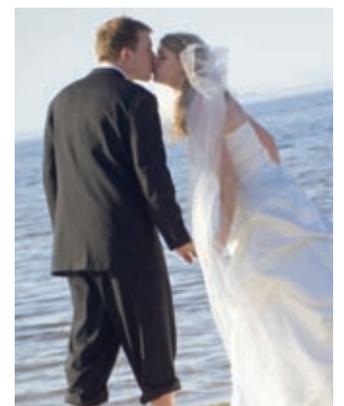




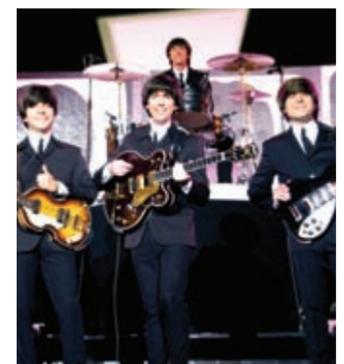
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THE WAR RAGES ON, WITH NO CEASEFIRE OR SURRENDER IN SIGHT

KIDS & DRUGS

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"You're doing a story on young people and drugs?" an acquaintance asked. "What can be said that hasn't already been said?"

She had a point. This is a story that has been around forever. Problem is, it seems as if nothing actually gets resolved. The rates of drug usage among teenagers and young adults rise and fall. But they never fall to a level that anyone would find acceptable, and this is certainly true in Southwest Florida.

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It's a banner weekend for botany enthusiasts

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Before the first official week of spring is over, some of the most striking examples of plant life in Southwest Florida will be on display at two venerable shows. The 58th annual Naples Flower Show and the 38th annual Naples Orchid Society Show & Sale coincide this weekend, each boasting its own special kind of



Container Alley at the 2010 Orchid Show

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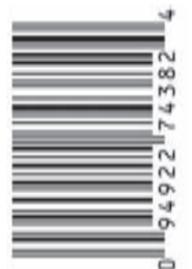
botanic beauty. "This is the time of year when orchids are blooming and when other things have leafed out and look especially beautiful," Liz Chehayl, president of Naples Garden Club, said last weekend as she took a break from working on her entries for the club's flower show.

"I've been working for months trying

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COMMENTARY

Soot Man



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The first time I laid eyes on Soot Man, I was lacing my shoes and preparing for an early-morning run. By chance, I peered out the window and beheld something strange in the carport attached to the vacant house directly across the street. It was person, a man, lying face-up on the cold, hard cement slab.

I searched frantically for my cell phone, but before I had a chance to call 911, I noticed that this prostrate figure was stirring. After a couple of minutes, he was on his feet, a large McDonald's bag in his hand. I went out to do some stretching before my run and gave the guy the once-over twice. Medium height, skinny, weathered face and rheumy eyes. He looked to be about 70, but I'm sure he was much younger. He was the filthiest human being I had ever seen. Even his gray hair — worn long in a Mark Twain style — was shaded charcoal by layers of dirt. It was as if he had been dipped in a vat of soot, hence the name "Soot Man" that I silently bestowed upon him.

As I stretched, I watched Soot Man from the corner of my eye. He stood on the sidewalk, looking east and then west, and then east again, as if he was uncertain about which way to go. He

finally settled on west, and proceeded along the sidewalk in a gait that was reminiscent of man traversing the deck of a ship that was being tossed by high seas.

That first encounter took place three or so months ago. Soot Man became a constant presence in the carport. I had no idea when he arrived, but more often than not he was there when I headed out for my morning runs. He also could be seen in the blocks surrounding my neighborhood in the middle of the day, shuffling along, always wearing the same clothes and always clutching that McDonald's bag.

A couple of weeks ago, I decided to engage him. Don't ask me why or what I thought this would accomplish. Perhaps it was a morbid curiosity. So, on this day, as I finished my stretching and Soot Man was headed on his usual westerly course, I called out to him.

"Hey," I shouted as I crossed the street. "You got a minute?"

Soot Man's eyes narrowed. "I ain't done nothin'. Nobody lives in that house."

"I know that. I'm not here to give you a hard time."

Up close, Soot Man was more pathetic than I had imagined. The checkered coat was riddled with tears and holes. His blue shirt bore sweat stains and deep brown smudges. His black trousers were shiny and about three sizes too big; only a tightly cinched length of rope kept them from falling to his ankles. The accumulated dirt and sweat on his face

gave him a weird, bronze hue.

"What do you want?" he asked.

"I don't know, exactly. I see you sleeping over there in the carport, and I guess I just wondered what's going on."

"The carport's got a roof. That's why I sleep there."

"Oh."

There was an awkward silence before Soot Man looked me dead in the eye and said, "Can you help me out?"

Uh-oh, I thought, this was a big mistake. But despite my trepidation, I found myself saying, "Stay put. I'll be right back."

Every instinct told me I was doing something foolish, yet I jogged back to my house, went inside and fished a \$10 bill from my wallet.

When I handed the money to Soot Man, he immediately stuffed it into the right pocket of his trousers. For a few seconds, his mouth worked, as if he was trying to say something. But he never did, and we stood there, face-to-face, mute. I surmised that it had been so long since anyone had done him a good turn that he was at a loss as how to respond.

I wondered if Soot Man would now become a regular at my door. Would he come knocking at all hours, seeking money and favors? The prospect gave me a sinking feeling, but there was no undoing what just transpired.

The awkward silence ended when Soot Man abruptly embarked on his trek west. I stood there, watching him weave down the sidewalk, when something

popped into my mind, unbidden. It was a question that I desperately wanted to ask him, but it was also a question that I knew was horribly intrusive and carried with it more than whiff of condescension. What the hell, I finally decided; I had given the guy a sawbuck and by doing so had practically invited him to be an unwelcome presence in my life. An answer to a question wasn't too much to ask in return.

"Hey, I want to know something."

Soot Man, who was about 50 feet down the sidewalk, stopped and turned.

"When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up?"

"Man, that was a long time ago," he said.

"I realize that, but every kid has dreams of becoming a fireman or a ball player or a doctor or whatever."

"That was a long time ago, like I said. I don't remember."

I should have let the matter drop, but I gave it one more shot.

"Well, when you were young, what did you see yourself doing at the age you are now?"

Soot Man began fidgeting with a button on his shirt.

"I don't recall, exactly," he said, "but I can tell you this. It sure as hell wasn't what I'm doing now."

With that, Soot Man resumed his stroll, and I took off on my run. I stole a glance over my shoulder and noticed that Soot Man's gait seemed more labored than usual.

I haven't seen him since. ■

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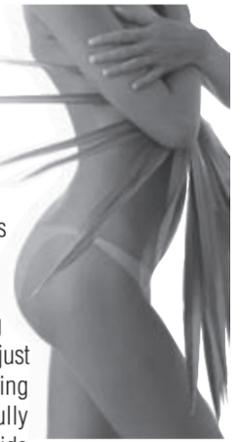
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OPINION

The whiniest president ever



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It was fashionable at the end of the 1970s, after a dreary parade of presidential failures punctuated by Jimmy Carter, to say the presidency had grown too unwieldy. The historian Barbara Tuchman spoke for all the academic and journalistic believers in the theory of the impossible presidency when she mused, "Maybe some form of plural executive is needed, such as they have in Switzerland."

Ah, yes, the wonders of the plural executive. Why didn't that occur to James Madison?

President Barack Obama has belatedly joined the ranks of presidential fatalists. The job isn't too complex necessarily; it's too damn influential. According to *The New York Times*, Obama has been telling aides that it'd be easier to be president of China. No one hangs on Hu Jintao's every word, or expects global leadership from a grasping, one-party state that has never

been a beacon to the world.

In the history of presidential lamentations, this has to rank among the most pathetic. It brings to mind the affecting scene from "The King's Speech" when Colin Firth, playing the stammering monarch-to-be, breaks down and weeps at the prospect of the crown being thrust upon him: "I'm not a king." Except Barack Obama campaigned for two years straight to be president of the United States — and doesn't stutter.

The proximate cause of Obama's angst is the crisis in Libya. Obama announced that Moammar Gadhafi must go, and proceeded to do nothing that might give his words any bite. The administration is still agonizing over the no-fly zone, even as Gadhafi routs the rebels.

Obama lacks executive flair. Talk to New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and he will tell you at length how much he loves making decisions. It's hard to imagine a Chris Christie enjoying life as a legislator. Obama came to the presidency after a political career spent marinating in senates, first in Illinois, then in Washington.

Osama bin Laden famously talked of the weak horse and the strong horse. Obama is the show horse. As a U.S.

senator, he distinguished himself more by saying things than passing legislation. In the White House, he has replicated his role as the nonlegislating legislator on a grand scale. His successes have been as the leader of the Democrats in Congress, although even here, the word "leader" applies only loosely. He set the broad goals and gave the speeches; otherwise, he let Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid run riot.

At the dawn of America's global power, a bumptious Theodore Roosevelt raced to make America's influence felt around the world — and earned a Nobel Peace Prize as a result. President Obama gives off a sense of world-weariness and exhaustion with America's leadership — and has earned a Nobel Peace Prize as a result. He reflects the deep vein of declinism running through the country's elite, the same class of people who pronounced the presidency uninhabitable just as Ronald Reagan arrived to prove them wrong.

Today, as in the late 1970s, the job isn't too big, nor is the country too powerful: The man is too small. ■

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

LETTER to the EDITOR

Vanderbilt Beach snack bar plans should stay afloat

To the Editor:

A private-public, Collier County Commissioner Georgia Hiller-orchestrated meeting on March 8 revealed she encouraged her adoring supporters to trash plans for a much-needed facility at Vanderbilt Beach that includes a concession stand.

Beachgoers were missing from the debate.

Commissioner Hiller's cherry-picked audience declared that there is no public support for a beach facility. There has always been overwhelming support and need for this facility as designed. In fact, demand is so great that vendors are now delivering pizzas and subs to beachgoers on Vanderbilt Beach.

I rented a cabana from Cabana Dan on Saturday, and it's pretty apparent that our commissioners have not visited Vanderbilt Beach in awhile, possibly in decades. Beachgoers lying on their towels are pretty well amazed that after all these years, the county is still catering to those who want to kill a much-needed snack bar that would generate revenue for the county and help residents have a pleasant day at the beach.

What has occurred is a serious violation of the public trust. I watched the meeting on DVD, and I plan to file an ethics complaint with the state.

Commissioner Tom Henning said something about mothers knowing what to bring for their children when they visit the beach. Then he said that if they don't bring enough, they can get it at the Turtle Club. Neither of those thoughts have much to do with the reality of a day at the beach. Mothers grab what they can in the morning, but if a child wants more, a snack at a concession stand is a welcoming amenity. On

my trips to the beach, I don't see any beachgoers running over to the Turtle Club for snacks.

People on the beach usually stay on the beach, and that's why a concession stand is needed. Most other public beaches in Collier County have such facilities.

The arguments presented at this one-sided meeting did not in any way reflect the perspective of the beachgoing public.

While the beachgoing public was left out of the meeting, spokespeople from Vanderbilt Beach businesses were all invited and chimed in that a snack bar will hurt their businesses. A private enterprise doing the same has been in business on the beach for years, Cabana Dan's. No new business is being proposed.

Residents living on Vanderbilt Beach who turned out in droves and insisted that Collier County is trying to commercialize the beach avoided conversation of the dire over-crowding and lack of amenities on what is Collier County's busiest beach, a tourism driver that's very important to our economy. A snack bar might be abhorrent to the upland owners, but it would be a desirable amenity to the tourists who paid the tax that was collected long ago to fund this. An attractive facility would also be a desirable amenity to working families in Collier County.

Commissioners caved under pressure, and the facility was ratcheted down to toilets below an observation deck. A FEMA variance for a one-story at grade could very well cost Collier big bucks. Before Commissioner Hiller is done, don't be surprised if the observation deck is also history. Voila! Expensive toilets for the masses!

Prior to this sham public meeting,

I'd been asking for updates. As a beach advocate/spokesperson, I've attended many meetings. No reply. A public records search of Ms. Hiller's e-mails shows her insisting that her minions run all District 2 Coastal Zone communications through her. No telling why parties in favor were kept out of the loop, but the frantic tone of the micro-management revealed in these e-mails suggests that if county employees are accomplishing anything beyond catering to her nutty demands, an awards ceremony is in order.

To prepare for the kangaroo court, Ms. Hiller coached, "If the chair says he doesn't want people to repeat themselves for the record, ignore him. ...The record needs to reflect each of your thoughts as stated by each person — even if they are the same."

Let the record reflect that Vanderbilt Beach beachgoers have been ripped off by what is known as dirty politics.

Don't bother e-mailing the District 2 commish. With this latest low-rent maneuver, she's shown her true colors. Georgia Hiller orchestrated a fine show, but it did not in any way serve the majority of people she was elected to serve. Or maybe it did, but someone should be looking out for the rest of us.

Residents from Marco Island to the city of Naples, from Immokalee and throughout our county's many inland communities who enjoy the beach experience, PLEASE e-mail me at smartieml@earthlink.net. We need support to protect this public beach facility. This issue affects everyone in Collier County. ■

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15 MINUTES

Uncorking a new passion makes life 'as good as it gets'

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Dan Leaman's favorite wines are red. His favorite grape is cabernet sauvignon — anything from Napa Valley, he says. He also loves zinfandel, syrah and malbec.

"I'm just learning so much about these grapes, and then when you combine them and you have this ménage a trios type of thing it's like, oh my gosh, the whole world changes," he says.

Born and raised in Lancaster, Pa., a town in the heart of Amish country, Mr. Leaman worked in construction sales and management for about two decades. There was no inkling of the wine connoisseurship that he would begin to enjoy in his late 40s, after moving to Florida, and that would lead him to start the Wine Tasters of Naples in 2008.

From the initial dinner party for 17, the group has grown to a fully structured organization with about 500 members, with Mr. Leaman as president. Their first big fundraiser, Cheers for Charity, raised \$45,000 last spring, and the group expects to top that at the second annual luau-style party coming up Saturday, April 9, at the Players Club at Lely Resort. Once again, proceeds will benefit three local organizations: Youth Haven, St. Mathews House and the Shelter for Abused Women & Children.

Mr. Leaman's passion for wine and deep involvement with it as a hobby and lifestyle began after other pastimes, sports and travel, came to an end. About five years ago he began a series of surgeries, the result of



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Dan Leaman at a recent Wine Tasters happy hour at Shula's.

old sports injuries. Two hip replacements, a reconstructed ankle and other medical intervention left him often in a wheelchair or on crutches. The joints in his body are riddled with arthritis, he says, meaning he can't play golf or walk more than about a quarter mile at a time, and the travel he used to enjoy is curtailed.

The second youngest of nine siblings, he grew up playing "every sport" in high school, including track, basketball and volleyball, and continued more casually for years after that. He went to work in the construction business after graduation

and married Naomi Leaman. They have two daughters, a 22-year-old in Naples, and a 31-year-old in New York City.

"After those surgeries and instead of being out playing basketball and volleyball and golf, I started going to wine tastings," he says. "It's one thing I can do. Every day my wife and I taste, sample and enjoy wine along with our friends." His favorite place in town is Decanted, he says.

The Wine Tasters have met at dozens of venues for events big and small. They're at Roy's downtown the third Wednesday of each month and Pure Urban Oasis at

Mercato the second and fourth Mondays. Friday happy hour moves around from place to place.

A typical week has Mr. Leaman, 56, at the gym three mornings per week and at Starbucks with friends every day from 7:30 to 9 a.m. He spends the rest of the morning setting up Wine Tasters events, taking a break around noon to swim laps. Then he's often back on the computer answering e-mails until it's time for a wine tasting in the evening.

Although controlling the pain from his arthritis and surgeries is something he deals with daily, most of his friends aren't aware of it.

"I have a really wonderful life," he says. "Physically it's not very good, but I wouldn't trade places with anybody." Heading to the beach for the sunset with a few bottles of wine and friends, as he did one evening last week, he adds, is "as good as it gets." ■

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Tin City awaits replica ships

The Pinta and the Nina, replicas of the Columbus' ships that sailed the ocean blue, will dock at Tin City on Thursday, March 31, and will be open for public tours from Friday, April 1, through Sunday, April 10.

The Nina was built completely by hand and without the use of power tools. Archaeology magazine has called the ship "the most historically correct Columbus replica ever built."

More recently built in Brazil to accompany the Nina on all of her travels, the Pinta is a larger version of the archetypal caravel, the Portuguese-designed ship used by Columbus and many early explorers to discover the world. Historians consider the caravel "the space shuttle of the 15th century."

The two replicas, which are owned by The Columbus Foundation, first docked in Naples in April 2010 at the invitation of the Naples Waterfront Association. While they are in port, they will be open for self-guided tours every day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$6 for students ages 5-16 and free for



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The Nina has a 65-foot-long deck and a sail area of 1,919 square feet. Both the Nina and the Pinta have a 7-foot draft.

ages 4 and younger. No reservations are necessary.

Teachers or organizations wishing to schedule a 30-minute guided tour should call (787) 672-2152. Groups require a minimum of 15 people, and admission is \$5 per person. For more information, visit www.thenina.com. ■

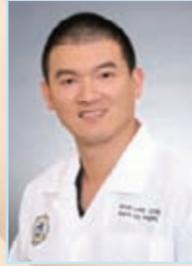
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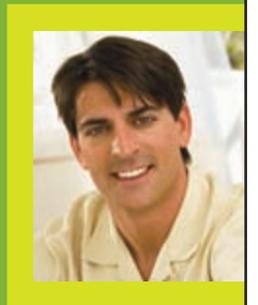


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Drug usage by young people in Collier, Charlotte and Lee counties has remained fairly constant, according to a state survey. Yet, even without huge spikes, the numbers are unsettling. In a survey conducted last year, 41.6 percent of Collier County's high school students said they had used illicit drugs at some point. Nearly 19 percent of Collier's middle school students also admitted to using illicit drugs. In Charlotte County, the numbers were 44.1 percent for high school students and 22.7 for those in middle school. Lee County's figures for illicit drug use were 41.3 percent for those enrolled in high school, and 22.8 percent for middle schoolers.

The substances used and abused by teens and young adults may vary, but the plague of addiction marches on, seemingly unabated.

This year marks the 40th anniversary of when President Richard M. Nixon said we were in crisis and declared his "war on drugs." Four decades and \$1 trillion later, we are still in crisis. If Afghanistan represents the longest war in American history, the war on drugs is the conflict that will be with us forever. There will be no ceasefire, no surrender. And meanwhile, the battlefield continues to be littered with ruined lives, shattered families and untimely deaths.

President Obama's drug czar Gil Kerlikowske (a graduate of Fort Myers High School) has said that despite our best efforts, "the concern about drugs and drug problems is, if anything, magnified." And at no time have we been more concerned with the growing problem of addiction among our young. The array of drugs and intoxicants available to young people today is staggering, and the ease of acquisition is downright terrifying.

According to addiction specialists in Southwest Florida who deal with the young, alcohol remains the substance most commonly sampled and abused. No surprise there. But setting alcohol aside for a moment, you find different locales face different challenges.

In Collier and Lee counties, abuse of prescription drugs, principally high-voltage painkillers (OxyContin — a form of oxycodone — Vicodin and the like), and benzodiazepines (tranquilizers like Xanax) pose a significant and potentially deadly threat to young people. In Charlotte County, marijuana looms as the most stubborn problem.

What the doctor ordered?

The youth of Southwest Florida have been placed in a most dangerous position. Prescription drugs are producing a new generation of addicts, the Cocaine Cowboys of the 1970s and 1980s replaced by unscrupulous men and women in white coats armed with nothing more than a medical degree.

Florida is the unquestioned "pill mill" capital of the United States. Routinely disguised as pain clinics, these mills usually operate on a cash-only basis and accept no insurance. The amount of drugs flowing out of such operations is astonishing.

Consider this: Dave Aronberg, a former state senator who is now a special prosecutor with the state attorney general's office and charged with tackling the pill mill problem, recently noted that in the first six months of 2010, 41.2 million doses of oxycodone were prescribed in Florida. The total prescribed doses of oxycodone in every other state combined was 4.8 million. In other words, almost 90

... there was a raid on an enormous pill mill on the east coast of Florida. Within a day or so, the waiting list for detox at SWFAS jumped from 30 to 70, because local addicts had suddenly been cut off from a major supplier who was serving both coasts.

Numbers to know

>> **Drug Free Collier:** 377-0535; www.drugfreecollier.org

>> **Drug Free Charlotte County:** (941) 255-0808; www.drugfreecharlottecounty.org

>> **Lee County Coalition for a Drug-Free Southwest Florida:** 931-9317; www.drug-freeswfl.org

>> **Southwest Florida Addiction Services:** 332-6937; www.swfas.org

percent of the oxycodone prescribed in the United States is ordered by Florida physicians.

That pills are a major concern in Collier County and Naples makes sense, since the relative affluence of Naples often affords young people ample funds with which to purchase drugs.

"Kids don't even have to go out to the streets to get drugs," says Anne Frazier, executive director of Drug Free Collier. "OxyContin is available in the schools; it's traded and sold."

Ms. Frazier's assertion is validated by the experience of a Naples man whose 16-year-old daughter struggles with addiction.

"When she was 12 years old, she and four of her friends overdosed on oxycodone at school, at eight in the morning," says the father, who requests anonymity to protect his daughter, who is currently in treatment and also faces charges for petty theft.

"Her addiction has resulted in other problems. She will (steal) things right in front of the security camera," he says. "It's a cry for help, I believe. This takes a toll in many ways. When a kid is in trouble, the family is in trouble."

When he learned of his daughter's addiction, he asked her what percentage of her friends used drugs. "She told me that it was 100 percent," he recalls. "The extent of the pill problem in Naples is unbelievable."

Ms. Frazier says statistics bear out this father's concern about widespread drug and alcohol use among Collier's young people.

According to the 2010 Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey, nearly 70 percent of Collier's high school students say they have used alcohol or illicit drugs. The survey also shows marijuana use on the rise.

Forty-four percent of Collier high school students say they have used illicit drugs, according to the 2010 abuse survey. Nearly 23 percent of middle school students admitted to similar drug usage. Almost 13 percent of the high school students reported abuse of prescription pain relievers. Amphetamines were used by 4.6 percent of the students.

"It is easier (for a young person) to get an opiate than a beer in Naples," says Rick Furtado, director of community services for Inspirations Naples, a facility that specializes in treating adolescents ages 12-18 with addiction problems.

(The David Lawrence Center in Naples treats both young and adult

addiction cases.)

Inspirations opened in Naples because so many young people from Collier were flocking to its flagship facility in Fort Lauderdale.

"The need in Naples for a specialized treatment center for young people was enormous," says Mr. Furtado.

Mr. Furtado, 58, brings a special understanding to his job. He did battle with addiction (principally heroin) as teenager growing up in Massachusetts. He spent two stretches in prison (one for burglarizing pharmacies) before he turned 20. Amazingly, he earned a GED and was then awarded a scholarship to the University of Vermont, where he studied psychology and trained to be a counselor. But his problems with alcohol and drugs continued. At one point, he became so desperate that he voluntarily entered Bridgewater State Hospital, which is

2010 Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Percentages of **Collier County** youth who report having used various drugs in their lifetimes:

MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Alcohol	32.1
Cigarettes	17.3
Marijuana or Hashish	8.3
Methamphetamine	0.4
Cocaine or Crack	0.8
Prescription Pain Relievers	2.3

HIGH SCHOOL

Alcohol	67.4
Cigarettes	36.7
Marijuana or Hashish	33.9
Methamphetamine	1.3
Cocaine or Crack	4.9
Prescription Pain Relievers	8.9

Percentages of **Lee County** youth who report having used various drugs in their lifetimes:

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Alcohol	37.1
Cigarettes	17.1
Marijuana or Hashish	10.6
Methamphetamine	1.7
Cocaine or Crack	2.9
Prescription Pain Relievers	5.4

HIGH SCHOOL

Alcohol	65.5
Cigarettes	32.8
Marijuana or Hashish	33.4
Methamphetamine	2.9
Cocaine or Crack	4.6
Prescription Pain Relievers	11.6

Percentages of **Charlotte County** youth who report having used various drugs in their lifetimes:

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Alcohol	33.8
Cigarettes	19.0
Marijuana or Hashish	11.7
Methamphetamine	0.7
Cocaine or Crack	1.3
Prescription Pain Relievers	5.0

HIGH SCHOOL

Alcohol	61.6
Cigarettes	40.5
Marijuana or Hashish	38.9
Methamphetamine	2.1
Cocaine or Crack	5.9
Prescription Pain Relievers	12.8

Massachusetts' facility for the criminally insane and has been home to the likes of Albert DeSalvo, the "Boston Strangler."

"I needed help, and Bridgewater was the only place that would take me," he says. "Thanks God those days are past, and places like Inspirations exist."

Mr. Furtado, who has been clean and sober for the last 24 years, easily relates to the drug-troubled teenagers who pass through the doors of Inspirations.

"For the most part, these are good kids who could have great futures," he says. "But unless they receive the proper treatment, they're not going to make it."

"A lot of us live in a vacuum," says Ms. Frazier. "Many of the adults just don't know how bad the problem is. But the kids know. They see it every day. They live it."

Feeling the pain

Kevin Lewis, CEO of Southwest Florida Addiction Services in Fort Myers, also detects a growing menace with prescription medications.

"The number one withdrawal in our detox unit is from pain killers," he says.

In years past, most of those in detox at SWFAS were white males between the ages of 45 and 55, and they were withdrawing from alcohol, Mr. Lewis says. "Now, when I walk through detox, most of the people there are withdrawing from pain killers, and they look like my children (who are 27 and 24) or younger."

Mr. Lewis blames this proliferation of pills on a variety of causes, but he says three stand out: our culture, pill mills and the availability of medications within the home.

"Look at all the prescription drug ads on television," he says. "We're selling people a bad bill of goods. We're telling them that anxiety is not a part of human existence. That's wrong. There are some days that anxiety is what gets me out of bed and going."

Amity Chandler, director of Drug-Free Charlotte County, seconds Mr. Lewis' observation.

"In our pop culture you see a tolerance for underage drug use and drinking," she says. "Look at what is shown on MTV and Spice TV. The theme is that using and drinking is cool. This makes it very difficult to convince kids otherwise. They're bombarded with all the wrong messages."

The pill mill problem cannot be overstated, according to Mr. Lewis, and he uses a telling anecdote to illustrate that contention. Not long ago, SWFAS had 30 people on its waiting list for detox, most of them young people hooked on pills. At the same time, there was a raid on an enormous pill mill on the east coast of Florida. Within a day or so, the waiting list for detox at SWFAS jumped from 30 to 70, because local addicts had suddenly been cut off from a major supplier who was serving both coasts.

"The impact (of the pill mills) is stunning," he says. "Florida has become the Wild West of this stuff. I've had pharmacists tell me that a young person will come in with a prescription (from a pill mill) for 180 oxycodone and 120 Xanax. The kid pays in cash and then he's back the next day with another prescription from another source. These kids are getting lethal amounts of prescription drugs on a regular basis."

Many pharmacists have begun limiting their supplies of drugs like oxycodone so they don't have the capacity to fill such large prescriptions. But others are all too happy to satisfy the demand.

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“Let’s be honest, you’ve got profiteers in any line of work,” says Mr. Lewis.

A large portion of the pills consumed by young people is coming out of home medicine cabinets. A typical scenario, Mr. Lewis says, is this: Dad hurts his back. He receives a prescription for 60 oxycodone pills for pain. Dad takes four or five pills and the pain subsides or he doesn’t like the way drug makes him feel. Son or daughter knows the oxycodone is there and begins to pilfer it. Dad, who has forgotten about the pills, doesn’t notice they are disappearing.

To counter this pattern, many counties provide programs aimed at helping people dispose of unneeded and outdated prescription drugs. “Operation Medicine Cabinet” was held last month in Lee County, and some 400,000 pills were turned over during a five-day span. A similar event will be held April 30 in Naples at several sites.

Addiction breeds not only desperation but ingenuity as well. Ms. Frazier says the lengths addicts will go to feed their addiction is mind-boggling.

“We have people rooting around in landfills and garbage cans, looking for discarded prescription containers,” she says. “If they find one for a drug they

like, they have a name and it’s not hard to come up with an address. They then target the home for burglary, hoping to find more of the drug.”

Not ‘just pot’

The perception that marijuana is a benign substance drives Amity Chandler of Drug Free Charlotte County up the wall.

“That is a myth,” she says flatly.

The myth largely is a product of the medical marijuana craze in places like California and is further perpetuated by mellow remembrances of aging hippies.

“The marijuana that is out there today is very different from the marijuana that was circulating in the 1960s and 1970s,” she says, adding the THC (the primary intoxicant in marijuana) content is much higher than it was years ago, and that means the drug produces a much more pronounced physiological reaction.

According to the 2010 youth abuse survey, about 40 percent of Charlotte County’s high school students and nearly 12 percent of its middle school students report marijuana use. Statewide, the figure for high school students is 33.8 percent and 10.5 percent for middle schoolers.

“We’re not making the progress we’d like with marijuana,” Ms. Chandler says.

It is unclear what is driving this marijuana surge in Charlotte, but ready availability coupled with relatively low prices

are presumed to be key factors.

One might think that the heavy marijuana use is linked to a more tolerant attitude toward the substance from baby boomer parents. But Ms. Chandler says statistics do not support that hypothesis.

“We used to think that baby boomers would just look away when it came to marijuana,” she says, “but our surveys of students don’t bear that out. We found that 75 percent of the students said their parents don’t approve of marijuana and strongly discourage any experimentation.”

A goal of Drug Free Charlotte County is to change the perceptions of young people toward drug usage. Ms. Chandler says studies have discovered that students think drug use is more widespread than it actually is. This produces a feeling on the part of some students that they must at least experiment with drugs to be accepted by their peers.

