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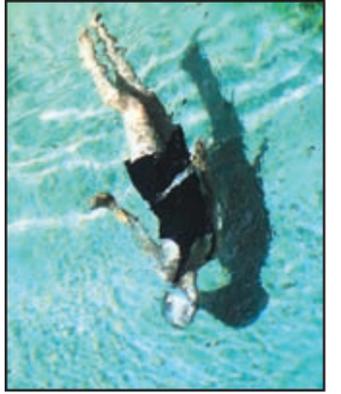
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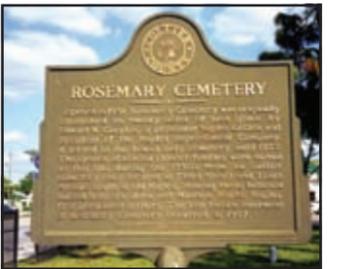
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BMO Private Bank director reflects on results of wealth survey

BY EVAN WILLIAMS

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A bank that offers wealth management services to high net worth individuals has released the results of an online survey of 482 millionaires around the country.

The results paint a diverse picture of the rich across the United States and in South Florida, highlighting a growing group of

young people, women and immigrants who create their own wealth rather than inherit it.

Today's wealthy — defined as those with assets of \$1 million or more — are largely "self-made," building their bank accounts "mostly on their own," according to a press release from BMO Private Bank, which commissioned the survey.

"Our study has confirmed that the Ameri-

can Dream is alive and well," BMO Private Bank President Terry Jenkins says in the release. "It shows that prosperity and achievement are within the reach of all Americans who have the determination to succeed."

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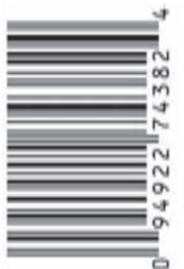
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Self help

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At almost 86, my mother can't see anything.

But that did not prevent her from "watching," as she puts it, the women's and the men's tennis finals in the French Open on her television last week, while the iconic voice of John McEnroe purred away in the background.

There, Serena Williams and Rafael Nadal triumphed on clay beneath cool, overcast French skies at the Roland Garros stadium in Paris.

I know because I tuned in to the live Sunday morning broadcast to see what my mother was seeing without the aid of eyes, in Colorado.

Nadal was hammering balls with both forehand and backhand like a machine, a slashing lefty mounted on quick feet in a torso that manages to be both muscular and sinewy at the same time.

Tennis is a sport my mother has never played. I doubt she's ever held a tennis racket. But she loves the sound of the action, the often-hushed commentary, the sense of what might be happening — the sense that people have reached a pivotal moment.

They're out there riding solo and trying like hell, and that's something she understands.

So it startled me when NBC host Ted Robinson pointed out that Nadal, the greatest player ever to set foot on a clay court,

reads self-help books now, apparently to achieve even greater perfection than he already displays.

There was a pause after Robinson's comment, while McEnroe, who once won seven Grand Slam tennis titles, looked for something nice to say.

"Really?" he replied, trying to keep any hint of sarcasm out of his voice. "That would be pretty hard to do."

Now in summer, my mother listens to Colorado Rockies baseball games almost every night, too, because she's a tennis fan by curiosity, but a baseball fan by love of the game.

Although she set the record for total number of push-ups without stopping in 1946 at the University of Colorado in Boulder (is that a sport?), her game was always baseball. There, the closest any human has ever come to perfection with a bat is four out of 10.

Never mind help — self help, steroidal help or any other kind. Baseball is a game of failure.

Knowing that, my mother's cowboy father kept some ancient mitts, bats and a couple of balls in the spring house by the cabin where she grew up, on a sprawling mountain cattle ranch 30 miles from town. They all played after supper.

In those days she could still see. Her vision, increasingly diminished by retinitis pigmentosa as she grew older, didn't quit her completely until she entered her 40s.

By the time she was 10 years old, I suspect, my mother's notion of self help had become inalterable: you helped yourself by helping everybody else around you. Since

everybody was always trying to help you, you did everything you could to make sure they didn't have to.

On that ranch and across tens of thousands of acres, jobs were not always assigned by gender.

My grandfather helped by scrubbing the kitchen and doing some of the cooking. His five daughters helped at various times by riding, building fence, branding and chopping wood, like my grandmother. She helped by cooking on a wood stove in the kitchen for all comers, including guests and cow hands.

They also pumped water, maintained gardens and dug potatoes. When my mother's two brothers helped by going off to World War II, it was an almost all-female operation.

But my grandparents sent all five of their daughters to college, to the University of Colorado. They thought the girls should be educated — in part, I imagine, so that if they wanted to do something besides marry a rancher, they could help themselves to do it.

Standing on your own, to them — call it self help, call it rugged individualism, call it an education or an attitude or riding the line solo — was a cherished virtue.

I think my mother likes tennis in part because the players seem to be riding the line solo, too.

But she also likes the sound of something she shared with my father, who died 14 years or 14 minutes ago, I'm not sure which, and never played tennis or golf but tuned into them, occasionally.

He was a curious man, curious about worlds that were not his. She's a curious woman, which is why she helps herself by "reading" history and fiction in recorded books from Colorado Services for the Blind.

Curiosity, passion — those can help you

ride solo.

But in many ways, my mother is never alone, which is the paradox about people riding solo.

In her case, she lives with books, radio and television, her resilient patience, her feisty determination, and her extraordinary ability to think for herself, all the tools of self help.

She also lives with the ghosts who remain her loved ones and friends — her parents, all of her sisters and brothers but one, and my father, just to start with.

Meanwhile, she remains unfailingly cheerful and completely modest about her strengths and her abilities, one of which is the capacity to accept her own failure of eyes.

Although she has to rely on my sister and brother-in-law for nearby help, therefore, she keeps that reliance to a minimum by helping herself.

She prepares her food each day from her memory of stocked shelves; chooses her clothes each day from her memory of a closet full; conducts a social life each day by remembering 10-digit telephone numbers; and helps herself stay fit by letting down the heavy old treadmill that was my dad's and walking crisply for extended periods.

All of which makes me conclude that if Rafael Nadal really needs self-help skills, he's not going to get them from a book, or even from a great tennis victory.

Instead, he might get them from learning to cope with a weakness or a failure or a handicap. But how's he going to do that by being so good?

Maybe he should call my mother, a master of self help.

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OPINION

Perry the poacher



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Special to Florida Weekly

What you are now hearing across the land is a collective whine. Blue-state Democrats are upset that Texas Gov. Rick Perry dares come and play in their sandboxes, and worse, threatens to “poach” jobs from their states.

The website Politico reports that Perry’s attempts to lure jobs to Texas are “infuriating to prominent Democrats around the country.” Gov. Jerry Brown of California — a state that is Perry’s foremost target — has dismissed Perry’s handiwork in scatological terms. Democrats from another target, Illinois, huff and puff about the temerity of it all. “He better not take our businesses away,” Sen. Dick Durbin warned.

He better not or what, exactly? What recourse does Illinois have, except improving its own business environment? Which would mean Rick Perry is good for Texas ... and for Illinois.

Perry is exploiting the genius of our federalist system for all it’s worth. In his business-recruitment trips, accom-

panied by trash-talking ads and Texas-sized braggadocio, he is subjecting other states to the fire of competition. In an ad in Crain’s Chicago Business, Perry offered businesses in the state “an escape route to economic freedom ... a route to Texas.”

This is exactly how the Founders imagined the interplay among the states working. The George Mason University scholar Michael Greve refers to the system as “competitive” federalism. “This federalism relies on exit and mobility — of capital, and of labor — as a means of disciplining government,” he writes. “Competitive federalism is a terrific prescription for a big, diverse country with a highly mobile citizenry and a national government that responds poorly to democratic demands.”

Rick Perry may be boastful, but he has a lot to boast about. Texas had a 6.4 percent unemployment rate in April. When President Barack Obama recently made Austin, Texas, his first stop on a trip touting job creation, Perry welcomed him with an ad noting, accurately, “Over the last 10 years, Texas created 33 percent of the net new jobs nationwide.”

Perry’s opponents assume that there must be something unfair or wrong about this. Texas, they scoff, is benefiting

from an energy boom. Well, states like California and New York also have oil and gas resources, but refuse to exploit them fully for political reasons. Regardless, Texas job growth ranges much more widely than the energy sector.

Texas benefits from low tax rates, a low cost of living, light regulation, checks on abusive lawsuits and its status as a right-to-work state. California has none of the above. Although its unemployment rate has been declining, it is still 9 percent, the fourth-highest in the nation.

“Poaching” jobs sounds pejorative, but it amounts to making it easier for people to do business. The waste hauler Waste Connections Inc. moved from Sacramento, Calif., to a location near Houston. Its CEO told the website The Fiscal Times that it took the company 16 months to design and build a new building in Texas, when the permitting alone would have taken three years in California.

If blue-state Democrats want Rick Perry to stop bothering them, they should quit whining and start learning from his example. ■

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

GUEST OPINION

State’s changes to Everglades restoration puts burden on taxpayers

BY RAY JUDAH

Special to Florida Weekly

The most deceptive and egregious action against the public taxpayers during the 2013 Florida Legislative session was passage of HB 7065 and SB 768, which amended the 1994 Everglades Forever Act.

Rep. Matt Caldwell sponsored HB 7065 under the guise of increasing the sugar industry’s funding commitment to Everglades restoration, when in fact his proposed amendment was a smoke screen to ensure that the sugar industry was able to limit or cap its long-term obligation to fund Everglades restoration.

The 1994 Everglades Forever Act, which was ostensibly written to restore the Florida Everglades, capped the sugar industry’s cleanup costs at \$320 million and obligated the public taxpayers for the remainder of the \$16 billion restoration project. The so-called privilege tax of \$25 per acre that the sugar industry pays to continue its discharge of pollution runoff to the Everglades, as well as the Caloosahatchee and coastal estuaries, amounts to approximately \$11 million per year. A truly insignificant sum in contrast to the billions required by the public taxpayers to restore the Florida Everglades.

The \$25 per acre privilege tax was scheduled to be reduced to \$10 per acre in 2017, but the Caldwell amendment extended the \$25 per acre to 2026. To the casual observer, it would appear that the legislative action would ensure that the sugar industry continued to help fund Everglades restoration. In actuality, the legislation provided the sugar industry the comfort level or certainty that its long-term funding commitment



toward Everglades restoration would be significantly limited in scope.

Instead of defending the sugar industry and suggesting that the public taxpayers contribute an even greater amount to Everglades restoration, Rep. Caldwell should have supported an amendment to the Everglades Forever Act that increased the \$25 privilege tax. This would have ensured that the sugar industry paid its fair share toward Everglades restoration as opposed to the sugar industry continuing to receive special treatment as the Florida Legislature’s favorite welfare recipient and shift the tax burden onto the backs of the public taxpayers.

Rep. Caldwell is quick to point out that the Everglades Foundation and Florida Audubon supported HB 7065, but the Sierra Club and The Conservancy of Southwest Florida took an opposing position that the legislation did not go far enough to level the funding formula between the sugar industry and the public taxpayers.

In fact, the Everglades Foundation

and Florida Audubon only struck a compromise to support HB 7065 because Rep. Caldwell was supporting an earlier version of an amendment that would have greatly weakened water quality standards and removed the 1993 Statement of Principles that had been a guide for restoration efforts over the last 20 years. With the objectionable provisions removed in the final draft amendment, the Everglades Foundation and Florida Audubon were in damage control mode and reluctantly accepted the continuation of an inequitable funding formula for Everglades restoration.

To put the sugar industry’s \$11 million annual contribution to Everglades restoration in perspective, Lee County taxpayers pay in excess of \$30 million per year to the Okeechobee levy for work by the South Florida Water Management District in the Everglades Agricultural Area to provide drainage and irrigation of the sugarcane fields south of Lake Okeechobee. Lee County’s return on the investment is polluted water, fish kills and harmful algae blooms including red tide.

Certainly, the more conservative and responsible approach would be to support public policy that protects the interest of struggling taxpayers and holds the sugar industry accountable for the destruction of precious public resources including the Everglades, Lake Okeechobee, Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie rivers and coastal estuaries.

The people have a right to know the truth and it is time for the public to demand that the Florida Legislature represent the public interest and not the special interests. ■

— Ray Judah served as a Lee County commissioner for 24 years.



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A state agency operating with funding assistance and space provided by the Collier County government, our local DOH operates 23 programs covering a variety of areas, from HIV/AIDs education and vaccination to Healthy Start for mothers and children. Every service offered reflects the department's mission to protect, promote and improve the health of all Floridians. Many DOH programs put a premium on prevention.

Dr. Colfer believes public health should concentrate its education efforts on system change. The department works with land use planners and developers, for example, to promote communities with sidewalks, bike lanes and green space for recreation and farmers markets.

Dr. Colfer serves on the board of the Physician Led Access Network, or PLAN, a community-based referral net-

work that coordinates volunteer medical care for eligible low-income adults in need of specialty health-care services. Over the past 10 years, the PLAN network of providers has served more than 3,000 patients and provided approximately \$18 million of care to uninsured individuals in Collier County.

Board certified in general preventive medicine and public health, Dr. Colfer was originally licensed to practice medicine in Maryland. Her father was a forensic pathologist and her mother, a nurse.

After graduation from Brandywine High School in Wilmington, Del., Dr. Colfer earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Delaware. She earned her medical degree at the Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara. Living in Mexico, she saw the difference that basic public health measures such as vaccinations, clean drinking water and a safe food supply can make on people's lives. This experience led to her interest in a career in public health.

After serving her internship at Maryland General Hospital, Dr. Colfer was an OB/GYN resident at Union Memorial Hospital in Baltimore. She then attended the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, where she earned a master's in public health. She completed a residency in preventive medicine at the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health.

Dr. Colfer is married to Carl Kepford, a computer engineer from Cheyenne,

Talking points with Dr. Joan Colfer

Mentor: Dr. Ruth Singer, former director of local health administration at the Maryland Department of Health & Mental Hygiene.

Something my mom was always right about: Wash your hands and eat your vegetables.

As a kid, what I wanted to be when I grew up: A doctor.

Skill or talent I wish you had: Public speaking.

Pet peeve: That people don't take advantage of simple things that can improve their lives — like stopping smoking, starting to exercise (even if it's just a walk around the block that can grow into 30 minutes) or getting recommended vaccinations such as flu shots every year.

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Favorite thing about the Paradise Coast: Living on the edge of the Ten Thousand Islands.

What I miss about the Paradise Coast when I'm away: The weather.

Wyo., He is a former Marine and a Vietnam veteran with a Purple Heart. He's also a board member of Alligator Amblers, a group that organizes hikes and trail maintenance in the Everglades. ■

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The Collier County Veterans Council, Naples Airport Authority, Boy Scouts of America-Alligator District, the Museum of Military Memorabilia and the Collier County Freedom Memorial Task Force have organized activities at Freedom Park.

Beginning at 5 p.m., Boy Scouts will demonstrate the correct way to fold the American flag. They will also accept worn flags from the public for proper retirement.

Ceremonies will begin at 6 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation. Veterans Council President James Elson will present welcoming remarks, and Chas Tatigian will be recognized for his Eagle Scout project, a meditation area with three benches adjacent to the Freedom Memorial. The event will conclude with the dignified burning of worn American flags, performed according to the U.S. Flag Code with an airport incinerator.

"We encourage the public to bring any American flags they wish to retire," says Art Garrison of the Freedom Memorial Task Force. "If someone would like to participate in the ceremony, we welcome him or her to personally present the flag to be retired. We hope people will find the ceremony meaningful, and that this becomes an annual event."



The Museum of Military Memorabilia, which is located at Naples Municipal Airport, has been collecting flags that are no longer suitable for display. With the help of the airport authority, the museum has retired almost 3,000 during the past year.

"Most people know it is improper to display a flag that is worn out or tattered, but few are comfortable destroying an unserviceable flag," says Robert McDonald, who has served as museum president since 2008. "We are happy to take part in the Flag Day ceremony and to provide collection services throughout the year."

The U.S. Flag Code specifies when a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country, it should be destroyed in a dignified manner, preferably by burning. Flag Day was established to commemorate the birthday of the American Flag. ■

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TECHNICALLY, SUMMER WON'T START FOR ANOTHER WEEK. ON THE summer solstice, Friday, June 21, the sun will be at the highest point in the sky, marking the longest day of the year and providing a convenient tool for amateur cartographers and physicists to determine their latitude from any position on Earth without the aid of a smartphone app.

For the rest of us, the official start date for the season is largely irrelevant. Summer arrived on that day just a few weeks ago when we stepped out our front doors and took a breath of hot moisture. We smelled it — a distinct Florida funk of rotting, cooking, old vegetation making way for the new. We felt it, when the drive to work was smoother and we realized: the kids aren't in school, the snowbirds have left, everything's just a bit *slower*.

Here, *Florida Weekly* offers some insights and advice to help you save a few bucks, stay safe and make the most of this bright and sometimes cruel season.

1 **For starters, it's hot**
 YOU WOULD THINK that cases of heat-related illnesses — heat exhaustion or the more extreme heat stroke — would rise this time of year in emergency rooms all over a steamy place like Southwest Florida.

And you'd be right if the world were suddenly turned on its head, as it was nine years ago when Hurricane Charley left much of the area without electricity in its wake. Charlotte County and Punta Gorda were the hardest hit in that respect. In a period of about five days after the August storm, many of the approximately 1,700 people who visited emergency rooms at Bon Secours-St. Joseph's, Fawcett Memorial or the Charlotte Regional Medical Center were suffering from heat-related illnesses, hospital officials reported.

But under normal circumstances, overheating is not a malady of the general population. Most victims come instead from the ranks of outsiders, literally — construction workers, field laborers, even people who exercise too rigorously.

"We don't really see a significant change in the numbers of heat-related illnesses here in summer, compared to where I trained in Philadelphia," notes Dr. Timothy Dougherty at Cape Coral Hospital. "People here go from their air-conditioned house to their air-conditioned car to their air-conditioned office, and back to their air-conditioned house," he explains.

If you must be outdoors during the dog days, here's some advice from the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention:

Limit your outdoor activity to morning and evening hours.

Protect yourself from the sun by wearing a wide-brimmed hat (also keeps you cooler) and sunglasses and by putting on sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher (the most effective products say "broad spectrum" or "UVA/UVB protection" on their labels).

If you exercise outside, drink two to four glasses of cool, nonalcoholic fluids each hour. A sports beverage can replace the salt and minerals you lose in sweat. Warning: If you are on a low-salt diet, talk with your doctor before drinking a sports beverage.

Regardless of your activity level, drink more fluids (nonalcoholic). Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink. Warning: If your doctor generally limits the amount of fluid you drink or has you on water pills, ask him how much you should drink while the weather is hot.

Don't drink liquids that contain alcohol, caffeine or large amounts of sugar, as they can actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Also, avoid very cold drinks, because they can cause stomach cramps.

And should another storm like Charley render areas of Southwest Florida powerless for an extended period this summer, here are some things to keep in mind:

Take a cool shower or bath as often as you can.

Wear lightweight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing.

Drape a wet towel around your neck.

Keep a spray bottle filled with water nearby and spritz yourself frequently.

Slow down. Keep physical activity to a minimum.

Keep blinds and draperies closed.

Let them see you sweat; it's the body's way of cooling down. Avoid lotions, creams and even antiperspirants.

— Roger Williams



Mosquito control districts of SWFL spray all summer.

2 **Mosquitoes**
 WHEN IT COMES TO fauna sexism, among the biggest offenders in North America are the mosquito control districts of Southwest

Florida. They're anti-female — and they have to be.

Although the males ignore the opportunity, female mosquitoes consider every person a walking feast of about six quarts of fresh blood served a la carte and help themselves to side orders of blood from domestic pets and farm animals. Can't you hear the buzzzzzzzzzz?

With the rainy season's great influx of water comes that other unmistakable sign of summer: the drone of low-flying mosquito control aircraft such as Short Brothers Skyvans (in Collier County), DC-3s, Hughes 500 jet helicopters, Bell Jet Rangers and 407s, serviceable old Hueys sprouting spray booms from port and starboard (in Lee County).

Facing off in the battle against biologists, pilots, mechanics and inspectors tasked with the unenviable job of heading out to marshes and wetlands to conduct mosquito counts are the pesky insects themselves: the aggressive and prolific salt marsh mosquito, for example, which comes with a 40-mile wind-assisted range; and the culex nigripalpus, which can breed in salt marshes but needs fresh standing water to multiply (and when it does, it alone can cause West Nile virus). Any fresh standing water — in buckets, old tires, bromeliads, troughs, garbage cans, etc. — will do for these unpleasant creatures.

One problem facing mosquito control districts is regulatory: Public lands cannot be sprayed for adult mosquitoes, and the standard chemical, Abate, can only be used at 50 percent strength when they undertake larvicide on pub-

lic lands. Thus, the districts are forced to go after adult mosquitoes that have made their way into human territory — but only after they receive the calls of irritated residents and can prove to the Environmental Protection Agency that sufficient quantities of mosquitoes exist.

Another sign of summer is the essential display of the five Ds of defensive tactics against mosquitoes. Avoid going out at dusk and dawn. Dress in clothes that cover the skin. Drain standing water. And use DEET, the active ingredient in most insect repellents.

Just remember: dusk, dawn, dress, drain and DEET.

After all, it's the two Ss: Summer in the subtropics.

— Roger Williams

3 **High energy bills**
 SUMMER, WE SEE YOU ... in our energy bills. The top five energy-suckers in the Sunshine State

are the air conditioner, pool pump, water heater, lighting and dryer. Here are some tips from Lee County Electric Cooperative and Florida Power & Light to help keep your energy bills in check:

■ Set the thermostat at 78 degrees. For every degree you raise the tem-



There are some ways to keep that energy bill down.



perature in your home during summer, you save eight percent on your cooling bill. For even more savings, turn the thermostat to 82 degrees when you're away.

■ Turn ceiling fans off when you leave the room. Ceiling fans complement your air conditioner. They create a wind-chill effect on your skin that makes you feel cool. Leaving them running when you're not there is a waste of electricity. A fan that constantly runs adds up.

■ Clean or replace air-conditioner filters once a month, and have your unit serviced every year.

■ Weather strip windows and doors to keep heat out and cool air in.

■ It's summer — grill out! Ovens use a tremendous amount of energy.

■ Trade incandescent light bulbs for energy-saving compact fluorescent bulbs. They last about 10 times longer than traditional bulbs and can save you up to \$50 in energy costs over the life of the bulb.

■ Check the thermostat on your water heater. Unplug it first. You can set it as low as 120 degrees, the recommended temperature setting according to the U.S. Department of Energy.

■ Wash clothes in cold water. This could save you up to \$40 a year. For more savings, use the clothesline.

■ Keep the blinds closed on southern windows to keep the sun from warming the house.

■ If you have a pool, limit the use of the pool pump to six hours a day.

■ Check your water usage by taking the showerhead test:

1. Get a 1-gallon bucket and a watch that counts seconds.

2. Place the bucket underneath the showerhead.

3. Turn the shower on all the way using cold water.

4. Time how long it takes to fill the bucket.

If it takes less than 24 seconds to fill a gallon, you do not have the most efficient showerhead because its flow exceeds the recommended 2.5 gallons per minute. If it takes more than 24 seconds to fill a gallon, you have an efficient showerhead.

Visit www.lcec.net or www.fpl.com for more ways to save.

— Athena Ponushis

4 Awesome sunsets

THE RAINY SEASON'S weather patterns produce voluminous cloud formations that, when backlit by the sunset, can produce sublime cathedrals of light.

— Evan Williams

5 Sweet (suite?) hotel deals

SUMMERTIME: TIME to play your local card. Pack your bags. Take a little drive. Pamper yourself at the hotels and destinations other people buy plane tickets to come see.

"Summer brings lots of opportunity for local residents to treat themselves to a getaway close to home at an area hotel or resort with more availability and lower rates," says JoNell Modys, public relations and communications manager for the Naples, Marco Island, Everglades Convention and Visitors Bureau.

"Some advice we can offer is to consider a weekday break at a resort. Summer weekends are busy with people coming in from other parts of the state, so there's greater availability and some-



The beach is one of many spots to take in sunsets.

times a rate break on weekdays ... And it doesn't hurt to ask if a hotel has a Florida residents' rate special."

Ms. Modys recommends checking out the CVB website for updated deals: www.paradisecoast.com/deals.

— Athena Ponushis

6 Big-screen blockbusters

What with out-of-school kids seeking entertainment and the population in general seeking escape from

the season's daily thunderstorms and oppressive heat and humidity, movie theaters throughout Southwest Florida are prepared for summer crowds. (Last summer's total box-office revenue in North America was estimated at almost \$4.3 billion.)

