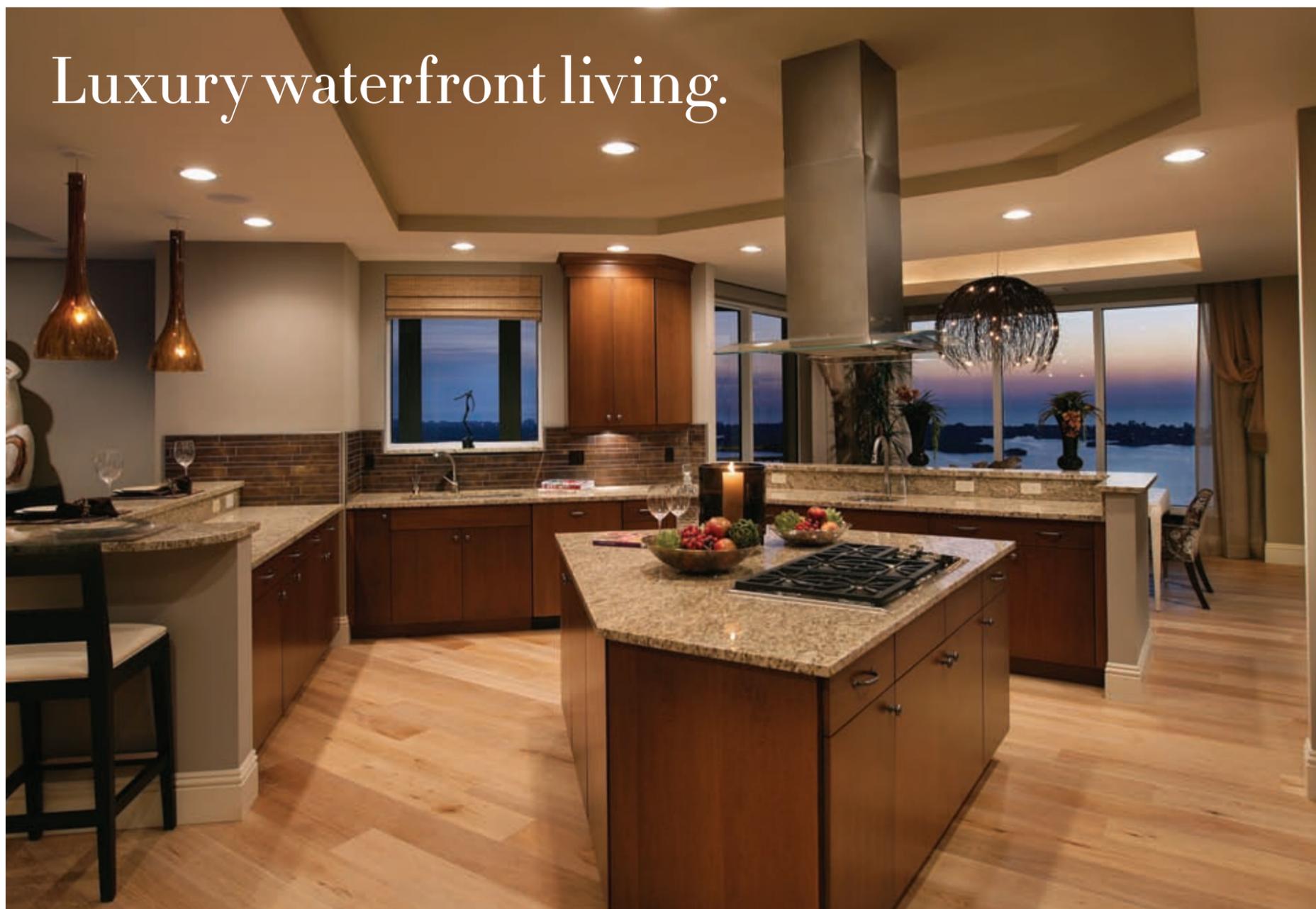


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AS THE WORLD WOBBLER, SO DOES ZODIAC WISDOM

BY ELLA NAYOR
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WILL HOT, STEAMY LEOS STILL MATCH UP with adventurous, independent-minded Sagittarians? Will serious, achievement-minded Capricorns wind up with free-spirited Aquarians? One of the oldest pick-up lines at bars and parties is being tested these days after a Minnesota college professor claimed the Earth has shifted its trajectory, thereby changing astrological signs.

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Artistic expression meets its limits

BY EVAN WILLIAMS
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The evening of Tuesday, Jan. 4, a 12-foot-wide by 15-foot-tall work of art was installed in a prominent location in the east wing of the Southwest Florida International Airport. The two-sided piece was constructed using more than 300 vinyl records. A giant image of John F. Kennedy's head, fitted with a crown of thorns, was painted on one side. It could be adjusted like blinds to show the other side, an image of George W. Bush wearing the Pope's ceremonial hat. No one at the airport had a chance to see that side.

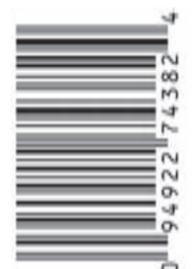
About 24 hours after "Blinding Perceptions" was on the wall, complaints from airlines, passengers and employees led to its swift eviction. Airport officials declined to say who complained. Some thought the piece was "offensive." "As you looked to the right, it covered the entire wall down by AirTran, which is our second largest carrier," said Victoria Moreland, head of public affairs for the airport. Air Berlin and Spirit Airlines also have ticket counters near where the piece was. "It was quite prominent."

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A piece by artist Cesar Aguilera, above, was deemed too controversial to hang at SWFL International Airport and was removed.



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COMMENTARY

The King of Cut



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Gov. Rick Scott came out of Kansas City public schools (rated among the worst in the nation from time to time), spent an enlistment in the Navy and returned to his hometown to open a donut shop or two while going on to college. Then he went to law school and into health care management, according to his online biography.

I've always liked doughnuts.

The governor's Horatio Alger story says nothing about the kind of donuts his shops sold, which was my chief interest in reading it. Chocolate? Vanilla? Glazed? Fat-free? Yeah, that was probably it. "I'll take six Rick Scott doughnuts to go, and cut the fat." Mmmm, Mmmm, good.

Neither does the governor's website tale mention (nor will he) that his tenure as CEO at the helm of the profiteering health care giant Columbia/HCA proved both catastrophic and massively lucrative. There, according to federal investigators, he and others offered to make doctors even wealthier than they already were if they referred patients to the company.

That's against the law, unlike fat-free doughnuts (although maybe they should be, too).

Columbia/HCA later admitted it had committed 14 felonies (most when Mr. Scott ran the organization). It even paid

about \$1.7 billion in fines. But when the wrist-slapping occurred, Mr. Scott escaped scot-free. He allowed as how he should have known what was happening before he resigned in 1997, but didn't. He fessed up, which I admire, and went on to spend about \$96 million of his own hard-earned money becoming governor.

Shucks, folks, I don't think that's anything to worry about. It was just bad management. It was just a bad day at the office. He just took his eyes off the ball for a second. His car got a flat tire. He lost his keys. His dog ate the records, and the homework, and the felony counts, and the doughnuts.

Besides, that's all history, now — not opinion, but history, hard-wired to the facts.

It's also water under the bridge. Or more precisely, it's taxpayer money under the bridge — the huge sums the company stole from taxpayers and from Medicare during Mr. Scott's tenure as a manager.

Now, he's a governor (a manager again) and a man acquitted of all wrongdoing except bad management.

But this time, instead of the King of Columbia, he's the King of Cut — the biggest, baddest sawbones south of the Georgia line.

That might not be a bad thing. Maybe we need a King of Cut to get us out of a rut.

But what rut, exactly?

It's said we spend too frivolously, and now we have to suffer.

Too much on retirement for public servants. Too much on the environment, for humans and creatures. Too much on just about everything but the governor's

office, where his new proposed budget would give him a boost in staff.

Good. It's time we sliced and diced (not him, of course, but us).

But when you slice off the fat, you probably don't want to cut out the heart.

Don't get me wrong. I'm not claiming to know anything about surgery. Or anatomy, either physical or economic. Or doughnut making.

But I've always heard that if you cut out the heart, the body dies. And our children are the heart of everything we do.

Aren't they?

Well, maybe not. Maybe Gov. Scott has struck the very heart of a general notion here in Florida that we're sometimes loathe to admit.

Perhaps many of us think to ourselves: Hey, we were children once. We even raised children once. Now we're old and we shouldn't have to worry about somebody else's children.

In other words, maybe many Floridians embrace a tacit attitude that says: To hell with children. Somebody else should pay for them.

Could it be that Gov. Scott recognized that ungenerous thought and tapped into it?

That certainly appears true of the governor himself. Otherwise, why would he propose cutting 20 percent from the school-targeted property taxes of people comfortable enough in life to own property, effectively taking the spoon right out of the mouths of our children with the food still in it?

But that's what he's done. He's forgotten that children aren't excess. They're not fat-full doughnuts. On the contrary, they're heart and soul, the muscle and the hope of our future.

Already here in Collier County, the school district has not been funded sufficiently to cover the cost of limiting class sizes for three years — a constitutional requirement that's great for children, but that requires hiring enough teachers to make it happen.

Children are expensive, and if we claim to care about their well being, we have to put our money where our mouths are.

Florida ranks only 34th in the amount of money it spends per pupil, and the Florida School Boards Association has pointed out that currently, before any cuts are made, we're anteing up about \$1,100 less per student than the national average.

That's embarrassing, and at this point in time leaders are furiously trying to fine-tune the education-cuts dial. There's a lot of talk about where the money will come from or go to — about stimulus dollars and increased teacher contributions to retirement dollars and other dollars whose use can be adjusted here and there in public education.

But the long and short of it is this: The governor's proposed cuts mean amputating the well being of children.

In county terms, the cuts would force a significant drop (somewhere between \$300 and \$700 per student) in what can be done for each of the roughly 43,300 kids in the Collier system.

Which might not worry the governor. After all, nobody did a lot for him, apparently, in those Kansas City schools of the late 1950s and '60s. And you can see how he's turned out.

One thing, though. The state legislature has to approve Gov. Scott's proposed cuts before they become real.

I wonder if they all went to school in Kansas City, too? ■



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OPINION

The first \$58 billion



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There is a complicated mathematical symbol practically unknown to the House Appropriations Committee. It's called the minus sign.

House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan is making a long-overdue introduction between appropriators and the symbol that first caught on in 16th-century Europe. It has proven its usefulness to mathematicians and schoolchildren down through the ages, but never in certain congressional committee rooms.

Ryan has set a ceiling for the rest of fiscal year 2011 nonsecurity domestic spending that takes it back to the fiscal year 2008 levels promised in the GOP "Pledge to America." This is an unheard-of cut that amounts to reversing the physical laws of the universe in Congress.

Ryan's ceiling would reduce nonsecurity domestic spending \$58 billion from President Barack Obama's (never enacted) request for this fiscal year, or 12 percent. It would reduce such spending \$43 billion, or 9 percent, from its

level in fiscal year 2010.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid calls these cuts "unworkable" and "even more draconian than we originally anticipated." What did he originally anticipate? If anything, the GOP cuts are milder than promised. They fall short of the headline number in the Pledge of \$100 billion in cuts, partly because they apply only to the part of the fiscal year still remaining.

Returning to 2008 can be "draconian" only if the past two years were extravagant. According to Congressional Budget Office numbers, the Department of Education saw an 11 percent increase in its budget from 2008 to 2010, and a 181 percent increase when the stimulus is included; the Department of Energy saw a 10 percent and a 171 percent increase, respectively; the EPA a 36 percent and a 130 percent increase. Washington has been on a binge of Charlie Sheen-like proportions.

The top Democrat on the Budget Committee, Chris Van Hollen, warns that the Ryan cuts will "harm the economy and put more people out of work." He'd have us believe that the difference between an economy beginning to heal and an economy slipping back into the abyss is the difference between the current \$1.087 trillion and Ryan's \$1.055

trillion in discretionary spending. This is Keynesianism as childishness.

Still, Ryan's cuts are vulnerable to the criticism that they barely nick a \$1.5 trillion deficit. If Congress keeps the lid on spending going forward, though, they will ramify substantially over time. Some of Ryan's colleagues, admirably, want to hit the \$100 billion figure for reductions right away. They shouldn't underestimate the coming firestorm when Ryan's cuts are fleshed out in detail.

A Gallup survey found that people oppose cuts in every specific category of spending other than foreign aid. This would be wonderful news if foreign aid were the fiscal ruination of America. It's not. Majorities oppose cutting everything else, from arts funding to defense to education — not to mention Medicare and Social Security.

The Republican challenge is to resolve the public's cognitive dissonance between opposition to new debt and opposition to specific spending cuts in favor of austerity. Then, over time, to move from discretionary cuts to cost-saving entitlement reforms. They'll have to do lots of sharp work with the minus sign. ■

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

GUEST OPINION

Conservancy opposes Rooney amendment that would stop waterway clean-up

BY ANDREW MCELWAINE

Special to Florida Weekly

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida is shocked and dismayed that U.S. Rep. Tom Rooney (R-Tequesta) has introduced legislation aimed to prevent clean-up of his district's rivers, as well as other Florida water bodies.

Other than the Caloosahatchee River, the St. Lucie River and Indian River Lagoon are some of the worst rivers in the state for nutrient pollution. We are stunned that Congressman Rooney would file legislation to prevent clean-up of his own district's rivers and streams. Fundamentally, his message to the waterways is, "Drop Dead."

On Tuesday, Feb. 15, Congressman Rooney introduced an amendment to a must-pass appropriations bill that would prohibit the Environmental Protection Agency from implementing water quality standards in the state of Florida. These standards are meant to reduce the amount of manure and sewage flowing in the state's rivers and streams. The standards, known as numeric nutrient criteria, are a response to Florida's failure to protect rivers such as the St. Lucie and Indian River Lagoon.

Just last May, Martin and St. Lucie counties had to issue an emergency health alert when toxic algae broke out in the St. Lucie River.



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In 2009, the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, Florida Wildlife Federation, Sierra Club, Earthjustice and other groups reached an agreement with EPA to set standards for

manure, sewage, fertilizer and other pollutants in Florida's waters. The first set of rules, governing rivers, streams and lakes, was finalized in November 2010. A second set of rules, governing estuaries, is scheduled for late 2012.

The rules would require Clean Water Act permit holders such as sewage treatment facilities to meet specific criteria for phosphorus and nitrogen in rivers, streams and drinking water. Rep. Rooney's amendment would prevent the EPA from implementing those standards.

The text of the amendment follows:

"Amendment No. 13: At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

Sec. __. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement, administer or enforce the rule entitled 'Water Quality Standards for the State of Florida's Lakes and Flowing Waters' published in the Federal Register by the Environmental Protection Agency on Dec. 6, 2010 (75 Fed. Reg. 75762 et seq.)."

Congressman Rooney is running the football into his own team's end zone. We need to tackle his amendment — and soon. ■

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And so, the 2011 Imagine Solutions Conference, scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, March 21-22, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort, features a number of presenters on the lighter side under the heading of Insight & Wisdom.

Last year's inaugural conference and was described as "mind-expanding," "life-changing" and "a sonic boom" by those who attended. Building on this success, this year's event will continue the fast-paced, immersive style, with each speaker allocated just 17 minutes to convey his or her message. In addition to Insight & Wisdom, the topics are: Women in Leadership, the Economy, Medicine, Energy, Education and Social Entrepreneurism. Among the speakers are best-selling authors, award-winning leaders in their fields of expertise and even a Mother Teresa laureate.

Within this remarkable array of talent, the Insight & Wisdom presenters are an extremely interesting lot of colorful characters sure to shed enlightenment through their sage words and unique experiences. Presenters in this category at the 2010 Imagine Solutions Conference were among the most memorable and most entertaining of all. Included this year are:

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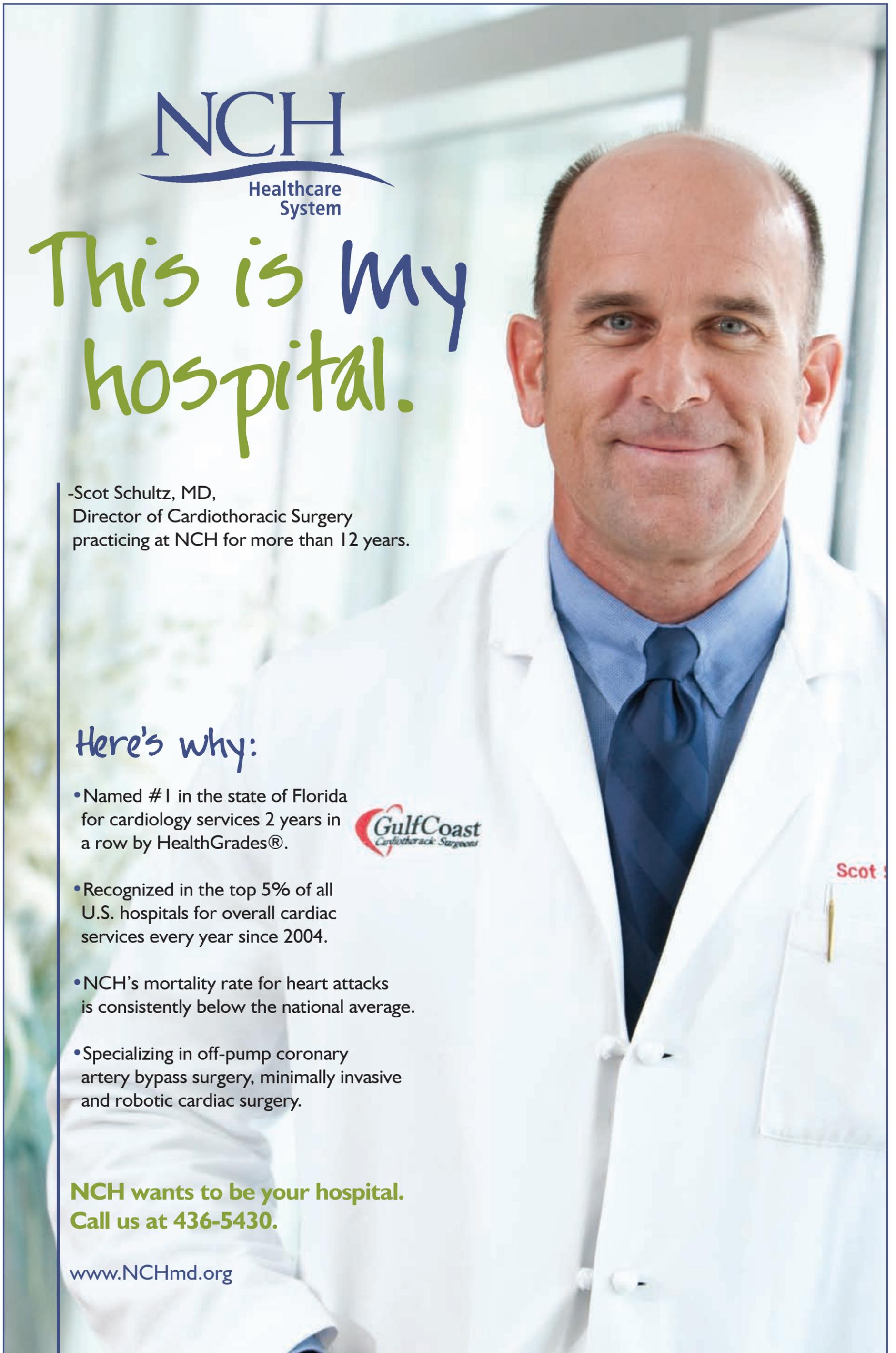
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When Minneapolis Community and Technical College instructor Parke Kunkle announced earlier this year that due to the earth's orbit astrological signs are not where they used to be, the news set horoscope enthusiasts ablaze. But the fact that the earth might have wobbled a bit from where it has been doesn't mean much to astrologers whose practice doesn't depend on tilts or wobbles.

"It has no significance whatsoever," said Bob Mulligan, a Naples-based astrologer.

Mr. Mulligan, who owns The Astrology Company in Naples and has been practicing astrology for nearly 40 years, said the earth's movement does not have any effect on one's sign.

"There has been a lot of buzz about a 'new zodiac,' one with 13 signs," he said. "This is not a new theory, just a bad one. In the 1970s, there were a couple of books written about Ophiuchus being the 13th sign of the zodiac. Well, there are only 12 signs, but the confusion is compounded by not understanding the difference between signs and constellations. The constellations have the same names as the signs, but they are different. Constellations are star patterns lying along the path that the earth makes around the Sun each year. This path is called the ecliptic. We usually agree that this circle is a Zodiac of 12 Constellations. But the earth changes its orientation against this backdrop of stars due to its wobbling on its axis. This is called the precession of the equinox. The equinox moves backwards

through this pattern of constellations making a complete circle every 26,000 years. The equinox is the point where the sun is when we have equal hours of daylight and darkness. Every so often, someone gets the idea that because of this motion another constellation gets inserted into the zodiac, it just isn't the case."

Mr. Mulligan and other area astrologers say this latest news about signs changing and a 13th sign being inserted in the mix is just another attempt by astronomers to discredit astrology.

"It's just hype," said Sophia Prescott, an astrologer in Fort Myers.

Ms. Prescott, who has been practicing astrology for more than 30 years, said the information about the Earth's movement is nothing new under the sun.

"It's been a known fact," she said.

Sandy Anastasi, a veteran astrologer in Port Charlotte and personal advisor to nationally known psychic John Edwards, brushes off the idea of signs shifting.

"Absolutely nothing has changed," she said.

Astrologers base astrology dates on the equinoxes and solstices. Put simply, nothing has changed for those who follow their horoscope.

The supposedly new sign, Ophiuchus, the serpent holder, is not really so new. The sign is barely in the sun's path, making it a minor player in astrology. So, when asked at parties, those born between Nov. 29 and Dec. 17 can still tell people that they are indeed Sagittarians.

"The bottom line is your sign has not changed," Ms. Anastasi said.

At the heart of this debate is mankind's belief in astrology. Astronomers say astrology is not based on science and is a pseudo-science or art. The idea

that the planets' and heavenly bodies' gravitational pull on our bodies could influence us to act in certain ways is seen as ludicrous to astronomers.

"It's not a real science," said Florida Gulf Coast University professor Dr. Michael Fauerbach.

The astronomy professor said he often uses astrology as an icebreaker starting his course. He asks students to look at horoscopes from different days and see which one they believe. He said often people "cherry pick" and look for traits in their signs that they believe fit them.

But Dr. Fauerbach also has a tolerant attitude toward those who choose to believe in astrology. He says that as long as people are not harming themselves, then let and let live.

"Everybody has to come up with his or her own world view," he said.

For Fort Myers resident Ginger Walters, astrology makes sense in her life.

"A lot that I have read on my sign is true for me," Ms. Walters said.

Terry Corke, a Sanibel resident, follows what's going on with her sign.

"If there's a horoscope, I read it," she said. She's not too worried about the latest ripple in the astrology world.

"I was going to wait and see if it became the standard," Mrs. Corke said.

Jason Elek, who teaches writing at FGCU, finds the notion that many people's personalities match their signs interesting, but he doesn't believe.

"If the signs have changed, I won't lose any sleep," the Port Charlotte resident said.

And for Sanibel attorney Tom Rizzo, astrology doesn't shine any light on his life.

"There isn't concrete, scientific evidence," Mr. Rizzo said. "As a general rule, I need solid evidence from a solid

source."

Mark Shefts, a business owner and seasonal Southwest Florida resident, said he believes many of the traits he hears about his sign Virgo to be true. But he doesn't believe it enough to control his life.

"I just found it interesting," he said.

For some, it is a religion and a pathway to greater knowledge and understanding. For others, it's a way to find a sense of control in the world. And for others, it's something to disregard and shun.

But this is all good to Dr. Rose Thorn, a Fort Myers-based psychologist. She holds that the belief system, in and of itself, can be a useful tool for people to understand their world.

"They're all theories," she said. "Theories work if you believe them.

"Maybe astrology isn't for everybody. And for some, it's good. And for me, that's beautiful." ■

in the know

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Virgo:	Sept. 16-Oct. 30
Libra:	Oct. 30-Nov. 23
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Ophiuchus:	Nov. 29-Dec. 17.
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Sagittarius:	Dec. 17-Jan. 20.

"A Doctor's Confession to the City of Naples" ... And why, despite all, I still do what I do...

Dear Friend,

Confessions are tough, really tough. But I want my confession to set the record straight. Before I talk about my confession, though, let me say a few other things first.

Let me start by explaining the photo in this letter. You know, when I meet people in town they usually say, "Oh, yeah, I know you, I've seen your ad with that picture of you and the cute little boys." Well that is me with my family.

Years ago something happened to me that changed my life forever. Let me tell you my story.

Back then I was a teenager with learning disabilities, serious health problems and horrible back pains. In my case it came on gradually throughout my life. You see I had a serious injury at birth and grew up taking lots of drugs and seeing lots of doctors that didn't seem to help me. Then in high school I had a serious sports injury that almost took my life. But, there's more...

My mother's friend had tried for over a year to get my mom to take me to her doctor. Finally, after my injury my mom decided we had no other options (other than more drugs). This new doctor did an exam, took some films, and then adjusted my spine. The adjustment didn't hurt, it actually felt great. To me, that day was truly a 'miracle' in my life. My learning disabilities, health problems, and pains decreased immediately! Oh, did I mention that this doctor was a chiropractor? It worked so well for me, and I was so impressed with the other "awesome results" I saw in her office, that I eventually went to chiropractic school myself.

Now as for my family and my wife Erin, I was able to check their delicate little bodies and spines immediately. I feel confident knowing they started out this life with the best



potential for health and could start out life so different than I had to begin mine. Thank God that I know some things that my parents didn't. Getting to check children from the start has amazing long lasting effects. That is what I call "prevention." That seems like a small thing, but it makes a huge difference to them.

It's strange how life is, because now people come to see me with their health problems. They come to me with headaches, migraines, chronic pain, neck pain, shoulder/arm pain, injuries from car accidents, backaches, ear infections, asthma, allergies, numbness in limbs, athletic injuries, just to name a few.

Several times a day patients thank me for helping them with their health problems. But I can't really take the credit. My confession is that I've never healed anyone of anything. What I do is give specific scientific spinal adjustments, exercises and other rehab to remove nerve pressure, and the body responds by being able to function properly. We get tremendous results. It's as simple as that!

Being a chiropractor can be tough, because there's a host of unqualified experts out there. They tell people a lot of things that are just plain ridiculous, misleading and false about my profession.

In May of 2009 Consumer Reports reported that Chiropractic was the #1 treatment for back pain. This was a poll of 14,000 people! Regardless of your beliefs or skepticism the results and research keeps speaking that chiropractic is tough to beat if you want RESULTS and SATISFACTION. Also conventional drugs and back surgery were rated very low in satisfaction. Consumer Reports even suggested you use caution with these treatments (remember Consumer Reports is non-biased to protect you, the consumer)... Are you listening?

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It had originally been displayed at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center in downtown Fort Myers last year with an exhibit called "Turn Turn Turn — the Artistic Synthesis of Vinyl to Art."

"All the pieces in the exhibit were made out of records or album covers. The airport didn't remove the other pieces, which are scheduled to remain for about six months. A few older passengers were even mildly dismayed by a giant transformer robot sculpture included in the presentation, says Ms. Moreland, although children have thoroughly enjoyed it.

Sanibel resident and former Vogue Italy photographer Rene Miville, who curated "Turn Turn Turn," is no stranger to provocative imagery or local culture. Some of his fine art photographs capturing a Florida nudist colony prove that. He broke the news to Naples-based artist Cesar Aguilera that he'd have to take the piece down, or else paint over the crown of thorns.

"The (airport) workers, the staff, they loved it," Mr. Miville said. "Everyone was like 'wow, it's so cool.' And then the next day, they got five or six calls. But what bothered them was a couple of the airlines called. I just thought of the big picture: having the airport as a place where a lot of the local artists can show art. I thought, let's win the war and lose this battle. And I made an instant executive decision and just told Cesar to get to work on another piece. Another thing is, it's not a museum. If it were a museum, I would have fought tooth and nail."

Lydia Black, director of Alliance for the Arts in Fort Myers, helps the airport find works for its "Art In Flight" program, which began with a showing of Florida Gulf Coast University students' art in 2008. When the airport asked her opinion about removing "Blinding Perceptions" from the exhibit, her immediate reaction was "No."

"For me, I would never approve a piece and take it down," she said. She also allowed, "There's a lot to think about in airport art. It's both a great place and a tough place for those working in partnership to make (art) happen."

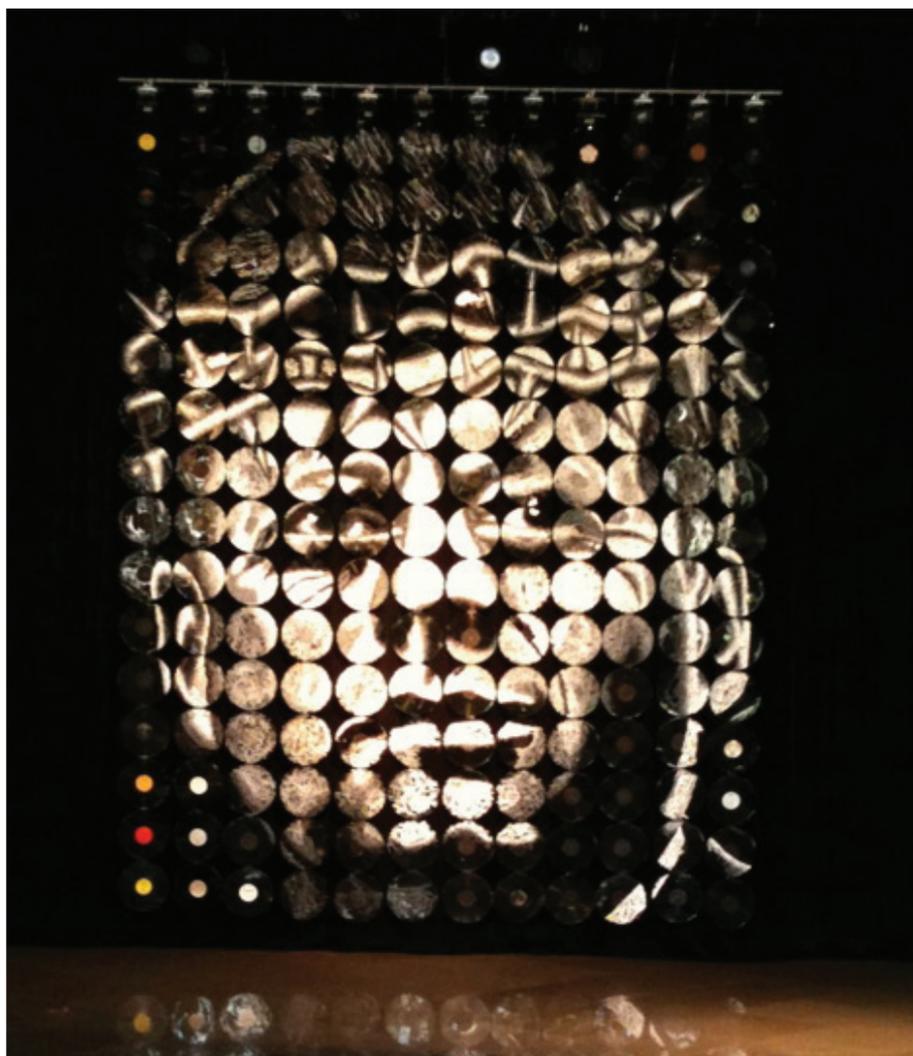
Ms. Moreland recently agreed to take over the airport's "Art In Flight" program, secondary to her duties as a public representative. That was after "Blinding Perceptions" had been installed. It was her job to have the piece removed. "By the way, it was quite a stunning piece," she said. "But by having the crown of thorns on Kennedy there were people who felt it had a very religious overtone."

An artist's statement on the wall explained the piece in non-religious terms. But of course, that didn't prevent viewers from reaching their own conclusions, which, as a measure of general cerebral activity, is probably a positive sign.

In a place where bleary-eyed passengers might arrive on the red-eye, still testy from a vigorous pat down, airport officials are reluctant to stir the pot further with provocative imagery, no matter how brilliantly rendered. They've been surprisingly successful at avoiding controversy, considering how art lends itself to interpretation. This is the first time a piece has ever come down at Southwest Florida International.

Airport case studies

Taking down art also been a rare occurrence at Denver International Airport, although Matt Chasansky, the director of the art program there, doesn't necessarily mind if passengers



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"Blinding Perceptions" features an image of President John F. Kennedy wearing a crown of thorns made from more than 300 vinyl records.

don't like what they see. His rule: nothing that advocates violence is allowed in.

"Sometimes it does end up in controversy, and that's OK," Mr. Chasansky says. "It's part of the dialogue people have about art. You don't have to like a piece to understand its value to the community."

"The steed of death," as it has been colorfully described, refers to the bold and thrilling sculpture that greets drivers who enter and exit the Denver International Airport. The 32-foot tall muscled equine rears across the Rocky Mountains with eyes blazing red. "Mustang," by Luis Jiménez, reportedly cost \$650,000 and was paid for by Denver's public art fund, both of which gave art director Matt Chasansky ample reason to defend it. The chief complaint: scary, evil-looking eyes.

"Obviously that is a controversial work of art," Mr. Chasansky said. "We definitely defended that piece to people who wanted to remove it. That being said, we made an investment in it, and that warranted protection."

One assumes then that money speaks first and loudest when it comes to what art gets removed, and how vigorously it is defended. It's easy to speculate that if "Mustang" had been installed free of charge, and public funds had not been used — which is the case with the "Turn Turn Turn" exhibit at Southwest Florida International — it would be in storage. But Mr. Chasansky also described his job as a defender and interpreter of sometimes-unpopular works.

"It's more about educating people about that piece ('Mustang')," he said. "Once they learn this piece is about the history of the West, once they understand why color was used the way it was... Once people understand those reasons, the feelings of 'like' and 'don't like' kind of pale in comparison."

Airports are a more "emotional environment," Mr. Chasansky says, where not all expression is invited, a place where in the end, officials have a business to run. Just imagine Faith Ringgold's unsentimental new painting, "Hate is a

Sin," now at the Alliance for the Arts in Fort Myers, greeting weary travelers coming in from a Midwestern blizzard. It is striking, even beautiful, and culturally relevant. The work by a black artist includes a confederate flag and script around the edges that reads, "The first time I was called a NIGGER was at the Whitney Museum in New York City." Even in the context of this newspaper, the statement resonates differently — maybe even in some ways more effectively — than at an art museum, where complaining about bold racial or political statements would cause knowing, sophisticated eyes to begin rolling.

'Challenging art'

In 2004, Svetlana Mintcheva, director of programs for the National Coalition Against Censorship, wrote a letter to the mayor of Denver, Colo., claiming a work of art installed there was removed unfairly, and perhaps illegally.

Parts of "The Luggage Project" came down after complaints that they violated DIA's policy at the time of no "violence" or "political statements." The unwanted sculptural components included "box cutters, red paint splatter, political bumper stickers and toy missiles."

"That they provoked discussion and thought is their virtue, not their defect," wrote Ms. Mintcheva.

That same year, at *Los Angeles International Airport*, a 150-foot-long tapestry that according to the *Los Angeles Times* included "images inspired by the attacks (on the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001), such as a bare-breasted woman holding a bleeding heart with the World Trade Center's twin towers on fire behind her," was removed.

The LAX and DIA pieces were both ultimately reinstated for passengers to enjoy. Both were also financed by public art programs, unlike at SWFL International. Regardless, Ms. Mintcheva suggested that complaints first be met with a clear explanation in terms of meaning and artistic merit.

"There needs to be more education about a piece of artwork, especially if it's selected through a curatorial process," she said. "The question is, how

many complainers do you decide to respond to? One, five, 10? The problem is, the 1,000 people who like and appreciate having a more politically challenging work in a public space will not come and tell you."

Attorney Matthew K. Schettenhelm, a partner in Miller & Van Eaton, a Washington, D.C.-based legal firm that specializes in communications law, said First Amendment rights for artists and others change once you step inside an airport. He cited the 1982 case *International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc. v. Lee*, which involved handing out religious pamphlets at an airport. "That was the big case that established that airports are not like the street," he said. "They're not open to all for First Amendment purposes."

Even if they don't have a legal responsibility to uphold First Amendment rights, and their focus is on facilitating safe travel, airports find merit in displaying challenging art. Officials hope to showcase the best and brightest of local culture — that, too, is good for business. About "10 or 11 million" people pass through Southwest Florida International every year, Ms. Moreland says. Picking out the best works to show them is a balancing act between what is "vanilla or cardboard," and what gets people talking and interested in exploring local cities and galleries.

Mr. Chasansky said that in Denver, "People expect very captivating artwork, sometimes edgy."

Southwest Florida International's art program is much younger, doesn't have a full-time curator, and runs on nominal funds. Some say "Turn Turn Turn" is the most progressive exhibit show there yet. You might even argue that vinyl itself is a radical expression of support for the sexual and political attitudes of 1960s protest singers.