“We are trying to get across that most of our students don’t use drugs,” she says.

Delaying experimentation and use is vital, according to Mark Mishek, president and chief executive of the Minnesota-based Hazelden Foundation. Founded in 1949, Hazelden not only operates treatment facilities (it has one in Naples that serves only adults), but it is also one of the leading publishers of books and other materials related to recovery.

“We really don’t know what the real effect of drugs and alcohol is on a young person’s brain, which is still developing,”

Mr. Mishek says. “But we do know that young people who start at 13 or 14 or 15 are four times as likely to have problems as adults. You want to tell them to wait until college, please, if they are going to experiment at all.”

One major roadblock to addressing the problem of addiction involving young people is the cost of treatment.

Hazelden charges about \$26,000 a month for residential treatment of young adults at its other centers around the country, Mr. Mishek says, which is in line with other top-tier facilities. Hazelden invests about 6 percent of its income for “scholarships” and aid to families who cannot afford to pay full freight, he adds.

Insurance for the treatment of substance abuse is filled with “huge holes,” he adds. Some plans will cover it, others will not. Those with low incomes and no insurance face daunting challenges and most likely will have to settle on a few days of detox and perhaps a few more days of actual treatment at a facility that receives public funding.

Despite what appears to be a bleak landscape, those who fight the daily battle against addiction refuse to concede defeat.

“I am very optimistic,” says Ms. Chandler. “We face a world of obstacles, that’s for sure. But despite all of that, most of our kids still make good decisions. We’ve just got to keep working with those who don’t.” ■

After crying, we opened our eyes

On Oct. 16, 2010, our lives changed forever when my stepdaughter Elise accidentally and tragically died from a multi-drug overdose in Pinellas County, Fla. Prescription medication, street drugs and alcohol were contributing factors in her passing.

Elise was a beautiful and accomplished 21-year-old senior at Eckerd College. She had been on the dean’s list and had a wonderful life ahead of her. Each day, I see the effects of our devastating loss: a mother grieving for the daughter she loved so much, and my stepsons missing their loving sister.

The perils of inappropriate prescription drug use affect people in all walks of life, from young people to middle-aged and senior citizens. It does not discriminate against economic class, gender or race, and the results are devastating. Per the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, seven people die each day from prescription drug overdoses in Florida.

While we cannot bring Elise back, my wife and I have made it our mission to reduce the daily number of prescription drug-related deaths from seven to zero.

On March 10, the Florida House Health and Human Services Committee passed a bill to end the Prescription Drug Moni-

toring Program authorized by the Florida Legislature in 2009. The full Florida House still needs to approve the committee bill, and the Florida Senate would need to adopt a companion bill. There is much more work to be done.

PDMP funding was to occur through private foundations and grants, not through taxpayer funds. Enough money has been raised to launch and run the PDMP for a year. The PDMP was designed to be a tool for physicians and pharmacies to reduce doctor shopping and fraud, and to limit the flow of Schedule II-IV narcotics. It would allow doctors and pharmacies to check and see if a patient is receiving the same or comparable narcotic prescriptions elsewhere.

The majority of the health and human services committee believes that they need an approach that stops the supply, not monitors the problem. My family and I respectfully disagree. The issue is not the supply of the narcotics coming from the wholesalers, but rather, whether the drugs are being abused by patients and used by other people.

Gov. Rick Scott and others have publicly cited privacy concerns and the premise that it’s not the role of government to

oversee/regulate narcotic prescriptions. As a life-long conservative Republican, I do not like government intrusion and regulations placed on the lives of American citizens. However, if government has any role, it must be to provide for the public health and safety of its citizens. It rightfully does so by criminalizing illegal drug use, underage drinking and drunk driving. We need to take a further step in eliminating the poison of prescription drug abuse.

The same privacy concern was initially raised in other states that have a PDMP. However, those states found ways to safeguard patient privacy and comply with HIPAA. If 34 states took the necessary steps to protect patient privacy, then Florida can do it, too.

As the PDMP and pill mill debate heats up, it is important to avoid doctor and pain clinic bashing and to have a fair and balanced approach to the surrounding issues. We must not forget that most doctors and licensed pain management clinics are seeking to look after the health and safety of their patients without over-medicating them. We need to protect individuals with cancer or verifiable back and neck injuries, so they can receive the care and treatment that they need. Law

enforcement must continue to pursue the physicians and pain clinics that are giving the medical profession a black eye through excessively dispensing/prescribing narcotics and engaging in illegal operations.

The prescription drug issue is a multifaceted problem that requires multiple solutions. We need to implement the PDMP without using taxpayer funds, strengthen criminal penalties against individuals who illegally dispense and/or possess these narcotics, and enhance the criminal sanctions against people who crush, inject or inhale these pain pills.

My wife and I are calling on the governor and those opposed to the PDMP to abandon “politics as usual.” Pass a law for Elise — and all of the other victims — so we can reduce the daily number of deaths in our state from seven to zero.

— Shawn Seliger, Fort Myers

— Mr. Seliger is an attorney with Bergemann and Seliger Law Firm. A former assistant state attorney, assistant public defender, high school teacher and drug and alcohol counselor, he serves on the executive board of the Lee Mental Health Center. ■



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Beloved 'White Medicine Man' deserves a place in local history

BY LOIS BOLIN

Special to Florida Weekly

"They could not capture me except for a white flag. They could not hold me except with a chain.

— *Osceola, Seminole chief, 1838*

In the 1700s, Europeans dubbed the Florida Indians "Seminole," meaning "the wild ones." Seminole historians divide the warring years into the War of 1812 (1812-1815), the Creek War (1813-1814), the Creek Civil War (1813), the First Seminole War (1818-1819), the Second Seminole War (1835-1842), the Scare of 1849-1850 and the Third Seminole War (1855-1858). While the dates often conflict (depending upon historians and cultures), one thing is clear: The conflicts added up to one long war against the Creeks and their descendants, the Seminoles.

With only 200-300 Seminole-Miccosukee remaining in Florida after the final war, little was seen of them until the late 19th century, when they began trading again in Chokoloskee and Immokalee.

Every so often in the world of historical research, a treasure is discovered. When the treasure involves family history, its value is compounded. Just like the unearthing of the richest Calusa find in Southwest Florida history in 1895 at the Marco Inn, fifth-generation Lee Countian Woodward "Woody" Hanson unearthed a rare trove. Mr. Hanson's find didn't come from the black earth, however; but rather from black trash bags.

Discovering the treasure

Too grief stricken to deal with all the family belongings after his father's death in October 2005, Mr. Hanson finally began to understand why people would come by from time to time asking if they could "pick up the stuff." Only after opening countless black trash bags and discovering more than 1,000 historical documents and images from 1884 to the mid-20th century did Mr. Hanson realize how much his forebears had valued family — most everyone's family in Lee County and beyond.

It all began 26 years after the last Seminole War, when London-born Dr. William Hanson and his wife, Julia Allen, decided to stay in Fort Myers while on their way to Cuba. Their contributions to the area were so strong that upon Mrs. Hanson's death in 1934, her obituaries honored her lifetime commitment to her community and state and called her "the most beloved woman in Florida."

Those genes of caring ran in the family. Her son, Stanley Hanson (1883-1945), who mastered the Seminole language as a boy, eventually became best known for his work with the Seminole-Miccosukee Indians, by whom he was trusted implicitly. His trustworthiness was so great that he was able to do what no white man had every done: join the council of elders at



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Stanley Hanson, "The White Medicine Man," with some of his Seminole friends.

the annual Green Corn Dance, where he was called "The White Medicine Man."

Honoring a legacy

The troves of information uncovered included unparalleled insight into the community's connection with the neighboring Seminole-Miccosukee Indians. Two generations of letters and writings by such noted figures as Ernest Coe, father of the Everglades, and Graham Copeland, Barron Collier's engineer hired to build the Tamiami Trail, affords the viewer a rare perspective.

Now the family curator, the younger Mr. Hanson has decided to share many

of these archives (copies) in order to dispel myths and create a truer portrait of the lives of the Seminole-Miccosukee Indians. The archives, shown just as his grandfather recorded them, present an amalgamated tapestry that was woven through the eyes of an anthropologist, advocate and friend of the Indians.

Compiled into an exhibit titled "My Grandfather: 'The White Medi-

cine Man,'" a portion of Mr. Hanson's historical treasure trove is on display through April at Naples Backyard History's new Old Naples Museum at the Plaza on Broad Avenue South. Hours are noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and noon to 8 p.m. Thursday.

Mr. Hanson is a man on a mission. His informal but passionate accounts can't hide his Scots-Irish heritage, just as the exhibit cannot conceal the love of a grandson for his grandfather. Perhaps from him we can all learn why his grandfather, The White Medicine Man, who was known and admired by all, has been left out of local and state history. ■

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Shoppers will enjoy yard sale discounts on furniture, artwork, home accessories and rugs, as well as price cuts on merchandise throughout the store. Proceeds will benefit the Shelter's programs and services offered in Naples, Immokalee and Bonita Springs. Shelter clients can shop the store using



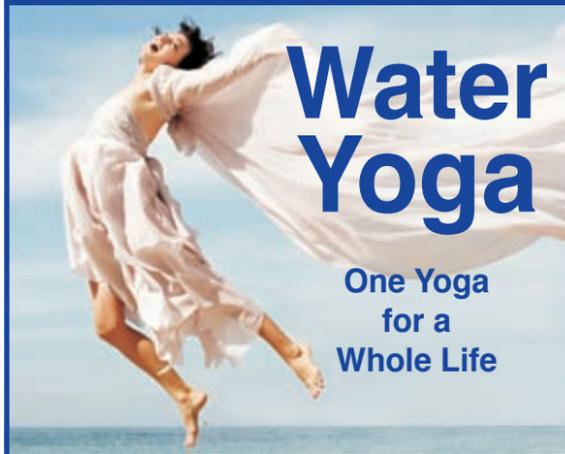
complimentary vouchers to purchase clothing and other things they need to rebuild their lives free from abuse.

Donations of gently used clothing, accessories, furniture and home goods are welcome at Options Thrift Shop between 9:30 a.m. and

4:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. For more information or to arrange furniture pick-up, call the store manager at 434-7115.

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St. John Neumann Catholic High School will hold a rummage sale, farmers market and craft fair from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 2, in the school parking lot at 3000 53rd St. SW in Naples.

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The feral professor

Tihomir Petrov, 43, a mathematics professor at California State University Northridge, was charged in January with misdemeanors for allegedly urinating twice on the office door of a colleague with whom he had been feuding. (Mr.

Petrov was identified by a hidden camera installed after the original puddles turned up.) Mr. Petrov is the author of several scholarly papers, with titles such as "Rationality of Moduli of Elliptic Fibrations With Fixed Monodromy." ■

Can't possibly be true

► Gangs in Durban, South Africa, have recently begun stealing expensive anti-retroviral drugs destined for AIDS patients and using them in the country's most popular street drug, "whoonga," a highly addictive, smoked cocktail of detergent, rat poison, marijuana and the ARVs. The crisis was reported by KwaZulu-Natal province drug-abuse organizations and Durban police, who stood by their claims despite attempts by South African president Jacob Zuma to assure international suppliers of ARVs that more were needed and that none were being diverted for whoonga.

► Somehow, prison inmates finagled \$39 million in undeserved federal tax refunds in 2009, according to a February report by the U.S. Treasury Department's inspector general for tax administration. In Key West, for example, where prisoner Danilo Suarez was sentenced in January to five years in prison for filing multiple fraudulent returns, jailers discovered a pass-around sheet of instructions for false filings. While some refunds were legitimate (e.g., on pre-incarceration investment activity), the IRS was found to conduct fraud screenings on fewer than half of all returns filed by prisoners. (The IRS complained that, until 2008, it was illegal for the agency to share information with

state corrections officials — or even with the Federal Bureau of Prisons.)

► State law in Tennessee prohibits registered sex offenders from re-contacting their victims, but there is no such restriction on anyone convicted of a sex crime before 2007, and still in prison, but who is not yet on the registered list. (Post-2007 sex criminals are automatically registered upon conviction.) Consequently, according to a February WMC-TV report, convicted molester Terry McConnell cannot be prevented from mailing birthday cards to one of his two pre-2007 victims (one reading, "I cannot believe my little tot-tot is already a teenager. You might be tired of me writing this, but I can't get over how fast you are growing up"). (Prison officials say their limited resources are better used on monitoring incoming mail rather than outgoing.)

► Senior Houston police officer Mike Hamby, 51, was suspended in February after witnesses reported that he, off-duty and not in uniform, had tossed a tear-gas grenade into a group of rivals in a rodeo cooking contest. Hamby has 30 years' service and was a member of his union's board of directors. About 300 teams compete in the barbecue cook-off, and police were investigating whether Hamby was merely trying to sabotage a competitor's food. ■

Unclear on the concept

► As is usually the case when Walmart announces the intention to build a new store, community supporters (pushing for jobs, an enlarged tax base and shopper convenience) battle community opponents (trying to save mom-and-pop retailers), and when plans were announced for a northeast Washington, D.C., location, it was the local Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner, Brenda Speaks, who produced a brand-new reason for opposing such a store. Young people, she told an anti-Walmart rally (according to a February

Washington Post report), would be more likely to get criminal records because, with a big corporation around, they could less resist the temptation to steal.

► British drug dealer Luke Walsh-Pinnock, 22, recently released after a prison stint, threatened in February to sue police in the Kilburn neighborhood of London after officers distributed a leaflet near his mother's home warning that Mr. Walsh-Pinnock was once again free. He said he felt "humiliated" by the leaflet, in violation of his "human rights." ■

The redneck chronicles

► Timothy Walker, 48, was hospitalized in Burlington, N.C., in February after he fell off of an SUV while he was on top, holding down two mattresses for the driver, who apparently rounded a curve too fast.

► Three people were hospitalized in Bellevue, Wash., in January when their

van stalled and then exploded as the ignition was re-engaged. They were carrying two gallons of gasoline in an open container and had been feeding the carburetor directly, through an opening in the engine housing (between the seats), as the van was in motion. (It was not reported why they were doing it that way.) ■

Inexplicable

► Washington, D.C., resident Nicole Pugh, arriving at her polling station in November with the sole intention of casting a vote for mayor, noticed a line on the ballot asking her choice for Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner, even though no candidates were listed. On a lark and with no knowledge of the office, she wrote in her own name, and that evening was informed that she had been elected, 1-0, to an office that had been vacant, through apathy, for the previous 14 years. Though other Advisory Neighborhood Commission positions are contested and the candidates quite active, none is paid, and they work mostly via meetings. (However, having the title can garner press attention — for example,

for Brenda Speaks, commenting on the planned Walmart store, above.)

► When James Maynard arrived at the murder trial of his former long-time lover Fiona Adams, 24, in February at Britain's Nottingham Crown Court, it was supposedly in support of Ms. Adams, who was contending that she did not recklessly start a fire that blazed out of control and took the lives of two of the couple's three children. However, Mr. Maynard, in full view of a mob of reporters, was wearing a grotesque clown mask resembling the face of the character Pennywise in the Stephen King novel "It," and he declined numerous opportunities to comment on why he was wearing it. (After a three-week trial, Ms. Adams was acquitted.) ■

Library friends planning season's final book talk

Tickets are still available for the final speaker of the Nick Linn Lecture Series presented by Friends of the Library.



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Former trial lawyer Nick Grippando, the best-selling author of 18 novels, will address the luncheon crowd at 11:30 a.m. Monday, March 28, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club.

Mr. Grippando's most recent work, "Afraid of the Dark," marks the return of the author's ever-popular hero, Jack Swytek.

Luncheon tickets are \$100 each for Friends of the Library members and \$125; lecture-only tickets are \$70 and \$90. For reservations, call 262-8135. ■

Marco bookshop will welcome Adam Walsh author

Author Les Standiford and Det. Sgt. Joe Matthews will sign copies of "Bringing Adam Home: The Abduction That Changed America," at 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 1, at Sunshine Booksellers, 677 S. Collier Blvd. on Marco Island. The book tells the true story of the 1981 abduction of 6-year-old Adam Walsh from Hollywood, Fla. Adam's father, John Walsh, went on to create "America's Most Wanted." Det. Sgt. Matthews ultimately solved the case, 25 years after Adam's disappearance and murder.

For more information about the signing on Marco, call the bookstore at 393-0353. ■

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The third annual GreenFest Expo at Edison State College-Collier Campus takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 26. Dozens of businesses and organizations will share information about products and services that conserve resources and benefit the economy. There will also be live entertainment and activities for children.

For more information, including an event map, list of exhibitors and an entertainment schedule, visit www.edison.edu. ■

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Entrance is \$5 and includes one raffle ticket for drawings that will take place every hour through the day. For more information, e-mail Ms. Strafford at canbria@aol.com or www.oneworlddoneight.org. ■

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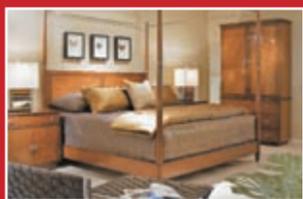
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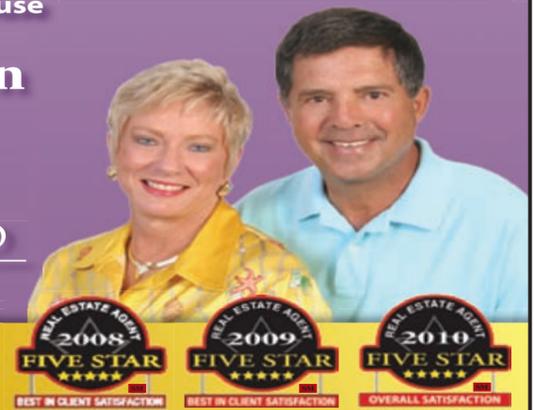
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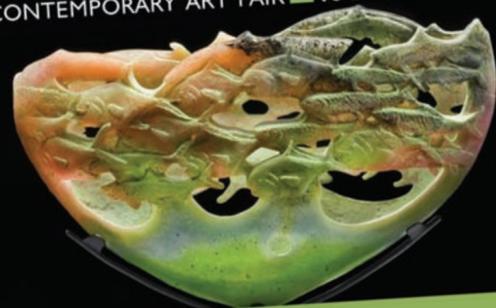
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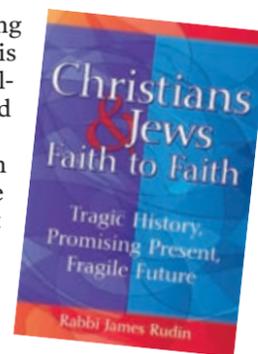
RUDIN

Rabbi Rudin worked for 30 years for the American Jewish Committee, leading its efforts to foster effective rela-

tionships among faith groups. His book, "Christians and Jews: Faith to Faith," at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 27, at Beth Tikvah of Naples.

Rabbi Rudin will address the issues raised in his new book, "Christians and Jews: Faith to Faith," at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 27, at Beth Tikvah of Naples.

Beth Tikvah is at 1459 Pine Ridge Road, just west of Mission Square Plaza. RSVP to 434-1818. ■



Humanistic Seder marks Passover

The Humanistic Jewish Havurah of Southwest Florida, a new affiliate of the Society for Humanistic Judaism, will celebrate Passover with a Humanistic seder on Tuesday, April 19, at the Bonita Bay Club in Bonita Springs.

Humanistic Judaism interprets Jewish experience in rational terms, rather than as the will of a supernatural being. It affirms the right of individuals to apply reason and science to the understanding of the universe and to the solution of human problems.

For Humanistic Jews, in the addition to the celebration of the coming of spring, Passover is a time to celebrate the modern, as well as the ancient, quest for freedom. The Humanist Hagaddah (service book for the seder) includes both the legendary tale of the exodus from Egypt and the story of the 20th century exodus of thousands and thousands of Jews from Europe and from Muslim countries to America and Israel

in the latest chapter of that long saga.

"Our Havurah provides a community and a voice for those Jews seeking to express their Humanistic philosophy and approach to life in a Jewish community," says Paula Creed, president of the new organization. "Affiliating with a national movement affirms that we are not alone in our approach to Judaism," she adds.

Havurah members gather monthly for potluck Shabbat celebrations and are planning the first Humanistic Jewish commemoration of Yom Kippur in Southwest Florida for next October. An adult learning is also in the planning stages.

For reservations for the humanistic seder, call Cynthia Cook at 495-8197 or e-mail CynthiaECook@aol.com.

For more information about the Humanistic Jewish Havurah of Southwest Florida, call Ms. Creed at 495-8484 or e-mail prcreed@prodigy.net. ■

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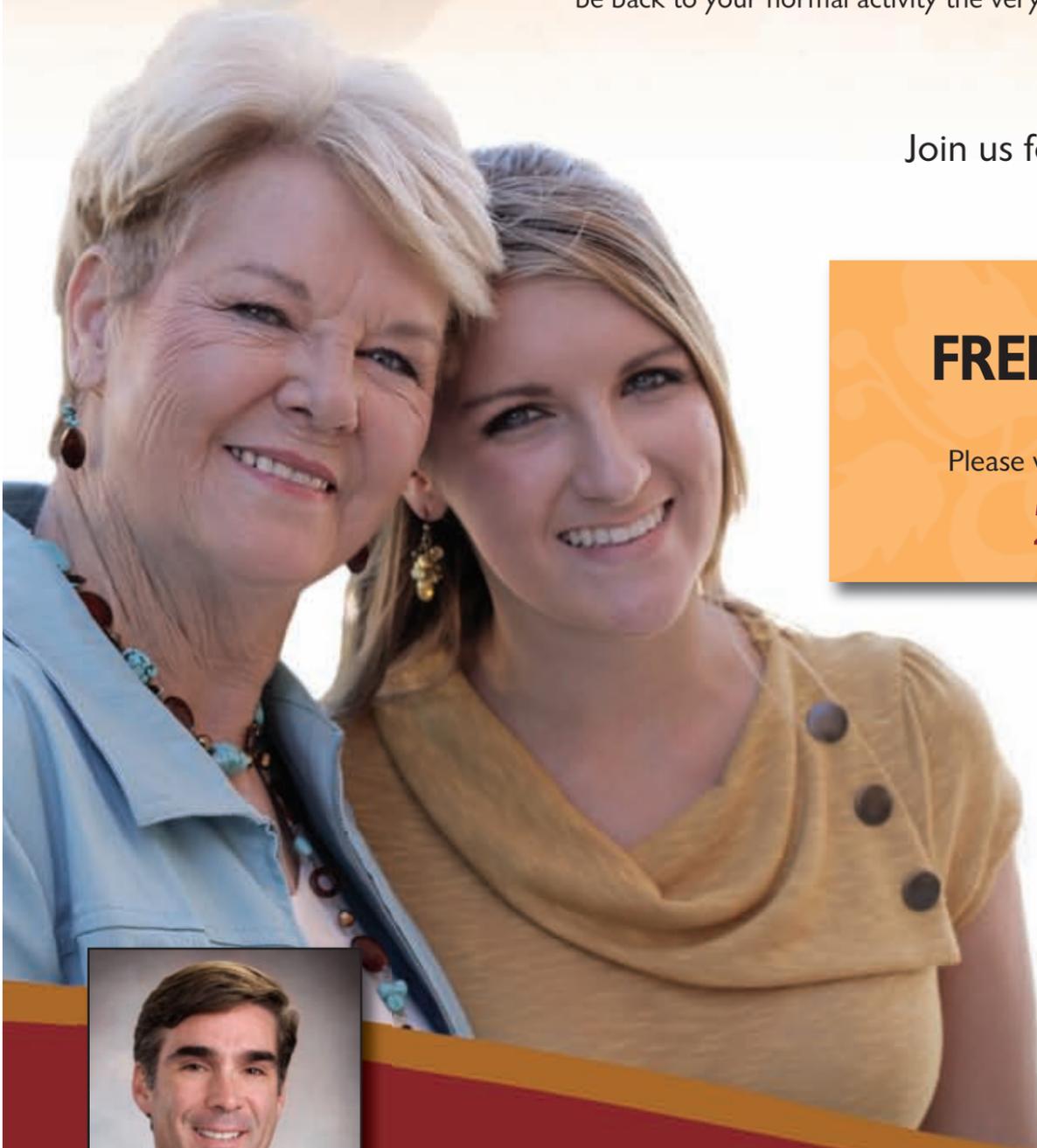
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What would you call the Rookery Bay batfish?

The Rookery Bay batfish needs a name, and Friends of Rookery Bay are holding a contest to find the best one. The new green and pink mascot with bulging yellow eyes and bright red lips made its debut at the recent Batfish Bash to benefit the Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve. Since then it's made friends with dozens of schoolchildren who recently visited the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center on a field trip.



COURTESY PHOTO
Connor and Brooke Hamilton meet the batfish.

"Everyone's immediate response is that they want to hug the mascot and have a picture taken," says Bruce Robertson, president of the Friends of Rookery Bay.

In real life, the triangular-shaped, polka-dot batfish is a common sight in Rookery Bay. Visitors to the learning center can also see a batfish in the aquarium.

The Name the Batfish contest is open to anyone other than employees of

Friends of Rookery Bay, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve. Each person may submit up to five names on the contest form available at www.rookerybay.org and at the learning center, 300 Tower Road in Naples.

The winner will receive a family membership in the Friends of Rookery Bay, a private tour and aquarium fish-feeding for up to six people, a Rookery Bay water bottle and a Rookery Bay "Continuum" poster.

Completed contest forms must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, April 22, and can be submitted via e-mail to friends@rookerybay.org or in person at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center. The winner will be announced during "Dive Into Oceans Day" at Rookery Bay on Saturday, April 30. ■

Annual meeting set for Friends of Rookery Bay

Friends of Rookery Bay will hold its annual meeting from 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center, 300 Tower Road, Naples. Guest speaker Lynn "Nick" Shay, Ph.D., professor of meteorology and physical oceanography at the Rosenstiel School of

Marine and Atmospheric Science at the University of Miami, will discuss the loop current in the Gulf of Mexico.

Light refreshments will be served. Friends of Rookery Bay members and the general public are invited to attend. The event is free. ■

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Naples Art Association, Ringling school call for college scholarship applicants

The Naples Art Association at The von Liebig Art Center and Ringling College of Art and Design will provide \$8,000 in college assistance for seven area high school juniors and seniors.

The scholarship program was started in 1971 by the Naples Art Association as a way to encourage aspiring young artists to realize their dreams of becoming professionals in the visual arts.

The scholarship is named after Jade N. Riedel, an NAA artist member who chaired the scholarship exhibition program and was its chief fundraiser for many years. Following her death in 1997, the association renamed the scholarship in her honor. Funding for this program is generated through event proceeds and individual donations.

Aspiring artists in their junior or senior year in any Collier County high school are invited to compete. Six winners will each receive \$500 to use toward their college education in an art-related field. In addition, the Ringling College of Art and Design will award a \$5,000 scholarship to attend the Sarasota-based art school.

Each applicant may enter one original 2D or 3D work of art not previously shown in exhibition at the art center. Winners will be selected based on originality, technique, composition, presentation and application of design principals. Participants will be honored at an awards presentation and reception from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, April 15, at The von Liebig. Their work will remain on display at the center through April 30.

The \$500 award winners will be selected by John Hushon of Naples, president of Artnet AG.

The \$5,000 scholarship will be awarded by Larry Thompson, Ph.D., president of Ringling College of Art and Design. The recipient of the Ringling scholarship must apply and be accepted for the fall 2011 or fall 2012 year. Completed artwork and accompanying application forms must be delivered to The von Liebig Art Center, 585 Park St., between 3-5 p.m. Friday, April 8, or between 1-3 p.m. Saturday, April 9.

For more information, visit www.naplesart.org/collegescholarships.com or call Callie Spilane 262-6517, ext. 110. ■

Graduate programs are topic of FGCU expo

Learn about the more than 30 graduate and doctoral programs offered at Florida Gulf Coast University at the Graduate Studies Spring Expo from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, in the Student Union ballroom at FGCU. The public is welcome.

Faculty and staff will be on hand to discuss programs in business, counseling, criminal forensic studies, criminal justice, education, English, history,

mathematics, environmental science and studies, health professions, public administration and social work.

Representatives from FGCU's testing center and financial aid and scholarship office will provide information about their services, and the graduate studies staff will discuss admission requirements.