The preponderance of children and teens as ticket buyers also means more family-friendly fare on the silver screen this time of year.

"During the summer, we don't see a lot of R-rated movies," says Matt Vandemark, general manager of Marquee Cinema in Cape Coral. Witness DreamWorks' "The Croods" (PG, now showing) and "Turbo" (PG, July 17); Blue Sky Studio's "Epic" (PG, now showing); Disney Pixar's "Monsters University" (G, June 21); "Despicable Me 2" from Universal (PG, July 3) and Disney's "Planes" (Aug. 9).

On the action front, the first anticipated summer blockbuster of 2013 opens in theaters Friday, June 14. The newest Superman movie, "Man of Steel" (PG-13) stars Henry Cavill as Superman and Amy Adams as Lois Lane. Up next is "World War Z" (PG-

13), opening Friday, June 21, and starring Brad Pitt as a U.N. employee racing against time and fate in a fight to prevent a worldwide zombie pandemic. Finally, Disney's "The Lone Ranger" (not yet rated) starring Johnny Depp as Tonto hits theaters Wednesday, July 3.

The Regal Hollywood Stadium 20, 6006 Hollywood Blvd. in Naples, takes part in the Regal chain's Summer Movie Express series, which presents \$1 movies at 10 a.m. every Tuesday and Wednesday through Aug. 6-7. Here's the lineup:

June 18: "Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days" (PG)

June 19: "Parental Guidance" (PG)

June 25: "Mr. Popper's Penguins" (PG)

June 26: "Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked" (G)

July 2: "Monte Carlo" (PG)

July 3: "Rio" (G)

July 9: "Coraline" (PG)

July 10: "ParaNorman" (PG)

July 16: "Dr. Seuss' The Lorax" (PG)

July 17: "Big Miracle" (PG)

July 23: "Yogi Bear" (PG)

July 24: "Journey 2: The Mysterious Island" (PG)

July 30: "Racing Stripes" (PG)

July 31: "Happy Feet Too" (PG)

Aug. 6: "African Cats" (G)

Aug. 7: "Chimpanzee" (G)

— Katie Donohue

7 Fast-growing flora

GORDON VANSKOY, CO-OWNER WITH PAUL Long of the Naples-based business GreenCare and a board member of Keep Collier Beautiful,

puts it like this: "Summer means heat and moisture, and that activates our horticulture."

That's probably the understatement of the season. In the subtropics, the flora explodes come summer, whether it's native and wild or exotic and cultivated.

For lawn-care specialists such as Mr. Vanscoy and his crews, such fecundity requires an artful and singular summer response — in part because of regulations about fertilizer.

"Number one, we're dancing around rain systems in terms of fertilization and pest management," he says. "We have to be very careful. We have to be more mindful of runoff. The city of Naples and all of Lee County have fertilizer restrictions that go into effect: We have a complete ban on nitrogen and phosphorous June 1 to Sept. 30."

The goal in integrated land management, which is what GreenCare aims to achieve, is a healthy root system incorporating a variety of plants that can retain water. That benefits everyone Mr. Vanscoy explains, because the converse effect of an integrated system is that it prevents run-off.

Paradoxically, the nitrogen/phosphorous ban might not help prevent harmful runoff, in his view.

"We disagree very strongly with the ban," he says. "A properly maintained lawn is the best defense against runoff. In landscaping, if we spoon-feed plants and make sure they're fed consistently but not overfed, then the root systems can handle fertilization."

Thus, nitrogen and phosphorous can help create healthy systems that prevent runoff, and they don't end up in the rivers and bays, he adds. "Integrated landscape management means you're assessing and determining what it needs all the time," Mr. Vanscoy says. "We keep irrigation in check, mowing in check, fertilizing in check — then we have a much healthier landscape."

And a more beautiful summer.

— Roger Williams

"Monsters University" is one of many big-screen blockbusters that will light up your screens this summer.



8 Minor league ball

BASEBALL AND SUMMER go together like hot dogs and mustard.

"It's an American tradition. The two fit together," says Brice Zimmerman, broadcasting and multimedia manager for the Fort Myers Miracle baseball club, the High-A advanced affiliate in the Minnesota Twins' pipeline. "I grew up watching, playing, just being around baseball. It's what's supposed to happen during the summer."

The Miracle season kicked off in April, and playoffs will run through September. Those hot days mean cold beers for some, firework-lit family nights for others.

"For the most part, it's all about entertaining the fans," Mr. Zimmerman says. "We want to keep their atten-



Miracle baseball is fun to watch all summer long.

tion on the guys on the field and the baseball they're playing, but even in between innings, we want to give them a show."

Summertime might be downtime for many, but it's game time for the Miracle. It's where the pros of tomorrow play today. In that way, minor league baseball is kind of like finding a band before it goes mainstream. You get to say you knew it when...

Here are a few key dates this season:

■ **Saturday, June 29:** Meet "Mr. Fancy Suit," former Fort Myers sports anchor and current TNT broadcaster Craig Sager, "America's Sideline Reporter" who has become infamous for his snazzy sport coats. The first 500 fans will receive a Craig Sager bobblehead.

■ **Wednesday, July 3:** Pre-Fourth of July fireworks.

■ **Wednesday, July 10:** The ballpark will be transformed into a waterpark.

■ **Saturday, July 13:** Three-time Daytona 500 winner and NASCAR Hall of Famer Bobby Allison signs autographs and poses for pictures at the ballpark.

— Athena Ponushis

9 Time to indulge in literature

I WOULD IMAGINE ALL the long, lazy days hanging out at the pool or in cool empty rooms immune to the blinding heat, reading the great literary classics. In fact, it never happened, not with "Ulysses" and many other canonical works, but that never stops me from refining my admittedly mostly imaginary summer reading program year after year after year, returning always to dreams deferred as if anew.

This summer, for example, I plan to finish reading "The Emperor of All Maladies" (2010), a comprehensive history of cancer by Siddhartha Mukherjee; "Just Kids" (2010), a Patti Smith memoir; plus a stack of novels, "The Names" (1982) by Don DeLillo; "Journey to the End of the Night" (1934, France) by Louis-Ferdinand Céline; "The Thousand Autumns of Jacob De Zoet" (2010) by David Mitchell; and "Sentimental Education" (1869, France) by Gustave Flaubert. Oh, and William

Shakespeare, all of it. (Why the hell not?)

Admittedly, there is no way this list will be read in a few short months. With so much not read, you might wonder if I ever finish reading anything and the answer is sometimes. "Flimsy Little Plastic Miracles" by Ron Currie Jr. and "All That Is" by James Salter are two great American novels, I think. Each is about love or the in-between times without it. And as I now read "Stoner" (1965) by John Williams, I'm starting to see why I think it should have been taught in school and why, in my experience, it was not. "Moby Dick (or, The Whale)" is also one I finished. Was it worth reading that giant bible? Unequivocally, my God, yes — even if I had serious trouble figuring out at least 150 pages of it (just enough to keep reading). I was in constant awe and astonishment for about three months. The scene in which the crew witnesses whales spawning in an isolated ocean pool is just as magical and groundbreaking as anything created in James Cameron's "Avatar" or Stanley Kubrick's "2001: A Space Odyssey." It was a great three months — the perfect amount of time, in fact, to just skip all the other books I mentioned and reread "Moby Dick" this summer.

— Evan Williams

10 The joys of summer dining

One of the coolest things about summer in Southwest Florida is that it's a breeze to dine out, even at the area's hottest restaurants. You don't have to figure out where you'll eat dinner four days hence. When the mood strikes, it's likely that most restaurants will not only have a table that very night, they will welcome you with open arms and, in some cases, great specials, too.

Restaurateur Tony Ridgway, who owns Ridgway Bar & Grill, Tony's on Third and Bayside Seafood Grill & Bar in Naples, says he's tried all manner of summer promotions but hasn't found them particularly useful for sustaining traffic during the slow months.

"I don't know of a single restaurant you can't get into even on a Wednesday



Restaurateur Tony Ridgway

or Saturday night," he says. "I guarantee you can get in at 7:15 in any restaurant I own on any night. I wish that weren't the case, but it is."

He does offer a prix fixe dinner for \$28 at Ridgway's and \$23 at Bayside. Both include a salad, choice of three entrees and dessert.

Another perk that accompanies the vagaries of heat, humidity and the threat of turbulent weather is the generally sunny nature of servers, who are less hurried during these slower months and so have more time to discuss menu and drink options.

"Our customers love to have their names known, love the bartenders to know what they are drinking, for staff to know what table they like," Mr. Ridgway says. "We always offer personal service, but it's even better in the summertime."

He encourages guests to talk to the servers. "Get a server to spend time with you talking about the wine list, talking about the food, maybe helping you discover something new," he says. "We've sure got the time."

Keep an eye out for wine dinners and other off-night specials, which abound this time of year.

On the flip side, you still might want to call ahead to make sure your intended destination isn't closed for vacation. ■

— Karen Feldman



Indulge in great reads this summer.

WEALTH

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Sarasota and West Palm Beach counties. Pollara, a business that offers corporate research for other companies, conducted the BMO "Changing Face of Wealth" survey March 28-April 11.



HANSEN

The study, which has a plus or minus 4.5 percent margin of error, revealed that the wealthy are "not just Caucasian males anymore," says Scott Hansen, managing director of BMO in Naples. Not only that, but "people think of Naples as a trust-fund town, and it really isn't,"

adds Mr. Hansen, noting that only 3 percent of respondents said their money came from an inheritance. Allowing that the figure might seem low, Mr. Hansen says, "It may be some reluctance of people to say that," he said. "People are very close to the vest about those things."

Sixty-seven percent of participants in the survey said they mostly generated their own wealth. That answer could be broadly interpreted, Mr. Hansen explains. For instance, it could mean they came from poor beginnings to become wealthy. It could also mean they worked hard to grow a business they inherited, or that they earned a higher education degree not always accessible to someone of lesser means as a springboard to building that wealth.

Sixteen percent of the respondents in the survey said their wealth was "partly inherited and partly self made." Less than

1 percent indicated their wealth came mostly from a divorce.

The survey highlighted the importance of education in attaining wealth, with 54 percent of the respondents reporting they had earned a graduate or professional degree. Thirty-four percent said they had an undergraduate degree, while 8 percent held a high school diploma or less and 5 percent had technical or trade school certification.

"A higher education is what matters, and personally developing a business of your own is really still working as far as developing personal wealth," BMO's Mr. Hansen says.

Steve Watts, one of BMO's Naples customers, moved his family here in 2001. "It was lifestyle and other considerations when we first moved here," he says. "It's actually worked out better than I expected all the way around for me personally and professionally, and for my children."

Mr. Watts developed technology-related businesses, including a chain of wireless phone stores he sold in 2011, and more recently started a home building company, Avant-Garde Homes. Typical of the people surveyed for BMO, he is relatively young at 54, mostly generated his own wealth, was born in the United States and has at least a bachelor's degree (in his case, one in economics from Gordon College in Wenham, Mass.).

Nearly a quarter of those surveyed were younger than 40 years old. The results also point to immigrants as a major generator of wealth. While 67 percent of those surveyed were born in the U.S., as were their parents, nearly a third were born outside the U.S. or are first-generation Americans, with at least one parent born outside the country. A hefty 80 percent of this latter group said their wealth was "self made."

Women make up roughly a third of the

nation's wealthy, the survey suggests. Half generated their own wealth, while almost a third said their wealth came mostly from a spouse.

The diversity among millionaires and their record of creating businesses "shows strength in our economy," Mr. Hansen says. "It shows in a small way that manufacturing is coming back in the U.S. and that what we strive to do in our country still works." ■

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NONPROFIT NEWS

Golfing events on par to keep on helping Immokalee students

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The Immokalee Foundation's Inter-Club Challenge is more than a golf tournament. It's an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young people of Immokalee by giving them the chance to advance themselves socially, civically, economically and academically through the programs of TIF.

The tournament at The Old Collier Golf Club last month was the first in a series of annual fundraising events designed to provide students of Immokalee with the tools, opportunities and encouragement needed to succeed at each level of their education and in their careers.

Joining event chairman Chuck Campbell, who also serves as TIF treasurer, on the 2013 Inter-Club Challenge committee were Kevin Johnson, Mark Lye, Iain Mossman, Joe Zednik, Steve Waugh, Tom Weyl and Harry Debes. Eighteen foursomes from 10 area country clubs, along with the club pros, competed on the course and also enjoyed breakfast, lunch and a raffle (although no one scored a hole-in-one, potential prizes were a Bentley GT V8, a Porsche Cayman and a Rolex). By the end of the day, \$154,225 had been raised.

This year's overall winning team and the women's first-place team were both from Old Collier. The overall team included Richard Stonesifer, Richard Zona, Doug Esson and William O'Brien with golf pro Steve Waugh; the women's winning team was Rene Zona, Carrie Scannell, Eileen Golden and Ann Bain with professional Brian Yarusevich.

Assisting with the day's activities were TIF students and donors who have helped them in their educational endeavors. Four students played the Old Collier course and had the opportunity to interact with their benefactors as well as area golf pros. The four student golfers were: Charity Gonzales, a TIF Take Stock in Children participant and high-school sophomore who dreams of becoming a



Above: TIF students and others on the course at The Old Collier for the 2013 Inter-Club Challenge.

Right: The overall winning team from The Old Collier Golf Club: Bill O'Brien, Dick Stonesifer, golf pro Steve Waugh, Rick Zona and Doug Esson.

Far right: The first-place women's team from The Old Collier Golf Club: Eileen Golden, Rene Zona, golf pro Brian Yarusevich, Ann Bain and Carrie Scannell.



dermatologist; Gerardo Lugo, another sophomore and Take Stock in Children student; Rolby Seneus, a 2013 Immokalee High School graduate who will study finance at Florida International University; and Elijah Arreaga, another 2013 graduate of Immokalee high, who will study sports management at the University of Florida starting this fall.

Corporate sponsors of this year's Inter-Club Challenge were Arthrex, Fifth Third Bank, Porsche of Naples and Naples Jaguar, Bigham Jewelers and

Kevin Johnson with Morgan Stanley Private Wealth Management. Naples Illustrated was the media sponsor. GE Foundation and Caterpillar /Kelly Foundation were corporate matching sponsors.

More events on tap

Parts two and three of TIF's 2013 fundraising triumvirate are the Charity Classic Celebration, which is set for Saturday, Nov. 16, at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, and the Charity Classic Pro-Am tournament taking place Monday, Nov. 18, at Bay

Colony Golf Club.

The Immokalee Foundation has a range of programs that focus on building pathways to success through college and post-secondary training, mentoring and tutoring, and opportunities for broadening experiences, life skills development and economic independence.

To learn more about the upcoming Charity Classic Celebration or about volunteering as a Take Stock in Children mentor for TIF, call 430-9122 or visit www.immokaleefoundation.org. ■

Food bank needs helpers

The Harry Chapin Food Bank needs volunteers to help sort, inspect and pack donated food. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old and must be able to bend, lift and stand as they move food in a bustling environment.

Volunteers work three-hour shifts in the morning or afternoon. Help is especially needed on Mondays and Wednesdays. In Naples, the food bank is at 2221 Corporation Blvd. The Fort Myers headquarters is at 3760 Fowler St.

Help is also always welcome at the food bank's mobile pantries that distribute food at community centers, schools and partner-agencies throughout the five-county service area. Mobile-pantry shifts are usually three to four hours long.

To find out more or to sign up, contact volunteer manager Bedzaida Bryen by calling 334-7007, ext. 141, or e-mailing Bedzaidabryen@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

The Harry Chapin Food Bank helps feed more than 30,000 people a month through a network of 150 partner agencies in Collier, Lee, Hendry, Glades and Charlotte counties. For more information, visit www.harrychapinfoodbank.org. ■

Bright idea turns into an elementary school revolution

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Think one person can't make a difference? Think today's youth don't care about their community? Then you haven't heard about the "Blue Jean Revolution" at Poinciana Elementary School.

Fifth-grader Chiara Basso set out to support Humane Society Naples with a plan that invited her entire school's participation as the 2012-13 academic year drew to an end: Students would be allowed to deviate from the school dress code and wear blue jeans once a week in the month of May in exchange for making a donation to the no-kill organization.

Chiara put together a proposal that was approved by student council and school administrators. Then, with the help of her friends and fellow animal lovers Hannah Genet and Jania Ramos, they made posters and bi-lingual flyers highlighting HSN shelter pets and had a hand stamp created with the HSN logo so students could prove they had donated for the privilege of wearing jeans.



Chiara Basso, Hannah Genet and Jania Ramos

Finally, they manned a sign-in table on Friday mornings in May to share information about the shelter, collect donations and stamp hands.

The Blue Jean Revolution raised

\$615.35 from students who made donations ranging from 1 cent to \$1. Even students who weren't wearing jeans supported the cause and made donations. ■

UNDERCOVER HISTORIAN

Rest in peace: Pioneer graves along one of Collier's busiest roads



Next time you're approaching U.S. 41 from Pine Ridge Road, slow down as you drive by the CVS. You'll see something I bet you've never noticed before: right alongside one of the busiest roads in Naples, a handful of tiny white headstones.

It's Rosemary Cemetery, designated a Collier County historic landmark in 1993 and restored the following year by the Collier County Museums.

The graves originally were near the site of St. Ann's Catholic Church in old Naples. Historical records show that in 1931, however, developer E.W. Crayton donated 20 acres of land for the cemetery in return for the removal of the graves from their original property to the then-considered outskirts of town. Those "outskirts" today are along Pine Ridge Road between the U.S. 41 and Goodlette-Frank Road. This was the town's only cemetery until 1955, when Naples Memorial Gardens opened.

In her book "Naples Past and Naples Present," the late folklorist Maria Stone wrote that the new cemetery was so far out in the "country" that Mr. Crayton and other authorities were sure the area's earliest settlers would forever rest there in peace. "There would be no danger of new development that far away from downtown Naples," Ms. Stone wrote. She also wrote that the cemetery took its name from

the pungent rosemary bushes that once grew there.

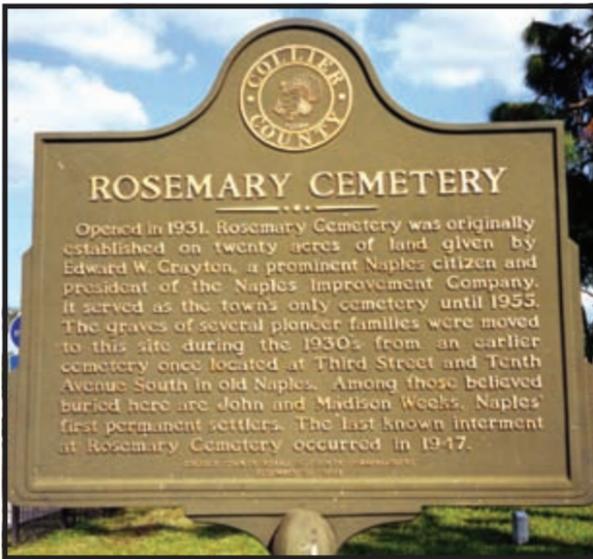
Members of many prominent Naples families are buried in this fenced-in cemetery, including homesteader Madison Weeks, who settled at Gordon Pass. The remains of Bonnie Kirkland, Leonora and Hart Lowe, Ellen Phillips, Mr. H. Youngman and John and Nancy Weeks are there, too, along with roughly 20 people whose headstones are no longer legible. This is according to the 1944 notes of Naples city engineer William Cambier (the namesake for Cambier Park downtown).

Ron Jamro, director of the Collier County Museums, says a 1944 county map indicates the graves are located in Lot 51.

That same map also shows Plot N — for Negro graves that, sadly, are unmarked near the southwest corner of Pine Ridge and Goodlette-Frank roads. This is the location said to house the graves of eight black men who died while building the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, which during the 1940s ran along Goodlette-Frank Road. Unfortunately, there are no records available to prove or disprove this story.

Plot W on the 1944 map was paved over and developed. What the map refers to as Unit B — the fenced-in parcel with the headstones next to the CVS — is all that remains. Unit B, according to museum files, had 109 gravesites and was platted and registered with the county in 1934.

Historical records indicate that fami-



COLLIER COUNTY MUSEUMS / COURTESY PHOTO

grave markers, all bits and pieces of our local history, were destroyed before a restoration effort began in the 1970s, spearheaded by the North Naples Civic Association.

Then in the 1980s, as part of the widening of Pine Ridge Road from two to four lanes, several graves had to be relocated within the cemetery. And in the early 1990s, there was talk of moving the graves yet again so that the desirable piece of land could be auctioned off to the highest bidder for development. How fortunate that County Commissioner Bettye Matthews said it would be better to clean up the area and declare it a site of historic significance. Today, Collier County maintains the cemetery.

A formal rededication of Rosemary Cemetery was held on Nov. 27, 1994. At that time, Mr. Jamro remarked

that, "Development is so rapid here that things can be lost in the blink of an eye ... The time has come to start protecting these properties and get on with preserving what's left of our heritage."

That sentiment is just as meaningful today. ■

— Maureen Sullivan-Hartung arrived in Naples in 1981. Following a year's stint as a reporter for the former weekly Everglades Echo newspaper, she began freelancing. Her first book, "Hidden History of Everglades City & Points Nearby," was published in 2010 by The History Press in South Carolina. Learn more at www.maureenwrites.com.

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HEALTHY LIVING

Anti-smoking drug shows promise for treating alcoholism

A study by scientists at the National Institutes of Health shows that the smoking-cessation medication varenicline, which is marketed under the name Chantix, could be a viable option for the treatment of alcohol dependence. The study found that the drug significantly reduced alcohol consumption and craving among people who are alcohol-dependent. The findings were published online in the *Journal of Addiction Medicine*.

"Current medications for alcohol dependence are effective for some, but not all, patients. New medications are needed to provide effective therapy to a broader spectrum of alcohol dependent individuals," says Kenneth Warren, acting director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, which is part of NIH.

"Drinking and smoking often occur, and given their genetic and neurochemical similarities, it is perhaps unsurprising that a smoking cessation treatment might serve to treat alcohol problems," notes lead author Raye Litten, Ph.D., associate director of the NIAAA Division of Treatment and Recovery Research.

Compared with placebo, varenicline significantly reduced measures of alcohol use. For example, the percentage of heavy drinking days per week decreased nearly 22 percent in the varenicline group.

The NIAAA is the primary U.S. agency for conducting and supporting research on the causes, consequences, prevention and treatment of alcohol abuse, alcoholism and alcohol problems. Additional research information and publications are available at www.niaaa.nih.gov. ■

Surviving an affair

Psychiatrist debunks the myth that cheating dooms a marriage

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Infidelity has unsavory associations for most of us. We think of adulterers as self-centered narcissists, raging sex addicts or lying philanderers. But the surprising truth about infidelity is this: Most affairs take place between two otherwise responsible, respectable people who had absolutely no intention of cheating.

Yet, up to 40 percent of marriages are rocked by affairs every year.

And time is no buffer. The chances of cheating go up each year you're together. Among the 60-and-older crowd, 28 percent of men and 15 percent of women have had at least one indiscretion.

Why do happily married men and women cheat despite knowing the devastation it will leave in its wake? And what happens once the affair is exposed? Can couples re-establish trust after betrayal?

According to psychiatrist and relationship expert Scott Haltzman, author of "The Secrets of Surviving Infidelity," the answers to the first two questions are complicated. But the response to the last one is clear: Yes, the relationship can survive — and even thrive — once the couple moves from understanding to apology and forgiveness.

In his just-released book, Dr. Haltzman examines why people stray — from the psychology of desire to the neuroscience behind infidelity — and presents a breakthrough medical expla-

nation, "flame addiction," for the behavior of the cheating partner (though it doesn't excuse philandering or poor impulse control). Then he helps couples tackle the "what now?"

Dr. Haltzman has been married for 25 years. He is on staff at the David Law-

infidelity. My passion was in discovering the secrets of couples who have healthy, happy marriages. I wanted to learn about how they deal with roles, conflict, sex and companionship. As I gathered more and more information from married men and women, I kept running up against this common event that seemed to affect so many relationships: infidelity.

As I began to learn more about the subject, I realized how lost people feel when they have an affair. I was very lucky to be mentored by some of the world's experts in infidelity, but was unable to find one consistently good book to refer couples to for help through this life crisis. Around the same time, Johns Hopkins University Press had begun looking for an author to write about infidelity because they also saw the need for such a book.

Q: Who should be reading this book? Is it for the person who has been the victim of infidelity, or for the perpetrator of the affair?

A: The book is for both! I wanted to be able to explain both sides of the story. Generally, people have an appreciation for the emotional toll of someone who has been cheated on, but those who have committed affairs also have deep emotional effects from their own behavior.

