with 3,600 A/C SF. Offered at lot value. Dock included. **\$3,250,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

999 Caxambas Drive
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949 San Marco Road
Custom-built home within walking distance to Residents Beach. Six bedrooms, dock/lift and spacious lanai. Views of the bay. **\$2,950,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

1190 Mimosa Court
This price reflects \$1,000,000 under the cost to construct. 100% generator power; 4 bedrooms, 3-car garage. A *Christie's Great Estates Property*. **\$2,295,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

HIDEAWAY BEACH 616 Waterside Drive
Views of Gulf, skyline and beach. Custom 3-story, Eastwood built home with 3,000+ SF, elevator and rooftop sundeck. **\$1,999,999** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

660 Century Court
Incredible tip lot home with views of Smokehouse Bay; 169 feet of water frontage with 15,000 lb. boat lift and dock. **\$1,699,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

1193 Winterberry Lane
New model home. Tray ceilings, stone flooring, infinity-edge pool, direct access. To be completed late Fall '09. **\$1,680,000** | Natalie Kirstein/ML Meade | 784-0491

350 Meadowlark Court
Three bedroom plus study home. Great room design, 13' tray ceiling, crown moulding. Pool/spa & summer kitchen. **\$1,550,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

HIDEAWAY BEACH 854 West Hideaway Circle
Custom home has private loft-style masters quarters with study and balcony. Spa, negative-edge water. Elevator. **\$1,495,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

950 Snowberry Court
Custom built home on a corner lot featuring 3 bedrooms, den and 2.5 baths. Great floor plan with upgrades, pool and deeded dock. **\$1,275,000** | Roe Tamagni | 398-1222

1261 Laurel Court
Direct access & beautiful views! New home by Marco River with great room plan, 3 bedrooms, den & Viking appliances. **\$1,195,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

1124 Whiteheart Court
Great open floor plan with 4 bedrooms, 4 baths. Outdoor kitchen, Jenn-Air grill, screened pool. Dock with lift. **\$925,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

1131 Vernon Place
Old Florida style home with quick direct access and 160' of waterfront, large wraparound verandas, new floors & paint. **\$899,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

NEW LISTING 450 Joy Circle
Furnished 3 bedroom on a huge lot (210' deep) with 166' of waterfront with SW exposure. Dock, lift and new seawall. **\$849,000** | Michelle Thomas | 860-7176

1160 Ludlam Court
Well-maintained 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Direct access to Pass & Gulf. Updated kitchen, dock with lift for 12,000 lb. boat. **\$795,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

Single Family Homes

243 Seahorse Court
Gorgeous 3 bedroom home, beautifully landscaped tip lot. Wide waterway views, 40 ft. dock, 14,000# lift, new A/C 2009. **\$795,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

KEY MARCO 786 Whiskey Creek Drive
Preserve views from this 3,000+ SF A/C, 3 bedroom plus den, large lanai with pool/spa. Three-car garage. Direct access. **\$700,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

901 Maple Avenue
Steps from beach! Great family or vacation home; 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Expansive pool deck on oversized lot. **\$699,000** | Chris Adams | 404-5130

165 Kirkwood Street
Over 3,600 SF living area, two-story, 6 bedroom, 3 bath pool home. Large 2nd floor playroom. Corner lot, circular drive. **\$699,000** | Chris Adams | 404-5130

355 Marquesas Court
Lovely 3 bedroom plus den/4th bedroom totally updated in 2007. Over 2,689 total SF, large pool, dock with 12,000 lb. lift. **\$689,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

ESTATES 1036 East Inlet Drive
Offering 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, volume ceilings, crown mouldings, spacious floor plan/lanai area and much more. **\$599,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

601 Somerset Court
Tigertail Beach area home includes spacious living area, updated kitchen and tropical lanai/pool. Turnkey furnished. **\$490,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

394 North Collier Blvd.
Large home in mint condition! All Thermopane windows and a great investment as owner desires a 3 year lease-back. **\$389,000** | Roe Tamagni | 398-1222

Condominiums/Villas

CAPE MARCO - VERACRUZ 940 S. Collier Blvd. #1105
Spectacular sunset beach views. Decorator finished, inlaid tile design, fireplace accents and crown moulding. **\$1,750,000** | Natalie Kirstein/ML Meade | 784-0491

MADEIRA 350 S. Collier Blvd. #PH-201
#PH201 - Beachfront penthouse with 7,414 total SF. Rookery Ambassador Membership included. A *Christie's Great Estates Property*. **\$6,950,000** | Chris Adams | 404-5130

#102 - Sunsets on your oversized terrace. Private steps to beach and pool. Concierge, guest suites, theatre and more. A *Christie's Great Estates Property*. **\$2,599,999** | Natalie Kirstein/ML Meade | 784-0491

#501 - Beautifully appointed three bedroom corner condominium. Three covered balconies with fantastic views. **\$1,575,000** | Chris Adams | 404-5130

HIDEAWAY BEACH - ROYAL MARCO POINT I 3000 Royal Marco Way
#PHL - Lavishly appointed 3 bedroom, 3 bath penthouse. Marble flooring, columns, crown mouldings, plantation shutters. Gulf views. **\$1,490,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

#PHQ - Seventh floor beachfront wraparound penthouse with panoramic views of the Gulf, river and sunsets. **\$1,000,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

HIDEAWAY BEACH - ROYAL MARCO POINT I 2000 Royal Marco Way #PH-E
Penthouse with Gulf view and private elevator. Vaulted living and dining areas, plus glass-enclosed lanai. **\$1,250,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

ESPLANADE II 740 N. Collier Blvd. #202
Wide bay views! Interior is immaculate, bright and airy, with elegant furnishings and draperies. Upscale amenities. **\$995,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

PRINCE 176 South S. Collier Blvd. #1007
Beautifully decorated condominium with Gulf views and numerous upgrades. Faux painting, granite, stainless and more. **\$949,000** | Natalie Kirstein/ML Meade | 784-0491

THE ESPLANADE I 720 N. Collier Blvd. #303
Gorgeous bay views from balcony. Tommy Bahama motif. Esplanade offers 77-foot slip marina, restaurants, shops, spa. **\$900,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

Condominiums/Villas

MARBELLE CLUB 840 S. Collier Blvd. #705
Beautiful views from this large 3 bedroom, 3 bath residence on the beach. Great parking and storage space. **\$899,000** | Chris Adams | 404-5130

THE ESPLANADE I 720 N. Collier Blvd. #204
Magnificent Smokehouse Bay views await you in this waterfront condominium. Crown mouldings, new tile throughout. **\$895,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

SHIPP'S LANDING III 1100 S. Collier Blvd. #1121
Gulf views from this furnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath residence. Southwestern exposure. No bridge to Gulf of Mexico. **\$750,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

THE ESPLANADE III 760 N. Collier Blvd. #205
Views of Smokehouse Bay. Two bedroom bayside residence. Granite countertops, built-ins & 2 balconies. Offered furnished. **\$650,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

SANDCASTLE II 720 S. Collier Blvd. #106
Tasteful beachfront condominium with Gulf views! Redesigned kitchen, new flooring, new tile and wraparound balcony. **\$649,500** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

HIDEAWAY BEACH - THE HABITAT 816 Hideaway Cir. E. #232
Top floor 3 bedroom penthouse with Southern exposure and golf views. Spacious lanai and covered parking. Furnished. **\$595,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

VILLA DEL MARE 816 West Elckam Circle #301
Totally remodeled! Bay views! Tile on the diagonal, crown moulding & tray ceiling. Quick boating to Marco River. **\$585,000** | Natalie Kirstein/ML Meade | 784-0491

SOUTH SEAS TOWER IV 440 Seaview Court #601
Gulf sunsets & panoramic views of Tigertail Beach. Turnkey furnished 2 bedroom with new A/C and updated kitchen. **\$539,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

BAYSIDE CLUB 838 Elckam Circle #205
Enjoy magnificent Smokehouse Bay views from this pristine 2 bedroom condominium. Turnkey furnished. **\$375,000** | Elizabeth Summers | 269-4230

SANDS OF MARCO 133 S. Collier Blvd. #C-206
Enjoy Gulf sunsets from this 2 bedroom island retreat. Turnkey furnished. Large pool/spa, cabana and 2 tennis courts. **\$358,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

SANDS OF MARCO 129 S. Collier Blvd. #B-404
Steps to Resident's Beach! Enjoy sunsets from your patio in this freshly painted & well maintained condominium. **\$317,000** | Natalie Kirstein/ML Meade | 784-0491

BEACH VIEW 169 S. Collier Blvd. #H-202
Across from the beach access walkway. Updated with new sliders, windows, tile, carpet and shutters. Turnkey furnished. **\$285,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

SANDS OF MARCO 145 S. Collier Blvd. #E-101
Bright 2 bedroom corner residence with new impact glass windows across the street from the beach. **\$284,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

ISLAND VILLAGE 542 Tallwood Street #7
Beautifully renovated 2 bedroom townhouse. New tile, wood flooring, windows and complete kitchen makeover. **\$245,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

SEABREEZE SOUTH 190 N. Collier Blvd. #Maria House 1
Updated first floor corner residence features tile throughout, crown moulding in main areas, and newer appliances. **\$229,000** | Roe Tamagni | 398-1222

SEABREEZE SOUTH 190 N. Collier Blvd. #Regina 2
Furnished 1 bedroom garden style residence just steps from the pool and 1 block from Resident's Beach. **\$158,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

MARCO SHORES - TROPIC SCHOONER 1518 Mainsail Dr. #D
Tropical retreat in a great location. Two bedroom residence with scenic lake views from lanai. Offered furnished. **\$154,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

Lots & Acreage

HIDEAWAY BEACH 875 Sea Dune Lane
One of the largest (almost 1/2 acre) & highest elevations in Hideaway. Beautiful lot with possible Gulf & Lagoon views. **\$1,495,000** | Jim/Nikki Prange | 642-1133

KEY MARCO 1279 Blue Hill Creek Drive
A beautiful location in Key Marco offering sensational wide water views on which to build your dream home. **\$1,295,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

KEY MARCO 1079 Blue Hill Creek Drive
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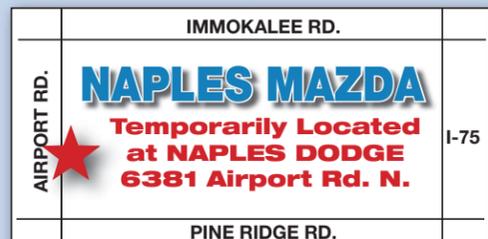
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SOAK UP SOME GOOD READS WITH THE RAYS THIS SEASON

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K, IT'S SUMMER. Traditionally, time to hit all those books you've been meaning to read. "War and Peace." "Finnegan's Wake." "Gravity's Rainbow." "Crime and Punishment." Yeah, right.