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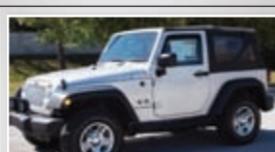
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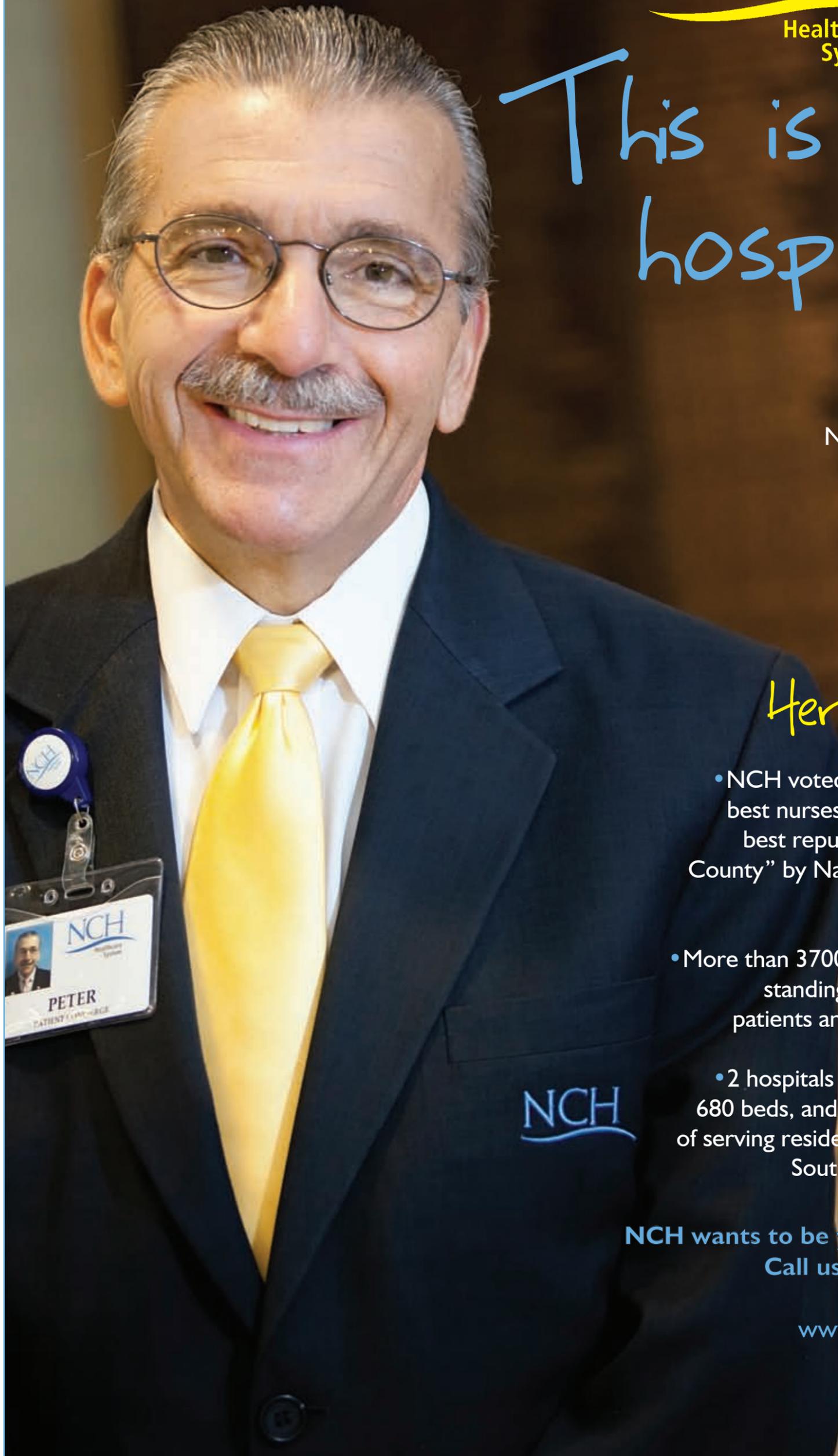
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SCORE Naples presents a workshop for anyone who struggles with time management at work or at home from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 26, at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce.

Presenters Denny Brooke, a SCORE counselor, and Paul Messino of Business Technology Insight will discuss strategies and share some tricks for better managing time through control of physical, environmental and behavioral aspects of everyday life. They will also touch on how technology can help.

Mr. Brooke was a co-founder of one of the nation's fastest growing, publicly traded retail chains during the 1980s. Mr. Messino started several businesses in Connecticut and Florida over the last 28 years. His consulting company specializes in relationship and customer management products.

Registration is \$35. Make a reservation at www.scorenaples.org or call the SCORE office at 430-0081 weekdays between 9 a.m. and noon. ■

Tutor training coming up with Literacy Volunteers

Volunteer tutors are at the heart of Literacy Volunteers of Collier County, the organization that teaches illiterate and non-English-speaking adults to read, write and understand English.

No knowledge of a second language is necessary to become a tutor. However, volunteers must be high-school graduates who can devote two to three hours a week to a student and who can preferably commit to one year of volun-

teering after training is completed.

The next tutor training session will take place Monday and Wednesday, March 28 and 30, at LVCC headquarters, 281 Airport Road South. The two-day class covers how to teach non-native speaking adults reading, writing and vocabulary as well as how to plan lessons and set goals based on each student's abilities and needs. LVCC covers the cost of the training and provides tutors with workbooks, lesson plans and all the resources necessary to begin working with a student.

To sign up for the upcoming tutor training or to learn more about other ways to volunteer, call 262-4448, ext. 300, or visit www.collierliteracy.org. ■

Play date set for prospective preschool families

St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic School invites preschoolers and their parents to a "Cat in the Hat Play Date" from 5-7 p.m., Tuesday, March 29. The evening is open to all families of children who will be 3, 4 or 5 years old by Sept. 1.

The fun will include snacks and a Dr. Seuss craft as well as the chance to meet pre-school and kindergarten teachers and tour the classrooms and campus. Highlight of the evening will be a visit from the Cat in the Hat and his friends, Thing 1 and Thing 2.

Parents who sign up their child that evening for the next school year will receive \$100 off the registration fee.

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CLUB NOTES

LW Voters to hear from expert about sustainability

Can you measure your carbon footprint? Do you really know what a carbon footprint consists of? Find out from an expert at the next meeting of the League of Women Voters of Collier County.

"You can't really join in the climate change discussions until you can define all the terms and understand their importance," says Lydia Galton, league president.

Anne Hartley, Ph.D., assistant director of the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education at FGCU, will be the league's guest speaker at 12:30 p.m. Monday, April 11, at the Hilton Naples.

Previously on the faculty at Florida International University, Dr. Hartley joined the staff at FGCU in 2007. Her expertise lies in the area of global change ecology. Most recently, she studied the impact of elevated atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations in Florida scrub oak forests on soil microbial processes involved in nitrogen cycling. She earned her doctorate in biogeochemistry from Duke University and spent two years as

a postdoctoral researcher at the Ecosystems Center in Woods Hole, Mass.

An optional luncheon will be served at noon at a cost of \$20 for members and \$25 for all others. Reservations should be made by 4 p.m. Friday, April 8. Call 263-4656 or visit www.lwvcolliercounty.org. ■

Listen to a talk about Florida crotons

The Naples Garden clubs welcomes propagator Mark Peters, the owner of

Peters Croton Nursery in Vero Beach, Fla., as its guest speaker at 1 p.m. Monday, April 4, at Moorings Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Peters will talk about early Florida hybridizers and Old World heirloom varieties of crotons and how to grow them as trees and in containers. Many of his rare and unusual plants, seldom offered to the public and starting at \$7, will be offered for sale as well.

The meeting is open to the public. Reservations are required for club members and guests and can be made online at www.naplesgardenclub.org. Admission is \$10 for non-members. ■

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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.

For more information, e-mail bonitanewcomers@gmail.com or visit www.bonitaspringsnewcomersclub.com. ■

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

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Registration is online only at www.runformusic10k.com. Three dollars of each Collier County student registration will be given back to that student's school music program. Visit the website above for more information. ■

You can walk, run or ride for ICAN

The Island Coast Aids Network is expanding the annual Southwest Florida AIDS Walk for ICAN to include a certified 5K run and a 100-mile bicycle ride. Everything starts and finishes at Cambier Park on Saturday, April 16.

The event is open to everyone, and four-legged friends on leashes are also welcome to participate.

Registration and pledges can be made online at www.icanswfl.org. For more information, call Mitch Haley 337-2391, ext. 211, or e-mail mhaley@icanswfl.org. ■



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The Collier Carnage scored a 33-0 win over the Anclote Pirates in the team's second home game of the season March 19 at Golden Gate High School. Naples' new semi-pro team heads to this week's game against the Florida South Gators in Hollywood with 2-2 record. The Carnage has three more home games this season, all beginning at 7 p.m. at Golden Gate High School: April 2 against the St. Petersburg Scorpions, April 23 against the Florida Veterans from Port Charlotte, and May 7 against the Florida South Gators. For more information, visit www.colliercarnage.com.

Get moving for Immokalee literacy organization

The Immokalee Run & Ride for Literacy, a benefit for the Jump Start Family Literacy Academy, takes place Saturday and Sunday, April 16-17.

A 5K race and 1-mile fun run are on the agenda for Saturday; bike rides of 15, 30 and 62 miles will set out on Sunday. All events begin and end at the Farm Worker Village in Immokalee.

For registration or more information, call Dee Siemianowski the Jump Start Family Literacy Academy at 657-2398 or visit www.immokaleerunsandrides.com. ■

Turtle Trot 5K coming to Lovers Key

Friends of Lovers Key are setting the pace for the Turtle Trot 5K coming up Saturday, April 30. Runners and walkers trek over a hard-packed shell path along the Black Island Trail, climb a 38-foot-high Calusa Indian mound and cross two bridges as they race toward the finish line at the beach.

Breakfast and awards are presented at the Lovers Key pavilion.

Registration is \$25 by April 23 and \$30 thereafter. Sponsors include

Whole Foods, Angel Animal Hospital and Sweet Tomatoes. Register online at www.FriendsOfLoversKey.com.

For more information, call 463-4588. ■

Hop aboard a paddleboard for luau races

The second annual Stand-Up Paddleboard Luau Races to benefit Special Olympics Collier County takes place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 21, at Bayfront marketplace and marina.

Noodles Italian Café & Sushi Bar has signed on as title sponsor.

Five SUP division races will take place along the picturesque waterfront as follows: 10 a.m., boys ages 10-16; 11 a.m., girls ages 10-16; noon, women's open; 1 p.m., men's open; and 3 p.m., Special Olympics Athletes Race, in which the top 10 finishers will compete with a Special Olympics athlete atop their board.

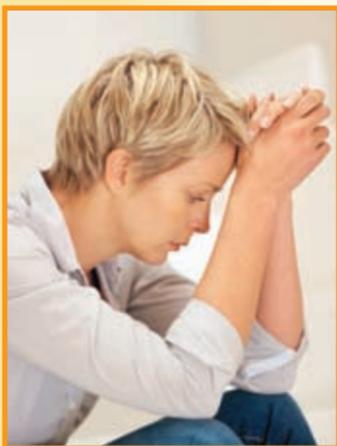
Trophy presentations at Shane's Cabana Bar will follow the final race.

Registration opens at 9 a.m. on race day, or participants can sign up in advance at Noodles. The \$25 registration fee will go to Special Olympics Collier County.

Paddlers are asked to bring their own boards, although Naples Kiteboarding and True Water Sports will provide boards at no charge.

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■ **Royal Palm Country Club** hosts its 20th annual pro-am tournament and dinner to benefit **Avow Hospice** on Saturday, April 2. For more information, contact Bonnie Dinger at 649-3686 or e-mail bdinger@avowhospice.org.

■ **The annual Habitat for Humanity** tourney tees off at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 9, at Hammock Bay. For registration or more information, call 775-0036, e-mail jpash@hfhcollier.com or visit www.HabitatCollier.com.

■ **The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile Golf Classic** is set for Friday, April 15, at Quail West Golf & Country Club. For more information, call 658-3029 or e-mail caremobile@collier.org.

■ **The Children's Advocacy Center of Collier County** holds its fifth annual golf classic at Bonita Bay East on Saturday, April 16. The scramble start is at 8:30 a.m. An awards luncheon and raffle at the clubhouse follow the competition. Registration is \$150 per golfer. Call 263-8383 or visit www.caccollier.org.

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Register online at www.mscenterswfl.org.

■ A tournament to benefit **The Passion Foundation-A Melanoma Initiative** tees off at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 17, at the Glades Country Club. Registration of \$75 per person includes dinner following the competition. For registration or more information, call Melissa Haynie at 898-6531 or visit www.tri-townconstruction.com.

■ **The 13th annual Golf Challenge for the Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida** takes place Saturday, April 30, at The Club at Bonita Bay East. Registration is \$250 per golfer or \$800 for a foursome. Not interested in golfing? There are plenty of other opportunities to contribute to PASFI through the challenge. For more information, call 417-3465.

■ **Literacy Volunteers of Collier County** holds its annual four-person scramble for men's, women's and mixed teams beginning with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 7, at The Club at Mediterra. This year's major sponsor is Chico's FAS Inc. Registration is \$150 and includes breakfast, boxed lunch and refreshments during the scoreboard party. For more information, call 262-4448 or e-mail info@collierliteracy.org.

■ **The inaugural Harry Chapin Food Bank Classic** tees off at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, at Grandezza Country Club. Registration is \$125 per person. To donate silent auction items, contact event chair JoAnna Bradshaw at 405-7266 or bradshawjoa@comcast.net. To register for the tournament, contact Chris Robinson at 334-7007, ext. 137, or chrisrobinson@harrychapinfoodbank.com. ■



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And don't forget Third in Bloom

On your way to or from the Naples Flower Show or the Naples Orchid Society Show & Sale, be sure to make a detour to Third in Bloom. At the Garden Showcase at 1350 Third St. S., you'll see vignettes created by some of the area's finest gardening professionals.

Votes for the People's Choice must be cast by 5 p.m. Friday, March 25, at the Third Street South concierge kiosk.

Ballots serve as entries into a drawing for a Third in Bloom gift basket. The People's Choice winner and gift basket winner will be announced at noon Saturday, March 26, at the Garden Showcase.

Here's what else is happening:

■ **2-5 p.m. Thursday, March 24:** Painting demonstration by Dominique Boisjoli, Garden Showcase

■ **6-9 p.m. Thursday, March 24:** Music by Marc Vee & The Perfect Gentlemen

■ **10 a.m. Friday, March 25:** Container gardening workshop by Jim Bixler, Fleischmann Plaza

■ **2 p.m. Friday, March 25:** How to Create a Living Driveway by Christian Busk, Fleischmann Plaza

■ **7:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 26:** Third Street South farmer's market

■ **9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 26:** Plant sale, Garden Showcase

This year's Garden Showcase vignettes will be created by Crawford Landscaping, Driftwood Garden Center, GardenBleu Landscape Architecture, Garden District, Golden Gate Nursery, W. Christian Busk Landscape Architects and Wizzard Services. ■

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to protect my plants from the cold," she said. "I've got begonias out here on the lanai. I'm looking over each one of them. I misted them down this morning so I could remove any dust or dirt from them. I'm picking over each one, removing the bad leaves and making it look the best it can be."

The Naples Flower Show

The theme of this year's flower show is "Garden Party," in honor of the newly renovated Naples Botanical Garden, where the event has been held for the last seven years. Entries are judged according to National Garden Club standards.

The hallways between the exhibits will be decked out with traditional garden party accoutrements from nearly three dozen vendors. With at least 68 entries in the floral design category, ranging from traditional to avant-garde arrangements, and more than 300 varieties in the horticulture category, it's not your grandmother's garden — even though that's likely where many exhibitors got their first glimpse of the pastime.

"My grandmother was from Lithuania, and when she and my grandfather retired, they moved to an acre in a suburb of St. Louis," said Ms. Chehayl, who is a Master Gardener and a certified Florida Horticulturalist. "They gardened the whole thing very intensely with plum trees and apple trees and strawberries and vegetables — everything you could possibly imagine. I grew up going to her house and honestly didn't think I was particularly interested in it until I got a house of my own. Then I realized



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Norm Dolder preps his orchid for the 2010 show.

how relaxing an endeavor gardening is."

The flower show is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 25-26. Admission for \$12.95 includes entry to the Naples Botanical Garden.

First-second-and third-place ribbons, as well as honorable mentions, will be awarded before the show opens.

In addition to the horticulture and floral design categories, the show has a third division for special exhibits and artistic crafts. Educational exhibits on tiger beetles, fighting hunger, bonsai and

protecting the environment will also be judged; invitational exhibits on Ikebana (Japanese flower arranging), orchids and native plants will be displayed but not judged. Artistic crafts including gift boxes, hats in the garden and cakes, all must incorporate fresh or dried plant materials and will be judged.

Naples Orchid Society Show & Sale

"Orchid Fantasy" is the theme of this year's show hosted by Naples Orchid Society and Rotary Club of Naples at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Hundreds of orchids will be on display in hanging baskets and in container arrangements and clinging to trees in massive floor displays. They have names like cattleya, oncidium, dendrobium, cymbidium, vanda and phalaenopsis, many smell like vanilla, chocolate and exotic tropical perfumes. The four vendors hand-picked to sell orchids and supplies at the show will create the larger floor displays.

Judges from the American Orchid Society will pick the best entries. The Grand Champion Awards for best orchid plant and best exhibit, as well as winners in numerous other categories, will be revealed when the show opens at 3 p.m. Friday, March 25.

Hours are 3-6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 25-27.

Admission is \$6. All proceeds from admission to the show will go to Laces of Love, providing new shoes to low income and disadvantaged children in Lee and Collier counties.

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Wildlife sanctuary celebrates 33 years with 'Free for All'



The Octagon Wildlife Sanctuary in Punta Gorda is celebrating its 33rd anniversary with a "Free for All" from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 27. Typical admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for youth and seniors.

Octagon is a safe haven as well as a rehabilitation and rescue center for more than 200 animals. Tigers, baboons, alligators, lions, bear, leopards, cougars, birds and many small animals are cared for much like humans in assisted-living facilities.

Many of these animals come to the Octagon from Florida Fish and Wildlife and from caring people who can no longer provide for their animals. Others are rescued from circuses, carnivals, zoos and animal acts that are no longer wanted. Regardless of where they come from, most of them would be euthanized if not for Octagon.

Visitors are encouraged to bring cameras and a picnic lunch (dine just feet away from the tigers) and to wear comfortable clothes and shoes. No pets allowed.

To get to Octagon, take I-75 north to Exit 143. Drive east for three miles and turn north on State Road 31. After about five miles, turn left on Horseshoe Road (look for the Octagon sign on the right).

For more information, visit www.octagonwildlife.org.



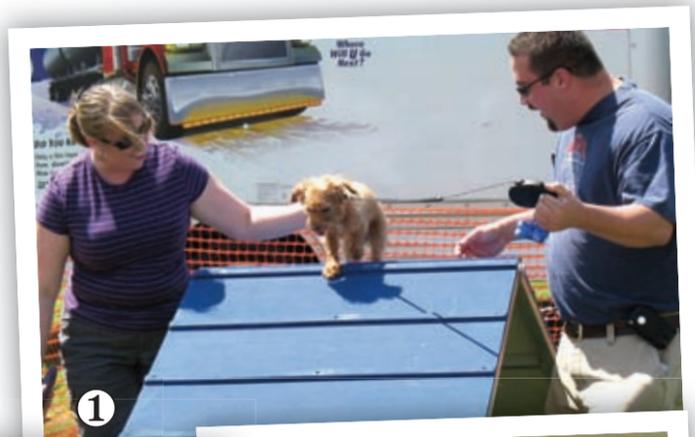
Bark in the Park celebrates pets and their people

The Humane Society Naples welcomes well-behaved pets and their owners to Bark in the Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 26, at Mercato. Vendors will be on hand to show off their pet specialty products and services. Demonstrations by the SW Florida Professional Dog Trainers Alliance will be presented every hour, and therapy and assistance dogs from Paws for Love will be there, too. Refreshments and raffles provide an extra bonus.

Adoptable pets from the Human Society Naples and other area rescue organizations will also be on hand, hoping to find new and permanent homes.

Owners are encouraged to enter their four-legged friends in contests for Best Costume, Best Voice, Best Trick/Talent and Smallest/Largest. There will also be a Pet-Owner Lookalike competition. Contests begin at noon. A \$5 entry fee for each category will be the Humane Society Naples no-kill shelter and adoption center.

Those vendors who wish to have a display should call Ali O'Connor, assistant director of development, at 643-1880, ext. 18, or e-mail events@hsnaples.org.



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1. Gabby takes a turn on the agility ramp with assistance from Melissa White and Dennis Zuck at Bark in the Park 2010.

2. Lincoln Emery takes Tiger through his paces in preparation for the Best Trick contest.

3. Nelda Laws leads Sadie in the Best Trick contest.

4. Kim Himmel gets a kiss from Rosco the Italian greyhound.



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Forward march for healthy babies

The 2011 March for Babies to benefit the March of Dimes takes place Saturday, April 30, in Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties.

In Naples, the march steps out at 7 p.m. at Cambier Park. Registration begins at 6 p.m., and an award ceremony will begin at 8 p.m. Revenue chairman is Rick Gallo, manager partner of StructureLinx and CEO of CloseWatch Services.

The Lee County march will take place in Centennial Park in downtown Fort Myers at the same time as the Naples event. In Charlotte County, the walk will begin at the Peach River Regional Medical Center with registration at 8 a.m., the walk at 9 a.m. and awards at 10 a.m.

This year's Collier and Lee county Ambassador Child is Sawyer Green, the son of Buzz and Krista Green, who was born at just 25 weeks weighing 2 pounds, 1 ounce. Thanks in part to funds raised at March for Babies events, today Sawyer is a healthy and happy toddler.

The Charlotte County Ambassador Child is Peter Stoppiello, who weighed 3 pounds when he was born 10 weeks premature to parents Tom and Kerri Stoppiello. Like Sawyer, he is a happy, healthy toddler today.

Premature birth is the most urgent infant health problem in the U.S. today, with more than 500,000 babies born too early every year. Funds raised by March of Babies in Southwest Florida help support prenatal wellness programs, research grants, neonatal intensive care unit family support programs and advocacy efforts for stronger, healthier babies.

Form a team and register to March for Babies at www.marchforbabies.org. For more information, call the Southwest Florida March of Dimes at 433-3463. ■

Dance class and support group for Parkinson's patients

The Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida provides several regular programs and services for those who have Parkinson's disease and their caregivers.

■ **Free dance classes:** 1 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday at Fleischman Park.

■ **Support group meetings:** 1 p.m. every Tuesday at Bentley Village; 10:30 a.m. every Thursday at PASFL headquarters, 2950 Tamiami Trail N. Free and open to the public.

Also coming up:

■ **The 13th annual educational symposium:** Noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Guest speaker is Dr. Robert Hauser, professor of neurology at the University of South Florida. Cost is \$15.

For more information about any of the above, and to make reservations for the symposium, call 417-3465. ■

Seniors Helping Seniors franchise offers in-home services in Southwest Florida

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

A new branch of the Seniors Helping Seniors franchise has opened in Southwest Florida to serve residents from Marco Island to Sanibel-Captiva and Fort Myers. Owners Nancy and Evan Zelden and Connie Gwin will engage area seniors to provide in-home services and assistance to other seniors.



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Seniors Helping Seniors in-home services offers compassionate non-medical services for seniors by seniors to help them live independently with dignity and respect. Receivers are those who need companionship, transportation, meal preparation, overnight stays and light housekeeping duties, among other services; providers are seniors with the heart of a volunteer, but are compensated for their time.

This peer-to-peer assistance is about "building relationships between seniors that can share life experiences," Ms. Gwin says. She adds she and her partners, the Zeldens, understand the challenges that come with living long distances from family members, especially parents. They have pulled their skill sets together to create a business that truly impacts their community in a positive way.

Mr. Zelden has an extensive background in business and giving back



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to his community by leading recreational programs for people of all ages in his hometown in Indiana. He is a graduate of Ball State University in Indiana. Mrs. Zelden is a graduate of The Ohio State University. She works with local charities such as the Island Coast AIDS Network and Community Cooperative Ministries Inc.



GWIN

Ms. Gwin graduated from Temple University in Philadelphia. As a certified biofeedback specialist and pain reduction specialist, she has worked with autistic children and with adults.

The three "have a unique combi-

nation of being loving, caring and compassionate toward our senior population combined with having the organizational skills to manage a successful center, says Jim Hansen, regional director of Seniors Helping Seniors in Florida.

Founders Philip and Kiran Yocom founded Seniors Helping Seniors as a nonprofit organization in Berks County, Pa., more than 10 years ago. The original Seniors Helping

Seniors center still provide more than 1,000 hours of service every month.

"What began as a heartfelt mission to fill a need that was not being served by our local community is now being recognized as a prime business opportunity being fueled by the fastest growing demographic in our society," Mr. Yocom says. "We want our franchises to be the first place that seniors in need of non-medical services as well as those seeking extra income call."

More than 100 Seniors Helping Seniors franchises operate in 30 states, from Florida to California. For more information about Seniors Helping Seniors in Southwest Florida, call 243-8555, e-mail helpingseniors@comcast.net or visit www.seniorshelpingseniors.com/SouthwestFlorida. ■

STRAIGHT TALK

Board committees share news of their recent accomplishments



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From time-to-time, I give you a "fly-on-the-wall" glimpse into discussions at our NCH board of trustees meetings. Last week, many of our 25 community board members heard the following highlights from some of our most important board committees. We will share summaries for the full board at their next meeting in two weeks.

■ **Quality Committee** - Drs. Kenny Bookman and Doug Harrington, along with Scott Wiley, director of respiratory care, and Jon Kling, our ICU microsystem director, presented plans to reduce the time a patient is on the ICU ventilator. This is important because less time on the ventilator decreases the chances of a patient contracting pneumonia and also costs the patient and the hospital less.

Our team attending the Institute of Healthcare Improvement, a consortium of 50 hospitals, has profited from knowledge of best practices in this area and others.

■ **Strategic Planning Committee** - Strategic planning is an evolving process at NCH. In that context, our partnership with the NCH Healthcare Group has grown to

67 physicians and 20 mid-level providers. Such partnerships generate complex questions: What should we select as primary quality metrics? How can all 17 of our offices become Joint Commission accredited? How should we grow? What is our goal for patient satisfaction, as measured by the independent Press Ganey surveys? And how can we implement a seamless electronic medical record for everyone in the community?

All these questions require answers, executable solutions and specific timelines. These are only some of the questions the Strategic Planning Committee and the larger board are tackling. Additionally, Drs. David Axline and Ron Levine and COO Phil Dutcher shared an overview of the progress and plans of the Naples Heart Institute, which is a division of the NCH Healthcare Group.

■ **Human Resources Committee** - The highlight here was R.N. Jen Ringle sharing her team's outstanding progress in shared governance. We now have eight teams making significant contributions to patient safety and quality while improving the working experience for everyone. Shared governance has made a huge difference in the quality care we deliver to the community. Also, Karen Judd presented on best practices in competency assessment.

■ **Marketing Committee** - Committee

Chair Sue Dalton reviewed our "This Is My Hospital" campaign and then expanded the discussion to how best to share our message that excellent pediatric care is available close to home. In particular, we are committed to spreading the word about our new Peds ER, a wonderful addition for young families in our community.

■ **Patient Satisfaction Committee** - Committee Chair Mariann MacDonald reviewed the results of follow-up calls to patients discharged over the past few months, with an eye toward identifying trends and ways to continue improving the patient experience. We are also developing a Patient Advisory Council, made up of recent patients willing to share their experiences with caregivers. What better way to understand patients' experiences than through their own eyes?

Finally, I had the great pleasure this week of visiting a regular Wellness Center member who had a total hip replacement, administered by Dr. Mort Bertram. Not so unusual, you might say, since NCH is the second busiest total joint replacement hospital in the country for Medicare patients. True.

However, patient Mae Wood is 101-years-old! And I expect she will be back working out at the Wellness Center — just as soon as she's done on the 5S Rehab floor. ■

TO YOUR HEALTH

Classes, activities designed to help visually impaired

Lighthouse of Collier Inc., Center for Blindness and Vision Loss offers two classes for those who are going blind or having vision loss.

■ A class in Daily Living Skills is taught from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays through May 17. Participants will learn skills for safe, independent navigation at home, work or in the community, as well as how to read tactile medication labels, cook, identify money and more. Part of the class also teaches the use of assistive technology such as large-print displays and talking computers.

■ Coping with Vision Loss is taught from 10 a.m. to noon and also from 1-3 p.m. Thursdays through June 23. This class will help those facing vision loss or impairment gain confidence that they can live healthy, productive lives.

Seating is limited for both classes, which are taught at Lighthouse of Collier headquarters, 242 Bayfront Place.

Lighthouse of Collier also conducts a monthly activity especially for children and teens who are visually impaired or blind.

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

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The Nature Conservancy of Southwest Florida is organizing a trip to Everglades City for kayaking and lunch. The outing departs the Conservancy in Naples at 8 a.m. Wednesday, March 30, and joins guides from the Naples Kayak Company in Everglades City for a paddle through giant mangrove tunnels in this sub-tropical paradise. Lunch stop will be The Oyster House Restaurant. Cost is \$55 for members, \$65 for others (lunch not included).

For reservations, call 262-0304, ext. 266, or visit www.conservancy.org.

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.

■ **March 29:** Sally Stein of Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary will discuss the wood storks of Corkscrew Swamp.

■ **April 5:** Cynthia Piper of Collier County Parks and Recreation will discuss the natural water filtration system at Freedom Park as well as recreational opportunities there.

The Naples Preserve and Eco-Center is at 1690 Tamiami Trail N. Call 261-4290.

Free talks are also presented at the Naples Pier from 1-2 p.m. every Thursday:

■ **March 31:** The American oyster

And in the learning center at Barefoot Beach, free presentations take place from 10-11 a.m. every Saturday:

■ **March 26:** Snakes of Southwest Florida, by David Tetzlaff ■

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PET TALES

Parrot playtime

Birds need toys to keep brains, bodies busy

BY DR. MARTY BECKER
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Special To Florida Weekly

Toys are essential to maintaining the physical and mental well-being of parrots large and small. Playthings help keep pet birds fit, while also fighting the boredom that can contribute to behavioral problems such as feather-picking.

There are toys your bird can hold, toys that hang from the top and sides of the cage, and toys that do double duty as perches and swings. Twirlies, holdies, chewies, puzzles and noisemakers can all keep your bird occupied. Although you can buy toys by major manufacturers from the big chain stores, it's also nice to choose from the variety of playthings lovingly made by a cottage industry of bird lovers that are available from independent bird shops, through catalogs and on the Internet.

Some basic rules apply when shopping for toys to ensure they are suitable and safe for your bird. Look for the following when choosing bird toys:

■ **Materials:** Toys are subject to your bird's healthy urge to destroy, which means safe components are a must. Wood, rawhide, plastic or stainless-steel chain, rope, cloth and hard plastic are among the more popular materials that make up safe toys. Choose toys that break down into pieces that can't be swallowed. An exception: Toys



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A variety of toys to gleefully destroy is important to the mental and physical health of birds.

made to hold food items, such as dried corncobs or fruit chunks. With these, eating is a large part of the fun.