"Art and writing and music are made to make people think," Ms. Moreland said. "You want to perhaps feel uncomfortable, because it takes you to some other dimensions, makes you think. But a public airport, you're not at a book signing, or a symphony, or at a museum. It's a little bit of a delicate balance. We just want to make sure we're doing it right."

Artist's response

Cesar Aguilera, 31, spends his days working in a cluttered, paint-splattered garage at his home in North Naples. Born in Ecuador, he works in a local frame shop a few days per week to make rent. He moved to the United States in his late teens and says his art aims to "reflect society's hopes and struggles."

A few weeks after "Blinding Perceptions" came down, during an interview at Barnes & Noble, he suggested dryly that maybe palm trees and sunsets would have been more palatable. He wondered if people who complained had read his artist's statement, and questioned what ideas are lost when a work is censored.

"Art is kind of like the last way to get to people, to express what's really going on," he said. "(The airport) is not an art center, a gallery, but it's one of those central places. When they come here and the only thing they see is palm trees and little flowers, nothing that invites them to think, only safe art..." he stopped there.

Mr. Aguilera has shown his work at the Sidney & Berne Davis Center, the Journeyman Gallery, The von Liebig, daas Gallery, and out at the airport, at least for a day. Maybe that's enough, for now, in a place where popular focus remains on images of Thomas Edison and the Seminole Indians, wading birds and palm trees, chamber music and placid seascapes reflecting an endless string of beautiful days. ■

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Education Foundation takes stock in 22 Collier County eighth graders

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The Education Foundation of Collier County inducted 22 students into the Take Stock in Children scholarship and mentoring program during a ceremony recently at Moorings Park.

Take Stock students are selected in eighth grade and matched with an adult mentor with whom they meet weekly through high-school graduation. Students commit to maintaining a 2.5 grade point average, remaining drug- and crime-free and participating in Take Stock in Children events. Parents commit to support and encourage their child in meeting his or her obligations. The emphasis is on providing an exemplary one-to-one mentoring and life-skills program to support students throughout high school.

To date, the Education Foundation has had 75 Take Stock graduates, 99 percent of whom have gone on to some type of post-secondary education. The 126 students currently in the program, including the 22 newest inductees, represent 14 Collier County public schools. Since the beginning of the program in 2000, the retention rate has averaged 90 percent.

This year, 142 students from middle schools across Collier County went through the application and process. A selection committee made up of community volunteers had the difficult task of evaluating these highly qualified eighth graders.

"Every year the interview process gets more difficult," says Edward Kant, chairman of the selection committee. "My only wish is that we had the resources to invite all of the applicants to be a part of the incoming class," he added. "This year's class shows so much promise for the future."

Take Stock in Children is a statewide college scholarship and mentoring program. The Education Foundation manages the program in all areas of Collier County except for Immokalee middle and high school, which is managed by The Immokalee Foundation.

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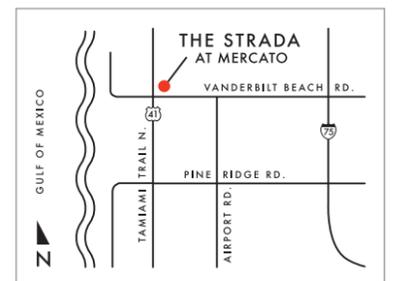


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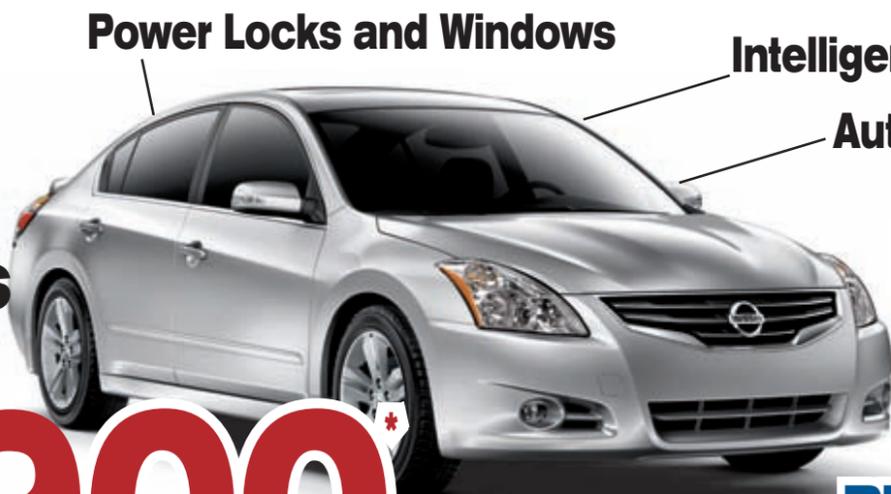


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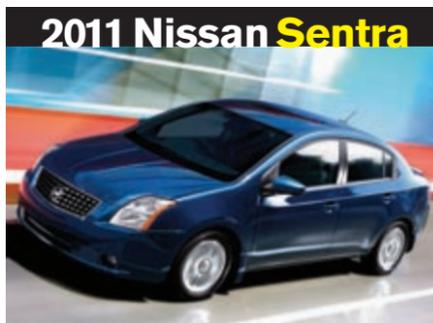
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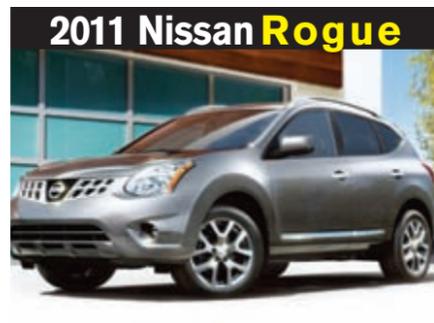
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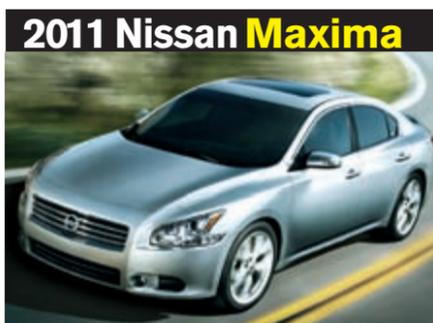
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Shop 'til you drop

Designer Boutique purchases will benefit women's shelter

The latest in spring fashions, home décor and gift items from more than 20 boutiques and specialty vendors from across the country will be for sale at the Shelter for Abused Women & Children's annual Designer Boutique from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, in the Plaza Ballroom at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples.

Participating merchants, who will donate 15 percent of all sales to the Shelter, include:

- The Anita Ford Collection (silk separates from Thailand)
- Balbianello Inc. (silks and cashmere clothing and accessories)
- Bird Dog Bay (handmade men's ties)
- Campus Peddler
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- Melanie White Designs (jewelry)
- Nina McLemore Collection (clothing)
- Rita Linton Jewelry

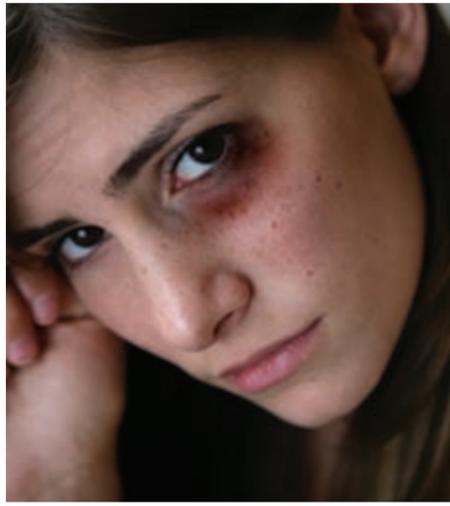
- Shibui Collection by Milda (dresses and skirts handcrafted in styles that evoke the era of mid-20th century elegance)
- The Romantic Room (home and garden accessories)
- Three Islands Clothing
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Admission to the Designer Boutique is free. Parking is \$5 (complimentary valet parking with a Ritz-Carlton retail or food and beverage purchase).

For more information, call the Shelter for Abused Women & Children at 775-3862 or visit www.theshelter.org. ■



Parents of teens will learn signs of dating violence

The East Naples Middle School Academic Booster Club presents a panel discussion about teen dating violence beginning at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, in the media center at the school. Parents will learn how to recognize signs of teen dating violence and how to start a conversation about the issue with their teens.

According to the Shelter for Abused Women & Children, one in three high school students has been or will be involved in an abusive relationship, and 40 percent of girls ages 14-17 say they know someone their age who has been hit or beaten by a boyfriend.

Attendance is free. For more information, call the shelter at 775-3862. ■



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Above: Thai silk separates from the Anita Ford Collection.

At left: Clothing by Nina McLemore (Equestrian stretch cotton jacket, \$650; nylon-Lyrca tank, \$195; and flare pant, \$325)

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through interaction and problem solving and learn to cultivate mutual trust and respect for others.

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Applications for the 2011 YLC program are due by Monday, Feb. 28, and can be downloaded at www.naples-chamber.org. For more information, call Bob Sandy at 298-7926 or e-mail bob@napleschamber.org. ■

ESC open house designed for those seeking to 'Go Higher, Get Accepted'

High school seniors and first-year college students are invited to attend "Go Higher, Get Accepted," an open house at Edison State College-Collier Campus, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 21.

The \$30 application fee to ESC will be waived for attendees who apply on this day only.

In addition to campus tours, meetings with faculty, students and staff and information about academic and extra-curricular programs, open house activities include information sessions about funding a college education and making the transition to college.

Register to attend at www.edison.edu/gohigher. ■

Scholarship pageant to be held at Hodges

Hodges University hosts the third annual Miss Southwest Florida Scholarship Pageant at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 20, in the Science and Technology building at the Naples campus, 2655 Northbrooke Drive. The public is welcome.

The competition is a preliminary for the Miss Florida Pageant, part of the nonprofit

Miss America Organization, which last year made available more than \$45 million in cash and scholarship assistance to young women.

The winner of the local pageant will receive a two-year scholarship to Hodges University.

Admission is \$15. Tickets are available at www.missouthwestflorida.org. ■

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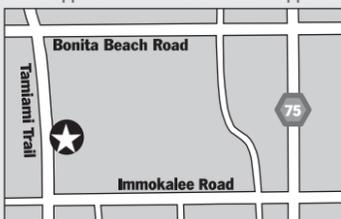
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In 1947, just before leaving on a hunting trip, Ed Frank posed with his newest buggy, "High Notch." Left to right: Paul Frank, Henry Espenlaub, Ed Frank and W. Roy Smith.

Swamp buggy historian presents next Gardenside Chickee Chat

The Naples Historical Society presents its next Gardenside Chickee Chat at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 18, in the pavilion in The Norris Gardens at Palm Cottage. "Planes, Train, Automobiles... and Swamp Buggies, Too!" will be presented by Lila Zuck, author of the book, "Naples' Oldest Tradition: Swamp Buggy Days." The go-to person for anything about swamp buggy history, Ms. Zuck will discuss why the unusual vehicles were invented (As a fun way to visit family and friends in the old days before roads were paved? As a better way to pull a heavy payload? As a means for hunting in the Everglades?). Come and find out. The season's third and final Gardenside

Chickee Chat takes place at 11 a.m. Friday, March 25. Guest speaker Bill Meek, owner and director of the Harmon-Meek Gallery, will present "The History of Art in Naples: How Naples Became a Part of the International Art Scene." The Naples Historical Society's Palm Cottage and The Norris Gardens are at 137 12th Ave. S., one block east of the Naples Pier. Although Gardenside Chickee Chats are free, donations are welcome. Seating is limited, and reservations are recommended. Call 261-8164. For more information about the NHS and its programs, visit www.napleshistoricalsociety.org. ■

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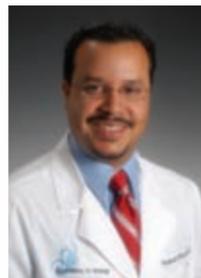
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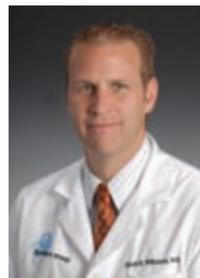
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Collier Spay Neuter Clinic is holding a "\$5 Feline Fix" neuter-a-thon on Tuesday, Feb. 22, to make fixing an affordable procedure for responsible owners of male cats.

The \$5 Feline Fix is part of Spay Day USA, a program of The Humane Society of the United States.

Shelter workers nationwide euthanize 3 million to 4 million cats and dogs each year, at an average cost to taxpayers of \$176 per animal. Shelters in Southwest Florida put down approximately 15,000 homeless cats and dogs each year.

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Feline Fix. Male cats must be brought to the clinic in a carrier or humane trap between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. and will need to be picked up at 3:30 p.m. Feb. 22. Proof of rabies vaccination is required, or CSNC staff will administer the rabies vaccine for an additional \$15.

The surgery schedule is sure to fill up quickly for the \$5 fixes, Pallas Diaz, the clinic's executive director, predicts. Call 514-7647 to put your cat on the list.

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Mardi Paws Parade ready to roll For Collier Spay Neuter Clinic

Collier Spay Neuter Clinic's fourth annual Mardi Paws Parade and Pet Fest takes place from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at Mercato.

In addition to the colorful pet parade and costume contest, festivities include live music by Louisiana Zydeco, a pet and owner caricature artist, face painting, pet vendors and service providers, adoptable animals, local celebrities and raffles and prizes galore.

Admission to the pet fest is free, and early registration for the parade is \$15 for one pet or \$25 for two pets. Each registrant receives a Mardi Paws goody bag stuffed with toys and treats for pets and people.

The royal promenade will strut Mercato's Main Street at 12:30 p.m., with Mayor Bill Barnett serving as grand marshal. A panel of celebrity judges will review the procession and crown the 2011 Mardi Paws king, queen and royal court (runners up).

Only registered pets and people are



eligible to be part of the parade. "Honorary parade members" can support the CSNC cause without parading by making a \$15 donation to the clinic.

Spectators will find plenty of green space at the pet fest. Water bowls and human refreshments will be available in abundance. Costumes, beads and masks will also be for sale.

Pet-related merchants and service providers along with Collier County's leading animal rescue and adoption organizations will be on site. Dine and/or shop, dog friendly, at many of Mercato's restaurants and shops.

About CSNC

The Collier Spay Neuter Clinic is a nonprofit organization providing a non-lethal solution to the pet overpopulation crisis through affordable, spay/neuter services. For more

information, call CSNC at 514-7647 or sign up for the Mardi Paws Parade at www.collierspayneuter.org.



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 Special to Florida Weekly

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Cold weather had moderated by the time Capt. Tom Des Fosses eased the boat out into Henderson Creek. The 16 passengers had binoculars at the ready. Soon we were compiling a species bird list of sightings that would grow to 20-plus by the end of the evening.

An eagle on a high limb of a slash pine had the passengers' rapt attention. I sharpened the focus of my

field glasses and saw the bright white head, like a little white flag against the blue sky. My co-narrator on the cruise, Len Rothman, tracked the bird and kept folks apprised of its location as we made an arc around the bay.

"The bald eagle, our national symbol, was down to about 40 mated pairs in the lower 48 states by 1970. After the implementation of the Endangered Species Act and the ban on DDT on Dec. 31, 1972, the population began to recover," I said over the portable mike. "Today the population is estimated to be over 10,000 mated pairs, and Florida is second only to Alaska. We might call ourselves the Eagle State."

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Sunset over Rookery Island

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Clyde Butcher has donated a print of his Fakahatchee Prairie, above, valued at \$2,000.

Safari raises funds for Fakahatchee

The annual Fakahatchee Safari, a fundraiser organized by Friends of Fakahatchee, takes place from noon to 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the campground near the state park ranger station in Copeland (State Road 29 three miles north of U.S. 41).

Among the items up for bid is a 40-by-52-inch framed photograph donated by Clyde Butcher, who will be a guest of honor at the safari. There's also a panther-tracking day with Dennis Giardina of the Florida Wildlife Commission and a weekend at the Carroll Family Camp, one of the few inhabited in-holdings in the Fakahatchee Strand State Park. Photography classes, bicycle and boat tours, original paintings and homemade calamondin jam are also on the auction block.

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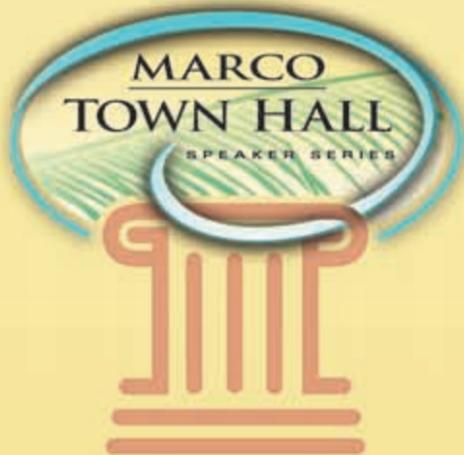
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A magnificent frigate bird in the mangroves with some pelicans.

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We were sighting herons, egrets and ibis when someone pointed skyward and asked, "What's that?"

"A swallow-tailed kite?" someone else guessed.

"No," Mr. Rothman replied. "That's the magnificent frigate bird.

I looked up and saw the bird kettling on the high thermal currents. "He's a beautiful flier and has the largest weight-to-wingspan ratio of any bird: weight 3 pounds, wingspan 8.5 feet," I told the passengers.

Then the bird corkscrewed down on the currents like W.B. Yeats' "perne in a gyre" in the poem "Sailing to Byzantium." It sailed around at our level for a while.

What happened next had us gasping.

The frigate, known as a pirate, spotted a double-crested cormorant in the water and attacked, not just once, but twice.

"It's probably hoping the cormorant will drop its catch," I said. "The frigate is beautiful in flight, but an opportunist at every turn," I added. "It never lands on the water, but swoops down and either scoops fish off the surface or snatches them from other birds."

"A handsome sneak thief," a passenger from Michigan commented.

The last 20 minutes of the cruise we spent, as usual, at the rookery islands in the aptly named Rookery Bay. The main rookery island was occupied by hundreds of birds —and one startling sight.

"There. There. Right between the pelicans," said one excited passenger, an urban planner from Portland, Ore.

Sure enough, there in the middle of all the other birds that had come in to rest for the night was a male frigate, its enormous bright red neck pouch fully inflated. The red, a hopeful display intended to attract a mate, looked like a bull's eye in the overcrowded aviary.

"Strange," I said. "No other frigates in sight." And the questions remain: Was this extraordinary sight a fluke? Was this lone male disoriented and far from other frigates? Would his hope for an amorous adventure end in disappointment? ■

— Art Ritais is a volunteer for the Conservancy of Southwest Florida.

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The Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center is a great place to explore the Southwest Florida environment. Here's what's coming up:

■ **Thursday, Feb. 17: Sunset kayak tour** - Join a Rookery Bay naturalist beginning at 4:30 p.m. for a 2½-hour tour of the mangrove creeks and bays. Settle into your kayak as thousands of birds soar overhead during sunset to roost on a mangrove island. Paddle back under the moon and the stars. Kayaks, life-jackets, paddles and headlamps are included. Admission to the Environmental Learning Center is included with the fee. Cost is \$45 for members, \$50 for non-members.

■ **Tuesday, March 1: Wing It! A Beginning Birders' Workshop** - Learn the basics of birding and then practice



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your skills on a field trip to a local park. Class begins at 8 a.m. and the field trip winds up at noon. Cost is \$20 for non-members, members \$15. Limited to 20 participants.

■ **Wednesday, March 2: Lunch & Learn** - This monthly series for an adult rather than youth audience runs from noon to 1 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month. As the guest speaker for March, David Tetzlaff, director of The Naples Zoo, will discuss snakes of Florida and will have on hand live specimen including an Eastern diamondback, a cottonmouth and a pigmy rattlesnake. Series sponsors Carrabba's and Costco Naples provide lunch. The lecture is free for members and \$5 for non-members and does not include admission to the Environmental

Learning Center. Limited to the first 50 guests.

The Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center at 300 Tower Road is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Admission is \$5 for

adults, \$3 for children 6-12, and free for ages 5 and younger as well as members. For reservations for the above programs and more information, call 417-6310 or visit www.rookerybay.org or facebook.com/friendsofrookerybay. ■

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Conservancy volunteers who worked on the preserve included, left to right: Sharon Wright, Steve Suden, Roz Katz, Sheri Arnold, Susan Snyder, Stan Pliska and Charles Grady.



Vicky Smith, Tuck Tyler, Mary Smith and David Smith at the dedication.

Endangered upland and scrub habitat dedicated as Conservancy preserve

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida recently dedicated the Christopher B. Smith Preserve, 8 acres of endangered upland and scrub habitat between the Conservancy Nature Center and Goodlette-Frank Road. Preservation of the property was made possible by a lead gift from Christopher and Jeannie Smith, the late Dorothy Blair and with additional support from donors to the Conservancy's multi-million-dollar sustainable campus initiative and the "Saving Southwest Florida" Capital Campaign.

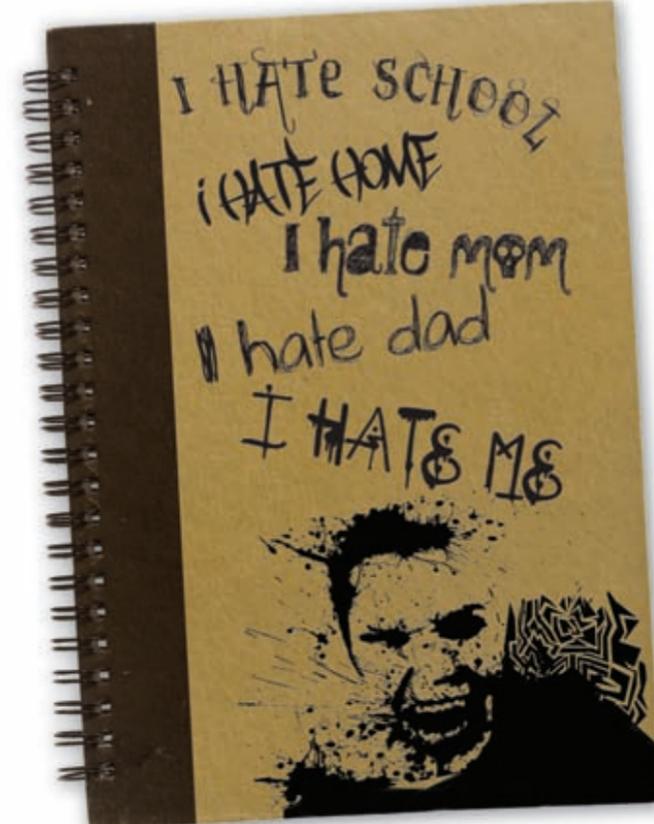
The new preserve is home to native plants and wildlife including the gopher tortoise, a threatened species in Florida. As part of the conservation effort, Conservancy biologists worked to protect the tortoise habitat and horticultural volunteers helped remove exotic plants and replant native vegetation.

"The preservation of this ancient and endangered scrub habitat provides us a rare opportunity to study the population of the gopher tortoise, their burrows



Jeannie and Christopher Smith received a commemorative photograph of the Christopher B. Smith Preserve as part of the dedication ceremony.

and habitat," says Ian Bartoszek, staff biologist at the Conservancy. "Proper management of this scrub habitat and gopher tortoises is a continuing focus for the Conservancy." ■



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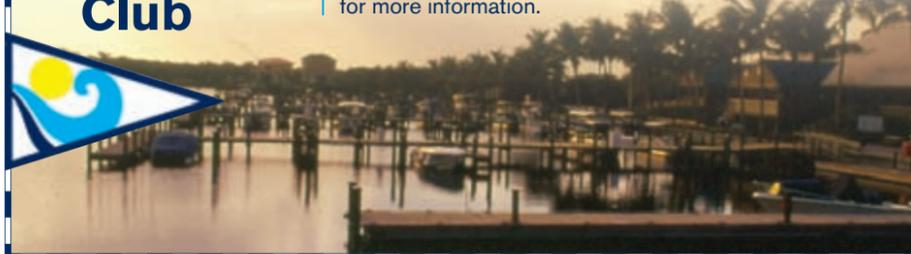
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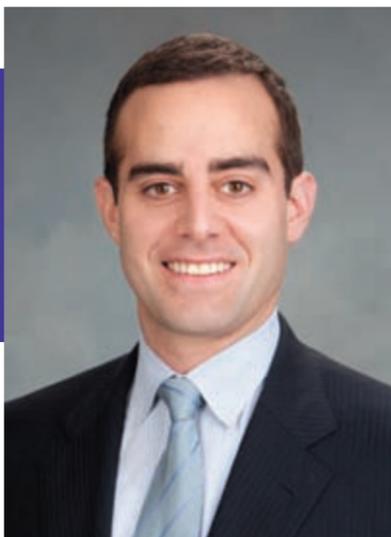
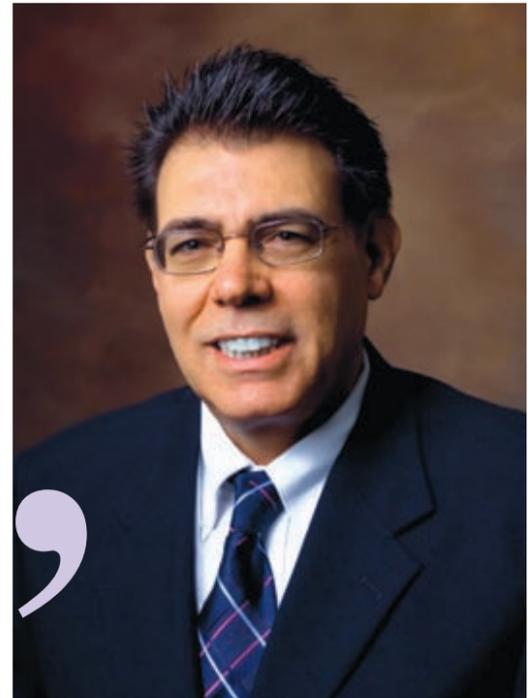


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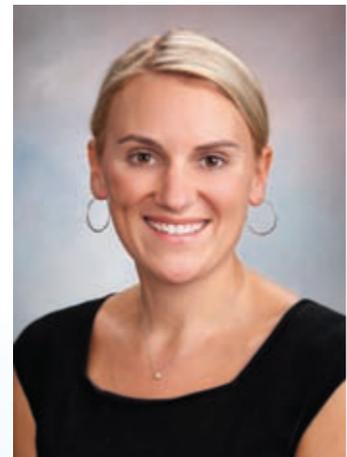


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Conservancy programs focus on butterflies and wood storks

Here's some of what's ahead at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida:

■ **11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19:** It's a Sensational Saturday to learn about Beautiful Butterflies and their amazing metamorphosis. Followed by a walk to the Conservancy Butterfly Trail and beautiful butterfly craft.

■ **12:30-1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19:** Butterfly Garden Workshop — Long-time gardener Mike Malloy will show how to create and nurture a butterfly garden. No registration required. Free for Conservancy members; free with Nature Center admission for others.

■ **3-6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22:** Take Action Tuesday, Amazing Birds at Rookery Bay — Discover the birds of Rookery Bay on this sunset cruise with a stop on Keewaydin Island to remove trash and fishing line that endangers the avians. Cost is \$40 for members, \$50 for others.

■ **8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24:** Wood Storks in the Outback of Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary — This



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A wood stork at Corkscrew Swamp

excursion begins with a presentation about wood storks by Jason Lauritsen, director of the Corkscrew sanctuary, and is followed by a backcountry excursion to see nesting wood storks at their largest breeding grounds in the country. Pack a picnic lunch. Cost is \$120 for members, \$155 for others (includes a one-year membership). Registration required.

For reservations or more information about the above programs, call the Conservancy of Southwest Florida at 262-0304, ext. 266, or visit www.conservancy.org. ■

Preserve has free nature talks

The Naples Preserve and Eco-Center presents free nature talks at 11 a.m. Tuesdays. Visitors are welcome to explore the boardwalk after the lecture.

Coming up Feb. 22: Victor Hill of the Florida Division of Forestry and Picayune Strand State Forest will dis-

cuss wildfires and the importance of prescribed burns.

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Airport authority commits to weight limit

The Naples Airport Authority has reinforced its commitment to maintain the 75,000-pound limit for aircraft at Naples Municipal Airport. The NAA board of commissioners amended its bylaws to require a public hearing and a joint workshop with the Naples City Council prior to any vote to change the weight limit. A September change in the bylaws requires a super-majority vote — four of the five commissioners — to adjust the limit.

The weight limit was formally adopted in 1997 as part of the airport's rules and regulations to avoid overstressing runway pavement, as required by the Federal Aviation Administration, which funded the runway with a 20-year economic-life design objective.

"If we do not enforce the weight limit, the useful life of the pavement could be shortened and we risk future FAA funding," Ted Soliday, NAA executive direc-

tor, explains.

The NAA board of commissioners consists of five citizen volunteers, each appointed by the City Council for a four-year term, to govern the airport authority. Commissioners are Chairman Cormac Giblin, Vice Chairman Ernest Linneman, John Allen, Linda Flewelling and Robert Sullivan.

Run with revenue generated from its operations, Naples Municipal Airport is home to flight schools and air charter, aviation and nonaviation businesses as well as fire/rescue services, mosquito control, car rental agencies and the Collier County Sheriff's Aviation Unit. During the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the airport accommodated 86,000 takeoffs and landings. The Florida Department of Transportation values the airport's annual economic impact to the community at more than \$120 million. For more information, visit www.FlyNaples.com. ■

St. Katherine consecration service planned

The consecration of St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church, a service of sanctification and solemn dedication of a building for use as a church, will take place Friday and Saturday, Feb. 25-26.

Diocesan Bishop Metropolitan Alexios of Atlanta will perform the service with assistance from many area clergy. All are welcome. For more information, call 596-3330 or e-mail Lisa Klemes at lmk29@comcast.net. ■

Marco Jewish congregation plans jazz Shabbat

The Jewish Congregation of Marco Island will have its first Friday Night Live Jazz Shabbat service on Friday evening, March 4. Rabbi Edward Maline will conduct the service; Hari Jacobsen, the congregation's cantorial soloist for the past 17 years, will perform with jazz musicians

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Everyone is welcome to the service that begins with a social gathering at 8 p.m. Desserts will be served following the service. For more information, call 642-0800. ■

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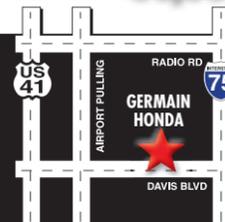
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Marco workshops will focus on ancient Chinese practices

Dr. Yinong Chong and Shawn Cartwright of the Traditional Chinese Culture Institute International will conduct workshops in qigong, self-healing and meditation Friday-Sunday, Feb. 25-27, at the Beach Club of Marco on Marco Island.

Qigong is the ancient Chinese art and science of cultivating the vital energy ("qi" pronounced "chee") that exists in all living things. Participants will learn how qigong can bring peace and harmony to body, mind and spirit.

The opening session, "Energy of a Youth, Wisdom of a Sage - Qigong for Joyful Living," is from 2-5 p.m. Feb. 25. Two sessions are set for Feb. 26: "Young at Heart: Five

Animal Frolics and Five Elements Qigong Meditation" in the morning, and "Activate Your Hidden Power: Science and Arts of Qigong Healing" in the afternoon. The final session, "Total Renovation: Qigong for Muscle, Bone and Tendons Renewal," will take place Sunday morning, Feb. 27. Participants will earn credits toward qigong and tai chi certification.

TCCII has offices in the Washington, D.C., area and Beijing. Tuition for a single session is \$70, \$130 for two sessions, \$190 for three sessions and \$240 for all four sessions. For registration and more information, call Jane Kiester at 394-1612. ■

Our New "Seasonal-Trial Membership" has been so Successful we had to build another bridge!

The Marco Island Yacht Club has expanded the ways you can "bridge the fun and friendship" of this great Club. There are many ways to join, however our new 3 month Seasonal-Trial Membership has been extremely successful. It allows a prospect to experience all the Club's benefits for one 3 month season for \$600. Enjoy great dining, social events, banquet opportunities or just gazing at our wonderful vistas including our new bridge progress! Have boating fun whether you have a boat or not. Meet and make new friends and hopefully like this experience so much that you just might want to join us as a full member.



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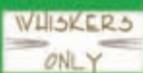
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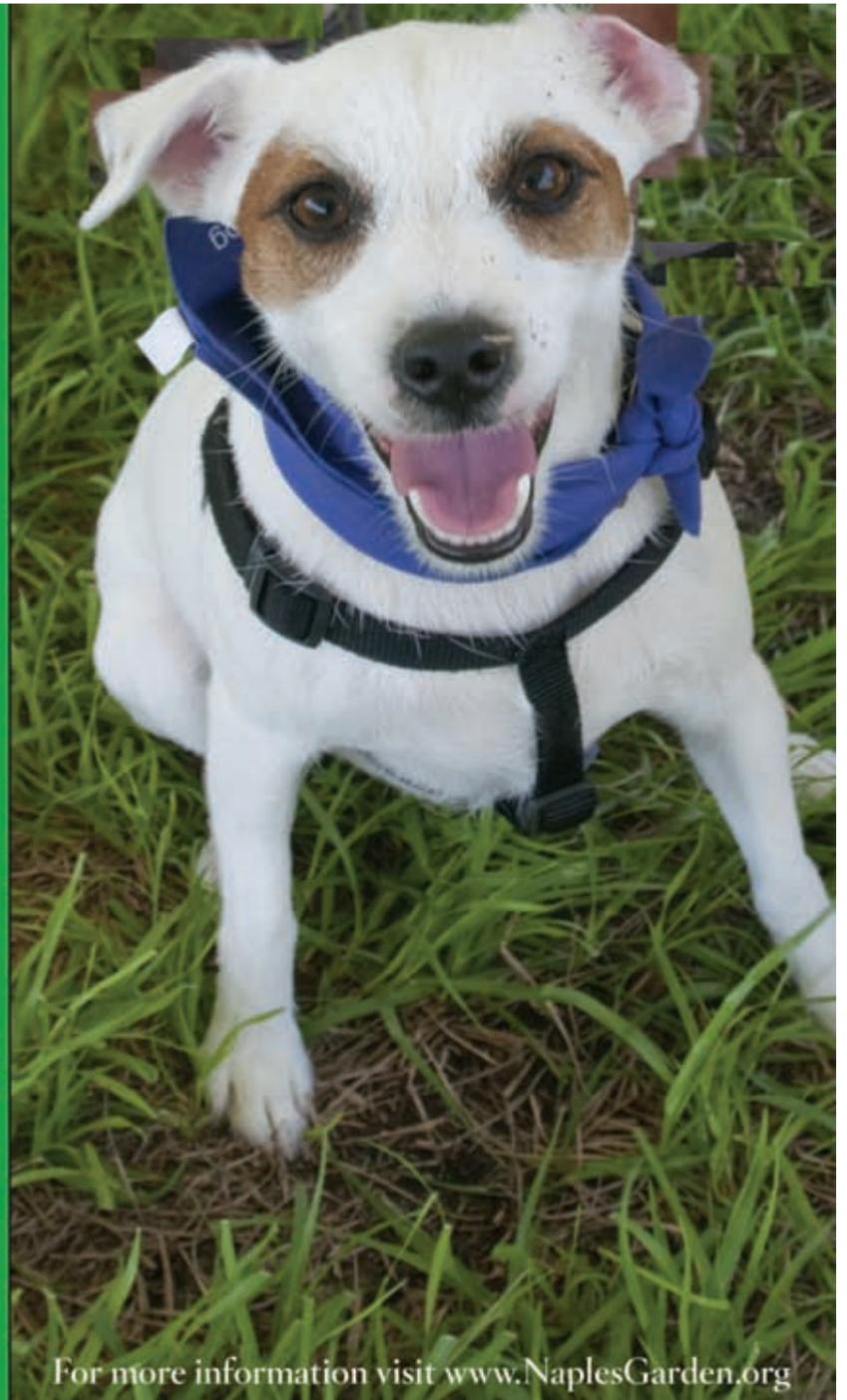


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Poker Walk set for Parkinson Association

The Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida steps out for the 10th annual PASFL Poker Walk beginning at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at Vineyards Community Park. Continental breakfast will follow the walk that will consist of two laps around the park lake.

Registration is \$10. To help raise additional money, raffle tickets will be sold for prizes including tickets to "Smucker's Stars on Ice" at Germain Arena and SeaWorld in Orlando, and a laptop computer and printer.

For more information, call 417-3465 or visit www.pasfl.org.

Hadassah sponsors women's health day

The Collier County Chapter of Hadassah is sponsoring its annual Women's Health Education Day from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 21, at the Club at Olde Cypress.

Dr. Jerry Kumin, who practiced internal medicine and nephrology for 35 years and has focused his practice on health without medication, will present "Live Your Life."

Dr. Tom Hudson a radiologist and former head of Women's Imaging at Naples Diagnostic Imaging Center, will present "Breast Cancer: Self-Care and Prevention."