Who are you kidding? Here's a look at some good beach reads for the summer. (Though any Southwest Floridian with half a brain or sense of self-preservation will be spending most of their time indoors, with the AC cranked on high.)

These books are entertaining reads, whether you're sweating on a beach or sitting in the comfort of a cool room.

Many are mysteries or thrillers, but penned by writers who care as much about the beauty of a sentence as they do the pace of the plot.

And the majority of them are debut novels, which

SEE MUSTS, C4 ▶

WEEK at-a-glance



'Still Green' screening

Locals see the locally filmed indie movie, and other fun stuff around town. **C20 & 21 ▶**



It's all relative

Nancy Stetson discovers a Web site for odd and awkward family photos. **C8 ▶**



Just say no

Film critic Dan Hudak suggests turning down "The Proposal." **C12 ▶**

Cool! Three films for \$3 at 3 p.m. every Monday at Six Degrees

FLORIDA WEEKLY STAFF REPORT
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Recognizing that the heat of the day is a great time to take in a movie matinee, Six Degrees Exhibitions along the dockside boardwalk at Tin City invites film aficionados into its air-conditioned comfort to watch three independent shorts at 3 p.m. every Monday. Admission is, you guessed it, \$3.

Coming up Monday, June 29, with a discussion led by "Saturday Night Live" and "Sesame Street" director Joan Wood:

- **"Soulmates,"** a comedic thriller directed by Tom Flynn. Through the course of the 16-minute film, an awkward therapist finds himself using his psychoanalytical skills to negotiate his way out of a blind date. After a series of strange



COURTESY PHOTO

"Soulmates," a comedic thriller, is one of the movies on tap for Monday, June 29.

paranormal events, he simply hopes to make it through the night with body and soul intact. "Soulmates" won an Award

of Merit from the British Academy of Film and Television Arts/Los

SEE FILMS, C18 ▶



Art on the fly

Arrivals, departures at RSW can view Seminole photos and artifacts. **C19 ▶**

SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

Romance novels offer sweet release from the real world



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It begins on the banks of the Rappahannock. Our auburn-haired heroine, Cassie Blakewell, looks out over the quick-moving water of the river as it floats toward the Chesapeake. In the distance, she sees the slave boat trundling upstream. Her good heart hates the slave trade — she shivers at the thought of the soul drivers on board — but she needs slaves to work her father's plantation, a responsibility that has fallen to her during her father's prolonged illness. When the captain unloads the cargo for inspection, Cassie's eyes fall on a tall Englishman, an outlaw sentenced to indentured servitude.

"What are his crimes?" she asks.

"He's a defiler of womenfolk," the trader answers. He moves down the line of slaves as Cassie stops to examine the captive. "They'd all make good studs, if your father's looking for breeding stock."

Cassie gasps at his words, her eyes fixed on the stranger's face. "How much?" she asks.

What Cassie doesn't realize — but will come to find out over the long, hot summer — is that this "slave" is really a wealthy English gentleman, falsely accused and shipped off to the colonies. Can he prove his true identity to the young and beautiful Cassie? Will he earn his freedom? And

her love? Most importantly, will there be enough torrid sex to fill 374 pages?

(The answers, of course, are all yes.)

Storylines like this one — from Pamela Clare's "Sweet Release," printed under the Leisure Historical Romance imprint of Dorchester Publishing — are surging in popularity as political and economic pundits prophesy doom. In fact, Harlequin — the romance mega-publisher — posted a 13.5 percent increase in revenue for the first quarter of 2009 at a time when everybody but Wal-Mart and McDonald's was taking a nose dive.

Why the sudden fondness for sappy love stories? In the same way that moviegoers turn out in record numbers during a down economy — according to a *New York Times* article from February, theater attendance was up 16 percent in '09 — readers immerse themselves in light fiction when things in the real world look bleak.

Which is fine by me. Except, I worry why we are turning specifically to romantic escapism. True, the stock market was in a tailspin, and the rise in unemployment has probably affected someone you know, but that doesn't point to love stories. In fact, I would think it points to a different genre entirely.

Perhaps the reason we're fixated on romance novels is because our personal lives — like the economy

— have tanked. Why else would books like "The Sex-Starved Marriage" make the best seller list or Rabbi Shmuley report on "Extra" that only one in three married couples is having sex?

What's especially disconcerting is that



"He moves down the line of slaves as Cassie stops to examine the captive. "They'd all make good studs, if your father's looking for breeding stock..."

the plot lines in most romance novels aren't that far-fetched. True, the whole English-gentleman-as-falsely-accused-indentured-servant is tough to swallow, but the premise behind the story is universal. Everyone wants to be loved.

"Sweet Release" actually ends on a mundane note, with Alec — the gentleman — cradling both Cassie and their infant son against his chest.

"I love you, Alec," she says.

"And I you, my sweet."

Is that so hard to imagine in real life? ■

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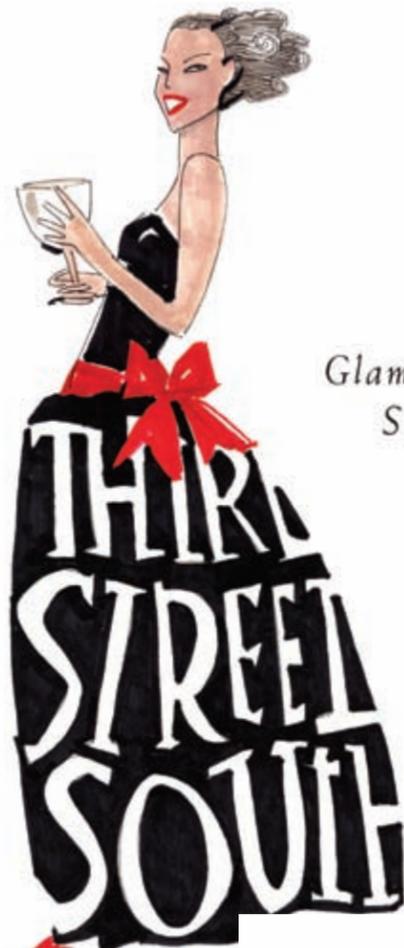
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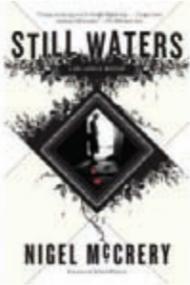
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gives us hope of more fun reading in the summers ahead.

>>“**Still Waters**” by Nigel McCrery (\$23.95, Pantheon Books)



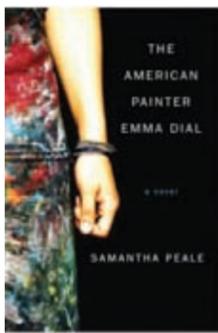
Detective Chief Inspector Mark Lapslie is called back to work when a driver has a fatal accident: when the car veers off the road, it digs a deep gouge into the land, uncovering a corpse.

Suffering from synaesthesia, a neurological condition that causes different tastes to fill his mouth when he hears sounds, Lapslie tries to discover who the killer is, while navigating a world that threatens to overwhelm him with unexpected, and not always pleasant, tastes.

The novel alternates chapters, following Lapslie, then an older woman who preys on rich, lonely, elderly women, poisoning them and taking on their identities.

“Still Waters” is a page-turner, with flashes of humor and humanity mixed among the corpses and killing. Novelist Nigel McCrery, a former police officer in England, is also the creator of the TV series “Silent Witness.”

>>“**The American Painter Emma Dial**” by Samantha Peale (\$24.95, W.W. Norton & Company)



I’ve been thinking about the novel “The American Painter Emma Dial” for more than a week now, and my thoughts and feelings keep shifting.

It’s a debut novel, well-written. I liked Samatha Peale’s sentences. But I

have no empathy for the title character and actually wound up disliking her.

Emma Dial, a 31-year-old painter, works as the assistant to a very famous painter. She does more than “assist,” she paints his paintings for him, from start to finish. He hasn’t painted in years. (And novelist Samantha Peale is great at presenting this milieu, as she herself attended the School of the Art Institute and worked as a studio assistant to Jeff Koons.)

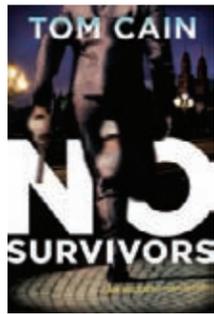
But Emma’s also sleeping with her boss, who’s married. He stops by whenever it’s convenient for him, and she willingly accommodates him. She’s given up everything for him, including creating her own paintings. Eventually (plot spoiler here) she starts sleeping with her boss’s rival, an internationally known painter 23 years her senior. Because of his attention, she gathers the nerve to quit her job. She’s star struck, and greatly attracted to his power and reputation. It seems more a calculated career move on her part than a relationship based on love and passion.

The book has an insider’s knowledge of the art world and the marketing of art. And while it encourages the importance of finding your own creative path

and staying true to yourself, Emma doesn’t seem to do that. She just seems to think she can sleep her way to the top of the art world.

And who knows? Maybe she can.

>>“**No Survivors**” by Tom Cain (\$25.95, Viking)



As the book jacket describes, protagonist Samuel Carver is a man trained to make bad things happen, whether it’s a plane or car crash — and make it look like an accident. Think of a renegade James Bond, and you’ll

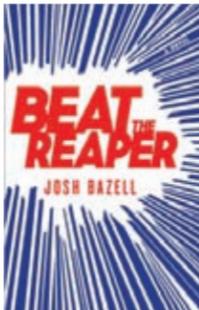
get a good idea of what Carver’s like.

The novel — the second in the “Accident Man” series — opens with Carver in a sanitarium, just a shell of his former self, due to the physical and psychological torture he recently experienced. But then, his girlfriend goes missing and various people want to find the Russian suitcase nukes hidden around the world. That includes a religious fanatic who wants to personally start Armageddon, and a retired U.S. Army general who wants to use a nuke to draw attention to the dangers of radical Islamic terrorism.

Like a James Bond movie, the action hops around the globe, from Washington, D.C., to Russia to Kosovo to Norway to the French Riviera.

The writing is a cut above typical plot-driven books of this kind; novelist Tom Cain is the nom de plume of David Thomas, an award-winning British journalist.

>>“**Beat the Reaper**” by Josh Bazell (\$24.99, Little, Brown and Company)



First thing: ignore the cover, which doesn’t do justice to this wild and wooly story about Peter Brown, who’s in the Federal Witness Protection Program. He used to kill people for the Mafia. Now, he’s saving lives as a doctor interning at Manhattan’s worst

hospital.

The novel opens with him being mugged. Reacting on instinct, he breaks the mugger’s arm and nose and steals his gun. Then he drops him off in the ER.