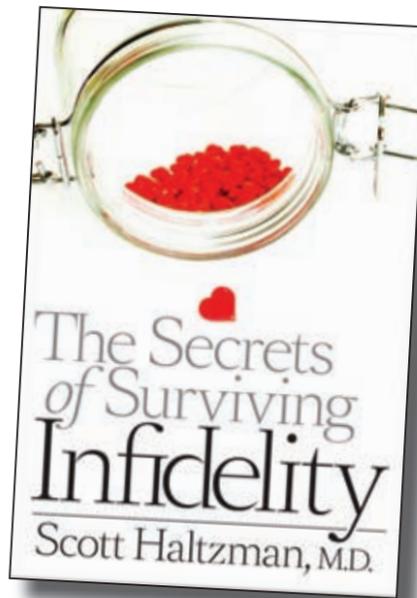
Q: No one likes cheaters. Do they really deserve empathy?

A: It's easy to paint the unfaithful partner as evil or bad, but many people who have affairs are genuinely good people who have done a genuinely bad

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Scott Haltzman, MD



rence Center, is a distinguished fellow of the American Psychiatric Association and a former clinical assistant professor of psychiatry at Brown University. He is also the author of "The Secrets of Happily Married Men," "The Secrets of Happily Married Women" and "The Secrets of Happy Families." Here he shares some of his thoughts about his newest book:

Q: Why did you write this book?

A: I didn't set out to write about

'We're all in this together' for better health care in Florida

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If NCH is to be a "destination hospital" and Florida is to be a "health-care destination state," we must constantly work to improve the quality of the care we deliver.

In that spirit, avoiding harm and preventing complications were the key topics at the recent Florida Hospital Association board meeting I attended. As chair of the Quality Committee, I was honored to report on our state's progress. Although we have a ways to go on our journey toward superior quality, Florida has progressed to the rank of 34, according to United Health Foundation.

The goal of one leading national pro-

gram, the Partnership for Patients Hospital Engagement Network (HEN), is to reduce readmissions by 20 percent and preventable complications by 40 percent. Physicians, nurses, hospitals, employers, patients, payers and their advocates, along with the federal and state governments, have joined together to form the Partnership for Patients.

One of four mandates of the FHA Quality Committee is to increase participation in this HEN program among the approximately 310 hospitals in Florida, of which 219 are acute care hospitals. Right now, 107 Florida hospitals, including 13 that are not FHA members, participate in at least one HEN initiative. Only 26 Florida hospitals participate in all 10 initiatives, with improvements centered on avoiding medication errors, venous thromboembolism, pressure ulcers, falls, early elective deliveries, readmissions, surgical site infections, ventilator-associated pneumonia, central line-associated

blood stream infections and catheter-associated urinary tract infections.

FHA has 205 members, including a few psychiatric and rehabilitation hospitals; we would like all of Florida's hospitals to join in best practices and benchmarking to learn and compare, respectively.

On a more positive note, Florida's hospitals decreased mortality nearly 36 percent from March 2011 to July 2012. An independent statistical study showed the improvement in clinical outcomes resulted in 89 lives being saved, 165 complications avoided, with 20 of 23 post-operative outcomes being improved. Surgical site infections are down nearly 16 percent over the same time period. These positive changes led to expense savings of \$6.6 million.

Florida is doing particularly well avoiding central line-associated blood stream infections and catheter-associated urinary tract infections, with most other areas moving in the right direction.

Our second Quality Committee mandate was ensuring that hospital CEOs lead the initiative to higher quality and safety. Leadership also means emphasizing our third mandate: transparency and information sharing with all key constituents, including patients. The age of Dr. Marcus Welby paternalism is long gone; we must share information and knowledge quickly and understandably. This leads to the fourth and final mandate: encouraging all of Florida's hospitals to share data so that we all might improve together.

One tried-and-true business maxim is that, "What gets measured, gets done." In health care, we say, "If you're going to be naked, you'd better be buff." (Literal translation: The spotlight of transparency should make us all perform better.)

Florida hospitals aren't competing with each other, but rather are compet-

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thing. Rather than being actively on the prowl for a good time, most people who commit adultery do so by a series of small steps. First, intimate conversations increase the sense of comfort between two people. Then, a growing sense of closeness draws the two people together. Eventually, that emotional connection can result in a full-blown affair.

Q: Is there one secret that will help guide couples through an affair?

A: Affairs are all about secrets; people don't want to reveal that affairs have happened to them. Consequently, any of your neighbors or friends may be involved in infidelity issues at this very

moment, but you'd never know because it's not something people talk about. The main secret is that people can survive infidelity. People believe that if an affair ever happens, the marriage is doomed. But more than half of all couples choose to keep moving forward, after an affair. Remarkable! Couples that don't give up on each other often can find ways to grow and strengthen their marriage.

Q: What's the definition of infidelity?

A: Traditionally, researchers have taken a rather narrow view of infidelity: when a married individual has sex with someone other than a spouse. But the definition has broadened in recent years. One example of unfaithfulness is when a married individual has a secretive emotional connection with someone to whom he or she has a sexual attraction. I've counseled people whose

partners have discovered hundreds of non-work text exchanges between their spouse and co-worker, and yet the offending spouse insists, "Since we've never had sex, there was no affair." In my opinion, these intimate exchanges over a long period of time with someone outside the marriage constitute an emotional affair, which can have devastating effects on the marriage if it is not addressed.

Q: Are there specific things that a couple can do to rebuild a marriage after an affair?

A: The most common question I get when couples come in to my office is, "What should we do?" There are four vital steps:

- Stop the affair.
- Cut off all communication with the affair mate.
- Eliminate all secrets between hus-

band and wife — all e-mails, texts, voicemails and bank accounts should be open to both sets of eyes.

■ Initiate a "Do ask, do tell" policy. The unfaithful spouse must openly answer all questions posed by his or her partner about the affair.

Affairs are built on lies; the main thrust behind all of these steps is to re-establish trust. It takes time, and sweat and tears, and the commitment to ride through some very difficult times. It's definitely not for the timid-hearted.

Q: Can couples ever really recover after an affair?

A: Couples can recover when they share in an understanding of what caused the affair, open their communication and know the steps to take to rebuild trust and bounce back. There is hope. ■

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ing to serve our patients with better quality so that we avoid harm and prevent complication. We have much work to do, but we are talking, raising awareness, educating, sharing best practices and providing feedback. These activities are all part of the cycle that is gaining momentum and that will move Florida up the rankings for quality of life.

In terms of producing better health care in the Sunshine State, we really are all in this together. ■

— Dr. Allen Weiss is president and CEO of the NCH Healthcare System.

TO YOUR HEALTH

IberiaBank hosts free programs

IberiaBank begins a new series of free programs at its Coconut Point branch at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 18. "Living Well" programs will focus on stress management, healthy living choices,

weight management and life balance. It kicks off with "Reduce Stress Now: It's Time to Live Proactively Not Reactively," presented by Sue Campanella, a reiki practitioner and certified women's

empowerment coach, Madeline Ebelini, a former attorney who founded Integrative Mindfulness in Bonita Springs.

Attendance is free, but reservations are required. Call 498-2225. ■

Need for blood donors heats up

Donations of blood slow to a trickle during the summer months in Southwest Florida, but the need for blood of all types does not. Donors are urged to take the time to donate at the Community Blood Center or its bloodmobile.

The center is on the first floor of the

NCH Medical Plaza Building at 311 Ninth St. N., next to the NCH parking garage. Complimentary valet parking is offered for all blood donors. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday.

In Bonita Springs, the CBC bloodmo-

bile makes a regular visit to the parking lot at Sunshine Plaza on the second Monday of the month. Look for it next from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 10.

For the complete bloodmobile schedule and details about donating blood, visit www.givebloodcbc.org. ■

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CLUB NOTES

■ **Toastmaster Academy** presents Kathy Feinstein with a program about "Peak Performance: Professionally and Personally" from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, at the North Collier Government Center, 2335 Orange Blossom Drive.

Outstanding athletes and motivating speakers know that the secret to being a peak performer lies in visualizing their performance before it begins. Creating a vision of the way you want an event to unfold and how you will perform is a powerful skill.

Ms. Feinstein has helped hundreds of people reach their peak performance goals. A licensed mental health counselor and certified sports performance consultant who has been practicing in Naples for more than 15 years, she works with amateur and professional athletes in numerous fields. She is also president of the Toast of the Coast Toastmasters club.

Attendance is free for Toastmaster Academy members and \$10 for guests. For more information or to reserve a place, call Marianne Oehser at 216-3030 or e-mail info@toastmasteracademy.org. Ask about a six-month Toastmaster Academy membership (\$29.95 includes admission to monthly workshops).

Toastmaster Academy is part of the Toastmasters International organization whose mission is to empower members to develop communication and leadership skills, resulting in greater self-confidence and personal growth.

■ **The East Naples Civic Association** welcomes meteorologist Jim Farrell of WINK-TV as guest speaker at its luncheon meeting beginning at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, June 20, at Hamilton Harbor Yacht Club. Mr. Farrell will discuss the 2013 hurricane season and will share stories from his career in TV broadcasting.

The public is welcome. Attendance is \$18 for ENCA members, \$20 for others. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 434-1967.

■ **The Ohio State Alumni Club of Naples** invites members and all Buyckeye fans to happy hour from 5-6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, at Landsdowne Street Pub, 24851 Tamiami Trail S. in Bonita Springs. RSVP to Sara Ann Mousa by calling 593-9196 or e-mailing brusara@aol.com.

The club recently announced that Buckeye Heisman Trophy recipient Eddie George, who recently joined OSU as an assistant vice president, will serve as honorary chair for the annual "Buckeyes in Paradise" gala set for March 8, 2014, at the Hilton Naples. Proceeds from the gala help the club provide scholarships for local students to attend OSU. For more information,

visit www.naplesbuckeyes.com.

■ **The PC Business Users Group**, welcomes members and guests who have questions about their computers to attend the next meeting from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, June 20, at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. For more information about the club, visit www.pcbug.org.

■ **The Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance** invites members and guests to its next meeting from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1255 Piper Blvd.

Guest speaker and orchid hobbyist Jim Longwell will "open his bag of tricks" accumulated through years of growing and exhibiting award-winning orchids. He'll share how he makes potting materials from ordinary household items such as chopsticks, and he'll explain about various clippers, scissors and stakes, as well as how to make custom hangers from common acoustical ceiling wire. He'll also reveal his special recipe for mixing potting media and how to keep orchids healthy with fungicide treatments.

Mr. Longwell has been growing orchids for more than 25 years and has accumulated dozens of American Orchid Society awards, including Best of Show at the Miami International Orchid Show as the first-place hobby grower.

Alliance members are encouraged to bring orchids for display (hanging racks provided). Attendance is free, and guests are welcome at every third Thursday program.

For more information, call 498-9741 or visit www.GulfCoastOrchidAlliance.com.

■ **The Naples chapter of PFLAG**, Parents Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, a support, education and advocacy group for families with gay or transgender members, meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. The next two meetings are June 20 and July 18. Call 513-4568 for location.

■ **The Naples Newcomers** helps those who are new to the area make new friendships centered around various social activities. Members meet to share a variety of interests and activities, including couples and singles groups, bridge, mahjonn, crafts, gourmet cooking, coffees, movies, card games and book discussions. Membership is for women who have been permanent residents of Naples for no more than five years.

Luncheon meetings take place on the second Thursday of each month at Naples area country clubs. An orientation coffee for prospective members takes place on the first Thursday of each month. For more information, call 298-4083 or visit www.naplesnewcomers.com.



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Jim Longwell has long been in his element in an orchid house. Mr. Longwell will be the guest speaker when the Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1255 Piper Blvd. All are welcome. Attendance is free.

comers.com.

■ Put your best foot forward and join the **Walking Club of Naples-Bonita**. Walk at your own pace for the exercise and enjoy the fringe benefit of good company and fun in a non-competitive environment.

Members step out for a 3-mile walk at 7 a.m. every Saturday from the employee parking lot at Physicians Regional-Pine Ridge. For more information, visit www.napleswalkingclub.org.

■ **The Naples Woman's Club** is cooking up its second annual Naples Kitchen Tour showcasing kitchens in Port Royal area homes where prominent Naples restaurant chefs will offer their finest gourmet samplings. Each home will also have musicians, floral designs, gift boutiques and prize drawings.

The date is Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2014, with tours setting out from the Naples Woman's Club at either 10 a.m. or noon. Tickets are \$100 for general admission, \$150 for patron level. Proceeds will benefit Friends of Foster Children, the David Lawrence Center, Youth Haven and the Naples Woman's Club philanthropic efforts.

To purchase a ticket, call the club at 262-6331 or send a check made payable to the club to Naples Woman's Club, 570 Park St., Naples, FL 34102.

■ **The Southwest Florida Chess Club** welcomes players of all ages and levels to join games from noon to 4 p.m. every Saturday at the Estero Recreation Center, 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd. just off Corkscrew Road, midway between U.S. 41 and I-75 exit 123. There is a \$10 one-time fee to join the rec center. Attendance at the first club meeting is free; membership; thereafter is \$10 a year.

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Gordon at 898-0458, send an e-mail to swflchess@yahoo.com or visit www.swfloridachessclub.com.

■ **Literacy Volunteers of Collier County** has formed a new club for reading tutors who are no longer teaching. Club 52 is designed to allow former tutors to remain involved because they have a vested interest in the cause. Members pay \$52 annual dues and enjoy social occasions together as well as discounts to LVCC events. They are expected to volunteer for a specific period each month by serving on committees, fundraising and doing office work.

For more information, call LVCC at 262-4448, ext. 302, or write to LVCC, 8833 Tamiami Trail E., Naples, FL 34113.

■ **Toastmasters International** teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meeting locations. Guests are always welcome. Local Toastmasters chapters, meeting times and locations include:

Bonita Toastmasters Club: 7 p.m. every second and fourth Wednesday at the Bonita Springs Fire Station, 27701 Bonita Grande Drive. For more information, call Scott Vail at 777-3642.

Collier Communique Club: 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at Moorings Professional Building, 2335 Tamiami Trail N., Suite 208. Call Robert Rizzo at (407) 493-8584.

Marco Island Toastmasters: 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Centennial Bank, 645 Elkcam Circle, Marco Island. E-mail Chris Pritchard at colliertostmasters@gmail.com.

Naples Sunrise Bay Toastmasters Club: 7:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesday in Moss Hall at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive. Call Steve McCann at 777-8851.

Naples Toastmasters Club: 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday at Naples General Aviation Center, 200 Aviation Drive N. Call Steve Jallad at 776-5398.

Toast of the Coast Toastmasters Club: Noon on the second and fourth Friday at Stantec (previously Wilson Miller), 3200 Bailey Lane, Naples. Call Gwen Greenglass at 431-0931.

Naples Advanced Toastmasters: 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday at the North Collier Government Center, 2335 Orange Blossom Drive. Call Linda Valentine at (954) 780-6683. This club has prerequisites for membership.

Toastmaster Academy: 6:30-8:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday at the North Collier Government Center, 2335 Orange Blossom Drive. Call R. Sunde at 594-3828. www.toastmasters.org. ■

NEWS OF THE WEIRD

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Very personal hygiene

Orestes De La Paz's exhibit at the Frost Art Museum in Miami in May recalled Chuck Palahniuk's novel and film "Fight Club," in which lead character Tyler Durden's principal income source was making upscale soap using discarded liposuctioned fat fetched from the garbage of cosmetic surgeons (thus closing the loop of fat from rich ladies recycled back to rich ladies). Mr. De La Paz told his mentor at Florida International University that he wanted only to display his own liposuctioned fat provocatively, but decided to make soap when he realized that the fat would otherwise quickly rot. Some visitors to the

exhibit were able to wash their hands with the engineered soap, which De La Paz offered for sale at \$1,000 a bar. ■

The entrepreneurial spirit

■ As recently as mid-May, people with disabilities had been earning hefty black-market fees by taking strangers into Disneyland and Disney World using the parks' own liberal "disability" passes (which allow for up to five relatives or guests at a time to accompany the disabled person in skipping the sometimes-hours-long lines and having immediate access to the rides). The pass-holding "guide," according to NBC's "Today" show, could charge as much as \$200

through advertising on craigslist and via word-of-mouth to some travel agents. Following reports in the *New York Post* and other outlets, Disney was said in late May to be warning disabled permit-holders not to abuse the privilege.

■ After setting out to create a protective garment for mixed martial arts fighters, Jeremiah Raber of High Ridge, Mo., realized that his "groin protection device" could also help police, athletes and military contractors. Armored Nutshellz underwear, now selling for \$125 each, has multiple layers of Kevlar plus another fabric called Dyneema, which Mr. Raber said can "resist" multiple shots from 9 mm and .22-caliber handguns. He said the Army will be testing Nutshellz in August, hoping it can reduce the number of servicemen who come home with dev-

astating groin injuries.

■ "Ambulance-chasing" lawyers are less the cliché than they formerly were because of bar association crackdowns, but fire truck-chasing contractors and "public adjusters" are still a problem — at least in Florida, where the state Supreme Court tossed out a "48-hour" time-out rule that would have given casualty victims space to reflect on their losses before being overwhelmed by home-restoration salesmen. Consequently, as firefighters told the *South Florida Sun-Sentinel* in May, the contractors are usually "right behind" them on the scene, pestering anxious or grief-stricken victims. The *Sun-Sentinel* found one woman being begged to sign up while she was still crying out for her dog that remained trapped in the blaze. ■

DAD'S DAY *is on the way*

Fathers come in all sizes, shapes and styles. Whether yours is sporty and laid-back or a sophisticated connoisseur of the finer things in life — and whether your wallet knows no limits or is feeling the pinch — let our gift guide give you some ideas for ways to show him the love come Father's Day on Sunday, June 16.

■ **Eat up** — Noodles Italian Café and Sushi Bar in Mission Plaza will dish out free spaghetti-and-meatball dinners for every Dad who's accompanied by at least one paying diner from 5-9 p.m.

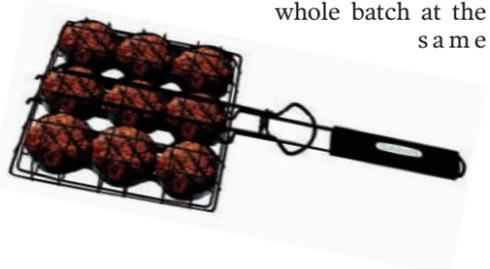


on Father's Day. Reservations accepted but not required. Call 592-0050.

■ **Go fish** — Take Dad or Grandpa to Naples Botanical Garden for some catch-and-release fishing all day Saturday and Sunday (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Angling is usually prohibited in the Garden lakes, so this is an extra-special opportunity. Regular admission applies on Saturday; fathers and grandfathers enjoy free admission on Sunday. Call 643-7275 or visit www.naplesgarden.org.

■ **Y not?** — The Greater Naples YMCA hopes families will head to the center at 5450 YMCA Road on Sunday for a day of fun in the pool, on the basketball courts and in the fitness center. Admission is free for everyone. Pack a picnic lunch and stay for the whole afternoon. Call 597-3148 or visit www.ymcapalms.org.

■ **Good for the grill** — Flipping burgers one at a time with a standard spatula can be kind of a grind at the grill. Dad'll thank you when he can do a whole batch at the same



time with this nifty non-stick grill basket from Cuisinart. It's \$13 at Sears (checkout the latest in gas grills while you're there).

■ **Tool time** — If Dad's a pro at DIY projects, no doubt he has all the tool to make quick work of anything on a honey-do list. But does he have what it takes to keep those tools handy and organized? If not, he'll love this heavy-duty, two-in-one tote from DeWalt. The top compartment is great for power tools; the bottom portion has removable dividers so Dad can create customized storage for all the tools of his trade. We scored it for \$29.99 at Sunshine Ace Hardware.



■ **In step, in style** — If Dad's a basic khaki kind of guy, surprise him with a pair of Sperry Top-Siders in a bold new color. And don't worry: He doesn't have to be a boater to appreciate the classic footwear. Nordstrom at Waterside Shops has several styles starting at \$95.



■ **Up in smoke** — Our friends at Marcus Daniel Tobacconist on Eighth Street South tell us they've just received a shipment of the newly released (and extremely limited) "We The People" cigars. Made by hand in Miami, the only component of the cigars that's not American is the tobacco itself, which grows 10 degrees north of the Equator. Sold individually or as a custom box set for \$189. Go ahead, light Dad up.

■ **The eyes have it** — Show Dad how bright his future is by giving him a



new pair of shades to see him through summer and beyond. Character Eyes at Naples Bay Resort has a wide selection of sunglasses designed for performance and for style. We like the Hanalei by Maui Jim, shown here. Prices start around \$199.

■ **It's a wrap** — If he has a flair for fashion, Dad will know just how to wear this triple-wrap leather bracelet with a sterling silver clasp by John Hardy. Saks Fifth Avenue at Waterside Shops has it for \$295, along with lots more great jewelry and accessories for great guys.

(P.S. While you're at Waterside Shops looking for the perfect gift for Dad, you might as well do some shopping for yourself, right? Spend \$500 and take your receipt to the mall management office, and they'll give you a chef's apron and barbecue mitt. Not that we're suggesting you could regift Dad, but ...)

■ **All tied up** — Joseph's Custom Clothiers brings back a Father's Day promotion that proved a big hit last year: For every tie and shirt sold through Father's Day, the shop at Naples Bay Resort will make a donation to the charity of the shopper's choice (Dad's favorite cause would be a good choice). For every tie sold, the store's donation will be \$25; a custom shirt will mean \$100 for a charity. Call 530-0070 for details.

■ **Paddle power** — If it's been ages since Dad has gotten off the couch and tried something new outside, consider taking him out for some standup paddle boarding (SUPPING, to those in the know). It's not nearly as difficult as it looks (given light wind and no chop on the water). Hourly rentals are readily available and not that expensive from Marco Island to Fort Myers Beach (just Google it). If he likes it enough, maybe you'll get him his own SUP board for Christmas.

■ **It's about time** — So

you're finally making enough dough that you don't need to ask Dad for help with your bills. Now tell him how much you appreciate all the times he stood by, at the ready with whatever you needed. Nothing could say that better than a Patek Philippe timepiece. Rest assured, he'll think of you with pride and joy every time he checks his watch. Yamron Jewelers at Waterside Shops has the Calabava Collection, starting at \$29,000.



■ **Give hope** — An e-mail from Hope for Haiti suggested what we think is the ultimate gift for any dad who has been lucky enough to raise happy, healthy children.

The message told the story of a family in Les Cayes, home to Hope for Haiti's headquarters, whose father desperately wanted to help his diabetic 9-year-old daughter. She was suffering because he could not afford health care for her — until he found Hope for Haiti.

Every week for several weeks, the father and daughter visited Hope for Haiti's infirmary, where she received free medication and supplies and he received education about understanding and managing her chronic condition. Now that her disease is control, their trips to the infirmary are less frequent.

Wouldn't a gift to Hope for Haiti in honor of your father this Father's Day make him proud? Call 434-7183 or visit www.hopeforhaiti.com. ■

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

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Unconventional treatments

■ Researchers writing recently in the journal PLoS ONE disclosed that they had found certain types of dirt that contain antimicrobial agents capable of killing E. coli and the antibiotic-resistant MRSA. According to the article, medical "texts" back to 3000 B.C. mentioned clays that, when rubbed on wounds, reduce inflammation and pain.

■ Researchers writing in May in the journal Pediatrics found that some infants whose parents regularly sucked their babies' pacifiers to clean them (rather than rinsing or boiling them) developed fewer allergies and cases of asthma. (On the other hand, parental-cleansing might make other maladies more likely, such as tooth decay.) ■

Leading economic indicators

■ Until recently, apparently, gene mutations were considered merely freaks of nature, but that was before Myriad Genetics obtained binding U.S. patents for mutations it discovered — now known as BRCA-1 and BRCA-2. Those mutations were in the news in May when actor Angelina Jolie announced that she had chosen to have a double mastectomy based on the presence of the cancer-causing mutations, which she had learned of through a Myriad Genetics test costing about \$4,000. There is no price competition for the test, due to the patent, and Ms. Jolie, along with oncologists and OB-GYN doctors, fret that the test is too expensive for tens of millions of women

around the world whose lives could be saved by knowing their status.