Tickets are \$25 and include lunch. Everyone is welcome. For reservations, call Rhonda Brazina at 325-8694 or Ida Margolis at 963-9347.

Take the mystery out of yoga

Ever take a yoga class only to find yourself confused about how to make the poses work for your body? Are you an athlete with tight hips and hamstrings who finds it impossible to get into and out of even the most common yoga postures? Perhaps you have been advancing your yoga practice and are looking for ways to challenge your body further.

If any of these sounds like you, then "Break It Down & Build It Up," part one of the Demystifying Yoga series at Beyond Motion, could be in order. Led by certified yogi Yiota Kotokis, the first session is set for 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the fitness studio in North Naples.

The newest addition to the staff at Beyond Motion, Ms. Kotokis is known for her simple explanations and attention to detail as an instructor. She received her certification from Ganga White and Tracey Rich at the White Lotus Foundation.

The Demystifying Yoga series is designed "for people that are curious about yoga and how to realistically apply it to their own body and fitness regime," says Amy Lademann, co-founder of the fitness center.

Cost of "Break It Down & Build It Up" is \$35. Register by calling 254-9300 or visiting www.go2beyondmotion.com.

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Yiota Kotokis, left, with a student

Bridging the patient/doctor divide

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Physicians say their top gripe is patient noncompliance with advice or treatment recommendations according to a new report appearing in the upcoming issue of Consumer Reports. Most said it affected their ability to provide optimal care and more than one-third (37 percent) said it did so "a lot." Those are just some of the findings in a new poll of 660 primary-care physicians. The report also found that 37 percent of physicians said they now keep patient records entirely electronically — up from 24 percent in a 2007 survey.

Doctors' points of view

In the doctors' poll, physicians named these top challenges:

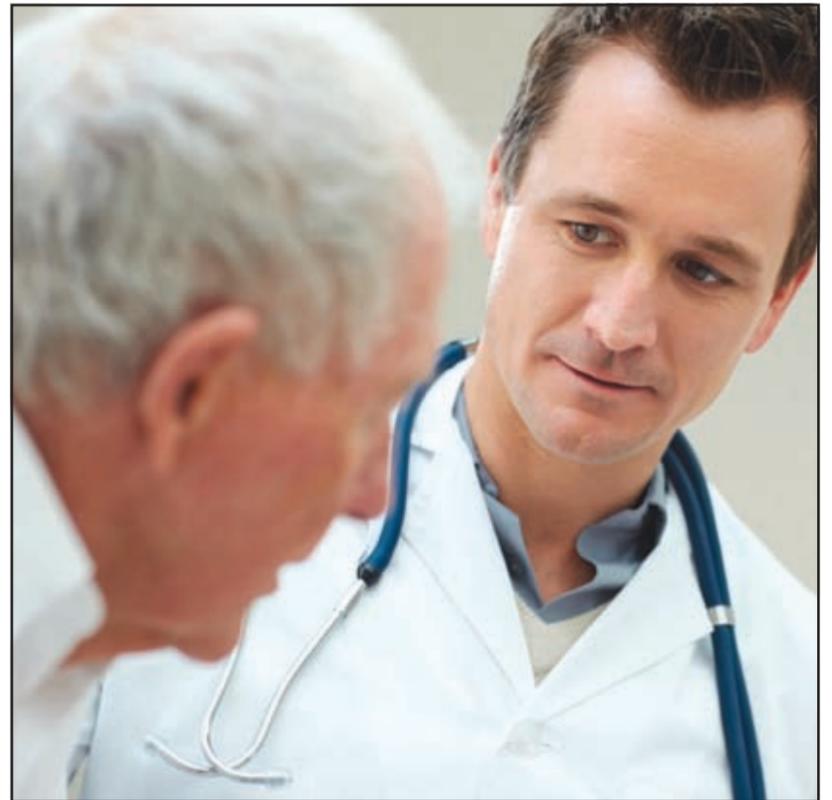
- More than three-quarters (76 percent) of doctors said when it came to getting better medical care, forming a long-term relationship with a primary-care physician would help "very much."

- Next on the list: being respectful and courteous toward doctors — 61 percent said it would help "very much." More than two-thirds (70 percent) said since they had started practicing medicine, respect and appreciation from patients had gotten "a little" or "much" worse.

- Forty-two percent of physicians said health plan rules and regulations interfered "a lot" with the care they provided.

Patient perspectives

Patients say they were highly satisfied with their doctors. But they still had complaints ranging from the irritating, such as having



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to sit too long in the waiting room, to the substantive, such as ineffective treatments.

- Thirty-one percent of patients said they wished they had more information before choosing a doctor.

- More than one-quarter of patients indicated some level of discomfort with their doctors' inclination to prescribe drugs.

- Only nine percent of patients said they e-mailed their doctor directly in the previous year.

Tips for the office visit

- Plan ahead — Jot down a

list of questions or concerns to address during the appointment, and prioritize them to get the most important ones answered first.

- Take notes during the appointments — Eighty-nine percent of doctors said that keeping an informal log of treatments, drugs, changes in condition, notes from previous doctor visits, and tests and procedures could be helpful. But only one-third (33 percent) of patients routinely did so.

The complete report and more advice for patients is available at www.consumerreportshealth.org. ■

STRAIGHT TALK

February programs focus on cardiovascular health



The week of Valentine's Day is a great time to focus on the wonderful women who mean so much in all our lives.

There are truly no greater contributors to the health of our society than women. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 61 percent of caregivers and 85 percent of health care decision makers are female.

Additionally, 57 percent of all the wealth in America is controlled by women, which suggests their substantial influence in philanthropic decisions.

I recently attended a presentation

on the differences between women's and men's health challenges. It was conducted by Pat Read, administrative director of Women and Children's Services here at NCH, and Dr. Shona Velamakanni, a non-interventional cardiologist.

These knowledgeable professionals pointed out that about one-third of life expectancy is related to our genetic inheritance, with the remainder dictated by lifestyle. They also noted that many people don't realize the most common disease and cause of death in women is cardiovascular disease. About 500,000 women die each year from cardiovascular disease, three times the number who die from cancer.

Another under-recognized disease in women is osteoporosis, aka "the silent thief," which affects more than

50 percent of all women. A woman has a better chance of dying of osteoporosis than she does of breast cancer. Fortunately, being informed and educated makes a huge difference: When detected early, both osteoporosis and breast cancer offer excellent prognosis.

One excellent way to prevent illness is our ongoing pursuit at NCH in community education.

This month, NCH and 70 other hospitals across America are sponsoring programs to increase awareness of cardiovascular disease and its risk factors. The goal is to inspire everyone to take action to improve their individual health, as well as their family's health, through prevention. Focusing on disease prevention helps improve the value of health care we deliver to the community. ■

TO YOUR HEALTH

Classes for the visually impaired

Lighthouse of Collier Inc., Center for Blindness and Vision Loss collaborates with the Division of Blind Services to present classes for those who are going blind or having vision loss. Classes take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Monday and Thursday at Lighthouse of Collier, 424 Bayfront Place.

Lighthouse of Collier Inc. also has magnifiers and optical character readers available to the public for evaluation from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

For more information, call 430-3934 or visit www.lighthouseofcollier.org.

Type O blood in demand

Community Blood Center in Collier and southern Lee counties has put out the call for types O-positive and O-negative blood. Donors are urged to visit CBC donation centers or the bloodmobile to help replenish supplies.

In Naples, the blood center is at 311 Ninth St. N. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday. Call 436-5455.

The Bonita Springs center is at 9170 Bonita Beach Road. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday. Call 495-1138.

For a complete list of times and locations for the bloodmobile, visit www.givebloodcbc.org.

Take a dose of nutrition classes

The Renaissance Academy of FGCU presents "Nutrition for a New Age," a series of programs continuing from 1:30-3 p.m. Thursdays at the FGCU Naples Center. Topics by date are: "Eating for Energy," Feb. 17; "Supplement Savvy," Feb. 24 and "Healing Foods," March 3.

The FGCU Naples Center is at 1010 Fifth Ave. S. For more information, call 434-4737 or visit www.fgcu.edu/racademy.

Women's health expert, author will discuss joy

Unity of Naples will present New York Times best-selling author Dr. Christiane Northrup in a discussion about "The Healing Power of Joy and Pleasure" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, at 2000 Unity Way. A book signing will follow her presentation.

Dr. Northrup is an internationally known expert on women's health and wellness and on medicine and healing that acknowledges the unity of the mind and body. She practiced obstetrics and gynecology for more than 25 years and has been featured on the "Oprah Winfrey Show," the "Today" show, the "NBC Nightly News" and "The View," among others.

Seating is limited. General admission is \$50 per person; VIP tickets are \$125 and include a VIP reception with Dr. Northrup at 5:30 p.m. and premium seating at her presentation.

For more information, call Unity of Naples at 775-3009 or e-mail richardrogers@naplesunity.org.

The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida is Growing.



Due to the increasing need for specialized pediatric services in Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties, we are responding. A new state-of-the-art facility will be constructed at HealthPark Medical Center in South Fort Myers.

Our new Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida will house 148 beds and all of the ancillary specialty services to treat the most critically ill children and their families.

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Get your kicks with Chicago Fire Soccer Club

Major League Soccer's Chicago Fire Soccer Club, winner of five domestic titles, four Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cups and an MLS Cup Championship, is training in Ave Maria through Feb. 26. Fans are welcome to watch practices at North Park from 5-7 p.m. Feb. 18-19, 21-22 and 24-25 and from 9-11 a.m. Feb. 17-19, 21-22 and 24-25.

In addition, the players will conduct a free community soccer clinic from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 20, at North Collier Regional Park. Registration begins at 2:30 p.m. From 6-7 p.m., the players will meet fans and sign autographs at Mercato.

For more information, visit www.chicagofirejuniorsflorida.com. ■

Tennis stars bound for Bonita Bay

Seventeen pros, including the world's No. 1 doubles player (Don Johnson) and the 1988 Olympic Silver Medalist (Tim Mayotte), will participate in the fourth annual Bonita Bay Celebrity Tennis Event coming up March 4-5. Presented by FineMark National Bank & Trust, the tournament benefits Barbara's Friends, the cancer fund at The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.

Tickets remain available for the Pro Marquis Challenge set for 5-7 p.m. Friday, March 4, at the Bonita Bay Tennis Center. The evening will feature two doubles matches with commentary by Fred Stolle. Tickets for \$75 include a barbecue dinner.

Prior to the challenge, tennis pros and Chad Oliver, morning anchor for ABC7, will participate in the Wells Fargo Kids Cup Challenge, giving pediatric cancer patients and survivors from The Children's Hospital an opportunity to play.

The Pro-Am Competitions on Saturday morning and afternoon are sold out, but there are a few remaining \$100 tickets for the "Taste of the Town" cocktail party and auction that begins at 6 p.m. in the Esperia high-rise at Bonita Bay.

All proceeds will be earmarked to name the Bonita Bay Pediatric Pharmacy at the \$191 million, 148-bed expansion planned for The Children's Hospital in Fort Myers. For more information or reservations, call 343-6950. ■

Get ready for Marco Island Half-Marathon

The Marco Island Half-Marathon begins at 7 a.m. Sunday, March 20, beginning at Publix in the Shops of Marco and taking runners along a scenic course through Key Marco and over several bridges. Course certification is pending.

The race is dedicated to the memory of Marco real estate agent Carole Sbertoli and benefits the Greater Marco



YMCA, the Marco Island Fire-Rescue Foundation and the Marco Police Foundation.

Registration by March 13 is \$40; race-day registration is \$50. For more information, e-mail contact@eliteevents.org or visit www.MarcoIslandHalfMarathon.com. ■

Weekend seminar set to reel in lady anglers

Women of all angling abilities can hone their skills at the "Ladies, Let's Go Fishing!" seminar March 11-13 at the Naples Harbour Yacht Club. Held in conjunction with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the weekend begins with the Harbor Financial happy hour Friday evening, March 11.

The classroom portion starts at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 12, and includes Rod and Reel Basics with instructor Capt. Kevin Merritt; Inshore Techniques with Capt. Jon Fetter; Offshore/Bottom Fishing with Capt. Will Geraghty; and Fly Fishing with Capt. Roan Zumfelde. The afternoon consists of a variety of hands-

on sessions about everything from conservation techniques to spin casting, knot tying and trailer backing.

On Sunday, March 13, participants have the option to practice their newly learned skills from either a bay/back-country or group boat. A fillet demonstration wraps up the seminar.

Registration is \$99 by Feb. 25 and \$135 thereafter and includes Friday and Saturday activities; the Sunday fishing adventure is an additional \$99 for the group boat and \$140 for bay/flats fishing. For more information, call (954) 475-9068, e-mail info@ladiesletsgofishing.com or visit www.ladiesletsgofishing.com. ■

ACE Classic heads into final rounds

The ACE Group Classic, with a field of 34 past PGA Tour and Champions Tour major champions and eight members of the World Golf Hall of Fame, goes into championship rounds Friday through Sunday, Feb. 18-20.

Fans can enjoy the premier hospitality option on the course by purchasing Zig Zag Lounge skybox tickets for \$100 per day. The lounge overlooks the 18th green; tickets include open bar, lunch buffet and ground access around the event.

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PET TALES

Eat up

Hunger-striking cats may be sick, not 'finicky'

BY DR. MARTY BECKER

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Eating problems in cats too often get dismissed — thrown under the general heading of, "What do you expect? Cats are finicky."

But cats are prone to a variety of eating issues that can make simple feeding a permanent or even life-threatening issue.

If your cat is simply off food for a day, there's no reason to worry. A simple upset stomach or a stressful change in his environment could be the culprit. And she might not be off food at all: If your cat has access to the outdoors, she could have eaten somewhere else — off a neighbor's porch or at an all-you-can-catch rodent buffet.

But a persistent lack of appetite needs to be taken seriously. You can outlast any dog in a food duel — sooner or later, a healthy but fussy dog will eat just about anything. A cat, however, can stop eating completely, a situation that may trigger hepatic lipatosis, an acute liver problem that can turn fatal.

If you have a finicky cat, it's essential to work with your veterinarian and to know these tricks to get your cat eating:

■ **Fresh is best.** Cats may be the origi-



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A few simple tricks may get a cat eating again.

nal food snobs: In addition to having strong likes and dislikes, they often turn their noses up at food that's been sitting around too long. This can be especially true of canned food, which does get pretty unpleasant when left sitting out. Instead of leaving a day's worth (or more) of food out, offer your cat small portions, fresh from the packaging. If he doesn't eat it after 30 minutes, try again in a couple hours.

■ **Serve warm.** Warming your cat's food amps up its flavor and aroma. A few seconds in the microwave will do the trick.

■ **Break out the good stuff.** Over the years, some of my veterinary clients have had a simple "Is my cat sick?" test they rely on at home. If the cat won't eat a regular meal, they chalk it up to a fussy day; but if the cat rejects her favorite treat,

like a bit of roasted chicken or a smidge of meaty baby food without garlic salt and onions, then they know to call the veterinarian. No one knows your cat better than you do, and if she suddenly rejects a food she has been willing to beg for all her life, you'll know your cat has troubles worth taking seriously.

It's one thing to be finicky, but something else entirely when your cat starts losing weight. If lack of appetite is an ongoing concern with your cat and she's lost a half-pound or more, ask her veterinarian about the possibility of a medication to stimulate her appetite. Some antidepressant and anti-anxiety meds can help switch a cat's appetite from the "off" position back into "on."

And if that doesn't help, your veterinarian can work with you to get to the root of the problem, and treat the underlying condition that will return a normal appetite to your cat. ■

Pets of the Week



>> **Dora** is a good-looking lap cat who is about 1 year old and has beautiful, bright yellow eyes. Sweet and gentle, she gets along with everyone and loves to be petted.



>> **Eddie** is an energetic fox terrier mix who is about 2 years old. He weighs about 20 pounds, is good on his leash and likes to go for walks.



>> **Sussy** is a sweet cocker spaniel who is about 3½ years old. Calm, alert and good on her leash, she aims to please and needs a loving forever home.

To adopt a pet

These pets are available for adoption (\$85 for dogs, \$60 for cats) through Collier County Domestic Animal Services. The fee includes sterilization surgery, vaccinations, pet license, ID microchip and a bag of food. Visit these and other adoptable animals at DAS headquarters, 7610 Davis Blvd., from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Call 252-7387 or www.colliergov.net/pets for more information.

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*"The moment I wake up
Before I put on my make up
I say a little prayer for you..."*
— Burt Bacharach / Hal David

*"Girl is on my mind...
Eyes are in my eyes,
Where I've been
How time flies
When she is in my eyes..."*
— The Black Keys

Hush, please: I am making up my mind. Adorning it with jewels, covering it with flowers, filling it with clouds of incense. I make mountains out of making the most of making this scene. Making my mark, I am making much of seeing rabbits and men in moons, or archers in stars, or dragons in swirling tea leaves. I make bones about it. I make out and in. I make light of it and I make love with it.

Perhaps you think this is make-believe. Aye, it be so. Making waves and making time and making ends meet. I make a face; I make fun. In alchemical transmutation, I make gold and hay and trouble.

Not for making use, but merely for making sail I make way.

Are you making tracks? Please wait. Make time to make note: One etymological source of the word make is the Old Slavic word meaning both "to anoint" and "to smear." That makes us aware of both extremely sacred and extremely profane fabrications. We make note of kings and warriors and priests oiled into power and strength and virtue. And we make bold to make good of the smears of besmirched, fouled, sullied smears of grease gone amok. We form it both ways, fashioning, like another etymological source — Greek — meaning "to be kneaded."

We knead dough to make bread; we knead clay to make pots; we knead sore neck muscles to make bliss. But my favorite is the kneaded eraser.

These erasers resemble putty or gum. Usually white in color, they can be blue or hot pink. Unlike other erasers, kneaded erasers leave no residue behind. They erase by absorbing. Absorption of graphite and charcoal makes for a spacious new field of possibility.

But I must make caveat: Although kneaded erasers do not wear away, they are not suited for erasing over



instead of erasing. This makes one stop making to think.

But kneaded erasers can be washed. And then they can be stretched or compressed, making new form and texture.

Should all this and that be made public? Or is such concern merely making something out of nothing?

Making the something is easy enough. Something is the stuff, the this and that of stories and dreams and schemes.

But nothing is not nothing. It is format, really. Paradigms of possibility, insubstantial non-reified schemas afloat endlessly and seamlessly and seemlessly. Transparent a parenting, open womb, empty tomb.

When is a glass not a glass? When it is half empty. (What do you make of all that, and this?) ■

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BY ROGER WILLIAMS

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IN THE WORLD OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS, the \$64,000 question has gone the way of rotary phones and “dial-up connections” — remember them?

They’re dinosaurs, objects of the past, even if a few can still be seen lumbering along.

Now the question (and we’ll get to that in a minute) is worth millions to many businesses or institutions, and more than that to economic regions that welcome data-driven industry. The survival of companies big and small could be at stake, not to mention the economic health of Southwest Florida in years to come.

Here it is in the raw: How fast and how much data can how many of us send and receive, and at what cost?

In the answer may lie our future.

Unfortunately, residents of the Southwest Florida coast stand at a crossroads that offers no simple model defining which technology is most efficient and economical, for leaders, business owners or private citizens.

Is it fiber optics, with its outsized installation costs, or new wireless technologies?

“Every day, more and more fiber is laid in this area,” says Steve Davis, who plans and sells high-speed voice and Internet services for T3 Communications, a Texas-based company whose clients

“This is a chicken-and-egg situation... You have to have infrastructure, but you have to have the users.

Which comes first?

— Joe Mazurkiewicz, BJM Consulting

now number roughly 1,000 in Southwest Florida. (*Florida Weekly* uses T3 technology in some offices.)

“Companies may be out there who want the high speed connectivity you get with fiber optics, but wanting it won’t change much. You have to go to where it’s at, and you have to look hard for it.”

T3, on the other hand, offers a competitive option to traditional cable companies by providing high-speed wireless services that can

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Name that company
Guess this big player in electronic retailing, media, communications and entertainment. **B6** ►



Real estate newsmakers
See who’s going where, doing what on the local real estate scene. **B11** ►

Three Collier firms among 50 Florida ‘Companies to Watch’

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Three Collier County companies are among 50 firms from 18 counties that have earned a place in Florida’s inaugural class of “Companies to Watch.”

Nominated by the Economic Development Council of Collier County, the three local companies are: Ark Naturals Products for Pets, MediaVista Group and Haynes Corp. Representatives from each will attend an awards celebration in Orlando on Thursday, Feb. 17.

“Collier County is home to many great entrepreneurial companies. We are excited that these entrepreneurs have been recognized by Florida for their accomplishments and contributions to local and state economies,” says Tammie Nemecek, president and CEO of the EDC.

Ark Naturals

Ark Naturals produces an all-natural line of pet foods and products that help solve common pet problems. The company has independent reps throughout the

country and exports its products worldwide. Its president is Susan Weiss.

Media Vista Group

Media Vista Group is the leading Hispanic media company in the Southwest Florida market. A multi-platform system and concept combines television, magazine and online products to allow the company to effectively promote businesses and services in the area to a growing market segment.

Haynes Corp.

Haynes Corp. was founded in Jackson, Mich., in 1960 by Laurance Haynes as a manufacturer’s representative involved with large, stationary marine and generation diesel engines and related parts. Headquartered in Collier County since 1989, the company provides heavy equipment for a variety of industries to clients across the globe.

MediaVista Group and Ark Naturals

SEE WATCH, B4 ►

MONEY & INVESTING

Professional designations represent dizzying degrees of accomplishments



Some designations reflect high levels of work and knowledge. They require tremendous study, one or several rigorous, multiple-day tests (some spanning a several-year period). And if that isn't enough, the "pass" rate is skimpy. The result: many applicants but few awards of a designation.

If only investing or financial planning were simple. If only picking the right professional with whom to work were simple. And, to make matters more complicated, the marketplace is filled with a dizzying array of investment and financial professional designations. It seems as if every financial person is now a "certified" or "chartered" something or other.

Many an article about designations agrees that there are the Big Three: CFA, or chartered financial analyst, is the premier investment designation and the only worldwide investment designation; CPA, or certified public accountant, is the premier accountancy designation; and CLU or chartered life underwriter is the premier insurance designation.

The sad truth is that investment and financial planning designations, once badges of excellence, have become a marketing strategy.

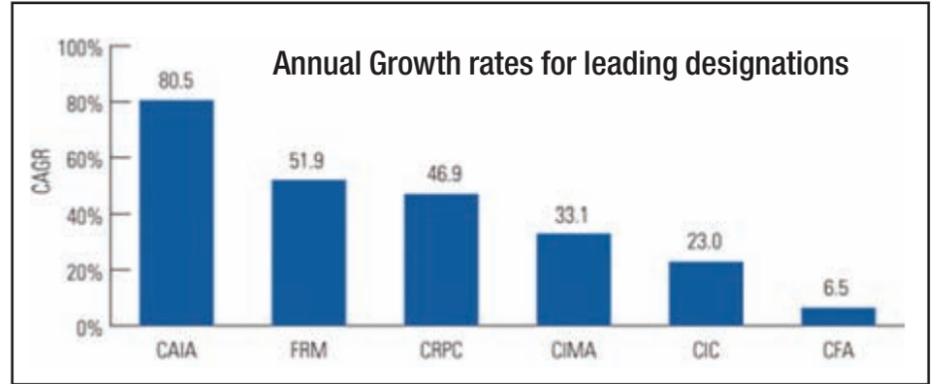
The New York Society of Security Analysts publication suggests there are the Big Eight. (April 13, 2010, "Privilege of Peerage: The Value of Professional Designations.") Whether three or eight, these designations have something in common: They are difficult to attain, require huge amounts of study and end in grueling tests.

Advisers want to differentiate themselves from the pack. One way to do so is to promote oneself as an expert. To the unsuspecting retail investor, a line of letters after a name looks pretty good. Other than self-proclamation of said expertise, the professional can study and test for a designation, proudly hang a certificate on an office wall and add an acronym on a business card.

As a CFA, I am most familiar with my designation's requirements: approximately 250 hours of study for each of three level's corresponding exams; sequential exams allowing failure at each level only one time; and a pass rate below 50 percent. The Feb. 2 publication of the New York Society of Security Analysts noted, "Last week the CFA Institute posted results from the December 2010 Level I exams. Of the 46,644 candidates who took the exam worldwide, only 36 percent passed." And that is after some 250 hours of study for that first level.

Financial designations have grown in number to approximately 100, per the list offered at the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority website, which allows research of each designation and offers a checklist for picking an investment adviser.

In reality, some of these designations mean very little.



As to designations focused on financial planning, the CFP or certified financial planner and ChFC or chartered financial consultant designations are awarded great respect. Not as rigorous as other exams, these designations are definitely not easy and are far from a weekend study experience.

and may be used by investment professionals who may not hold any specific designation."

There is also specialization that is so suggestive that it has come under scrutiny of many state securities divisions. Designations such as "Certified Senior Such-and-Such" have come under great scrutiny. Some states do not allow usage of the "senior" as it has become known as a marketing ploy to get senior business.

Use the FINRA website which lists some 100 designations and their definitions, course of study, testing descriptions and continuing education requirements.

What to make of it all? Here are some suggestions for the navigating the ocean of acronyms.

Consider the litany of acronyms after the name on a business card. CFA, CLU and CPA collectively are an incredible achievement as each individually is an accomplishment. But a litany of other designations might mean several weekends of courses and a couple of non-proctored, online, two-hour tests.

Per the FINRA website, "...be aware that financial analyst, financial adviser (Advisor), financial consultant, financial planner, investment consultant or wealth manager are generic terms or job titles,

Lastly, I know many outstanding professionals who have no designation and the lack thereof should not suggest a lack of professionalism and expertise. ■

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With captivating long water views of Galleon Cove, this beautiful Costa del Sol architectural masterpiece captures the essence of Florida's indoor-outdoor lifestyle. Located on one and one-half Port Royal lots, this five bedroom home is designed for glorious water views. Port Royal Club membership eligibility. \$6,850,000



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► **A Job Search Support Group** meets from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. Contact Karen Klukiewicz at kluk77@comcast.net or visit www.napleschamber.org.

► **The Collier Building Industry Association** holds its next general membership meeting from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, at the Club at Olde Cypress, 7165 Treeline Drive. Guest speaker Al Zichella is the 2011 president of the Florida Home Builders Association. Cost is \$20 for CBIA members, \$25 for others. Call 436-6100 or visit www.cbia.net to sign up.

► **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its next Business After 5 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, at Physicians Regional Healthcare System-Collier Boulevard. Cost is \$10 at the door for members and \$25 for non-members.

► **The Public Relations Society of America-Gulf Coast Chapter** meets at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb.



22, at the Hilton Naples for lunch and a program titled "Connecting the Heart to the Soul of a Company." Presenters Christine Davlin of the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau and Arthrex corporate trainer Michael Winder discuss how to create a pleasant work environment and articulate a company's message so that employees are inspired and clients satisfied. Cost is \$24 for PRSA members and \$29 for others. For reservations or more information, visit www.gulfcoastprsa.org.

► **The Florida Association of Mortgage Professionals** holds its next regular meeting at noon Tuesday, Feb. 22, at Shula's at the Hilton

Naples. For more information, call Marisa McDougall, FAMP president, at 325-1808.

► **The ABWA Neapolitan Chapter** holds its annual Women in History luncheon at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 25, at the Hilton Naples. Honorees are Liz Allbritten, Nancy Payton, Adria Starkey and Sharon Treiser. For reservations or more information, visit www.abwaneapolitan.org.

► **The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** holds its next Business Before Business event from 8-9:15 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, at Sami Lee's Deli & Catering, 3501 Health Center Blvd., Bonita Springs. Call 992-2943 or visit www.BonitaSpringsChamber.com.

► **The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** holds its next members-only President's Club networking event from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, at the *Naples Daily News*. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided by Jabba Sushi. Register at

www.bonitaspringschamber.com. For information about becoming a President's Club member, call Gabrielle O'Boyle at 992-2943.

► **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its next members-only Accelerated Networking lunch meeting from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 Thursday, March 3, at Bajio Mexican Grill in Vanderbilt Galleria, corner of Vanderbilt Beach and Airport roads. Cost is \$15 in advance, \$25 at the door. Register at www.napleschamber.org/events.

► **Leadership Bonita alumni** will meet for a refresher course from noon to 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 4. The afternoon begins at the dedication of the city's new River Park in Bonita Springs. Register at www.bonitaspringschamber.com.

► **The Collier County Bar Association** holds its general membership luncheon from noon to 1 p.m. Friday, March 11, at Carrabba's, 4320 Tamiami Trail N. Register at www.colliercountybar.org. ■

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Members of the EDC staff nominated and encouraged all three local companies to submit to the statewide competition that recognizes privately held businesses with up to 99 employees and \$750,000 to \$50 million in annual revenue or capital.

“Firms like these continue to be the catalyst fueling Florida's emergence from a turbulent national economy,” says Randy Berridge, president of the Florida High Tech Corridor Council. ■

have participated in the EDC's Economic Gardening program, participating in the new CEO Roundtable and GrowFL Technical Assistance. Haynes Corp. recently attended the Mobile Outreach Skills Training program and has been in a hiring mode.

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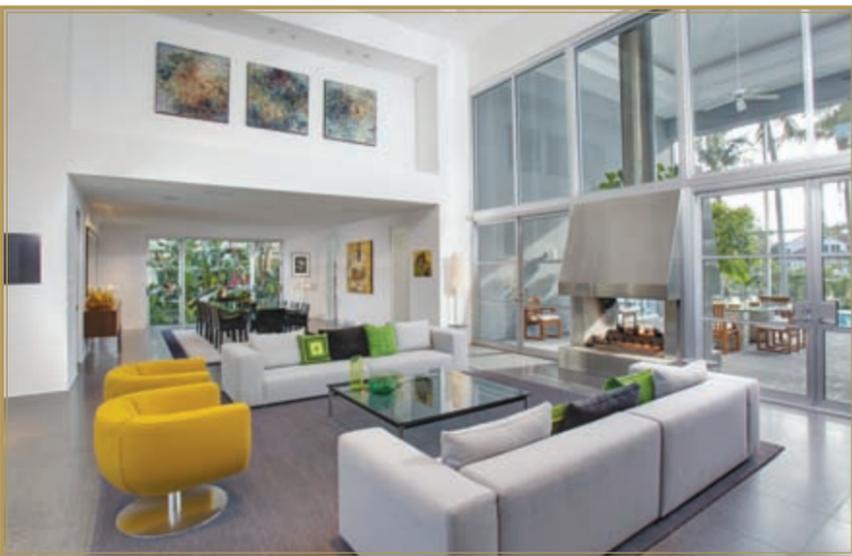
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I left them in my portfolio and there they stay, daily reminders of how dangerous a lack of knowledge and trusted investment information can be. I have since made other, wiser investments and made up most of my losses, but the sting remains.

— Lori, Bridgeport, WVa

The Fool Responds: If a stock is being hawked via fax spamming, it’s probably not a high-quality investment. Stocks trading for less than \$5 per share are penny stocks. They can be particularly volatile and risky, tied to shaky companies and easily manipulated by con artists. ■



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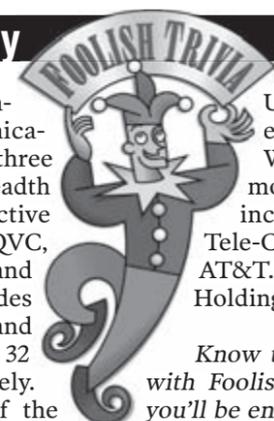
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Name That Company

I’m a big player in electronic retailing, media, communications and entertainment. My three tracking stocks reflect the breadth of my operations: My Interactive group includes my interests in QVC, HSN, Evite, Bodybuilding.com, and Expedia. My Starz group includes the movie powerhouses Starz and Encore, featuring 17 million and 32 million subscribers, respectively. My Capital group owns all of the Atlanta Braves, 40 percent of SIRI-



US XM Radio, and smaller chunks of AOL, Time Warner, Live Nation, and more. My complex history includes past unions with Tele-Communications Inc., and AT&T. I spun off Discovery Holding in 2005. Who am I? ■

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Ask the Fool

Kicking corporate tires

Q When I find a rapidly growing company, what factors should I examine before deciding whether to invest in it?

— T.J., Bloomington, Ind.

A There are many considerations. Ideally, you want to see competitive advantages, such as a strong reputation, patents, or economies of scale.

On the balance sheet, if inventory levels or accounts receivable are growing faster than sales, that’s a red flag, as is steep or quickly growing debt. Two companies performing similarly on the income statement can look very different on the balance sheet.

Examine the statement of cash flows to see how the firm’s cash is being generated and how much investment is required to create earnings. Generally, you want to see most cash coming from ongoing operations — the stuff produced and sold — and not from the issuance of debt or stock or the sale of property.

Also look at the company’s profit margins (gross, operating and net). Higher margins suggest that a firm has a proprietary brand or technology it can charge more for. They often indicate a higher-quality company.

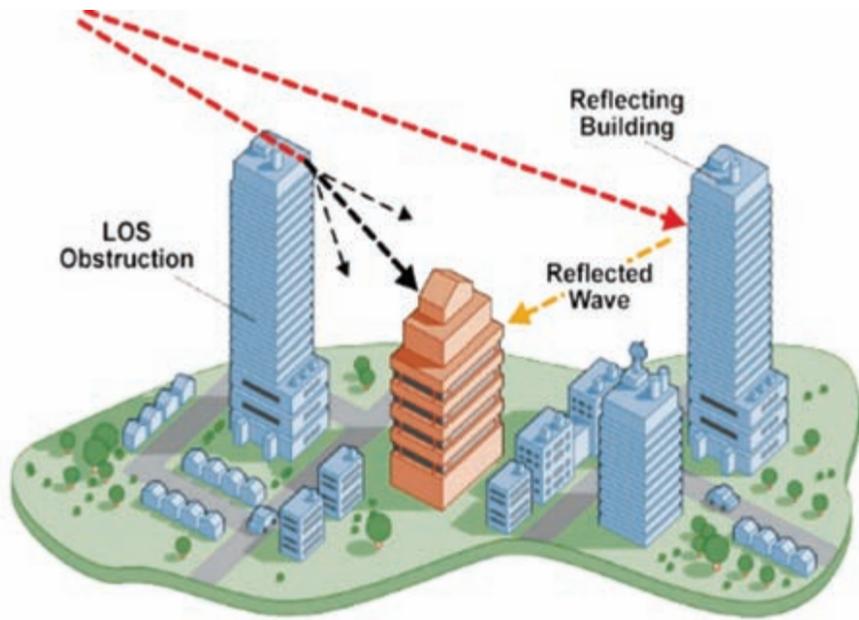
You could also examine return on equity and return on assets, comparing a company with its competitors. See which firm is generating more dollars of earnings for each dollar of capital invested in the business. Check previous years’ numbers to see whether the trends are positive.

Q What good books cover the history of the stock market?

— A.G., Abilene, Texas

A Check out “Learn to Earn” by Peter Lynch (Simon & Schuster, \$15), Peter Bernstein’s “Capital Ideas: The Improbable Origins of Modern Wall Street” (Wiley, \$19), and “Devil Take the Hindmost” by Edward Chancellor (Plume, \$17).

Got a question for the Fool? Send it in — see Write to Us.



WIRELESS PATH ILLUSTRATION/COURTESY T3

Population and business density helps make high-speed communication easier to disseminate.

FAST

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move great quantities of data rapidly. “The reason we’re the first delivering these higher speeds of bandwidth (with something called Wimax),” Mr. Davis adds, “is because the Southwest coast is behind the times. There are much more sophisticated advanced technologies in major cities. Here, we’re kind of mom and pop.”

If his opinion is arguable, the facts aren’t.

Unlike some regions of the state or country (the Miami-Fort Lauderdale corridor, for example) businesses that wish to locate here may discover that some desirable geographic sites lack access to fiber optic cable. Or they may lack access to speedy wireless communications. Microwave signals, for example, offer sizeable broadband opportunities at the highest speeds, which means they can deliver huge quantities of data at once — but not if they lack the required line-of-site

access to a signal tower. “We’re starting to get the backbone of an appropriate infrastructure in place, but we have to ask two questions: Do we have the right kind of infrastructure, and is it adjacent to and available to non-residential land uses and structures?” asks planner Joe Mazurkiewicz, owner of BJM Consulting and president of the Council for Progress Foundation.

Fiber optic cable, steadily replacing the older, slower copper through which data long traveled, is considered state-of-the-art by major research companies, universities, hospitals, government offices and others that push massive amounts of information at nearly the speed of light through the bundles of heavily protected filament.

But it can cost in the tens of thousands per mile, if not more, to install.