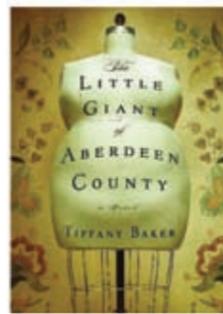
Dr. Brown is a superbly wise-ass narrator: rude, crude, and totally irreverent. There’s talk of the book being turned into a movie. I suspect it won’t be half as good, because the narrator’s voice, and his various footnotes and explanations, are a big part of what makes “Beat the Reaper” so much fun.

The novel not only contains shoot-’em-up gore, but medical gore as well, including, among other things, an entire chapter describing stomach cancer surgery. (Author Josh Bazell has a BA in English literature and writing from Brown University and an MD from Columbia, which makes him the ideal person to write such a novel.)

Trouble starts when Dr. Brown runs into a wiseguy who’s a patient at the hospital. He fears his cover is blown. Dr. Brown has to “beat the reaper” by keeping not only the mobster’s death at bay, but his own.

An entertaining and whirlwind first novel.

>>“**The Little Giant of Aberdeen County**” by Tiffany Baker (\$24.99, Grand Central Publishing)



“The Little Giant of Aberdeen County” has been called modern southern gothic and compared to John Irving’s “Garp.” If you enjoy films such as “Big Fish” and “The Princess Bride,” this is your kind of

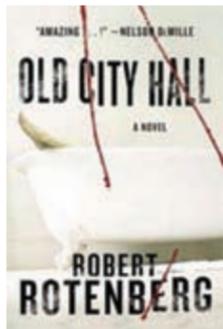
book.

Tiffany Baker has spun a fantastical tale about Truly Plaice, a giant living in smalltown America. When her mother was pregnant with her, people thought she must be carrying twins. The townspeople even place bets as to how big her baby would be. When Truly is born, the doctor declares her “ugly as sin and heavy as an ox.”

Truly faces rejection and teasing everywhere she turns; her older sister, Serena Jane, is everything she’s not: the most beautiful girl in town. As Truly says, “The reason the two of us were as opposite as sewage and spring water, I thought, was that pretty can’t exist without ugly.”

A stunning debut. Tiffany Baker has a way with words that makes you want to savor her sentences. I’ll be curious to see what she writes next.

>>“**Old City Hall**” by Robert Rotenberg (\$26, Farrar, Straus and Giroux)



When his morning newspaper is delivered to his luxury condo, Canada’s leading talk-show host meets the deliveryman at the door and says, “I killed her.” He’s referring to his wife in the bathtub — who is indeed, very dead.

It seems as if it’s a slam-dunk case, especially with Brace’s self-incriminating words, but then loose threads begin to unravel. And Brace refuses to talk with his lawyer, communicating only in writing.

Rotenberg’s a criminal lawyer who, according to the “note about the author” created, edited and published his own city magazine, T.O., The Magazine of Toronto, so he possesses a unique blend of knowing how lawyers work and a talent for stringing words together in interesting ways.

The novel traces the paths of the first cop on the scene, the homicide detective, the prosecuting attorney and the defending attorney. We follow this ensemble around as they slowly put the pieces together. And in this gripping debut novel, the hockey-mad city of Toronto is just as much a character as the flesh-and-blood people.

Other lawyers have written legal thrillers that have wound up on the Best Seller list, but “Old City Hall” has much more substance and literary weight. It’s not just a page-turner, it’s well-written. You want to simultaneously read quickly to discover what happens and read slowly to savor the writing. It’s the type of legal thriller that would appeal to people who don’t even care for the genre.

>>“**Dream City**” by Brendan Short (\$22, MacAdam/Cage)



The cover of this debut literary novel features a square-jawed hero, complete with fedora and trench coat, a la Dick Tracy; the inside features a young boy, Michael, who experiences the world as such a terrifying place that he finds refuge

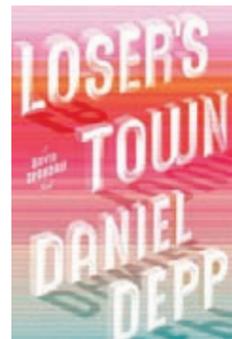
in the weekly Sunday comics and in Big Little Books.

The Big Little Books have heroes he looks up to: Flash Gordon, Dick Tracy, Buck Rogers, Mike Steele. Michael wishes they would come to his rescue, or that he could be like them. His father, a failed boxer, does dirty work for a local gangster, and his mother dies when he’s only seven.

Michael grapples with childhood, then, as an adult, struggles in a world that’s no kinder than the one he grew up in. He finds refuge by hunting down the Big Little Books of his childhood, combing the streets and suburbs of Chicago.

Skilled novelist Brendan Short juxtaposes the world of pop culture heroes and the Century of Progress with the bleakness and despair of day-to-day living.

>>“**Loser’s Town**” by Daniel Depp (\$25, Simon & Schuster)



You have to love a book that starts out with one lowlife asking another, “How many dead bodies have you seen?” The man thinks, then responds, “You mean, like, in a funeral home, or just laying around?”

A loser’s town was what the late Robert Mitchum called Hollywood. “You can make it here if you can’t make it anywhere else,” he said.

And yes, “Loser’s Town” is a novel about Hollywood — a behind-the-scenes look. It’s not the glamorous side, it’s turning over the rock and seeing what slithers and skitters out. This is a debut novel by a man who knows Hollywood; Daniel Depp is a screenwriter (and yes, half-brother to that famous actor.) Some will try to guess who he’s based his characters on, but in his author’s note, he claims that, “Any resemblance in this book to people living or dead is purely coincidental and will merely be taken by the author as a tribute to his genius.”

“Loser’s Town” features David Spandau, a private investigator, rodeo rider and former Hollywood stunt man. The premise of the book is a little shaky — Spandau is hired to protect an actor being blackmailed by a small-time gangster who wants him to star in a script he’s written, but the writing is horrible.

This is a funny, seedy novel about low-lives, wannabes, actors, and everyone else drawn to Hollywood. And the cover refers to it as “A David Spandau novel,” which means that there are more to come. ■



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WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

Best bets for the weekend

Here's what the United Arts Council of Collier County suggests you work into your plans for June 26-28 (call ahead for open hours and specific show times):

■ **Thoroughly Modern Millie** - The Naples Players present the high-spirited, toe-tapping musical suitable for all ages June 26-July 25 on the main stage at Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

■ **Palm Cottage House Tours** - Naples Historical Society; 261-8164.

■ **Italian Connection: Maria Pia Malbera** - An exhibit at Sweet Art Gallery; 597-2110.

■ **Two-for-one admission** - At the Naples Museum of Art through June 28. On exhibit: "Will Barnet: Works of Seven Decades," "Florida Contemporary: Paintings and Photographs," "Living with Studio Furniture: Collection of Robert & Carolyn Springborn," "The Mouse House: Works from the Olga Hirshhorn Collection," "Modern Mexican Masters" and "Leaders in American Modernism." 597-1900.

■ **The Green Period** - Juried member show at the Marco Island Center for the Arts. 394-4221

■ **Living Waters** - Aquatic Preserves of Florida exhibit at Rookery Bay. 417-6310

■ **Celebration of the Tamiami Trail** - On exhibit at the Immokalee Pioneer Museum. 658-2466

■ **Artists of the Summer: Children's Art from Everglades City** - On exhibit at the Museum of the Everglades. 695-0008.

This week's live bands

■ **Bayshore Coffee Company** - Live music every night. Call for this week's lineup. 2727 Bayshore Drive. 775-5676 or 287-2035.

■ **Fred's Diner** - Wednesday: Singer/Songwriter Night hosted by Tim McGeary and sponsored by Robert George Productions from 7-10 p.m. Uptown Plaza, 2700 Immokalee Road. 431-7928.

■ **The Island Pub** - The Island Sounds of Trevor Earl, 5-8 p.m. Friday. Jebry's Jazz Jam, 5-8 p.m. Monday. 600 Neapolitan Way, in the Park Shore Resort. 262-2500 or www.naplespubs.com.



"Thoroughly Modern Millie" is a best bet for this weekend at the Sugden Community Theatre.

■ **Jack's Bait Shack** - Thursday: Soapy Tuna; Friday, Saturday and Monday: Overthrowing Amy; Tuesday: Geek Skwad; Wednesday: Love Funnel. 975 Imperial Golf Course Blvd. 594-3460 or www.jacksbaitshack.com.

■ **Noodles** - Saturday: Paul Rozmus and the Funkyside Dance Band beginning at 8:30 p.m. 1585 Pine Ridge Road. 592-0050.

■ **Olio** - Jazz during Sunday jazz brunch 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and every Wednesday 6-9 p.m. 1500 Fifth Avenue South. 530-5110.

■ **Riverwalk at Tin City** - Thursday 5:30-8:30 p.m.: John Lowbridge; Friday 5:30-8:30 p.m.: Merrill Allen; Saturday 5:30-8:30 p.m.: Sal Desantis; Sunday 3-7 p.m.: Sal Desantis. 1200 Fifth Avenue South. 263-2734. www.riverwalktincity.com.

■ **Sea Salt** - Thursday and Saturday, 7-10 p.m.: Cougar and the sounds of flamenco guitar; 1186 Third Street South; 434-7258 www.seasaltnaples.com.

■ **Six Degrees Exhibitions** - Saturday at 8 p.m.: Colton Owsley and The World, The Flesh and The Devil Band bring their jazz/indie/folk sound to Six Degrees. Reserve a seat by calling 331-2678. 1100 Sixth Street South.

This week's theater

■ **Orphan Bunko** - FGCU Theater Lab presents a dark comedy that probes beneath the perfectly coiffed surface of a suburban neighborhood and its bored but stylist residents. 8 p.m. June 25-28 in the FGCU Arts Complex. 590-7238.

■ **Mulan Jr.** - Broadway Palm Children's Theatre presents Disney's "Mulan Jr." June 26 and 28; July 2, 3, 10, 12, 17, 18, 24, 26, 30, 31; and Aug. 2. Travel back to the legendary, story-telling days of ancient China with this action-packed show. 278-4422 or www.BroadwayPalm.com.

■ **Peter Pan** - Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre presents the high-flying adventure "Peter Pan" through Aug. 8. Performances are Wednesday through Sunday evenings with selected matinees. 278-4422 or www.BroadwayPalm.com.

Thursday, June 25

■ **Indie Screening** - Catch some indie shorts and hob-nob with Naples International Film Festival judges from 7-9 p.m. at Six Degrees Exhibitions, 1100 Sixth Avenue South. 331-2678 or www.naplesfilmfest.com.

Friday, June 26

■ **Kids Free Fridays** - Kids 12 and under are admitted free with a paying adult (\$5) from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Fridays through Aug. 21, at Rookery Bay Reserve Environmental Learning Center, 300 Tower Road. 417-6310.