■ Archeologists discovered in May that a construction company had bulldozed 2,300-year-old Mayan ruins in northern Belize — simply to mine the rocks for road fill to build a highway. A researcher said it could hardly have been an accident, for the ruins were 100 feet high in an otherwise flat landscape, and a Tulane University anthropologist estimated that Mayan ruins are being mined for road fill an average of once a day in their ancient habitats. Said another, "(T)o realize" that Mayans created these structures using only stone tools and then "carried these materials on their heads" to build them — and then that bulldozers can almost instantly destroy them — is "mind-boggling." ■

Fine points of law

A woman in Seattle's Capitol Hill neighborhood reported to a local news blog in May that she had seen (and her husband briefly conversed with) a man who was operating a "drone" from a sidewalk, guiding the noisy device to a point just outside a third-floor window in a private home. The pilot said he was "doing research" and, perhaps protected by a 1946 U.S. Supreme Court decision, asserted that he was not violating anyone's privacy because he, himself, was on a public sidewalk while the drone was in public airspace. The couple called for a police officer, but by the time one arrived, the pilot and his drone had departed, according to a report on the Capitol Hill Seattle blog. ■

PET TALES

A rewarding experience

The 'clicker' is an easy tool with powerful training results

BY GINA SPADAFORI
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In the last year, it seems like I've been doing nothing but raising puppies. First came Ned, a Shetland sheepdog who's bright but a little on the shy side. Then Riley, an outgoing, bouncy retriever puppy I'm raising for friends.

While most of what I do with puppies involves socializing them to new people and places, sights and sounds, I also lay a foundation for a lifetime of learning by setting limits and by teaching a few basic behaviors in a way that makes it clear that training is fun. To get that latter idea across, the tool I reach for is what trainers call a "clicker." It doesn't look like much, but it's an object that seems to possess a magic power when it comes to building a good relationship with an animal — any animal.

To the untrained eye, a clicker is a small plastic box that fits in the palm of your hand — a child's toy that's also called a "cricket." To make the noise, you press down on the metal strip inside the housing and quickly release it — click-click!

Of course, the clicker itself isn't magic. What it provides is timing — it allows a trainer working with a dog who understands the game to let the pet know that the behavior he's doing right now is the one that's being rewarded. And that means the behavior will be repeated. The clicking noise becomes a reward because in the early stages of training, the sound is linked to the delivery of something a



Puppies thrive when they find training rewarding, allowing you to build a strong and loving relationship from the beginning.

dog wants — most usually, a tiny treat.

You start by teaching your pet that a click means a treat. Pick a time when your pet isn't sleeping (not just after a meal) and is a little hungry (a couple of hours before a meal). Choose a relatively small, quiet place you can work without too many distractions, and prepare a pouch or bowl of tiny, yummy treats (diced hot dogs are popular, as are pieces of cheese or even bits of kibble). For the next few minutes, click and treat. One click, one treat. Again and again and again. Eventually, your pet will show you he understands that the sound means food. For example, he may look immediately to the source of the treats after hearing the click.

When that happens, you're on to the next stage. But wait until your next session, because clicker training works best with a couple of short sessions — less than 10 minutes — every day.

When you're all set up again, sit quietly with your clicker and treats — and wait. Your dog should start volunteering behaviors, everything from sitting to pawing to wandering in a circle. When your pet chooses one you like, click, treat and wait again. Your dog will initially be confused, but should eventually offer the behavior again. Be patient! When that moment comes, click, treat and wait again.

Say you clicked your dog a couple of times because he finally got bored and sat. Soon your dog will sit to test his theory that sitting means a click-treat. When that happens, click and "jackpot" him with a handful of treats. When the pattern is firmly established, you can then give it a name ("sit") and make the food reward more random to strengthen it (this is the same principal that keeps you pulling the slot machine handle).

In future sessions, you'll move on from the "sit" that your dog knows, waiting for more behaviors to click, treat and name as you build your pet's repertoire of commands. More complicated behaviors are trained by "chaining" — training in segments and putting them together.

One more thing: Never punish your pet for not "getting it right." Clicker training is all about the payoff, and once you get it mastered, there's no end to the things you can teach your dog to do. And that's true no matter if your puppy is big or small, outgoing or shy. In my house, both Ned and Riley, although very different puppies, are thriving as they learn that training is fun. ■

Pets of the Week



>>**Kandy** is a 2-year-old Chihuahua mix who's as sweet as, well, candy. Her adoption fee is \$150.



>>**Kimmie** is a sweet, playful domestic shorthair who's about 3 years old. She enjoys people and the company of her podmates. Her adoption fee is \$55.



>>**Lucille** is a 2-year-old domestic shorthair mix who loves it when people rub behind her ears. Her adoption fee is \$55.



>>**Shadow** is an 8-year-old American Eskimo mix. He's a little shy and prefers one-on-one time, but he opens up a bit more every day. His adoption fee is \$75.

To adopt or foster a pet

Dogs and cats adopted from **Humane Society Naples** come with vaccinations, sterilization surgery, ID microchip and 30 days of health insurance. Visit the animals ready for adoption at the main shelter at 370 Airport-Pulling Road N. (11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday), or at the satellite adoption center at Coastland Center during mall hours. Call 643-1555 or visit HSNaples.org for more information.

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DIVA DIARIES

Establishing new rules of birthday etiquette



I've learned that I'm the kind of girl who divides the year up into certain seasons — and I don't mean the standard four seasons you're used to. Southwest Florida doesn't really get typical recognizable seasons because there aren't major weather changes to break things up. That's why Christmas décor debuts jarringly and dazzlingly in our local stores in late August, while pretty pastel Easter baskets hit the shelves with bang in January. With no autumn chill in the air or melting snow come spring, we need thoughtful retailers and their helpful merchandise to remind us of which season is right around the corner.

Meanwhile, I have what I call my Diva Calendar, which nicely divides things up according to parties...

- **October:** Zombie and Halloween parties
- **November - December:** Christmas parties and office parties
- **January - May:** Fancy black-tie fundraising parties
- **June - July:** Birthday parties
- **August - September:** Indoor, air-conditioned parties only

Anyhoo, here we are in birthday season, a time that reminds me that every single person I've ever known was

born in either June or July — including moi. And while there's nothing more I love than a good party, I'm getting to the age (don't ask — just know that I am still younger than Sarah Jessica Parker, Johnny Depp, Demi Moore and a LOT of other people — but just barely) when I'm thinking we need only celebrate *milestone* birthdays in a big way. In other words, it's great when an acquaintance turns 43, however while I think that's worthy of a Happy Hour gathering at a local watering hole involving a few close friends, I don't believe 43 is worthy of renting a venue, hiring a DJ and requiring cocktail attire and expensive gifts from guests. The rule should be that after 30, we get parties in five-year increments — and after 50, sparkly soirees should be thrown every 10 years. Of course, after 80, one should totally have a giant bash every single year with rivers of Veuve Clicquot, caviar and plenty of pricey gifts galore. I am in no way eschewing parties — my dear readers know I love parties, but darlings, let's just have a drink and toast to another year. Which is, in fact, exactly what I plan on doing on my birthday at the end of this month. Although next year, I will definitely be expecting some Veuve



Nathan Gates, Corrie Perkins and Mark Loren at the Mercato in Naples

Three valiant contenders held for as long as they could, but after 20 long hours, Nathan Gates, a house painter from Bonita Springs, was the last one standing. Nathan not only won a \$10,000 ring, he won the girl, too. When he proposed to his girlfriend, Corrie Perkins, immediately after the contest, she accepted on the spot. Congrats to the happy couple!

UNIT A

A is for absolutely fabulous when it comes to world-renowned artist Marcus Jansen's hip new gallery near downtown Fort Myers on Evans Avenue. Marcus has not only been featured at Art Basil in Miami, his art work graced a limited edition bottle of Absolut vodka. I had the best time

at his gallery on Friday as he debuted his most recent paintings. As if that weren't enough, metal artist Jonas Stirner, who worked for years on Captiva with Robert Rauschenberg, was also represented at this fabulous night of local art stars. ■

Scoring the sparkle

Here's an excellent reason to pop the cork on some champagne: Jewelry designer Mark Loren's "Ring Within Reach" contest at his gallery at the Mercato in Naples came to an end last weekend when four contestants stood for hours, each one keeping a hand on a diamond engagement ring.

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

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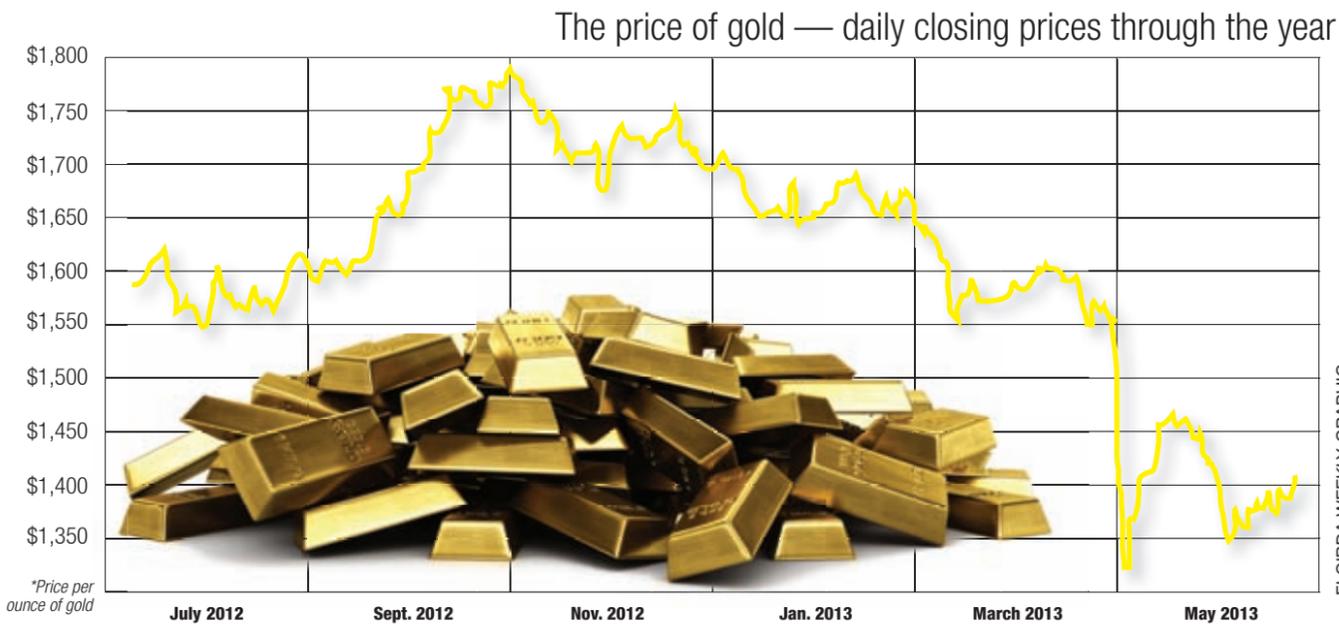
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All that shimmers...

Cash for gold fever loses some luster

BY EVAN WILLIAMS

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IMAGINE THE WORLD'S ENTIRE SUPPLY of gold (roughly 170,000 metric tons) melded into a cube with 68-foot-tall walls and sitting "comfortably within a baseball infield."

That's how billionaire investor Warren E. Buffett described it, writing in a 2011 report to shareholders. He added, "At \$1,750 per ounce — gold's price as I write this — its value would be \$9.6 trillion."

Gold's value on the stock market had nearly doubled in the three years before Mr. Buffett wrote that, driven by investors who bought it as a kind of insurance against economic collapse, said Southwest Florida business owners who follow the industry closely. The gold price bubble became even larger as people looking for quick cash to make ends meet found an answer in their old jewelry, and a growing number of businesses to oblige them.

"Gold parties" for the same purpose



COURTESY PHOTO
Leif Metsch
of Leif's Coin
& Jewelry in
Naples.

were thrown at private homes, recalls Steve Duke, owner of Westchester Gold & Diamonds in Port Charlotte.

"We had three or four years of just enormous growth," Mr. Duke explained. "And then it dropped back down to more realistic numbers."

The parties have abated and some local cash-for-gold businesses have closed or are scaling back. The precious metal has been trading around \$1,400 per ounce.

Leif Metsch of Leif's Coin & Jewelry in Naples noticed that a gold-buying business down the street from him had closed. Although the rush helped

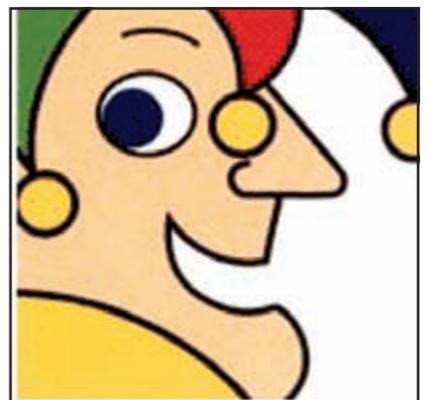
his business, he was prepared for a fall after seeing past ups and downs.

"Years ago, I made sure buying gold was not necessarily my number one business," Mr. Metsch said. "I never thought it would last as long as it did."

Southwest Florida residents have cashed in so much old jewelry, surmises Richard Estelle of E-Z Cash for Gold in Fort Myers, that personal supplies are dwindling. As the economy improves, people may also be less inclined to go for a fast buck.

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Japan cannot solve its many troubles



Japan has no oil or natural gas. Since 2011, Japan's power plants have been forced to use imported liquefied natural gas as an alternative to nuclear. Japan's import price is five to six times the cost of U.S. domestic natural gas. This importation has weighed heavily on its economy and trade balance.

Japan's woes are not isolated to its economics. It now faces military threats from China claiming nearby islands. Conveniently, much of Chinese claiming is for islands in oil rich waters.

As of September 2012, new Japanese political leadership undertook massive fiscal, monetary and GDP growth initiatives to reverse misfortunes. The changes come after 20-plus years of central bank/government failure to roll out aggressive, curative policies and after years of corporate refusal to recognize large asset losses on their balance sheets. For free markets to work, clean books are needed. Smoke and mirrors accounting constrains business.

All that aforementioned is not the worst of it. Japan has terrible demographics that are inextricably tied to its finances. Japan is skewed to an aging population: the current ratio of six workers for every two retirees will change to three workers for two retirees by 2032 Japan's retirement investments are heavily weighted in Japanese Government Bonds, or JGBs. Japan's core JGB buyers are maturing into JGB sellers.

Such liquidation creates difficulties for a government that runs massive budget deficits and sells JGBs to fund deficits. "In the budget for the year that ended in

March, and across central and local governments, total government spending on pensions, health care, nursing care and family benefits was ¥124.5 trillion, or 26.1 percent of GDP," read the article "Once More with Feeling in the May 18 issue of The Economist. "But government revenue amounted to only ¥59.2 trillion, or 12.5 percent of GDP. Borrowing largely made up the difference. Stabilizing Japan's national debt... requires moving from a deficit before interest payments of 8 percent to a surplus of 3.2 percent. A doubling of the consumption tax, to 10 percent, is planned for 2014-15. But with a shrinking workforce having to support a growing number of elderly, the necessary swing is simply too big for any plausible mix of tax hikes and spending cuts to deal with."

U.S. citizens are concerned that our issued federal debt is 135 percent to GDP; Japan's is at 235 percent of their GDP! Which foreigners will buy JGBs if the yen continues to fall and their interest rates are rising? (The yen is down 21 percent from September 2012 through mid-day June 10.) Quite a conundrum.

Some investors point to the booming Japanese equity and global equity markets as proof that Japan's new programs are working, as equity markets moved up 80 percent from fall 2012 through June 5. Or, were the stock gains attributable to the flow of dollars out of JGBs and into worldwide equities? Maybe the yen "carry trade" is back in full force. (i.e., borrows yen at low Japanese rates; sell yen; and buys other currencies/assets with higher yields.)

That Japan has taken the QE experiment into the stratosphere is not lost on George Soros, the most noted currency speculator. Per an interview in early April on CNBC, Mr. Soros said, "What Japan is doing right now is actually quite dangerous because they are doing it after 25 years of just simply accumulating deficits and not getting the economy growing," he explained. "So if what they're doing gets something started, they might not be able to stop it. If the yen starts to fall... the fall may become like an avalanche."

The statement is not lost on investors who have seen a fall in the Nikkei of approximately 15 percent by mid-day June 10, having recovered from a loss of 20 percent in a mere 11 trading days ended June 5.

Long term, there is no stopping the math that compounds JGB interest as budget deficits continue. There would have to be astronomical growth in its GDP and tax receipts to create a more sound financial outlook for Japan. ■

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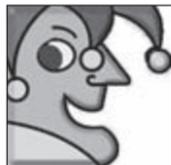


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companies in America. The Dow Jones Wilshire 5000, a "whole market" index, contains almost every U.S. stock. There are even broader indexes, such as the FTSE Global Equity Index, which includes more than 7,400 securities in 47 different countries and tracks about 98 percent of the world's investable market value. Investments such as the Vanguard Total World Stock Index ETF will easily park you in it.

Index funds usually have extremely low fees — sometimes less than 0.20 percent (that's a fifth of 1 percent). There's little turnover within them, too, so commission costs are minimal.

Best of all, investing in index funds is simple, taking very little time or energy. Once you've invested in them, you can forget about them (ideally adding money regularly, though). However the stock market performs in the coming years, your index fund will roughly track that.

Learn more at indexfunds.com and fool.com/mutualfunds/mutualfunds.htm, or read "Common Sense on Mutual Funds" by John C. Bogle (Wiley, \$20). ■

My Dumbest Investment

Reverse Growth

My dumbest investment would be when I rolled over about \$30,000 worth of retirement account money to Fidelity years ago. A perky young fellow from Fidelity strongly encouraged me to invest in its Growth Company Fund. This was back in January 2000, before so many growth stocks tanked. Ironically, I did sense that many tech stocks were due to crash and burn, but I didn't bother to check what the fund held. I assumed that the fund managers would be smart enough to avoid damage from crashes. Sigh.

— T.G., online

The Fool Responds: Many professional investors as well as amateurs were stung when the market imploded. But over time, it has recovered. Many brokers and investment salespeople don't have great track records or your best interests at heart, but others do.

The Fidelity Growth Company Fund actually has a strong long-term record. Over the past decade, it has averaged 10.3 percent annual growth, and since its inception about 30 years ago, it has averaged 12.8 percent annually. Still, you would have done well to take your own market assessment into account in your decision-making. ■



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

Last week's trivia answer

Incorporated back in 1907, I'm engaged in the manufacturing of vehicles (and related merchandise) and also in financial services. Warren Buffett has said that he favors companies like me that have customers so devoted that they'll tattoo my name on themselves. I introduced my "Knucklehead" back in 1936, with a famous teardrop-shaped gas tank. My products have been used in many wars, and law-enforcement and rescue folks use them, too. My logo is a bar and shield, I have a porcine ticker symbol, and I rake in more than \$5 billion annually. Evel Knievel was a fan. Who am I? (Answer: Harley-Davidson)



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Name That Company

I'm named after the woman who founded me in 1946. Headquartered in Manhattan, I focus on skin care, hair care, makeup and fragrances, selling products in more than 150 countries and territories. I encompass brands such as Aramis, Clinique, Prescriptives, Lab Series, Origins, M•A•C, Bobbi Brown, Tommy Hilfiger, Kiton, La Mer, Donna Karan, Aveda, Jo Malone, Bumble and bumble, Darphin, Michael Kors, Ameri-



can Beauty, Flirt!, Good-Skin Labs, Grassroots Research Labs, Tom Ford, Coach, Ojon, Smashbox, Ermenegildo Zegna, Aerin Beauty, Osiao and Marni. I've been represented by Willow Bay, Paulina Porizkova, Liu Wen, Constance Jablonski and others.

Who am I? ■

The Motley Fool Take

A Promising Transformation

DuPont (NYSE: DD) is becoming more of a science company, and that could bode well for investors.

The company has been pursuing growth opportunities that create higher value — for example, buying Danisco, a global enzyme and specialty food ingredients company, while jettisoning its performance coatings unit, a lower-margin commodity business.

DuPont's strategy is to build and leverage its science lead in agriculture and nutrition, bio-based industrials and advanced materials. It still faces stiff competition, though, in agriculture, where it faces the likes of Monsanto and Dow Chemical.

Competition with Monsanto cost DuPont a lot in legal fees, and ended with DuPont

agreeing to a \$1.75 billion licensing deal with the seed giant. So now DuPont and Monsanto will collaborate as DuPont gains access to some key patents in Monsanto's portfolio.

DuPont itself has a vast intellectual property portfolio, providing a strong base for future growth. To that end, the company has set long-term-growth targets to grow its sales by 7 percent each year while its operating earnings are expected to grow at a 12 percent annual clip.

The main knock against DuPont right now is a stock price that isn't quite a bargain unless its growth rates rise. For maximum potential growth, consider adding the company to your watch list and waiting for a dip in price to offer a bigger margin of safety. ■

BUSINESS MEETINGS

■ **The East Naples Merchants Association** meets for Business After Business at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 13, at Physicians Regional-Collier Boulevard. For more information, call 435-9410 or 643-3600 or visit www.eastnaplesmerchantsassoc.com.

■ **SCORE Naples** and the **Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** present "The Inside Story at Sam's Club" with Jeff Williams, general manager of Sam's Club in Naples, from 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 15, at Sam's Club, 2550 Immokalee Road. Free. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events or call 262-6376 for more information.

■ Members and guests of **HR Collier**, an affiliate chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management, will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 19, at Wyndemere Country Club. Guest speaker will be four-

time Pulitzer Prize-nominee investigative reporter and best-selling author Fawn Germer. Ms. Germer's latest book, "Pearls," offers wisdom from women leaders including Hillary Clinton, Jane Goodall, Meg Whitman and Martina Navratilova. Reservations are required by June 14 and can be made at www.hrcollier.org.

■ **The Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce** holds its next Business After Five event from 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, at The Classics Club at Lely Resort. \$5 for members, \$10 for others (cash bar). For more information, call 394-7549, e-mail kate@marcoislandchamber.org or visit www.marcoislandchamber.org.

■ **The next Business After Five** networking event for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce

takes place from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, June 20, at Tiburon Golf Course. Cost is \$8 for members, \$25 for others. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ **The Public Relations Society of America-Gulf Coast Chapter** meets at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 25, at the Hilton Naples. Stephanie Spell, chief of the Community Engagement Department for the Collier County Sheriff's Office, and Jim von Rintel, emergency recovery coordinator for Collier County Government, will discuss ways to manage the most challenging situations. \$24 for members, \$29 for others. Reservations required by June 21. Visit www.gulfcoastprsa.org or call Judy Bricker, chapter president, at 213-6146.

■ **The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** holds a summer network-

ing lunch on Tuesday, June 25, at Carra-bba's in Bonita Springs. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Guest speaker will be Mark Schwartz, president and owner of Storm Force. \$25 for chamber members, \$45 for others. RSVP to Chelsea Birczak, 992-2943 or Chelsea@bonitaspringschamber.com.

■ **A Job Search Support Group** meets from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. Contact Karen Klukiewicz at kluk77@comcast.net or visit www.napleschamber.org.

■ **Consultants from the Small Business Development Center at Florida Gulf Coast University** are available at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, 2390 Tamiami Trail N., every Thursday. To make an appointment for a free session, call Suzanne Specht at 745-3704. ■

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ON THE MOVE

Awards & Recognition

Andrew Hill Investment Advisors Inc. has earned certification from the city of Naples as a Green Business. The firm is one of 25 inaugural businesses to achieve this recognition through the city's grant-funded Green Business Certification Program.

Board Appointments

The Naples International Film Festival board of directors for 2013 consists of: **Lisa Lipman**, president; **Patrick Dearborn**, vice president; **Don Drury**, treasurer; **Ashley Solomon**, secretary; and board members **Joseph Basile**, **David Diamond**, **Heather Dockweiler**, **Shannon Franklin**, **John Goede**, **Blake Owen** and **Jill Wheeler**.

New members on the board of directors for Susan G. Komen-Southwest Florida are: **Marjorie Kasell-Johnson**, community relations director at Vi at Bentley Village; **Kenneth O'Donnell**, Florida market president for Busey Bank; **Barbara Oppenheim**, president and CEO of the Guadalupe Center; **Bill Rice**, vice president of advancement at Spring Point Project; **Marci Sanders**, director of operations for The Shelter for Abused Women & Children; **Steven Ershowsky**, financial advisor at Ameriprise Financial Services; and **Gayla Wright**, local sales manager at Waterman Broadcasting.

Gordon Vanscoy, the president and founder of Green-Care, has joined the board of directors of Keep Collier Beautiful. He will help with community seminars on environmentally friendly approaches



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to lawn beautification and pest control, as well as instruction on creating green-space habitats in backyards around Collier County.

Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida announces the following new board members elected to serve three-year terms: **Brandon Box**, commercial relationship manager, IberiaBank; **Russell Budd**, owner, PBS Construction; **Andy Buschle**, vice president, BB&T; **Catherine Fay**, vice president and co-owner, Naples Air Inc.; **Scott Fischer**, CEO, Scott Fischer Enterprises; **Joseph Pepe**, executive vice president of administration, Hodges Univer-

sity; **Kelly Richards**, State Farm Insurance Companies; and **Christina Harris Schwinn**, partner, Pavese Law Firm. Executive officers for 2013-14 are: **Lisa Van Dien**, chair; **Tom Pitser**, chair-elect; **Curt Todd**, treasurer; **Samantha Howes**, secretary; **Richard Caligiuri**, member at-large; **Gary Tasman**, member at-large; and **Carl Howes**, immediate past chair.

George Barry, **Joanne Fowler** and **Linda Williams** have been elected to serve three-year terms on the board of directors for Friends of the Library of Collier County.

Francine Stevens has been elected president of the board of directors for Friends of Fakahatchee, a 400-member organization that provides financial and volunteer support to preserve the ecology and cultural heritage of Fakahatchee Strand Preserve State Park and to educate the public about its importance. Other officers of the board are: **Jimene Rinehard**, vice president; **Kathleen da Silva**, treasurer; and **Jinny Ball**, secretary.

Hope for Haiti announces the following members of the organization's Next Generation Board: **Mark Hindley**, chair; **Stephen Osborne**, vice chair; **Melissa Hedberg**, secretary; **Dolly Smith**, treasurer; **Jenny Foegen**, special events; **Shanna Short**, communications and partnering; **Jaime Lopez**, finance; **Alex Daane**, **Jeff Galati**, **Huddy Hornbeck III**, happy hour; **Kevin Brachle**, membership; **Stephanie Fowler**, public relations; **Nicole McGinnis**, social media; and at-large members **Erin Welch** and **Ann Porter**.

Construction

Jim Queck has joined Gulfshore Homes as construction superintendent in charge construction from start to completion of every home the company builds at Grey Oaks Country Club. Originally from Westerly, R.I., Mr. Queck arrived in Florida in 1987 to play shortstop for the Kansas City Royals when the team held spring training at Terry Park in Fort Myers. After a shoulder injury interrupted his baseball career, he put his education in architectural engineering and architectural design at the University of Rhode Island and the Rhode Island School of Design to work. He worked as a construction superintendent at The Mercato and at the Quarles & Brady law firm offices, among others.

Health Care

Dr. Fritz Lemoine, an internal medicine physician with expertise in diabetic care, has joined Millennium Physician Group in Naples. Dr. Lemoine earned his medical degree from and completed his internship at the University of Miami Medical Center in Miami. He is a professional member of the Collier County Medical Society.



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Nonprofit Organizations

Ann Hughes has joined the Community Foundation of Collier County as director of donor services. She has more than 20 years of public relations and marketing experience, most recently as owner of the award-winning Hughes McGrath Public Relations and Marketing agency in Naples. Prior to starting Hughes McGrath, Ms. Hughes was area director of public relations for The Ritz-Carlton Resorts of Naples and communications manager of the New York City Convention & Visitors Bureau.



HUGHES

Louis Traina, Ed.D., has joined the Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida as executive director of the

foundation. Mr. Traina served for 13 years as vice president of university advancement and executive director of the foundation for Hodges University. He previously served as provost for Edison State College-Collier County and most recently was vice president for institutional advancement at Ave Maria University.

Arden McCurdy has been promoted to executive director of the Speakers Assembly of Southwest Florida. She most recently was executive assistant for the organization, where she has worked in various capacities since 2001. She sits on the board of directors of the Bonita Springs Assistance Office and has served on the board of directors of the Bonita Springs Community Foundation.



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Sales & Marketing

Allyson Lawary has joined Allegra Marketing-Print-Mail as an account executive. She has more than 10 years of experience in printing and marketing communications and is responsible for the company's direct marketing efforts and sales growth. She previously worked as an account manager at Kopco Graphics in Cincinnati, Ohio. She belongs to the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, the Above Board Chamber of Commerce and the Naples Interagency Council. ■

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GOLD

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down,” Mr. Estelle said. “Everybody from the jewelry stores to the gold buyers to the pawn shops, everyone’s buying less now.”

He’s had a front-row seat to the waning of gold’s fever — and claims any rumors of its death are exaggerated, at least from his experience. Gold is still at a far higher price point than before the recession, he points out; and he has a steady customer base. In his opinion, quick-cash businesses that added locations during the downturn, especially those that had never bought or sold gold before, fared the worst.

“A lot of the guys that tried to over-expand their operations — add new facilities or new startup businesses — are having a hard time in this market, no question about it,” Mr. Estelle said.

Florida’s top export

After growing steadily since 2001, the price of gold peaked at \$1,920 per ounce in 2011.

As a result, Miami became the nation’s top exporter of gold as a conduit between Latin America and Switzerland, noted Ken Roberts, president of WorldCity, a Coral Gables media company that studies how the global market affects South Florida.

At the same time, Switzerland became Florida’s top export destination. The state’s exports there jumped 45 percent from 2010 to 2011. Gold was Florida’s most valuable export in 2012, at \$8.2 billion.

The metal’s long slide leading up to a dramatic, one-day April 15 sell off was blamed on a “long list” of factors, said that day’s *New York Times* report, including slower growth in China and a winding down of the federal government’s bond buying program.

In the first four months of 2013, gold traded places with aircraft, engines, and parts for the top export spot in Florida, though it’s still the state’s most valuable import, Mr. Roberts said.

Gold’s more recent volatility was created in part by financial tools such as Exchange Traded Funds, or E.T.F.s, that allow for swift trading of gold on the stock market, financial experts say. Investors during the downturn, especially so-called “gold bugs” (those against the Federal Treasury’s printing of paper money and in favor of a returning to a gold standard), used the metal “as a hedge or an insurance policy against a potentially very bad (economic) outcome, relative to the Fed’s handling of money printing and monetary policy,” said certified finan-



Steve Duke, owner of Westchester Gold & Diamonds in Port Charlotte.

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cial planner Rick Krichbaum.

Mr. Krichbaum, president of Marquis Wealth Management Group in Fort Myers, said some people feel the new lower price means it’s time to buy, “and others feel like this is the beginning of the end for gold. I don’t profess to know the outcome of that equation.”

To Fort Myers business owner Mr. Estelle of E-Z Cash for Gold, the commodity is still well worth its own weight.

“If you go back to 2004, it was at \$375,” he said. “At 2007 around \$600 an

in the know

Latin American gold exported from Florida to Switzerland

- >> 2009: \$3.2 billion
- >> 2010: \$5 billion
- >> 2011: \$7.3 billion
- >> 2012: \$8.2 billion

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ounce. So, you know, at \$1,400, that’s still a pretty darn high price.” ■



>> In a letter to *Florida Weekly*, Rick Francois, owner of Punta Gorda-based Gulf Coast Metals II, explained how gold prices can rise and fall:

Historically, gold prices were determined by supply and demand of the metal. Supply of the metal has been fairly constant so really demand for gold such as higher demand in China or India moved the price. Today, however, gold price moves have been primarily determined by the U.S. Federal Reserve policy. For the most part, the run up in gold in the last five years has been caused by the Fed’s stimulus program where the Fed has artificially kept rates low by purchasing large amounts of mortgages and other government bonds. One side effect of this program is that the money supply (i.e., the amount of money in circulation) has dramatically increased, which has the potential to devalue the dollar and increase inflation. Gold was seen as a hedge against the declining value of the dollar and overall inflation. In addition, gold was seen as the ultimate “safe haven” for capital as financial markets melted down and investors questioned the value of paper investments.

Over the past month, these two trends have reversed themselves as Bernanke and the Fed has started to signal that the economy has started to improve to the point that it may start to scale back its bond purchase program. Thus the need to hedge against the increased money supply has diminished, which is why investors have started to sell their gold holdings. The improving economy has also shifted investor appetite from lower risk assets like gold and Treasury bonds to riskier assets like equities.

The magnitude of this gold sell off is increased because it is now easier than ever for investors to move in and out of gold without transaction costs. In the ‘80s and ‘90s, if an investor wanted to own gold, he would have to buy the metal, keep it in a secure location and then find a buyer for it when he wanted to sell the metal. Today, you can trade gold through an Exchange Traded Fund like GLD, where you can buy and sell gold like a stock. Therefore, the volatility of gold prices has increased as hedge funds and other large asset managers easily move in and out of their gold positions.

Going forward, the price of gold will be determined mostly by perceived Fed policy. If the Fed keeps its foot on the gas in terms of bond buying, the price of gold should be supported. On the other hand, strong economic data such as positive employment growth or better than expected GDP growth may put pressure on gold prices as investors anticipate the winding down of Fed stimulus. ■

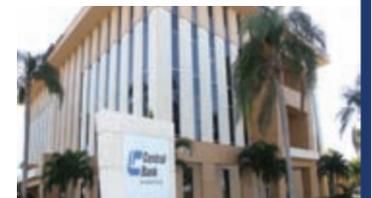
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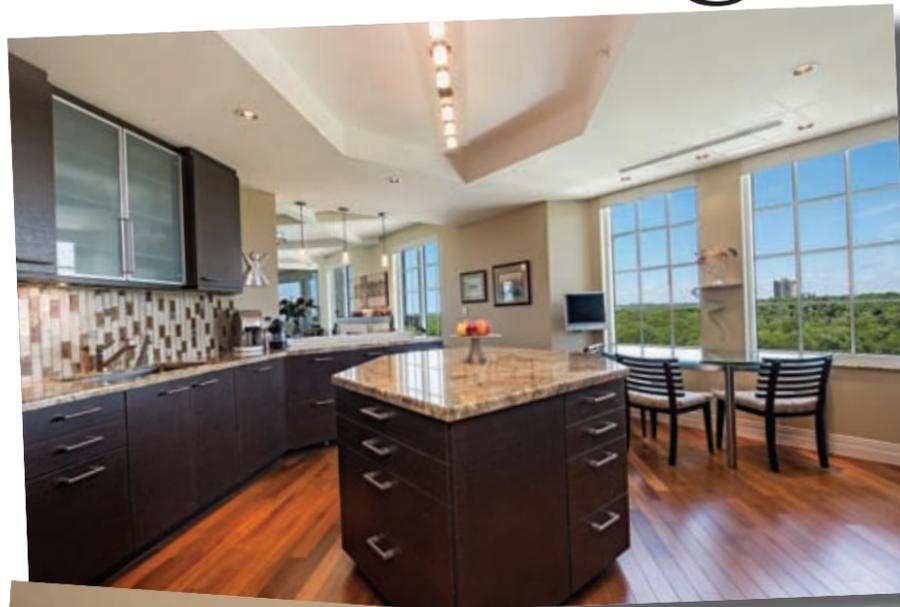
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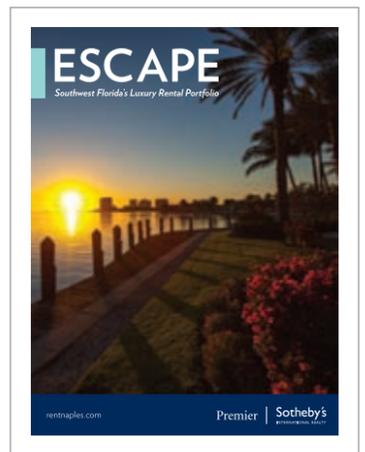
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Geri Armalavage, senior managing director of Valbridge Property Advisors | Armalavage Valuation LLC, has obtained the Certified Business Appraiser designation from the Institute of Business Appraisers. She was previously awarded the MAI from the Appraisal Institute, making her only one of seven people and the only woman in the U.S. to hold both designations. She earned a bachelor's degree with double major in finance and real estate analysis from the University of Connecticut.



ARMALAVAGE

Dan Ciesielski has joined Neal Communities as land manager responsible for land development operations in Collier and Lee counties. Mr. Ciesielski has more than 20 years of experience in community development.



CIESIELSKI

William Dukes, senior loan officer at Summit Mortgage Corp., was honored as 2013 Allied Member of the Year by the Naples Area Board of Realtors.

Ralph Haskins has joined Minto Communities as land development superintendent. His duties include permitting and engineering of land development projects, and managing construction of infrastructure and amenities for Minto's communities in Southwest Florida. Mr. Haskins previously worked for 13 years with the Bonita Bay Group, where he held the positions of director of development, senior project manager and project manager. He also was manager of land development for Kitson & Partners Communities in Port Charlotte. He holds a master's degree in public administration from Nova University.

Jeremy Jensen has joined Engel & Völkers Olde Naples as a real estate advisor. He brings years of experience in the sales of residential hurricane shutters and impact glass. He studied sports management at the University of Southern Mississippi. He is a member of the Naples Area Board of Realtors.

Elizabeth Mancini has joined Premier Sotheby's International Realty as managing broker of the firm's office at the Promenade in Bonita Springs. Prior to joining Premier Sotheby's International Realty, Ms. Mancini served as managing broker at Prudential Florida Realty in Bonita Springs. From 1994-2006, she served as managing broker for Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate in Weston, Fla. From 2008-2012, she served on the board of directors of the Bonita Springs-Estero Association of Realtors, of which she is also a former president. In addition, she has experience in commercial real estate sales and has owned and managed her own brokerage.



MANCINI

Debra Lysy, the owner of Lysy Interior Design with offices in Fort Myers and Sedona, Ariz., has been named Miro-mar Design Center's June 2013 Designer of Distinction. Ms. Lysy earned a degree in interior design from the College of New Jersey and has decorated boardrooms in Manhattan, a private island in the West Indies and a Dupont family estate in Delaware.



LYSY

Shana Williamson has been promoted to interior design project manager at Kira Krümm International Design. She holds a bachelor's degree in marketing from Florida Gulf Coast University and a master's in interior design from Florida State University. She will oversee Florida-based projects and contribute creatively to the firm's design ventures stateside and abroad.



WILLIAMSON

Monica Ninker and **Tina Change** have joined Kira Krümm International Design as international designer coordinator and international design assistant, respectively.

Ms. Ninker is based in the firm's recently opened office in Shanghai, China. A Shanghai resident who has family on Marco Island, she has international experience in business and interior design.



NINKER

Ms. Chang earned an undergraduate degree in advertising and public relations in her native Taiwan and a master's degree in interior design from the University of Florida. She is based in the design firm's office at Miro-mar Design Center.



CHANG

Adam Wickersham and **Hala Loewen** have joined K2 Design Group as project manager and executive assistant, respectively. Mr. Wickersham earned a bachelor's degree in interior architecture and design from the Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design and for the past five years has specialized in commercial and health-care design at Hagney Architect. Ms. Loewen, a native of Iraq, previously worked for the U.S. Department of Justice and has traveled extensively in the Middle East and Africa. She holds a degree in physical education from the University of Baghdad. ■



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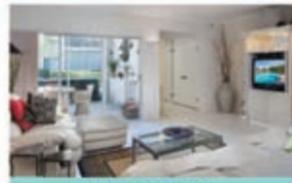
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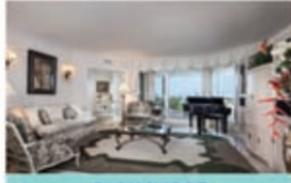
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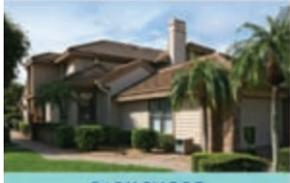
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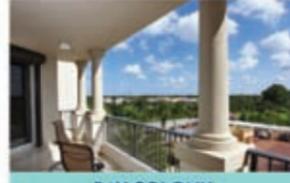
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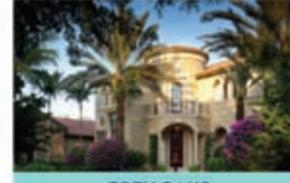
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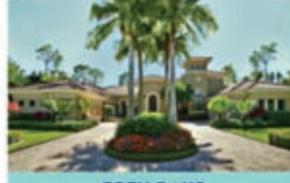
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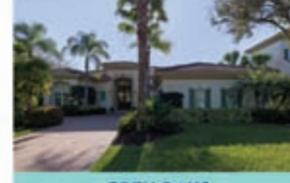
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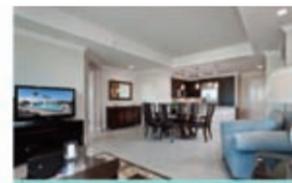
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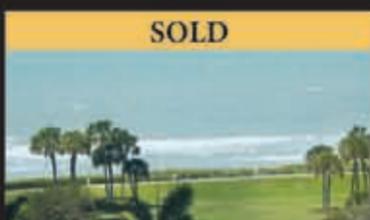
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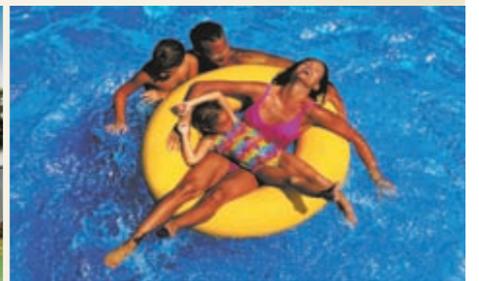
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Naples, Bonita, Cape Coral create one listing system

The Bonita Springs-Estero Association of Realtors, the Cape Coral Multiple Listing Service and MLS of Naples have integrated their MLS systems into one platform, providing the CoreLogic Matrix MLS system to more than 7,000 real estate professionals in Southwest Florida. The MLS is the primary data system that most real estate agents use to market and sell property.

Members of all three organizations can now access residential information for

Cape Coral, Bonita Springs, Estero and the Naples area. This is the first group of MLSs in Southwest Florida to join together to create one source of original data that allows members to conduct business throughout an enlarged jurisdiction, and to do so in a streamlined manner utilizing the same MLS system regardless of geography. The real-time availability of information afforded by this system is crucial to the real estate market. If data is not current, properties that have recently sold

can remain listed as available, creating frustration for the buyer, seller and agent.

“Simply stated, we now have more accurate information and more information in one easily accessible spot,” says Wes Kunkle, president of Naples Area Board of Realtors.

Al Speech, president of BEAR, adds, “The MLS was originally formed to help agents sell one another’s listings. Now with the combined database, it provides even wider accessibility.”

The MLS information merger process began in February 2012, with two members from each board meeting monthly to evaluate national companies to find the one that best served the members’ and the community’s needs. The task force included Paula Hellenbrand, Don Heisler, Garren Grup, Nina Link, Rick Fioretti and Bob Hewes. After six months of beta testing to thoroughly vet the various products, the CoreLogic Matrix MLS system was chosen. ■

Quail Creek ready for major renovations

Quail Creek Country Club held a ceremonial groundbreaking recently on the ninth green of the 18-hole Creek Course to launch a club-wide, two-year, multi-million dollar renovation project.

Work begins with the installation of a state-of-the-art irrigation system on the Creek Course by Aqua-Matic Irrigation Systems of Naples. Glase Golf of Bonita Springs will oversee course construction. The course will be completely regrassed from tee to green. In addition, cart paths, bunkers and native areas will be enhanced to improve the sustainability of the course.

Arthur Hills, the original designer of Quail Creek’s courses, reviewed and certified the renovation plan as consistent with his original design, according to Ted Monty, managing director at Quail Creek.

The overall club renovation project consists of three phases: Phase one,

scheduled for completion by Nov. 1, includes the Creek Course upgrades, expansion of the Greenside Grille and the addition of two bocce courts adjacent to the Tennis Center. Phase two, beginning April 1, 2014, will provide irrigation for and regrassing of the Quail Course.

Phase three, also beginning April 1 next year, consists of a complete redesign of the club’s fitness center and spa complex.

Financing for the project is provided by Stonegate Bank of Naples. ■



At Quail Creek, left to right: Pablo Veintimilla of Stonegate Bank; Ted Monty, Carol Rhodes, Bob Ricketts and Robert Magrann of Quail Creek; Sunil Muley of Stonegate Bank; Barry Derman, Kevin Leo and Brian Melton of Quail Creek.

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D.R. Horton models ready in Fiddler's Creek

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D.R. Horton currently offers three other floor plans in Amador.

The Edison is a one-story home with three bedrooms and two baths in almost 2,000 square feet under air. Three new Edison homes are available, each with a pool and spa, upgraded Shaker style cabinets, granite in the kitchen and bathrooms, upgraded carpet and tile flooring in the living areas, crown molding and solid core interior doors. The base price of the Edison is \$379,990.

The Chelsea offers 2,159 square feet under air with three bedrooms and two baths. The home features a front room that is ideal for either a formal dining room or study. There is also a central family room, two-car garage and lanai with an optional swimming pool and optional outdoor kitchen. The base price of the Chelsea is \$399,990.

The three-bedroom, four-bath Emory is the largest residence offered within Amador, encompassing 2,738 square feet under air. Base price of the Emory is \$434,990. A move-in-ready Emory residence is available for \$523,887.

The entrance to Fiddler's Creek is off Collier Boulevard between Naples and Marco Island. For more information, call 732-9300, stop by the information center at 8152 Fiddler's Creek Parkway or visit www.fiddlerscreek.com. ■

Owners close on Minto home in TwinEagles

Minto Communities announces the company's first home closing at TwinEagles. Homeowners George and Mary Beth Carpiello selected the Birkdale floor plan from the builder's Custom Choice Home offerings.

With the Minto Custom Choice Home program, buyers can select a home that is completed through the drywall stage of construction, which allows the homebuyer to choose interior finishes such as flooring, cabinetry, countertops, paint colors and other interior design elements.

In addition to the selection of quick move-in homes available through the

Custom Choice Home program, Minto has two furnished models at TwinEagles: the Turnberry Grand, winner of the CBIA Parade of Homes Merit Award, and the Prestwick Grand. Both are in the Lockford neighborhood between the sixth and seventh holes of the Eagle golf course.

Minto offers seven designs at TwinEagles that range in price from the \$500,000s to \$1 million. Model hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

For information, call (888) 655-7576 or visit www.mintofla.com. ■

New model opens at Orange Blossom Ranch

Lennar Homes has unveiled its new five-bedroom Monte Carlo model at Orange Blossom Ranch, a new community located off Immokalee Road. The two-story design has three bedrooms and three baths, a family room and formal living and dining rooms in 3,200 square feet of living space.

Lennar plans to build 10 new three-, four-, five- and six-bedroom single-fami-

ly homes at Orange Blossom Ranch that range in size from 1,577 square feet of living space to 3,231 square feet. Priced from the low \$200,000s, new homes at Orange Blossom Ranch feature Lennar's "Everything Included" pledge that covers granite kitchen countertops, wood cabinets, stainless steel appliances, crown molding and tile. For more information, visit www.lennar.com. ■

Del Webb Naples is ready for sleepovers

The adult community of Dell Webb Naples on Anthem Parkway in Ave Maria has opened two new "Explore Del Webb" villas to accommodate summer visitors. A total of four fully furnished villas are ready for guests.

Prospective homebuyers can stay in the villas and enjoy full use of the new Oasis Club, a complimentary round of golf for two, a 25 percent discount on all pro-shop merchandise and a free Player's Club membership with a \$25 Match Play certificate at the nearby Seminole Casino Immokalee. The Oasis Club

boasts a resort-style swimming pool and a lap pool, a spa, tennis courts, bocce ball courts, pickleball courts, a fire pit, an amphitheatre, a fitness center, craft rooms, sauna and steam rooms, a café and a library.