■ **Construction:** Challenging toys, the best choice for busy birds, feature pieces combined in ways that make it hard for the birds to pull the whole product apart — but not too hard. Indestructible toys are not appropriate for most birds, because the time and energy used to rip apart the gadget is part of the reason toys fill such a need.

■ **Size:** Little toys for little birds; big toys for big birds. A big bird can catch and lose a toe in a toy made for a smaller bird, and small birds can get their heads trapped in toys made for their larger relatives.

Some birds are apprehensive of new toys. If yours is one of them, try to set the toy outside the cage (but within eye range) for a day or two, and then put it on the floor of the cage for another day or two. Once your bird starts to play with the toy, you can go ahead and attach it to the cage. (Stainless-steel split-ring key chains, available at any hardware store, are a safe, secure and inexpensive way to attach toys to cage bars.)

Don't overwhelm your pet with toys. Instead, keep two or three in the cage and rotate new ones in regularly. Shopping for bird toys can be fun, but the costs do add up, especially if you have one of those gleefully destructive parrots. With some creativity you can make your money go further by complementing store-bought bird toys with alternatives.

The cardboard cores of toilet-paper and paper-towel rolls are perfect for shredding, especially for smaller birds. String those tubes together on a thick leather cord and hang them in your bird's cage. Other cheapies include ballpoint pens with the ink tubes removed, Ping-Pong balls, old plastic measuring cups and spoons, and plastic bottle tops. (Wash in hot soap and water, rinse well and air-dry before offering such items to your bird.)

Toothbrushes are another bargain toy — sturdy and colorful. You can buy cheap ones new or give your pet your worn ones after running them through your dishwasher. (Or hand-washing in soapy water, followed by rinsing and air-drying.) The hard plastic keys on a ring sold for human babies are also a budget-wise buy that birds love, and real keys can be just as fun, after a scrubbing.

Keep your eyes and mind open for playthings your bird can enjoy — you may surprise yourself with the possibilities! ■

Pets of the Week



>> **Alula** is a 5-year-old German shepherd mix. She's a bit shy, but very smart and agile. Her adoption fee is \$75.



>> **Felicia** is a 1-year-old washed tortie. Still a kitten at heart, she's playful and friendly. Her adoption fee is \$55.



>> **Kahlua** is 2 years old and acts like royalty as she observes serenely from her perch. Her adoption fee is \$55.



>> **Mugsy Malone** is a 7-year-old pointer mix who's super shy and needs someone very patient. His adoption fee is \$75.

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— Ihara Saikaku, “What the Seasons Brought to the Almanac Maker” (1686)

“Do not fold, spindle, or mutilate.”
— ubiquitous punch card phrase

Origami is the art of folding paper into forms without cutting or gluing. Although the number of basic folds is small, the creation of forms is limited only by the imagination of those who

fold and those who see. Little is known about its origin. Some say it began in China about 2,000 years ago, around the time of the invention of paper.

Others say that origami is first referenced in Ihara Saikaku’s poem, “Paper butterflies in a dream.” This poem, written in 1680, reads in part: “Rosei-ga yume-no cho-wa orisue.” This transliteration of the Japanese can be translated: “The butterflies in Rosei’s dream would be origami.” The origami image called orisue refers to a model of male and female butterflies, enfolded, usually used to wrap the saki bottles at a wedding.

Ihara Saikaku is credited with the creation of the Japanese “floating world” genre of prose. This style of writing of the Edo period (1600 - 1867 CE) focused on a world of pleasure both tranquil and intense. The world is peopled with folds of geisha, kabuki actors, samurai, and prostitutes. Images of this world show a beauty that is simple, fleeting, evanescent. At any moment, all could merely fold.

Certainly evanescent but perhaps beyond simple is the geologic fault unfolding of the 9.0 magnitude earthquake that sunk Japan two feet and brought it 13 feet closer to North America. This quake also shifted the axis of the earth 6.5 inches. And day was shortened by 1.6 microseconds as the mass of the earth shifted toward its center, and so began to spin faster. The quake’s resultant tsunami swept in thousands



of deaths, lost beings and freezing homeless. And radiation fears continue to mount as the effects on possibly folding nuclear reactors is diagnosed.

This is a far cry from the floating world chashitsu, the period’s free-standing simple wooden tea houses. These little houses have low entrances, low ceilings, no furniture. Decoration is no more than one calligraphy scroll and a carefully placed flower. The chashitsu were given names and enfolded in little gardens. Walkways entwined the little tea houses of the floating world.

Ukiyo, the Japanese word for this “floating world,” is a homophone. Its word partner with the same sound ironically has the opposite meaning. “Sorrowful world” is the earthly world of death and rebirth, the world of suffering from

which eastern religions plot escape.

Tsunamis and quakes remind us. We are creatures of brief duration, just a few cellular folds without glue. Like the wings of angels, passing over and under. Beautiful. Please watch carefully. The show is about to enfold, unfold, fold. ■

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Boca Bargoons combines quality, experience and value during 30% off sale

Boca Bargoons, famous for having high-end fabrics in stock for less than wholesale has just restocked and their entire inventory is 30% off the lowest ticketed price. This is the time to shop where the designers shop for all those interested in beautifying their homes with decorative fabric.

Boca Bargoons' 10,000 square foot showroom is crammed with high-end full rolls of all the name-brand decorative fabrics you could wish for and this week they will be having a sale that should have even the most discriminating decorative fabric shoppers excited.

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Thousands upon thousands of rolls skillfully coordinated fabrics in hundreds of vignettes of color, pattern, and style fill this extraordi-

nary store. This system of merchandising requires thousands of man hours from devoted craftsmen tediously pairing complementary fabrics of ten or more together. These fabrics are suitable for use in adjoining rooms, thus eliminating the search time for pairing fabrics together in decorating projects.

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on brides' behalves

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From high-end to low-end, wedding planners on the Southwest coast who can offer among the most envious waterfront settings in North America are looking to help their clients save money these days, rather than chasing every opulent whim, they say.

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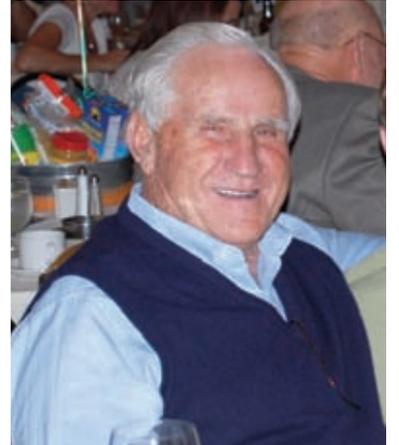
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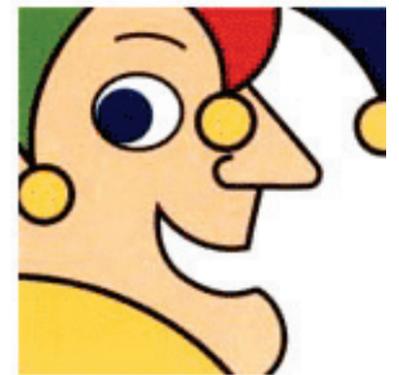
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INSIDE



Lawyers and Dolphins

A bar association luncheon, and Don Shula at his namesake restaurant. **B9** ►



Ask the Fool

It is OK to hang on to loser stocks while waiting for recovery? **B6** ►



Top producers

Women's Council of Realtors-Naples on the Gulf holds its annual awards luncheon. **B9** ►

Gartner's eight dos and don'ts drive mobile app sales

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By 2015, companies will generate 50 percent of their Web sales via their social-media presence and mobile applications, according to Gartner Inc. As context gains importance, analysts revealed eight dos and don'ts to leveraging context-enriched mobile applications in customer relationship management to drive sales and increase customer satisfaction.

"By 2015, context will be as influential to mobile consumer services as search

engines are to the web and information about customers will no longer be limited to data stored in company-owned systems," said Gene Alvarez, research vice president at Gartner. "Context information can be about identity — such as who you are and your calendar, environment — where you are and the device you use, process — things you do and what you allow and community — who is in your networks and who you communicate with. If used correctly, context information facilitates the move

from e-commerce today to contextual commerce tomorrow."

The eight dos and don'ts Gartner identified for context-enriched mobile applications are:

1. Profile Creation:

- Do allow first-time entry (profile creation) from any point of interaction.
- Don't require the users to sign up on the website before they can use the mobile application.

If a smartphone application requires

users to register with the website before they can consummate a transaction via the phone, companies might lose the sale.

2. All Devices Are Not Created Equal:

- Do map capabilities to the endpoint device and network.
- Don't assume that all endpoint devices are equal, or that all networks have equal capacity.

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MONEY & INVESTING

Fast-changing markets call for new portfolio management techniques



The traditional portfolio approach of buy and hold and the traditional portfolio composition of equities and bonds might not be the best solution in fast-changing markets with numerous geopolitical challenges.

Neither the Japanese tragedy nor Libyan strife and air strikes nor riots about high food prices in countries with large populations of the poor nor protests for civil liberties in repressed countries will likely end soon. Some of these problems will continue and some definitely have the potential for contagion.

Lest you consider this to be an alarmist view of this columnist exclusively, consider this week's comments from Jim Rogers: "The price of food will go through the roof, and as this happens you will see more social unrest, more governments fail and more countries failing. If people do not understand that, they should not be investing.... There is going to be a lot more political turmoil in the world in the next few years." ("Inflation will cause unrest to spread Westwards." March 16, Investment Week).

What gnaws at the investor beyond the horrific tragedy unfolding in Japan and the violence elsewhere are portfolio losses and lingering investment fears. The investor is frustrated that he/she is unable to react quickly to news (some of which happens in the middle of the night) and

doesn't know how to react to the myriad of problems.

Much of what the retail investor knows about investing was largely through prior experience, as in the golden years of the mid 80s through the 90s. Easy gains in bonds and equities are indelibly imprinted forever on their minds. What was the macro picture then that allowed hefty returns? Where are we now?

By and large, those yester years were characterized by: a strong dollar, low oil prices, low inflation, declining long and short interest rates, strong U.S. and foreign GDP growth, and, in some years, a reduction in U.S. federal debt.

Certainly the woes of funding Medicare and Social Security were in the 10 to 20 year distant future.

Only one of those aforementioned seven macro positives is true today: namely, strong foreign GDP growth.

Per Rogers and others, pile on the negatives: the food shortage breeding all sorts of civil unrest and a U.S. Fed chairman's easy (and wrong) monetary policy that jeopardizes the dollar's role and value as the world's reserve currency. No sun, moon and stars aligned for the investor in the new millennium.

Now, most U.S. retail investors agree with those general economic observations but it dead-ends there. There is no follow through in terms of investment portfolio revision. Why not?

Either the retail investor is not being advised to consider changes in a portfolio or, after being so advised, is unwilling to make changes due to denial, inertia, etc.

For those who are proactive, here are some possible solutions for investing in this macro environment — a rapidly changing economic and political world, with international participants, and markets that trade 24/7, even as we are sleeping.

These are not unique, as they are already used by "smart money" (hedge funds) and "big money" (institutional funds... which also use hedge funds.) Not all solutions are suitable for everyone.

First, truly — not nominally — diversify your portfolio. How? Expand the asset types in the portfolio to include those alternative assets that are not positively correlated to equities and bonds. If you want true diversification, get into assets such as commodities, managed futures, hedge funds and, sometimes, private equity. Get into asset classes that potentially can make you money even when equities and bonds are losing money.

Second, consider expanding investing approaches to include computer executed trading programs, many of which are based on a fundamental portfolio management rule: let profits run and nip losses in the bud. Simple, but simply the most effective money management tool which is the least often consistently employed.

What can systems trading do for you? Lots of things that you can't do. Systems are capable of trading in milliseconds across multiple markets, 24 hours a day, using consistent rules for entering a trade and for protecting capital.... besides a labyrinth of other portfolio management rules. Humans can't do this as quickly and let emotions get in the way; humans don't

manage their portfolio 24/7.

Again, this type of investing is nothing new to smart or big money; computerized equity trading accounts for 50 percent of NYSE volume and 85 percent of commodity trading advisers use systemized trading.

It is important to ask an adviser about the suitability of different trading styles and alternative assets. Just make sure these advisers have sufficient expertise in these areas. And don't expect fundamental managers with buy and hold timing to embrace technical trading or shorter term trading strategies.

Remember, there are many different types of investment professionals — different training, different licenses, and different modes of compensation. There might be value in speaking to a broad array of professionals across several areas of expertise and ultimately choosing three to four as advisers.

The same ol', same ol' in a rapidly changing world might not be the best approach. ■

An investment in futures contracts is speculative, involves a high degree of risk and is suitable only for persons who can assume the risk of loss in excess of their margin deposits. You should carefully consider whether futures trading is appropriate for you in light of your investment experience, trading objectives, financial resources, and other relevant circumstances. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future results.

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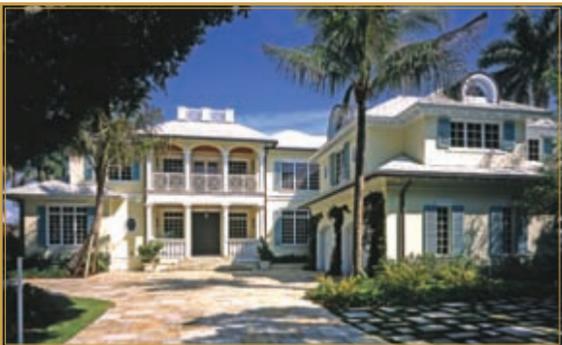
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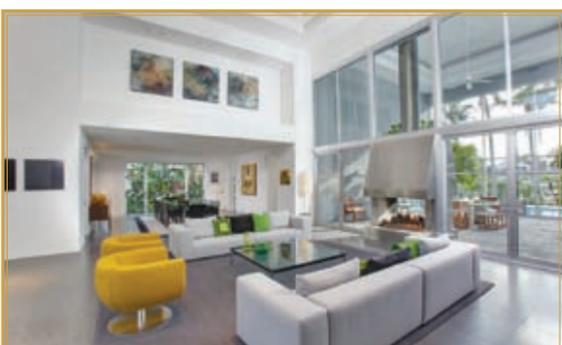
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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Two new retailers open at Mercato

Mercato has welcomed two new stores. Sperry Top-Siders at Mercato, next to Pandora, is the second licensed Sperry retail store in Naples for owner Ken Atchison, who also owns the Fifth Avenue store. In addition to a full line of footwear, shoppers will find handbags, sailcloth tote bags and caps.

A slice of fashion from the Big Apple has arrived at Mercato via Bio New York. The boutique carries women's resort wear and evening clothes as well as shoes, handbags and other accessories.

Bio New York's flagship store is in Soho. Owner An Vu says the two locations have some common merchandise, although the Naples inventory tends toward the casual, with lighter and more colorful fabrics.



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The Bio New York boutique in Mercato.

At Bio New York in Mercato, shoppers will find embellished silk chiffon dresses and cover-ups, cotton voile tops, linen pants and shorts and cotton maxi dresses in various prints. The new boutique is next door to Swim 'n' Sport. ■

Big C Events caters to all aspects of a good time

Important work can be accomplished on the golf course. That's where Grant Phelan, director of operations for the Pinchers Crab Shack restaurant chain, and Jason Camp, former ACE Group Classic tournament director, met and developed the idea for Big C Events. Since Decem-



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ber, the company has produced family-friendly, community-oriented events, from concept development and budgeting to vendor coordination, marketing, catering and on-site logistics and management.

The Big C 38-foot mobile kitchen allows for on-site preparation of meals for a black-tie event for a crowd of 300 at The von Liebig Art Center or for a backyard barbecue for as few as 20 people.

Big C coordinated Rock the Dock at Tin City on St. Patrick's Day, on the heels of handling all food and beverages for the ACE Group Classic. The company has also been named a preferred caterer by Naples Botanical Garden.

The company is based in Bonita Springs. For more information, call Big C Events at 253-2206. ■

Investor group acquires Coastal Concrete Products

Coastal Concrete Products LLC, a Naples-based firm specializing in manufacturing and installing precast concrete fence, has been acquired by a private equity investor group led by David Torres.

The company's corporate offices and the manufacturing facility occupy a 50,000-square-foot site at 3921 Prospect Ave. and engage 10 full-time employees.

Mr. Torres formerly served as president of the northeast Florida division of Toll Brothers. He believes the concrete fence wall systems produced at Coastal Concrete have "limitless potential for both commercial and private applications, including perimeter and security barriers, sound abatement walls and fence walls for utilities and substations,

among other uses."

Coastal Concrete Products has been producing stackable concrete systems with a wood pattern and stone look since 1988. The company is a member of the Collier Building Industry Association, the Florida Home Builder Association and the National Association of Home Builders.

For more information, visit www.CoastalConcreteProd.com or e-mail sales@CoastalConcreteProd.com. ■



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A recent installation by Coastal Concrete Products at a Naples residence.

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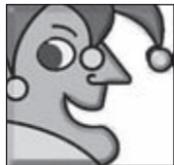
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You may not know what a tracking stock is, but you've probably run across some. A tracking stock is like a spin-off — sort of. A company issues a tracking stock for one of its business divisions, but the division isn't formally separated from the company.

Imagine having a portfolio of blue chip stocks and small high-fliers. In order to get a clearer picture of how the two kinds of stocks are performing, you might separate the two groups — on paper. In reality, they're still in one brokerage account, but by setting up separate sub-portfolios, you can see how each of the two groups is doing and can compare one to the other.

When a company issues a tracking stock, it has to prepare three sets of financial statements (such as balance sheets and income statements) instead of one. One set will reflect the company as a whole, as before. The second will reflect the business line being tracked, while the third will reflect the company's operations exclud-

ing those belonging to the tracking stock. The company hasn't really split up, but for reporting purposes, its assets, expenses, income and cash flow are allocated between the company and its tracking stock. Investors in the tracking stock will benefit (or suffer) according to how the tracked division does.

The appeal of tracking stocks is that they can help investors see a company's full value. For example, years ago, when most investors were just thinking of AT&T as a slow-moving, fuddy-duddy giant, it issued a tracking stock for its dynamic wireless operations. That allowed the division to be accorded a higher value than if it remained imbedded in regular AT&T stock. The higher-valued shares could also be used as currency if the company wanted to buy another firm or forge an alliance.

Tracking stocks are generally out of favor today, but some companies still have them. Liberty Media, for instance, has separated its QVC, Starz and movie studio businesses via tracking stocks. ■

My Dumbest Investment

\$270 Per Share Was Cheap

My dumbest investment was selling my Priceline.com shares when they hit the \$270 range. — J.A., online

The Fool Responds: Too many people erroneously think that a high number for a price means a stock is too expensive. By itself, a stock price tells you very little. A \$3 stock may be grossly overvalued, while a \$270 stock ... well, it might be headed to \$400 and beyond, as Priceline was.

You need to compare the price to other numbers, such as earnings and expected growth. Recently at \$450, Priceline shares have been trading at a P/E of 48, nearly 50 times their trailing 12-month earnings. But with earnings growing at roughly 25 percent annually, its P/E based on future earnings is closer to earth, near 25.

Before you sell, you should consider whether the company still has strong growth prospects and if its stock is trading at a reasonable or attractive price. Priceline bulls expect the recovering global economy to boost sales, and they like its low debt, fat profit margins and hefty return on equity. Bears worry that the stock has gotten ahead of itself. ■

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(Answer: Merck)

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On Tax Efficiency

Q Does a mutual fund's tax efficiency matter in tax-deferred accounts? — J.R., Biloxi, Miss.

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Q Is it OK to hang on to my loser stocks, waiting for them to recover before I sell, so that I can get back some of my lost money?

— G.Z., Canton, Ohio

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The Motley Fool Take

Deere's Expectations

With its latest quarterly earnings report, farming and forestry equipment maker John Deere (NYSE: DE) trounced analysts' expectations and then expanded its forecasts.

Net earnings more than doubled over year-ago levels, to \$514 million, while revenue advanced 27 percent to \$6.1 billion. Worldwide total equipment operations' net sales increased by 30 percent year over year, with the U.S. and Canada rising 35 percent, and other areas climbing 22 percent.

Operating profit for equipment operations more than doubled. Agriculture and Turf sales expanded by 21 percent, while Construction and Forestry sales grew by a whopping 81 percent. Operating margins expanded nicely across the board.

Agriculture and Turf sales are expected to increase by about 16 percent in 2011, based on anticipated strength in global farm conditions. That's up from a previous expected increase of about 8 percent. Construction and Forestry sales are seen rising by about 35 percent, up from a 25 percent to 30 percent expectation.

Challenges do lie ahead for the industry, such as substantially higher raw material costs. Nevertheless, management believes that higher sales volumes will largely offset those increases, along with improved factory utilization and increased prices. All in all, the company has raised its 2011 profit forecast nearly 20 percent to \$2.5 billion, compared with its \$2.1 billion expectation as recently as November.

Deere has recorded a solid quarter and appears to be headed even higher. ■

BUSINESS MEETINGS

► **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 Bonita Springs-Estero Chapter of the Women's Council of Realtors** holds its Spring Fling fashion show at 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 1, at Grandezza Country Club in Estero. Cost is \$25. RSVP by calling Sylvia Connor at 495-4172 or visiting www.wcrbonitaestero.com.

► **The Economic Development Council of Collier County** holds its next EDC Investor meeting from noon to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, at NABOR headquarters. Guest speaker Sean Snaith, Ph.D., is director of the Institute for Eco-

nomics Competitiveness at the University of Central Florida. For information and reservations, call 263-8989 or visit www.enaplesflorida.com.

► **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its next Business After 5 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, at the Ave Maria School of Law, 1025 Commons Circle, Naples. Cost is \$5 in advance, \$10 at the door for chamber members, \$25 for others. Register at www.napleschamber.org.

► **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its next Wake Up Naples at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 20, at the Hilton Naples. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for others. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org.

► **The Collier Building Industry**

Association holds its "Real Estate Snapshot: Season at a Glance" industry panel at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, at Olde Cypress Country Club. This year's sponsor is B-Squared Advertising. Panelists include Paul Erhardt of WCI Communities; Dick Borel, *Naples Daily News*; Brenda Fioretti NABOR; Bob Imig, Stock Development; and John Clark, Mutual of Omaha. Call 436-6100 or sign up at www.cbina.net.

► **The Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce** holds its 11th annual Marco Island Business Expo on Thursday, April 21. To reserve a spot as a vendor, contact Vicki Williams at 394-7549 or Vicki@marcoislandchamber.org.

► **PRACC**, Public Relations, Advertising and Marketing Professionals of Collier County, holds its next monthly luncheon

at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, April 21, at McCormick & Schmick's in Mercato. Cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for others. Register at www.pracc.org.

► **The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce Foundation** will host a Kentucky Derby party from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point. A hat contest for men and women will be part of the fun. Tickets are \$85. For reservations or more information, visit www.BonitaSpringsChamber.com.

► **The Neapolitan Chapter of the American Business Women's Association** meets for dinner and a business meeting at 5:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month at Bellasera Hotel. For more information, visit www.abwanepolitan.org. ■

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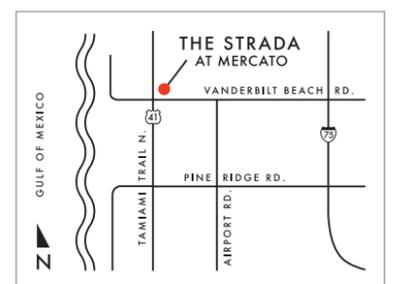


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WEDDINGS

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“Everyone is so conscious of money now, and I think one of the misconceptions is that you can save money by doing it yourself, rather than hiring a knowledgeable wedding planner,” says Patricia Slater, a veteran of almost two decades in the wedding planning business. She operates Patricia Slater’s Weddings by the Sea on Sanibel and Captiva islands.

“I’m doing a wedding in May with 12 bridesmaids, so those with money are not cutting back. But others are doing simple things,” she adds. Using an I-Pod for music, instead of a DJ or live band, for example or finding a public beach with a \$150 permit (the group rate on Sanibel), rather than a private venue.

On any scale, wedding planners do that well, they say.

“Our biggest struggle is showing brides that we save them money,” notes Kehrin

Hassan, a former Trump companies employee and 2007 graduate of Florida Gulf Coast University.

Ms. Hassan is co-owner, with Britney Riley, of Charmed Weddings LLC, a business that includes offices in Naples and Bonita Springs. “We can save them money — we’re not a luxury like they’d assume — because of our connections. We know the vendors, we know what they can do for us and how low they’ll go.”

The venue, the food, the photography, the music, the baker, the ceremony itself — sunrise or sunset? A public beach with its required permits or a private beach?

Any and all of it’s possible, and planners insist they can make it happen at a reduced cost.

But for those who might desire

to plan their own weddings anyway, a wedding expo can prove to be a great boon, since it offers many options at one site, says Hope Petkus, the event coordinator at Fishermen’s Village on the water in Punta Gorda, where a sizeable annual wedding expo will take place April 10.

As many as 30 vendors will offer services as planners, florists, musicians and DJs, photographers, purveyors of dresses or cosmetics, caterers, and others.

“This is for brides and bridal parties and their families to see the different things involved in getting ready for the big day, all in once place,” Ms. Petkus explains.

She hopes, too, they will consider Fishermen’s Village as a destination location, she says — where bridal parties can stay in the on-site villas, be married in a boat or overlooking the water, host rehearsal and bridal dinners, attend a day spa that “can do it from head to toe,” and benefit from the boutiques and shops where a vast range of gifts may be had.

What planners offer, in contrast, is something off the all-in-one grid — and sometimes they might not only plan the day, they might save the day, at no extra cost.

“Girls will call me and say, ‘I’m having a wedding at Sundial, in mid-June, right at sunset,’” explains Mrs. Slater, who has lived on Sanibel for three decades.

“Well, sunset is at about 25 minutes past 8 p.m. in mid-June, and you don’t see the sunset at that time of year from that particular place. Sometimes I get into trouble when a resort keeps that from the bride, and they get mad at me when I tell them. But if she wants to be married on the beach and see the fireball fall over the water, it’s going to have to be at a different time or a different place.”

Often all this planning takes months, but sometimes it’s a matter of hours, only.

“I got a call, and this couple from Oklahoma wanted to get married the next day,” recalls Mrs. Slater. “He was in a wheelchair — 31 years old and he’s had multiple sclerosis for 10 years — and we photographed him in the shade. He was able to stand up, he kind of leaned up against the railing. We carried him to the beach in his wheelchair, did the ceremony (Mrs. Slater can marry couples as well as plan their marriages), and she was in a dress she’d bought the day before at David’s Bridal, with her little boy. Beautiful.”

She has a soft spot for men and women serving in the United States armed forces, she notes, and will go out of her way to give them deals.

Although the new cost-saving consciousness is partly a consequence of the recession-that-wouldn’t-die, planners suggest, hard times haven’t stopped glorious weddings on the Southwest coast.

“Money — that’s the biggest difference between this and past seasons,” says Ms. Hassan. “The average budget for a wedding right now might be \$25,000 to \$30,000, whereas in previous years it might have been \$60,000. But we can make (a \$25,000 wedding) look like a \$40,000 wedding.”

And some people traveling the high-end circuit prefer a wedding that will cost even less than that.

For example, just last week Nea-



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Britney Riley and Kehrin Hassan of Charmed Weddings LLC.

politan native Elysia Dawn, a New York City-based dancer, arrived in her hometown with fiancé Amar Ramasar, a principal dancer for the New York City Ballet.

Right off the bat, she sought out Charmed Weddings.

Ms. Hassan explains what happened this way:

“Elysia’s mother is from Naples. They had a huge budget, and (the couple) was approached and asked, ‘Do you want a house or do you want a wedding?’ She’s in New York, it’s expensive, she needs help on a house, so they needed a wedding planner who could stretch a dollar, and if the wedding was publicized and it came down to it, could make it look spectacular on a limited budget.

“They only had \$15,000, and she said she interviewed five planners in the area. She found me on the website for Ella’s Cakes (a Neapolitan cake maker, at www.ellascakes.com).

“Now we’re in the planning stages. They’re only able to come down two times. I met the couple yesterday, went over all their ideas and they met four of the largest vendors — they loved every one of them. This is great, because I get to bring business to the vendors I love. I know they’re the best.

“They’re such a happy, excited couple. And we’re going to do something fun. Because of their budget being \$15,000, which is small for 120 people, we’ll have to do some cheaper food but dress it up a lot: Beef Wellington sliders, parmesan and truffle fries, we’ll do the presentation in small bites, we’ll have picnics with small stations of food — chicken kabobs on one station, a Spanish-infused shrimp kabob on another station — something that touches on every flavor. And a more casual (atmosphere).”

Since the wedding is set for October, Ms. Hassan and Ms. Riley have been given plenty of time to obtain permits for the public beach near Seagate, where the wedding will take place.

Ms. Slater, meanwhile, who has done plenty of high-end weddings on Sanibel and Captiva, is perfectly happy planning ceremonies that cost a lot less than \$15,000, and maybe even significantly less than \$2,500.

“I don’t do wild things like going up in balloons. I don’t follow trends. I do what my brides suggest, and I offer my creativity — probably a better word is my resourcefulness,” she says.

For example, “going to the Ace Hardware and buying potted mums.”

For the economically motivated, there are beautiful bouquets for \$110, and photo packages ranging from \$600 to \$1,200.

“If they’re really on a budget — don’t laugh at me when I say this — Rib City is wonderful. They will bring out ribs and chicken and beans and so on, and serve it for only \$13 a person.”

You can’t beat that when love is involved. ■

SALES

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Strong adoption requires that the application be accessible, so applications that require special conditions to download or operate will be less used.

3. Community Participation:

- Do cede control of community participation to the end user.

- Don’t connect the user to others without permission.

Customers will not use applications if they believe that their privacy is being violated. This is one of the reasons for the increase of the “check-in” model in mobile social networking, where the user has to explicitly locate himself or herself in a particular venue before information that he or she is in a location is transmitted to other people in that person’s network.