■ **Day26** - Bad Boy recording artists and stars of MTV's "Making the Band 4" DAY26, with Donnie Klang and special guests Hurricane Chris, Mike Jones, Webbie and Yung Berg perform at Germain Arena at 7 p.m. Tickets: \$37-\$57.

■ **Free Live Music** - Miromar Outlets presents free live music from 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, June 27

■ **Third Street South Farmers Market** - Nearly 50 vendors sell their produce and wares from 7:30-11:30 a.m. in the parking lot behind Tommy Bahamas in Naples.

■ **More Free Music** - Enjoy the sounds of Cracker Blues, a mixture of Motown and blues, under the stars beginning at 8 p.m. at Gulf Coast Town Center. Picnics, lawn chairs and blankets welcome; no alcohol permitted. 267-0783 or gulfcoast-towncenter.com.

■ **Dixieland Jazz** - The Naples Jazzmasters Dixieland Band performs at 2 p.m. in The Norris Center, 755 Eighth Avenue South. \$15, singles; \$25, couples. 649-4323.

■ **Dinner and Laughs** - Enjoy a three-course dinner and see "Assisted Living," a musical by the comedy team of Compton and Bennett, all for \$29.95 at Fred's Diner, Uptown Plaza, 2700 Immokalee Road. 431-7928.

Monday, June 29

■ **Three-Movie Matinee** - See three independent films for \$3 beginning at 3 p.m. at Six Degrees Exhibitions, 1100 Sixth Street South next to Tin City. 331-2678.

Tuesday, June 30

■ **Free Outdoor Movies** - See "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" as part of Cinema Under the Stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. The show starts around sundown in Market Plaza.

Ongoing events

■ **Art Exhibits** - The traveling exhibit, "Teapots: Object to Subject," is on display at the Art League of Bonita Springs through Aug. 13. "Artful Home," featuring works in a variety of mediums and styles, is on exhibit through July 9. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

■ **History Lessons** - The Naples Historical Society conducts guided tours of Palm Cottage from 1-4 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday. Tours of the Norris Gardens are offered at 1 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month. Requested donation: \$8/adults, \$5/children 12 and under; members are free. Walking tours of the Naples Historic District set out at 9 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Requested donation: \$15/adults, \$5/children 12 and under; \$10 for members. 261-8164 or www.napleshistoricalsociety.org.

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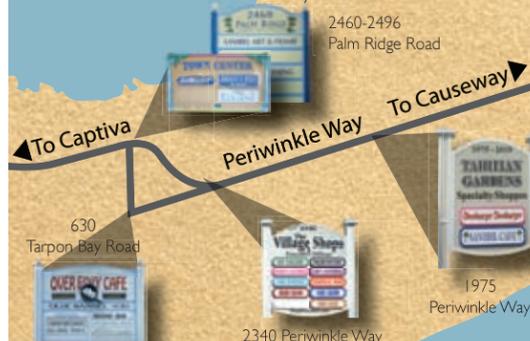
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Crossbows, big hair and choking: Awkward family photos

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Somewhere in our history, we all have photos we'd rather no one else see.

I'm not talking about wild-weekend-at-the-hotel, "Oh, don't worry, no one will ever see these" photos. (Though really, you should know better.)

And I'm not even talking junior high portraits, weird-fashion-craze-of-the-moment photos where you think you look so cool, or photos with an ex.

I'm talking family photos.

The ones where you, or someone else in your family, or maybe just everyone, looks really goofy.

Or odd.

Or awkward.

Or all three.

I know I have a few of those photos hidden away in my albums.

There's the Christmas one where our entire family is lined up in front of the Christmas tree. It was during my teenage moody phase. I've long forgotten what happened before the photo was snapped, but there's my family, all happy and smiling, and there's me, scowling, with eyes that look as if they could shoot lasers through a bank vault door.

Or there's the photo of my siblings and me taken at the local playground. My oldest brother's wearing a coat he coaxed our mom into sewing for him out of fake fur. You can tell the fur's fake, because it has a huge brown-and-white plaid pattern on it. He stands there proudly. I'm the one in the red pleather jacket and long, straight hair. The four of us are arranged on some strange kind of concrete climbing equipment that looks as if Jean Arp had designed it. We look like a cheap album cover for some Cowsills-wannabes.

Photos such as these have been show-

ing up on the Web lately (though not mine, thank goodness), on a site called Awkward Family Photos. Located at www.awkwardfamilyphotos.com, the site is exactly what it says: unusual family photos that contain some form of awkwardness.

It's not mean-spirited or snarky, just humorous.

The site's motto: Spreading the awkwardness.

All you need to do is take a quick look and view one or two photos to understand why, in the couple months since its creation, this site has gone viral.

Not only are the photos funny, but they're oddly appealing in a strange way. You can't help but think about the people in them and wonder what they were thinking, what motivated them to take some of the photos they did.

We all know that families do strange things. Generally, they do them in the privacy of their own homes, and unless they're our own family, we're not privy to what they're doing.

But now we know that families also do strange things in the presence of a camera. In fact, for some of them, it seems that the appearance of a camera actually inspires them to do odd things.

According to the evidence on this Web site, some feel compelled to dress in matching winter sweaters or outfits. One fam-

ily even dressed up as characters from Winnie the Pooh. (The father, dressed as Eeyore, is down on all fours.)

There are studio family shots, one with a baby making an obscene gesture, another with a baby who, at the moment the shutter clicked, decided to grab his grandmother's breast.

One studio shot shows a family of four. The bald and bearded father is wearing a clergy collar...and shorts! Next to him, the son, dressed up in shirt and tie, has his hands around his mother's neck, as if he's choking her. The sister, looking like a young Molly Ringwald, just looks on.

Choking photos seem to be a thing with some families. Who knew? There's another studio shot, with a family in front of a blue and white quilt. The father has his hands firmly around his son's neck. This photo was a Father's Day finalist for the site, and they titled it "The Choker 2."

There are wedding photos galore. One shows the bride and groom peeking around the corner of a stone wall. The groom is standing directly behind his wife, and you can't see his hands, making it look as if they've gotten a head-start on the honeymoon.

Then there's the couple who have just gotten married, apparently, in City Hall. They stand, proudly displaying their marriage license. On the marble wall behind them, it says "Marriage License Bureau." Unfortunately, directly underneath, it also says "Mental Health Dept."

There are pregnancy photos. One shows a husband and wife, outside, facing each other. We can see by the woman's profile that she is indeed pregnant. But her husband, standing opposite her, also looks pregnant. He's wearing a black T-shirt with a white question mark on the belly.

Another strange photo shows nine women gathered around a pregnant woman in a chair. Each woman has her hand on the woman's abdomen. I suspect it's a baby shower photo, but it's undeniably weird. (The caption reads: "Grandma lasted the longest at 2 days, 14 hours.")

Possibly one of the most awkward pregnancy photos on the site is a black-and-white shot in which the husband and wife are naked. The woman is covering her breasts, and her husband is directly behind her, pressing against her. It's not that pregnancy automatically makes a woman look awkward — there are plenty of photos of voluptuous pregnant women — but that these two look so awkward in their own skin.

Neither one is looking at the camera, but looking downwards. It's attempting to be an arty shot, but not quite working. Visitors to the Web are invited to leave comments, with everyone trying to top each other. Some are funnier than the photo! In response to this photo, one poster asked "What are they looking down at?" Someone responded: "Their clothes!"

Another poster says that the photo is awkward because they're trying to show the



beauty of the human body while simultaneously trying to cover it up and hide it.

On the site you can see a number of amateur photos where things obviously weren't planned well. One of those is a hysterical family shot with a girl on a couch and her mom, dad, and brother behind her. Because of the awkward angle, the mostly empty red couch takes up most of the photo; the family looks legless and as if they're avoiding the girl.

Then there are professional shots where the photographer tried to do something fancy and it just didn't work. This includes a shot of eight people, all barefoot and in dressed in various shades of blue, watching an older couple kiss. (I suspect it's the couple's children and grandchildren looking on.)

There's nothing wrong with older people kissing, but the photo just looks weird, awkward. It doesn't look spontaneous at all.

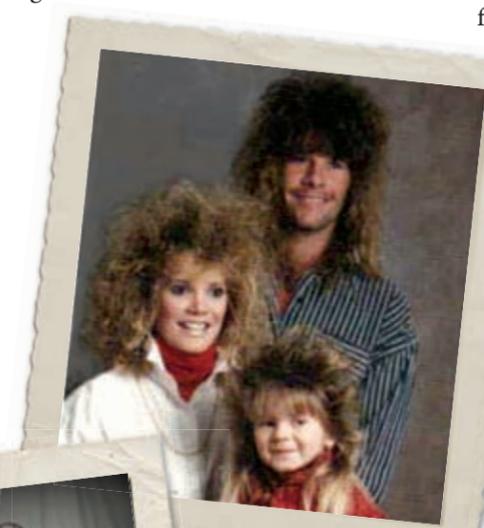
There's a professional studio shot of a family... and each one is holding a crossbow.

There are people with mullets. Little kids with half perms, half mullets. Families where everyone has Big Hair. A hairy teen crouched in a wrestling pose. A family posing alongside a walrus whose massive genitalia is on display.

The site was started by two screenwriters, Mike Bender and Doug Chernack. It's now so popular, they receive hundreds of submissions a day, and have just signed a book deal with Three Rivers Press.

To paraphrase Leo Tolstoy, happy families are all alike, but every awkward family is uniquely awkward in its own way.

Now where's that photo of Grandma? ■



COURTESY PHOTOS

ily even dressed up as characters from Winnie the Pooh. (The father, dressed as Eeyore, is down on all fours.)

There are studio family shots, one with a baby making an obscene gesture, another with a baby who, at the moment the shutter clicked, decided to grab his grandmother's breast.

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BY MARY ELLEN BARRETT

Vice President of Programs
The Community Foundation of Collier County



In uncertain economic times, the essential services of nonprofits are critical to any community. Now more than ever, the goal of a nonprofit board is to help the organization perform with maximum effectiveness. The Community Foundation of Collier County, through its Center for Nonprofit Excellence, offers seminars and board trainings on the best practices of nonprofit boards.

One of the newest "best practice" ideas for nonprofit boards of directors is the creation of a governance committee. Members of such committees understand the mission and goals of the organization and ensure that all board members do, as well. The governance committee has eight primary tasks:

1. Identification - This involves assessing current board members and then creating a profile of skills sets and areas of expertise the board and the organization need.

2. Cultivation and recruitment - These activities should reach beyond the board's traditional circles and connect to those in the community who reflect the organization's constituencies and who can address the needs of the board today and in the future.

3. Orientation - A complete orientation includes everything from a tour of the facilities and an overview of the history, to an in-depth presentation that clearly explains the financial state of the company and copies of the bylaws and organizational chart.