And even though fiber optic access exists variously from Naples north to Charlotte County, and more goes in all the time, users say, cable itself may rapidly be approaching dinosaur status. That creates a dilemma for companies seeking to upgrade their

in the know

TERMS OF ART:

>> Broadband: A signal. The broader the band, the more traffic it can carry. In Internet communications (as opposed to just radio, television or voice), the Federal Communications Commission currently defines basic broadband as any transmission of data that can travel downstream from the Internet to the user’s computer at 4 megabits per second, which means 4 million bits per second, and back upstream from the user’s computer to the Internet at 1 megabit per second.

But no precise definition of speed or quantity exists. Many marketers define broadband or high-speed merely as a minimum of 256 kilobits per second, or 256,000 bits per second.

>> High-speed: a term often used synonymously with broadband. But precisely, how fast the information in a band can move.

>> Bit: the word is a contraction of binary digit, the basic unit of information shared by computers that always arrives as one of two possibilities — such as a yes or a no, a plus or a minus, a one or a zero.

>> What the speeds of bits are per second (kilo, mega, giga): a kilobit is 1,000 bits; a megabit is 1 million bits; and a gigabit is 1 billion bits per second. The abbreviations in speed per second are kbit/s, mbit/s, and gbit/s.

>> Pipe: the bandwidth through which bits of information pass. The bigger the pipe, the broader the band.

>> Cloud: a computer, a server, or network of computers available to many users who exist remotely, and located between the two ends of a transmission. Data goes into a cloud, where it is managed appropriately before being sent to its recipient.

>> Backbone: a term used to describe the infrastructure that provides Internet service, whether copper or fiber optic cable, wireless with its necessary signal towers, or some other (satellite wireless, for example).

>> DSL: Digital Subscriber Line: a line that allows both the higher-frequency transmissions of digital data and telephone transmissions in the same line.

>> Dial-up access: outdated form of access to the internet, moving less than 56 kilobits per second, and requiring a dedicated telephone line. Still used by some.

>> Fiber optic cable: glass or plastic fibers woven together that transmit light pulses to send information, instead of using electronic pulses to send information along copper.

>> Microwave: High-frequency signals that can carry large quantities of data at high speed, either in line-of-sight transmissions from ground stations with limited ranges, or from satellites.

>> Wi-Fi: Uses radio waves with no wire or cable connection between the user and the sender of computer data. Wi-Fi use requires a so-called “access point” that can broadcast a radio signal computers adapted to it can recognize.

>> Wimax: Similar to Wi-fi, but capable of transmitting a lot of data in different forms, at high speed and greater range. A local company places a shoebox-sized receiver on a building roof with line-of-sight access to a signal sender, then runs a cable from the roof to the system in the building.

>> Ethernet: a way to allow computers to network by sending packets of data, also known as frames. Thus, it’s described as a frame-based technology.

A locally owned company competes in high-speed big time

Frank Mambuca, president and CEO of US Metropolitan Telecom based in Bonita Springs, owns one of three telecommunications companies that offers its own network in Southwest Florida. The other two, CenturyLink and Comcast, rely on hybrid fiber-optic and copper networks; the US Metro network is solely fiber optic.

Here, Mr. Mambuca answers three questions about his company.

■ What have you done in general terms to bring fiber optic cable to businesses in Collier County and elsewhere?



MAMBUCA

Collier County and the school district wanted to build a fiber network to serve their needs. While that was being built, we also built a fiber net-

work to serve the business community across Southwest Florida. After (putting in) a portion in a coordinated effort with other network builders, US Metro then completed a fiber-optic network with a regional ring across Lee, Collier, and Hendry counties and an inter-city ring across both Southwest and Southeast Florida (from Fort Myers to Miami).

■ What's the focus of this network?

It spans every major thoroughfare in Collier County and Lee County. It also runs a stretch of State Road 29 between Immokalee and LaBelle. The focus was

to be close to businesses that would most need the high speeds, high bandwidth, and high reliability of fiber-optic networking. US Metro's network also connects to Miami — it connects to the world at a key interconnect point, known as the Network Access Point of the Americas (or the Miami-NAP). Our plans include connecting fiber to Lehigh Acres, Cape Coral, and North Fort Myers.

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telecommunications systems.

"What's going to occur is that your speed will continue to improve, but the technology is headed toward (mobile offices), so therefore wireless," predicts Joe Shepard, vice president for administrative services and finance at Florida Gulf Coast University.

As the university arose through the last 10 or 12 years, every single building was wired for fiber optics, he says. And now the campus is also completing a state-of-the-art plan for wireless communication.

"Much to the worry of cable companies," adds Mr. Shepard, "a great deal is becoming more and more wireless, so the cable companies are worrying about how they're going to compete, in the future."

The game changer

Whatever means by which it can be delivered, high speed is the new highway, the new electric line, the new railroad.

High speed is high opportunity.

In the mind of President Barack Obama and many political leaders, high speed telecommunications are no less important to Americans than President Eisenhower's game-changing Interstate highway system of the 1950s, or President Roosevelt's society-altering rural electrification program of the 1930s, or President Lincoln's transcontinental railroad line of the 1860s, uniting east and west.

Speaking Feb. 10 in the Upper Peninsula at Northern Michigan University, the president noted this goal: "Within five years, we want to make it possible for businesses to put high-speed wireless services in reach of virtually every American."

Now the number is a sorry-seeming 65 percent of Americans with broadband or high-speed telecommunications access of any kind, President Obama noted, and in many rural areas the number may remain less than 50 percent. That puts the United States out of the top 10 for high-speed telecommunications among industrialized nations.

The government will therefore invest not only in high-speed rail and new transportation models, but in the emerging models for high-speed telecommunications, the president promised — just as the government once supported the development of railroad, rural electrification and Interstate highways.

But that doesn't mean that businesses arriving in Southwest Florida can now get what they decide they should have, quickly and inexpensively.

High speed may be the game changer, but it's hobbled by logistics for many would-be users.

"One thing to consider is that Southwest Floridians don't live like people do in major cities," points out Brian Hamman, a spokesman for CenturyLink, the largest provider of fiber

optic cable services in the region. The company also relies on the older copper cables, whose carrying capacity can be enhanced by doubling them, he says, and it provides "Ethernet services up to 10 gigabits per second. That means hospitals, doctors' offices and radiology firms that are networked together can share files and scans at lightning speed."

Unfortunately, that doesn't mean everybody else can do the same.

"In New York or Boston, for instance, hundreds, if not thousands of households can live in one building," Mr. Hamman adds. "So from an economic standpoint, providing higher speeds takes a smaller investment because you only have to build one connection to hook up an entire building. In Southwest Florida, there is an investment involved in hooking up each individual household or office."

Suburban sprawl, in other words, becomes a huge disadvantage to many businesses.

"This is a chicken-and-egg situation," says Mr. Mazurkiewicz. "You have to have infrastructure, but you have to have the users. Which comes first?"

"We don't have enough density. It's a unique characteristic of the Southwest coast that it's not as developed as the rest of coastal Florida. The growth management plan originally sought to prevent urban sprawl, but it fostered something much worse — suburban sprawl, without the density to build sustainable communities.

"My greatest hope is that the new governor (Rick Scott) convinces the legislature and Department of Community Affairs to change the law to create density, so we can create sustainable communities connected communication-wise and transportation-wise."

Now, Mr. Mazurkiewicz adds, there is no 4 gigabit network south of Tampa, either hardwired or wireless, that can reach virtually everyone.

To provide such an enviable tool, companies able to do the work will need to see the money up front.

"We are in touch with Economic Development offices in the area and have planned to grow in the same areas that they are planning to grow," explains Mr. Hamman, the CenturyLink spokesman. "Also, new advances in technology are allowing us to augment our current facilities to push higher speeds.

"When communities are willing to partner with us on the investment, we can build and support all-fiber networks. We are also using new technology to get more out of our copper infrastructure, and in many parts of Southwest Florida we offer 25 MBPS high speed Internet over copper."

All of which may be fabulous where it exists, whether you like your eggs fried, scrambled or poached. For many, however, the problem remains getting the

chicken in place to lay the eggs in the first place, concludes Mr. Mazurkiewicz.

"Once again, density of the user is the issue for utility companies. We don't need a bunch more people in Southwest Florida, although we will grow. We just need to locate them in denser urban centers, to support the infrastructure for connectivity."

FGCU technology

Florida Gulf Coast University took advantage of new and emerging technologies beginning more than a decade ago, and that might ultimately prove to be valuable to many private businesses and to local governments from Naples to Fort Myers to Punta Gorda and Port Charlotte, officials and entrepreneurs agree.

"The advent of FGCU and its interconnectivity with the rest of the Florida universities gives them a state-of-the-art system. And now the ability of communities to pull lines off of that, and get connectivity from outside locations piped into the backbone system will be imperative," says Mr. Mazurkiewicz.

"Are we a service provider to businesses?" asks Mr. Shepard rhetorically. "No. But go get your provider and connect to us, and knock yourself out."

That open invitation to any who wish to benefit has both a history and a precedent.

One precedent might be Collier County public schools.

"Collier County put in fiber optics throughout the school district, which is very progressive," Mr. Shepard explains.

That would allow almost real-time transactions to take place between the university and the public schools, just as it would between the university and businesses, since the infrastructures are almost the same.

But a problem can arise. "If the infrastructure between Collier (schools or businesses) and FGCU is the old copper wire, that will slow things down," he says.

Historically, FGCU came along at a good time, and seized the opportunities that timing presented. Even at the nation's most reputable universities, those opportunities may not have come as easily.

"If you went to Harvard, they have legacy, and that means old buildings," Mr. Shepard says. "They never contemplated having technology and computers. To get through the thick stone or brick or old walls is rather problematic. How do you solve that? It forces a wireless solution."

Although wireless was just emerging, since the university was starting from scratch, officials decided to include a gigabit structure with fiber optics everywhere. They also decided to put in the wireless infrastructure.

"So we were able to put in a Ferrari," concludes Mr. Shepard, "when everybody else from a technological

standpoint had to drive in a Volkswagen. A Volkswagen will get you there, but not as fast as a Ferrari."

In dormitories on campus now, telephones are no longer installed, as they were in each room a decade ago. Now, every student has a cell phone. And there are no longer any telephone lines going through a switchboard.

"We no longer do that," Mr. Shepard says. "Everything operates off the same Internet (line) that the computer does, through voice-over-Internet-protocol. Now, we put in one line that can be used for both."

Statewide nowadays — from FGCU's satellite campuses in Collier or at Herald Court Centre in Punta Gorda, to each of the 10 other state universities — FGCU relies on LambdaRail, which ties every university into the system through fiber optics, at almost light speed.

The Florida university system is just one of many users, however. The national LambdaRail system, described as a 10 gigabit Ethernet network, is owned and operated by universities and research institutions, and extends across the continent in a 12,000-mile, national network of fiber-optic lines. Its users include NASA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and groups from Colorado, Texas, North Carolina, Oklahoma, the Pacific Northwest, Virginia and New Mexico, to name some.

What that means for FGCU, and what it would mean for any businesses for institutions tying into the system, ranges from nearly real-time data transmissions of the most complex research projects, to much more efficient daily living.

"Everything we do from library resources to signing up for classes, to taking classes can be done this way — you'd never have to come on campus," says Mr. Shepard. "We're doing away with the need for paper."

And not just paper, but bricks and mortar, or wallboard and office sites, suggests the T3 salesman, Steve Davis.

"Phone lines, Internet connections, computers on the desk — all that's expensive," Mr. Davis says.

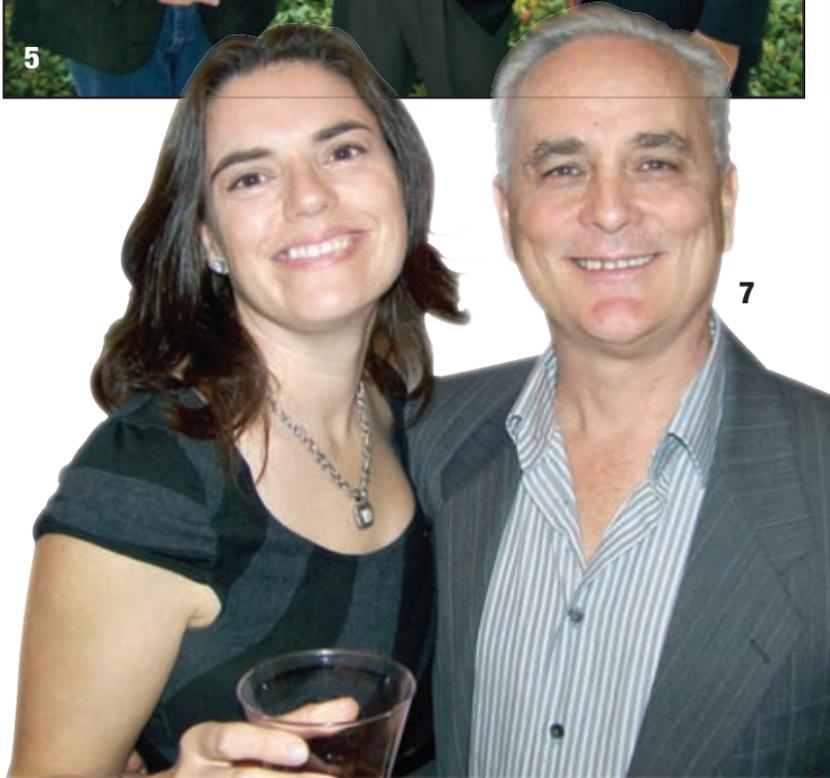
"It's a going to pipes and clouds, with one connection to get to data. And someday even the connection may go away.

"Right now, you can work off a laptop on a mountain, so what do you need an office for? The only question will be pipes and clouds. There will still be a need for connectivity, physically, to major establishments, but the majority of businesses are smaller. They need to be mobile and office space is expensive."

Perhaps the most important question for businesses here remains this: How soon will we get to it, and who can beat us there? ■

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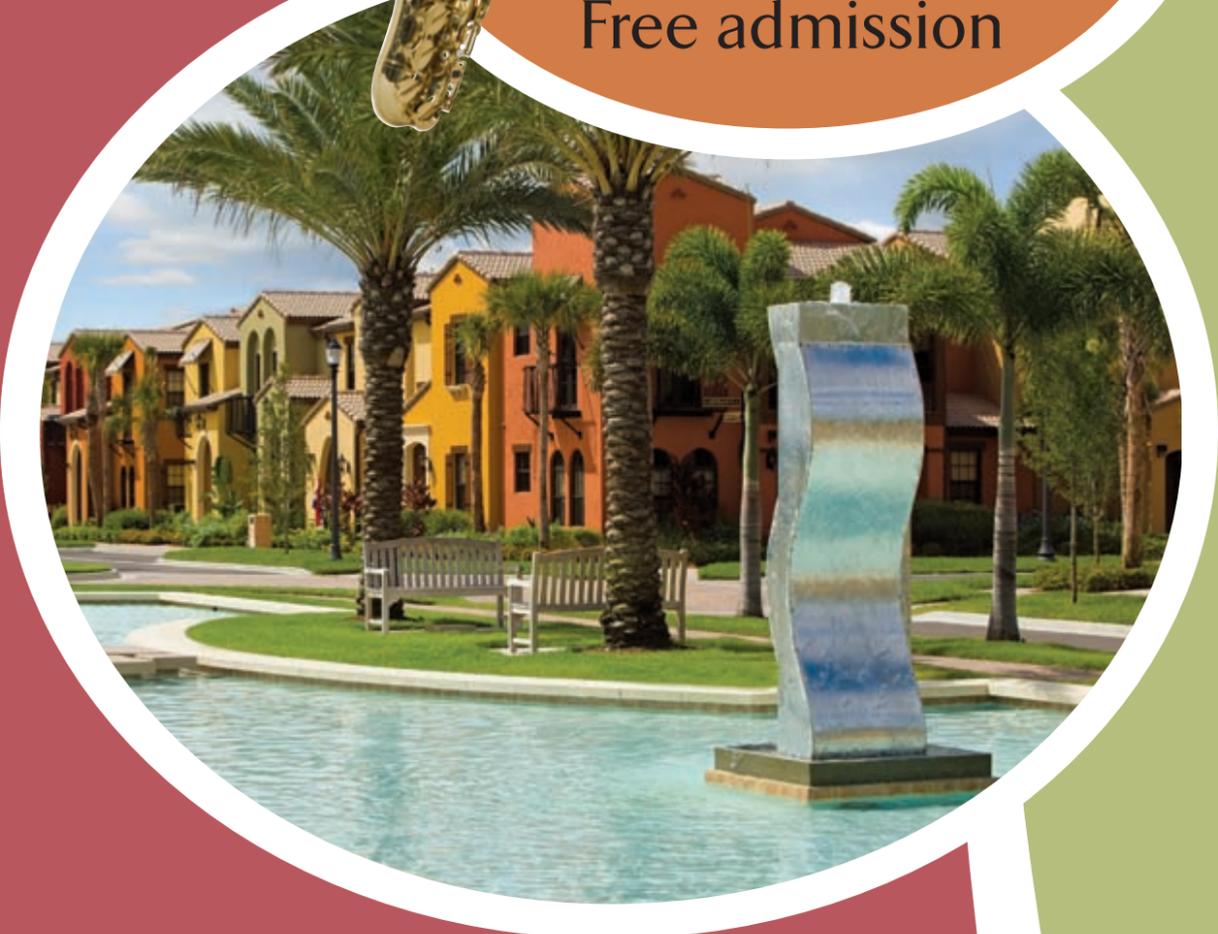
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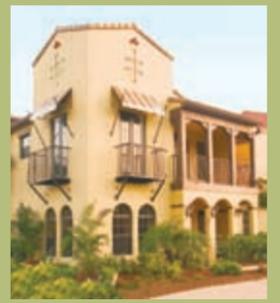
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BURKE-PHILLIPS

30 years of real estate management experience, she has served as managing broker for Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate in Naples, vice president for the Sarasota Sotheby's International Realty affiliate, executive vice president of sales and marketing for Lee Wetherington Homes and vice president of residential sales for Michael Saunders & Company. In Sarasota, Ms. Burke-Phillips served on the board of directors for the Sarasota County Arts Council and the Sarasota Film Festival.

■ **Christine Citrano** of John R.



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■ **Harley Conrad**



CONRAD

has been appointed a director of the Florida Board of Realtors. Mr. Conrad is managing broker for VIP Realty Group operations in Naples and also serves as a director on the Naples

Board of Realtors. He joined VIP in 2004 as a sales associate and earned his broker's license in 2006.

■ **Pi Hwa Boothman, Teresa Belsinger, Steve Dryden, Louis Folch, Vida Neufeld and Kristen Yanzer** have joined the sales force at Florida Home Realty.



STONEBURNER

■ **Brandon Stoneburner**

has joined the Fort Myers/Naples affiliate office of CB Richard Ellis. Mr. Stoneburner previously worked with the local

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NABOR welcomes chief economist for national association

The Naples Area Board of Realtors welcomes Lawrence Yun, Ph.D., chief economist and senior vice president of research for the National Association of Realtors, as the guest speaker for a program about "Economic Trends for Southwest Florida and International Real Estate" from 9:15-10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22, at Kensing-



ton Country Club.

Mr. Yun creates the official forecasts for NAR and participates in economic forecasting panels for organizations including Blue Chip and the Harvard University Industrial Economist Council. He appears regularly on CNBC, BBC and Bloomberg TV and is a frequent speak-

er at real estate conferences throughout the United States. He previously worked as an economic consultant to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the U.S. Department of Education.

The program is hosted by the NABOR Global Network. NABOR members and guests are invited. Reservations are required and can be made at www.nabor.com. For more information, call Marcia Albert at NABOR headquarters, 597-1666. ■

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■ **2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24:** The Distinguished Speaker Series continues with "Elegance! Elegance! Elegance!" by Jennifer Post of New York-based Jennifer Post Design Inc. An Architectural Digest "Top 100 List" designer, Ms. Post is known for her clean, sophisticated, modern interiors. RSVP by Feb. 18.

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RENOVATE

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Owners at all price points are seeking functional value in design, so contractors have to be able to understand the real needs and design philosophy for each client. The real magic is maintaining the integrity of that design philosophy throughout the design, construction and interior design phases.

PBS Construction recently completed a renovation of Unit #702 at The Grosvenor in Pelican Bay. The owners were in Europe for the sum-

mer and needed the renovation of their condominium completed on a tight deadline to comply with association construction rules.

Led by the owner's representative Friley Saucier, PA, the renovation "dream team" included PBS Construction's design and construction division as well as interior designer Diana Hall. They went from concept to design to construction to completion in three months.

PBS Construction, at work in Collier and Lee counties since 1986, was named Builder of the Year by the American Institute of Architects-Florida Southwest. ■



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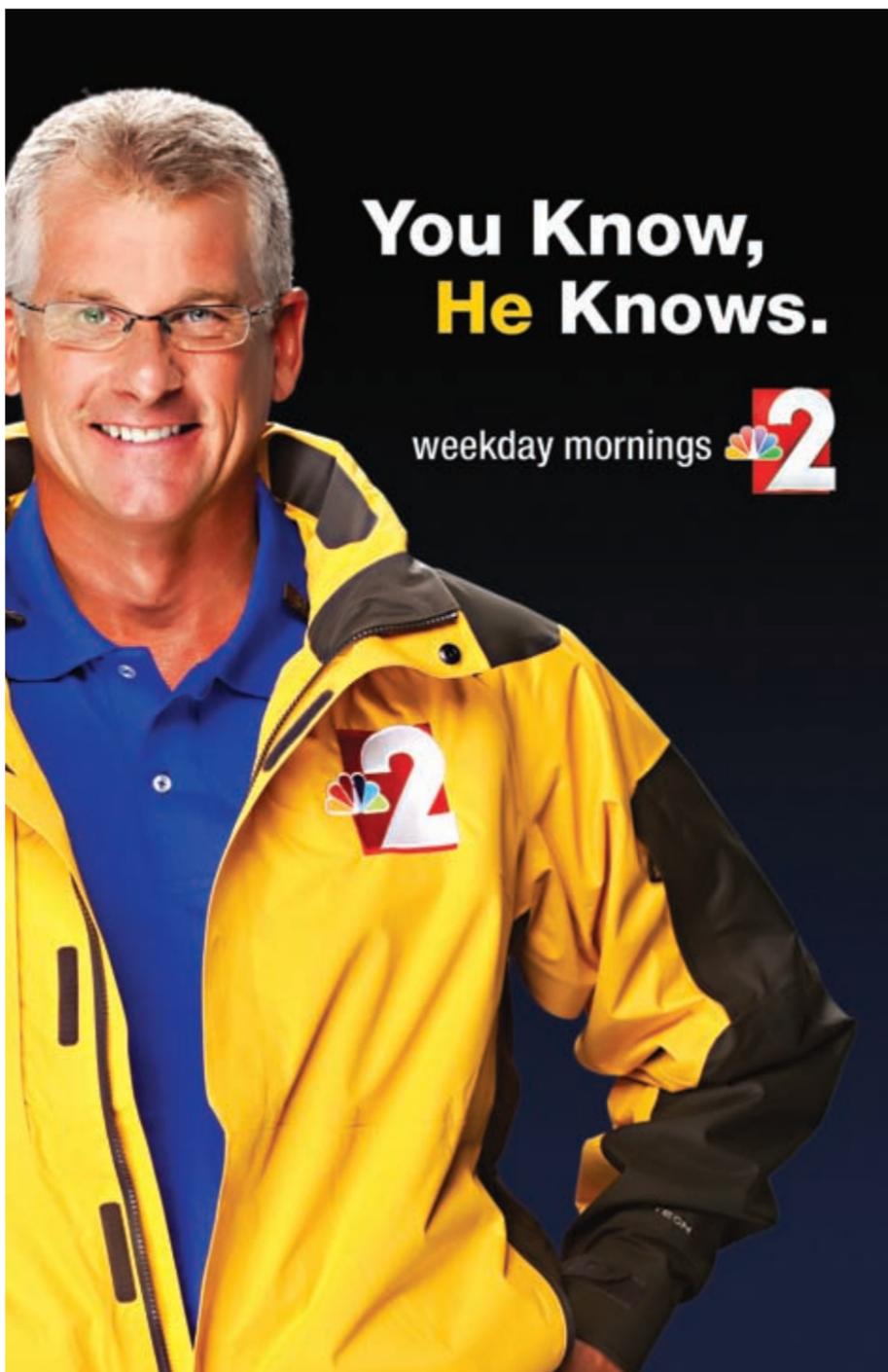
John R. Wood Realtors Inc. has opened a ground level entrance for its office at 800 Fifth Ave. S. Easily accessible to passers-by, the lobby has computers for searching and viewing available properties as well as a variety of free magazines and maps and refreshments.

The main John R. Wood Fifth Avenue office is upstairs, in a 5,000-square-foot luxury office overlooking the main street of Old Naples. The office includes two large conference rooms where real estate agents and their customers can meet.



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29140 POSITANO LANE
• Positano at Mediterra
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14899 BELLEZZA LANE
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• Fantastic Pool and Lanai
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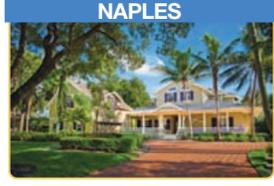
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• Private Roof Top Deck
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• Separate Guest Cottage
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• Completely Updated in 2010
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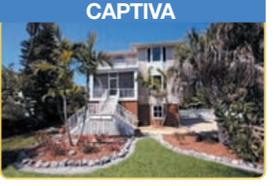
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REDUCED
UNDERSTATED ELEGANCE
• 3 Bedrooms, Plus Den, 3.5-Baths
• Lake Front Villa
• Beautiful Pool and Spa
• Villalago at Mediterra
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• Gourmet Kitchen & Open Nook
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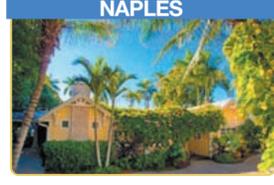
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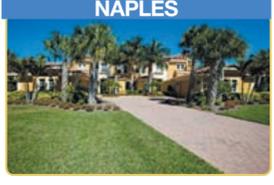
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160' OF WATER FRONTAGE
• 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths
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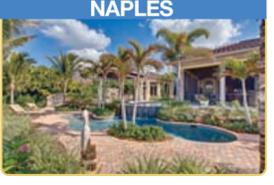
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OUTSTANDING COACH HOME
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• Gorgeous Golf and Lake Views
• Great Room w/Soaring Ceilings
• Gourmet Chef's Kitchen
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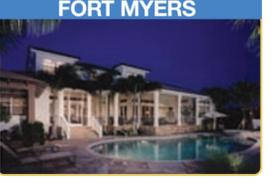
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PADOVA AT MEDITERRA
• 4 Bedrooms, +Den, 5-Full & 2-Half Baths
• Absolutely Stunning Interior
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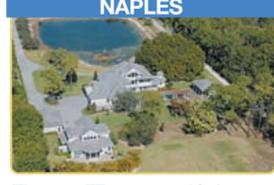
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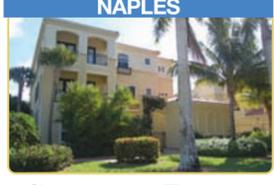
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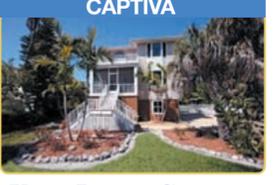
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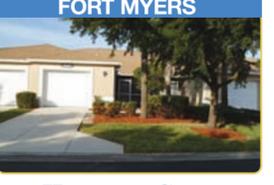
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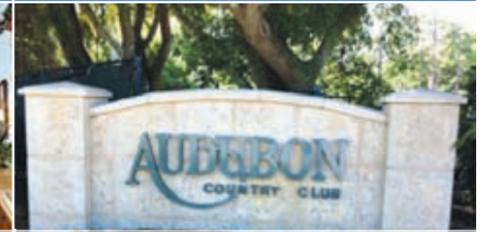
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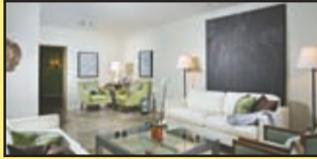
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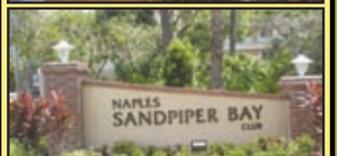
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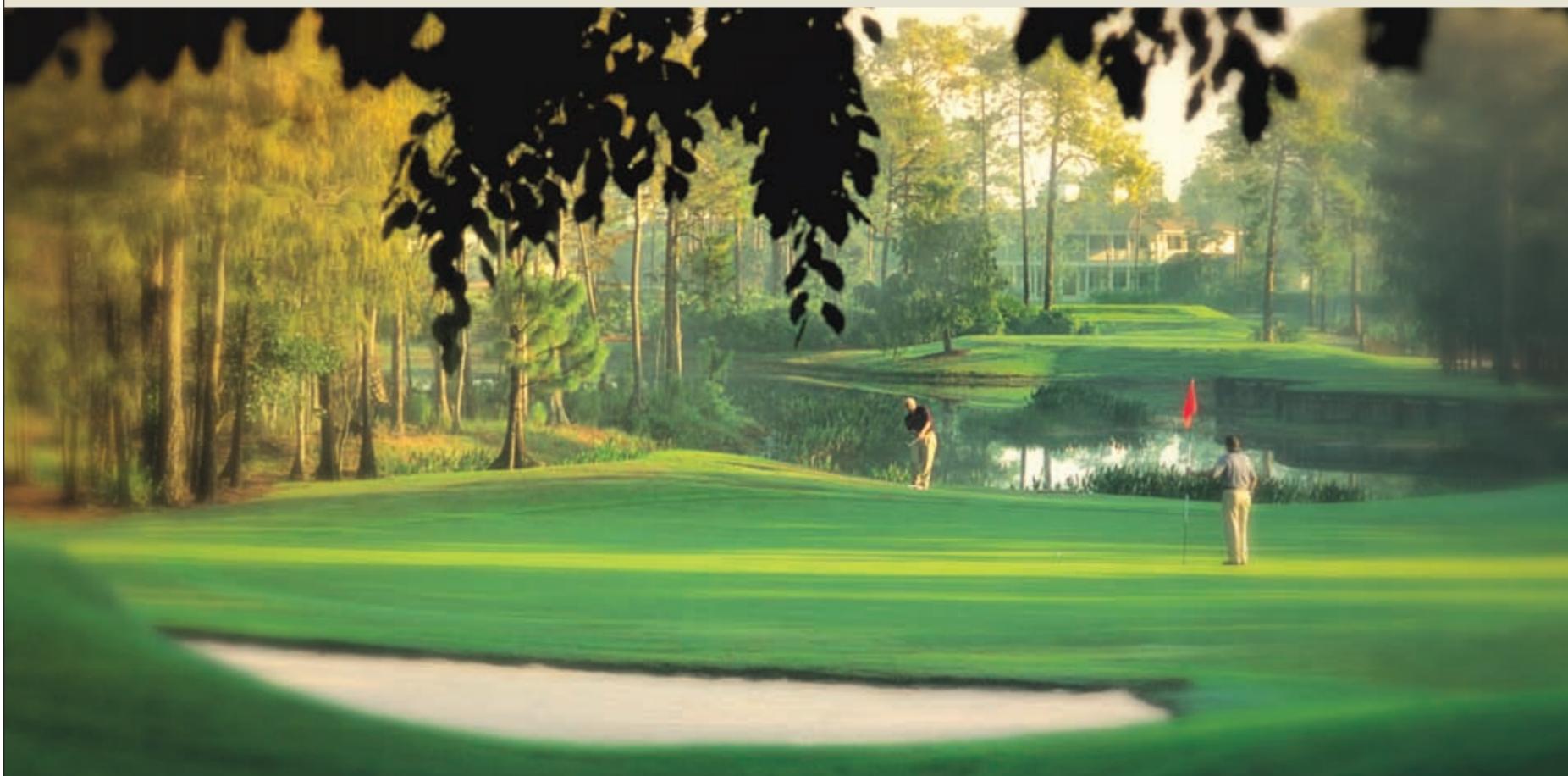
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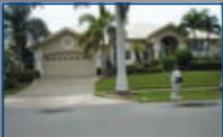
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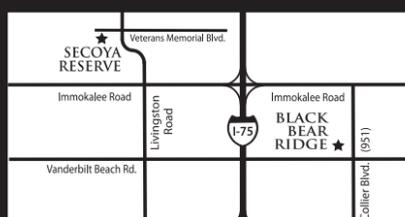


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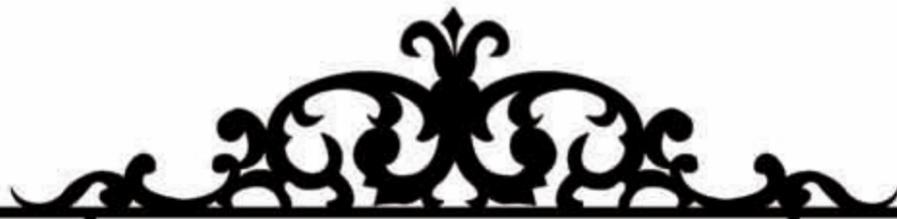
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HIDEAWAY BEACH ▲ Custom-built modern architectural masterpiece with 152' on pristine beach. Luxury appointments abound. FURNISHED. **\$5,000,000**
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PETTIT COURT ▲ Unique, contemporary compound, SW tip location, nearly 250' of direct access water frontage. Three docks, 5 lifts. **\$3,190,000**
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HIDEAWAY BEACH ▲ One of the largest & true Gulf front homesites available in a gated beachfront community. Tennis, fitness, dining. **\$3,000,000**
Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133



SOLANA COURT ▲ Majestic custom 5BR + study home with spectacular panoramic views of Smokehouse Bay. Heated pool, spa and dock. **\$2,595,000** Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983



ROOKERY COURT ▲ Bay views from every room. Custom built in 2008. Pool/ spa, summer kitchen, 2 docks, 147' of waterfront. Furnished. **\$1,900,000**
Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983



HULL COURT ▲ Paradise Found! Breathtaking Bay views. Spacious plan for relaxed island living. Quick, direct access to the Gulf. **\$1,750,000** Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983



BAYPORT AVENUE ▲ Built in 2006 and remodeled in 2009. FURNISHED 4BR/3BA, 3,000+ A/C SF. AMAZING upgrades! Three-car garage. **\$825,000** Roe Tamagni | 398-1222



1045 COTTONWOOD COURT ▲ An immaculately maintained 2-story 3BR/2.5BA custom home with S. exposure and 141 ft. of waterfront. Near beach. **\$535,000** | Michelle Thomas | 860-7176

Single Family Homes

899 Caxambas Drive - Private location on natural shoreline along Barfield Bay. 4BR & 3,280+ A/C SF. Direct access and panoramic vistas. **\$3,190,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

601 Inlet Drive - Estate Area 3BR/4.5BA home on Barfield Bay. Pool, chickee-hut boathouse with lift. Adjacent homesite included. **\$2,650,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

1458 Butterfield Court - Breathtaking views of Marco River from eye-catching spacious home. Alarmed, 4-car garage. Dock with lift. **\$2,499,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

1051 Barfield Drive South - Magnificent Caxambas Pass views! Four BR with approx. 80' of dock, 16,000 lb. lift & direct deep water Gulf access. **\$2,395,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

685 Embassy Court - On its own cove! Quick, deep & direct Gulf access. 5BRs, 8,711 total SF, 360-degree BAY views & 5-car garage. **\$2,100,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

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

HIDEAWAY BEACH 716 Waterside Drive - Absolutely breathtaking views! Gorgeous, custom-built multi-level 5BR/3.5BA home backing up to the Gulf/preserve. **\$1,950,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

882 Magnolia Court - Breathtaking panoramic views! Tip-lot with 163' of direct access, deep-water frontage, 3BR/3BA with 3-car garage. **\$1,785,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

508 Tigertail Court - Beautiful, custom-built home with quick, direct access through Collier Bay. This 4BR/3.5BA has nearly 3,300 SF. **\$1,575,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

1816 Woodbine Court - Gorgeous, direct access, River-area 3BR/3.5BA pool home completely remodeled in 2008. Expansive waterway views. **\$1,299,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

1832 North Bahama Avenue - Serene views of Tarpon Bay from this 3BR/3BA Divco home. Many new features. Heated pool/spa, dock with Gulf access. **\$1,275,000** | Roe Tamagni | 398-1222

160 Peach Court - Magnificent bay views, tip cul-de-sac lot with 171' of waterfront. Expansive lanai/pool. Deep, quick river access. **\$1,149,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

HIDEAWAY BEACH 831 Hideaway Circle East - Exceptional home, meticulously maintained built in 2005. Spacious 3BR+den. Heated pool, spa and preserve views. **\$1,000,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

1820 Travida Terrace - Gorgeous Estate Area 5BR/4.5BA home, 5,400 SF under air. On a hill for great views, no need for flood insurance. **\$995,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

1109 Bond Court - Two-story custom-built 5BR+den/4BA home. Coffered/tray ceilings and loft bonus room. Southern exposure; pool/spa. **\$979,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