4. Convenience vs. Nuisance:

- Do remember that this is an invited relationship — leverage as many channels as the user will allow.

- Don’t overwhelm the user.

Organizations will need to strike a delicate balance between using context information enough so that it improves the service as opposed to too much, which will just annoy. Some applications allow users to set a preference for the types of alerts they want and the times that they want them.

“Being bombarded with unwanted offers at all hours is singularly unattractive and would probably do a great deal to engender animosity toward the offering party, rather than customer intimacy,” said Mr. Alvarez.

5. Partnerships:

- Do make sure you have established business relationships, and make sure partners know what they need to know.

- Don’t design without partner input.

Interactions with business partners must be seamless to the user.

6. Information Duplication:

- Do leverage Gartner’s information model for context-enriched services to discover the types and sources of context information you can use.

- Don’t duplicate information and sources that are already available.

Many organizations think that simply making their applications location-aware qualifies them as context-enriched commerce, but simple location awareness does little to increase customer engagement.

7. Single Platforms

1. Do maintain user information across platforms and sessions.

2. Don’t require the user to go to more than one platform to complete the transaction.

“Some mobile phone applications require that certain functions, such as entering credit card information or profile management, be performed on the company’s Website,” said Mr. Alvarez. “Imagine the frustration of a user trying to complete a transaction from the mobile phone, but using a different credit card. This is a lost sale for the organization and no incentive for the customer to remain loyal.”

8. Meeting Users’ Needs

- Do be proactive.
- Don’t just wait for customers to tell you what they want.

Applications that require the creation of a user profile will therefore have at least some information about the consumer and this should be leveraged, e.g., by proactive suggestions based on a knowledge of the consumer, their preferences and history of interactions.

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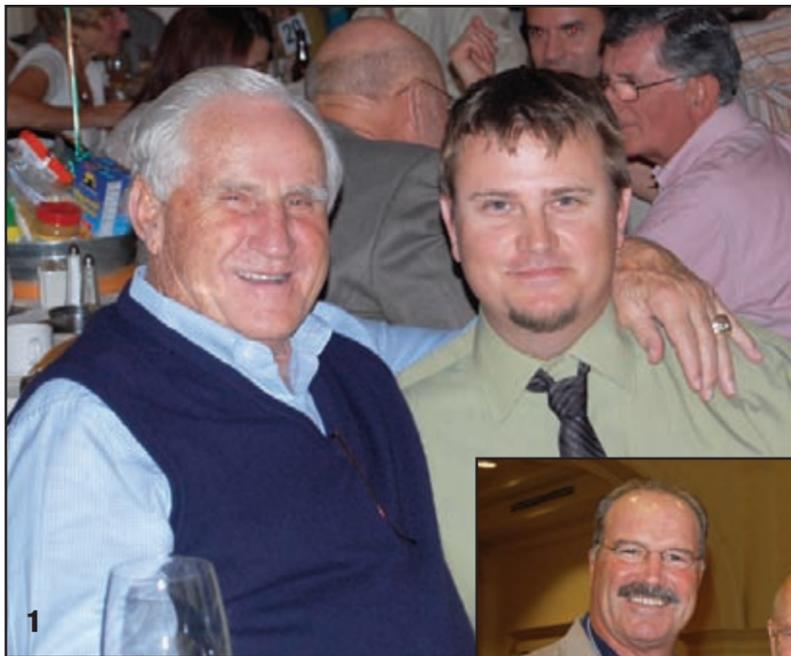
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Pelican Bay, 6500 Valen Way, #404 - Enjoy relaxing garden views from this 5th fl condo. An upgraded kitchen w/granite, 3 enclosed lanais add sq footage. New AC, hot wrt, washer/dryer within 3 yrs. 2/2 (C7173) Douglas Treadwell, 919-2002 **\$430,000**



Pelican Bay, 6525 Valen Way, #102 - Beautifully renovated condominium. A Must See. Very pvt south-facing lanai w/garden view. Centrally located in Pelican Bay a short walk to 2 bch trams & tennis. 3/2 (C7131) Douglas Treadwell, 919-2002, Chuck Felix, 213-8878 **\$425,000**



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Pelican Bay, 6525 Valen Way, #201 - Southern exp 1450sf condo. Light & bright. Newly renovated kitchen w/granite & new cabinets. Pelican Bay offers beach, world class fitness ctr & 18 tennis crts. 3/2 (C6853) Douglas Treadwell, 919-2002 **\$415,000**



Old Naples, 284 2nd St S, #284 - ONE BLOCK TO THE BEACH w/a brand new kitchen, new doors, covered parking and tile floors. Two blocks to 5th Av S. What a buy at this price to be in Old Naples! 2/2 (C6485) Nan Dietrich, 564-2906 **\$399,000**



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Moorings, 2082 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #203 - Unobstructed Moorings beach & Gulf view from 2nd fl bay-side unit. Enclosed lanai w/extra living space. Turnkey furnished. Exceptional comm pool & lanai area. 2/2 (C6533) Laurie Bellico, PA, 293-9389 **\$369,000**



Lely Resort, 8007 Palomino Dr, #2 - One level condo/duplex, 1,650 sf, screened-in lanai (can add pool), kitchen upgraded 2006, French drs, comm pool, pets OK, 2c gar. Players Club mbrshp OPTIONAL. 2+Den/2 (C7258) Bruce Miller, 206-0868 **\$250,000**



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The Ruby Collection

Four gems in Lakoya at Lely Resort

Stock Development announces the new Ruby Collection of floor plans for the Lakoya neighborhood at Lely Resort. Two of the four designs in the collection are open as furnished models.

Adapted from Stock Construction's most popular Avonlea neighborhood floor plans, the Ruby Collection homes are larger and have more dramatic exterior elevations along with expanded lanais. The homes are:

- **The Greenbriar**, a three-bedroom, three-bath home with 2,949 square feet under air and a total of 4,417 square feet.

- **The Scottsdale**, with three bedrooms and three baths under 2,719 air-conditioned square feet and with a total of 4,379 square feet.

- **The Harbourtown II**, a three-bedroom, three-bath, den/study floor plan with 2,815 square feet under air and a total of 4,363 square feet.

- **The Pinehurst**, a courtyard design with four bedrooms, 3½ baths and a study under 2,890 air-conditioned square feet and with a total of 4,845 square feet. The Pinehurst offers a private detached guest suite with a kitchenette that overlooks the courtyard.

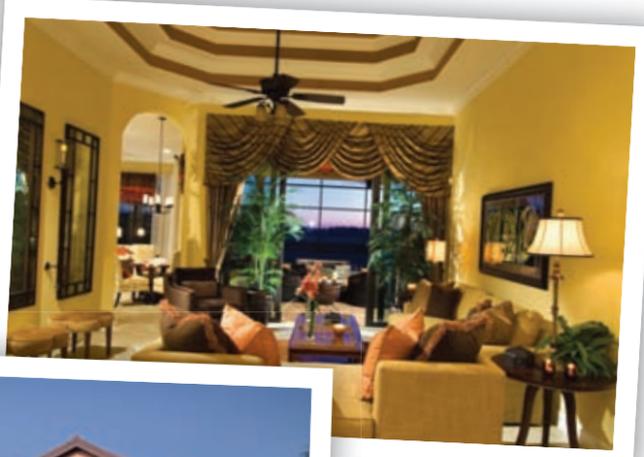
Each home in the Ruby Collection comes with a brick paver driveway leading to a motor courtyard in front of a side-loaded, three-car garage. Prices begin at \$379,990.

For more information, call 793-2100, go to www.lely-resort.com or visit Lely Resort on Facebook. ■



Above: An aerial view of Lakoya taken earlier this year.

Right: Three views of the Greenbriar model.



COURTESY PHOTOS

NABOR statistics say prices up, overall inventory down

The median closed price for single-family homes continues to rise, with February statistics showing a 10 percent year-over-year gain, according to the latest report from the Naples Area Board of Realtors, which tracks home listings and sales within Collier County (excluding Marco Island).

"February marks the eighth consecutive month that the overall single-family home median closed price increased, with the \$300,000 and under market leading the way," says Phil Wood, president of John R. Wood Realtors.

Overall inventory in the Naples area decreased 5 percent in February, to 9,213 available properties this year compared to 9,682 in February one year ago, the report indicates. Other statistics include:

- Overall pending sales increased 9 percent, to 1,223 contracts in February 2011 compared to 1,122 contracts in February 2010.

- For the 12 months ending February 2011, overall closed sales in the \$1 million to \$2 million category increased 29 percent. Condo closed sales increased 10 percent in the same time frame.

"The median closed price for condos declined, which resulted in a 17 percent increase in pending sales, says John Steinwand, president of Naples Realty Services. "We expect the single-family home trend of increased median closed prices to follow for condos, as condo pending and closed sales continue to rise and inventory declines," he added.

View the entire report at www.naplesarea.com. ■

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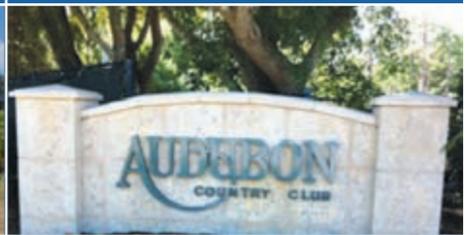
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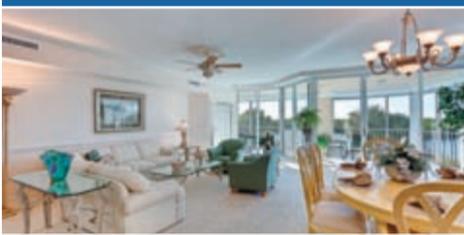
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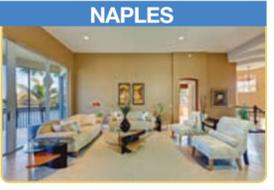
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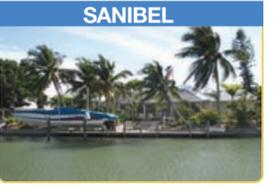
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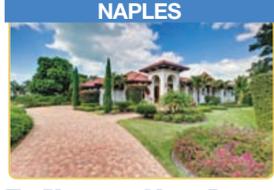
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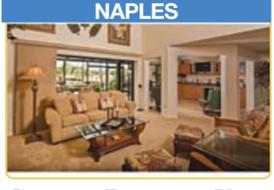
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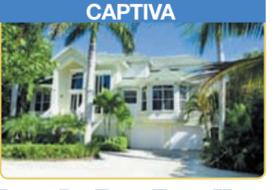
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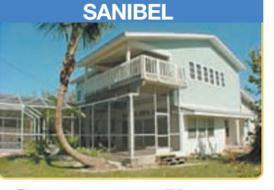
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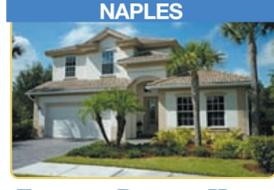
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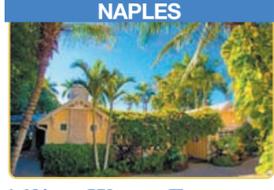
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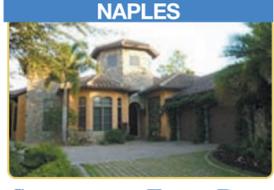
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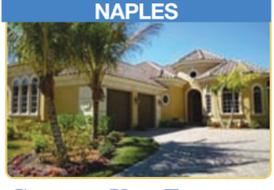
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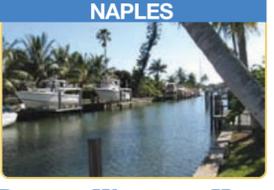
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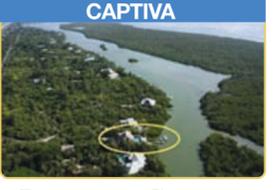
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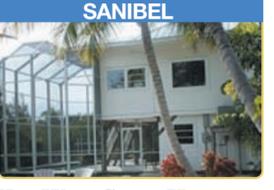
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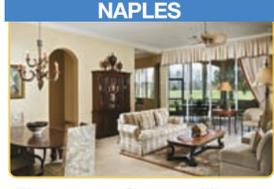
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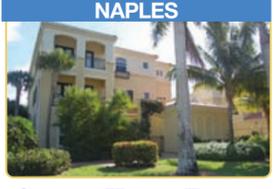
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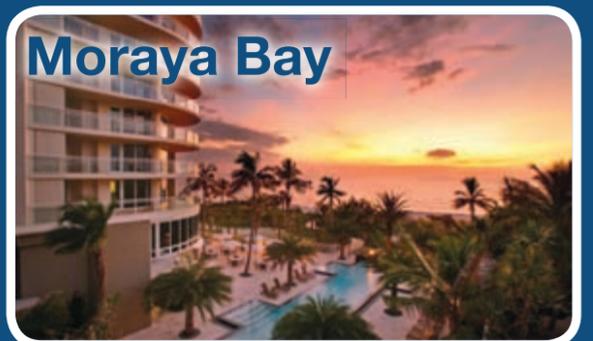
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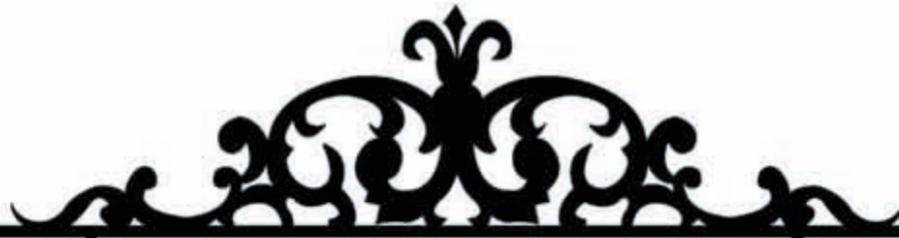
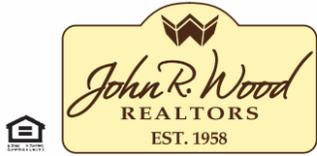
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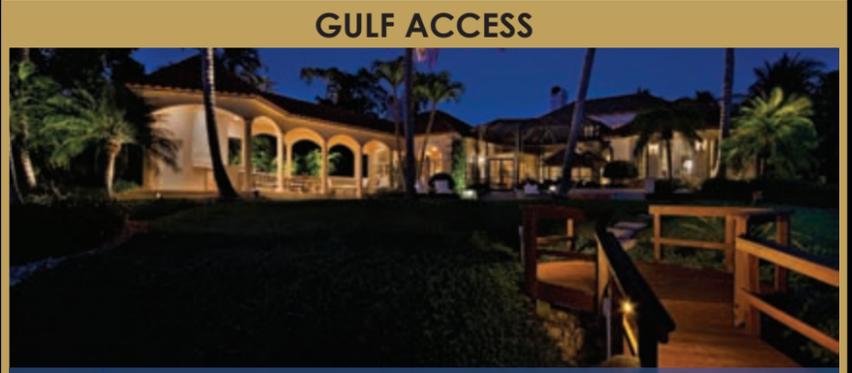
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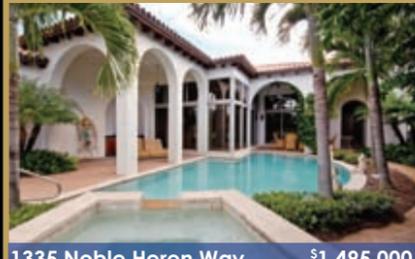
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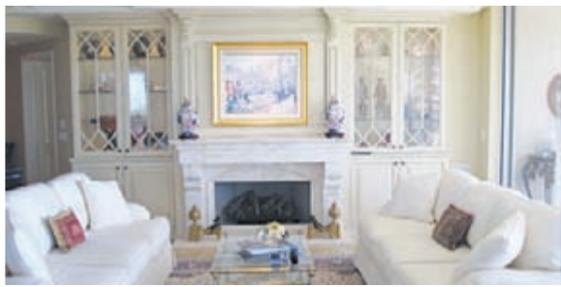
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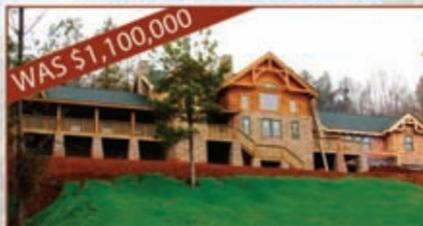
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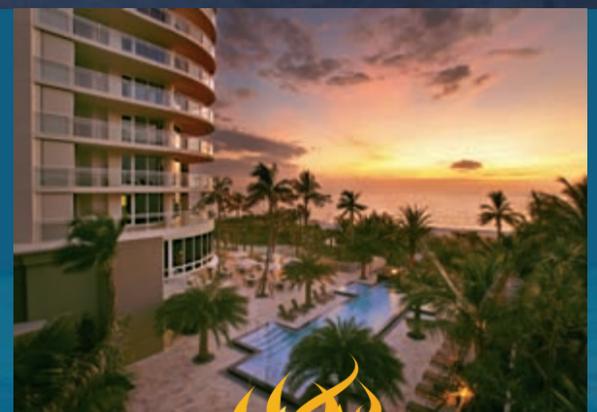
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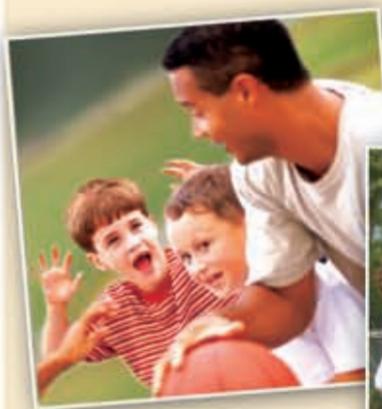
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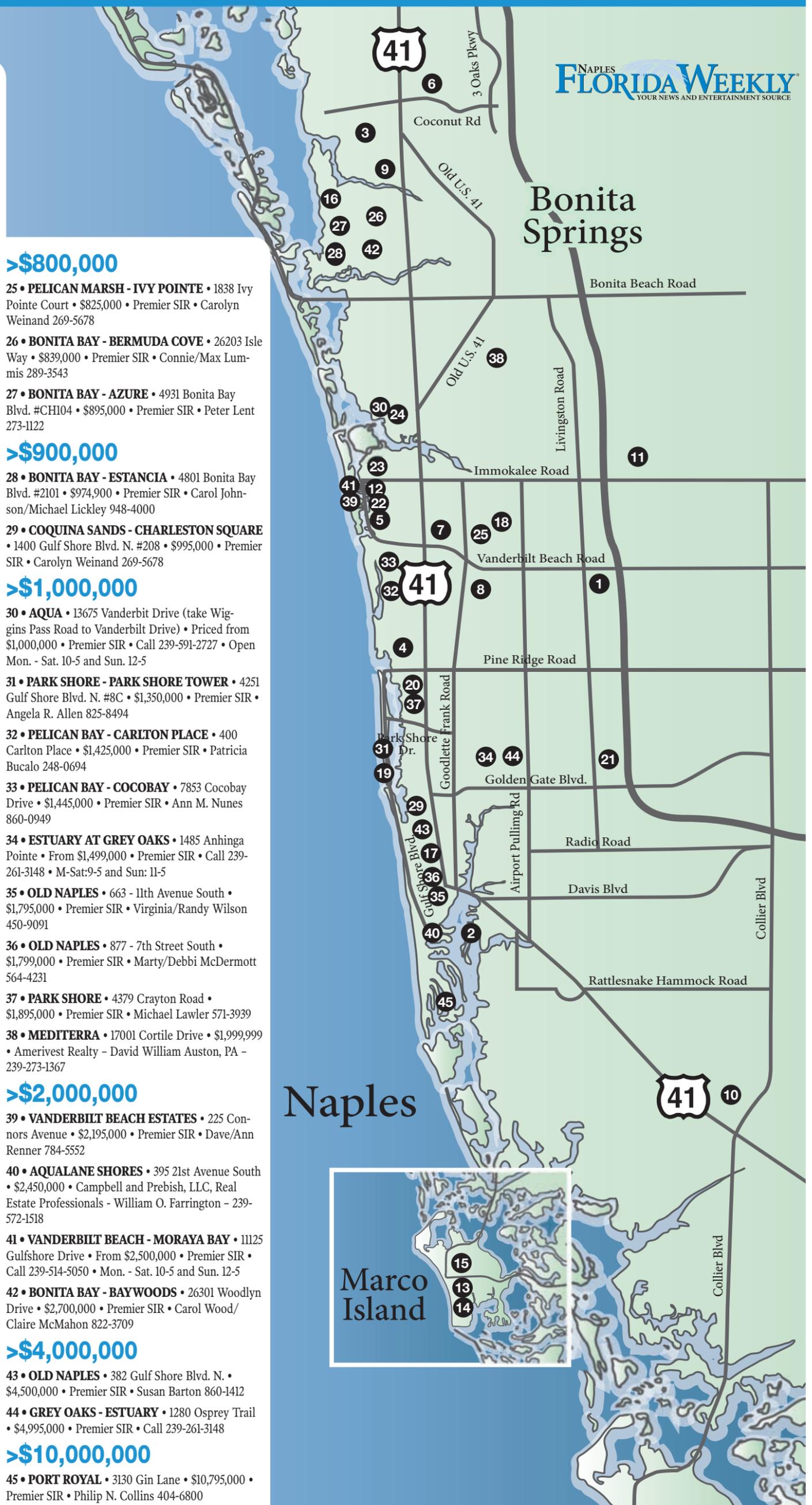
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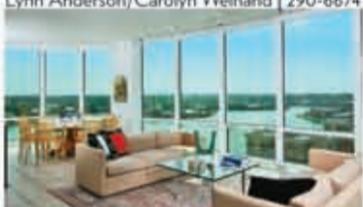
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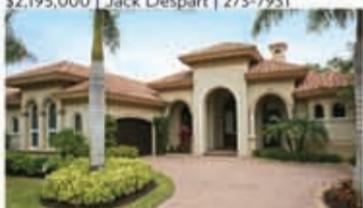
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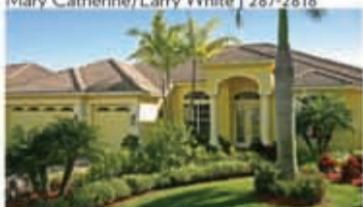
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Pelican Bay, 6001 Pelican Bay Blvd, #702 - Luxurious residence, renovation just completed, sweeping Gulf and estuary views from every room! Extraordinary finishes, new furnishings, all waiting for you! 3/3 (C6890) Friley Saucier, PA, 293-3532 **\$1,250,000**



Shadow Wood, 18971 Knoll Landing Dr - Custom home over 3600 sf w/great room floor plan, gourmet kitchen plus 2nd floor guest suite or game rm. Exquisite designer features throughout. Preserve views. 4+Den/4.5 (H5298) Dotti Fagan, 272-4946 **\$875,000**



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Moorings, 2151 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #206 - Wow What a View! If you are looking for TOES IN THE SAND this is it! 1232 SF on beach, south of Doctor's Pass. Old Florida Charm, new glass doors on lanai. 2/2 (C7348) Douglas Treadwell, 919-2002 **\$750,000**



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Pelican Bay, 7117 Pelican Bay Blvd, #G-14 - A dog's haven in the St Raphael. Fido can roam free in the private yard & garden of this unique luxury tower residence. 2 small dogs allowed...parents welcome. 2/2 (C6907) Friley Saucier, PA, 293-3532 **\$700,000**



Pelican Bay, 6001 Pelican Bay Blvd, #603 - Impressive Southwest Gulf view, bright and spacious, wood floors, electric shutters. www.Grosvenor603.com 2+Den/2.5 (C7087) Friley Saucier, PA, 293-3532 **\$700,000**



Coronado At Pelican Bay, 7225 Pelican Bay Blvd, #202 - Call for Appt. Beautifully maintained flow thru condo in a premier bldg. 2 balconies, split BRs, 24 hour security, fitness center & much more. Turnkey furnished. 2+Den/2 (C5782) Sara Williams, 784-5610 **\$699,000**



Moorings, 3003 Crayton Rd - Charming home - updated kitchen & baths, large yard, circle drive, & expansive screened lanai w/ pool. Loved by the current owners, ready to be enjoyed by you! 2+Den/2 (H5706) Friley Saucier, PA, 293-3532 **\$679,000**



Kensington, 4360 Kensington High St - Custom 2-story Villa, over 4000 T. Sq Ft., New pool & spa. Office-family room plus bedroom with ensuite bath. Golf course view. Open Sunday. 3+Den/3 (V1366) The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-7000 **\$640,000**



Mediterra, 15509 Monterosso Ln, #102 - Loaded with extras and professionally furnished. Spectacular long range lake views & is within walking distance to the Mediterra clubhouse. 3/2.5 (C5214) Michele Harrison, 580-9889 **\$600,000**



Imperial Shores, 4865 Regal Dr - A Boaters Dream & priced to sell. Unique Key West style home w/ boat dock, lift & seawall. Super southern views of canal & bay to Gulf. Bi-level lanai. 3 bdrm. 3/2 (H4238) The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-7000 **\$590,000**



Pelican Marsh, 9146 Troon Lakes Dr - Delightful spacious pool home with private setting, mature landscaping, Plantation shutters, electric storm shutters, 2 car garage. 3/2 (V1451) Michele Harrison, 580-9889 **\$560,000**



Pelican Bay, 6020 Pelican Bay Blvd, #105 - Exceptional lake and golf course view, corner unit, large rooms, extremely large wrap around lanai, new hurricane rated sliders and windows. 3/3 (C6906) Friley Saucier, PA, 293-3532 **\$550,000**



Pelican Bay, 6000 Pelican Bay Blvd, #1501 - Wow! What a view! This 1600 S/F, south unit has 270 Degree views. See the sunrise from the bedrooms and sunsets from the glassed living area. 2/2 (C7334) Douglas Treadwell, 919-2002 **\$500,000**



Pelican Marsh, 2380 Mont Claire Dr, #102 - Perfection awaits you. Serene lake front coach home in desirable Mont Claire of Pelican Marsh. Redesigned w/current color trends. Well priced - move right in. 3/2.5 (C7088) Michele Harrison, 580-9889 **\$500,000**



Moorings, 222 Harbour Dr, #302 - Unending SW views from glassed-in lanai! Turnkey furnished. Upgrades incl shutters, remodeled kitchen & baths. Desirable 3rd fl end unit in the A bldg. 2 boat slips included. 2/2 (C6704) Karen Champion, 450-3676 **\$450,000**



Naples Lakes Country Club, 4740 Cerromar Dr - Well maintained "Franklin" model. Pool, hurricane shutters, pillared columns. Bundled golf course designed by Arnold Palmer. Seller offers a 1 year HO Warranty! 2+Den/2 (H5345) Annemarie M. Giannini, 289-1820 **\$439,000**



Lely Resort, 6837 Bent Grass Dr - Popular Savannah Courtyard-style home. Screened & htd pool & spa. Guest house w/BR & BA. Neutral tile in living areas-hardwood flrs in BRs. South facing lanai. 3/3 (H5684) Karen Champion, 450-3676 **\$439,000**



Shadow Wood At The Brooks, 23129 Tree Crest Ct - Spectacular lake view w/expansive area for pool & spa. Designed w/entertaining in mind. Tile on diag, wood in den, granite in kit. Lowest price Laurel Meadows. 2+Den/2 (H4946) Michele Harrison, 580-9889 **\$385,000**



Banyan Woods, 5008 Maxwell Cir, #101 - 2000+ sf 1st floor coach home in sought-after location w/in walking distance to shopping & restaurants. Rich details & upgrades make this home truly exceptional. 3/2 (C7310) Linda C. Loomis, P.A., 451-0769 **\$374,500**



Pirates Cove, 27208 Gasparilla Dr - Spectacular wide views of the Imperial River. This homesite is a rare find and perfect for your custom home design. (L1234) Michele Harrison, 580-9889 **\$339,000**



Village Walk Of Bonita Springs, 15379 Trevally Way - Oakmont pool home on lake w/eastern exp. Like new, poured concrete construction, beautifully appointed w/crown molding thru out, wainscoting and so much more. 3+Den/2 (H5494) Michele Harrison, 580-9889 **\$337,000**



Old Naples, 980 7th Ave S, #11 - 1st Floor, perfect Apt, beside pool, no stairs, & 1 of only four, 2BR, 2BA in Castleton Gardens. Reno & furniture included, 2 blks to 5th Ave, 9 blks to Beach. 2/2 (C7085) The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-7000 **\$329,000**



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FMff latest entry in growing film fest scene

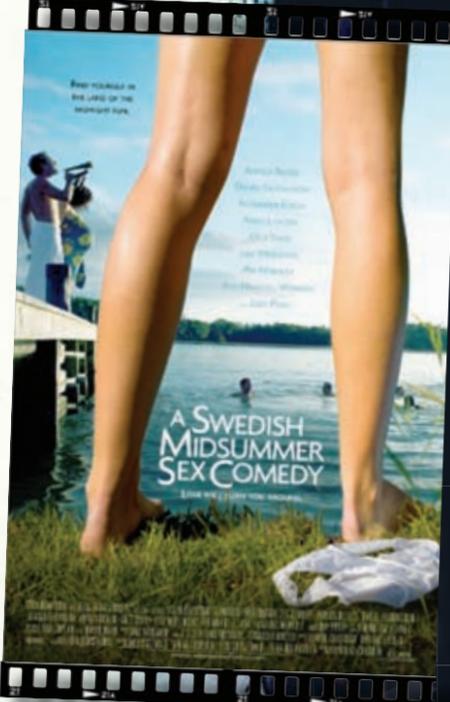
BY NANCY STETSON
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EVERY YEAR, WATCHING THE OSCARS never fails to raise the same question: Where is it possible to see some of these movies — particularly, the animated and live action shorts and documentaries?

From Sarasota and Naples, Southwest Florida is home to a few film festivals that feature those eclectic selections you can't find at the theater.