4. Involvement - Each new member should be recruited based on how they can help the organization. This includes having a job description, being introduced to committee work and actively engaging the new members in the work of the board.

5. Education - The governance committee is charged with ensuring that all members have adequate materials and understand their roles and responsibilities. The committee should also involve board members in "continuing education" about issues that most concern the board and the organization. This entails an effective communications network to keep board members apprised of activities through publications, board and committee minutes, presentations and emails.

6. Evaluation - The governance committee should annually lead the board in a self-assessment and a discussion of strategies for self-improvement.

7. Rotation - Making sure expectations are clear, evaluating individual performance and enforcing term limits are all important functions of the governance committee.

8. Celebration - Boards should take time to govern well and to celebrate their successes.

The board and the chief executive: Who does what?

Effective board/chief executive partnerships depend on common expectations, cooperative planning and open and honest communications.

Boards tend to run on a continuum from those whose members are over-involved in managerial matters to those whose members serve in name only. Achieving the right balance is an ongoing challenge that can be managed well if the board and chief executive establish common expectations.

The first step is to establish job descriptions for both board members and the chief executive. These documents should establish the expectations and the parameters of the required work.

The second step is to establish a strategic plan and ensure that the board focuses on implementation of that plan.

Finally, open and honest communication will keep the board informed and diminish any member's tendency to want to take over the responsibilities of the staff.

The board of directors of a nonprofit can govern more and manage less if they:

- Develop a strategic plan and adhere to it;
- Develop a critical path for implementation of the strategic agenda;
- Monitor the success of the organization's initiatives;
- Develop clear expectations and plan of action for the board of directors;
- Encourage the board leadership to think strategically; and
- Prepare materials and structure meetings to direct the board's attention to matters of policy and strategy. ■

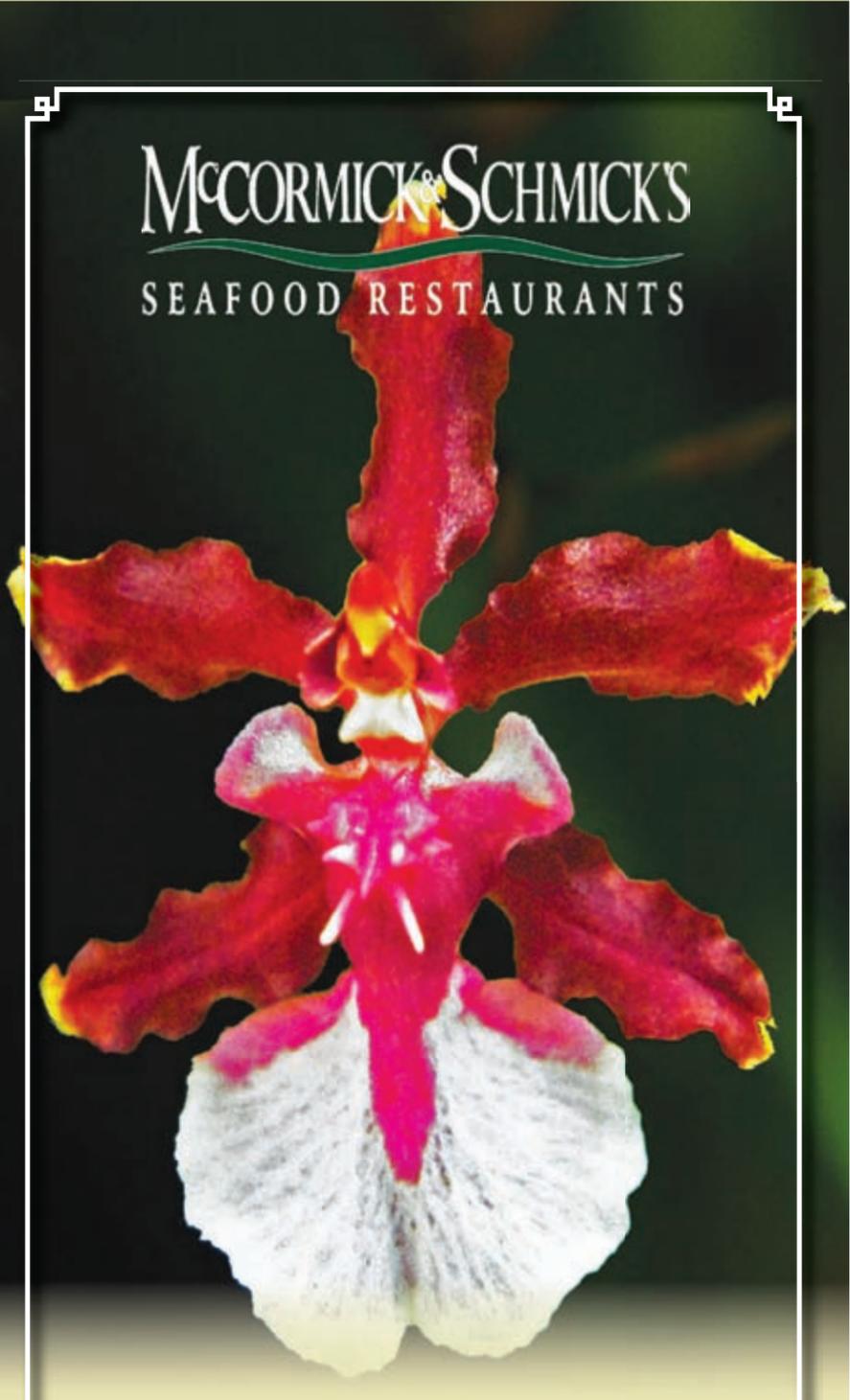
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Mary Ellen Barrett is vice president of programs for the foundation. For more information about the best practices of nonprofit board members, contact her at 649-5000, ext. 203, or mbarrett@cfcollier.org. For a complete listing of the seminars offered through the foundation's Center for Nonprofit Excellence, visit www.cfcollier.org.

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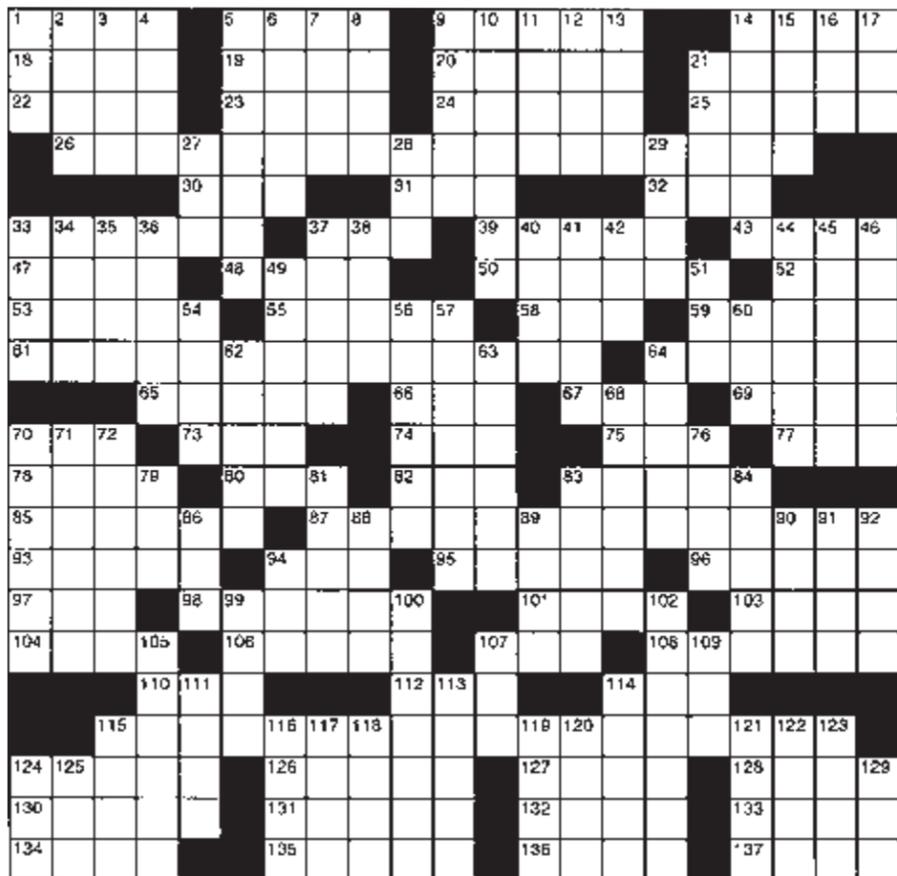
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 - 98 Socked a shuttlecock
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 - 11 Be — unto oneself
 - 12 Lorne role
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 - 14 Slupely group
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 - 16 Mr. Lucky's card
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 - 27 Even if, informally
 - 28 Above, to Arnold
 - 29 Boat bottom
 - 33 Credit alternative
 - 34 "— forgive those ..."
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 - 57 Short races
 - 60 Land a hand
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 - 63 TV's "Have Gun Will —"
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 - 68 Perceptive
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 - 72 Honda competitor
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 - 81 Investigate
 - 83 Capp character
 - 84 "The Elephant Man" director
 - 86 Vapor
 - 88 Nautical adverb
 - 89 Gardenor's tool
 - 90 Mideastern dough
 - 91 "Ripley's Believe — Not"
 - 92 Conductor Jeffrey
 - 94 Collectibles, collectively
 - 99 Tivoli's Villa d'—
 - 100 Blood count?
 - 102 "Out of Africa" setting
 - 105 "— of a Doubt" ('43 film)
 - 107 Cello part
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 - 117 Singer Sonny
 - 118 Aware of
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 - 120 Blood components
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 - 122 "A Tiger Walks" actor
 - 123 Philanthropist Cornell
 - 124 Off. equipment
 - 125 Sneaky sort
 - 129 Turn sharply

SEE ANSWERS, C9

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HOROSCOPES

■ CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

A vacation choice seems less interesting than when you first made it. Could it be a matter of the place or the people going with you? Find out before you consider a change of plans.

■ LEO (July 23 to August 22)

Someone might be overriding your Leonine logic to get you to agree to "favors" you would normally avoid. Take a new look at what you've been asked to do and see if you've been misled.

■ VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

Try to keep that emerging "judgmental" aspect in check this week. Too many critiques on relatively unimportant issues could create a lot of negative bounce-back reactions.

■ LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

Facing unpleasant facts about an associate isn't easy. But ignoring them isn't wise. Ask a trusted (and neutral) friend to help guide you on what to do and how you might do it.

■ SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

A shift in opinion regarding a workplace situation could go a long way in vindicating the stand you've taken. But be aware that a satisfactory resolution could still be a long way off.

■ SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)

It's not like you to choose the easy way rather than the right way to do things. So, follow your instincts and feel assured they will lead you to the right decision. Good luck.

■ CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

Hold off on making a

personal commitment until you find out what it really entails and whose interests are actually involved. There could be hidden facts you need to know.

■ AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

A new friend offers an unexpected opportunity that could lead to a career change. Check it out carefully and consider getting an assessment from someone familiar with this field.

■ PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

A surprising discovery leads to mixed reactions from those involved in the "revelation." But as you come to appreciate the truth, you'll be able to also come to terms with your feelings.

■ ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

Don't be surprised if, in spite of your well-made plans, something goes awry. But don't worry. Your knowledge of the facts plus your Arian charm will help you work it out.

■ TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

A personal relationship seems to be demanding more than you feel you're able to give. Best advice: Confront the issue. You could find the situation surprisingly easy to work through.

■ GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Resist being pressured into meeting your self-imposed deadline. This is important if you really feel that taking more time to finish a project could save time in the long run.

■ BORN THIS WEEK:

Your love of travel helps you appreciate the wonders of the world. You would find a satisfying career in any travel-related industry.

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By Linda Thistle

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'Rescue Ink'

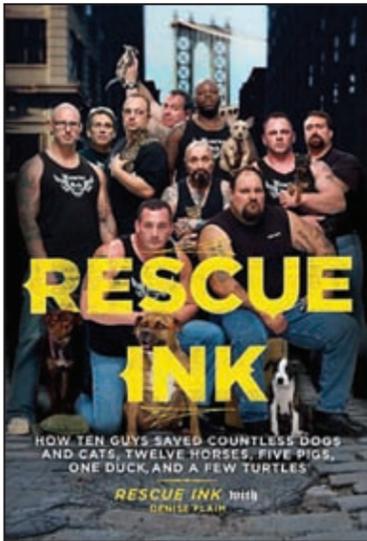
By Rescue Ink, with Denise Flaim (Viking, \$25.95)

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Special to Florida Weekly

If your idea of an animal lover is a sweater-clad grandma crocheting doilies for her cats, get ready to have your mind blown. These animal advocates are steak-chomping, dirty-joke-telling, tattoo-covered bikers who look like they could crush a windpipe... with the same hands they use to gently stroke the tiniest kitten.

Rescue Ink is a New-York-centered animal rescue group with a personality like none other. These 10 brawny guys might look like thugs, but they're heroes to abused and neglected animals of all sorts, from feral cats to marooned ducks to mistreated horses. When directly confronting cruelty and ignorance, often in dicey situations that other rescue teams won't touch, the Rescue Ink team is perfectly aware that their appearance can be a powerful tool, and they don't hesitate to use it.

Sometimes all that is needed is a little intimidation, a strategy in which the guys excel. But they also perform quieter tasks — educating the public about puppy mills and sterilization programs, buying sacks of dog food and kitty litter with money



from their own pockets, and traveling around the country speaking to groups of all ages about respect and kindness.

Each chapter in this "multibiography" tells the life story of a different member of the crew, and the reader can

quickly see that these guys have much in common: They've seen hard times, but found a way through them with the help of a special pet, or from an overarching compassion for and link with animals in general.

Perhaps because of their backgrounds, many of them have a soft spot for misrepresented breeds, such as the pit bull and Rottweiler, and are eager to spread the word that these oft-maligned dogs have hearts just as big as any of their canine cousins. Likewise, anyone who looks beyond Rescue Ink's own fierce exteriors can clearly see that this is a truly noble and admirable group of men. ■



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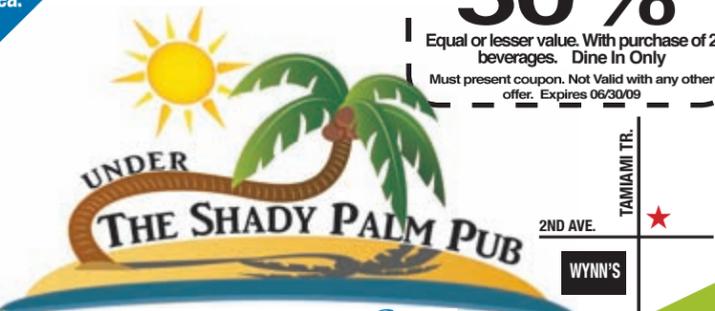
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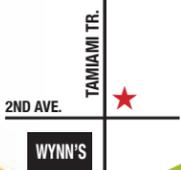
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 Is it worth \$10? No

For some, the desire to see "The Proposal" is based solely on the fact that Ryan Reynolds and Sandra Bullock are naked together in a bedroom scene. Fair enough, though you should prepare for disappointment. For more discerning tastes — those who expect real chemistry between romantic leads, funny jokes and at least a moderately believable story — this is a movie to skip.

Ms. Bullock plays Margaret Tate, a bitchy New York City book editor who walks all over her lowly assistant, Andrew Paxton (Reynolds). She's also Canadian and doesn't realize her visa is about to expire, so she tells her bosses she and "Drew" are engaged. He reluctantly agrees to play along, but problems ensue when an immigration officer (Denis O'Hare) questions the validity of their union. In an effort to prove their love she travels with him to his hometown of Sitka, Alaska, for his Grandma Annie's (Betty White) 90th birthday party, meets his parents (Mary Steenburgen and Craig T. Nelson), and then of course really does fall in love with him.

Margaret's only competition for Drew comes from his high school sweetheart Gertrude (Malin Akerman, "Watchmen"), who's neither cute nor sassy enough to win him back. I mean, what guy wouldn't want the girl who's been a royal bitch to him for three years when his true love comes back in the picture? Nah, give me the hyper-dominant, odious alpha girl whose mere presence I couldn't stand three days ago — she'll make me happy forever.

Margaret's affection (I can't bring myself to call it "love") for Drew is, of course, in accordance with the golden



Ryan Reynolds as Andrew Paxton and Sandra Bullock as Margaret Tate "The Proposal."

rule of romantic comedies, which clearly states that the heroine must be in love with either a) the guy she can't stand, or b) the guy who can't stand her, by the time the movie ends. If this doesn't happen the movie is not a romantic comedy, it's a drama.

And in truth, "The Proposal" may as

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well have been a drama. Many of the supposedly funny bits feel forced and desperate, including the aforementioned naked scene. Part of the problem is that Mr. Reynolds and Ms. Bullock have zero chemistry, making every scene between them awkward. Drew's daddy drama is a waste of everyone's time, and we no doubt could've died happy without hearing Betty White say the words "smack his ass." And if the poor quality of "The Proposal" isn't enough, Ms. Bullock will always be able to look back on the chanting ceremony with Ms. White and have deep, deep regrets.

There are a few amusing moments in director Anne Fletcher's ("27 Dresses") film, but not enough to overcome the bland and predictable story. Die-hard fans

of Mr. Reynolds and Ms. Bullock may be amused by the saccharine cuteness of it all, but the rest of us will be eager for the unhappily ever after to commence so we can leave the theater. Unhappily. ■

Dan Hudak is the chairman of the Florida Film Critics Circle and a nationally syndicated film critic. You can e-mail him at dan@hudakonhollywood.com and read more of his work at www.hudakonhollywood.com.

Did you know?

>>In the movie Bullock plays a Canadian and Reynolds' character is American. In reality, Bullock is an American and Reynolds is Canadian.

CAPSULES

REVIEWED BY DAN HUDAK
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'Food, Inc.' ★★★

(Eric Schlosser, Michael Pollan, Barbara Kowalcyk) This documentary explores the nasty inner workings of the business of the food industry, with enough cruelty-to-animals and horrible toxins/chemicals material to make you never want to eat again. There are a few heavy-handed segments (a food activist's son dying from E. coli is sad, yes, but a bit overplayed), but the end result is a compelling work that gets you thinking. Rated PG.

'The Taking of Pelham 1 2 3' ★★

(Denzel Washington, John Travolta, John Turturro) A New York

City dispatcher (Washington) talks to the hijacker (Travolta) of a subway train who's demanding \$10 million. If the city doesn't pay, hostages will die. Director Tony Scott's ("Man on Fire") trademark kinetic energy is here, but the story is too unfocused and Travolta's villain is a total bust. Rated R.

'Land of the Lost' ★★

(Will Ferrell, Anna Friel, Danny McBride) On a routine expedition, Dr. Rick Marshall (Ferrell), his assistant (Friel) and a novelty store owner (McBride) travel through a time portal to a land in which past, present and future converge. There are a few good laughs, but it's not cheesy enough to be kitschy-good and the story is a mess. Based on the Sid & Marty Krofft television show. Rated PG-13. ■

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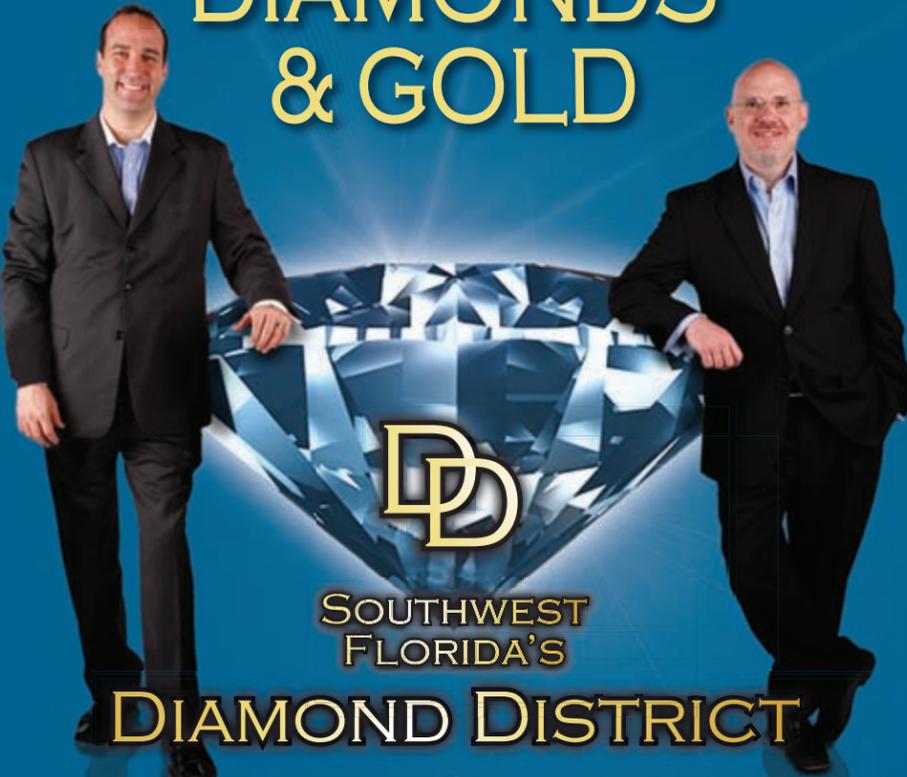
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► **TUESDAY, JUNE 30**
9 p.m. NOVA: "ScienceNow"
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- **Moe's annual Firecracker 5k Run** sets off from the site of the old Pippin's restaurant on Tamiami Trail North at 7 a.m. Saturday, July 4. After the race, participants are welcome to meet at the Naples Beach Hotel for a group swim. Day-of registration for \$15 begins at 6 a.m. Advance registration is \$7 for members of Gulf Cost Runners and

\$10 for non-members and can be completed online at www.gcrunners.org. Race packets will be available for pick-up from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday July 2-3, at Naples on the Run in Gateway Center, 2116 Tamiami Trail N.