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

1261 Laurel Court - Direct access & beautiful views! New home by Marco River with great room plan, 3BRs, den, 3BAs & Viking appliances. **\$875,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

590 South Heathwood Drive - Direct access 4BR/3BA pool home with beautiful Bay and Marco skyline views. Lovingly renovated, western exposure. **\$795,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

920 Olive Court - Exquisite attention to every detail. Meticulous 3BR/2BA+den waterfront home with pool & spa just blocks to beach. **\$765,000** | Michelle Thomas | 860-7176

1955 Sheffield Avenue - Builder's home in a private setting with walk out lower level & views of Barfield Bay. Three-story, 5BR, pool/spa. **\$747,000** | Chris/Laura Adams | 404-5130

HIDEAWAY BEACH 871 Sea Dune Lane - Bright, exquisite home boasts a built-in pool & spa. Pickled red cedar ceilings, fireplace, 2nd floor loft. **\$739,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

1568 Jamaica Court - Five-star views of the lake & golf course! Custom built in 1999. 3BR home, heated pool/spa and wheelchair access. **\$725,000** | Roe Tamagni | 398-1222

Single Family Homes

499 Adirondack Court - Incredible Bay views from this tip lot home with 169' of waterfront and quick Gulf access. Good rental history. **\$700,000** | Nikki Prange-Carroll | 877-1689

1770 Ludlow Road - Private former model 3BR/2BA, park-like setting. Adjoining buildable lot included in sale (over half acre total). **\$695,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

285 North Barfield Drive - Direct access home with 100' of water frontage. Open 3BR/2BA, high ceilings, lanai, heated pool/spa. Dock with lift. **\$695,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

1084 Whiteheart Court - Wide water views! Showcase interior, 3BR home, pool, spa, summer kitchen. New docking facility, quick Gulf access. **\$679,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

HIDEAWAY BEACH 374 Red Bay Lane - Panoramic views of golf course, 3BRs + den (or 4th BR), 1,400+ sq. ft. bonus room, large pool, walk to beach/club. **\$675,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

300 Copperfield Court - Delightful 3BR/2BA custom built home close to the beach with open water views. Boat dock with lift & Gulf access. **\$659,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

159 Shorecrest Court - Delightful 3BR custom built waterfront home. Split floor plan & large covered/screened lanai with sparkling pool. **\$575,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

Condominiums/Villas

MADEIRA 350 S. Collier Blvd. #PH-202 - Beachfront penthouse with 6,500+ SF of living area. Great Gulf, beach & island vistas! Seller financing available. **\$7,495,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

MADEIRA 350 South Collier Blvd. #803 - Multiple balconies offer breathtaking views year-round! An elegantly appointed 3BR/3.5BA condominium. Beachfront. **\$2,599,000** | Laura/Chris Adams | 404-4766

MADEIRA 350 South Collier Blvd. #303 - On Crescent Beach Wood and marble flooring, 3BR suites & 3,539 A/C SF. Front and rear terraces. Gulf sunset views! **\$2,395,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

CAPE MARCO - VERACRUZ 940 S. Collier Blvd. #801 - Exquisite beachfront 8th floor 4BR/4.5BA estate condominium with 4,709 SF A/C. Fabulous views, five-star amenities. **\$2,300,000** | Richard Marquardt | 289-4158

CAPE MARCO - BELIZE 970 Cape Marco Drive #2105 - Beautiful "Designer Ready" 21st floor, 3BR+den. Marble floors, 11 ft. ceilings, crown mouldings, over 3,600 A/C SF. **\$1,975,000** | Laura/Chris Adams | 404-4766

MADEIRA 350 S. Collier Blvd. #302 - Spectacular views, tastefully appointed 3BR/3.5BA with 2 balconies. World-class living in a beachfront location. **\$1,950,000** | Richard Marquardt | 289-4158

MADEIRA 350 S. Collier Blvd. #401 - Luxurious beachfront living! Corner 3BR/3.5BA, beach/city views. Professionally decorated & exquisitely finished. **\$1,750,000** | Roe Tamagni | 398-1222

MADEIRA 350 South Collier Blvd. #907 - Last remaining developer residence!! New 2BR/2.5BA furnished by F.H. D. Interiors. Situated along Crescent Beach. **\$1,600,000** | Laura/Chris Adams | 404-4766

MADEIRA 350 South Collier Blvd. #806 - Beautifully finished, luxury 3BR/2.5BA beachfront residence. Great Gulf & Island views. Superb building amenities. **\$1,450,000** | Laura/Chris Adams | 404-4766

BAYFRONT PLACE 794 West Elkcarn Circle #4004 - A wonderful 3BR/2BA Penthouse end residence overlooking Smokehouse Bay! Deeded 35' dock with lift/direct access. **\$1,199,000** | Dave Flowers | 404-0493

THE PRINCE 176 South Collier Blvd. #401 - Live on the beach! Magnificent views, elegantly designed & professionally decorated 3BR/3BA residence. Furnished. **\$1,149,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

MARCO COURTYARD TOWERS 1131 Swallow Avenue #PH-2 - Beautifully decorated, turnkey furnished 3BR/3.5BA top floor penthouse. Incredible Gulf, Bay/City views. **\$1,199,000** | Laura/Chris Adams | 404-4766

CAPE MARCO - COZUMEL 980 Cape Marco Drive #1906 - Impeccably decorated 3BR/3BA beachfront residence with incredible Gulf views! Gated entry, full-amenity building. **\$1,175,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

CAPE MARCO - MONTERREY 980 Cape Marco Drive #805 - Views of the Gulf from this furnished 3 bedroom, 3 bath with wood floors, 9' ceilings, and double door entry. **\$849,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

Condominiums/Villas

SOMERSET 780 South Collier Blvd. #510 - Wonderfully decorated beachfront 2BR/2BA with magnificent views! Great rental history, gated community has 2 pools. **\$795,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

GULFVIEW 58 North Collier Blvd. #1808 - Magnificent beach & Gulf views from this lovely 2BR/2BA beachfront condominium. Professionally furnished, turnkey. **\$749,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

MARBELLE CLUB 840 South Collier Blvd. #1006 - This spacious 3BR/3BA with over 2,300 A/C sq. ft. offers multiple terraces. Updated building; wonderful amenities. **\$735,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

ROYAL MARCO POINT III 6000 Royal Marco Way #454 - Panoramic Gulf & River views! Beachfront 3BR/2BA residence. Golf, tennis, fitness center, clubhouse, nature trails. **\$695,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

HIDEAWAY BEACH - ROYAL MARCO POINT 6000 Royal Marco Way #256 - Spacious 2BR+den with many upgrades. Great Gulf/River views! Steps to the beach. Clubhouse, pool, tennis, golf. **\$695,000** | Laura/Chris Adams | 404-4766

MARCO COURTYARD TOWERS 1121 Swallow Avenue #701 - Panoramic views of the Marco skyline & Gulf. Spacious 3BR/3.5BA, garage. Great waterfront complex near beach. **\$649,500** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

SANDCASTLE II 720 S. Collier Blvd. #106 - Tasteful beachfront condominium with Gulf views! Redesigned kitchen, new flooring, new tile, & wraparound balcony. **\$599,900** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

PLANTATION 1000 S. Collier Blvd. #1004 - Top floor 2BR+den with breathtaking Gulf views, SW exposure, sensational amenities, walking distance to the beach. **\$599,000** | Brock/Julie Wilson | 595-5983

SANDCASTLE II 720 South Collier Blvd. #107 - South side 2BR/2BA overlooking pool/spa, Gulf & beautiful grounds. New kitchen, bathrooms, carpet. Tennis, pets OK. **\$599,000** | Dave Flowers | 404-0493

ROYAL MARCO POINT III 6000 Royal Marco Way #246 - Stunning views of Gulf & Marco River, 600 SF glassed-in lanai, upgraded 2BR/2BA+den. Beach, golf, tennis & more! **\$597,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

HIDEAWAY BEACH - HABITAT 828 Hideaway Circle East #444 - Rarely available 3BR/3BA penthouse overlooks golf course & Gulf! Over 2,800 SF under air. Incredible amenities. **\$595,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

HIDEAWAY BEACH - ROYAL MARCO POINT | 3000 Royal Marco Way #311 - Attractive 3BR/3BA end residence, multiple balconies for optimum views. Golf, tennis, fine dining, steps to beach. **\$595,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

ROYAL MARCO POINT 3000 Royal Marco Way #413 - Beachfront 3BR/3BA in a gated community. Sweeping Gulf views! Beach, golf, tennis, dining and health/fitness clubs. **\$550,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133

SEA WINDS 890 South Collier Blvd. #1606 - Beachfront 2BR/2BA end residence with unsurpassed beach & Gulf views! Pool, spa, & tennis. Weekly rentals allowed. **\$525,000** | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685

SANDCASTLE II 720 South Collier Blvd. #103 - Spectacular Gulf of Mexico view! This south side 2BR/2BA has been recently updated. Offered turnkey furnished. **\$499,999** | Dave Flowers | 404-0493

Acres

621 Inlet Drive - Located in the Estate Area, this homesite, on a natural shoreline, offers views of Barfield Bay and direct access. **\$950,000** | Jim Prange/Nikki Prange-Carroll | 642-1133



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MARINA POINTE ▲ Masterfully appointed Harwick 5BR+den is situated on a panoramic river lot. Southern exposure, private dock & lift. **\$4,595,000**
Connie/Max Lummis | 289-3543



BAY WOODS ▲ Spectacular, London Bay built 4 bedroom plus den on an elevated, expansive lot with an estate-like approach. **\$3,295,000**
Gary L. Jaarda/Jeff Jaarda & Becky Jaarda | 248-7474



ROOKERY LAKE ▲ 26691 Rookery Lake Drive - Oversized cul-de-sac S. exposure lot. Custom 4BR/5.5BA, den + family room home designed for outdoor/indoor living. **\$2,750,000** | Connie Lummis | 289-3543



BAY WOODS ▲ 26301 Woodlyn Drive Exquisitely detailed 4 bedroom plus den, 4.5 bath home with 3-car garage. Private view of lake and nature preserve. **\$2,700,000**
Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709



ROOKERY LAKE ▲ Magnificent 4BR estate home, his & her offices, studio/media rm., in-home gymnasium all with conceivable luxuries. **\$2,595,000** | Gary L. Jaarda/Jeff Jaarda & Becky Jaarda | 248-7474



OAK KNOLL ▲ Charming riverfront property with a dock and private mangrove views! Five golf courses, tennis, marina, beach park. **\$2,188,000**
Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709



MARINA ISLE ▲ Outstanding furnished waterfront home, direct Gulf access, private deeded boat slip. Exquisite attention to detail. **\$1,900,000** | Sharon Kipytk | 777-3899



RIVER RIDGE ▲ 'Not just a beautiful home but a piece of art.' Free-form pool/spa & cabana. Lakefront, loft, entertainment center. **\$1,595,000** | Suzanne Ring | 821-7550



OAK KNOLL ▲ 27160 Oak Knoll Drive - A captivating, custom elegant lake front estate home! Three golf courses, fitness, tennis, Beach and Golf Clubs. **\$1,299,000**
Mary Catherine/Larry White | 287-2818



ESPERIA SOUTH ▲ Beautifully furnished former model. Single-family home feel, sweeping views, 11' high ceilings & amenities galore! **\$1,249,900**
Ginger Lickley/Carol Johnson | 860-4661



MIRA LAGO ▲ Professionally decorated, 3BR, 2.5BA on golf course. Family room, formal dining and living rooms. Courtyard pool. **\$999,990** | Harriet Harnar | 273-5443



RIVER RIDGE ▲ 27250 Ridge Lake Court - Near a park, this upgraded home offers privacy, space & comfort. TROPICALLY LANDSCAPED pool/spa, kitchen & cabana. **\$899,000** | Harriet Harnar | 273-5443



WOODLAKE ▲ Beautiful golf course to lake cul-de-sac location. Two master suites, 1 guest suite. Gas/solar heated pool & spa. **\$898,000**
Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441



BERMUDA COVE ▲ Wonderful & spacious 3BR/3BA villa home. Volume ceilings, hardwood floors, tropically landscaped lanai with pool. **\$839,000**
Connie/Max Lummis | 289-3543



WOODLAKE ▲ One of the best lake views in Bonita Bay! In a charming neighborhood, Woodlake, this special 4 BR, 3.5 BA home. **\$799,000**
Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441



VISTAS ▲ Gorgeous Gulf, Bay/golf views! Offering 2,519 A/C space, 12th floor 3BR/3BA. Marina, beach park, 5 golf courses. **\$799,000**
Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 564-1282



BONITA BAY - RIVIERA ▲ Carefree 3BR villa with soaring ceilings overlooking long golf and lake views. Screened lanai, pool/spa. **\$645,000**
Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709



THE HAMPTONS ▲ 26960 Wyndhurst Court #202 - Exotic tropical landscaping, spotless former model. Elevator, 3BRs, 3BAs, media room, Romeo & Juliet balcony, pool. **\$559,900**
Cathy/Jim McCormick | 850-4278



BONITA BAY - WEDGEWOOD ▲ A dream come true with a 'wow' interior, this 3BR/3BA home has been exquisitely updated. Views of the 17th green. **\$495,000**
Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709



BONITA BAY - THE HAMPTONS ▲ Fabulous furnished 2BR/2.5BA + den coach home. Southern lake view home with no one attached to you on either side. **\$399,000** | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210



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ESPERIA SOUTH ▲ 4951 Bonita Bay Blvd. Luxurious high-rise living. Explosive views of Estero Bay, Gulf & golf. Resort-style amenities, covered & screened-in lanais adjoining the lagoon style pool/spa. **FROM \$627,000** • 239-948-4000



ESPERIA & TAVIRA ▲ 26951 Country Club Drive (Sales Center) • Breathtaking views over Bay Island Golf Course, Estero Bay & the Gulf. An idyllic community devoted to golf, parks, marina & more! **New construction from mid \$500s** • 239-495-1105

Single Family Homes

WOODLAKE 3827 Woodlake Drive - This expansive pool home offers 6 bedrooms, den, loft, 6 full and one half-bath. Designed for privacy, immaculate. **\$1,300,000** | Roxanne Jeske/Linda Perry | 450-5210

RIVERWALK 3371 Oaklake Court - Spectacular wide lake views! Spacious 4BR+den custom home on 3/4+ acre, screened pool, 2-car garage & new roof. **\$1,299,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

RIVERWALK 3371 Myrtle Oak Court - Gracious traditional custom 4BR+den/3.5BA home on a 1/2 acre+ lot. Three-car garage and oversized heated pool. **\$999,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

WOODLAKE 3696 Woodlake Drive - Rarely available cul-de-sac location 3BR/2.5BA + den home! S. exposure, lake view, continually upgraded. Pool/spa. **\$899,000** | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210

ANCHORAGE 27500 Riverbank Drive - Spectacular, updated 3BR/4BA+den villa. S. lake views, W. preserve views. Impeccable pool & spa area, guest cabana. **\$799,000** | Gary L. Jaarda/Jeff Jaarda/Becky Jaarda | 248-7474

CREEKSIDE 3320 Oak Hammock Court - Masterfully designed living space overlooks 6th fairway! Study, 4BR/3.5BA, family room. Heated pool/spa. Aqualink. **\$795,000** | Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709

BAY HARBOR 27134 Shell Ridge Circle - Sunset views from this 2BR+den/2.5BA with oversized lanai and spa. Updated. Furniture available separately. **\$549,900** | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210

HARBOR LAKES 27090 Lake Harbor Court #202 - Well-appointed 3BR/2BA condominium with hardwood floors and granite counters. Southern exposure; lake views. **\$319,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

Condominiums/Villas

VISTAS 4751 Bonita Bay Blvd. #802 - Beautiful Gulf, Bay & golf course views! Well-appointed 3BR/3BA home. Fabulous social and recreational amenities. **\$779,000** | Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 564-1282

MONTARA 3264 Montara Drive - Spacious 2-story detached villa, heated pool/spa, lake view. Volume ceilings, 3BR/3.5BA+den, granite, wood floors. **\$739,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

BAYVIEW | 4811 Island Pond Court #503 - Gulf and Bay views! Leaded glass front door, 10' ceilings, 3 BR, 3BA, plantation shutters, electric storm shutters. **\$574,000** | Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 564-1282

BAY HARBOR 27098 Shell Ridge Circle - SW exposure & preserve views. Bright, open plan 2BR/2.5BA plus den villa, screened-in lanai, built-in grill & spa. **\$529,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

TUCKAWAYE 2911 Greenflower Court - Charming villa with heated pool, three bedrooms, two baths, great room plan & vaulted ceilings. Turnkey furnished. **\$499,000** | Harriet Harnar | 273-5443

ARBOR STRAND 27408 Arbor Strand Drive - Charming cottage-like villa, 3 bedrooms or 2 bedrooms+den, 2.5 baths & family room. Private pool & spa. Furnished. **\$499,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

Condominiums/Villas

WATERFORD 26270 Devonshire Court #202 - Location, location, location! Great room plan 3 bedrooms, 3 baths. Neutral palette. Endless community amenities. **\$449,900** | Chris Mier | 850-7787

WEDGEWOOD 26880 Wedgewood Drive #306 - A rare find, 3BR/4BA+den end residence, great golf views! Glassed-in lanai, newer kitchen appliances, new roof. **\$435,000** | Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709

HAMMOCK ISLE 26021 Hammock Isle Court #101 - Overlook the 7th fairway & preserve! Very private end residence, numerous custom features. Walk to Estero Bay Park. **\$409,000** | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210

THE HAMPTONS 26920 Wyndhurst Court #101 - Meticulously maintained 1st floor 2BR+den, 2-car garage coach home. Private landscaped setting, SW exposure. **REDUCED. \$375,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

THE HAMPTONS 26911 Wyndhurst Court #101 - Gorgeous, beautiful maintained 1st floor, 3BR (spacious master & 2 guest bedrooms), 2,060 A/C SF. Wide golf views. **NOW \$589,000** | Connie/Max Lummis | 289-3543

WATERFORD 3311 Glen Cairn Court #201 - Beautiful lake & golf course views! This 3BR/3BA, 2-car garage condominium has been lovingly updated. Near club. **\$375,000** | Judy Stead | 273-3438

BAY POINTE 26943 Montego Pointe Court #202 - With lake views and large lanai, owners will enjoy this private paradise! Open floorplan. Membership opportunities. **\$369,900** | Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 564-1282

WATERFORD 3310 Glen Cairn Court #102 - First floor 3BR/2BA condominium. Remodeled kitchen, new carpet, new A/C in 2010. Lake/golf view. Turnkey furnished. **\$359,000** | Jane Darling | 290-3112

HARBOR LAKES 27041 Lake Harbor Court #202 - Spacious 3BR/2BA 2nd floor carriage-style end residence on a lake/preserve. SE exposure, tile floors and upgrades! **\$349,000** | Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709

ENCLAVE 3650 Key Lime Court - Neutrally decorated, light 3BR/2BA detached villa. Extended screened lanai, very private, lushly landscaped view. **REDUCED. \$339,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

ENCLAVE 27021 Enclave Drive - Private great room 3BR/2BA plan, vaulted ceilings & extended screened lanai. Golf, tennis, marina & beach park. **\$330,000** | Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709

HARBOR LANDING 4431 Riverwatch Court #103 - A sought after location with S. exposure over the lake & preserve. Glassed-in lanai, large 2BR+den carriage home. **\$325,000** | Chris Mier | 850-7787

BAY POINTE 26908 Montego Pointe Court #102 34334 - Quiet 2BR/2BA retreat at the end of a cul-de-sac, westward lake view. Golf, marina, acres of preserves. Furnished. **\$319,900** | Brian Nelson | 572-2903

BAY POINTE 26956 Montego Pointe Court #101 - Sunsets from glassed-in lanai, tastefully decorated 2BR+den corner residence. Community pool, spa & exercise room. **\$319,500** | Trudy Sayers | 398-8901

HARBOR LANDING 4430 Riverwatch Drive #103 - Tranquil lake views! Meticulously cared for corner 2BR/2BA + den. Social, tennis and golf memberships available. **\$319,000** | Teresa Rucker | 281-2376

Condominiums/Villas

HARBOR LANDING 4471 Riverwatch Drive #202 - Exceptional private western sunset views over nature preserve. Open plan 3BR coach home with an inviting decor. **\$309,000** | Connie/Max Lummis | 289-3543

CROSSINGS 3260 Crossings Court #13 - Long lake views. Furnished 2 BR+den, 30 ft. wide screened lanai, 2-car garage. Walk to fitness center & clubhouse. **\$309,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

HARBOR LANDING 4511 Riverwatch Drive #101 - Perfect NW to SW lake views. First floor 2BR+den. Glassed-in lanai, new features, near beach tram, dining & marina. **\$298,000** | Linda Sonders | 860-0119

HARBOR LANDING 4430 Riverwatch Drive #102 - NEW NEW NEW! Everything has been replaced from the door hinges on up. HVAC replaced in 2008. **\$295,000** | Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 564-1282

GREENBRIAR 4120 Bayhead Drive #205 - Sweeping vistas across golf course and preserves. Former model, meticulously maintained. Pool/spa, tennis steps away. **\$289,000** | Pat Callis | 250-0562

WEDGEWOOD 26901 Wedgewood Drive #104 - Fabulous long SW lake view. Close to the golf & country club, fitness center & tennis center. Private golf, marina. **\$289,000** | Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 564-1282

WEDGEWOOD 26911 Wedgewood Drive #201 - Remarkably fresh and clean, light and bright. Sunsets over lake. Three bedrooms, 2 baths, volume ceilings. **\$288,900** | Maryanne Kennedy | 405-0266

BAY POINTE 26962 Montego Pointe Court #102 - Custom end location condominium with remodeled kitchen. Glassed-in lanai extends living area, private garden view. **\$287,500** | Judy Stead | 273-3438

HARBOR LANDING 4521 Riverwatch Drive #102 - Warm furnishings accent this well maintained end 2BR+den. Peaceful lake view. Walk to huge pool/clubhouse. Turnkey. **NOW \$269,000** | Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 564-1282

WEDGEWOOD 26890 Wedgewood Drive #204 - Turnkey magical 2BR/2BA + den golf course view home. Impeccable, new appliances & all new furniture. 2-car garage. **\$259,900** | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210

SANDPIPER 4100 Lake Forest Drive #114 - Incredible wildlife & lake views, 1st floor 3BR with newer appliances, ceramic tile and wood flooring. Tennis/pool. **\$252,000** | Harriet Harnar | 273-5443

CROSSINGS 3330 Crossings Court #201 - Patio space outside and inside galore! Fantastic park-like setting, golf, lake/preserve. Walk to Club amenities. **\$239,900** | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210

SANDPIPER 4241 Lake Forest Drive #512 - Lovely 1st floor 2BR/2BA + den condominium, corner location and well-maintained. Close to community pool/spa. **\$195,000** | Cathy Lieberman/Cindy Reiff | 777-2441

SANDPIPER 4251 Lake Forest Drive #224 - Turnkey furnished 3BR/2BA+den condominium. Community pool, spa & tennis. Marina, parks, shuttle to private beach. **\$187,000** | Judy Stead | 273-3438

WILD PINES 3651 Wild Pines Drive #104 - Enjoy nature views from this completely updated sparkling cottage, new A/C, lovingly maintained, turnkey furnished. **\$151,500** | Cathy/Jim McCormick | 850-4278

OAK KNOLL 27281 Oak Knoll Drive - Southern exposure, 1.3 acre riverfront lot that would accommodate a 5,500 SF custom-built home. Rookery views. **\$1,100,000** | Connie/Max Lummis | 289-3543

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3 • BONITA BAY - BAY POINTE • 26962 Montego Pointe Court #102 • \$287,500 • Premier SIR • Judy Stead 273-3438

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4 • GARDEN BEACH BUNGALOWS NORTH NAPLES • 692 94th Avenue • \$359,000 • Kennedy Details - Barb Kennedy 239-594-9689 • Sat. 1-4 Broker Protected

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9 • OLDE CYPRESS • 3078 Santorini Court • \$474,900 • Premier SIR • Sandra McCarthy-Meeks 287-7921

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17 • MOORINGS - ROYAL PALM CLUB • 2121 Gulf Shore Blvd. N. #107 • \$695,000 • Premier SIR • Steve Smiley 298-4327

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18 • WYNDEMERE - LODGINGS • 161 Edgemere Way South • \$749,000 • Kathryn Hurvitz 659-5126

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Casual elegance describes this 4BR+den with the feel of an Italian Villa. 7,018 total SF, boat dock with Gulf access.
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11125 Gulfshore Drive - Naples newest beachfront condominium offering the ultimate in sophisticated resort living. Views of the Gulf, Bay & preserves.
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Expansive bay views from SE exposure newer great room plan 3BR/4.5BA + den home. Large newer dock, heated pool.
\$2,395,000 | Dave/Ann Renner | 784-5552



VANDERBILT BEACH ESTATES ▲
For the boater! Wide-water bay view home, walk to beach. Custom built in 2001, pool, dock, heavy duty 16,000# lift. **\$1,945,000**
Linda Piatt/Jeri Richey | 269-2322



VANDERBILT BEACH - MANATEE RESORT ▲ 9566 Gulf Shore Drive #PH03 Great Bay/Gulf views and beach across the street. Office, 3BR/3.5BA. Poolside cabana, boat dock & garage included. **\$1,874,000**
Pat Callis/Chris Wortman | 250-0562



VANDERBILT BEACH - MANATEE RESORT ▲ Stunning Penthouse with breathtaking bay & Gulf views. Tastefully decorated 3BR+office, cabana & boat dock. **\$1,850,000**
Pat Callis/Kathryn Tout | 250-0562



VANDERBILT BEACH VANDERBILT GULFSIDE I ▲
Breathtaking Gulf vistas! Renovated, uniquely designed beachfront 3BR/3BA. Cabana #8 is included. Gated community.
\$1,550,000 | Pat Callis | 250-0562



WEST BAY CLUB - LAUREL OAKS ▲
Absolutely stunning 4BR/5BA+den home on S. facing golf course lot. Exquisitely appointed, massive lanai, pool/spa. **\$1,465,000**
Dave/Ann Renner & Roxanne Jeske | 784-5552



VANDERBILT BEACH VANDERBILT GULFSIDE I ▲
Renovated to tasteful perfection, incredible Gulf views! Two master suites. Gated, 8 acres of park-like grounds. **\$1,259,000 | Pat Callis | 250-0562**



BONITA SPRINGS - ARROYAL ▲
This riverfront property includes a 30' x 19' covered boat dock w/lift. Sold furnished with 4 bedrooms & 3 baths.
\$1,200,000 | Connie Lummis | 289-3543



VANDERBILT BEACH - REGATTA I ▲
Incredible views. Turnkey furnished with a West Indies-style decor. 3BRs, 3BA plus 2-car private garage. **\$1,130,000**
Jennifer/Dave Urness | 273-7731



VANDERBILT BEACH - BEACHMOOR ▲
9051 Gulfshore Drive #502 - Absolutely stunning, unobstructed 180-degree Gulf & beach views from newly renovated residence. On-site manager.
\$1,050,000 | Stacia Evans Ricci | 777-5983



PALMIRA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB RAVISTA ▲ Charming 4BR/5BA + den estate home in a member-owned Country Club. Covered lanai, lap style gas heated pool & spa.
\$999,000 | Jack Despart | 273-7931



PALMIRA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB RAVISTA ▲ Stunning 3BR/3.5BA+den former model with wide lake & golf views. Family room, heated pool & spa. Member owned club.
\$925,000 | Kathryn Tout | 250-3583



BONITA SPRINGS - IMPERIAL RIVER ▲ Boater's paradise-peninsula between river & bay, 2 boat docks, lift. Split level, 2-story 3BR/3BA, den, family rm. **\$825,000**
Carol Wood/Claire McMahon | 822-3709



VANDERBILT BEACH - REGATTA II ▲
Spectacular fully furnished 3BR/3BA, poolside cabana & boat slip included. Gorgeous Gulf/Bay views, walk to beach. **\$799,000**
Leah Ritchey/Ray Couret | 289-0433



VANDERBILT BEACH - VANDERBILT GULFSIDE I ▲ Magnificent unobstructed Gulf views! Totally renovated 2BR/2BA + den beachfront gem. Meticulously maintained.
\$779,000 | Pat Callis | 250-0562



VANDERBILT BEACH - REGATTA I ▲
Elegant resort-style living. Beautiful 3BR/3BA, great views of Bay/Gulf waters. Walk to beach, rental opportunity.
\$749,000 | Chris Wortman | 273-2007



ADMIRALTY OF VANDERBILT BEACH ▲ 9415 Gulfshore Drive #601 - On the beach with unobstructed Gulf views! Top floor, corner 2BR/2BA. Furnished. Motivated owner.
\$699,000 | Stacia Evans Ricci | 777-5983



WEST BAY CLUB - JASMINE BAY SOUTH ▲ Fabulous Gulf, Bay/golf vista! Nicely appointed 3BR/3.5BA SW end residence. Beach club, top-ranked P. Dye course.
\$655,000 | Pat Duggan | 216-1980



BONITA SPRINGS ▲ Perfect home for Gulf access and those needing space! Well-built, 5 BR/3.5 BA home, fenced yard plus 40' boat dock.
\$540,000 | Mark Leone | 784-5686



VANDERBILT LANDINGS ▲
Spectacular Gulf & Bay views, end 2BR/2BA residence in a gated community. Deeded beach access across the street. **\$475,000**
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VASARI COUNTRY CLUB - ALTESSA III ▲ Super upgraded 3BR/2.5BA+den home with an elevator, S. exposure, lake/golf view. Bundled golf, tennis, pool, gated. **\$460,000**
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VANDERBILT YACHT & RACQUET CLUB ▲ Magnificent long water views. Bayfront, 2 master suites, meticulously cared for. Gated community across from beach. **\$449,990**
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BEACHWALK HOMES ▲
Rarely available 3BR/2BA, 2-car garage free standing home near clubhouse, tennis courts, pool/spa. Walk to beach.
\$439,000 | Carol Loder | 860-4326



BEACHWALK HOMES ▲
A lovely gated community about 2.5 blocks to beach, 2BR/2BA home. Walk to clubhouse, pool, 6 Har-Tru tennis courts.
\$399,000 | Carol Loder | 860-4326



BEACHWALK GARDENS ▲
This 3BR, 2BA is nestled in a quiet cul-de-sac close to the pool. Walk to beach, Pavilion and Mercato.
\$350,000 | Carol Loder | 860-4326



VASARI COUNTRY CLUB - ALTESSA ▲ Model perfect, "WOW" S. exposure golf course view! Barely lived in 2BR+den, 2BA in a "bundled" golfing community.
\$349,000 | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210



VANDERBILT PALMS ▲
A great buy for a "beach block" condominium. Updated, turnkey furnished 1BR/1BA. Rooftop pool. Weekly rentals.
\$210,000 | Stacia Evans Ricci | 777-5983

VANDERBILT BEACH - BEACHMOOR 9051 Gulfshore Drive #PH-3 - Beach front penthouse with unobstructed Gulf/beach views + Bay & City views! Totally renovated, spacious 3BR/3BA. **\$1,499,000** **OPEN SUN. 1-4**
#603 - Prime beach front real estate. More than 2,000 sq. ft., 3BR/3BA, direct Gulf & beach views. Pool + on-site manager. **\$949,000** **OPEN SUN. 1-4**
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VANDERBILT GULFSIDE 10851 Gulfshore Drive #205 - Furnished 3BR/3BA beachfront condominium with glorious Gulf views and surrounded by 8 acres of park-like setting. **\$1,050,000 | Roya Nouhi | 290-9111**

VANDERBILT BEACH 213 Channel Drive - Boat from your own back yard & walk to beach via deeded beach access! Well maintained 3BR bungalow on 80'x120' lot. **\$999,900 | Sandra McCarthy-Meeks | 287-7921**

VANDERBILT BEACH - BEACHMOOR 9051 Gulfshore Drive #203 - Savor sounds of the surf; sink your toes in the white sand; see Gulf view & unforgettable sunsets. Three BR/2BA. **\$899,000 | Pat Callis/Chris Wortman | 250-0562**

VANDERBILT BEACH - VANDERBILT GULFSIDE 10951 Gulfshore Drive #304 - Stunning sunsets & glorious sounds of the surf. Tasteful decor, 2BR/2BA+den. Gated, 8 acres of park-like gardens. **\$829,000 | Pat Callis | 250-0562**

VANDERBILT BEACH - REGATTA I 400 Flagship Drive #1105 - Tastefully-decorated 3BR/3BA, great Bay/Gulf views! Pools, fitness area, steps to beach. Weekly rentals, turnkey. **\$779,000 | Daniel Pregont | 272-8020**

WEST BAY CLUB - NATURES COVE 22220 Natures Cove Court Charming home within a veritable sanctuary, views of Pete B. Dye Junior design golf course. Elegantly appointed. **\$699,950 | Brian Nelson | 572-2903**

VANDERBILT BEACH - PHOENICIAN SANDS 9155 Gulf Shore Drive #301 - "Smack on the Sand!" Encompassing over 1,800 SF, colorful sunsets from terrace. Walk to the Ritz, shops/dining. **\$595,000 | Barbi Lowe/Trish Lowe Soars | 216-1973**

VANDERBILT BEACH 452 Heron Avenue - This is a great boating neighborhood where you can build your dream home. Walk to the beach. Southern exposure lot. **\$499,000 | Teri Purvis | 860-6226**

BEACHWALK GARDENS 583 Beachwalk Circle #q-104 - Well-maintained 3BR/2BA end residence with upgrades. Beautiful lake view. Tennis, two pools, short walk to beach. **\$399,000 | Meghan C. Reed | 825-0736**

VANDERBILT BEACH - VANDERBILT TOWERS 1 Bluebill Avenue #306 Wow! Gulf front 2BR/2BA condominium, beautifully updated and turnkey furnished with beach access just steps away. **\$579,000 | Stacia Evans Ricci | 777-5983**

BEACHWALK HOMES 786 Reef Point Circle - Walk to beach! Near everything. Well-maintained 2BR/2BA home, clubhouse, great amenities, 24-hour security guards. **\$350,000 | Carol Loder | 860-4326**

BONITA SPRINGS - CEDAR CREEK 25741 Creekbend Drive - Wide lake view, open 3BR/3BA + family room. Near beach, shops & dining. Community pool, spa, tennis, clubhouse. **\$350,000 | Suzanne Ring | 821-7550**

BONITA SPRINGS - BONITA FARMS 27080 Flossmoor Drive - Boaters - completely remodeled 2BR+den home with 100 ft. on the river, 60' wraparound dock, 10,000 lb. boat lift. **\$329,900 | Mark Leone | 784-5686**

BEACHWALK GARDENS 643 Beachwalk Circle #202 - Two 2 blocks from beach, 2BR/2BA, quiet lakefront setting. Two heated pools, clubhouse, 6 Har-Tru tennis courts. **\$524,000 | Carol Loder | 860-4326**

BONITA SPRINGS - HICKORY BAY WEST 4895 Bonita Beach Road #302 - Expansive southern bay views overlooking Little Hickory Bay. Totally remodeled luxurious Gulf access residence. **\$329,000 | Mark Leone | 784-5686**

VANDERBILT BEACH AREA - PAVILION CLUB 881 Gulf Pavilion Drive #201 - Turnkey furnished corner residence. Hurricane shutters, pergola floors & built-in grill on the lanai of this 2BR+den. **\$285,000 | Carolyn Weinand | 269-5678**

ESTERO - COCONUT POINT - RAPALLO 22311 Piazza Doria Lane #204 - Long lake view. Spotless 3BR/2BA with many upgrades. Walk to shops/dining, Tennis, clubhouse, pool, fitness center. **\$269,000 | Bonnie Clark | 293-7550**

VANDERBILT BEACH AREA - PAVILION CLUB 893 Gulf Pavilion Drive #203 - An exceptional 2nd floor split-plan 2BR/2BA. Totally renovated, no expense spared. Walk to beach, offered turnkey. **\$249,900 | Chris Wortman | 273-2007**

VANDERBILT BEACH - VANDERBILT TOWERS 1 Bluebill Avenue #405 Completely remodeled from top-to-bottom 1BR, 1BA with 550 A/C SF is offered turnkey furnished. Steps to Gulf! **\$239,000 | Mara Muller | 272-6170**

ESTERO - COCONUT POINT - THE RESIDENCES 23151 Fashion Drive #103 - Sophisticated urban living in this 2BR+den Mediterranean inspired condominium. Furnished. Shops/dining steps away. **\$239,900 | Harriet Harnar | 273-5443**

ESTERO - COCONUT POINT - RAPALLO 8557 Via Garibaldi Circle #205 - Excellent value, rental in place through 8/20/11. Open plan 2BR/2BA + den, private garage. Resort style living. **\$199,900 | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210**

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'And the Oscar goes to...'



James Franco and Anne Hathaway co-host "The 83rd Academy Awards" telecast from Hollywood's Kodak Theatre beginning at 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27.