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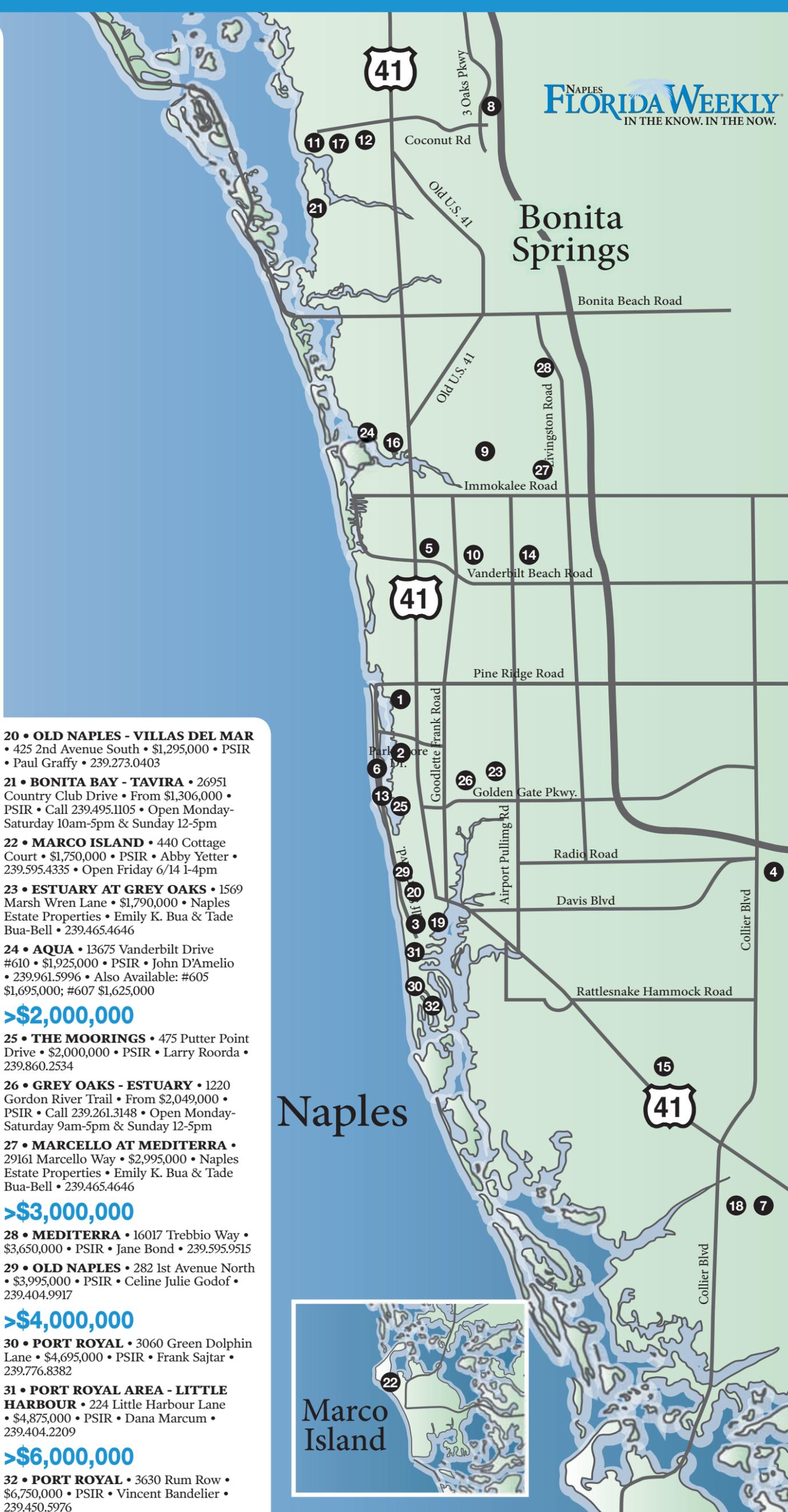
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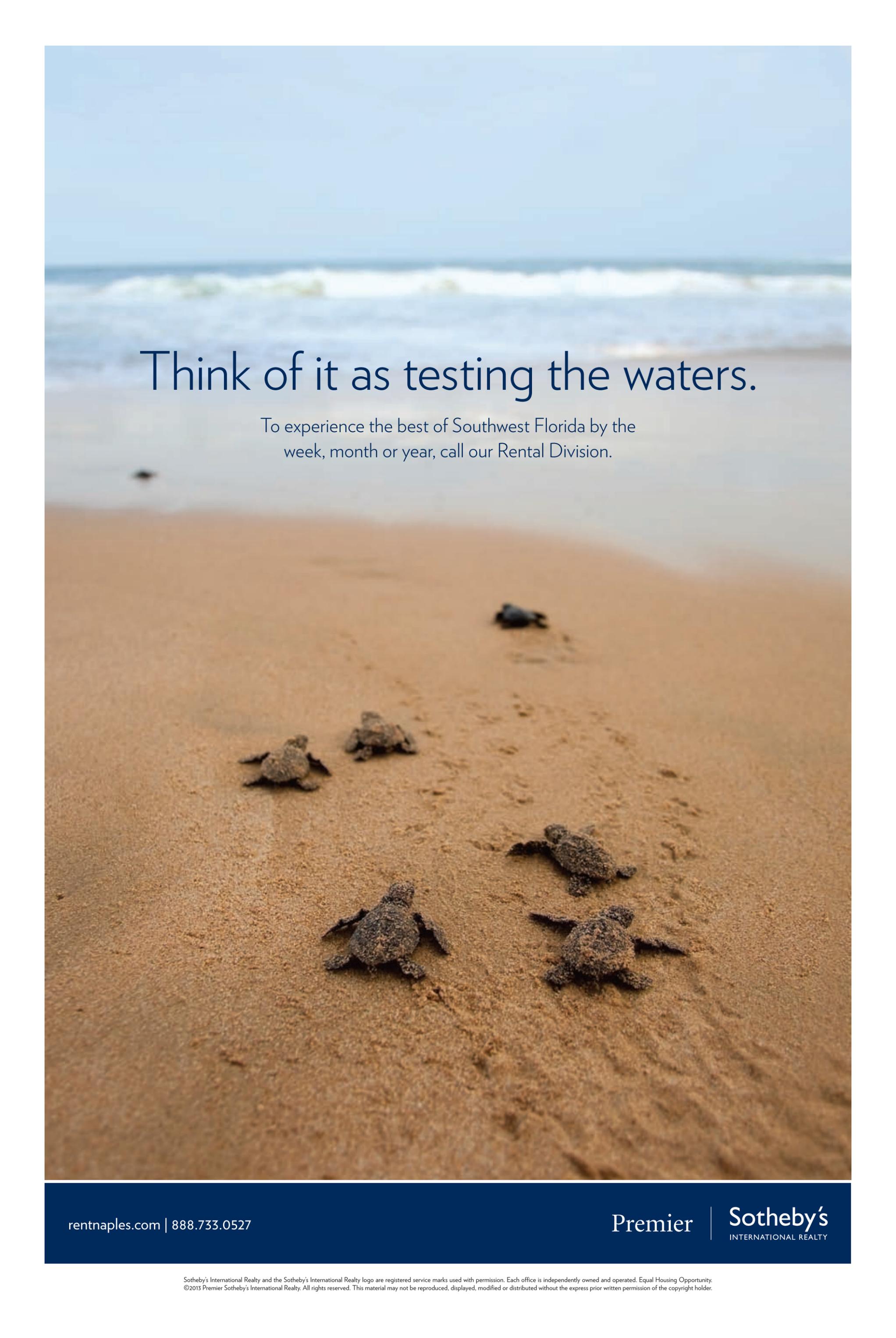
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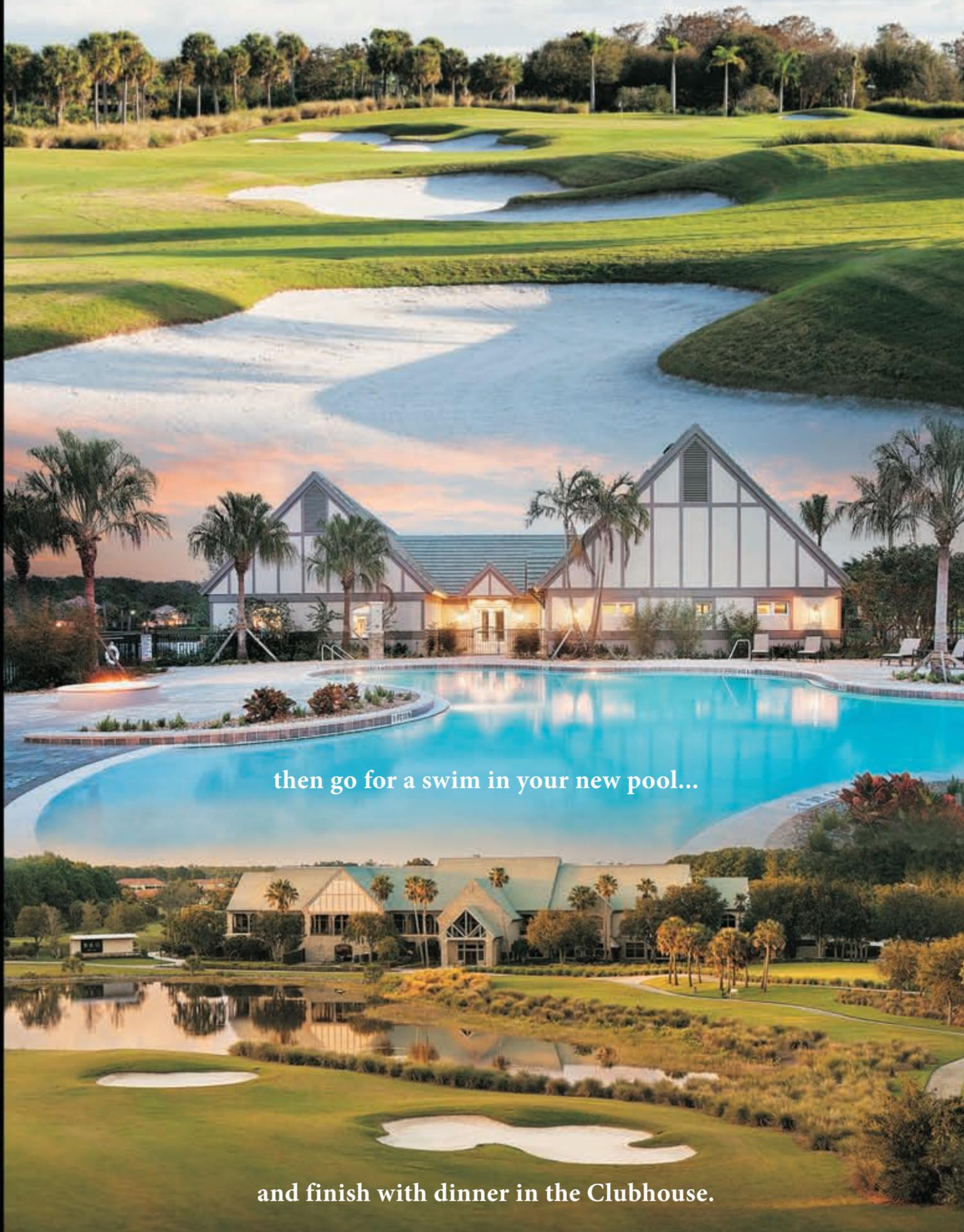
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Waiting Room by Anica Shpilberg

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Third annual 'Camera USA' photography competition draws entries from across the country

BY NANCY STETSON

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IF YOU'VE HAD YOUR FILL OF ARTISTS TRYING TO CAPTURE the beauty of beaches, we feel your pain.

Sometimes it seems that almost every person who retires to Florida at one time or another purchases paint and canvas and tries to replicate the beauty they see. They rarely succeed.

Maybe they've just been using the wrong medium.

Those who live near the water know how compelling it can be, and photographers are no exception.

Of the 45 photographs on exhibit at The von



Gnarled Wave by Tony Hertz

SEE CAMERA USA, C4 ▶

Celebrate summer solstice at Corkscrew sanctuary

Summer solstice is the theme for "Corkscrew After Hours" on Friday, June 21, at Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary. As the northern hemisphere tilts closer to the sun than any other day of the year, Corkscrew's ancient forest will be bathed in the pastel colors of longer sunset hours.

The sanctuary will stay open until 9 p.m., and visitors can enjoy an array of solstice-themed activities.

Summer solstice is an astronomi-

cal event that has been celebrated for millennia among ancient peoples of northern Europe — particularly Celtic peoples and druids — for the belief that it signifies fertility and new beginnings. Acknowledged as the "marriage of the sun and earth," traditional summer solstice activities revolve around spending time in nature.

Corkscrew's summer solstice celebration will include entertainment by the local band Trinity beginning at 6:30

p.m. at the nature center. Band members Susanna Haslett, on concertina and tin whistle, and Melissa Seeley, on guitar and vocals, will perform Celtic and Irish-Scottish folk music.

Visitors can stroll the 2.25-mile boardwalk, where naturalist interpreters will be stationed to assist with observations of wildlife and summer's blooming flowers. Corkscrew's naturalists are currently

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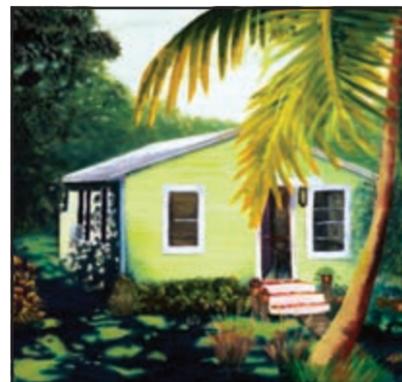


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SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

Enough derision to go around



Here in the south of France, where I'm spending the summer, there is a Frenchman who has appointed himself the taste-maker in our ad hoc group of artists and writers. He is our very own Napoleon of opinions, quick to denounce us if we displease him. But I've dated enough French men to know that his pomposity comes with a certain self-blindness; he's too busy pointing out our faults to notice his own.

Last week I was in the kitchen alone, preparing dinner while everyone else was out. The house was quiet and settled, and I hummed under my breath as I set a pot of water on to boil. I had just begun chopping zucchini when the door opened and the Frenchman stepped in. I greeted him warmly and launched into the bright small talk that Americans have perfected: I commented on the weather, talked about my day and stole glances of myself in the mirror behind him. What can I say? The mirror captured my midsection, everything from neck

to waist, an angle I hadn't seen since I left home. I was surprised to notice that French food has been good to me — a little too good — and I kept peeking at my belly as I talked.

The Frenchman continued to brood while I sliced bread and put a handful of olives in a bowl. Finally, he silenced my polite chitchat.

"Stop looking at yourself in the mirror," he commanded.

I laughed sheepishly and put both hands on my stomach.

"I was just checking this out," I said. I patted my newly soft belly. "I think it suits me."

But the Frenchman did not smile. Instead he raised one eyebrow in derision.

"Why would you be proud of that?"

I tried for a casual shrug so he wouldn't know my feelings had been hurt, but he didn't even notice. He plowed ahead, condemning a woman who had stayed at the house earlier in the month, a woman who was thin to the point of emaciation, and said coldly that she, too, had a big belly. My face fell and I dropped my hands. The Frenchman left the kitchen, his tirade exhausted, and not long after my hurt turned to anger. Who was he to judge?

No one, as it turns out.

Because the next afternoon, I

bumped into him on the terrace as I came in from a long walk around the village. It was the first day of nice weather we'd had in a month, and everyone was taking advantage of the sun. From the looks of it, the Frenchman was headed out for a hike. And he had decided to wear shorts. Not knee-dusting cargo shorts, the kind men wear in America. Not the mid-calf man capris that Europeans love, which are laughable but at least acceptable. No, he wore the tiniest pair of shorts I've ever seen. They were impossibly short and improbably tight; he looked like a point guard for the 1974 Lakers.

As he strutted past me, I cocked my own eyebrow. So this was our arbiter of taste? ■

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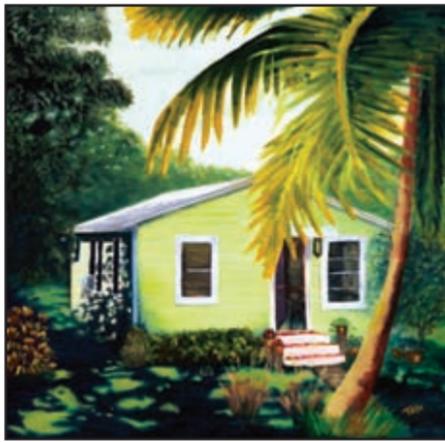
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Goodland artist will discuss the tiny island as her muse

Artist and Goodland resident Tara O'Neill presents a gallery talk about "South Florida: A Villager's View," her current exhibit at the Marco Island Historical Museum, at 2 p.m. Friday, June 21, at the museum. Guests will learn how the tiny island of Goodland has inspired and motivated Ms. O'Neill for many years. "South Florida: A Villager's View" relates her most intimate views, current and historic, of the working fishing village filled with brilliant flora and a range of feathered fauna, where old-growth trees dwarf candy-colored cottages, where docks serve as drive-ways and the backyard is the Ten Thousand Islands.

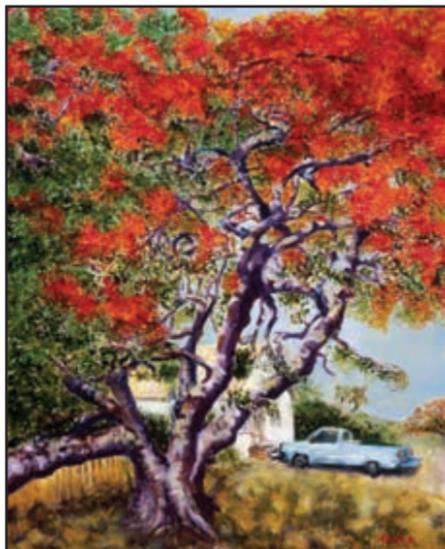


Seagrass Cottage, Goodland

Raffle tickets will be sold for a signed work of art by the artist. "South Florida: A Villager's View" is on display through Thursday, June 27.

The Marco Island Historical Museum, part of the Collier County Museums system, is at 180 S. Heathwood Drive. Temporary and traveling exhibits trace the settlement of the subtropical island from its early pioneer roots as a fishing village, pineapple plantation and clam cannery, through the explosive growth and development of the 1960s.

Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday (closed Sunday and Monday). Admission is free; donations are welcome. For more information, call 642-1440 or visit www.colliermuseums.com.



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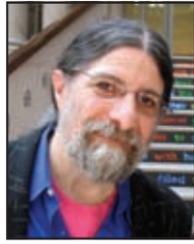
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Jurying process whittles 183 entries to a final 45

This year's "Camera USA" drew 183 entries from 15 states. Jurors Harry Benson, Ron Bishop and Christopher Rauschenberg selected 45 images for exhibit at The von Liebig. The three rated the submissions individually, and then their scores were averaged.

Mr. Benson, a photojournalist who arrived in America with The Beatles in 1964, was under contract to LIFE magazine from 1970-2000 and is currently under contract to Vanity Fair. He juried the inaugural "Camera USA" exhibit in 2011.

Mr. Bishop, director of the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at Edison State College in Fort Myers, has judged shows at The von Liebig Art Center before.

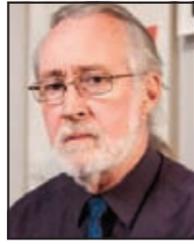


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In his juror's statement about "Camera USA," Mr. Bishop described the array of entries as "diverse, challenging, provocative and filled with strong imagery and technical accomplishment ... clearly shows how varied the interests and concerns of artists can be. To me, that diver-



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city is the strength of the exhibition." Mr. Rauschenberg, the son of the late Robert Rauschenberg, is an internationally exhibited photographer based in Portland, Ore. His recent book, "Paris Changing," contains his rephotographs of Atget's Paris. His juror's statement reads, in part, "Photography is woven deeply into our understanding of the world around us in almost every area of our lives ... This medium is a rich mixture of art and science, and someday (hopefully soon)

the art world will discover how powerful the science half of its nature is."

First-place prize in the national competition is \$5,000. This year's winners will be announced at a preview reception from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, June 14, at The von Liebig. Admission is free for members of the Naples Art Association and \$10 for others. The reception is sponsored by LaRose Designs.

Also on display at The von Liebig in conjunction with "Camera USA" is "Capturing Our World," a show of works by *Naples Daily News* staff photographers.

For more information, call 262-6517 or visit www.naplesart.org. ■

CAMERA USA

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Liebig Art Center for the Naples Art Association's third annual "Camera USA" juried exhibition, 23 are by Floridians. And, as curator Jack O'Brien points out, many of the images have to do with water, or with people in or near the water.

David Rowell of St. Petersburg presents an abstract study of water and sky in "Seacoast 643." More than 3 feet square, the photograph of sky and water shows various shades of blue, aqua green and even lavender.

"It's a color study. It looks like a color field painting," says Mr. O'Brien. The artist also made it into "Camera USA" last year, with a photograph that was more monochromatic, with blues and grays.

"He's looking at color more this year," Mr. O'Brien says, comparing Mr. Rowell's pictures to the work of painter Josef Albers, who did color studies on square canvases.

"That's very challenging in itself, to work in a square, rather than a rectangle, because it's symmetrical. And usually a good composition is asymmetrical. When you're starting with symmetry, it's hard to break that within a square."

Tony Hertz of Pismo Beach, Calif., also used water for his subject matter. In "Gnarled Wave," he focuses on a single wave hitting the shore, creating abstract shapes. It's a study in form and texture.

"I seek to make peaceful, black-and-white lustrous images of the natural environment," Mr. Hertz writes in his artist's statement. "To me nature is like a sanctuary, a place apart. My intention is to photograph what is felt and not often seen. I enjoy capturing those moments that evoke mystery, mood and beauty ..."

His image shows a wave at the moment it crashes onto the shore, its white foam forming unusual globular shapes, almost like the contents of a lava lamp. If not for the sand of the beach in the foreground, you might not even know what it was.

To get the shot, Mr. Hertz laid in the sand, his camera wrapped in a bag for protection, and took the shot at beach-level.

"Photographers will talk about capturing a moment in time," Mr. O'Brien says. "This is a typical moment on the beach, but one that we don't see, and one that we don't see at this angle. It's a very quick moment, close up. And it has an abstract quality to it. You know it's a liquid, but it's very much about abstraction."

"Blackburn," by Sarasota couple Jean



Sweetwater Springs by Jean Blackburn

Blackburn and Steven Schaefer, is another water shot that toys with abstraction. The rich, color image shows a woman in a black bathing suit underwater at Sweetwater Springs in the Ocala National Forest. The water distorts the figure, but the light also distorts the water, creating interesting patterns of color.

Another image of a woman underwater is "Aqua Venus" by Coral Gables resident Cindy Seip. Its subject: a pregnant woman in a bikini underwater in a pool; while her fetus is floating in amniotic fluid inside her womb, the mother is also floating, surrounded by water. The title, "Aqua Venus," also refers to the iconic Venus figurine fertility statuettes from pre-historical times, implying that this is a 21st century representation.



Mom Sleeping by Marita Gootee

Bittersweet images

The exhibit also contains some intriguing portraits.

"Mom Sleeping," by Marita Gootee of Mississippi State University, shows the limited world of a woman at the end of her life. She is sleeping in a recliner in a living room, in front of a TV set; a kitchen can be seen in the background. It is the small environment to which her world has been reduced.

The image is from Ms. Gootee's series "Talking to Ghosts."

"The series is about my mother who

is slowly drifting away in a world of her own," Ms. Gootee writes in her artist's statement. "Her life is limited to a wheelchair and she is dependent upon others for her needs. She is moving from speaking to me and telling her life stories to talking to those who are in the stories. The look and expressions are not for me but for the ghosts she sees.

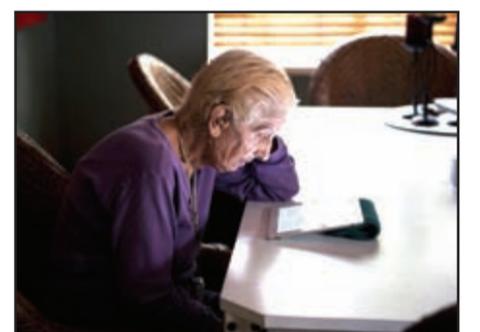
"There is a rawness in the images that give them a feeling of stealing the shot before it is lost. There is an inherent quiet in the images linked with the solemn reality that this could be the last image taken of my mother while alive."

Ms. Gootee notes that she shot the series with her iPad. While it enables her to capture the moments with little intrusion, she explains, it also feels as if she's creating a journal. "In a way, this is a journal of where the past (has) taken my mother and how I am seeing the loss as it passes by me."

"Mom Reading," Charles Corda's portrait of his 90-year-old mother, who has dementia and lives with him in Coconut Grove, also makes use of modern technology. The image shows his mother sitting at a table in a dark room, her face lit from the glow of an iPad.

On the other side of the spectrum is "Waiting Room" by Anica Shpilberg of Sunny Isles Beach, Fla. The surreal color photograph shows a line of nude mannequins seated on couches, some leaning forward, arms resting on their legs. They look so realistic that you feel they've just paused in thought and will move at the very next second.