And now, there's another venue where cinefiles can get their fix: the Fort Myers Film Festival.

Running through March 27 at various venues, FMff brings independent feature films, documentaries, shorts, short shorts and local films (professional or student work) to town. The festival was started by Eric Raddatz, the presentation editor at *Florida Weekly*, who was one of three founders of the Naples International Film Festival. He left, due to personal and



SEE FMFF, C4 ▶

▲ Top, from left: "9000 Needles," "Play in the Gray" and "Prayers for Peace" add global flavor to the Fort Myers Film Festival.

"A Swedish Midsummer Sex Comedy" opened the festival on March 23. It was produced by Naples native Melissa Davis.

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Luncheon will help celebrate book about historic Naples cottages. **C14 ▶**



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Antiques expert Terry Kovel explains the original dribble glass. **C20 ▶**

Humor, truth, pathos line the 'Rabbit Hole' of grief

BY NANCY STETSON
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When someone you love dies, you feel like Alice in Wonderland after she's fallen down the rabbit hole.

Nothing is logical, nothing makes sense.

Everything is turned upside down.

"I think there's an expectation with grief that it's a process where you go from beginning to middle to end," says Denise Petersen. "That's an American concept of grief. And it's not true."

Grieving is circular, not linear, she says. And it's messy. "It colors every single thing that happens in your life from then on."

Ms. Petersen has been thinking about death and grieving more than usual lately, as she's in rehearsal for The Naples Players' production of "Rabbit Hole," which opens March 30 in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre. The Pulitzer Prize-winning play is about a family dealing with the accidental death of a 4-year-old boy. Ms. Petersen portrays Becca, the boy's mother.

Written by David Lindsay-Abaire, "Rabbit Hole" was nominated for four Tony Awards and was made into a 2010 movie starring Nicole Kidman, who received an Academy Award nomination for Best Actress in her role as Becca.

Part of what makes this play special,

says John McKerrow, director of upcoming Naples production, is that all the characters in it are dealing with the tragedy from differing points of view, from the parents who lost their son to the teenager who ran him over when the boy darted out into the street.

"It's a beautifully written play," he says. "In my mind, it's a hopeful play. A play that examines what you do when the absolute worst happens. In a world where there are no answers of why bad things happen to good people, how do you go on? The final message is, you do eventually move on."

Paul Graffy plays Howie, Becca's husband.

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SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

The accidental escort



Mansur called me on a Tuesday afternoon.

"I'm passing through town tonight," he said. "I'd like to get together."

He heads a branch of the international organization sponsoring my fellowship, and when he requests my presence, I accept. Brightly and with a smile.

"Of course," I said into the phone.

"A group of us are having dinner at La Bougainville" — the kind of restaurant where patrons arrive in chauffeured SUVs — "I'll see you there at 8."

I hung up and went straight to my closet, where I rifled through the cotton T-shirts and summer frocks hung in a disorderly row. Finally, I found a black sheath dress tucked in the back, and I pulled out a pair of snakeskin heels. La Bougainville is not for amateurs.

I arrived that night and saw a familiar group of faces, friendly and professional men who asked about my studies and work before turning to more serious business.

Mansur greeted me with a kiss on the cheek. "Nice to see you again," he said.

We sat in the restaurant's bar and sipped before-dinner drinks. I answered the usual questions and assumed a face of polite interest when the conversation moved elsewhere. Then Mercedes arrived.

"There she is," one of the men, Franco, said, standing. He took her outstretched hand. "A ray of sunshine."

The young woman smiled. She was striking, with dark hair that fell past her shoulders and a heart-shaped, pretty face. She wore stylishly cut jeans and a draped top that fell open in the back.

"This is Mercedes," Mansur introduced us. "We work in the same sector," he said vaguely.

With the new arrival, the tone of the gathering changed. We moved to our table in the dining room, and Mercedes and I were assigned seats flanking Mansur.

"We'll put you in between our two mademoiselles," one of the men said. "Or, I should say, our two princesses."

Like a match struck in a dark room, I understood with sudden clarity that this was not a business dinner. I saw for the first time the snakes that surrounded me.

"You know, John, Mercedes looks a little like your wife,"

Franco said to the man beside him.

John looked her over, and then turned to me. "Have you met my wife?"

"Yes," I said. "She's very pretty."

John took this in. He looked back at Mercedes. "So you mean to say that Mercedes is pretty?" His mouth stretched into a smile, all teeth.

I didn't answer. I was thinking of the scene in "Mad Men" where Don Draper calls two escorts for a night on the town. He pays them both for their services in the morning.

After the meal, we stepped into the parking lot where

"Like a match struck in a dark room, I understood with sudden clarity that this was not a business dinner..."

Mansur's driver waited off to the side. "Shall I drive you home?" he said to me. "I'm dropping Mercedes off."

I shook my head. I wanted no part of that trap. "I'll be OK," I said.

He kissed my cheek a second time and climbed into the back of his SUV. I raised a hand as they drove away, relieved, but still feeling as if I had been had too easily. ■



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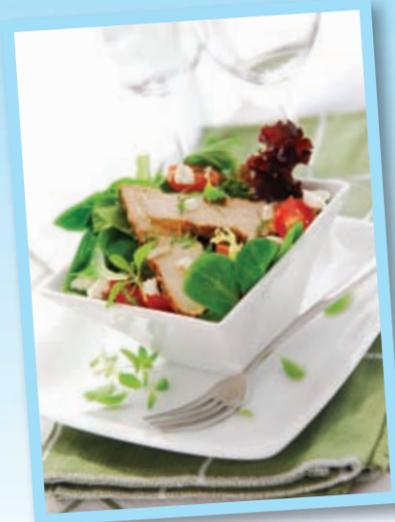
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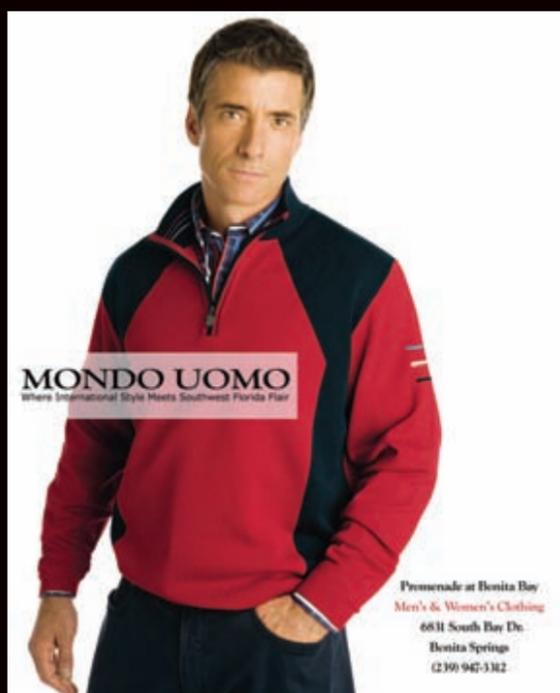
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creative differences, and founded FMff with co-founder Daniel Linehan.

Screenings for the inaugural event are at the Sidney & Berne Davis Arts Center March 24-27 and at the Alliance for the Arts March 25-26. (Go to www.fortmyersfilmfestival.com for complete list of shows, descriptions and screening times and locations.)



RADDATZ

The festival ends Sunday, March 27, with a black-tie gala at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre that includes a "Best of the Best" awards ceremony. Local filmmaker John Biffar will receive honorary recognition for his body of work.

"If there's ever a place where there should be a film festival, it's the second home of the guy who invented the industry, Thomas Edison," says Mr. Biffar.

Honoring the locals

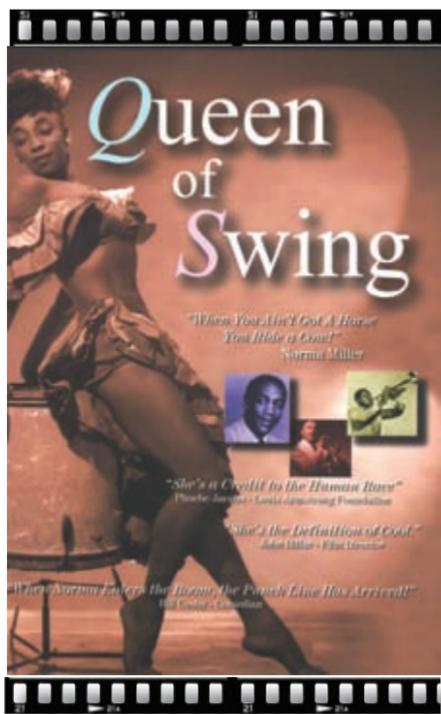
While featuring some world-renowned documentaries and various features from throughout the country, FMff also touts itself as a showcase for local filmmakers. One promotional billboard carries the line, "Local Filmmakers, World-class Swagger." More than two dozen local films will be shown, including Mr. Biffar's "Queen of Swing" about Lindy hop dancer Norma Miller.



BIFFAR

Ms. Miller, who grew up in Harlem in New York City, started dancing at the historic Savoy Ballroom when she was 14. The Lindy hop — now more commonly called swing dancing — was an energetic dance that included the woman being swung about like a ragdoll and even tossed over her partner's head. It required agility, athleticism and stamina; Ms. Miller and her partners dancing with such speed and barely contained wildness that it makes the swing dancers in the classic GAP ads look as if they're standing still in comparison.

Her dancing was immortalized in the Marx Brothers' movie "A Day at the Races" and in the famous dance sequence in "Hellzapoppin'." She



COURTESY PHOTO

"Queen of Swing," a movie by local filmmaker John Biffar, plays as part of the Fort Myers Film Festival at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 27. Mr. Biffar will attend.

worked with Count Basie, Louis Armstrong and Redd Foxx (appearing with the later in nightclubs and also on his TV show, "Sanford & Son")

"She was the first black act to perform in Miami," Mr. Biffar says. "She had to have a pass to get onto the beach, because she's black. I think she was working with Count Basie then. She was also the first black act to go into Vegas, opening for Sammy Davis Jr. at the Sands."

"Queen of Swing" includes interviews with Bill Cosby, Mercedes Ellington, Reeve Lindbergh and fellow Lindy dancer the late Frankie Manning.

The vivacious Ms. Miller, 91, now lives in Fort Myers and is expected to attend the FMff closing awards ceremony and gala.

The 83-minute documentary of her life has never been distributed.

Mr. Biffar recently added footage taken when he accompanied Ms. Miller to Washington, D.C., for President Obama's inauguration. The new version recently premiered in New York. Prior to that, there were screenings at the Smithsonian and also in Sweden. Mr. Biffar hopes to arrange a screening at New World Center, the home of the New World Symphony designed by Frank Gehry in Miami Beach.

He also has the film in front of Oprah's new TV network. "I'm waiting to hear back," he says. "I think it's

a good fit for that. I hope they think so, too."

Other interesting documentaries coming to the Fort Myers Film Festival include:

• "9000 Needles," directed by Doug Dearth

When Devin Dearth, a championship body builder and exercise fanatic living in Kentucky, suffers a stroke at age 40, his family is devastated. They become even more upset when his health insurance determines that his rehabilitation should stop, even though he's been making progress.

He's sent home, but his family refuses to give up. They learn about successful alternative therapy in China at the First Teaching Hospital of Tianjin/University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, which combines acupuncture and herbs with traditional physical therapy. The results are astounding, and the Dearth's find their world expanded in more ways than one, as this Christian, rural family travels to a city in China for unconventional medical care. Made by his brother Doug Dearth, "9,000 Needles" shows Devin Dearth's therapy and progress in China over the course of a few months.

Gritty and heartwarming at once, the 83-minute movie is a hymn to the supportive power of family as well as an indictment against our insurance industry, which would have kept this man bedridden and partially paralyzed for the remainder of his life.

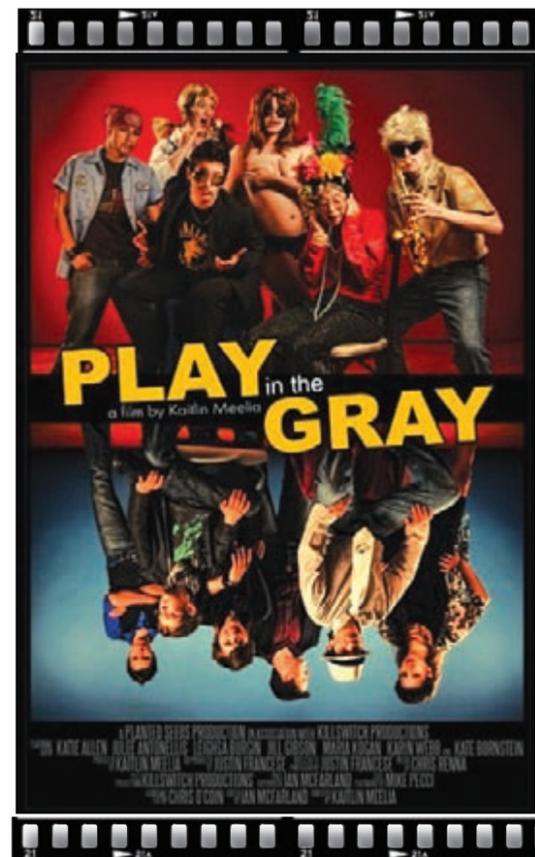
• "Prayers for Peace," directed by Dustin Grella

This six-minute animated short is also made by a sibling about his brother.

Dustin Grella's stunning film begins with him coming across yellow ribbons covering the fence of a church on New York City's Fifth Avenue. He realizes that on each of the ribbons is the name of a soldier who has died in Iraq. Each one, he narrates, was "someone's son, someone's father, someone's husband, someone's friend."

He finds the one he was looking for: the name of his 21-year-old brother, Devin, who died in Iraq three years ago, six months after joining the Army.

This sweet movie is a tribute to the director's brother and is in itself a prayer for peace.



COURTESY PHOTO

"Play in the Gray," a Florida Premiere, plays at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center at 7:30 p.m. Saturday March 26. Associate producer Danielle Connor will attend.

• "Play in the Gray," directed by Kaitlin Meelia

"Play in the Gray" is a thought-provoking, full-length feature documentary about a gender-bending theater group in Massachusetts who call themselves All the Kings Men.

Getting their start in local drag slams, these eight women define themselves as "a drag-based theater troupe dedicated to challenging the confines of gender identity."

The actors, who sometimes switch gender mid-sketch, challenge audience ideas about gender and gender stereotypes and insist that everything isn't black and white, that many people, like them, "play in the gray." ■

in the know

Fort Myers Film Festival

>> **When:** March 24-27

>> **Where:** Screenings at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, 2301 First St., and at the Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Blvd. Closing gala at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, 1380 Colonial Blvd.

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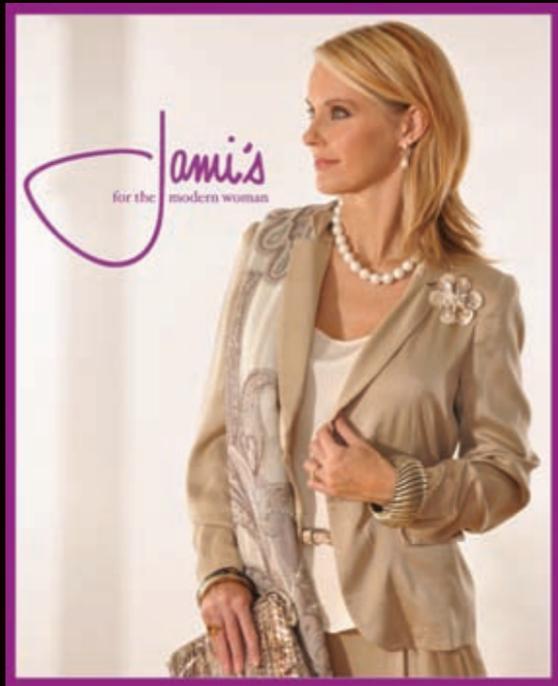
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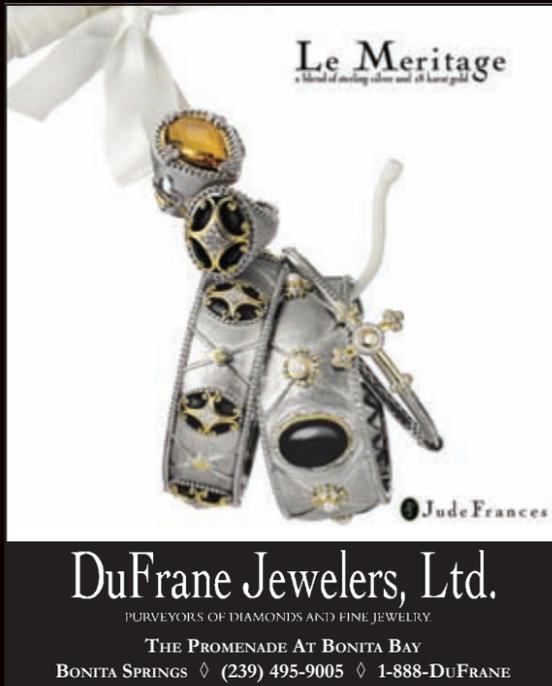
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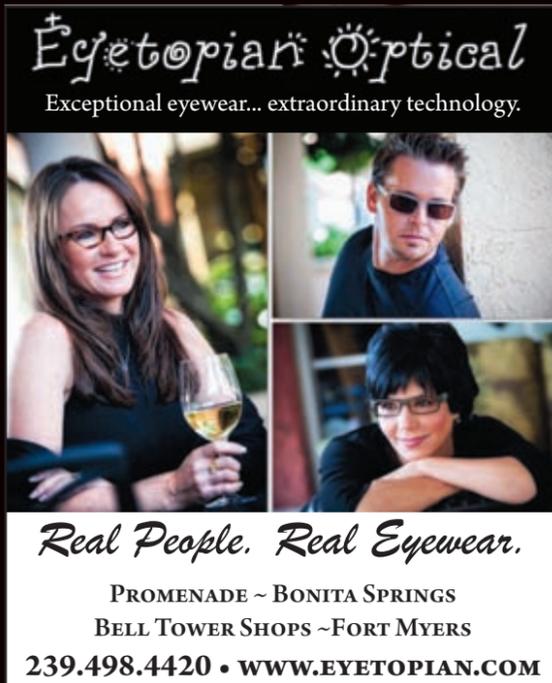
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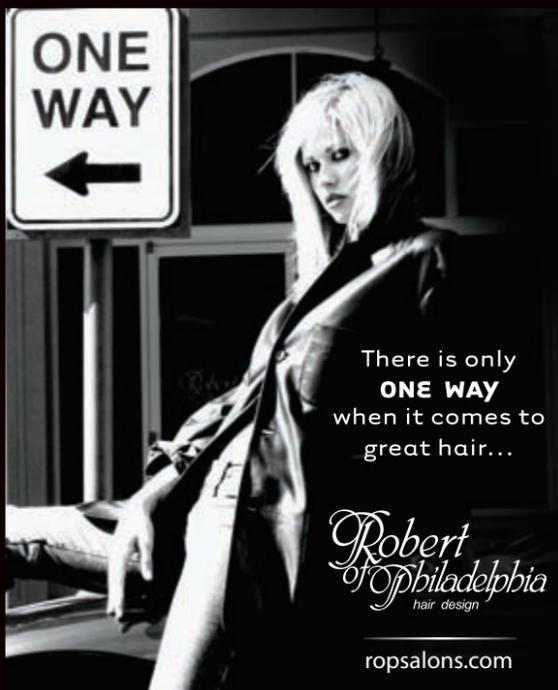
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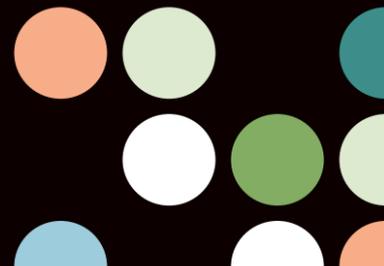
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Weekend Best Bets

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■ **March 25** - Naples City Improv. The Norris Center. 213-3058 or www.naplescityimprov.com

■ **March 25-26** - Third in Bloom. 434-6533 or www.thirdstreetsouth.com

■ **March 25-27** - Cuba on My Mind. Naples Art Association at The von Liebig Art Center. 262-6517 or www.naplesart.org

■ **March 25-27** - Sunsets on the Water. Sheldon Fine Art. 649-6255 or www.sheldonfineart.com

■ **March 27** - Give My Regards to Broadway. Bach Ensemble. 732-1055 or www.thebachensemble.com

■ **March 27** - Naples Concert Band at Cambier Park. 263-9521 or www.naplesconcertband.org

Theater

■ **Dirty Rotten Scoundrels** - By The Naples Players at the Sugden Community Theatre through April 2. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org

■ **Baggage** - By The Marco Players through April 3. 642-7270 or www.themarcoplayers.com

■ **Rabbit Hole** - By The Naples Players at the Sugden Community Theatre March 30-April 23. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org. See story on page C1.

■ **Mamma Mia!** - At the Philharmonic Center for the Arts March 29-April 3. 597-1900 or www.ThePhil.org

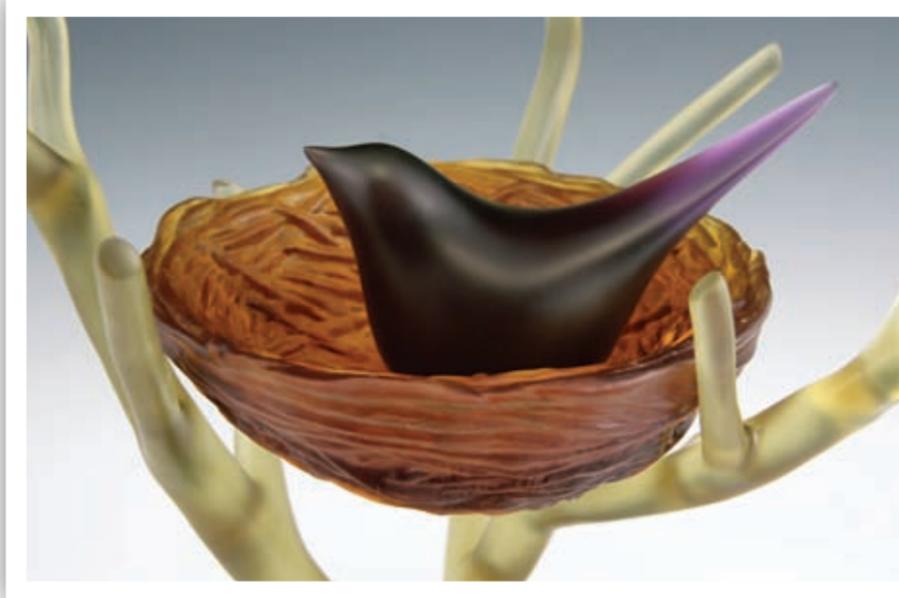
■ **August: Osage County** - By Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers, through March 27. 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org

■ **Medea** - By Theatre Conspiracy, Fort Myers, through April 2. 936-3239 or www.theatreconspiracy.org

■ **The Unsinkable Molly Brown** - At the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers, through April 2. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com

Thursday, March 24

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“Fall Home,” a cast crystal piece by Donna Rice, is among 44 pieces by 26 artists juried into the inaugural Naples International Contemporary Crafts Exhibition that opens Friday, March 25, at Longstreth Goldberg Art. Several of the artists will attend the opening reception from 6-9 p.m. at the gallery at 5640 Taylor Road. 514-2773 or www.plgart.com. See story on page C12.

sellers hosts author Robert Macomber from noon-2 p.m. at 677 S. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 393-0353.

■ **Fall Fashions** - Marissa Collections features Michael Kors fall fashions and a Boaz Kashi jewelry show through Saturday at 1167 Third St. S. 687-1148 or www.marissacollections.com

■ **In The Swim** - The Beach House at Waterside Shops presents a trunk show with modeling and a visit from a Tommy Bahama representative from 11 a.m.-4p.m. 598-4144.

■ **Indie Film** - “No One Knows About Persian Cats” airs at 7 p.m. in Whitaker Hall at FGCU. 590-7963 or faminian@fgcu.edu

■ **Senior Recital** - The FGCU Bower School of Music presents Leah Hassell on piano at 7:30 p.m. 590-7851 or pharkins@fgcu.edu

■ **Classical Piano** - The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents “Live at the Promenade!... Naomi Niskala” at 7 p.m. at the Promenade at Bonita Bay. \$30-\$35.495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org

■ **Perfect Harmony** - The Paradise Coastmen Barbershop Chorus performs at free concert at 7:30 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1955 Curling Ave. 597-4091.

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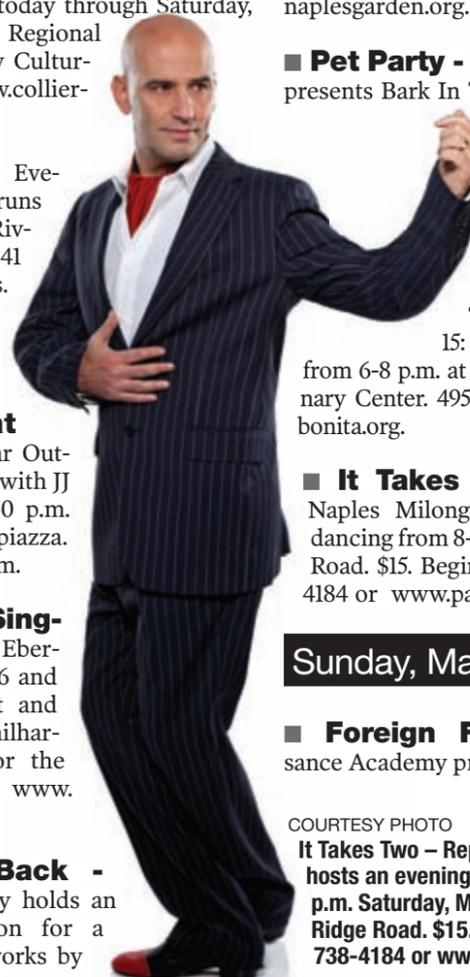
■ **Check It Out** - Friends of the Collier County Library hold the annual spring book sale today through Saturday, April 2, at South Regional Library, 8065 Lely Cultural Parkway. www.collierfriends.org

■ **Art Night** - Evening in the Park runs from 5-8 p.m. at Riverside Park on Old 41 in Bonita Springs. Enjoy art, food, history talks and live music.

■ **All That Jazz** - Miromar Outlets presents jazz with JJ & Co. from 6-8:30 p.m. in the restaurant piazza. www.Miromar.com

■ **Actress & Singer** - Christine Ebersole performs at 6 and 8:30 p.m. tonight and Saturday at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org

■ **Bobby's Back** - Sweet Art Gallery holds an opening reception for a display of new works by



Bobby Goldsboro and Palm Beach artist Erica Rukin from 6-8 p.m. 2054 Trade Center Way. 597-2110 or www.thesweetartgallery.com

■ **Classic Opera** - The Sarasota Opera and the Naples Philharmonic Orchestra bring “La Bohème” to the Philharmonic Center for the Arts at 8 p.m. 597-1900 or www.thephil.org

■ **Ad Libbing** - Naples City Improv takes the stage at The Norris Center from 8-10 p.m. 213-3058.

Saturday, March 26

■ **Street Art** - The 23rd annual Naples Festival of the Arts takes place from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today and Sunday at Fifth Avenue South and Park Street. 435-3742. See story on page C15.

■ **Mystic Faire** - The sixth annual Spring Mystic Faire runs from 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. at Etudes de Ballet, 3285 Pine Ridge Road. See story on page A15.

■ **Story Time** - Bring the little ones to the Naples Botanical Garden for story time at 10:30 a.m. today and Sunday in the Children's Garden. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org

■ **Pet Party** - Humane Society Naples presents Bark In The Park from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Mercato. 643-1880. See story on page A33.

■ **Art Affair** - The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents “Affairs of the Arts No. 15: Under the Tuscan Sun” from 6-8 p.m. at the Robb & Stucky Culinary Center. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org

■ **It Takes Two** - Repun Tango Naples Milonga hosts an evening of dancing from 8-11 p.m. at 1673 Pine Ridge Road. \$15. Beginners are welcome. 738-4184 or www.pablorepuntango.com

Sunday, March 27

■ **Foreign Flick** - The Renaissance Academy presents “Heading South”

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WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO



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“Naples Neighborhoods, Now and Then,” an exhibit of paintings by Neapolitan Paul Arsenault, has been extended through April 23 at The Naples Depot. Shown above is Mr. Arsenault’s “Naples Depot and Caboose.” Depot hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. 263-1214.

and Perley Rousseau present “Love In Any Language,” a program of songs in romance languages, at 2 p.m. at Headquarters Library, 2385 Orange Blossom Drive. Free. 593-0177

or 593-0334.

(France, 2005) from 1-4 p.m. at the Naples Center of FGCU, 1010 Fifth Ave. S. Suggested donation: \$5.

■ **Outdoor Tunes** - The Naples Concert Band plays from 2-4 p.m. in the band shell at Cambier Park. 593-5054.

■ **Making Waves** - The Southern Extreme Water-Ski Team performs from 4-6 p.m. at Miromar Outlets.

■ **Game Time** - Video Games Live! starts with an interactive pre-show carnival at 5:30 p.m. at Germain Arena. Then sit back and enjoy a choral and orchestral concert of music from the most popular video games of all time. 948-7825 or www.germainarena.com

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

Monday, March 28

■ **French Film** - The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents “La Vie en Rose” at 7 p.m. at the Promenade at Bonita Bay, 26811 S. Bay Dr. \$8. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Tuesday, March 29

■ **Thanks, Marco!** - JRobert and Sabrina will entertain and IberiaBank will serve hot dogs and brats from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the bank on Bald Eagle Drive, Marco Island.

■ **Fall Fashions** - Marissa Collections features Erickson Beamon jewelry with a personal appearance by Monique Erickson today and Wednesday. 1167 Third St. S. 687-1148 or www.marissacollections.com.