Five film aficionados make their predictions

BY NANCY STETSON

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IT'S OSCAR SEASON, THE TIME OF YEAR we endure — or embrace — the exhilarating, exasperating, glittery, glamorous marathon that is the Academy Awards.

Movie lovers around the world will tune in Sunday, Feb. 27, to find out what and who The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences deems the best of the past cinematic year. Winners take home the coveted Oscar statuette.

In living rooms, family rooms, rented ballrooms and neighborhood bars, announcements of winners are met with cheers or jeers. Gowns, jewels, tuxedos and hairstyles are praised — and picked apart.

It's a roller coaster ride, with long speeches, memorable moments, ad libs and glamor, glamor, glamor.

"The 83rd Academy Awards" show airs on ABC. Anne Hathaway and James Franco host the ceremony beginning at 8 p.m. and ending at... well, that's another prediction movie fans make wagers on.

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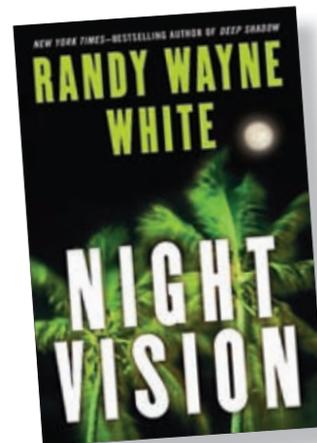
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The second annual Art and Jazz Festival at Olé takes place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 19-20, in the Olé neighborhood at Lely Resort. Admission is free.

National artists skilled in photography, jewelry, glass blowing and painting will line the walkways around the reflecting fountain. The renowned Alan Darcy Jazz Band will perform beginning at 11 a.m. both days in the Olé amphitheater.

Among the artists is photographer



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The fountain at Olé in Lely Resort

Lee-Margaret Borland of Jacksonville, who enjoys capturing underwater scenes from most of the world's warm

water oceans and has had a particular love affair with the Solomon Islands and the islands and reefs of the Caribbean. She has also developed a special interest in faces, especially those of the young and elderly, as well as flowers.

"Whether on land or in the sea, my subjects are all different," Ms. Borland says. "And yet, they are all alike in that they represent a moment in time."

Another participant, watercolor artist Peggy Furlin from Sun City, worked as an art director in Milwaukee for

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SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

Crazy is as crazy does



A Dr. D. in Naples wrote to ask about eligible women in the area. He's quite a catch: early 40s, impeccable resume, steady job, assets. He shares custody of his two young children with his ex-wife, and he comes across as one of those rare, non-bitter divorcés.

"I decided I really wasn't happily in love," he said. "It was a very comfortable life. We never fought a day, but we didn't have passion, amazing chemistry or true love."

What with his medical practice and the kids on the weekends, Dr. D. has a hard time finding women in South Florida. In his e-mail, he did me the favor of including a list of his requirements, a comprehensive collection that covered honesty and niceness.

Here was his number one request: "Not crazy."

Why is it, I wondered, that smart, successful men still stipulate, "No nut jobs?" It feels like a Victorian-era throwback, this too-quick move to classify women as hysterical, as if we're all one step away from a "Fatal Attraction" meltdown. Haven't we gotten past that?

My single friends are intelligent, attractive, and sassy — I'd never call them crazy. But, then, I'm not a man, and I've never been on the receiving end.

My friend Susie called recently with the

latest gossip, a tidbit about a mutual friend, Nicole, who has been chasing Josh for almost a year. Nicole and Josh got together over the course of a weekend last spring. The experience was intense, full of the sort of heavy promises people make when they jump in the sack just after meeting.

Nicole claims that at one point in the night, Josh said he loved her.

"What did you say?" she asked him.

"I love your comforter," he replied.

The two saw each other twice more — once when Josh came for a visit and once when Nicole flew out to see him. But things started to dissolve somewhere in between, and by the time Nicole headed for a yearlong stay overseas, Josh had dropped out of communication.

Which is more or less normal. This is how men — and often women — operate when they've moved on. Nicole never got the clue. She talked about Josh incessantly during her stay abroad. She wondered when he would contact her (the answer: never).

As soon as she came home to the States, she visited his hometown, hoping to bump into him. When that didn't happen, she wrote him a fierce e-mail, demanding a meeting, asking for closure and imploring him to be a better man. All this for someone she had not seen in months.

Josh didn't respond.

When I hear stories like this,



"...this too-quick move to classify women as hysterical, as if we're all one step away from a 'Fatal Attraction' meltdown...."

I start to understand what Dr. D. is saying. From the man's side, this type of behavior looks a little, well, crazy. I want to reassure him that we're not all like that, that most women have a sense for boundaries and a grasp of expiration dates.

But the more I talk to my female friends, the more I realize this nutty behavior is common. Perhaps we're more wiggled out than we realize. I wonder, then, how many men have walked away from me, shaking their heads and saying, "That's one crazy broad." ■

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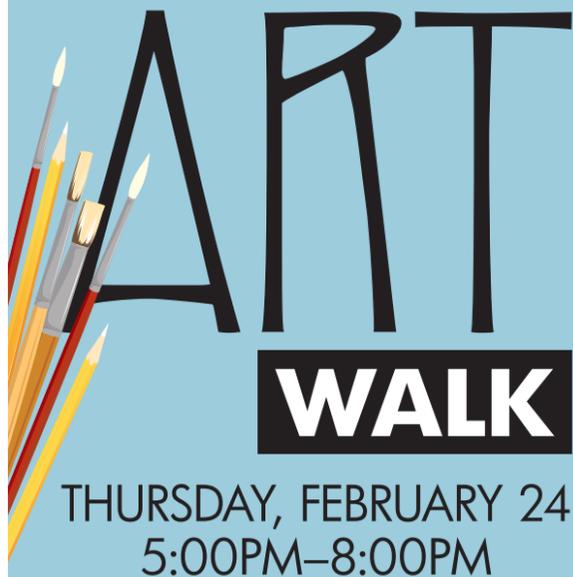
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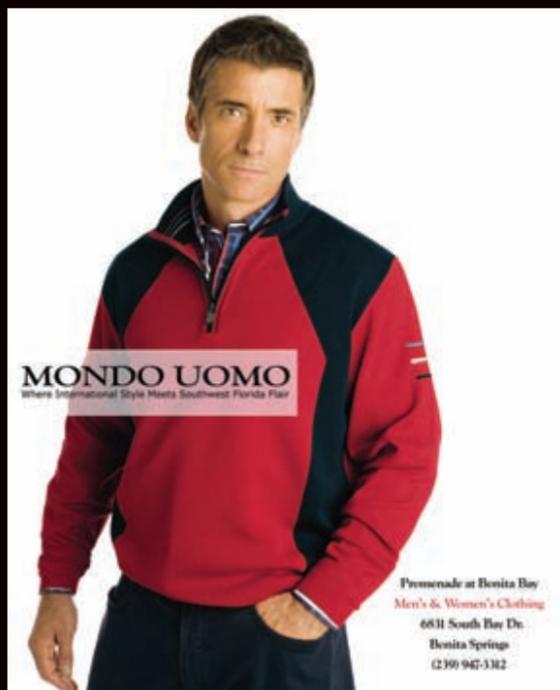
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OSCARS

From page C1

With the Academy Awards, everyone's a critic.

Here's what five local film experts have to say about the Oscars: their predictions, their hopes, their memories, their Oscar rituals.

SHANNON FRANKLIN

Executive director, Naples International Film Festival

Who she thinks will win for:

- **Best Picture:** "The King's Speech"
- **Best Actor:** Colin Firth ("The King's Speech")
- **Best Actress:** I think it's Natalie Portman ("Black Swan").

Who she thinks should win:

■ **Best Picture:** I think "Inception" should win for Best Picture. They should've nominated (director Christopher) Nolan, and he should've won for Best Director.

■ **Best Actor:** I can't weigh in on that, as I didn't get to see Javier Bardem in "Biutiful."

■ **Best Actress:** I think my opinion will match the industry's this year. I think Natalie Portman should win.

How she sees the movies:

In the last few years, we've been fortunate (that more nominated films are playing in local movie theaters.)

And I'm a member of SAG (the Screen Actors Guild). (The Oscar contenders) are often nominated for SAG awards, so they send us either screeners or iTunes downloads that I can watch.

Oscar ritual:

For most years of my life, my ritual was: Shut off the phone, tape (the show), so that in case I needed to pause, I wouldn't miss anything. I'd quietly watch it with a couple of people. I have a lot of respect for the ritual of watching the Academy Awards.

Last year, going to the NIFF Oscar party was actually a lot of fun, and I found that the people there also really respected watching the Oscars, so we could also have a lot of fun doing it together. And it actually felt a little more like being there, with the cheering and the clapping. It was a really cool way to experience the show. And that's where I'll be again this year, at the Hilton Naples.

RICK HARRIS

Film lecturer, the Philharmonic Center for the Arts

Who he thinks will win for:

- **Best Picture:** Based on how they tend to do these things, probably "The King's Speech."
- **Best Actor:** I'm guessing all along the line, probably Colin Firth.
- **Best Actress:** Annette Bening ("The Kids Are All Right"), probably.

Who he thinks should win:

I don't have any strong feelings about it. If you ask me this question in another 10 years, I could tell you what were the landmark movies. What's that saying — "Journalism is the rough draft of history?" Without the perspective of time, I don't know what was the absolute, most important movie of last year.

Oscar ritual:

I watch. That's as much as I feel I need to do... We don't throw a party. I just watch the show like the sensible adult I'm supposed to be.

More on the Oscars:

The Oscars are neither an artistic contest (nor) a popularity contest, but an odd cross between the two. And a fashion show. It's a bizarre, wonderfully American combination... It's good television entertainment. It's right up there with the Super Bowl, in every way.

DENNIS CUNNINGHAM

Film and theater critic for WCBS-TV in New York City from 1978-2000, syndicated for all CBS stations in the county

Who he thinks will win for:

- **Best Picture:** I fear "Black Swan" will win, though it's not worth anything.
- **Best Actor:** Colin Firth
- **Best Actress:** I hope to God Natalie Portman doesn't win, but I fear she might.

Who he thinks should win for:

■ **Best Picture:** "The Social Network"

■ **Best Actor:** Colin Firth. He should have won last year for "A Single Man." He was stunning.

■ **Best Actress:** Annette Bening

How he sees the movies:

The studios send them to me to watch. They usually set up four or five screenings at Bell Tower 20 just for me, and I bring some friends.

(Old) Oscar ritual:

I used to have Oscar parties. Too much trouble and too many drunks in the room.

More on the Oscars:

I find them excruciating. There are so many low points between a few high points... I can remember Oscars I loved, when Billy Crystal sang songs all about the movies up for nomination. I remember vividly Daniel Day Lewis winning an Oscar for "There Will Be Blood." It was presented by Helen Mirren, and he knelt before her, because she was the queen. I also remember when Adrian Brody won and he kissed Halle Berry — the rudest, ugliest thing I ever saw.

LESLEY STAPLES

British actress now living in Cape Coral, appeared in the film "Calendar Girls" with Helen Mirren and Julie Walters and appears in the upcoming films "Phoenix Falling" and "Tortoise in Love."

Who she thinks will win for:

- **Best Picture:** "The King's Speech"
- **Best Actor:** Colin Firth
- **Best Actress:** Annette Bening

Who she thinks should win for:

■ **Best Picture:** "The King's Speech." I hope it wipes the board.

■ **Best Actor:** Colin Firth. And Geoffrey Rush in the supporting role.

■ **Best Actress:** I'm pumping for Annette Bening.

How she sees the movies:

I saw "The Kids Are All Right" on DVD. "The King's Speech" I saw at the local cinema. I'm in the Cape and it finally played here.

Oscar ritual:

I don't have an Oscar ritual, but I'm suggesting to friends that we get together this year. I'm in the mood for a little party.

More on the Oscars:

I've worked with a number of people who are past Oscar winners. I was at drama school with the scriptwriter who won the Oscar for "Gosford Park," Julian Fellowes (now Lord Julian Fellowes)... I worked with Jeremy Irons when I was in

Naples International Film Festival hosts an Academy Awards party

On Oscar night in Naples, the place to be is the Hilton, where the Naples International Film Festival will roll out the red carpet for movie aficionados and festival friends.

After a three-course dinner beginning at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, guests will watch on multiple screens as James Franco and Anne Hathaway host the 83rd Academy Awards.

Raffle tickets will be sold for prizes including celebrity-signed movie memorabilia, and silent auc-

tion lots will include two tickets to an invitation-only dinner with directors during the 2011 NIFF. Partygoers will also be able to cast ballots for their 2011 Oscar faves, and the person with the most winning picks at the end of the evening will take home a cash prize.

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the Royal Shakespeare Company, just a few years before he won Best Actor for "The French Lieutenant's Woman."

And of course, talking "Calendar Girls," I worked with Helen Mirren, who won Best Actress for "The Queen."

I'm ticking them off, until it's time for me to get my Oscar!

ELAINE NEWTON

Film critic and "4 O'clock at the Movies" lecturer at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts

Who she thinks will win for:

■ **Best Picture:** I will not be surprised if "The Social Network" wins, and perhaps it should. It's super brainy and caustic and smartass in its dialogue. But I think "The King's Speech" is one of these almost-perfect movies.

■ **Best Actor:** I think it's a lock for Colin Firth. I don't think they can take it away from him for the second year in a row.

■ **Best Actress:** Although there's a lot of sentimental attachment to Annette Bening, it really is Natalie Portman's to take. Hers is a very low-key, wonderfully minimized performance. You see a lot of it in her eyes. No histrionics. She's going

mad quietly in front of you. It's very immediate and very visceral.

Who she thinks should win for:

■ **Best Picture:** On the one hand, I'd love to see "Inception" win; in many ways, it's the most creative and innovative and startling movie... But the Best Picture is full of all the qualities and stands for all the qualities we all prize. I'll go with "The Kings Speech."

■ **Best Actor:** Colin Firth

■ **Best Actress:** I'd love to see Annette Bening win the award for an entire career, but I think Natalie Portman will win. And I'm just in love with Michelle Williams' portrait in "Blue Valentine."

How she sees the movies:

I live in Toronto, the home of the largest international film festival in the world. They show everything there. The city stops, and everybody's there, all the stars... It's a remarkable 10 days. I just take 10 days out of my life and attend. Everybody eats, sleeps breathes, talks movies... It's wonderful.

Oscar ritual:

Since I was 16 years old, I've had an Oscars party. We give out an Oscar for the best critic, for whoever guesses the most right. First, though, my brother-in-law and I place our bets... It's not for money; it's for dinner... Even if I'm out of the country, I send Ben a list. I sent him my list once from South Africa, and once from India. In those days we sent telegrams.

So the first ritual is, Ben and I place our bets. Then I consult with my dear friend Hersh Zeifman (professor of English, York University, Toronto), and we go through who would be right, who will win. It takes hours. We do it over days and days and days. We talk every night until midnight. He also attends the Oscar party my husband I host. It's like an overnight free for all. Everyone gets a ballot, and we try and do food that's significant to the various best movies. When "Slumdog Millionaire" was nominated, we did some Indian food. Last time there was a British film nominated, "The Queen," I made a huge shepherd's pie.

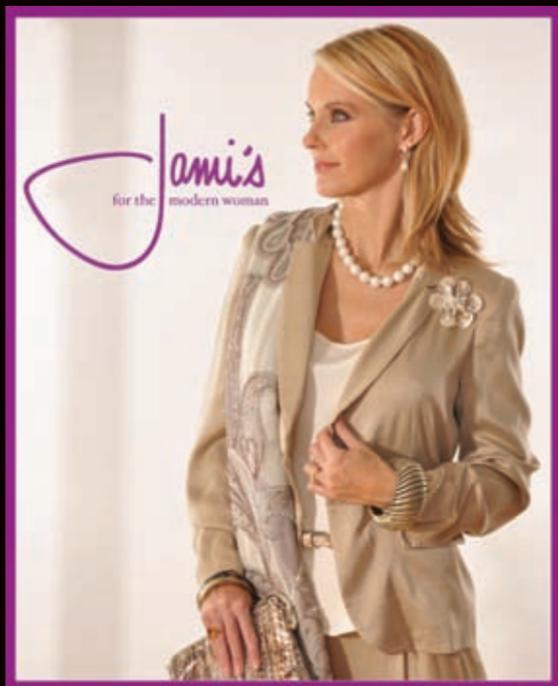
More on the Oscars:

The Oscars are very exciting. I rant, I scream, I jump up and down. For me, the whole thing is... an analog of something that I absolutely adore, and that's going to the movies. It's this wonderful, radiant symbol (of what) I feel every single time I go to the movies... of what I feel when I sit down to write a lecture on "The King's Speech" (and when) I talk with like-minded people about an art form that we all really love...

The Academy Awards are just the metaphor for that, the analog or the symbol. I adore the Academy Awards, but it's just because I love movies. ■



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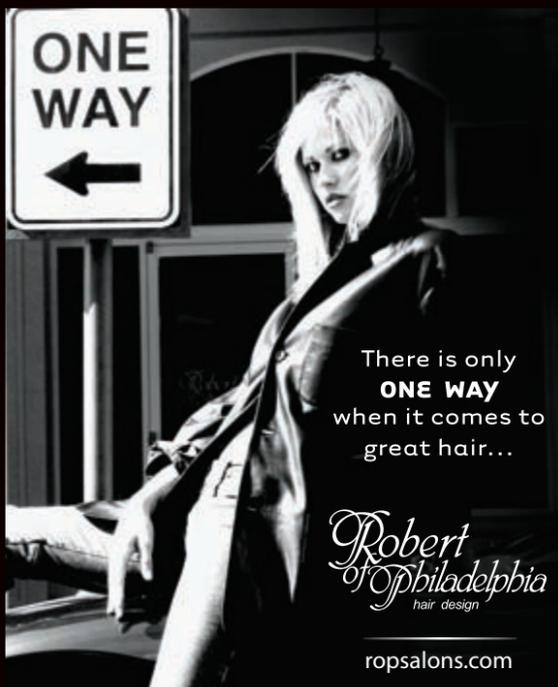
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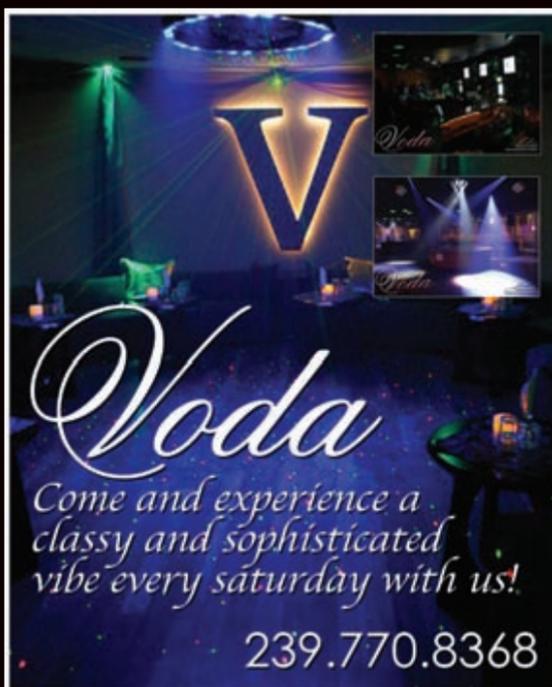


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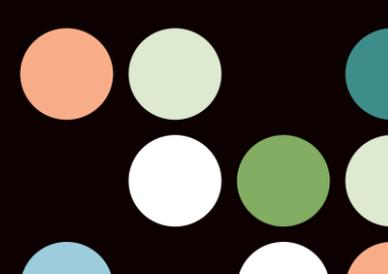
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■ **Feb. 18:** Exhibit reception for "Paul Arsenault's Historic Paintings" at The Naples Depot. 252-8287.

■ **Feb. 18:** Kunzel Concert Series: The Paradise Coastmen and West of Galway. 877-1722.

■ **Feb. 18 and 20:** "Carmen" by Opera Naples. 514-7464 or www.operanaples.org.

■ **Feb. 19:** "Mendelssohn, Ming & More" by the Naples Orchestra and Chorus. 455-1912 or www.naplesorchestraandchorus.org.

■ **Feb. 19-20:** Art and Jazz Festival at Ole in Lely Resort. 793-2100 or www.ley-resort.com.

■ **Feb. 20:** Jazz in the Garden. Bayshore CAPA/Naples Botanical Garden. 643-7275 or www.bayshorecapa.org.

■ **Feb. 20:** The Gulf Coast Big Band at Cambier Park. 597-8954.

■ **Feb. 20:** "Swan Lake" by the Moscow Festival Ballet at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org.

■ **Feb. 20:** "What's Your Pleasure?" The Naples Players ETC... Readers Theatre. 263-7990

■ **All weekend:** Tanya Trinkaus Glass: Oil & Pastel. The Norris Center. 213-3058.

Theater

■ **The Art of Murder** - By The Naples Players at the Sugden Community Theater through Feb. 26. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

■ **Take Five** - By The Marco Players through Feb. 27. 642-7270 or www.themarcoplayers.com.

■ **The Unsinkable Molly Brown** - At Broadway Palm Dinner

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■ **Flamingo Court** - At the Off Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers, through March 6. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

■ **The 39 Steps** - By Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers, through Feb. 26. 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org.

■ **The Lady With All The Answers** - By Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers, through March 6. 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org. See story page C8.

■ **Agamemnon** - By FGCU TheatreLab through Feb. 27. 590-7268 or www.Theatrelab.fgcu.edu.

■ **Shipwrecked! An Entertainment** - By Theatre Conspiracy at the Foulds Theatre at the Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, through Feb. 20. 936-3239 or www.theatreconspiracy.org.

Symphony

■ **Stay Tuned** - The Southwest Florida Symphony presents "Stay Tuned" with Five By Design at 8 p.m. Feb. 18-19 at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers. 481-4849.

■ **Pops Tribute** - The Naples Philharmonic Orchestra presents "Broadway's Leading Men" at 8 p.m. Feb. 22-26 and 2 p.m. Feb. 26-27 at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.ThePhil.org.

■ **Bach 'n' Rock** - The Naples Philharmonic Orchestra Chamber Ensemble hits the road with Bach 'n' Rock at 8 p.m. Feb. 17 at Temple Shalom in Naples and 8 p.m. Feb. 18 at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center in Fort Myers. 597-1900 or www.ThePhil.org.

■ **IPO** - The Israeli Philharmonic Orchestra performs at 8 p.m. Feb. 19 the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.ThePhil.org.

■ **Tribute Concert** - The Gulf Coast Symphony presents a tribute to Frank Sinatra and Mario Lanza at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20 at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall in Fort Myers. 481-4849.



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Thursday, Feb. 17

■ **Doggie Stroll** - Canines with their human companions are welcome in the Naples Botanical Garden from 3-5 p.m. Thursdays and 9-11 a.m. Sundays. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

■ **Book Talk** - Elizabeth Berg's "The Last Time I Saw You" is the topic of discussion at 2 p.m. at the Golden Gate Branch Library, 2432 Lucerne Rd. Register at www.colliergov.net/library.

■ **Jazz Talk** - The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents a jazz forum with Dan Heck and Rebecca Richard-

son at 7 p.m. at the Promenade at Bonita Bay. 495-8989.

■ **Coors Time** - "Beer, Barons and Business," the story of the Coors family, takes the stage at 7:30 p.m. at The Norris Center. 213-3058.

■ **Time for Feinstein** - Michael Feinstein performs at 8 p.m. at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org.

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■ **Local History** - "Planes, Trains, Automobiles... and Swamp Buggies Too!" is presented at 11 a.m. as a Gardenside Chickee Chat at Palm Cottage, 137 12th Ave. S. 261-8164 or www.napleshistorical-society.org.

■ **Pickin' and Grinnin'** - Wayne Taylor & Appaloosa with The Laws perform from 7-10 p.m. at The Norris Center. 213-3058.

■ **Carmen** - Opera Naples presents "Carmen" at 7:30 tonight and 3 p.m. Sunday at Gulf Coast High School. 514-7464 or www.operanaples.com.

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■ **Recital Time** - A junior/senior recital with vocalists Randy Lozano and Megan Kalka starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Bulding at FGCU. 590-7851 or pharkins@fgcu.edu.

Saturday, Feb. 19

■ **Story Time** - Story Time starts at 10:30 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays in the Children's Garden at the Naples Botanical Garden. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

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WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

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■ **Art & Jazz** – The Art and Jazz Festival at Ole runs from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today and Sunday at Lely Resort. 793-2100.

■ **Party & Parade** – The Edison Festival of Light Grand Party & Parade kick off with festivities at 11 a.m. in downtown Fort Myers. The parade starts at 7 p.m. 334-2999.

■ **NOC** – The Naples Orchestra and Chorus performs with guest soloist Ming Gao at 7 p.m. today and at 2 p.m. Sunday at Golden Gate High School. 641-9801.

■ **The Chairman is Back** – Ray Livosi returns to The Norris Center with a tribute to Frank Sinatra beginning at 7:30 p.m. 213-3058.



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The Bach Ensemble performs a concert of psalms, songs and spirituals at 7 p.m. Feb. 24 at Grace Lutheran Church, 860 Banyan Blvd. www.thebachensemble.org.

Sunday, Feb. 20

■ **Outdoor Yoga** – Deb McGilgen leads a yoga class from 10-11 a.m. in the Kapnick Caribbean Garden at the Naples Botanical Garden. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

■ **Foreign Film** – The FGCU Renaissance Academy presents “The White Ribbon” (Austria, 2009) from 1-4 p.m. at the Naples Center of FGCU, 1010 Fifth Ave. S. Suggested donation: \$5.

■ **Big Band** – The Gulf Coast Big Band performs from 2-4 p.m. in the band shell at the Cambier Park. 597-8954.

■ **Bonita Band** – The Bonita Springs Concert Band performs at 2 p.m. at Riverside Park on Old 41 Road in Bonita Springs. www.bonitaspringsconcertband.com.

■ **Jazz in the Garden** – The Naples Botanical Garden presents The Dan Heck Trio from 2-4 p.m. Bring a blanket or chair. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

■ **Mozart Music** – The Ave Maria University Chamber Choir performs Mozart’s Solemn Vespers at 4 p.m. at Moorings Presbyterian Church. \$15. 304-7032.

■ **Music on Marco** – Marco Presbyterian Church presents “Music for the Soul” with the organ/piano duo of Babs Hillenbrand and Marv Hollenbeck at 6 p.m. 394-8186.

■ **One-Act Plays** – ETC... Readers Theatre presents four one-act comedies at 7:30 p.m. in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

■ **Swan Lake** – The 50-member Moscow Festival Ballet performs “Swan Lake” at 8 p.m. at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org.

Monday, Feb. 21

■ **Music Lecture** – Concert pianist Jodie DeSalvo presents “The Three B’s: Beethoven, Brahms & Berlin” at 7 p.m. in the Daniels Pavilion at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org.

■ **Jazz It Up** – The Naples Jazz Orchestra performs from 7-9 p.m. in the Cambier Park band shell. 592-9205.

Tuesday, Feb. 22

■ **Garden Painting** – The Naples Botanical Garden invites artists to set up their easels on any of the Garden lawns from 8 a.m.-noon. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

■ **Book Signing** – Best-selling author Randy Wayne White signs books at 2 p.m. at Borders Books & Music, 10600 Tamiami Trail N.

■ **History Program** – “Portrayals of Historical Women: Georgia O’Keeffe” starts at 6:30 p.m. at South Regional Library, 8065 Lely Cultural Parkway. 252-7542 or www.colliergov.net/library.

Wednesday, Feb. 23

■ **Beer Tasting** – Wednesday Night Out at the Naples Botanical Garden features a beer tasting by Decanted from 6-9 p.m. www.naplesgarden.org or 643-7275.

■ **Author Appearance** – Best-selling author Randy Wayne White signs books from noon-2 p.m. at Sunshine Booksellers, 677 South Collier Blvd., Marco Island.

■ **Nostalgic Tunes** – David Kilbride performs music from the 1950s and ’60s at 2 p.m. at Headquarters Library, 2385 Orange Blossom Blvd. 593-0177.

■ **Sip & Sample** – The Village on Venetian Bay hosts Sip & Sample, with live entertainment and tasty fare, from 5-7 p.m. 262-1808.

■ **Acting Up** – Jay Johnson stars in “The Two and Only!” at 5 and 7:30 p.m. tonight and Thursday at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org.

Upcoming events

■ **Jewelry Show** – Marissa Col-



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The Ave Maria University Chamber Choir performs Mozart’s Solemn Vespers at 4 p.m. Feb. 20 at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Dr. \$15. 304-7032.

lections hosts a Yossi Harari jewelry show Feb. 24-26 at 1167 Third St. S. 687-1148.

■ **Art Walk** – The Center for the Arts Studios at the Promenade at Bonita Bay hosts Art Walk from 5-8 p.m. Feb. 24 at 26811 S. Bay Drive. Enjoy music, dining and art. 495-8989.

■ **History Program** – Naples Botanical Garden presents “A Personal Account of Marjory Stoneman Douglas” at 10 a.m. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

■ **Broadway Journey** – Enjoy song and dance at “Broadway Inside-Out” at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at the South Regional Library, 8065 Lely Cultural Parkway. 252-7542.

■ **Music Night** – The Bonita Bay Singers perform at 7 p.m. Feb. 24 at the Promenade at Bonita Bay, 26811 S. Bay Drive. 495-8989.

■ **Bach Sounds** – The Bach Ensemble performs a concert of psalms, songs and spirituals, at 7 p.m. Feb. 24 at Grace Lutheran Church, 860 Banyan Blvd. www.thebachensemble.org.

■ **One-Man Show** – See “Benedict Arnold: The Traitor Who Saved America” at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at The Norris Center. 213-3058.



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The Voices of Naples present “Britain to Broadway” at 3 p.m. Feb. 27 at Naples United Church.

■ **Chamber Tunes** – enhake, a guest chamber ensemble, performs at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 25 in the Music Building at FGCU. 590-7851 or pharkins@fgcu.edu.

■ **Rock On** – REO Speedwagon performs at 8 p.m. Feb. 25 at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall. 481-4849.

■ **Jazz Singer Z** – Jane Monheit performs Feb. 25-26 at the Naples Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900.

■ **Music Makers** – The Music Makers Big Show Band performs at 7 p.m. Feb. 25 at the Cambier Park band shell. 596-6142.

■ **Ad Libbing** – Naples City Improv performs from 8-10 p.m. Feb. 25 at The Norris Center. 213-3058.

■ **Naples National** – The Naples National Art Festival runs from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Feb. 26-27 at Cambier Park and Eighth Street South. 262-6517.

■ **Comedy Night** – The Funny Divas present “Hey Hey Hey! She’s Funny!” at

7:30 p.m. Feb. 26 at The Norris Center. 213-3058.

■ **Hot Cars** – The West Coast Muscle Car Club hosts a car show from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Feb. 26 at Ave Maria.

■ **Pet Parade** – Mercato hosts Mardi Paws to benefit the Collier Spay Neuter Clinic from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 26. 514-7647.

■ **Voices of Naples** – Voices of Naples presents “Britain to Broadway” at 3 p.m. Feb. 27 at the Naples United Church, 5200 Crayton Road. 455-2582 or www.voicesofnaples.org.

■ **Sunday Jazz** – Composer/arranger Dick Hyman presents “Dick Hyman Plays Variations on The Wizard of Oz” at 3 p.m. Feb. 27 as part of the Philharmonic Center’s Lifelong Learning classes. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org.

■ **Dinner Show** – “Tea-A-Ria” returns to Fred’s Food, Fun & Spirits for dinner shows Feb. 27 and March 6. 431-7928.

■ **Comedy Legend** – Tim Conway & Friends perform at 8 p.m. Feb. 27 at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org.

■ **String Quartet** – The Women’s Cultural Alliance presents The Bergonzi String Quartet, featuring Glenn Basham, at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 27 at Temple Shalom. 596-1569.

■ **Luau Night** – The German American Club Gemuetlichkeit sponsors a Hawaiian luau dinner dance starting at 5 p.m. March 4 at St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church, 7100 Airport Pulling Road. 774-1582.

■ **Dog Party** – Golden Retriever Rescue of Southwest Florida hosts GoldenFest II from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. March 5 at Ruff’n It Doggie Daycare in Bonita Springs. 948-3647 or www.grrswf.org.

■ **Bluegrass Tunes** – The Boxcars perform at 7 p.m. March 10 at First Presbyterian Church, 250 Sixth St. S., to benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Collier County. 325-1765.

■ **Bonita Blues** – The fifth annual Bonita Blues Festival is set for March 11-12 at Riverside Park in Bonita Springs. www.bonitablues.com.

– Send calendar listings to events@floridaweekly.com. Plain e-mail, jpegs or Word documents, please. No pdfs.

ARTS COMMENTARY

'The Lady With All The Answers'

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In a way, Ann Landers was mother to millions.

From 1955 until her death in 2002, she dispensed homespun, practical advice about everything from nosy neighbors to commitment-phobic boyfriends to insufferable in-laws. She wrote about the mundane (whether toilet paper should roll away from the wall or toward it) the painful (losing a baby, going through a breakup or divorce) and the offbeat (the benefits and drawbacks of doing housework in the nude.)



HOWARD

Her name often appeared on Most Influential Women lists. And at the height of her popularity, she had 90 million readers.

But before Ms. Landers (whose real name was "Eppie" Lederer) became mother to the masses, she was a mother to her only flesh-and-blood child, Margo Howard.

Ms. Howard recently attended a performance of "The Lady With All The Answers," a play about her mother the advice columnist, in the black box at Florida Repertory Theatre. After Carolyn Michel's one-woman performance, Ms. Howard talked about her mother and answered questions from the audience.

In an interview the following day, she shared that she's seen the play at least nine times.

The first viewing was the world premiere at the Old Globe in San Diego, Calif. Randy Graff, the Tony Award-winning actress portraying her mother, "got herself to look more like Eppie," she said, "though (playwright) David Rambo says the wig does half the work. Everybody goes to town on the wig."

Ms. Landers had a distinctive bouffant, with wings of hair at the sides and a curled up flip.

Watching the play that first time was difficult, Ms. Howard said, because audience members were watching her for her reactions. "Many people knew I was in the house. They were observing me, and I couldn't totally take in the play... It was a mixed bag for me. I was almost part of the play."

Every time she's seen the show since

then, she said, the experience has been less emotional.

But she teared up twice at the Florida Rep production, she confessed.

The actress, Ms. Michel, studied tapes of Ms. Landers to learn her accent and mannerisms. Describing the columnist's style of speech as "crackling," Ms. Michel portrays her with a mixture of warm wit and no-nonsense Iowan sensibility, calling people "bub" or "honey," and using expressions such as "This'll twist your turban."

The play, directed by Chris Clavelli, takes place during an evening when Ms. Landers is struggling to write the most difficult column she'd ever had to compose — an announcement that, after 36 years of marriage, she's getting divorced. A formerly staunch opponent of divorce, and fearful that the news could undermine her authority or even lead to losing her column, she grapples with how to word her letter to her readers.

"How did it happen that something so good for so long didn't last forever?" she ponders. "The lady with all the answers doesn't have the answer to this one."

"The Lady With All The Answers" also shows Ms. Landers choosing columns for her book. She reads and comments on many of the iconic ones: the woman who wanted her husband to wear his motorcycle helmet when he made love to her, the woman who did housework in the nude, the reader poll on how toilet paper should hang.

Serious stuff, too

The play also covers the little-publicized fact that Ms. Landers, who was against the Vietnam War, visited the country for 10 days, making the rounds of field hospitals. She'd go as long as 13 hours a day, visiting every wounded American soldier. When she returned, she made more than 2,500 personal phone calls for them, delivering messages to parents, girlfriends, wives, best buddies.

"She did (her best) to change some top minds (about the war)," her daughter said, adding her mother visited with Ellsworth Bunker and spent an hour and 20 minutes talking with Gen. Westmoreland, a meeting that lasted far beyond its allotted time because Ms. Landers has such good information.

According to Ms. Howard, her mother told the general: "You're getting wrong information, and this is just a mess. You're just getting in deeper and deeper and you need to get out."

Her mother was "very politically savvy and very involved," she said, adding Mr.



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Carolyn Michel as Ann Landers in 'The Lady With All The Answers'

If you go

- >> **What:** "The Lady With All The Answers"
- >> **When:** Through March 6
- >> **Where:** The Studio Theatre at Florida Repertory Theatre
- >> **Cost:** \$39
- >> **Info:** 332-4488. Seating is limited; shows are selling out.

Rambo "treads lightly in the play. People never figure out that she had real power."

Then there was the time Ms. Landers volunteered to go on Irv Kupcinet's TV show when porn star Linda Lovelace was a guest, to discuss the movie "Deep Throat." Her adult daughter had to explain to her what the movie was about, and Ms. Landers, in turn, took it upon herself to enlighten the viewers.

Although Ms. Howard is as straightforward and plain-spoken as her mother, she said that as a teen she felt embarrassed by some of the topics her mother covered.