But of course, like anyone in a photograph, they are frozen in time in that one captured moment. ■



Mom Reading by Charles Corda

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Third annual "Camera USA"

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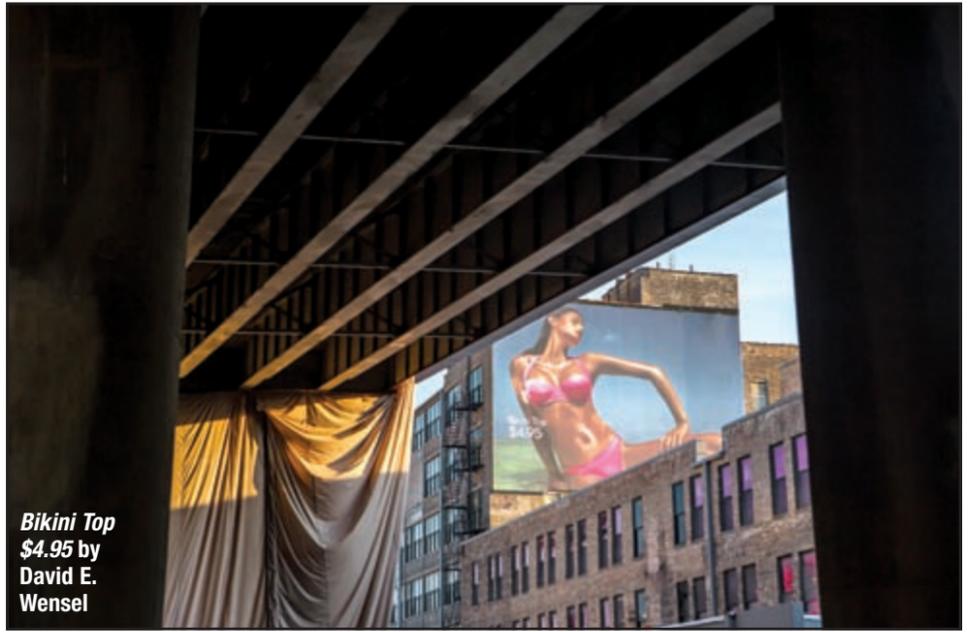
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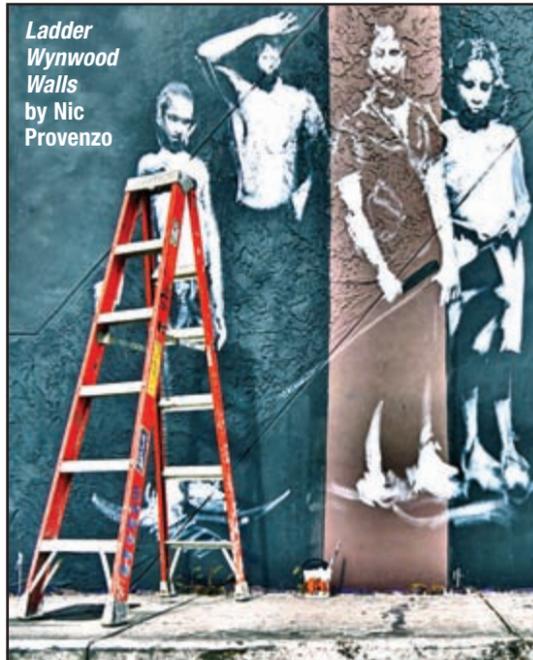
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■ **A Closer Walk With Patsy Cline** – Through June 22 at the Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

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■ **Salsa y Meringue** – Batey performs from 8-10 p.m. under the stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. Free. 267-0783.

Sunday, June 16

■ **Foreign Film** – The Renaissance Academy of FGCU presents a screening and discussion of “Baran” (Iran, 2001) beginning at 1 p.m. at the FGCU Naples Center. Rated PG for language and brief violence. \$5. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737.

Monday, June 17

■ **All That Jazz** – Fred’s Food, Fun and Spirits hosts a jazz jam with Jebry and friends from 6-9 p.m. 2700 Immokalee Road. 431-7928 or www.freds-diner.com.

■ **Movie Night** – The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs hosts a screening and discussion of “The Wave” at 7 p.m. at the Promenade at Bonita Bay. \$9. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

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Wednesday, June 19

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Memoir of a naturalist's love affair with Southwest Florida

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■ **"Journey to the Edge of Eden"** by Gary Schmelz, Ph.D. Privately published. 294 pages. \$37 hardcover, \$16 trade paper. Available from www.amazon.com, www.bn.com or www.lulu.com.

This book is easy to overlook, as it carries no publisher's imprint or ordering information. And yet it is a significant addition to the understanding of Collier County's natural features and of those who built programs and institutions to study and protect its environment. In his various roles as teacher, researcher, administrator and advocate, Gary Schmelz spent decades at the center of this story.

The first third of the book will mostly interest the author's friends and family. It provides a colorful overview of Schmelz family history, the author's rearing in Jersey City, N.J., his rebellion against city life and his maturing desire to be

involved with the study of nature.

The book catches fire once Mr. Schmelz turns the focus to his graduate school studies at the University of Delaware, where he earned a doctorate in marine biology. Even as a graduate student, his passionate engagement with field-work predicts a meaningful career of continued study and a missionary devotion for respecting the natural habitat.

When he sought employment in 1970, the author's most attractive offer came from Deltona, a company with big plans for developing Marco Island. He was hired to join a team of experts advising the company about the environmental impact of those plans.

The young scientist feared that the team was just a public relations stunt. However, he received assurances that Deltona was serious about being a good steward of the wetlands. Desperately needing a job, he signed on and suffered through a series of compromising situations. Though he left under a cloud, he had fallen in love with Southwest Florida.

Despairing, he managed to find a job at the Big Cypress Nature Center, and the rest — truly — is history.

The story of Mr. Schmelz's working life is one of making the most of opportunities and learning what one has to learn along the way. Not trained as an educator, he finds himself tasked with teaching and then with developing programs in nature education. A week before the job begins, he finds out he is going to drive a school bus and must get a chauffeur's license. The wreck of a school bus assigned to his program is one of many obstacles he has to overcome.

Imagine his shock when after his first encounters with Immokalee children, he has to secure his live animal specimens because the children of starving families were likely to steal them.

To attract funding, he must learn to design and administer pre- and post-tests that evaluate the nature center's educational work. He initiates field trips in order to prepare himself better by mastering the habitats first hand. He seeks locations where fossils can be readily discovered in order to open up new avenues for his own study and teaching.

The author's boundless enthusiasm for his evolving vocation shines and shimmers. His wonderful descriptions of the discovery process, the education process and the natural phenomena are the heart of this loving memoir.

Powerful as well are his descriptions of the people he works with and the

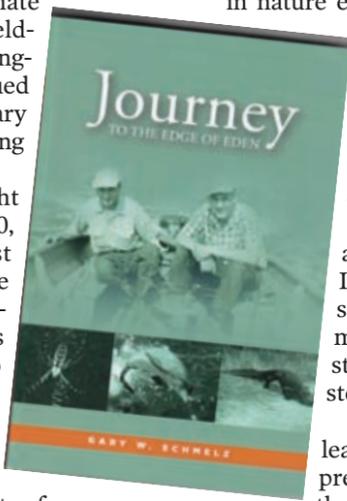
struggles of the various environmental organizations that sometimes compete, sometimes cooperate in pursuit of a shared mission.

The book's latter sections are an insider's view of building an environmentally aware community and of preparing future generations to live responsibly in and with nature.

There is one more important ingredient in this book, and that is the father-and-son story that looms larger as time goes by. The relationship between Mr. Schmelz and his father, Henry, is a precious one, devotedly rendered. Henry becomes an unpaid assistant in many of his son's professional duties and personal pursuits. The two men share a good deal of quality time on explorations and fishing trips. More and more, Gary is the father and Henry the child. Fathers and sons can learn a lot from the carefully nuanced story of their relationship.

Here's to Gary Schmelz, longtime director of the Big Cypress Nature Center, director of education for the Conservancy of Southwest Florida and professor of marine biology, oceanography, ecology and general biology at Edison State College. Our community and our children are in his debt. ■

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



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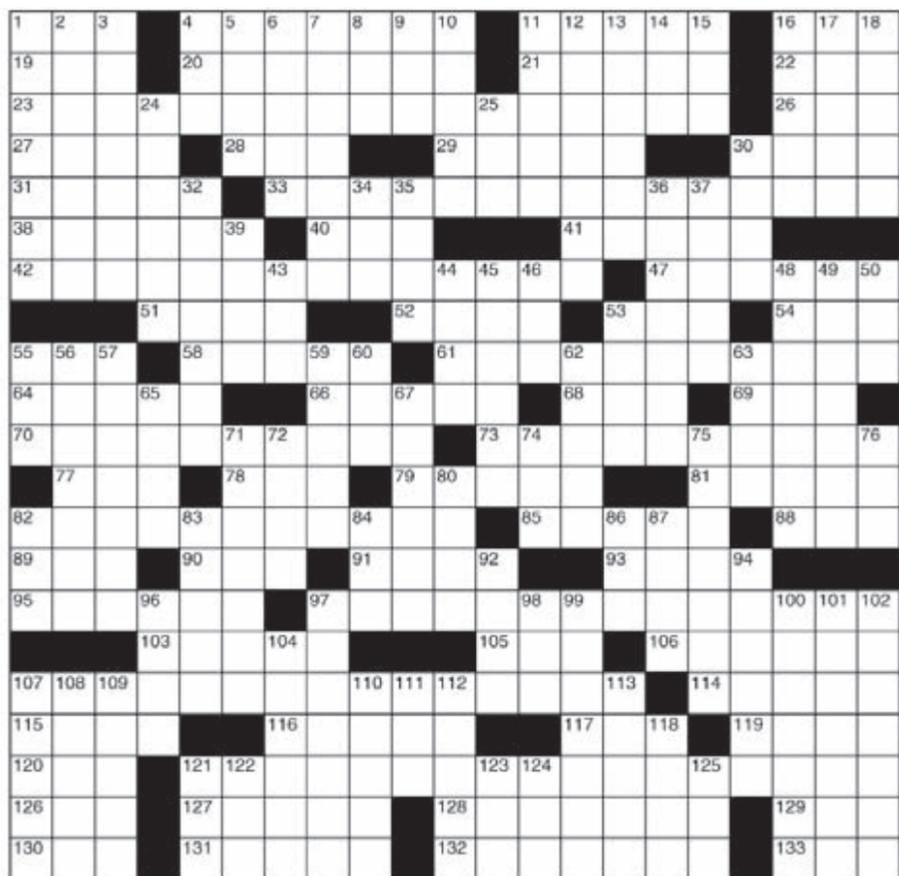
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HOROSCOPES

■ **GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** Patience is called for as you await a decision about that project you're eager to launch. Meanwhile, try to set aside more time to share with that special person in your life.

■ **CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Avoid becoming involved in a workplace dispute early in the week by insisting both sides submit their stands to a neutral arbitrator. Things begin to cool off by Thursday.

■ **LEO (July 23 to August 22)** It promises to be a busy but productive week for the Big Cat. The pace slows by Friday, allowing you to catch up on matters you put aside but that now need your attention.

■ **VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** A suddenly disruptive family situation is best handled with a cool, calm and collected response. Wait until things settle to let off all that pent-up emotional steam.

■ **LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Your practical side dominates the week as you reassess your finances to make some sensible adjustments in what you plan to spend and what you expect to save.

■ **SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** An unexpected meeting with a former colleague opens some interesting possibilities. But you need to press for full disclosure before making a decision.

■ **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to**

December 21) A recent flurry of activity eases by midweek, giving you time to readjust your disrupted schedule and make new plans for a weekend getaway.

■ **CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** You're usually the one who gives advice. But now it's time to open yourself up to counsel from friends who have your best interests at heart.

■ **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** You might find resistance to your call for a full inquiry into a workplace problem. But by week's end even the most rigid naysayers begin to come around.

■ **PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** A recurring problem surfaces once again. Maybe it's time you used your creative talents to help you find a new approach to resolving it once and for all.

■ **ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Count to 10 if you must, but don't lose your temper, despite that person's (you know who!) efforts to goad you into reacting. Your restraint will pay off in a big way.

■ **TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** This week finds you in a sociable mood, ready and eager to enjoy the company of family and friends. It's also a good time to seek out and renew old friendships.

■ **BORN THIS WEEK:** You are guided in what you do both by your intelligence and your emotions. An acting career would suit you quite well. ■

By Linda Thistle



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The opening moments of "The Purge" are cause for excitement. A la "A Clockwork Orange," we hear classical music as we view murders, beatings and gunfights. For a brief second we think, "Wow. This is smart and really has something to say about society."

But as the film proceeds, we quickly realize it has neither the ambition nor the desire for social commentary and intelligence.

The year is 2022 — yes, a mere nine years from now — and America has never been better. Unemployment is at 1 percent, crime is at an all-time low and everything seems copacetic. Why? Because of the purge: one night a year in which all crime is legal. Generally accepted by the populace and government-approved, it allows people "to release the beast and purge," i.e., get all the crime and hate out of their system at once so there's peace the rest of the year.

Family man James (Ethan Hawke) is a capitalist to the extreme: He sells high-tech security systems to the well-off so they can ensure their safety on purge night (his neighbor Grace (Arija Bareikis) calls him out for profiting off their fear). Believing they're safe inside James' home are his noble wife Mary (Lena Headey), their annoying son Charlie (Max Burkholder), who looks just like his mother, and their rebellious teenage daughter Zoey (Adelaide Kane), who's ecstatic her boyfriend (Tony Oller) found a way to sneak in before lockdown.

Although "The Purge" touches on themes of morality and ethical dilemmas, it quickly ignores those ideas in favor of home-invader drama. No surprise there, as writer/director James DeMonaco knows the box office does better with fighting and gunshots than with thinking and existential themes.

So is it a good thriller? Not really. Empathetic/stupid Charlie lets a homeless stranger (Edwin Hodge)

inside, which is contrived, and that leads a group of murderers to the house. Given that James and Mary support the purge "and all the good it does," it's ironic that people who relish the homicidal freedom attack the family.

What follows is standard home-invasion fare, including unlikely heroism, a power outage, stupidity, blood, fights, guns, more stupidity and a weak ending. Two highlights worth noting: The premise, which is an intriguing idea worth exploring in greater depth, and the performance of Rhys Wakefield as the main villain. He's instantly recog-



nizable because he's the only intruder to take his mask off, for no good reason other than to allow the audience to see his chilly eyes and cold glare. He's a better villain than the film deserves.

Even if you forgive "The Purge" for being void of social commentary when it easily could've provided it, there's no forgiving the film for being a so-so action thriller. Trust me: The best way to purge your memory of this is to not see it at all. ■

in the know

>> **Platinum Dunes**, one of the production companies involved in the film, is headed by Michael Bay ("Pain & Gain").

CAPSULES

The Reluctant Fundamentalist

★★★★1/2

(Riz Ahmed, Liev Schreiber, Kate Hudson) Pakistani-born and Princeton-educated Changez (Ahmed) has success in New York City, but racial profiling after 9/11 makes it hard for him to live in America. Strong performances and a nicely crafted story from director Mira Nair ("Monsoon Wedding") make this a must-see. Rated R.

Fast & Furious 6

★★★★1/2 (Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Luke Evans) Hobbs (Dwayne Johnson) convinces

Dom (Diesel) and Brian (Walker) to help him track a quick-strike rogue military bad guy (Evans). There are some notable lulls, but the action is exciting and it's a worthy installment for the franchise. Rated PG-13.

The Hangover Part III

★★★★1/2 (Bradley Cooper, Zach Galifianakis, Ken Jeong) A gangster (John Goodman) forces the Wolfpack to find Mr. Chow (Jeong). It's an unfunny and unnecessary third wheel that proves writer/director Todd Phillips has long since run out of ideas for these characters. Rated R. ■



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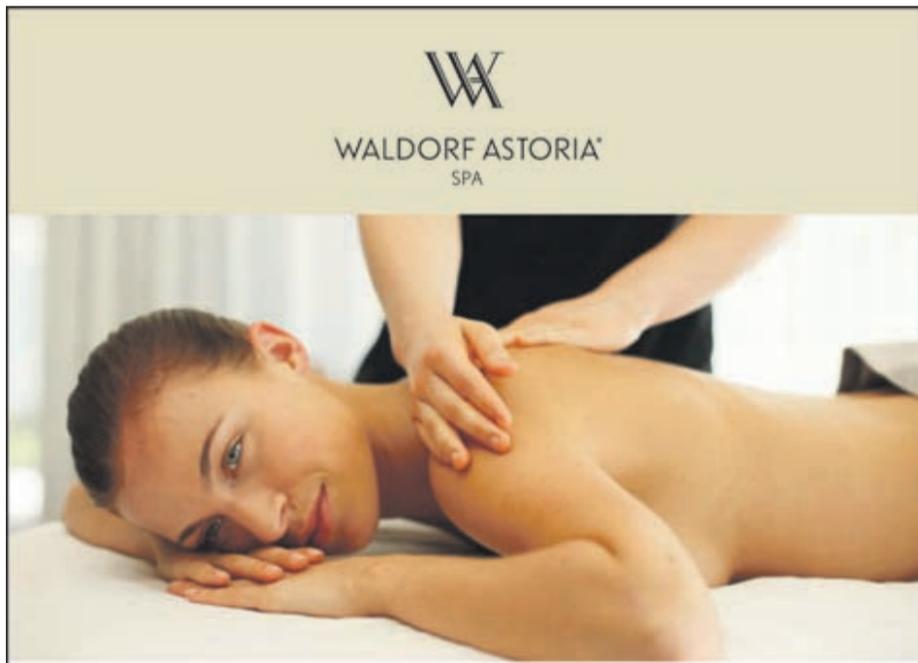
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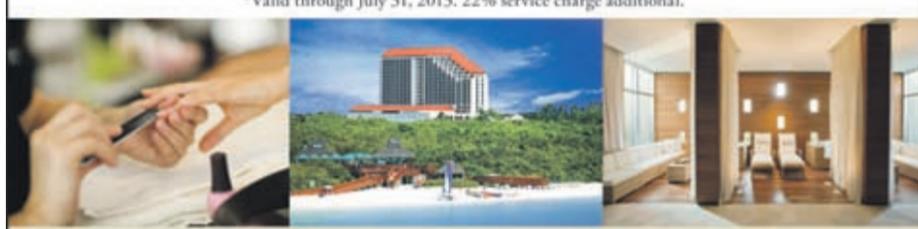
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Attendance is free, but reservations required. RSVP by calling 290-9433 or e-mailing cpolzin@classicalsouthflorida.org.

■ **“A Weekend of Fun & Frolic”** with Opera Naples is set for Thursday-Sunday, June 27-29. The fun begins when ON members present a free performance of selections from Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “State Fair” at the Naples Italian American Foundation, 7035 Airport Pulling Road. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. June 27, and showtime is 7 p.m.

Participants in ON’s Summer Youth Program present Gilbert & Sullivan’s “Ruddigore” (“The Witch’s Curse”) on Saturday and Sunday, June 29-30. See who wins the hand of Rose Maybud in this classic tale that contains curses, ghosts, love, deception and a happy ending for all.

Showtime is 7 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday at G&L Theatre at Community School of Naples. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$8 for children. Call Opera Naples at 963-9050.

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“I Pagliacci” (“The Clowns”) by Ruggero Leoncavallo, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 21-22, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort: Performed in Italian with English supertitles, presented by Opera Naples and the Opera Naples Chorus & Orchestra in collaboration with Circus Sarasota.

“The Barber of Seville” by Gioachino Rossini, Saturday, March 29, in Hayes Hall at Artis—Naples: A unique mixture of manic madness and soaring lyricism, performed in Italian with English supertitles.

“Nabucco” by Giuseppe Verdi, Saturday, May 3, at Artis—Naples: In partnership with ArtsNaples World Festival, performed in Italian with English supertitles.

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Tickets are \$12.50. All screenings begin at 7 p.m. For more information, visit www.themet.org.

Here's what's coming:

■ **June 19: "Carmen"**

Starring Elina Garanca as the seductive gypsy, opposite Roberto Alagna as the obsessed soldier Don José, this 2010 production of Georges Bizet's classic is the most popular presentation in the history of the Met's "Live in HD" series. Acclaimed soprano Renée Fleming hosts the transmission and conducts backstage interviews with the stars. The original "Live in HD" transmission is from Jan. 16, 2010; running time is approximately three hours.



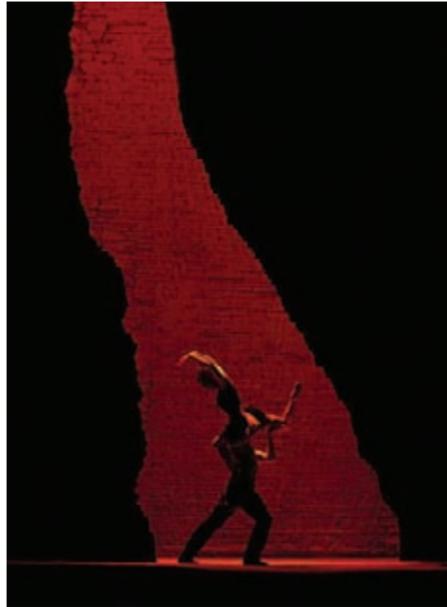
Elina Garanca in the title role of Bizet's "Carmen." Taken during dress rehearsal Dec. 22, 2009, at the Metropolitan Opera.

■ **June 26: "Il Trovatore"**

David McVicar's stirring production of Verdi's intense drama premiered at the Met in the 2008-09 season. This revival stars four extraordinary singers — Sondra Radvanovsky, Dolora Zajick, Marcelo Álvarez and Dmitri Hvorostovsky — in what might be the composer's most melodically rich score. The original "Live in HD" transmission is from April 30, 2011; running time is 2 hours, 40 minutes.

■ **July 10: "Armida"**

This mythical story of a sorceress who entralls men in her island prison has inspired operatic settings by a multitude of composers, including Gluck, Haydn, and Dvořák. Renée Fleming stars in the title role of Rossini's version, opposite no fewer than five tenors. The original "Live in HD" transmission is from May 1, 2010; running time is 3 hours, 5 minutes.



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Maria Kowroski and Martin Harvey as solo dancers during the overture to Act I of Bizet's "Carmen." Taken during dress rehearsal Dec. 23, 2009, at the Metropolitan Opera.

■ **July 17: "La Traviata"**

Natalie Dessay stars as Verdi's most beloved heroine in Willy Decker's stunning production, first seen at the Met in 2010. Matthew Polenzani is her lover, Alfredo, and Dmitri Hvorostovsky sings his stern father, Germont. Met Principal Conductor Fabio Luisi is on the podium. The original "Live in HD" transmission is from April 14, 2012; running time is 2 hours, 28 minutes. ■

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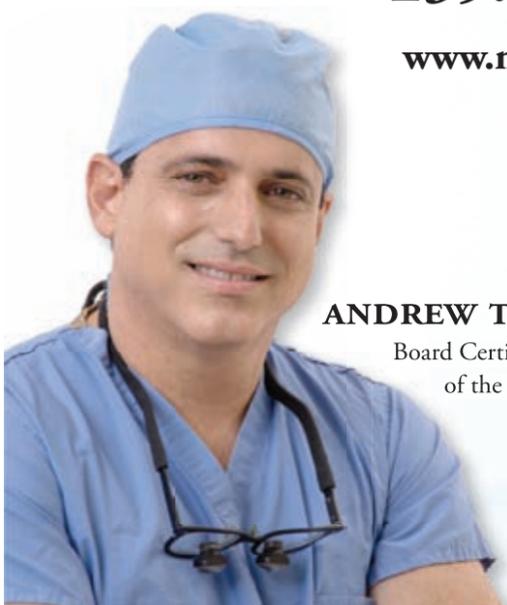
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Q: I own a small plastic souvenir snow globe of the New York City skyline. Inside there’s the Empire State Building, the Statue of Liberty and the Twin Towers that came down in 2001. It is marked “Made in Hong Kong.” Does it have collectible value?

A: New York City’s skyline with the Statue of Liberty is probably the world’s most widely produced snow globe subject. Plastic globes were introduced in the 1950s, but construction of the Twin Towers wasn’t com-

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Q: In 1945 I received six place settings of English “fish eaters.” They were a wedding gift from my aunt,



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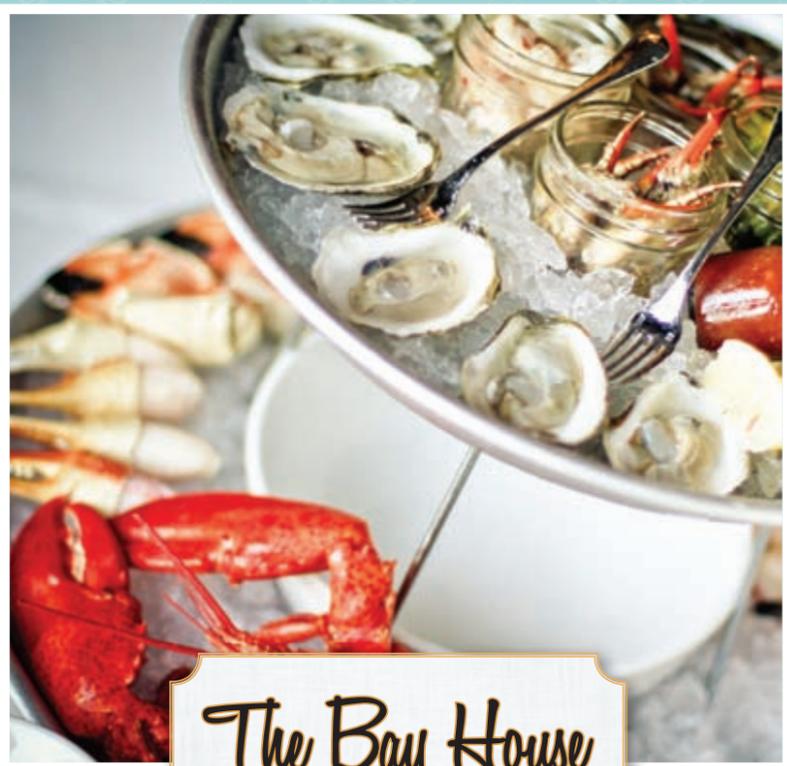
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Q: I just bought a deep cast-iron skillet at an auction. I'm trying to find out what it's worth. The bottom of the pan is stamped "Martin Stove and Range, Florence, Alabama." The lid has an ornate handle and is stamped "No. 9." I'd like to find out something about the maker, too.