■ **Language of Love** - Sonny Daye

■ **Art Event** - The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents “Raku and You” from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at 26100 Old 41 Road. Enjoy a raku lesson and a picnic-style meal. \$40. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

■ **Benefit Show** - “An Intimate Evening of Laughs” with Kevin Nealon of “Saturday Night” starts at 8 p.m. in the Cafe Cabaret at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers. Proceeds benefit the Hope Clubhouse of Southwest Florida. \$50. 278-4422.

Wednesday, March 30

■ **Home Away From Home** - Author Tom Marshall presents a program about the adventures of traveling to a new place and renting for several months of the year at 2 p.m. at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. Free. 263-7768 or 262-4130.

■ **Art Forum** - “ArtistSalon” provides a free arts forum for artists to discuss and network from 6-8 p.m. at Rosen Gallery & Studios, North Line Plaza, 2172 J & C Blvd. 821-1061 or ricta@earthlink.net.

■ **Tunes & Brewskis** - Wednesday Night Out at the Naples Botanical Garden features a John Friday concert and beer sampling from 6-9 p.m. Bring a blanket or chair. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

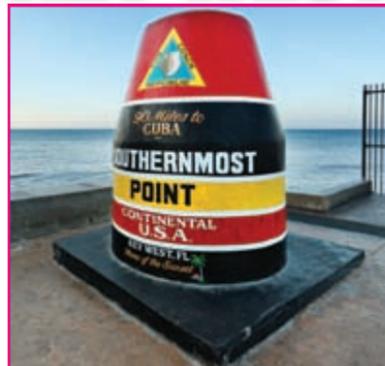
■ **Wanna Have Fun?** - “Girls Night: The Musical” takes the stage at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers, today and March 31. 481-4849 or www.bbmanna.com.

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RABBIT

From page C1

"I thought it was going to be a terribly depressing play, but I was surprised by the amount of humor in it," Mr. Graffy says. "There's a lot of wit in the play, a lot of really funny stuff — and some pathos, but that's limited to two sections."

"You do feel the tension in this family as they're trying to reconnect," he adds, "because something that monumental is 50-50: Either it's going to pull you apart irrevocably, or it's going to make you stronger than ever as a family."

Mr. Graffy, who's performed in numerous shows with The Naples Players, admires Mr. Lindsay-Abaire's writing.

"The truth of his storytelling is spectacular," he says. "It's one of the most economical written plays I've ever read. There's not an ounce of fat on it, or a single superfluous anything. There's just so much truth in it."

"And it wasn't at all what I expected."

In fact, he says, the playwright gives very strong instructions involving emotions in the play.

"It only calls for tears twice... only in those two spots are you to be maudlin. (Because) that's not what the play's



Paul Graffy plays Howie, the father whose young son dies in an accident.



PEGGY FARREN / FLORIDA WEEKLY

Director John McKerrow, right, gives instruction to Karen Smith Hill, left, and Denise Petersen on the set of "Rabbit Hole" in the Tobye Studio at Sugden Community Theatre.

about."

In addition to Mr. Graffy and Ms. Petersen as the parents, the cast includes Victoria Diebler as Becca's sister, Karen Smith Hill as their mother and Jonathan Perez as the boy who accidentally kills the son. Everyone is struggling with guilt and grieving in his or her own way.

"It's a well-structured play," Mr. Graffy says. "It's the study of grief as it affects everybody in the family... There are definitely touching moments, but it's not trying to manipulate you into anything."

The parents are at different points in their grieving process. While Becca wants to sell the house because everything about it reminds her of her son, Howie wants to hang onto the house and keep everything as it is, for precisely that reason.

"It's an interesting juxtaposition of characters I hadn't seen before," Mr.

in the know

- >>What: "Rabbit Hole" by The Naples Players
- >>When: March 30-April 23
- >>Where: In the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre, Naples
- >>Cost: \$25 for adults, \$10 for students
- >>Info: 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org

Graffy says. "It doesn't follow any of the formulas of 'Disease of the Week' stuff we've all been inundated with."

Ms. Petersen was surprised to receive a handwritten note from the playwright recently. A college classmate and her husband are good friends with Mr. Lindsay-Abaire, she explains, and they told him she was doing the play.

"It was lovely," she says about the note. "He said that he heard we were

doing the play, and that (our mutual friend) says I'm talented. He said he thinks of his plays as his other children, and it's nice to hear that this one is being so well taken care of and prevented from chasing a dog into the street."

She will write him back and send him pictures and newspaper stories, she says.

In addition, John Cameron Mitchell, who directed the movie version of "Rabbit Hole," is a friend of Ms. Petersen's from college. "So things have come full circle," she says. "I feel it was divine intervention."

Audiences should not be frightened of the material, adds Mr. Graffy.

"It's not horrible, dark and dismal," he stresses. "It's entertaining. It's a well-told story that uses everything it can: humor, truth and a little bit of pathos. It's really quite something." ■

So you think you can sing and dance...

Auditions are coming up for two productions by The Naples Players.

Tryouts for "Pinkalicious," a musical based on the popular children's book by Victoria and Elizabeth Kann, are set for 6-8 p.m. Thursday, April 7. Here's how the story unfolds:

Despite warnings from her parents, Pinkalicious simply can't stop eating pink cupcakes. Her indulgence lands her at the doctor's office with pinkitis, an affliction that turns her pink from head to toe. It's a dream come true for the pink-loving enthusiast — until her hue goes too far and Pinkalicious must figure

a way out of her predicament.

The cast of six calls for three men (one age 18-30, one age 35-50 and one 40-pluys) and three women (two ages 18-30, who will be playing children, and one age 30-50. Megan McCombs will direct.

Auditioners should prepare 16 bars of a song and will also be asked to perform a brief choreography routine. An accompanist will be provided. Callbacks will be held starting at noon Sunday, April 17.

Rehearsals for "Pinkalicious" will begin the first week in May. Performances are May 28-June 26.

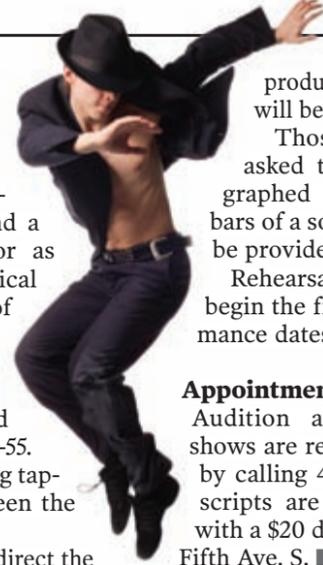
'42nd Street'

Auditions for "42nd Street" will take place from 3-7 p.m. Saturday, April 16.

The classic musical follows an aspiring showgirl and a famously controlling director as they attempt to put on a musical extravaganza in the midst of the Great Depression.

A large singing and dancing cast is needed, along with six male principals ages 25-60 and four female principals ages 18-55. The show also calls for a strong tapping chorus of dancers between the ages of 17 and 35.

Dawn Lebrecht Fornara will direct the



production, and Charles Fornara will be the musical director.

Those auditioning will be asked to learn a brief choreographed routine and prepare 16 bars of a song. An accompanist will be provided.

Rehearsals for "42nd Street" will begin the first week in May. Performance dates are July 1-30.

Appointments necessary

Audition appointments for both shows are required and can be made by calling 434-7340, ext. 10. Perusal scripts are available for 72 hours, with a \$20 deposit, at the theater, 701 Fifth Ave. S. ■

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Golfathon is a great way to help St. Matthew's House

BY REV. VANN ELLISON
Special to Florida Weekly

This is the time of year when one word in particular is on the mind around St. Matthew's House: Golfathon. Our 14th annual event happens at Imperial Golf Club on Tuesday, April 19, and it promises to be yet another great day of golfing fun at one of Naples' premier clubs.

Not only is the Golfathon our biggest fundraiser of the year, it's also one of the most successful golf fundraisers in town. With so many tournaments happening around here, we somehow still manage to raise more than \$250,000 each year, thanks to our players' diligence and



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Robert Kibler, Jerry Coates, Salmon Cardenas and Mike Calyore of First Presbyterian Church played in the 2010 Golfathon.

commitment.

So what exactly is a Golfathon? Event creator and 17-year SMH board member Dean Lind explains: "When we started this event it was called a marathon. But the name seemed to have some negative connotations to the effect that some people didn't feel they had the stamina to play in anything called a marathon. For most people this was not the case, however, because the format is for fast play. It surprised people how easy it is to play 50 holes."

Even so, in 2003 the name was changed to the Golfathon.

Players solicit sponsorships from friends and colleagues. To this extent, we provide them with a personalized letter and/or e-mail that they can give to potential sponsors. This letter explains the mission of St. Matthew's House, and that the player has committed to (tongue in cheek here) "risking total exhaustion, sunstroke, and a possible nervous breakdown to help make a difference." The letter includes a coupon at the bottom to detach and send in with either a per-hole pledge or flat donation in the player's name. The e-mail has a link

to our online registration page to either sponsor a player or register to play.

It costs SMH \$250 per player to fund the Golfathon, so we encourage participants to establish a goal of at least \$1,000 for their fundraising. If that sounds like a lot, you'd be surprised at how quickly it adds up with the number of sponsors one can gather.

We are so appreciative of our players' effort and time that we will even send their letters for them! If players have a list of 50 or more potential sponsors, they can send us an excel spreadsheet or address labels with their information, and we'll do the rest, postage included.

For their fundraising efforts, we make sure participants have a great day of golf at no cost to them. We cover greens fees, cart rental (each player has their own cart), unlimited golf balls, continental breakfast, box lunch and roving carts stocked with snacks and beverages on the course all day. Several contests with great prizes are held throughout the day as well.

All players and a guest are also invited to the awards dinner and reception at the end of the day. Up for grabs in the silent auction this year are things like more golf at area clubs and a three-day, two-night stay at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples.

The Golfathon format is fun, different and designed for fast play with relaxed rules. All putts within the leather are given. You play two balls on the par threes, and you play "ready" golf where you play your shot when you get to your ball as long as the coast is clear. The goal is to play at least 50 holes in six hours, which is not too difficult. Some people commit to a certain number of holes and stay out as long as necessary to get there. Each year a few players even manage to reach 100 holes.

We average close to 200 participants each year. In past years, we have spread players out among three courses at neighboring clubs. This year, we will use both courses at Imperial and morning and afternoon shotgun times to avoid crowding on the courses.

Players both amateur and pro return year after year to play in the Golfathon and support St. Matthew's House. John Lee, the professional at Imperial, has played in every single Golfathon. Many church teams participate, as do country club foursomes and teams of family members.

So, put a team together and get ready for a memorable day that in the end provides direct support for St. Matthew's House. Sign up by contacting Julie Clay at 774-0500 or Julie@stmatthewshouse.org, or by visiting www.stmatthewshouse.org. ■

— Rev. Vann Ellison is the executive director and CEO of St. Matthew's House.



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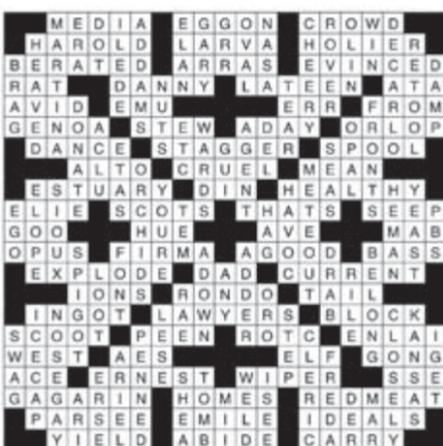
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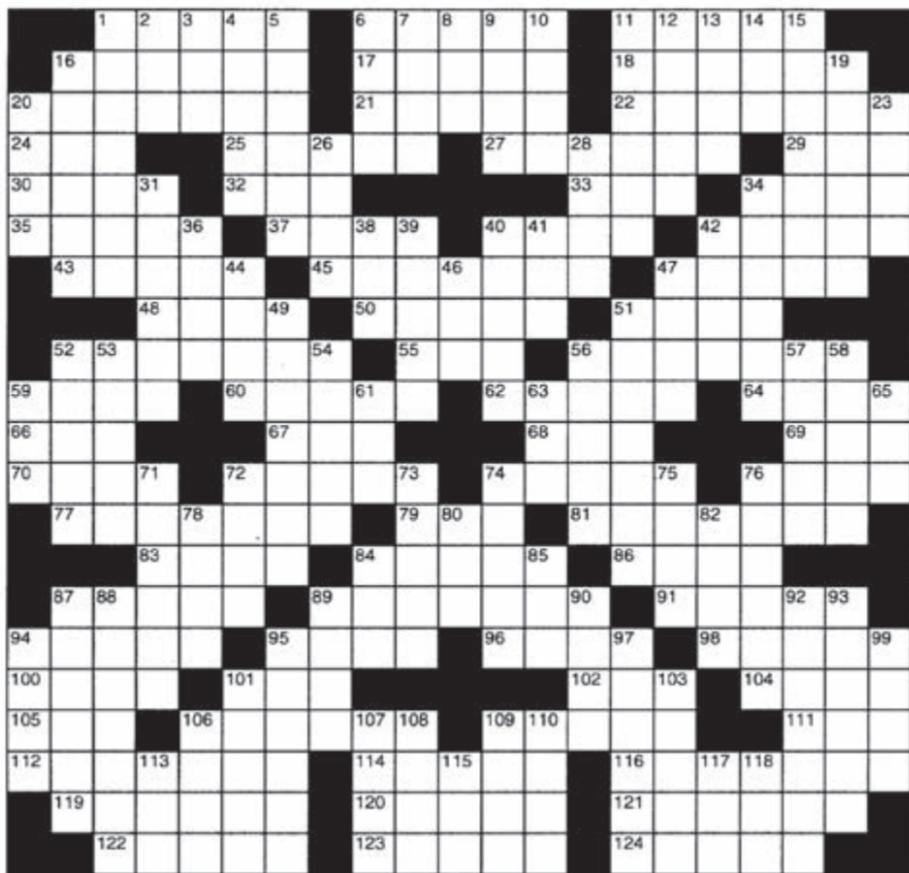
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 - 21 Stage backdrop
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 - 24 TV's "The — Patrol"
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 - 34 Starting at
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 - 37 Bouillabaisse or burgoo
 - 40 "An apple —"
 - 42 Deck type
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 - 50 "Don't Be —" ('56 hit)
 - 51 Have in mind
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 - 59 Nobelist
 - 60 Dundee
 - 62 TV's "— Incredible!"
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 - 3 Speck
 - 4 — France
 - 5 Cartoonist Charles
 - 6 Panache
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 - 11 Joyful
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 - 14 Place before place
 - 15 Yvonne of "The Munsters"
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 - 19 Update a factory
 - 20 Improve oneself, in a way
 - 23 Clammy
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 - 31 Contribute
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 - 39 City districts
 - 40 "Secret — Man" ('66 song)
 - 41 Singer Shannon
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 - 93 Kirstie Alley's birthplace
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SEE ANSWERS, C9

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HOROSCOPES

■ **ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Regarding your upcoming challenges, the Aries Lamb should very quickly size things up and allow you to make the best possible use of whatever resources you have on hand. Good luck.

■ **TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** You rarely blame others for missteps that worked against you. But this time you need to lay out all the facts and insist that everyone acknowledge his or her share of the mistakes. Then start again.

■ **GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** You might want to start making vacation plans. And don't be surprised by unexpected family demands. Maintain control. Be open to suggestions, but don't get bogged down by them.

■ **CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Work with both your Moon Child and Crab aspects this week to keep both your creative and your practical sides balanced. Your intuition sharpens, giving you greater insight by the middle of the week.

■ **LEO (July 23 to August 22)** The Big Cat finally should have all the information needed to move on with a project. If not, maybe you'll want to give everything a new and more thorough check before trying to move on.

■ **VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** Too much emotional pain caused by someone you can't win over as a friend? Then stop trying to do so. You have other things you need to work on this week. Go to it, and good luck.

■ **LIBRA (September 23 to Octo-**

ber 22) It's a good time to reassess where and how your strengths can help you build, and where your weaknesses can hinder you. Remember to build on your strongest foundation.

■ **SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** That personal matter that seemed so hard to deal with should be less confusing now. Don't rush. Let things happen easily, without the risk of creating even more puzzlement.

■ **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Change continues to be a strong factor in many important areas. Keep on top of them, and you won't have to worry about losing control. A personal situation takes on a new look.

■ **CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** A business offer sounds intriguing. But if you don't check it out thoroughly, you could have problems. Take a set of questions with you when you attend your next meeting.

■ **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** Your self-confidence should be coming back. That's good news. But it might be a bit over the top right now, so best to let it settle down before you start making expensive decisions.

■ **PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** Your life, your decisions. Good enough. But be sure you have all the facts you need to put into the decision-maker mixing bowl and hope it will come out as it should.

■ **BORN THIS WEEK:** You find much of your creativity with new people who give you much to think about.

By Linda Thistle

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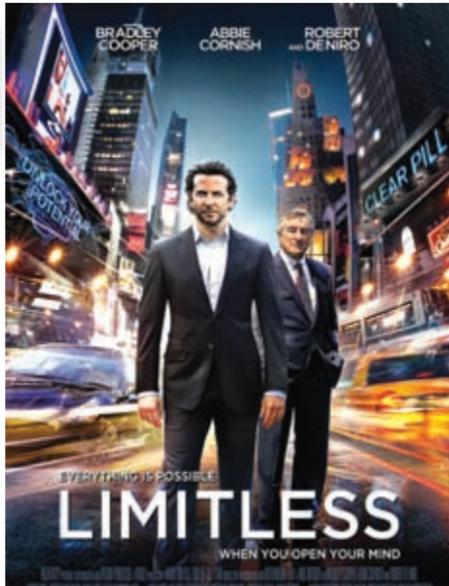
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Is it worth \$10? Yes



Robert De Niro's performance in "Limitless" is the most disappointing of his career. More on that later.

Scientists and doctors might debate this, but it's generally accepted that human beings only use 10-20 percent of their brains. In a welcome combination of intrigue and bold storytelling, "Limitless" explores what would happen if we could use 100 percent of the brain — and it does so in a fascinating way that keeps our rapt attention until nearly falling apart in the third act.

Eddie (Bradley Cooper) is a struggling writer whose girlfriend, Lindy (Abbie Cornish), dumps him because he's going nowhere.

On a walk to clear his head, Eddie bumps into his scumbag ex-brother-in-law, Vern (Johnny Whitworth), who can see that Eddie needs help. So into Eddie's hand goes NZT, a drug that makes everything sharper and clearer. With a four-digit IQ Eddie can now focus, remember things he didn't know he knew and write his novel in a brisk four days. He also learns to play piano and speak foreign languages, and after a few days has the sense to get a hair cut so he no longer looks homeless.

But Eddie also gets greedy. Wouldn't you?

He starts dabbling in the finance world, and to get started he takes \$100,000 from a loan shark (Andrew Howard). If Eddie's supposed to be this smart, 1) He'd be patient and wouldn't take money from a loan shark, and 2) He'd pay it back immediately to avoid further consequences.

Fortunately, Eddie makes the most of his money and soon earns the interest of Wall Street tycoon Carl Van Loon (Mr. De Niro). Things get more complicated from there, but this must be said: Mr. De Niro's performance is terrible. Van Loon is supposed to have the power and aura of Michael Douglas' Gordon Gekko, but Mr. De Niro gives him the screen presence of a cheap insurance salesman.

Although he's had a phenomenal career,

Mr. De Niro is clearly on cruise control here, and the idea that he can just stand there and go toe-to-toe with Mr. Cooper is ridiculous. Perhaps this explains why he hasn't had a dramatic hit in 15 years.

Director Neil Burger gives the film a nice visual flair by racing his camera through the streets to get us inside Eddie's mind and adding other little touches, such as letters falling from the ceiling to show how easy writing is for Eddie. There's also a clear distinction between normal Eddie and drugged-up Eddie, as the lighting is much brighter and clearer when he's under the influence of NZT.

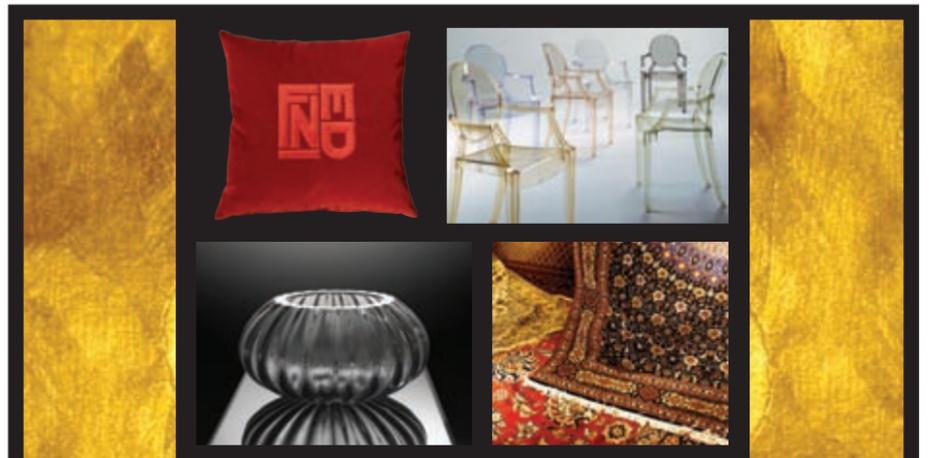
A better movie would've stuck closer to the existential questions of what a person could do with unlimited knowledge, perhaps even exploring how it could help the greater good.

Why the last third of "Limitless" takes on a drug addiction/action-oriented essence is anyone's guess, but thankfully, it's not enough to ruin all that's come before it. ■

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in the know

>> **Bradley Cooper** was a student at New School University's Actors Studio Drama School in New York City when Robert De Niro appeared on the school's signature TV program, "Inside the Actor's Studio."



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Contemporary crafts at Longstreth Goldberg Art

Fine art craftsmen from around the country (and one from Canada) are represented in the newest exhibition opening Friday, March 25, at Longstreth Goldberg Art. The public is welcome to attend the opening reception and awards ceremony from 6-9 p.m. Gallery owner Peg Longstreth says several of the artists will be in attendance.

Works by four local artists were juried into the Naples International Contemporary Crafts Exhibition. They are Andrew Owen, Chad Jensen and Kelly Hollingsworth, all of Naples, and Mary Voytek of Fort Myers. Mr. Owen and Ms. Voytek are on the faculty at Florida Gulf Coast University. Other exhibitors come from Hawaii to Nova Scotia and all points in between.

The exhibition was juried by Mark Richard Leach, executive director of the Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art in Winston-Salem, N.C. A graduate of the Getty Leadership Institute for Museum Management, Mr. Leach previously was chief curator at the Mint Museum of Craft + Design in Charlotte, N.C.

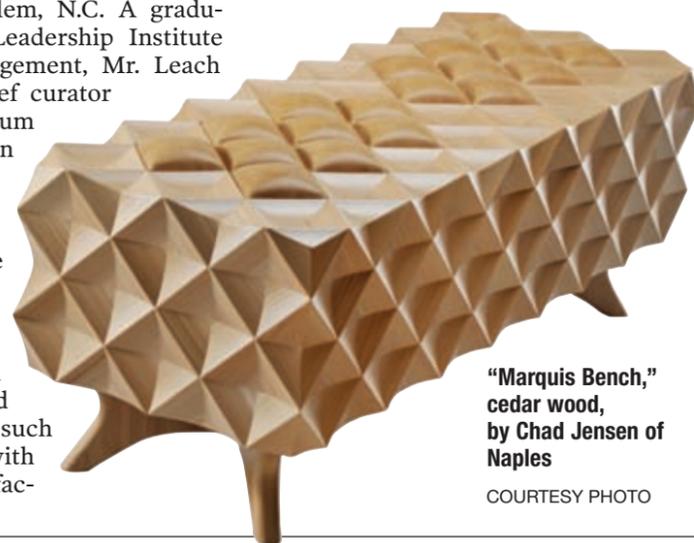
Mr. Leach describes the pieces he selected for the exhibit as “strains of two-and three-dimensional figuration imbued with allegory.” Included are “useful pieces such as tables, treated with patterned relief surfac-

es that transform the wood grain into elevated geometries.”

In all of the works, common materials altered by the hand are “bestowed with uncommon beauty,” he adds.

“Hand-making is a fundamental behavior that for a time was replaced by the allure of technology along. DIY impulses are, however, fast spreading through communities around the world. From reacquainting ourselves with the joy of manipulating materials to purposeful and aesthetically compelling outcomes... We see new value in this timeless act and universal heritage.”

The inaugural Naples International Contemporary Crafts Exhibition runs through June 15. Longstreth Goldberg Art is at 5640 Taylor Road, just north of Pine Ridge Road. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and also by appointment. Call 524-2773. ■



“Marquis Bench,” cedar wood, by Chad Jensen of Naples

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ARTISTS AMONG US

Leigh Herndon

>>How do you describe your work?
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>>When did you discover your creative talents?

An art professor let me do an independent study in batik, as no fibers courses were offered in the art department. I ordered dyes and taught myself, and eventually earned a master's degree in fiber arts.

>>Where can we see your work?

My wearable art — ruanas (loose jackets), sarongs, shawls and scarves — is at Kari's Kreations (830 Neapolitan Way) and Pretty Woman (7935 Airport Road N.). Also on my website: www.leighdesignsnales.com.

>>How do you describe your style?

My expressions are a blend of impressionism and abstraction. I remain fascinated with the effects I can achieve with wax and layers of dyes on silk. I create unusual shades by buying only the primary colors of dyes and mixing them. Silk fabric dyes more brilliantly than any other fiber, and it is joyful to dye.

>>What inspires you?

The beauty around me in Southwest Florida, especially tropical plants and nature and all its variations.

>>Where do you work?

I work and teach in a studio that's filled with dye vats, pans of hot wax, tables to hold stretching frames and a plethora of special brushes, tjantings and various Asian tools.

>>How do you feel your art contributes to the community?

Fashion and art are important here. My garments and cruise wear offer women an opportunity to wear locally designed wearable art and feel unique.

>>What are you reading now?

"Make Your Own Japanese Clothes" by John Marshall.

>>What are some of your other passions?

Kayaking, scuba diving, exploring the Everglades. ■



Leigh Herndon

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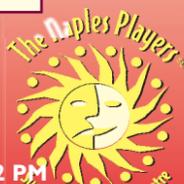
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This photograph by Penny Taylor is on the cover of "Dream Houses."

Bamboo Cafe French Home Cooking will host a luncheon celebrating the release of "Dream Houses: Historic Beach Homes & Cottages of Naples," from noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31.

Author and interior designer Joie Wilson and photographer Penny Taylor, along with the owners and designer of the three homes featured in the book,

will be in attendance. The owners and designers will recount their experiences owning and restoring their historic homes.

Cost is \$25 inclusive. A book signing will take place after the luncheon. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Bamboo Cafe at 643-6177 or by visiting www.BambooCafe-Naples.com. ■

Musicians band together for ailing friend

Area musicians are banding together to raise funds for their friend and colleague Symon, who has been diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia and is unable to work while undergoing treatment. He is self-employed, has no insurance and is his family's sole provider.

As a way to help their friend, the following bands and individual musicians will perform from 1-8 p.m. Sunday, March 27, at the North Naples Country Club: Big Buck, The Chaos Band,

Dale Schwegel, David C. Johnson, Derek Trenholm, John Mameli, The Magic of Keith Raygor, The Manipulators, Rob Matson, Smokin' Bill & Megan Rose, Soli & Andre, Tequila Tom and Tim Poindexter.

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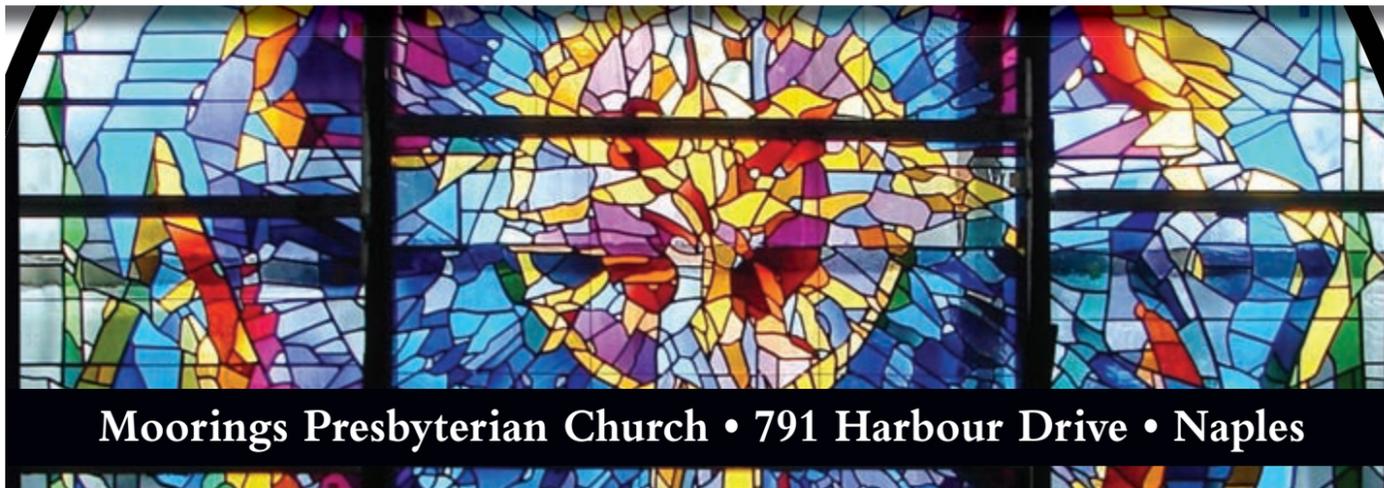
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Exhibitors include Mi Young Lee from Sioux Falls, S.D., who uses water-soluble oils on canvas or museum board to create geometric forms, organic shapes, gestures and textures in a kaleidoscope of color.