"When I was younger, I pretended I didn't read her column," she said.

She was 15 when her mother became Ann Landers. "It was very embarrassing. She had a famous pamphlet, 'Necking and Petting and How Far to Go.' I was in high school then. I just thought I would die. It was mortifying."

But Ms. Landers was progressive, and she was proud of her enemies, such as the National Rifle Association.

"She was careful in what she got behind. She couldn't squander her (influence)," Ms. Howard said. "She was for gay rights, gun control, sex education. She was pro-choice and (though a staunch American),

anti-war. She got behind what she felt she could. She was proud of her enemies."

Ms. Landers was a friend to the gay community. When she died, comedian and joke writer Bruce Vilanch, who writes for award shows and wrote material for Bette Midler during her early days, sent Ms. Howard a sympathy note.

"He wrote me, 'I'm sure it comes as no news to you, our community has lost a great friend,'" Ms. Howard recalled. "She was instrumental in getting homosexuality out of the diagnostic manual," she added, referring to the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

Like mother, like daughter

Later, Ms. Landers offered to pass along her column and name to her daughter, but Ms. Howard declined. But much to her surprise, she found herself writing articles — for People magazine, TV Guide and Nation, among others — and giving advice later in her life. She wrote for The Chicago Tribune and was "Dear Prudence" online at Slate.com. She then gave advice on Yahoo!.com and is now found on www.wowwow.com.

"Mother got prickly when people would say, 'Oh those goofs, writing to an advice columnist.' But many people had nowhere to turn, no one to talk to about their problem. They'd say: 'I can't talk to my minister, I *am* my minister,' 'We live in a very small town.' The column was free, anonymous. They could get advice just for the cost of a stamp."

For almost five decades, Ann Landers provided a listening ear and responded to every single letter she received, never turning anyone away. ■

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GIVING

Collaboration is key to success for efforts of CHS Healthcare

BY **CONNIE DILLON**
Special To Florida Weekly

Since its beginning as Collier Health Services Inc. in 1977, CHS Healthcare has grown to meet the community's need for affordable, quality health care services. Collaborative partnerships have been key to the success of CHS programs, particularly those that target children in our community.

In the early 2000s, CHS began a bold move toward a new collaborative partnership. Ronald McDonald House Charities had a mobile medical program that was a proven success in other parts of the country, and its mission was in alignment with

strong support from Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida.

The Care Mobile has served more than 13,000 children in Southwest Florida since 2004. Partnering with Collier County schools, after-school programs and organizations such as the Shelter for Abused Women and Children, the Care Mobile is often referred to as the "Happy Bus." Young patients eagerly climb on board, knowing they will be cared for in a clean, safe environment by compassionate people who love their jobs.

The primary goal of the Care Mobile program is to identify children with unmet health care needs and to be a point of entry into a regular pattern of health care by connecting the child and his/her family to a permanent medical and/or dental home. Most find that home within the CHS family of offices.

In 2007, the Care Mobile program received the coveted Migrant Professional of the Year Award from the Title I migrant education program. This award was given in recognition of the positive impact the program has made

on the lives of so many migrant children in our community.

CHS was honored with the 2011 FACE Award for its efforts, ability and success in embracing the cultural and socioeconomic diversity in its delivery of health services.

We will continue to collaborate with groups and organizations like the Naples Children & Education Foundation, the University of Florida College of Dentistry, the Florida State University College of Medicine and others who share a commitment to providing affordable, quality health care.

It is with help from committed organizations and individual volunteers in the community, like Mr. Schneider, that CHS has been able to adapt to the ever-changing and growing health care needs in Collier County. ■

— *Connie Dillon is the executive director of CHS Healthcare, a private, nonprofit "safety net" health care provider with 12 facilities throughout Collier County offering basic primary and preventative medical and dental services.*



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Tom Schneider and Ronald McDonald at the 2010 Care Mobile Golf Classic.

the goals and vision of CHS. The charity would donate the \$400,000 medical "bus," while CHS would raise, through private donations, the money to run the program.

Richard Akin, CEO of CHS Healthcare, knew that the financial piece of the program's success would depend on finding committed volunteers within the philanthropic community; he needed someone who not only shared his vision for the program, but who would also embrace CHS's mission: "To provide a quality health care home accessible to everyone in Collier County."

Dr. Akin found an advocate in community volunteer and philanthropist Tom Schneider.

Mr. Schneider envisioned the program reaching out and bringing services to children who would otherwise go without the most basic of primary health care. He gathered support and the funds were raised. Along the way, he found like-minded others, and together they formed the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile Advisory Council. The council continues to raise the yearly operating funds for the program, with

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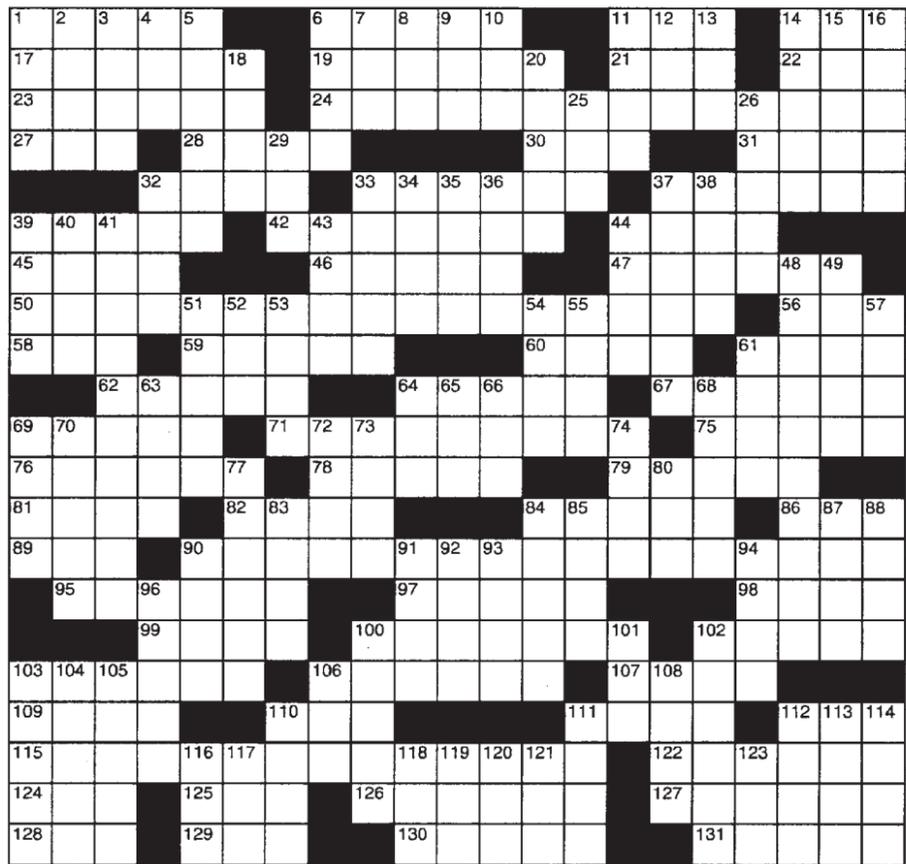
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 - 10 Word with carpet or cabbage
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 - 14 Resort lake
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HOROSCOPES

■ **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** After taking advice on a number of matters in recent months, expect to be called on to return the gesture. And, by the way, you might be surprised at who makes the request.

■ **PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** Reassure everyone concerned that a change of mind isn't necessarily a change of heart. You might still want to pursue a specific goal, but feel a need to change the way you'll get there.

■ **ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Whatever decisions you're faced with this week, rely on your strong Aries instincts, and base them on your honest feelings, not necessarily on what others might expect you to do.

■ **TAURUS (April 30 to May 20)** Your sensitive Taurean spirit is pained by what you feel is an unwarranted attack by a miffed colleague. But your sensible self should see it as proof that you must be doing something right.

■ **GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** More fine-tuning might be in order before you can be absolutely certain that you're on the right track. Someone close to you might offer to help. The weekend favors family get-togethers.

■ **CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** The week continues to be a balancing act 'twixt dreaming and doing. But by week's end, you should have a much better idea of what you actually plan to do and how you plan to do it.

■ **LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Changing your plans can be risky, but it can also be a necessary move.

Recheck your facts before you act. Tense encounters should ease by mid-week, and all should be well by the weekend.

■ **VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** You might still be trying to adjust to recent changes. But things should improve considerably as you get to see some positive results. An uneasy personal matter calls for more patience.

■ **LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Congratulations. Your good intentions are finally recognized, and long-overdue appreciation should follow. Keep working toward improvements wherever you think they're necessary.

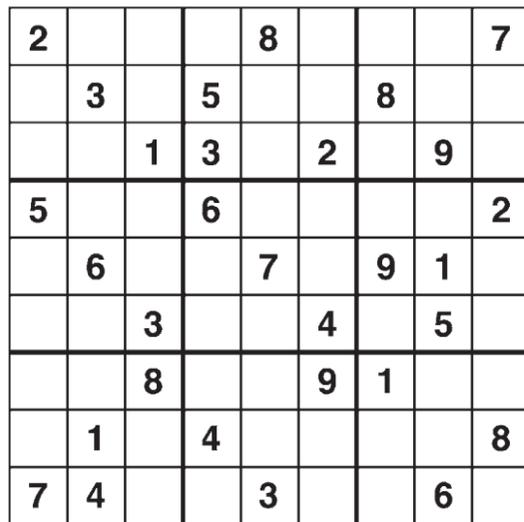
■ **SCORPIO (October 23 to November 2)** Try to look at your options without prejudging any of them. Learn the facts, and then make your assessments. Spend the weekend enjoying films, plays and musical events.

■ **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Someone might want to take advantage of the Sagittarian's sense of fair play. But before you ride off to right what you've been told is a wrong, be sure of your facts.

■ **CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** You might be surprised to learn that not everyone agrees with your ideas. But this can prove to be a good thing. Go over them and see where improvements can be made.

■ **BORN THIS WEEK:** You are able to make room in your heart for others, and that makes you a very special person in their lives.

By Linda Thistle



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Could this be it? Has Disney found a way to make Shakespeare appealing to kids?

"Gnomeo & Juliet" might not be the most faithful retelling of "Romeo and Juliet," but it is cute, clever and entertaining as it retains the core of what the Bard created roughly 400 years ago.

The biggest difference is obvious: The main characters are garden gnomes, and they live in a "Toy Story"-type world that forces them to freeze any time a human is near. To keep it easy for kids to know who hates whom, the Capulets are clad in red while their longtime neighbors/rivals, the Montagues, wear sky blue.

The families' unexplained hatred makes it especially dangerous when Gnomeo (James McAvoy), a Montague, ventures off on his own and bumps into Juliet (Emily Blunt), a Capulet. It's love at first sight for the star-crossed lovers, and with the help of Elton John and Lady Gaga's duet "Hello, Hello" on the soundtrack, we immediately love them as a couple.

The rest of the story plays out in expectedly familiar form, but darned if it doesn't have some clever twists that allow it to be (relatively) loyal to Shakespeare's play while remaining distinctly G-rated. The way Gnomeo's "death" is handled is exceptionally clever, as is the resolution of the rivalry between Gnomeo and Tybalt (Jason Statham).

What's more, there are a number of sly references to other Shakespeare plays (including the line "Out, out damn spot," from "Macbeth"). A statue of Shakespeare also makes an appearance (which would be cheesy were it not voiced by the great Patrick Stewart).

Disney also works in a reference to its Enchanted Tiki Room attraction that in a metaphorical way explains why/how the gnomes are able to come alive.

The voice cast is strong and keeps the laughs coming consistently: Michael

Caine and Maggie Smith voice the heads of the respective families, and Ashley Jensen gets a lot of laughs as Nanette, Juliet's assistant. The only real misfire is Jim Cummings' Featherstone, a pink flamingo who refuses to leave the lovers alone. The character is supposed to add context, but really just adds annoyance.

And then there's the 3D, which does nothing to enhance the story or add anything of value to the movie. "Gnomeo & Juliet" is certainly worth seeing, but not worth jacked-up 3D prices.

"Romeo and Juliet" has been adapted for the big screen numerous times, and also transferred to different eras and settings ("West Side Story"). But never before has it been told via animated garden gnomes — and certainly, once is enough. Thankfully, Disney has made the most of the opportunity, creating a delightful experience for kids that allows parents to watch with a knowing, satisfied smile. ■

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in the know

The name on the moving company's truck — "Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Movers" — is a crafty reference to supporting characters in "Hamlet" named Rosencrantz and Guildenstern.

CAPSULES

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The Eagle ★★

(Channing Tatum, Jamie Bell, Donald Sutherland) In 140 A.D., a young Roman commander (Mr. Tatum) and his slave (Mr. Bell) travel to northern Britain to retrieve a golden eagle that is symbolic of the Roman Empire's dominance. Mr. Tatum is not a captivating leading man, and though the story is interesting it lacks energy, which makes it dull. Rated PG-13.

Sanctum ★★

(Richard Roxburgh, Ioan Gruffudd, Rhys Wakefield) A team of cave explorers is trapped underground when a flash flood blocks their exit, forcing

them to dive deeper to find a new way out. It's intense and harrowing, but to a fault: The story becomes overwhelmingly dreary after a while, to the point where you don't care if the characters live or die — you just want the movie to end. Rated R.

The Rite ★★

(Anthony Hopkins, Colin O'Donoghue, Alice Braga) A skeptical seminary student (Mr. O'Donoghue) is sent to Rome to study exorcisms, but refuses to believe even after Father Lucas (Mr. Hopkins) shows him the real thing. Mr. Hopkins is good, as usual, but Mr. O'Donoghue doesn't have the leading man presence needed to carry the movie and it's a bit of a bore. "Inspired" by true events. Rated PG-13. ■

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Next from Opera Naples: 'Carmen'

Tickets are selling fast for Opera Naples' production of "Carmen," coming to Gulf Coast High School on Friday and Sunday, Feb. 18 and 20. "We're all sold out in the premium section for both performances," says Steffanie Pearce, founding artistic director.

The company's first Grand Opera of the season, "Lucia Di Lammermoor," played to sold-out performances and extended standing ovations at the Miromar Design Center earlier this month. The Gulf Coast High School Performing Arts Call has a seating capacity of 1,200, nearly twice the capacity of the design center.

About 'Carmen'

Geroge Bizet's French opéra comique has been one of the world's most performed operas and a staple of the operatic repertoire since the 1880s. Set in Seville, Spain, it centers on Carmen, a beautiful Gypsy with a fiery temper who woos the inexperienced soldier Don José, whose jealousy turns murderous when Carmen rejects him for the bullfighter Escamillo.

Underwritten by Moran Edwards Asset Management of Wells Fargo Advisers, the Opera Naples production of "Carmen" stars mezzo-soprano Audrey Babcock in the title role. She is joined by dramatic tenor Jeffrey Springer as Don Jose and



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Dramatic tenor Jeffrey Springer and mezzo-soprano Audrey Babcock star in the Opera Naples production of "Carmen," Friday and Sunday, Feb. 18 and 20, at Gulf Coast High School.

baritone Mark Walters in one of his signature roles as Escamillo.

Tickets range from \$25 to \$95 and are available by calling 514-7464 or visiting www.operanaples.org.

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- >> "Carmen," by Opera Naples
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The Naples Opera Society has seats on the bus for its final trips of the season to see the Florida Grand Opera in Miami. The next trip will be to see "Don Giovanni" on April 30, followed by "Cyrano" on May 7.

The tour bus departs from Crossroads Shopping Center at 2 p.m. and stops for dinner in Coral Gables in time to make the

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Sarasota Film Festival set for April 7-17

The 13th annual Sarasota Film Festival takes place April 7-17 and includes a host of signature events and programs as well as several first-time offerings. Returning this year are the opening night film and party, the festival's popular "Conversations With..." series, Cinema Tropicale, the Hollywood Nights Student Cinema Showcase and Youth Screenwriters Circle, the annual Filmmaker Tribute and the closing night awards ceremony and grand finale screening.

Tickets for most events go on sale March 18.

New this year is SFF's Short Stacks Family Film Day from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 9, at Sarasota High School. The morning will include a youthFEST Family Film shorts program screening, a pancake breakfast and a handful of Kids Reel Life Studio workshop activities such as constructing a pinhole camera. Admission will be \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door for children, and \$10 for adults.

Back this year is the festival's popular Cinema Tropicale, a sultry night of tropical fun, food and dance Wednesday, April 13, at the Sarasota Yacht Club.

Christopher Plummer will be honored at the 2011 SFF Filmmaker Tribute, an evening dedicated to celebrating the art of film, on Saturday, April 16, at the Sarasota Opera House. Mr. Plummer will receive the festival's Cinema Master Award.

The closing night film selected for this year's festival is "Beginners," a Focus Features release by Mike Mills. The screening will be Saturday, April 17, at Regal Cinemas Hollywood 20-Sarasota.

Starring Mr. Plummer, Ewan McGregor and Mélanie Laurent, "Beginners" imaginatively explores the hilarity, confusion and surprises of love through the evolving consciousness of Oliver (Mr. McGregor), who meets the irreverent and unpredictable Anna (Ms. Laurent) only months after his father Hal (Mr. Plummer) has passed away.

This new love floods Oliver with memories of his father who — following 44 years of marriage — came out of the closet at age 75 to live a full, energized and wonderfully tumultuous gay life. The upheavals of Hal's new honesty, by turns funny and moving, brought father and son closer than they'd ever been able to be. Now Oliver endeavors to love Anna with all the bravery, humor and hope that his father taught him.

"We are thrilled to have the opportunity to close the 13th annual festival with a film as moving and powerful as 'Beginners,'" says Mark Famiglio, SFF president. ■

— For a complete list of 2011 Sarasota Film Festival movies and events, visit www.sarasotafilmfestival.com.



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Throughout the festival, independent movies in the categories of feature, documentary and shorts divisions, faith, diversity and strictly local will be screened at the SBDAC. All-access passes are \$400 per person.

Student competition

FMff also includes a competition for students to create a commercial advertising the event. Future filmmakers in school in Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties are encouraged to upload their entries on the FMff fan page on Facebook. Original, 30-second spots must reflect the festival theme of "The edge has come to Fort Myers" and must

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Intellectualization Mondays

In the weeks leading up to the inaugural FMff, festival founder Eric Raddatz is hosting independent film screenings following by lively discussions beginning at 6:30 p.m. every Monday at the SBDAC in downtown Fort Myers. Admission is \$5.

For more information about FMff including volunteer and sponsorship opportunities, visit www.fortmyersfilmfestival.com or e-mail Mr. Raddatz at eric@fortmyersfilmfestival.com. ■

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Winner of a 2005 Tony Award and Drama League Award for Best Musical, "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" is based on the 1988 hit film starring Michael Caine and Steve Martin. David Yazbek's music and lyrics feature his signature melodic verve and lyrical cleverness with an array of catchy tunes that don't require flashy pizzazz to be memorable.

Dalla Dunnagan directs, with choreography by Dawn Lebrecht Fornara and musical direction by Charles Fornara, the team responsible for The Naples Players' past sold-out shows as "Annie," "Beauty and the Beast" and "Thoroughly Modern Millie."

"Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" stars James Little as the suave Lawrence Jameson,

DIRTY ROTTEN SCOUNDRELS



COURTESY PHOTO
Christine Colgate (played by Laura Needle) hits a note as the chorus reacts during rehearsal for "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels."

Michael Freshko as the uncouth Freddy Benson and Laura Needle in the role of the target of their game, Christine Colgate.

Show times are at 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$10 for children 18 and under, and can be purchased at the box office or calling 263-7990, faxing a request to 434-7772 or visiting www.naplesplayers.org.

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ETC... Readers Theatre of The Naples Players present "What's Your Pleasure?", four one-act comedies in staged readings beginning at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 20, in the Tobye Studio at Sugden Community Theatre. Tickets are \$10. The plays are:



- "Relative Strangers" by Sheri Wilner (directed by Nattalie King) - The story of a young airline passenger who decides that the woman seated next to her might be the mother she never had.

- "Who's a Good Boy" by Anthony Wood (Carole Fenstermacher) - A film noir dog-show spoof about a canine detective trying to retrieve a mysterious lost ball (some adult language and

situations).

- "The Right To Remain" by Melanie Marnich (Annie Rosemond) - Peter and Amy clash over their son Josh's eating habits, but the subtext is marital infidelity.

- "A Matter of Husbands" by Ferenc Molnar (Jeff Weiss) - When an earnest young wife who suspects her husband is having an affair with a famous actress confronts the woman, the actress persuades her that it's nothing but an illusion. That's what actresses do, don't they?

For tickets and more information, call 263-7990 or visit www.naplesplayers.org. ■

New Plays Contest seeks original scripts

The Naples Players ETC...Reader's Theatre has put the call out for one-act scripts in any genre — comic, dramatic, suspense, other than musical — for its eighth annual New Plays Contest. As many as three finalists and possible honorable mentions will be selected.

ETC... will present the winning plays in public readings in the Tobye Studio at Sugden Community Theatre on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3-4. Finalists will receive \$100 honorariums and trophies.

Playwrights should submit original scripts, no more than 30 minutes in length and with no more than seven characters, to the attention of Joan

Laughlin, An Evening of New Plays 2011, c/o The Naples Players, 701 Fifth Ave. S., Naples FL 34102. Include a cover page separate from the script with the author's name, address, phone and other contact information. Attach a title page, without the author's name, to the script. Send an SASE if you want the script to be returned.

A cast of no more than seven characters is recommended.

Plays not selected in prior years can be submitted again. Deadline for entries is Monday, May 30.

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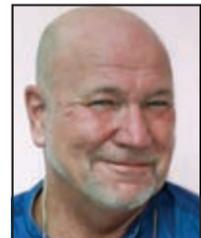
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the genre expectations that Mr. White has always satisfied with cunning and passion.

This portrait of a Guatemalan girl on the edge of adolescence, a true believer on a fateful mission, is startling and emotionally stirring. It's also spiritually uplifting. "Night Vision" goes way beyond tough-guy action (Doc Ford is the only cerebral marine biologist action figure you're ever likely to meet), yet there's plenty of that, too.

In a squalid Southwest Florida mobile home park called Red Citrus, a young girl named Tula witnesses the park manager dumping a corpse into a polluted lake. The man, Harris Squires, is a steroid junky body-builder and all-around creep, and his

girlfriend Frankie is even worse. Together, they run a steroid brew factory and are involved with several other criminal enterprises including prostitution, snuff flicks and human trafficking.

Squires knows that Tula has seen him, and he needs to silence her.

Tula has traveled on her own from Guatemala, hoping to find her mother and other relatives. Convinced that their decision to fracture family life for the illusion of financial betterment has been misguided, she wants to bring them home, restore them to themselves.

A wise, disciplined, worshipful young person, Tula believes that she receives advice and direction for Joan of Arc, her patron saint.

Tula's magnetic personal power affects those around her; she immediately becomes a spiritual guide to other Red Citrus residents, especially those who share her Mayan ancestry. Many feel that Tula herself is a saint.

When Tula is befriended by Doc's close buddy Tomlinson, the two men become involved in an effort to rescue her once Squires has stolen her away. The main plot describes this rescue effort, the menacing criminal underworld with which Squires is associated, the Hispanic immigrant communities in Southwest Florida (especially Immokalee) and a new romantic interest for Doc. Doc has to apply all his skills as an undercover agent and assassin to put down the bad guys and rescue Tula. Just how he does it — the technical details, the adrenalin firepower, and the ferocious imagery — keeps readers glued to Mr. White's words.

In each of his recent Doc Ford adventures, Mr. White has portrayed a man who is increasingly thoughtful and increasingly self-aware. Also, Doc's sensibilities are continually being broadened and deepened. These aspects of characterization complement the high-energy, explosive action that never misfires.

The real treat of the novel, however, is Tula.

As readers hear her words and gain access to her thoughts and feelings, they'll be dazzled by Mr. White's artistry. His ability to create and project an authentic voice for this remarkable character reveals an unexpected instance of what literary critics label "sympathetic imagination." Just as astonishing is the author's handling of the growing relationship between Tula and her captor in which, over time, their positions are magically reversed.

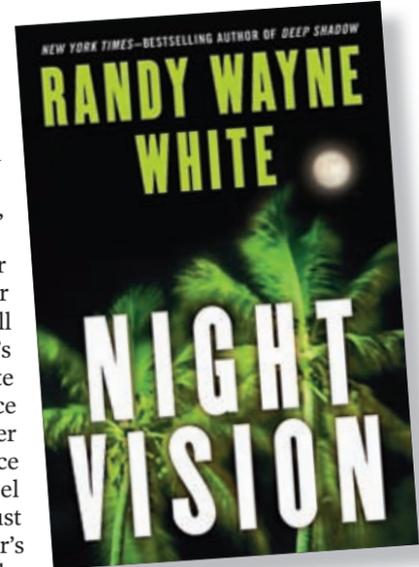
Other territory is familiar, as readers move with Doc from Sanibel Island eastward to Squires' Everglades hunting camp. Also familiar is the engaging, artful presentation of Doc's areas of expertise — everything from sea life to ecology in general to weaponry to clandestine operations.

The title "Night Vision" resonates with metaphorical power, as the special goggles Doc wears to see in the dark oddly echo the spiritual vision of young Tula as she enlightens a dark realm.

"Night Vision" is a grand mixture of

ingredients that will satisfy and surprise Mr. White's fans while winning him new ones. It might also

win him increasing respect as a writer willing to take chances, all the while raising the level of his craft and his art. ■



— Randy Wayne White's "Night Vision" book tour will take him to these locations convenient for Florida Weekly readers:

- Sunday and Monday, Feb. 20-21: Noon-2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m.: Doc Ford's Sanibel Rum Bar & Grille, Sanibel Island
 - Tuesday, Feb. 22: 2 p.m. at Borders Books and Music, Naples; 7 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, Fort Myers
 - Wednesday, Feb. 23: Noon at Sunshine Booksellers, Marco Island; 5:30 p.m. at Sanibel Bookshop, Sanibel Island
 - Monday, Feb. 28: 2 p.m. at the Palm Beach County Library, Palm Beach Gardens
 - Sunday, March 13: Noon-2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. at Doc Ford's Fort Myers Beach Rum Bar & Grille, Fort Myers Beach
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Coming soon: The 2011 Naples Authors & Books Festival

BY PHIL JASON

Special to Florida Weekly

For the ninth edition of the Naples Authors & Books Festival, the Naples Press Club and the Downtown Naples Association continue their partnership. The 2011 event, consisting of a writers conference and a book fair, takes place Saturday and Sunday, April 9-10, in downtown Naples.

About the writers conference

Workshops for writers are scheduled over both days of the festival at the Naples Center of Florida Gulf Coast University, 1010 Fifth Ave. S. Registration is open now. Session leaders and panelists include:

- Lisa Black, highly-acclaimed forensic mystery author
- Sandy Lender, fantasy novelist and marketing expert
- Nancy Cohen, author of detective and science fiction romance
- Writer's Digest managing editor Zachary Petit
- Diane Gilbert Madsen, author of the "Literati Mysteries" series and fact-checking expert
- Lawrence DeMaria, former *New York Times* financial writer-editor and executive director of Forbes
- Marketing guru Randy Jones

Conference sessions will separate into three tracks: Business and Marketing, Creative Writing and Journalism, with attendees welcome to switch from one track to another for presentations. Session titles include:

- "Taking Publishing Into Your Own Hands"



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- "Get Intimate With Your Setting"
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- A selected number of conferees will

be able to schedule pitch sessions with representatives of Barringer Publications and Night Wolf Publications.

About the book fair

The festival book fair, headed up by the DNA, takes place Saturday, April 9. Exhibitors will be paired with downtown merchants, creating a "moveable book feast" for the public along Fifth Avenue South. Three exhibitors will be scheduled in each participating merchant's location, each for a three-hour shift, from noon-3 p.m., 3-6 p.m. or 6-9 p.m. With more than 20 participating merchants, this plan will allow for up to 60 authors/publishers to exhibit.

The book fair will also feature several talks and panels open to the public at no cost.

The Naples Press Club Celebrity Author Luncheon is also set for Saturday, April 9, at Vergina on Fifth Avenue South. This year's celebrity author speaker is Nancy Cohen, author of the "Bad Hair Day" series of romantic detective fiction. A witty and dynamic speaker, Ms. Cohen will mix anecdotes from her writing career with insights about the impact of digital publishing on readers and writers.

Open to the public as well as writers conference attendees, the Celebrity Author Luncheon has sold out each

of its previous five years.

Tickets to the luncheon are \$40 for conference registrants and \$50 for others. Conference registration is \$175 for two days, \$100 for Saturday only, and \$110 for Sunday only (includes networking breakfast and lunch). ■

— For registration and information about all aspects of the 2011 Naples Authors & Books Festival, visit www.authorsandbooksfestival.org or e-mail sandyl@authorsandylender.com.



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Scholarship winners will have solos in Voices of Naples spring concert

Voices of Naples presents "Britain to Broadway," an entertaining afternoon of music showcasing the development of Broadway musical theater from the operetta styles of Gilbert and Sullivan, beginning at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at Naples United Church of Christ, 5200 Crayton Road.

Starting with a whimsical look at the operetta through the comic creations of Gilbert (lyrics) and Sullivan (music), VON will highlight one of the English duo's most famous works: "H.M.S. Pinafore." Through the years, avid G&S companies were created, some of which still exist in Washington, D.C., and in Boston. American musical theater developed from the popularity of these operettas.

Next on the program is a look at another English contemporary composer, Andrew Lloyd Webber. In addition to selections by Webber, a highlight of the afternoon will be the presentation of excerpts from Claude-Michel Schoenberg's "Les Miserables." The program will also contain popular selections from "Man of La Mancha" and "Carousel," as well as a few surprises.

national levels and was the finalist for the Young Artists Awards in Classical Voice for 2010 and she won the Marine Corps Scholarship as Best Female Musician CLHS for 2010. She is a freshman at Stetson University majoring in music education with an emphasis in classical voice. She also continues to study jazz locally with Dan Miller. Ms. Davis intends to pursue advanced degrees with a goal of teaching and conducting at the university level.

Ms. Rosado is a graduate of Palmetto Ridge High School in Naples, where she was active in her school choir for five years during which time she received a superior score on the Florida Vocal Association Assessment. She is interested in pursuing a career in music performance education both as a teacher and music producer. She is a founding member of Selah, a dance group for underprivileged children in her church community. Ms. Rosado attends the Bower School of Music at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Tickets for "Britain to Broadway" are \$20 and are available by calling 455-2582. ■

Scholarship winners

VON 2010 scholarship winners Lauren Davis and Kiamariz Rosado will be featured in solo performances.

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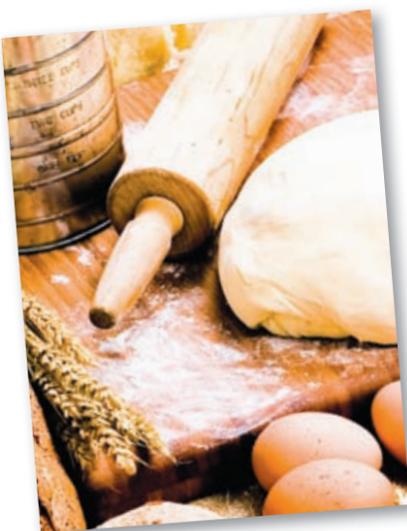
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Forty artists took to the streets of Old Naples and painted area scenes en plein air earlier this week during the fourth annual Third on Canvas along Third Street South. Their finished works will be auctioned off to benefit the Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida on Sunday, Feb. 20.

The live and silent auction will take place in a tent on Third Street South. A first preview will be held during the farmers market on Saturday, Feb. 19, in a special gallery between The Garden District and John Craig. A second preview begins at 4:30 p.m. on auction day, with Mayor Bill Barnett starting the call for bids at 6 p.m.

A "Taste of Third Street" buffet and wine bar will be available with offerings from Campiello Ristorante, Handsome Harry's, Jane's Café, Le Lafayette, Old Naples Pub, Ridgway Bar & Grill, Sea Salt, Tommy Bahama's and Tony's Off Third.

Cost is \$95 per person, and reserved VIP tables for 10 can be purchased for \$1,200. Reservations can be secured by calling 343-6950.

Third on Canvas artists this year include New Englanders Robert Gruppe, Kevin Shea, Donald Mosher and John Charles Tevelak; Bill Farnsworth, Hodges Soleil, Jane Chapin and Mary Erickson of Sarasota; and well-known locals such as Paul Arsenault, Barrett Edwards, Phil Fisher, Rachel Kennedy and Suzanne Luker. Eight artists are new to the event this year.

The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, the only comprehensive child health care facility between Tampa and Miami, and is home to the region's only Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. Third on Canvas proceeds will support the campaign to build a new hospital at the Lee Memorial HealthPark campus in Fort Myers. ■



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See the fashion designs and hear the music inspired by their legendary affair during "Lunch with Coco Chanel & Igor Stravinsky," a presentation by Gordon Greene of the Renaissance Academy of FGCU, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22, at the Marco Island Yacht Club.

Cost is \$40 for Renaissance Academy members, \$45 for others, including lunch. For reservations, call 394-0199. ■

Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber pairs with Norman Love Confections

Be entertained by the tunes of your favorite Andrew Lloyd Webber musicals and other smash hits of the era when the Gulf Coast Symphony presents "Andrew Lloyd Weber & Friends," starring international sensations and Broadway veterans Anne Runolfsson and Doug LaBrecque. Be musically transported to the big stage at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall in Fort Myers.

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Ms. Runolfsson recently completed a two-year run on Broadway as the tempestuous diva Carlotta Giudicelli in Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Phantom of the Opera." Mr. LaBrecque has thrilled theater audiences as The Phantom and Raoul in the Harold Prince production of "The Phantom of the Opera."

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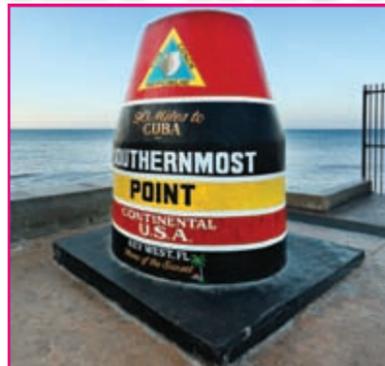
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Music festival celebrates 25th anniversary

The Sanibel Music Festival, an island tradition, will begin its 25th consecutive season of bringing outstanding repertoire and artists to the Island on Saturday, March 5.

This year's festival will feature four new offerings: Jupiter String Quartet, Trio Solisti, Cassatt String Quartet and the Gould Piano Trio with clarinetist Robert Plane. In addition, three returning favorites include: Boston Chamber Music Society with William Purvis, French horn, Opera Theater of Connecticut, and pianist Olga Kern. All concerts will be performed at 8 p.m. throughout March on Tuesdays and Saturdays at the intimate setting of the Sanibel Congregational Church, 2050 Periwinkle Way. Tickets can be purchased for the seven-concert series for \$230, a savings of \$35. For more information, call 344-7025 or visit www.sanibelmusicfestival.org.

Saturday, March 2

■ Opening the season will be the Jupiter String Quartet. This dynamic young American quartet, formed in 2001, is a family collaboration. They have been chosen to do the festival's 2011 Educational Outreach Program at the Sanibel Elementary School. The program includes Schumann's "Quartet in A major," "Op. 41, No. 3," Copland's "Movement for String Quartet," Turina's "La Oracion del Torero," and Beethoven's "Quartet in C-sharp minor, Op. 131."

Tuesday, March 8

■ Trio Solisti is made up of three



Trio Solisti

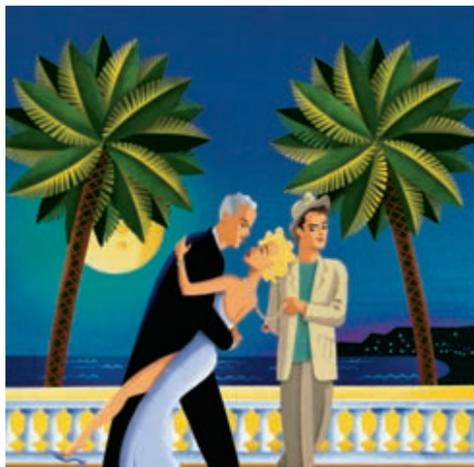
instrumentalists, violinist Maria Bachman, cellist Alexis Pia Gerlach and pianist Jon Klibonoff. The trio has made critically acclaimed debuts, including Lincoln Center's Great Performers Series, the Kennedy Center and Wolf Trap. The program consists of Schumann's "Fantasiestücke for Piano Trio, Op. 88," Chopin's "Trio in G minor, Op. 8," Dvorak's "Trio in F minor, Op. 65" and Hubay's "Hejre Kati, Op. 32, No. 4."

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include Alice Tully Hall, Carnegie Hall, Tanglewood, the Kennedy Center and the Library of Congress. The program includes Debussy's "Quartet," Dvorak's "Selection from Cypresses in G Major Op. 106," and Schubert's "Quartet No. 14 in D major Death and the Maiden."