- The city of Naples' **Fourth of July Parade** steps out along Broad Avenue at 10 a.m. and follows a route to Third Street South, north to Fifth Avenue South and east to Eighth Street South past City Hall, ending at Eighth Avenue and Eighth Street.

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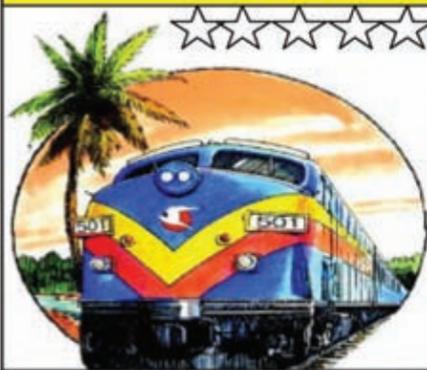
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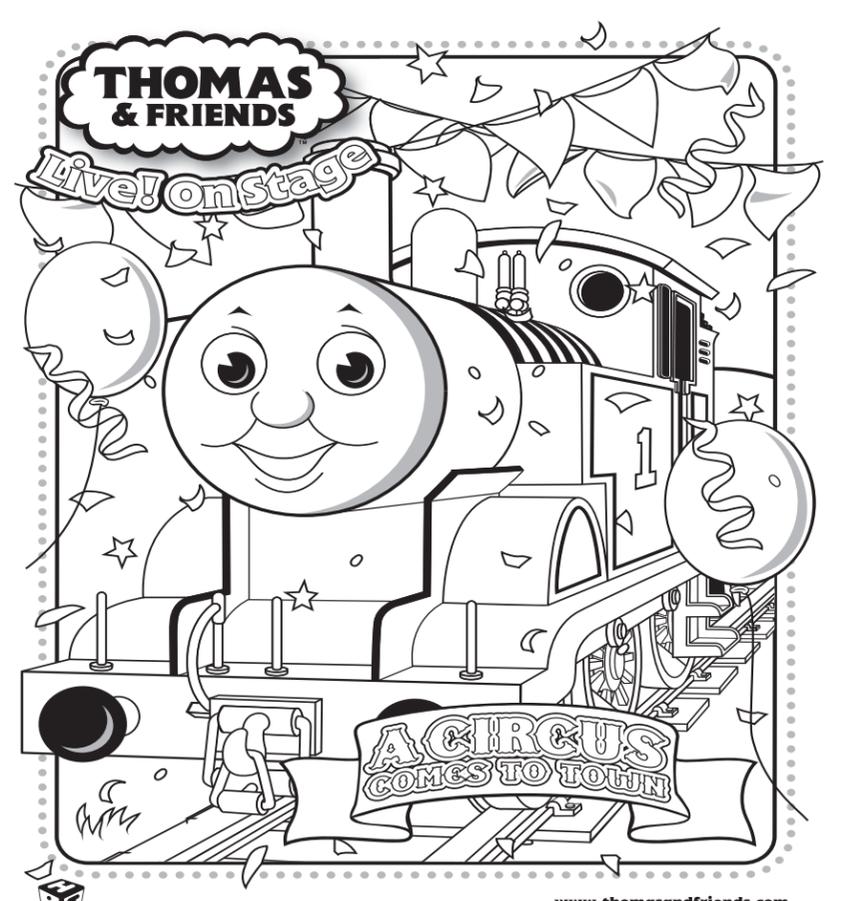
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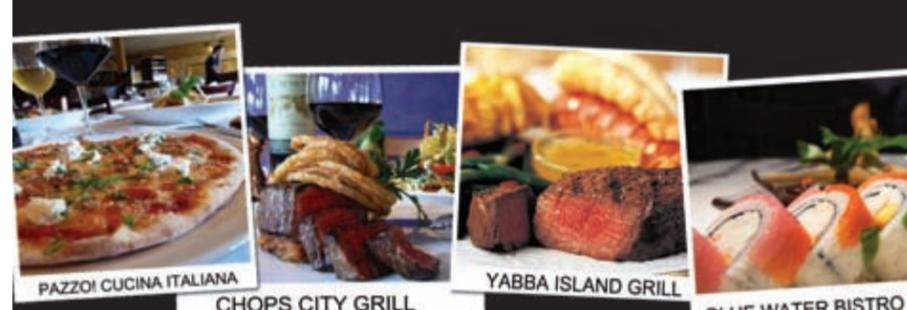


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FILMS

From page 1

Angeles and is a candidate for the Naples International Film Festival coming up in November. Director Flynn hopes to turn the film into a full-length feature.

• **"The Vaudevillian,"** a 16-minute movie by Yash Bhatt that explores the carnivalesque world of vaudeville during the Great Depression. In dreamy sequences, the story follows a struggling ventriloquist and his dummy after they lost their job. "The Vaudevillian" was showcased at the Santa Barbara International Film Festival, Santa Fe Film Festival and New Orleans Film Festival as well as the Kodak Showcase at Clermont-Ferrand International in France. Kodak Award-winner Yash Bhatt preserves the beauty of a lost art form on 16mm film. The now discontinued 16mm stock proved the ultimate medium to capture the details of the texture and tones of the times.

• **"She's a Fox,"** written and directed by Cameron Sawyer. Set in 1987, this short film follows 12-year-old Cameron Sawyer on his quest to win over the heart



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"She's a Fox" plays at Six Degrees Exhibitions as part of a three-for-\$3 screening Monday, June 29.

of Cascade Elementary School's most popular girl. His infatuation runs deep, and after a series of events he learns the universal truth we must all face: Sometimes love hurts. The screenwriter and director also stars in this delightful short that's making the film festival circuit.

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This photograph from the Hanson Family Archives is among many on display at Southwest Florida International Airport through May 2010.

Photos, artifacts in airport exhibit celebrate 'Children of the Everglades'

"Children of the Everglades," a collection of 1930s photographs and artifacts from Florida's Seminole-Miccosukee Indians, is on display at Southwest Florida International Airport.

Passengers and visitors are greeted in the terminal building with large-scale photographs from the "W. Stanley Hanson and Robert D. Mitchell Collection of Seminole Indian Photographs," which is currently archived at the Smithsonian Institution's National Anthropological Archives. The exhibit also includes authentic patchwork dresses and jackets, sweet grass or pine needle baskets, palmetto dolls and historical documents.

Many of the exhibit pieces are on loan from the Hanson Family Archives.

The son of a turn-of-the-century Fort Myers doctor, W. Stanley Hanson, better known as the "White Medicine Man," grew up among the Seminole-Miccosukee Indians and became a trusted friend and advocate. In 1937, Mr. Hanson became a Seminole guide and interpreter under President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration.

"Children of the Everglades" is an effort of Air in Flight, a partnership between the Lee County Alliance of the Arts and the Lee County Port Authority. The exhibit will remain on display at the airport through May 2010.

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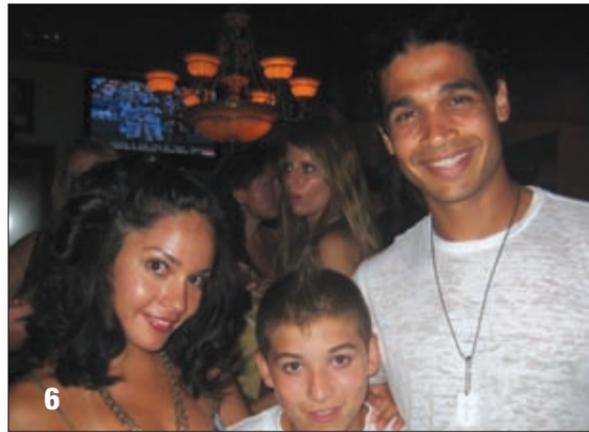
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5. Michelle Rodriguez, Danielle Bergdorf, Claudie Torres, Kendra Jordan and Heather Montalvo
6. Nicole Komendat, Paul Costa and Vincen Velez
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Pulice, Mr. McKay, a couple of sources from further afield and yours truly.

Whites:

• **Pirineos Mesache Blanco 2006** - Refreshing Spanish white made from gewürztraminer, chardonnay and macabeo (think sparkling Cava) grapes. Refreshing, with floral and citrus and a little white stone fruit, finishing with a little spice. This wine is crisp and bright. Tasting notes from Mr. Pulice. About \$15.

• **Girard Sauvignon Blanc 2007** - This 100 percent sauvignon blanc from Napa Valley has a great balance of fruit and acidity. It is a smooth, sleek wine and is not tart or sweet, just beautifully laid-back. Clean, crisp and nice fruit. Tasting notes from Ms. Honeycutt, who adds, "Be sure to tell your readers I drink this at home." About \$19.

• **La Marca Prosecco NV** - This Italian sparkler has the fragrance and flavor of tropical fruits. It's crisp and fresh, with an effervescence that keeps it alive and active. A good thirst quencher. Tasting notes from Mr. Pulice. About \$20.

• **Chateau Ste. Michelle Eroica Riesling 2007** - With crisp acidity, this Eroica delivers mandarin orange and sweet lime aromas and flavors with subtle mineral notes. "I have it found this wine to be an amazing pairing with sweet, flavorful Dungeness crab." Tasting notes from Bob Bertheau, head winemaker of Chateau Ste. Michelle, on the winemaker's Web site. Both *Wine Spectator* and *Wine Advocate* give it 91 points. About \$25.

• **Joh. Jos. Prum Wehlener Sonnenuhr**

Riesling Kabinett 2007 - One of my personal favorites from Germany's Mosel district, from arguably the best vineyard in the country. A floral nose and apple and peach flavors marry with the characteristic lush feeling and taste of fine a German Riesling. A light zing of citrus with a long finish. Tasting notes from Jim McCracken. About \$40.

Roses:

• **Atticus 2007 Pinot Noir Rosé** - A wonderful Oregonian wine, it has a big nose with strawberry and tropical fruits and is smooth on the finish. This is big enough to stand up to steak like a filet or maybe lamb, but delicate enough for fish. Tasting notes from Mr. McKay. About \$18.

• **Dolium Malbec Rosé 2007** - Beautiful rosé from Argentina, raspberry spice and honey flavors. Great with red meats as well as seafood. Tasting notes from Mr. McKay. About \$13.