Jimmy Langford of Cumming, Ga., will exhibit metal sculptures of stainless steel, copper and brass. Over the past 20 years, he has developed a unique



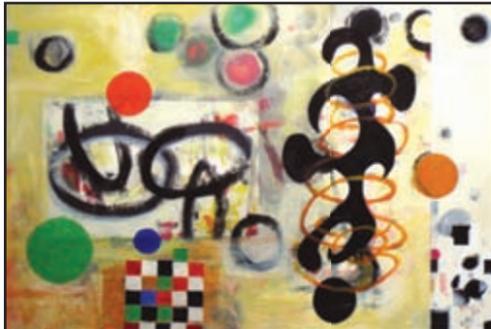
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Aqua Rings, by Scott Menaul

style of sanding, polishing, bronzing and glazing metal to create a broad range of colors.

For collectors seeking new art forms, there is Scott Menaul of Clearwater, Fla., who will have abstract digital images that combine geometric forms, color and unique patterns.

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Coast High School. Robert Herrera will conduct, and tenor Rodney Westbrook will join the NOC for three numbers, including "Bring Him Home" from "Les Miserables."

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Also coming up from the NOC, "The Seven Last Words of Christ" at three area churches: Wesley United Methodist Church on Marco Island at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 17; St. William Catholic Church at 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 19; and Moorings Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m. Friday, April 22.

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Pianist Lan Lam returns to the stage

After a five-year absence from the concert stage, pianist Lan Lam returns to perform the works of Haydn, Beethoven and Brahms in concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 10, at Naples United Church of Christ.

Born in Vietnam, Ms. Lam immigrated to Nova Scotia in 1980. She earned a bachelor's degree in music from Acadia University and a master's in music performance and literature at the University of Western Ontario. In 1994 she was a finalist in the Canadian Music Competition held in Vancouver.

Ms. Lam moved to Naples in 1998. In addition to teaching many private students, she is an adjunct professor of piano performance and music theory at Ave Maria University. She also accompanies the United Church of Christ choir.

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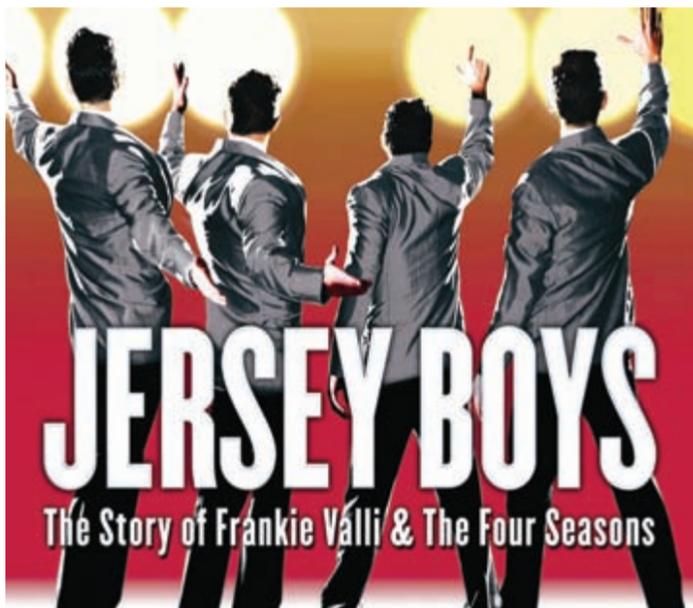
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■ The Critic's Choice book discussion series for 2011 comes to an end when Elaine Newton discusses **"Major Pettigrew's Last Stand"** by Helen Simonson at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 7, and at the same time Saturday, April 9. Tickets are \$32.

■ Concert pianist Jodie DeSalvo presents **"Classics Go Pop!"**, the final program in the series From Beethoven to Basham - Piano Celebrations! at 7 p.m. Monday, April 11.

Ms. DeSalvo graduated from the Hartt and Manhattan schools of music as a student of noted teachers including John Browning, Gary Graffman, Jascha Zayde and Nina Svetlanova. Upon winning the Artist International Competition in 1988, she made her Carnegie Hall debut to critical acclaim with an encore performance two years later at Lincoln Center. An artist faculty member at Florida International University in Miami, Ms. DeSalvo continues to perform extensively around the world. She has recorded six CDs of solo and two-piano music.

Tickets to "Classics Go Pop!" start at \$42.

■ **Harry Connick Jr.** and his orchestra will perform selections from his new album, "Your Songs," as well as other favorites at 8 p.m. Monday, April 11. Tickets start at \$98.

■ The series From Page to Stage: Contemporary American Drama continues Wednesday, April 13, when Elaine Newton and four actors explore the play **"Proof"** by David Auburn. The 2001 Pulitzer Prize- and Tony Award-winner, "Proof" journeys through the territory between madness and genius in the world of mathematics. Tickets are \$32.

■ The Naples Philharmonic Orchestra presents the final program in the Pops Series, **"Viva Italia: Pavarotti, Bocelli, Sinatra, Valli & More,"** at 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, April 12-16, and also at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 16-17.

Performing with the orchestra will be vocalist George DeMott, who has captured the hearts of audiences around the world singing everything from opera to pop, and two other acclaimed singers, Janien Valentine and Cody Shawn Gay. Guest conductor Michael Krajewski will lead the orchestra. Tickets start at \$74.

■ As part of his North American "Truth of Touch" tour, composer/pianist **Yanni** performs at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 19.



Recorded in the Grammy Award-winning artist's Florida studio, "Truth of Touch" is Yanni's first instrumental release of original compositions in more than eight years.

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Led by choreographer Jacques Heim and with surrealistic sets and witty, arresting narratives, the ensemble creates an almost cinematic experience that stretches the boundaries of modern dance. Everyday items such as doors, chairs and stairways provide the backdrop for leaps, twirls and even flying.

Tickets start at \$49.

■ **“Monty Python’s Spamalot,”** the Tony Award-winning Best Musical of 2005, return for three performances at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 22-23, and also at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 23.

Lovingly “ripped-off” from the comedy team’s most popular motion picture, “Monty Python and the Holy Grail,” “Spamalot” is the winner of three 2005 Tony Awards including Best Musical and Best Director (Mike Nichols), as well as the Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle awards for Best Musical. Telling the legendary tale of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table and their quest for the Holy Grail, it features a chorus line of dancing divas and knights, flatulent Frenchmen, killer rabbits and one legless knight.

Tickets start at \$79.

■ **Sir Tom Jones** returns to the Phil for one performance at 8 p.m. Monday, April 25. Celebrated for hits over the past four decades including “It’s Not Unusual,” “Delilah” and “She’s a Lady,” Mr. Jones sings every form of popular music — rock, pop, show tunes, dance, techno, country — in his own inimitable style.

Tickets start at \$79.

■ Take a stroll down lover’s lane when the Naples Philharmonic Orchestra presents **“Mancini and Moonlight”** at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26.

Broadway stars Nat Chandler and Teri Dale Hansen and conductor Jerry Steichen, a veteran of Broadway and New York City Opera productions, will help bring this romantic evening to life with lush arrangements of “Moon River,” “The Days of Wine and Roses,” “Dear Heart,” “Charade” and other orchestral favorites such as “The Baby Elephant Walk,” “Peter Gunn,” “The Pink Panther” and “Victor Victoria.”

Tickets start at \$59 for adults and \$27 for students.

■ **The Fab Four** returns to the Phil with note-for-note renditions of Beatles songs in one performance at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 19.



Hosted by “Ed Sullivan,” this loving tribute to John, Paul, Ringo and George includes three costume changes representing each era of the Beatles’ career. Numbers include “I Want to Hold Your Hand,” “Yesterday,” “A Day in the Life,” “Penny Lane,” “Here Comes the Sun,” “Hey Jude” and many more. Don’t miss what the Los Angeles Times called “The best Beatles show in the world.”

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The noble history of the dribble glass



Q: I read somewhere that some phonograph records were made of chocolate candy and could actually be played on a phonograph. Is this true?

A: Stollwerck, a German chocolate manufacturer, made chocolate disc records and a phonograph that played them. Franz Stollwerck (1815-1876) founded the company in Cologne, Germany, in 1839. Its first products were cough drops. In 1860 the firm's product line was expanded to include chocolate, gingerbread and marzipan. In 1903 Stollwerck made chocolate records that could play music on an 8½-inch horn phonograph operated by a clock motor. The records were 3 inches in diameter. The phonographs broke easily and their sound quality was not good, but at least the records were edible. The phonographs and records are collectible today, but not many survived. Even advertising material related to them is hard to find. The company is still in business making chocolate. A sad note: One of Mr. Stollwerck's sons died when a steam-operated chocolate blending machine he was working on exploded and he drowned in a vat of chocolate.

April Fool's Day is "celebrated" in most countries today, but historians don't know where or how it began. Remember switching sugar and salt to fool your family? Or calling the drugstore to ask if they had "Prince Albert in the can?" "Yes?" "Well, let him out!" was the hilarious answer used by kids on April 1. (Prince Albert was a popular tobacco brand.) And, of course, you had to be careful what you believed that day — newspapers and radio and TV news shows all liked to plant fake stories.

Our ancestors played jokes all year long. One famous 18th-century joke was the puzzle jug, usually found in a pub. It was a mug or pitcher with a handle, but the top half of the mug was pierced. If you drank from it, the liquid dribbled out of the holes onto your shirt. Those "in the know" could empty the mug without spilling a drop. The mug had a rounded rim that was actually a hollow tube that led into the hollow handle and to the inside of the mug. Just suck on the spout in the rim and you could get a drink. Some mugs were more complicated and had several spouts in the rim, so you had to know which ones to block with your finger. If the holes were left open, no liquid came through the "straw." This type of puzzle mug is still being made to play a trick on April Fool's Day or at a drinking party at any time.

Q: I collect opera glasses. Most of the vintage ones I see are made with mother-of-pearl. What else should I look for?

A: Opera glasses date back to the 1700s, when they were just a single eyepiece. The first binoculars, two cylinder-shaped parts with a lens in each, were made in about 1825. A piece connected the cylinders so

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they could comfortably sit on the nose. The focusing wheel was used even then. By the 19th century, opera glasses were made with enameled decoration, gold, gemstones and more. They were made to be seen by others at the opera while helping the owner see the opera. Makers in the United States, France, Austria and Russia made beautiful opera glasses that can be found at shows and auctions today. They are still being made.

Q: I have an old postcard that has a drawing of a man carrying a grandfather clock into a pawnshop. There are three balls hanging outside the shop. Aren't they the symbol of a pawnshop? How did that start?

A: There are several stories connected with the pawnbrokers' symbol. The three hanging balls were first used during the Middle Ages to symbolize money or wealth and may have represented coins. Most think it was a symbol used by the Medici, a wealthy family in Florence, Italy. The Medici family, which included merchants, bankers, popes and politicians, established the Medici Bank, one of the most important financial institutions in Europe, in the 15th century. Some say that merchants in Lombard, Italy, hung balls in



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front of their houses. The custom of using three balls in front of pawnshops began in Italy and spread to the rest of Europe and eventually to the United States. Although the symbol is no longer common in the United States, it is still used in England. Different symbols are used for pawnshops in Asian countries. The number 7 with a circle around it is used in Japan. A bat, the symbol for fortune, holding a coin is used in Hong Kong.

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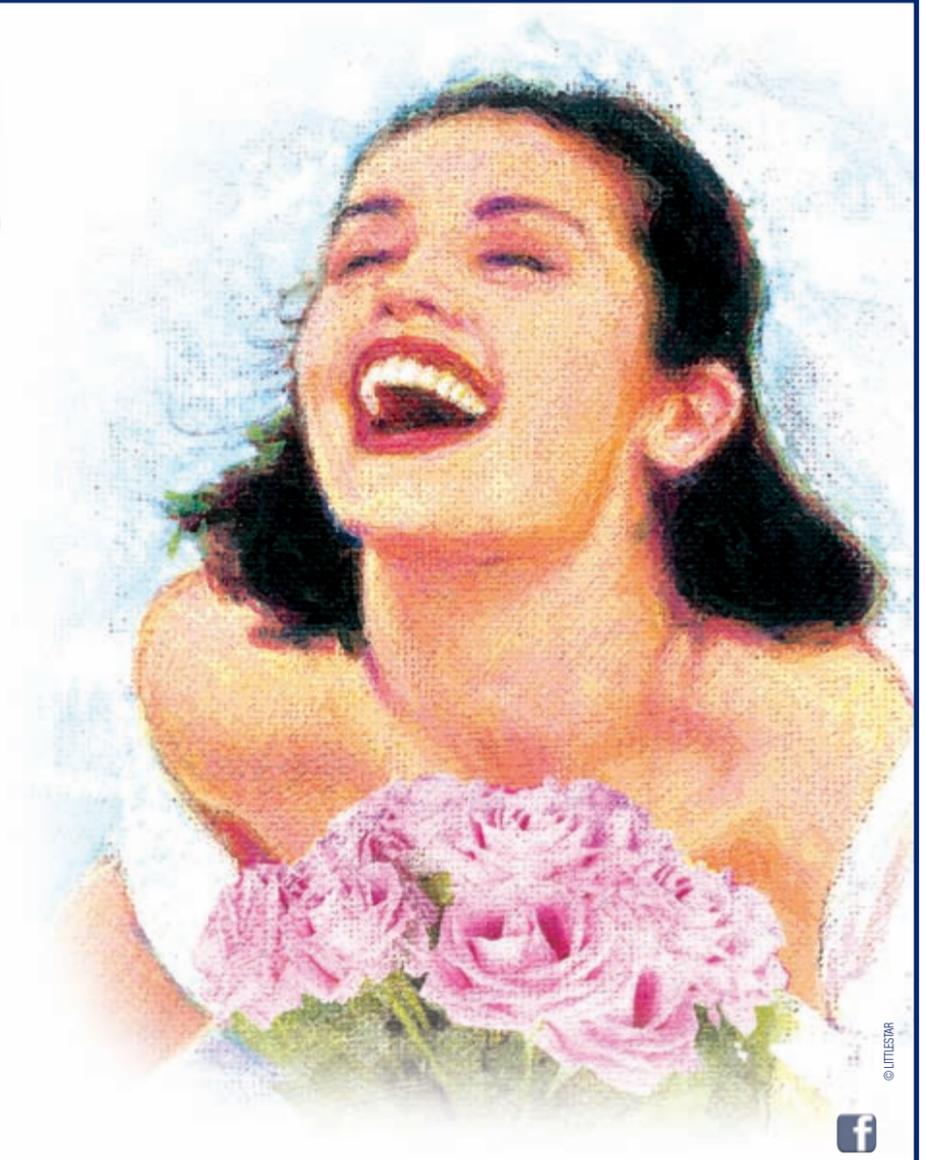
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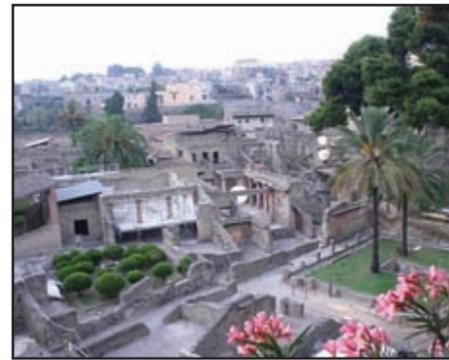
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Stripling earned his stripes as lead trumpeter and soloist with the Count Basie Orchestra under the direction of Thad Jones and Frank Foster. He has also played and recorded extensively with the bands of Dizzy Gillespie, Woody Herman, Dave Brubeck, Lionel Hampton, Clark Terry, Louis Bellson, and Buck Clayton in addition to the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra, the Carnegie Hall Jazz Band, and the GRP All Star Big Band.

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The Naples Art Association at The von Liebig Art Center hold the third annual Goddess Night beginning at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31, at The von Liebig. A champagne reception will be followed by two breakout lecture sessions and dinner. Keynote speaker Dr. Caroline Cederquist, medical director of Cederquist Medical Wellness Center, will present "Creating the Masterpiece of a Healthy Body Requires Quality Art Supplies."

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- **Confident Investing: What Every Woman Needs to Know to Control Her Own Destiny**, by Rebecca Zung-Clough of The Ibarra Calleja Group, Morgan Stanley Smith Barney

- **Looking Extra-Ordinary: The Essential Steps!**, by licensed mental health counselor Tamra Nashman

- **The Menopause Metabolism**, by Dr. Caroline Cederquist

- **What They Wore: Stories of How Clothing Defined Prominent and Influential Women**, by Abigail Rutherford, director of vintage couture and accessories, Leslie Hindman Auctioneers

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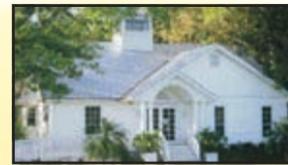
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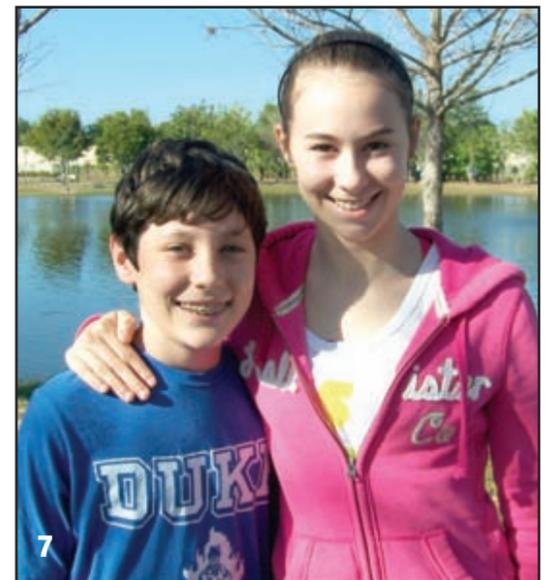
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Here are some capsule summaries of previously reviewed restaurants:

► **Food and Thought**, The Gateway of Naples, 2132 Tamiami Trail; 213-2222

Organic fast casual might seem like an oxymoron, but not at Frank Oakes' Food and Thought. Step up to the counter secure in the knowledge that whatever you order will be organic and healthy, whether it's an all-fruit-and-vegetable smoothie (I loved the pina colada, with pineapple, papaya, mango, banana and pineapple coconut juice), a freshly made glass of juice (like The Doctor, a tangy blend of carrots, beets, celery, apple, lemon, ginger and parsley) or the solid food. The menu changes daily, but always features a vegetarian entrée as well as poultry and seafood, lots of side veggies, salads and wraps. The salmon cakes were excellent, as were the smashed yams and pinto bean side dishes. I also liked the dilled potatoes and bright, still-crunchy collards. A large, chewy chocolate chip cookie and a slice of strawberry shortcake proved that food can be healthy and delicious at the same time. Dine at one of the shaded outdoor tables if weather permits.

Food: ★★★★★ Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed June 2009

► **The Jolly Cricket**, 720 Fifth Ave. S.; 304-9460

The club-like Trilogy has been artfully transformed into a handsome upscale British gastro pub with a wide-ranging menu that encompasses pub grub, tropical flavors and locally grown organic produce. As befits a pub, the beer selection is extensive and there's an intriguing

list of ciders as well, including Ace apple cider, which has a lovely pear essence. The ploughman's board comes three ways. We tried it with smoked ham and Brie, both of which were tasty. The fish and chips were just right, enhanced by tangy homemade tartar sauce. Though beautifully plated, the chicken curry was under seasoned. Those wanting a zestier version should tell their server when ordering. An apple tart with ice cream, oatmeal cookie and caramel sauce was lovely and satisfying. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★ Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed February 2010

► **La Fogata**, 3300 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs; 948-4488

It takes a bit of detective work to find La Fogata, nestled as it is among larger establishments clustered on the northwest corner of U.S. 41 and Bonita Beach Road. (Hint: It's near Beall's.) Once you find it, you aren't likely to forget this charming little spot that offers authentic Mexican fare and hospitality at rock-bottom prices. The guacamole is lively, full of avocado, tomato and green onions. Camarones revolcados consisted of perfectly grilled shrimp accompanied by a creamy salsa with volcanic heart, rice and black beans. A combo platter with a taco with Mexican sausage, sope with grilled flank steak and tostada with chicken was equally good, each item piled high with fresh, flavorful ingredients that had been cooked to order. Paired with a well-chilled Modelo Especial or tangy agua de tamarindo (tamarind soda), it's a bargain-priced feast. Beer and wine served.

Food: ★★★★★ Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed January 2011

► **Loving Hut**, 975 Pine Ridge Road, Naples; 254-9490

Vegans will rejoice and even die-hard carnivores are likely to reconsider their anti-vegetarian stance after a meal at Loving Hut. Simply put: The food tastes great, and the types of protein used make it seem as if there's meat in all of the vegan fare it serves. Using the lively flavor palette of Asia, the restaurant serves dishes such as crispy golden rolls (eggrolls minus the meat), papaya salad, tamarind-laced Thai hot and sour soup, zesty Vietnamese pho and Dancing Mushroom, which features mushrooms, soy protein, bell pepper, onion and garlic

served on a sizzling platter, which presumably makes the mushrooms "dance." Even the cheese-free cheesecake was delicious. Soft drinks served.

Food: ★★★★★ Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed July 2010

► **Sale e Pepe**, Marco Beach Ocean Resort, 480 S. Collier Blvd., Marco Island; 393-1600

Loads of marble, stately columns, hand-painted frescoes and arabesque walls give this luxurious dining spot the feel of an authentic Italian palazzo. The service and food are similarly grand, and the encyclopedic wine list makes it difficult to pick just one bottle. The menu covers various parts of Italy, with an emphasis on the Piedmont region. Thinly sliced octopus over potato salad, basil oil and arugula and roasted veal loin and heart of celery topped with tuna sauce and capers were excellent starters. Also first-rate were roasted sea scallops in sweet onion confit and lobster sauce. Asparagus risotto with roasted jumbo shrimp and chicken breast on porcini mushrooms, braised onions and marsala wine sauce were hearty, soulful entrees. The vivid flavors and textures of a lemon tart with wild cherry sorbet made for a great ending to a terrific meal. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★ Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
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As the tourist season winds down and the temperatures start to climb, there's still plenty of activity on the local dining scene.

Right season for new restaurant

Seasons 52, known for its fresh, seasonal menu and wine bar, has broken ground on a site adjacent to Mercato on U.S. 41. Targeted to open in the fall, it will be the company's 19th location and will employ about 100 people.

The restaurant's menu changes four times a year and features weekly fresh specials that capture the flavors of the season. Nothing on the menu exceeds 475 calories.

Seasons 52 will have about 337 seats, including 44 on the outdoor patio and 89 in the piano bar, which will feature live entertainment nightly. There will also be two private dining rooms and a chef's table.

Italian cuisine to go

Chef Peter Della Rocca has opened Parmesan Pete's Italian Kitchen, a cuisine-to-go establishment in Bonita Springs. Mr. Della Rocca has more than 30 years of experience in both the New York-New Jersey and Naples areas.

Appetizers and salads run \$4.95-\$8.95 and include bruschetta, clams oreganata, antipasto and Caesar; sandwiches such as sausage and peppers, grilled chicken, meatball, veal or eggplant parmigiana run \$5.95-\$8.95; while entrees such as pasta puttanesca, shrimp parmigiana, gnocchi, broccoli rabe and sausage or baked penne are priced at \$9.95-\$12.95. Call ahead for a whole Tuscan chicken that serves two or three people.

Lee and Collier county school employees receive a 20 percent discount with ID. Parmesan Pete's is at 3690 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs. Call 992-3663 or check out the full menu at www.parmesanpetes.com.

Two events for worthy causes

Wanderlust Saturday, March 26: Grapes & Apes gets my vote for best-named event of the year. Sponsored by The Rotary Club of Naples, it benefits (and takes place at) The Naples Zoo from 6-9 p.m.

Taste wines from around the world as well as handcrafted beers and food

by Wynn's Catering and Norman Love Confections. Bid on auction items including travel packages, wines, spa services and other luxury package. Enjoy a sunset zoo cruise and meet the zoo's newest residents, seven reticulated giraffes. An added feature: 30-minute wine classes, with sessions geared to beginners and another for seasoned wine lovers. Everything takes place in the Zoo's primate area.

Tickets are \$50 in advance, \$100 at the door. Get them at Wynn's Market, AAA Travel and online at www.napleswine.org.

Wanderlust Saturday, April 2: The 22nd annual Wanderlust travel auction features a dozen of the area's top chefs as well as dazzling live and silent auction items. This year's event, which begins at 5 p.m., is a first: It's being held at Herbert J. Sugden Hall, home to the Resort & Hospitality Management Program at Florida Gulf Coast University. Hosted by Southwest Florida's major resorts, private clubs, restaurants and tourism partners, the event raises



money for the Resort & Hospitality Management Program. This year's event features Angelina's Ristorante, Blu Sushi, French Bread Oven, Hamilton Harbor Yacht Club, Keylime Bistro, Naples Grande Beach Resort and the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Norman Love Confections, Bites at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, Ruth's Chris Steak House, Sale e Pepe at Marco Beach Ocean Resort and Tarpon Bay at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa.

Tickets are \$250 each. Call 277-3963 or e-mail abell@gravinasmith.com.

Decanted Saturday, April 9: Some Decanted Evening is the second annual charity gala organized by the Wine Tasters of Naples. The island-inspired fun begins at 6 p.m. at The Players Club at Lely Resort and will include a wine tasting, dinner, live music and silent auction.

Last year's event sold out and raised more than \$42,000 for Youth Haven, St. Matthew's House and the Shelter for



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The Naples Seasons 52 location will look much like this one.

Abused Women & Children. The three charities have also been named beneficiaries of this year's fundraiser.

Admission is \$85 per person. 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.

Tony's Off Third goes online

You can, of course, go into Tony's Off Third and revel in its lush assortment of baked goods, gourmet foodstuffs and fabulous wines. On those occasions when you can't get there in person, however, now you can visit Tony's Off Third online.

Co-owner and wine enthusiast Sukie Honeycutt has launched a virtual wine store that includes a worthy inventory and also carries some of her well-considered favorites in a variety of price ranges and a section of wines that are especially good buys. Reds and whites are sorted by American, Italian, Spanish and French varieties; there are also dessert wines, ports and lots more. Ms. Honeycutt says she's also worked hard to price the wines competitively.

Check out the site at www.tonysoffthird.com.

DIY at Naples Tomato

If you've ever tasted freshly made mozzarella, you're already well aware that the prepackaged variety doesn't come close to equaling its rich texture

and flavor. So why not learn to make your own?

Naples Tomato will hold a mozzarella-making class at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 3. For \$35, you can enjoy a couple of glasses of wine, cheese samples, light snacks, instruction on how to make mozzarella and buratta and leave with a pound of mozzarella curds so you can make cheese at home.

The restaurant also offers pasta-making classes in its spacious kitchen. Priced at \$35 and \$50, they include a lesson with a pasta chef, antipasto, two pasta courses and dessert. Group bookings are welcome.

Naples Tomato is at 14700 Tamiami Trail N. Call 598-9800 for details.

Angelina's expands wine list

Angelina's Ristorante has been known for its exceptional wine list since it opened three years ago. It recently added 125 wines to the collection, bringing its total to 483.

While the focus is on Italian wines, there are choices from throughout the world, most of which come from small, family-owned wineries. The entire wine list can be viewed at www.angelinasofbonitasprings.com. Angelina's is at 24041 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs.

Restaurant closes

Remy's Bistro on Pine Ridge Road closed in late February. ■



food & wine CALENDAR

Thursday, March 24, 5:30 p.m., Decanted: The store kicks off its Century Club (for those who have tasted at least 100 grape varieties) tasting series featuring 25 grape varieties; \$25 (with \$5 credit toward purchase), 1410 Pine Ridge Road, Naples; 434-1814. Reservations required.

Thursday, March 24, 6-8 p.m., Whole Foods: Dr. Richard Siatta, his wife Juliana, and daughter, Tania D'Alessandro, who run Mediterranean Meals on Marco Island, prepare healthy salmon carpaccio, fennel and potato soup, sautéed fennel and orange salad; \$5, Mercato; 552-5100. Reservations required. Register by phone or online at www.acteva.com/go/LifestyleCenter.

Friday, March 25, 7-9 p.m., Robb & Stucky Culinary Center: For "date night," Chef Martin Murphy prepares a three-course dinner featuring different wines for each course and a special dish for sharing; \$100 per couple inclusive; Robb & Stucky Casual Living Outdoor, 26501 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs; (866) 206-3840. Reservations required.

Sunday, March 27, 4-6 p.m., Haldeman House: Bring some finger food to share and wine if you'd like to Slow Food Southwest Florida's spring soiree, a potluck and period furniture sale at the historic Haldeman House; \$10 (benefits restoration

of the house and Slow Food's community garden grant program), 10010 Pennsylvania Ave., Bonita Springs. Reserve online at slowfoodrsvp@hotmail.com or call 851-9214.

Monday, March 28, 4-6 p.m., Whole Foods: Learn how to make banana-date tea cake without oil or added sugar; free, Mercato; 552-5100.

Monday, March 28, 5-7 p.m., Pure: Sample sparkling wines from California winemaker Gloria Ferrer; \$10 (with \$10 credit toward dinner that evening), Mercato; 514-7873. Reservations preferred.

Monday, March 28, 6-8 p.m., Robb & Stucky Culinary Center: Chef

Martin Murphy leads a class featuring healthy dishes full of vegetables, seafood and lean proteins; \$35, Robb & Stucky Casual Living Outdoor, 26501 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs; (866) 206-3840. Reservations required.

Tuesday, March 29, 6-8 p.m., Whole Foods: Chef Eric Delano of Roy's Naples prepares lobster California roll, misoyaki butterfish and Roy's signature chocolate soufflé; \$10, Mercato; 552-5100. Reservations required. Register by phone or online at www.acteva.com/go/LifestyleCenter. ■

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