Tuesday, March 15

■ The Gould Piano Trio has performed world-wide, including Carnegie Hall, the Amsterdam Concertgebouw, Lincoln Center and Wigmore Hall, plus festival appearances at Edinburgh, Spoleto and Bath. The program includes Milhaud's "Suite for Violin, Clarinet & Piano," Beethoven's "Trio for Piano, Violin & Cello in B-flat major;" Brahms' "Trio for Piano, Clarinet & Cello, Op. 114," and Schubert's "Piano Trio in E-flat major, D.929."

Saturday, March 19

■ Returning to the festival is the Boston Chamber Music Society with William Purvis, French horn, an ensemble of versatile musicians who come together in different instrumental combinations to perform chamber music. *The Boston Globe* calls them, "...vivid, compelling and first rate." BCMS has been called New England's premier chamber music society and is known as one of the most extensive and longest-running concert series in the region. It's program includes Mozart's "Horn Quintet in E-flat major, K.407;" Shostakovich's "Piano Quartet," Schubert's "String Trio in B-flat major, D. 471" and Brahms' "Horn Trio in E-flat major, Op. 40."

Tuesday, March 22

■ Celebrating their Silver Anniversary 25th Season also, the Opera Theater of Connecticut returns to present

a concert titled "Festivals, Parties and Celebrations." Several of the company's gifted young singers, who have performed at the festival through the years, have gone on to the Met, the New York City Opera and Lyric Opera of Chicago. OTC will perform music from: Thomas, Offenbach, Mascagni, Donizetti, Rossini, Rodgers, Romberg, Bizet, Mozart, Verdi, Massenet and Puccini.

Saturday, March 26

■ "Olgamania" will reign again when Russian pianist Olga Kern returns to Sanibel. She was the first woman to win Gold at the Cliburn International Piano Festival in more than 30 years. Critics have praised her "almost superhuman power and endurance," her "voluptuous charisma" and her "incredible stage presence." This year, she collaborated



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with legendary soprano Kathleen Battle at Carnegie Hall, in addition to her busy touring schedule. Her program includes Clara Schuman's "Variations of a theme of Robert Schuman, Op. 20" "Robert Schuman: Carnival, Op. 9" "Rachmaninoff's "Piano Sonata No. 2 in B-flat minor, Op. 36" Scriabin's "Sonata, No. 9, Op. 68 "The Black Mass" and Balakirev's "Islamey, Oriental Fantasy." ■

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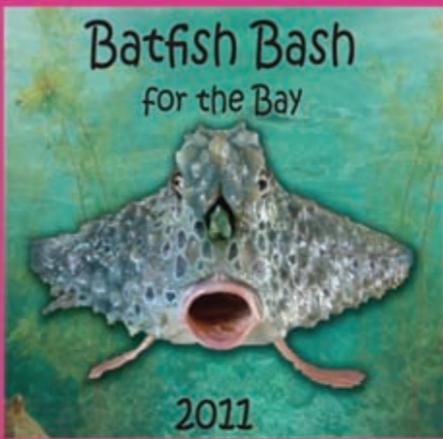
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20 years until she decided to follow her dream of painting full time. She works on watercolor canvas to create loose, colorful and uniquely bold images that she terms "watercolor outside the lines."

For more than a decade, Alan Darcy has performed concerts on television and radio. He has also entertained as a solo artist as well as with his band at hundreds of events and venues around the country, including the famous Birdland in New York City and the Historic Tampa Theater. Providing vocals as well as playing the saxophone and flute, Mr. Darcy will be joined by percussionist Gil "Nino"

Garcia and Paul Buzine on guitar.

Adding to the festivities will be refreshments sold by Rita's Ice Custard and The Nosh Truck, a purveyor of "inspired street food" that travels throughout Southwest Florida. At the Art and Jazz Festival at Olé, the truck will serve a Moroccan grilled chicken pita, Korean barbecue pork sliders with pickled Daikon slaw, a Market BLT with avocado, and fried arzoncini risotto balls stuffed with crispy pancetta, corn and mozzarella served with a blood orange ketchup.

The Nosh Truck's owner, Scott Sopher, was most recently executive chef for Naples Bay Resort and its signature restaurant, Olio on Naples Bay.

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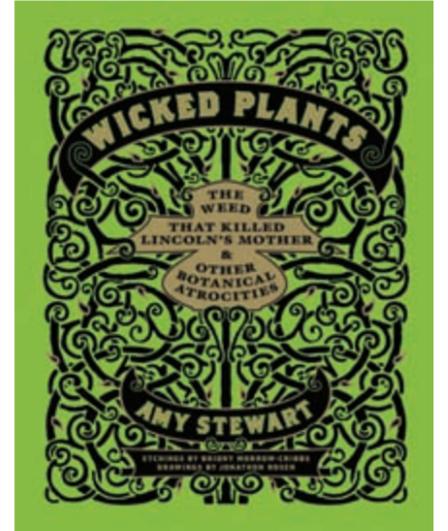
Naples Naples Garden Club members and guests will welcome *New York Times* best-selling author Amy Stewart as guest speaker at the next meeting beginning at 1 p.m. Monday, March 7, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Ms. Stewart will discuss her book, "Wicked Plants: The Weed that Killed Lincoln's Mother and other Botanical Atrocities" (Algonquin Books, May 2009).



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General meetings of the Naples Garden Club are open to the public for a \$10 admission. To make a reservation, visit



www.naplesgardenclub.org. ■

Women's volleyball coach will address Penn State alum

The Penn State Alumni Chapter of Naples will hold its monthly luncheon meeting beginning at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 1, at the Country Club of Naples, 185 Burning Tree Drive. Guest speaker will be Russ Rose, coach of the women volleyball team that won its fourth consecutive national championship in December and recently had a winning streak of 108 games, the second longest for any college sport in NCAA history.

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Linguist will address ESU-Naples Branch

The English Speaking Union-Naples Branch welcomes economist, linguist and philanthropist Paul Boltz, Ph.D., at its meeting beginning at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 22, in Moss Hall at Moorings Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Boltz will present "Why There Are No Spelling Bees South of the Rio Grande," a program that focuses on the complexity of the English language and its arcane spelling rules, and the simplicity of the Spanish and Portuguese languages. He is a graduate of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center at the Presidio in Monterey, Calif., where U.S. military service members study foreign languages at highly accelerated paces. He also has worked for the National Security Agency. He earned a doctorate in economics at the University of Illinois and served on the President's Council of Economic Advisors and on the board of governors of the Federal Reserve.

Wine and light refreshments will follow the presentation. Admission is \$15 (waived for first-time guests of members or potential new members).

The ESU is an international organization whose mission is to promote scholarship and the advancement of knowledge through the effective use of English. For more information, call Karen Lannan at 434-2440 or e-mail klannan@comcast.net. ■

Get acquainted with newcomers

The Naples Newcomers Club welcomes women who have been permanent residents of Naples for no more than five years and who want to meet others who are new to the area.

The club meets for luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of each month, year 'round. In addition, groups within the club plan outings and dates to share varied interests, such as mah-jongg and duplicate bridge, gourmet cooking and discussions about philosophy.

Prospective members are invited to coffee at 10 a.m. on the first Thursday of each month. For meeting locations and more information, call 298-4083 or visit www.naplesnewcomers.com.

The Bonita Springs Newcomers Club welcomes women who have lived in Bonita for less than three years. Luncheons are held at area country clubs on the third Thursday of every month (December meeting is on the second Thursday).

Members must attend five luncheons a year and pay annual dues of \$40. A wide variety of other club activities are organized and directed by an all-volunteer board of directors. A monthly newsletter keeps members informed of programs and activities.

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Orchid Society making plans for annual show

The Naples Orchid Society holds its next regular meeting on Thursday, March 3, at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive.

The society's 38th annual Naples Orchid Show & Sale coming up March 25-27 will be discussed. Flower registration begins at 6:30 p.m. and judging at 7:10 p.m. The meeting takes place at 7:30 p.m. and is followed by the program at 7:45 p.m. Guests are welcome.

Annual membership dues are \$30 for an individual membership or \$40 for a family membership.

For more information, visit www.naplesorchidsociety.org or e-mail waterwaysorchidman@gmail.com.

German-American club plans dinner

The German-American Club Harmonie holds a dinner dance at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 18, at St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church, 7100 Airport-Pulling Road. For reservations or more information, call 352-0041 or 596-8207, or visit www.german-american-club-naples.org.

Scrabble Club meets Mondays

The Naples Scrabble Club meets from 5:30-8:30 p.m. every Monday at Wendy's on the corner of Airport Pulling and Immokalee road. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 304-5444.

Zontians have designs on spring fashions

The Zonta Club of Naples will hold its sixth annual Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon beginning at 11 a.m. Friday, March 25, at The Strand. Proceeds will benefit the club's Sally Sitta Awards, the Naples and Immokalee Teenage Parenting Programs and Zonta International scholarships and awards.

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Hyacinth Bucket (who insists it's pronounced "Bouquet") is a character with few, if any, saving graces. Her pompous, self-serving attitude makes life miserable for all around her.

► **SUNDAY, FEB. 20, 8 P.M.**

Nature: Broken Tail - A Tiger's Last Journey

Irish cameraman Colin Stafford-Johnson spent almost 600 days filming a tiger family and capturing some of the finest tiger documentaries ever made.

► **9 P.M.**

Masterpiece Classic: Any Human Heart - Part 2

Logan is happier than ever with second wife Freya and their daughter Stella. Then World War II begins and he goes on a series of spy missions for friend Ian Fleming, including surveillance of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor.

► **MONDAY, FEB. 21, 8 P.M.**

Antiques Roadshow: Des Moines - Hour 2

Highlights include: A collection of late-1950s and '60s Lucy M. Lewis Acoma Pueblo pottery; a 1790 Russian Loutkin snuff box inscribed with the imperial arms of the Romanov dynasty; and an extremely rare 1623 Shakespeare First Folio.

► **TUESDAY, FEB. 22, 8 P.M.**
Pioneers of Television: Sitcoms

This popular genre of television is explored through five key sitcoms: "I Love Lucy," "The Honeymooners," "Make Room for Daddy," "The Andy Griffith Show" and "The Dick Van Dyke Show."

► **10 P.M.**

Space Age - NASA's Story: Triumph & Tragedy - Part

With repeated triumphs and new challenges come increasing risk, until loss breaks the pattern. The white-knuckle suspense thriller of Apollo 13's famous near-disaster is only a triumphant prelude to darker moments ahead.

► **WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23, 9 P.M.**

NOVA: Venom - Nature's Killer

Venom scientists are in a race against time. Inside the bodies of many creatures, evolution has produced extremely toxic cocktails, all designed for one reason: to kill. It took millions of years to perfect these ultimate brews of proteins and peptides, and we have only just begun to discover their potential.

► **10 P.M.**

NOVA: ScienceNow - What's the Next Big Thing?

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Once 'kitsch,' it's now 'cool'

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"Kitsch" is a term that refers to something that's overly sentimental or vulgar or in just plain poor taste. Paintings on velvet of Elvis Presley, plastic pink flamingos and hula girl statues were all once considered kitsch — and laughable. But tastes change, and today some of these things are now acceptable collectibles, although you would not expect to see them in an art museum. It is the humor in an example of kitsch that makes it interesting and gives it a place among collectibles. The hula girl is a tourist symbol of Hawaii, and the related dolls, lamps, paintings, grass skirts and leis are collected. Pink flamingo garden figures, a symbol of Florida to most Americans, are sold in all parts of the country.

Kitsch is the opposite of conservative taste, and sometimes it takes many years before it is not laughed at. Those who bought funny 1880 advertising posters for quack medicines or figurines of exotic dancing girls in the 19th-century art-nouveau style are now seeing some of their "outlandish" choices displayed as art. Many art-nouveau bronze dancers bring high prices today. So if you dare, collect what appeals to you even if it is kitsch. Tastes change, and prices change, too.

Q: I received a pair of carved ivory earrings as a gift during World War II. They're marked "Kitagawa Ivory Work Shop." What do you think they're worth?

A: The Kitagawa family of Tokyo has operated an ivory importing business since the late 19th century. Either the earrings were made before the war and were given to you later or you were given the earrings after the war ended. Japan and the United States were enemies during World War II, and trade between the countries was impossible. The earrings could be valuable, but their price depends on not just their age and maker, but also style and quality.

Q: Can you tell me when printed paper labels and stickers were first used to label products like ceramics? I have seen some labels on pieces that I think date from the early 1900s.

A: Paper labels have been used on products since at least the 1880s. The practice started in Europe and was soon picked up in the U.S. The first self-adhesive labels were introduced by R. Stanton Avery in the 1930s. Avery's company became today's Avery Dennison Corp., which still makes adhesives

Q: Please tell me the difference between the Miss America depression glass sherbet plate and the coaster. I notice the coaster is higher priced, but pictures I have don't show me the difference in the two pieces.

A: The Miss America coaster and sherbet plate are the same size, 5 3/4 inches in diameter, but the coaster has six raised ridges to support a drinking glass. Miss America pattern was made by Hocking Glass Co. of Lancaster, Ohio, from 1935 to 1938. The coaster was made in crystal (clear glass) and pink. The sherbet plate was made in crystal (\$3), pink (\$9), green (\$8) and Royal Ruby. The coasters are worth more than sherbet plates of the same color, but the Royal Ruby sherbet plate (\$60) is worth the most. Reproductions have been made of some Miss America pieces.

Q: I have a model of the Washington Monument with a label that says it is made out of macerated money. It's 6 1/4 inches tall and has a partial paper label attached to the base.

A: Models of patriotic subjects and other items were made of macerated currency. Worn or damaged bills were shredded (macerated) and made into pulp at the U.S. Treasury and then used to make souvenirs. If the item is labeled, it usually tells how much money was used to make the piece. A 5-1/2-inch model of the Washington Monument with a label saying "Made of U.S. National Greenbacks redeemed and macerated at the U.S. Treasury, estimated \$5,000" sold at auction for more than \$1,200 a few years ago.

Q: I have a jacquard coverlet with the name "Peter Lorenz-1845" woven into the corner. Can you tell me something about him? Is it the name of the owner of the coverlet or the name of the weaver?

A: The jacquard loom, used to weave coverlets and other fabrics, was invented in 1801 and came into widespread use in the United States in about 1820. Designs were made by using punched cards to control the weaving. Coverlet makers usually put their name, location and the date in a corner of the coverlet. Sometimes a motto was included in the corner block. Peter Lorenz is the name of the weaver of your coverlet. He was born in France in about 1801 and later immigrated to the United States. Records indicate that he traveled across Ohio, Illinois and possibly Indiana. The U.S. Census lists him as living in German Township, Ohio, in 1850, 1860 and 1870. One of his coverlets costs about \$750 today. ■



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Tickets remain for Conservancy's eco-chic affair

A few individual tickets are still available for Magic Under the Mangroves, the signature fundraiser for the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. Sponsored by Northern Trust and Gulf Bay, the eco-chic evening takes place Thursday, March 3, on the mangrove-fringed property of Cap d'Antibes, a Gulf Bay high-rise in Pelican Bay.

Among the evening's eight live auction items are a trip via private jet to remote Great Guana Cay in the Bahamas; a week-long stay at a private mountain retreat in Costa Rica; a Galapagos adventure; a lady's diamond watch from De Beers; and a VIP Miami Dolphins experience.

Silent auction surprises include one-of-a-kind jewelry and art, including a "Hatchling Odyssey" pendant of diamonds, pearls and aquamarine; private home stays at Martha's Vineyard and Park City, Utah; luxurious spa and salon treatments; plus family fun events and outdoor excursions.

For tickets and more information, call 403-4219, e-mail magic@conservancy.org or visit www.conservancy.org/magic. ■

Party is just what the clinic ordered

The Neighborhood Health Clinic holds its eighth annual Neighborhood Block Party beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf

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The clinic provides quality medical care to the working poor in Collier County who have no medical insurance. Medical professionals who work at the clinic provide their time and services as volunteers, and the clinic is funded solely by the financial kindness of individuals, The United Way, foundation grants, religious groups and civic organizations. No government funding is accepted.

Tickets are \$200 per person. Call 260-2080 or visit www.neighborhoodhealthclinic.org. ■

Have a Beach Ball for the CAC

The Children's Advocacy Center of Collier County holds its 15th annual Beach Ball beginning at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, on the lawn at the Naples Beach Hotel. Organizers will recreate the kind of sunset festivities for which Key West's Mallory Square is famous. After sunset cocktails and beach games, dinner will be served and the live and silent auctions will continue to the sounds of None Other.

Since 1986, the CAC has worked to identify, intervene and treatment child abuse and neglect in Collier County.

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Tickets are \$150 for the bash and \$250 to include the patrons party. Proceeds will benefit Rookery Bay's youth science education, environmental research activities and community outreach programs.

For tickets or more information, call 262-0750, visit www.rookerybay.org/batfishbash or e-mail friends@rookerybay.org.

Make sure the 'Bucket List Bash' is on your list

The American Cancer Society presents the first "Bucket List Bash" to help raise funds and awareness beginning at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. High bidders on an array of creative auction items designed to celebrate life will be able to cross off incredible experiences on their bucket lists.

For reservations or more information, contact Kim Azar-Anderson at the American Cancer Society, 261-0337.

'Blind Side' parents star for Youth Haven

Youth Haven welcomes Sean and Leigh Anne Tuohy, whose real-life adoption of Michael Oher inspired the best-selling book and award-winning movie "The

Blind Side," to a fundraising luncheon on Thursday, March 10, at the Naples Grande Resort.

With the encouragement and support of his adoptive family, Mr. Oher went on to become a star NFL player.

Mr. Tuohy was a record-breaking University of Mississippi basketball player and an NBA broadcaster who is now a successful restaurateur. Mrs. Tuohy, dubbed a "warrior princess" in "The Blind Side," is a Memphis native and interior designer featured on HGTV and in numerous publications. She will soon make regular appearances on "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition." Together the Tuohys wrote the *New York Times* best-selling book, "In a Heartbeat: Sharing the Power of Cheerful Giving," about the transformative power of generosity.

Luncheon tickets are \$250 per person. Seating is limited. Patron packages for \$1,000 include two tickets to the luncheon program and a champagne reception with the guests of honor.

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Chair of the biennial ball is Jackie Bearse. Since 2001, the event has raised more than \$5 million to help the NCH Healthcare Foundation provide equipment, facilities, treatment and caring support for Naples area cancer patients and their families. This year's goal is to fund renovations to the Out-Patient Infusion Center that will enhance the comfort of patients being treated at the NCH North Naples Hospital.

For reservations or more information, contact Cynthia Bennett at 436-4511 or visit www.nchmd.org/magnoliaball. ■

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The fifth annual Wishmakers Ball to benefit Make-A-Wish of Southwest Florida takes place Friday, March 18, at The Club at the Strand. British entertainer Jimmy Keys will delight guests with his signature mix of music and comedy.

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Wine Tasters planning a 'Decanted Evening'

The Wine Tasters of Naples are planning the group's second annual charity event, "Some Decanted Evening," beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at The Players Club at Lely Resort. The island-inspired evening will include a wine tasting, dinner, live music and silent auction.

The Wine Tasters of Naples began with 17 members in 2007. Membership today is approximately 500 people. The club's mission is to bring together people who appreciate fine wines in a social atmosphere and to help local charities and businesses prosper. Activities include regular wine tastings at local restaurants and a monthly dinner/wine tasting party at a club member's home. Proceeds from all Wine Tasters activities are donated to local charities.

Admission to "Some Decanted Evening" is \$85 per person and is open to all. Checks can be made payable to The Community Foundation of Collier County and mailed to Dan Leaman, Wine Tasters president, 5637 Whisperwood Blvd. #601, Naples FL 34110. Last year's event sold out and raised more than \$42,000 for Youth Haven, St. Matthew's House and the Shelter for Abused Women and Children. The three charities have also been named beneficiaries of this year's fundraiser. ■

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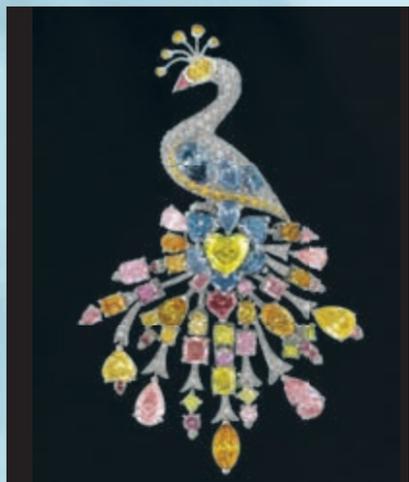
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1. Front row: Liz Heyworth, Diane Walker, Barbara Wilson and Sandy Frederick. Back row: Tony Heyworth, John Walker, Larry Wilson and Bill Frederick
2. Mary Bongiovanni and Chris Papadopoulos
3. Bill and Joyce O'Meara
4. Lynne Gratton, Jack Minutella, Ted Corbin, Brendan Duffy and Cindy Dresselhaus
5. Bill and Penny Allyn with Sharon and Dolph von Arx
6. Carol Dinardo and Ann Ratner

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2. Mark and Diane Koestner
3. Rose O'Brien and Margaret Roche
4. Ken and Liz Becker, Pam and Scott Peterson
5. Eileen Wesley, Michelle English, Trevor Watson and Eileen Streight
6. Francine Cavasino, Wayne and Melody Kappauf
7. Sheriff Kevin Rambosk

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Neapolitans out on the town in Palm Beach

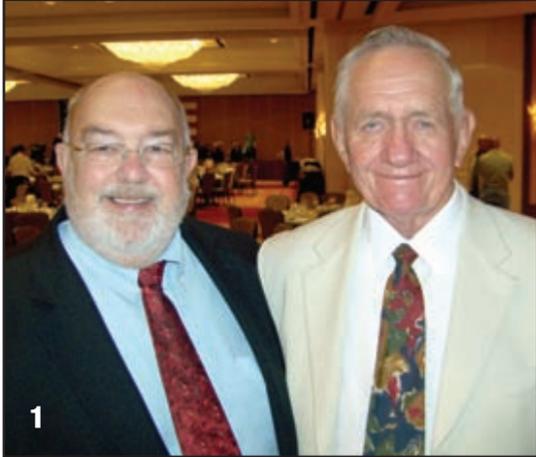
Out on the town at Café Europa in Palm Beach are, left to right: Joel Kessler, Rena Rowan-Damone, Vic Damone, Suzanne von Liebig and Frank Nappo.

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The 28th annual Marco Island Prayer Breakfast



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1. Phil Burgess and Don Kolowsky
2. Katherine Auksel and Bob Olson
3. Nicole de Busman and Jack Avedesian
4. Deputy Chief Chris Byrne, Capt. David Batiato and Fire Marshal Ray Munyon
5. James Davison and Alex Martin



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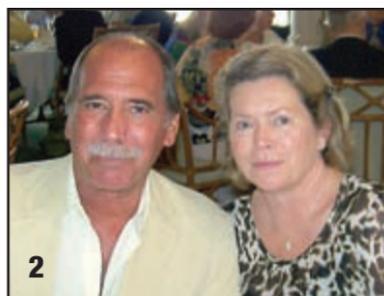


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A 'Carmen' Luncheon with the Opera Naples Guild



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BERNADETTE LA PAGLIA / FLORIDA WEEKLY

1. Opera Naples baritone Mark Walters, mezzo-soprano Audrey Babcock, soprano Anne Leonardi and stage director Michael Scarola
2. Michael and Mona Wilson
3. Paula and Roger Weatherburn-Baker
4. Joanne Pottorff, Marilyn Dessauer and Leslie Riggio

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VINO

Interview with a winemaker: Randall Grahm, Bonny Doon Vineyard



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him recently over a lovely dinner at Derek's in Sarasota.

"I am a winemaker first," says Mr. Grahm. "But I am a farmer as well. Winemakers that do not farm are more cerebral and detached. In the New World, winemakers tend to make 'wines of effort' and not of terroir. They are control freaks. They want to control everything from the clones to drip irrigation to the fermentation temperature. With wines de terroir, the grapes or vines have something to say and, as a winemaker, you try to make your own contribution more discreet."

Although Mr. Grahm was a successful wine marketer for many years, notably with his Pacific Rim and Big House brands, he no longer wants to make wine of effort.

"The wines were successful, but it's not what I want to do anymore," he says. "It's not as satisfying and not personal."

He's become a "terroir-ist."

"The main thing is to be humble," he says. "That is not easy to be, but with wine with terroir you are there to serve something larger than yourself."

Terroir is a complex concept that involves soil structure, topography, microclimate and other elements that imbue wine with distinctive characteristics.

"Great terroir is a blessing," says Mr. Grahm, who sounds like the philosophy major he started out to be before devoting his life to wine.

"It is something you discover over a lifetime. You polish it, express it, let it

We all have our heroes. For wine lovers like me, it's a Rhone Ranger like Randall Grahm.

Owner and winemaker of Bonny Doon Vineyard in Santa Cruz, Calif., he eschews convention.

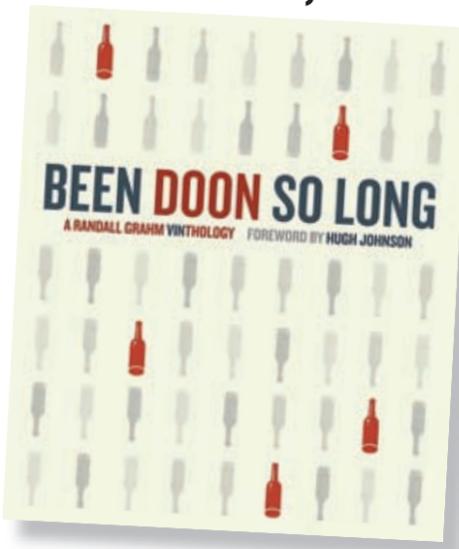
When Napa and Sonoma wineries were planting chardonnay and cabernet sauvignon in the 1980s, Mr. Grahm joined with other imaginative winemakers south of San Francisco to become one of the original Rhone Rangers, promoting wines made from Rhone valley grapes like grenache, syrah and mourvedre. Look up Rhone Rangers in Wikipedia and you'll see his picture.

In 2002, he held a mock funeral for the cork, positioning screwcaps as a viable alternative. In 2009, on Oprah Winfrey's show, he conducted a virtual wine tasting via Skype.

His book, "Been Doon So Long: A Randall Grahm Vinthology," (University of California Press) is a 2010 James Beard Award Winner and 2010 Georges DeBouef Wine Book of the Year.

Now he's looking to create new grape hybrids and, hence, new wines by doing something that's simply unheard of: He wants to grow vines from seed.

I had the pleasure of exploring some of his unconventional philosophies with



it's a concept that needs development in this country.

"In the New World, we have no baseline for growing grapes," he says. "We don't even know what to grow in the right spot. Are you growing grenache, when maybe syrah would do better there? You can have the right grape but the row orientation is wrong, or the gap between the rows isn't right, or the wrong rootstock. There are so many ways to screw it up, so how do you move forward?"

The way Bonny Doon is doing it is by going backward to time-tested techniques. The new vineyard in San Juan Bautista, Calif., will be farmed without an irrigation system and the grapes will be individually staked, not strung on wires. The soil has limestone in it, and will be farmed biodynamically, like the company's existing vineyards.

Biodynamic farming is regenerative and organic, focused on soil health and allows one part of the farm's waste to become energy for another. Clippings fall to the soil for mulch, and animals can wander through adding fertilization.

"Our vineyards have always been farmed biodynamically," says Mr. Grahm. "We don't do it this way because it is stylish; it's the way we farm."

What is unusual is that Mr. Grahm wants to grow the vines from seed, using cross-pollination to create new hybrids that will be unique to the terroir of this vineyard.

"My belief is that if the wines get better — and distinctive — they will speak for themselves. They will sell themselves." ■

shine forth as brightly as you can."

A wine's flavor is a combination of three aspects, he believes.

"First there is the terroir," he says, "whether it is strong or weak. If it is strong enough, the varietal character is more muted, and sometimes you don't even know what the grape variety is."

"Second is the genetic potential of the vine — the variety, the clone, and the root stock together. Last is the technique used in making the wine — the yeast, the fermentation style, the barreling. All of these are the stylistic inputs of the winemaker," he says.

While New World wines tend to be more about technique, Mr. Grahm says, Old World wines concentrate on terroir. It is terroir, not the winemaker, that makes the wine great, he believes, and



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FLORIDA WEEKLY CUISINE

The heavens align in perfect harmony at Sam-Bucco Bistro



It is a rare occasion indeed when all the elements of a meal come together in a seamless fashion.

Usually, something falls short of the mark — a dish is slightly overcooked; there's a lapse between courses; glaring lights or boisterous neighbors intrude.

None of those petty annoyances — or any others, for that matter — marred an outstanding meal at Sam-Bucco Bistro, despite the fact that we went on the busy Saturday night before Valentine's Day.

It's not simply the food or the service, although both are exceptional. From the moment I walked in the door of this stylish restaurant, I felt as if I'd been enveloped in a soothing cocoon of understated luxury.

The décor has an elegant golden glow, from the taupe walls to the graceful cream and gold curtains to the large, comfortable bar and gleaming glass wine storage area. The floors are covered in oversized tiles with muted pink, green and brown tones that match those in the subtle pattern of the upholstered chairs. The theme even carries into the immaculate restrooms.

The overall effect is lush and seductive without screaming "Hey, look at me! Aren't I chic?"

The service is much the same. Servers are friendly but refined, knowledgeable about the menu and wine list and attentive to customers. The staff operates as a cohesive team. We watched them clear and reset tables in a flash, with anyone who was available pitching in regardless of whose table it was.

When it comes to beverages, there's a full bar. Martinis come in chilled sidecars, and the wine list is excellent, with a selection of New World bottles, but an even better choice from the Old World.

We enjoyed a wonderful Traviglini Gattinara '04, made of Nebbiolo grapes like the Barolos, but at a lower price (\$68). With a touch of rose on the nose, soft tannins and lots of red berries and cherries on the palate, it complemented the Mediterranean spices in our meal nicely.

And then there was the menu, which offered surprising combinations that paired magnificently. Take one of the nightly specials: a large fettuccine pancake with Parmesan and cream topped with a cold water lobster tail, shrimp,



A showy special, this cold-water lobster tail and shrimp sit atop a large pancake made of fettuccine, parmesan and a touch of cream, all of which is covered with fresh peas and pink sauce.



Turkish grilled calamari served with endive, arugula, blasamic vinaigrette and a spritz of fresh lemon juice makes a great starter at Sam-Bucco Bistro.



Succulent shrimp and scallops are dressed up with chewy chorizo, pears, mandarin oranges and a just-tart-enough pomegranate sauce.



Chef Sam Bucco and business partner Adel Khalil have worked together in the restaurant business for 20 years, first in New Jersey then in Southwest Florida.

fresh peas and pink sauce (\$31.50). Or the shrimp and scallops chorizo, with braised pears, mandarin oranges, tomatoes and a tart pomegranate sauce, accompanied by asparagus and scalloped potatoes (\$23.95).

Both contained scrupulously fresh seafood and perfectly balanced seasonings, all masterfully plated.

The classic dishes were just as good. The babaganouj has a creamy consistency, the mashed eggplant seasoned simply with lemon, roasted garlic and tahini. We enjoyed it along with chunky avocado salad, marinated mushrooms, assorted cheeses (including a sensuously creamy goat cheese) and fresh, chewy focaccia bread on the Sam-Bucco appetizer (\$12.95). My favorite dish of all was the Turkish grilled calamari (\$10.95), consisting

of lightly grilled and seasoned tubes of tender squid served over arugula and endive with balsamic vinaigrette.

Even the desserts are just right — miniature versions of favorites such as Key lime pie, tiramisu, rice pudding and others. The mini-martini glass of tiramisu (\$3.75) we shared contained just a few satisfying bites of creamy mascarpone cream and tender cake marbled with coffee and chocolate.

Despite the fact that every table was filled by about 7:30 p.m., the room wasn't overly noisy, most likely owing to all the absorbent surfaces, such as the chairs, curtains and tablecloths. That was as refreshing and unusual as the quietly classy décor.

The only minor miss of the evening was that it took a while to secure our check once we'd finished dinner, owing to the fact that the service staff was working at maximum capacity and our server had to prepare and deliver several cappuccinos.



A scaled-down tiramisu affords a few satisfying sweet bites.

Given the pleasant afterglow of the meal, however, we weren't in a great rush and it was refreshing that no one seemed in a hurry to turn the table.

It was clear that many of the guests were regulars, given that chef/owner Sam Bucco, co-owner Adel Khalil and several servers greeted them by name and stopped by tables to chat. It's equally clear what makes people return time and again: The management here has both the talent and vision to offer customers an exceptional dining experience. ■

In the know

Sam-Bucco Bistro
14700 Tamiami Trail N.; 592-6050

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

>> **Hours:** Lunch served 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; dinner served 4:30-10 p.m. daily

>> **Reservations:** Accepted

>> **Credit cards:** Major cards accepted
>> **Price range:** Appetizers, \$6-\$12.95; entrees, \$18.50-\$30.95

>> **Beverages:** Full bar with exemplary wine list
>> **Seating:** At the bar or one high top table, conventional tables and chairs in the dining room or on more casual enclosed patio

>> **Specialties of the house:** Babaganouj, portobello a la Lyonnaise, Turkish grilled calamari, whole wheat penne rustiche, gnocchi, linguini all vongole (clams), risotto porcini, grilled salmon, shrimp and scallops chorizo, grilled rosemary chicken, grilled steak chimichurri, rack of lamb, veal Valenciana

>> **Volume:** Low to moderate

>> **Parking:** Free lot

>> **Web site:** www.sam-buccobistro.com

★★★★★ **Superb**
★★★★ **Noteworthy**
★★★ **Good**
★★ **Fair**
★ **Poor**

food & wine CALENDAR

> **Saturday, Feb. 19, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Whole Foods Market:** The Kids' Club teaches children how to eat a rainbow by filling their plates with vegetables; \$5, Mercato, 9101 Strada Place; 552-0510 or register at www.acteva.com/go/LifestyleCenter.

> **Saturday, Feb. 19, 7-9 p.m., Robb & Stucky Culinary Center:** Chef Martin Murphy prepares culinary tour of the Mediterranean; \$75 inclusive, 26501 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs; (866) 206-3840.

> **Monday, Feb. 21, 5-7 p.m., Pure Urban Oasis:** Explore the sparkling world of champagnes at this biweekly tasting; \$10 (can be used as credit toward dinner that night), Mercato; 514-7873. Reservations preferred.

> **Monday, Feb. 21, 5:30-7 p.m., Tony's Off Third:** Meet winemaker David Guffy and sample wines from The Hess Collection; \$15 per person (includes \$10 coupon toward purchase of featured Hess wines); 1300 Third St. S.; 262-7999.

> **Monday, Feb. 21, 6:30 p.m., Ruth's Chris Steak House:** Juelle Fisher, proprietor of Fisher Vineyards, will be on hand for a four-course wine dinner; \$109, Coconut Point, Estero; 948-8888. Reservations required.

> **Monday, Feb. 21, 6-8 p.m., Robb & Stucky Culinary Center:** Chef Martin Murphy creates tasty Caribbean recipes featuring local seafood; \$45; 26501 Tamiami Trail S., Bonita Springs; (866) 206-3840. Reservations required.

> **Wednesday, Feb. 23, noon-2 p.m., Robb & Stucky Culinary Center:** Chef Martin Murphy demonstrates how to make creative salads; \$35; 26501 Tamiami Trail S., Bonita Springs; (866) 206-3840. Reservations required.

> **Wednesday, Feb. 23, 5:30-8 p.m., Decanted Wines:** The ratings of Wine Spectator and Wine Advocate are put to the test in this sampling of highly rated reds; \$10 (with \$5 credit toward purchase that evening), 1410 Pine Ridge Road; 434-1814. Reservations required.

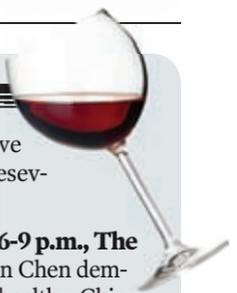
> **Wednesday, Feb. 23, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Shula's Steak House:** Try all five of Shula's steak cuts at one time, paired with five signature sides and five wines; \$55 in advance, \$65 at the door; 5111 Tamiami Trail

North; 430-4999. Reserve online at www.shulasnaplesevents.eventbrite.com.

> **Wednesday, Feb. 23, 6-9 p.m., The Good Life of Naples:** Helen Chen demonstrates dishes from the healthy Chinese kitchen; \$100, 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road; 514-4663. Reservations required.

> **Thursday, Feb. 24, noon-1:30 p.m., Bamboo Café French Home Cooking:** Enjoy a two-course lunch and an interior design presentation on "Color Power" by Joie Wilson; \$25 inclusive, 755 12th Ave. S.; 643-6177 or reserve online at www.bamboocafenaples.com. Reservations required. ■

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