• **Portal del Montsant "Brunus" Rosé 2008** - Spanish rose from 100 percent grenache. Rich color with wonderful strawberry and raspberry flavors and a little spice. A refreshing dry wine that's great with grilled fish. Tasting notes from Ms. Honeycutt. About \$25.

• **Elizabeth Rosé Napa Rosé 2008** - An interesting blend of mostly syrah with some zinfandel. This wine is fragrant and flavorful with juicy strawberries and light

acidity. The finish goes on forever. (The vineyards are certified organic.) Tasting notes from Mr. Pulice. About \$20.

• **Vina La Posada Cabernet Sauvignon Rosé 2007** - This Chilean rose is rich in color and has raspberry, blackberry and strawberry flavors. Great with ribeye or a pepper steak, it's also a great value. Tasting notes from Mr. McKay. About \$10.

Reds:

• **Wild Earth Pinot Noir 2006** - This wine shows great balance between the rich fruit and tannins, with a nice complex finish. The only reds I drink in the summer are pinot noir, and this is a great selection from New Zealand. Tasting notes from Ms. Honeycutt. About \$29.

• **Nine Stones Shiraz Hilltops 2007** - "Ripe and generous, this Australian red shows a mineral edge to the blackberry and cardamom flavors, remaining open and inviting through the long, deftly balanced finish. Drink now through 2017."

Tasting notes from *Wine Spectator*, rated 90 points. Listed as a Best Buy in the upcoming July 31, 2009 issue. About \$20. ■



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FLORIDA WEEKLY CUISINE

Among Naples eateries, the fixe appears to be in



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It's looking as if it's a diner's market this summer, with restaurants serving up scads of specials, including themed nights with bargain prices on specific entrees, usually with a salad and/or beverage included, and buy-one, get-one-half-price packages.

Perhaps the best deal is the three-course prix-fixe meal that appears to be gaining ground in town. Here's a sampling of what's available in the area. (If you don't see your favorite restaurants listed, give them a call to see if they, too, are offering some summer bargains.)

- **Absinthe**, The Collection at Vanderbilt, offers a three-course meal for \$25 from 4-6 p.m. Call 254-0050.
- **Angelina's**, 24041 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs, serves a three-course meal for \$27.50 during regular business hours. Call 390-3187.
- **The Bay House**, 799 Walkerbilt Road, offers a three-course tasting menu for \$29 all night. Call 591-3837.
- **Bleu Provence**, 1234 Eighth St. South, has a two-course dinner plus a glass of wine for \$23.95 available from 5-6:30 p.m. Call 261-8239.
- **BRIO Tuscan Grille**, Waterside Shops, 5505 Tamiami Trail N., now has a three-course summer menu for \$16.95 Sunday-Thursday. Call 593-5319.
- **EVOO**, 13240 Tamiami Trail N., offers a three-course menu for \$29 throughout dinner service. Call 444-2020.
- **Fleming's**, 8965 Tamiami Trail N., just introduced its three-course summer menu for \$35.95. Call 598-2424.
- **MiraMare**, The Village at Venetian Bay, 4236 Gulf Shore Blvd., has a three-course menu for \$18.09 from 5-6 p.m. daily. Call 430-6273.
- **Mr. Five**, 1716 Airport Pulling Road, offers a three-course Italian comfort dinner with a glass of wine for \$15 every Thursday. Call 262-1555.
- **Olio**, Naples Bay Resort, 1500 Fifth Ave., offers an appetizer and entrée for \$22 from 4-6 p.m. Call 530-5110.
- **Ridgway Bar & Grill**, Third Street and 13th Ave. South, has a three-course menu for

- \$24 available all night. Call 262-5000.
- **Roy's, Bayfront Place**, 475 Bayfront in Naples, and The Promenade, 26831 Bay Landing Drive, Bonita Springs, has a three-course summer menu for \$35 per person. An added saving: no corkage fees through Labor Day. Call 261-1416 in Naples and 498-7697 in Bonita Springs.
 - **Sea Salt**, 1186 Third St. South, offers a three-course dinner for \$24.95 all night. Call 434-7258.
 - **Two Brothers**, 975 Imperial Golf Course Blvd., serves a \$14.95 meal from 5-6:30 p.m. daily. Call 597-4800.



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Scallops are one of the three entrees offered on the summer prix fixe menu at Fleming's.

Naples Originals certificate sale

The 37 restaurants that make up Naples Originals are holding a mini-sale of gift certificates while they last. The periodic sale began Wednesday and continues until the certificates sell out.

Most get snapped up within hours of being offered, but there are still likely to be some left for those who don't dally.

"We are seeing unprecedented demand for gift certificates from price-conscious diners who don't want to give up the pleasures of enjoying good food in a warm

and welcome ambience," says Lisa Boet, president of the group composed of locally owned and operated restaurants.

The sale is held on the Naples Originals Web site — naplesoriginals.com — and offers 30 percent savings, with \$25 gift certificates selling for \$17.50 and \$50 certificates selling for \$35. Gift certificates cannot be used for alcohol, tax or gratuity and are limited to one certificate per table. They cannot be used in conjunction with other discounts or programs.

Check out the sale and get more information on the restaurants by visiting the group's Web site.

Riverwalk revamps menu

Riverwalk at Tin City has sparked up its menu with items such as beach bread (garlic bread with jack and gorgonzola cheese, green onions and marinara sauce) and an expanded choice of burgers (Black Angus, South beach turkey, yellow fin tuna and char-grilled mini burgers).

The daily fish market offers a mix and match of six fresh fish options that can be grilled, blackened, fried or bamboo-steamed, then topped with a choice of six sauces and complemented by a choice of six side dishes.

The waterfront restaurant at Tin City is open daily at 1200 Fifth Ave. South. Call 263-2734.

Slow Food goes Persian

An Afternoon of Persian Delights is the theme of Slow Food Southwest Florida's first Naples event, set for 3-5 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at Bha! Bha! A Persian Bistro in North Naples. Members and other interested foodies from throughout the region are invited to the soiree, which will include an array of chef/owner Michael Mir's signature dishes, stories about his homeland and the important role food played in family life.

Cost is \$40 for Slow Food members, \$45 for non-members. A selection of wines will be available for \$6 per glass. Bha! Bha! is at 847 Vanderbilt Beach Road. Make reservations at slowfoodsouthwestflorida@gmail.com or 437-4237 or 851-9214.

Closures and vacations

It's been a brutal month in terms of restaurant closures. Recent casualties include: Ruth's Chris Steakhouse at Coastland Center, Trilogy, Cork's, Tre Fratelli, Dino's, Pewter Mug, Mr. G's and Blu Sushi.

Chardonnay, Gabriello's of New York and Alexander's have closed for the summer and plan to reopen in September. Norm's is closed for a few weeks for vacation.

Carabba's opens Mr. C's Bar

There's something new at Carrabba's Italian Grill on the East Trail. Mr. C's Bar has opened. The restaurant will hold an official ribbon-cutting at 5:30 p.m. Monday, June 29, but the bar is already welcoming guests with a variety of specialty drinks, beers and snack items. On the liquid side, choose from blackberry sangria, two styles of bellini — the Venice, with peach nectar and prosecco, or the Tuscan, with blackberry, peach and orange juice and prosecco — and Mr. C's dirty martini. Drinks are \$6-\$8.

A sharing and snacking menu includes piccolinos, Italian mini sandwiches with either meatballs or chicken Parmesan; Italian potato chips known as patatinas, served with blue cheese sauce and green onions; beef or tuna carpaccio; an antipasti misto platter; meatballs with ricotta cheese; and a Mediterranean salad. Prices run \$2-\$7.50.

Mr. C's is named for Johnny Carrabba, father of the Johnny Carrabba who co-founded the chain with Damian Mandola in 1986. Today there are 231 Carrabba's Italian Grills around the country.

Carrabba's is at 12631 Tamiami Trail East. Call 774-2965. ■



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Piccolinos are on the bar menu at Mr. C's at Carrabba's.

diningCALENDAR

* **Thursday, June 25, Bamboo Café:** Participate in a blind wine tasting, enjoy a three-course meal and watch "La Cage aux Folles," the original French version of "The Birdcage," along with a drag show during the café's Film, Food and Wine Night; \$55, 755 12th Avenue S.; 643-6177.

* **Thursday, June 25, 5:30-7:30 p.m., ABC Fine Wine & Spirits:** Choose from among 50 wines along with hors d'oeuvres during the tasting and a cigar sampling outside; \$10 (includes a \$5 credit for a purchase the night of the event), 6425 Naples Blvd.; 514-2316.

* **Thursday, June 25, 7-9 p.m., Haskell's the Wine People:** Sample 25 wines plus hot and

cold appetizers while enjoying a sunset cruise aboard the Naples Princess; \$65, departs from 550 Port O Call Way (south side of U.S. 41 next to Gordon River Bridge); 254-1120. Reservations required.

* **Friday, June 26, 6-7:30 p.m., The Wine Merchant:** Angel Share Distributors will pour wines from small California boutique wineries; free; 12820 Tamiami Trail North; 592-0000.

* **Friday, June 26, 7-9 p.m., Robb & Stucky KitchenAid Culinary Center:** Sample organic and biodynamic wines presented by Frank Pulice of Austin's Wine Cellar paired with a four-course tasting dinner by Chef Kristina San Filippo; \$75, 26501 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs; 390-2222.

* **Saturday, June 27, 7:30-11:30**

a.m., Third Street South: The Third Street South Farmer's Market features local farmers, artisans, chefs and fishmongers selling a variety of goods; Third Street South and Gordon Drive; 434-6533.

* **Saturday, June 27, 10 a.m., Ridgway Bar & Grill:** Chef/owner Tony Ridgway holds a fruit pies and fruit bricoche pizza class in the second session his Third Street South Cooking School open to anyone 13 years and older; \$20; 1300 Third St. South; 262-5500.

* **Saturday, June 27, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Naples Tomato:** Mozzarella-making class accompanied by light bites and wine; \$35; 14700 Tamiami Trail N.; 598-9800. Reservations required.

* **Saturday, June 27, Fred's Diner:** Three-course dinner and show, "Assist-

ed Living," a musical by comedy team Compton and Bennett; \$29.95, Uptown Plaza, 2700 Immokalee Road; 431-7928.

* **Monday, June 29, 6 p.m., Whole Foods:** Chef Sam Faggetti of Naples Grande Beach Hotel will prepare summer-inspired dishes; \$5, 9101 Strada Place; 552-5100. Reservations requested.

* **Monday, June 29, 6-8 p.m., Robb & Stucky KitchenAid Culinary Center:** Flavors and techniques from the Asian islands to the California coast form Pacific Rim cuisine, which will be the subject of the evening's cooking class; \$45, 26501 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs; 390-2222. ■

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