A: Brothers W.H. Martin and Charles Martin founded Martin Stove & Range Co. after buying two other stove companies in 1917. The new company made cast-iron hollowware from 1917 until 1952. Skillets, kettles, griddles, pans, sad irons and other items were made. Skillets were made in eight different sizes and sell today for prices based on size and condition. Recent prices go from about \$10 to more than \$50. Only a few sell for higher prices. Whatever your winning bid was at the auction is probably the wholesale price for the skillet. It probably would sell for more in a shop.

Q: I have a 1940s Clip-Craft erector set in its original cylindrical box. I can't find any information about the set and hope you can help.

A: Your construction set was made by Clip-Craft Corp. of New York City. It was written up as a new toy in the December 1947 issue of Popular Science magazine. The set includes curves and rods, steel clips, aluminum sheets and wooden wheels. Pieces are held together by the clips rather than by nuts and bolts. The term "Erector Set" is a brand name trademarked by Alfred C. Gilbert, who patented his metal construction set in 1913. Gilbert's sets, made by the A.C. Gilbert Co. of New Haven, Conn., starting in 1916, were assembled with nuts and bolts.



This Uncle Sam was made with googly eyes and a fancy cap, but no beard. This is a German doll made in about 1918, the year World War I ended. He is carrying a U.S. flag. The bisque doll, 14 inches high, sold for \$2,350 at a 2012 auction hosted by Theriault's of Annapolis, Md.

Tip: Do not use self-adhesive tape, stickers or self-stick labels in a scrapbook. Eventually they will no longer stick to paper, and the old adhesive will leave marks. ■

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South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ J 10 8 2
♥ K J 7 4
♦ A 5
♣ 8 4 3

WEST

♠ 9 7 4
♥ 10 9 5 2
♦ J 8 7
♣ A 5 2

EAST

♠ 6 3
♥ Q 8
♦ Q 9 4 3
♣ K Q 10 9 6

SOUTH

♠ A K Q 5
♥ A 6 3
♦ K 10 6 2
♣ J 7

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Dble
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♣	

Opening lead — ace of clubs.

When the deal occurred, declarer ruffed the king of clubs with the ace of spades (to guard against a possible overruff by West), and then drew trumps with the K-Q-J. Next he led a heart to the ace followed by a heart to the jack, losing to the queen. East returned a club, forcing dummy's last trump. When the hearts failed to divide evenly, South had to lose another trick at the end for down one.

South bemoaned his bad luck in finding the hearts divided 4-2 and the doubleton queen offside. But he should have made the hand anyway.

Declarer erred when he took the heart finesse. Since he needed only three tricks from the heart suit to make his contract, the finesse was not really necessary.

To give himself the best chance of scoring a third heart trick, South should draw trumps, cash the K-A of hearts, in that order, and then lead a third heart toward the jack. This will yield an extra heart trick whenever:

- West started with any number of hearts including the queen.
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■ The 2014 Naples Winter Wine Festival, themed "Celebrate the Journey," is set for Friday-Sunday, Jan. 24-26, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. For the first time, three women will chair the festival. All three — Linda Malone, Anne Welsh McNulty and Adria Starkey — are trustees of the Naples Children & Education Foundation, the organization that founded the festival in 2001. Ms. Malone is also the first returning chair, having overseen a record-breaking festival in 2007.

Ms. Malone is the managing partner of LRM Design Group, an interior design and corporate gift service firm. She has served as NCEF board chair and treasurer, and was a founding trustee.

Ms. McNulty is co-founder and managing partner of JBK Partners. She previously was a managing director of Goldman Sachs. She serves on the board of trustees of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and of Villanova University, and chairs the investment committee at Villanova. She was NCEF board chair in 2012 and has chaired the grant committee.

Ms. Starkey, president of The Naples Trust Company, has served on the boards of numerous civic and charitable organizations, including immediate past chair of the board of trustees of The Shelter for Abused Women & Children. She currently serves on the board of directors for Artis—Naples and has served as an NCEF grant committee member for four years.

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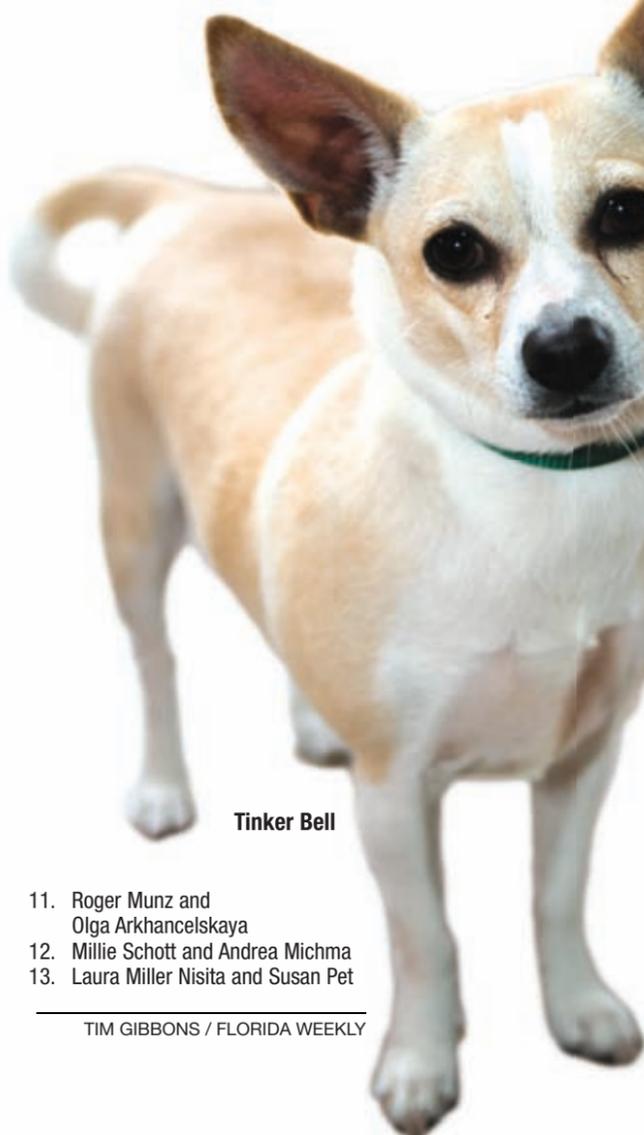
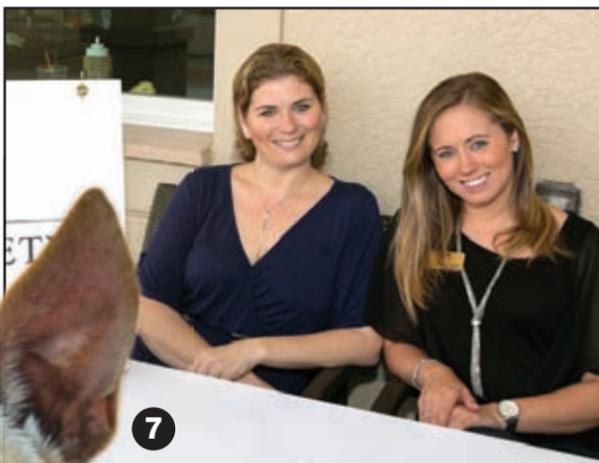
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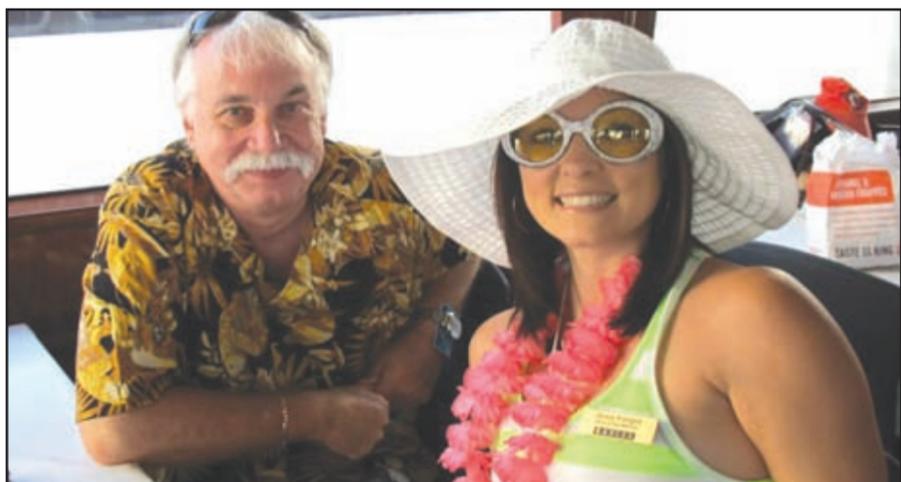
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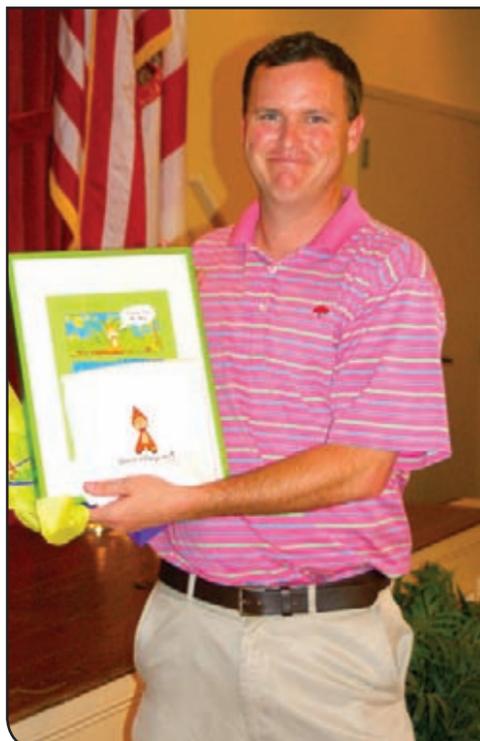
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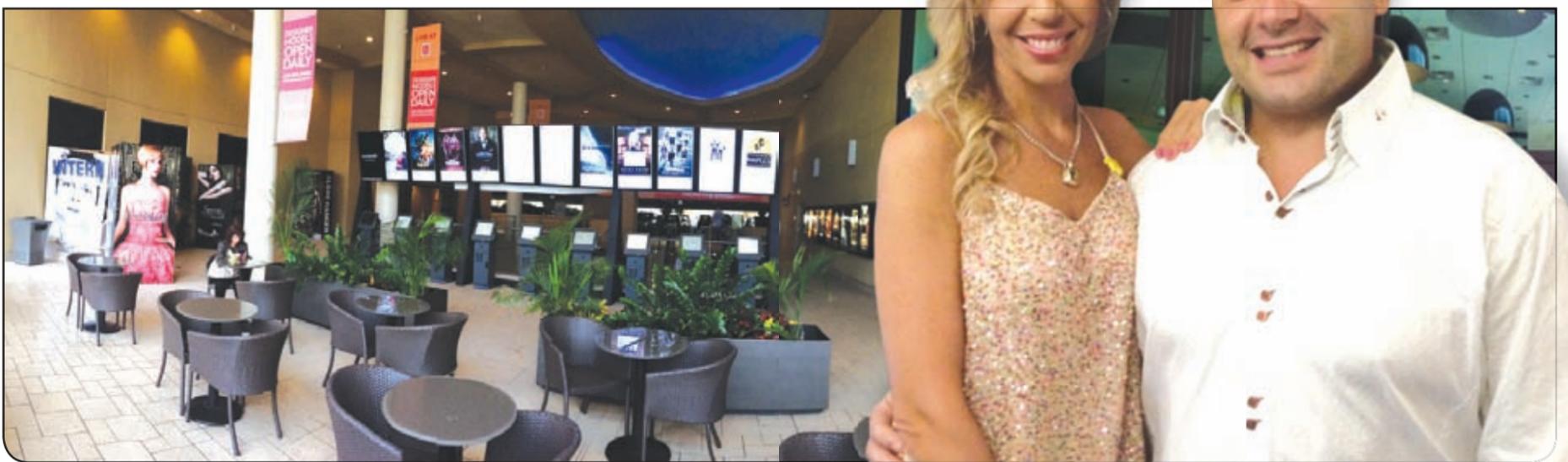
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VINO

Zinfandel makes great strides to become 'America's wine'

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Cabernet sauvignon and pinot noir grapes have long been red wine favorites, but zinfandel has made great strides of late to catch up. Wine drinkers appreciate zinfandel's fresh fruit-forward character and its ability to pair well with complex food flavors, as well as its approachable price point.

No other country makes a wine from the zinfandel grapes, although recent DNA analysis proves it to be a clone of the primitivo grape from Italy. More than 10 percent of all California vineyards are planted in zinfandel. Annual harvests of more than 400,000 tons place it third behind cabernet sauvignon and chardonnay, according to a recent article in the online industry publication winebusiness.com. Most of this production goes to white zinfandel, but red zin sales continue to improve as more consumers learn about "real" zinfandel wine.

Old vine vineyards in Sonoma County produce some of the best zinfandel from California. Winemakers look to older vines to bring complexity and depth of flavors. For years, producers such as Ridge, Seghesio and Ravenswood have been crafting high-quality wines from this difficult-to-produce grape; it tends to ripen unevenly in the vineyard, and

growers normally make several runs through the vineyard to harvest the grapes at their best.

Other quality producers have recently emerged in the marketplace. David Phinney's Orin Swift label, Michael David Winery, Rosenblum and Turley have all released wines at various price points that will suit a variety of budgets. Many are available at local wine shops. Smaller production labels are available online or directly from the winery.

Below are some zinfandels I have tasted and liked over the years. The tasting notes are mine unless indicated otherwise.

Wine Picks of the Week:

■ **Bogle Zinfandel California Old Vine 2010 (\$10):** This budget-friendly wine comes from vineyards in the Lodi and Amador districts. Ripe, fruity aromas and flavors of raspberries and cherries on the nose are followed by blackberries and a touch of spice on the palate, with a medium and smooth finish.

■ **Dry Creek Zinfandel Sonoma County Heritage 2010 (\$20):** Spicy raspberry and cherry aromas follow through with layers of black cherry, berries and a little pepper on the finish. This older-vine zinfandel is a great value.

■ **Michael David Winery 7 Deadly Zins Zinfandel 2009 (\$20):** Aromas of plums and a touch of white pepper, with flavors of raspberry and blueberry joining on the palate. Deep ruby in color with a lasting finish.

■ **Orin Swift The Prisoner Napa Valley 2011 (\$38):** This has become one of my favorite red wines. Mostly zinfandel with substantial amounts of cabernet sauvignon, syrah and petite sirah. Winemaker David Phinney's tasting notes: "The wine has a dense red and black hue that is framed in vibrant crimson. Aromas of Bing cherry, espresso, roasted fig and vanillin, oak accents are persistent. The entry

is powerful and generous supported with lively acidity while flavors of ripe raspberry, pomegranate and wild berry fruit linger harmoniously. Soft, integrated tannin chains allow the wine to be approachable now and provides for a pleasant finish."

■ **Ravenswood Zinfandel California Vintners Blend Old Vine 2011 (\$10):** As the company proclaims on its website home page: "NO WIMPY WINES — If your favorite color is beige you should drink something else." Big and juicy flavors and aromas of blueberry, black cherry and a touch of oak. This entry-level zin from a top producer

is full of flavor and easy on your pocketbook.

■ **Ravenswood Zinfandel Dry Creek Valley Teldeschi Single Vineyard 2010 (\$35):** Dark rich purple in color due to the petite syrah content (up to 15 percent). One of the first wines produced by Ravenswood, it's full-bodied and robust with blackberry and boysenberry aromas and flavors, rich tannic structure and long finish.

■ **Ridge Zinfandel Sonoma Valley Paganini Ranch 2010 (\$35):** Made from vines more than 100 years old. Winemaker Eric Baugher's tasting notes: "Saturated garnet; ripe plum and red cherry fruits, compote, exotic spice; Intense berry fruit on entry, sensuous, layered, round tannins, sweet core fruit, juicy acid, long finish."

■ **Rosenblum Zinfandel Rockpile Road Zinfandel 2009 (\$40):** Warm cherry and plum aromas on the nose open to a big, full palate with blackberries and black cherries, finishing with a little zip of acid on the long structured finish.

■ **Seghesio Zinfandel Sonoma County 2010 (\$25):** Full-bodied and spicy with notes of black cherry and black raspberry on the nose and the palate, with a spicy balanced finish.

■ **Turley Zinfandel Napa Valley Turley Estate 2011 (\$40):** Grown in the backyard of the family home, full-bodied with big black cherry aromas edged with spice, continuing with mixed wild berries on the palate and a balanced, drawn out finish. ■



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CUISINE

Restaurant Bonjour exudes same joie de vivre as its predecessor

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I was sad to learn that Marie-Michelle Rey had closed her cozy little restaurant, Mimi's Cooking, at the end of April. After enjoying her hospitality at the tres chic Marie-Michelle's in the Village at Venetian Bay and, in recent years, at the more intimate Mimi's, I felt a sense of loss as I always do when good restaurants shut down.

But there's good news to report as well.

While we must say "adieu" to Ms. Rey, we can say "bonjour" to Bernard Massuger, who opened Restaurant Bonjour the day after Mimi's closed.

And though Mr. Massuger didn't swoop down and buss us (or any other customers) on both cheeks as Ms. Rey was wont to do, he did introduce himself, pour our wine and otherwise watch over us, ably assisted by the effervescent Eva, the lone server and a welcome holdover from Mimi's. The two bantered good naturedly and kept things moving along smoothly in the diminutive dining room that still has the soothing ambience that was Mimi's, complete with the lovely peach-hued walls, white paper lanterns suspended from the ceiling and the bar topped with a profusion of wine bottles.

There are only 15 wines available, but they represent a respectable mix of Old World and new, and all but two are available by the glass as well as the bottle. A bottle of Maison Roche de Belene Bourgogne Blanc '09 (\$48) came to the table at just the right temperature. A French chardonnay, it was well balanced, with apple and citrus notes and just enough acidity to stand up to the bold flavors of the food.

Mimi's devotees will find plenty to comfort them on the current menu, with many old favorites still available, including the carrot-ginger soup and coq au vin. Every dish we ordered — and those I spotted at nearby tables — was artfully plated and delivered appropriately chilled or properly hot.



The French can make even a plate of greens transcendent, as evidenced by an endive and Roquefort salad (\$8.75), which paired peppery arugula with melon endive, showered them with bits of tangy Roquefort and swaddled everything in sesame vinaigrette. A smoked salmon dish (\$13.75) was even more dramatic, with strips of buttery smoked salmon rolled in the middle, tender-crisp asparagus spanning one side of the plate and two crisp slices of baguette on the other. Vidalia onions and caper vinaigrette (which I was tempted to lick from the plate) finished off this generous starter.

Bouillabaisse du Gulf (\$28.75) featured a mix of salmon, bay scallops, shrimp and mussels in a delicate saffron bouillon. Garnished with two crisp slices of bread slathered in rouille (a blend of olive oil, saffron, garlic and herbs), it was a masterful rendition of this hearty Provencal fish stew.

My favorite dish was my dining companion's canard croustillant aux aïelles (\$28.75), known around these parts as

roasted duckling. The half bird had a gorgeous crisp exterior yet remained moist and succulent within. As good as the duck itself was, it was even better with the sundried cranberry sauce that accompanied it. Neither too tart nor too sweet, it was so flavorful it seemed a shame not to drink what we didn't use as a dipping sauce for the duck. Lightly cooked green beans and a mound of sweet potatoes finished this dish nicely.

I'm fairly confident that it's illegal to skip dessert when dining at a French restaurant. If it isn't, it should be. The tarte tatin (\$6.95) was a warm wedge of tender apples lightly caramelized atop a pastry crust, finished with whipped cream. The flavor was good, but the crust was disappointingly soggy, the only off-note in an otherwise lovely meal. The crème brulee (\$7.50) was superb, served warm (hot, actually), which softened the caramelized sugar on top so the texture didn't do battle with the velvety custard on which it sat.

Dining in Restaurant Bonjour is much like enjoying a meal in a small French café, with its tables situated

close enough that you can gaze upon — and covet — your neighbor's fragrant cassoulet d'escargots or roasted pork shank. You can listen in while Mr. Massuger speaks passionately about the calf's liver with a guest who is vacillating between it and the veal chop. And, because you've been able to eyeball a few dishes you didn't order, you'll know what to get the next time you visit.

Restaurant Bonjour has only been open for a few weeks, but on the night I visited it appeared several diners had been there before and knew what to expect. Considering Naples is a town in which summers are typically slower than slow, it was a surprise to see the 36-seat dining room close to capacity. On a weeknight. In June. Impressive indeed. ■

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Top: Smoked salmon gets the royal treatment with fresh asparagus, Vidalia onions and caper vinaigrette.

Left: Endive, arugula and Roquefort combine for a wonderful salad.

Far left: Tarte tatin, a classic apple tart, is a specialty of the house.

in the know

Restaurant Bonjour,

2099 Pine Ridge Road,
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Ratings:
Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★½
Atmosphere: ★★★★★

- >> **Hours:** Lunch served 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., dinner 5-8:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday
- >> **Reservations:** Accepted
- >> **Credit cards:** Accepted
- >> **Price range:** Appetizers, \$5.95-\$16.95; entrees, \$18.95-\$29.95
- >> **Beverages:** Beer and wine served
- >> **Seating:** Conventional tables and chairs in cozy dining room
- >> **Specialties of the house:** French cuisine
- >> **Volume:** Moderate
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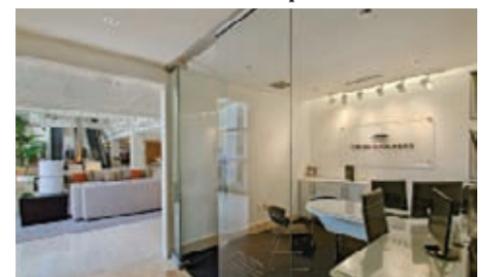


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Swimming in style

Custom touches, high-tech features create pools worth diving into

BY KELLY MERRITT
Florida Weekly Correspondent

THEY'RE EVERYWHERE YOU LOOK, practically a rite of passage for anyone who moves to Southwest Florida. Pools are almost as much a part of the Neapolitan lifestyle as the beach itself, a calming force on a sweltering day and home base for fun and entertaining.

Naples homeowners have taken enjoying the pool to a whole new level of graciousness.

For Bob and Carole Beauregard of North Naples, their pool is their paradise.

"When we awaken to the friendly chirping of the birds and have our breakfast on the lanai, we say, 'This is truly paradise,'" Mr. Beauregard says.

For Mr. Beauregard in particular, the pool and hot tub are more than refresh-



Outdoor fireplaces and specialty lighting add ambience to this pool area by Christian Busk.

ing. The oasis "is also therapeutic for a person who has lived with Type 1 Diabetes for over 50 years," he says. But the best part of all, he adds, "is when our grandchildren come to visit from the frozen tundra. It's such a joy to hear their squeals of glee when they jump into the Jacuzzi and pool."

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A CONVERSATION WITH THE LIGHT LADY

Lynne Stambouly is the senior designer in the specialty lighting division at Lighting First and president of the Interior Design Society-Naples. She's known around South-west Florida as the "Light Lady" — a rock-star image that has been 30 years in the making.

FW: What's your favorite lighting trend right now?

LS: Incorporating LED light bulbs. It's about taking technology that's being mandated and incorporating that into our residential life so the space feels more comfortable. It's been more than 100 years since we've made major changes in the light bulb.

FW: If you had an unlimited budget and could do any type of lighting design you wanted without thought for cost or availability of materials, what would you do?

LS: I'd use natural materials such as onyx and semi-precious stone and create a wall with LED backlighting. When you backlight that and dim it down, it can look infinitely different.

FW: What was the most difficult lighting scenario you've ever designed?

LS: We did an installation on a three-story wood stairwell with a 32-foot ceiling. We dropped more than 20 art glass pendants down from the ceiling. The junction box was not centered in the space. I needed to create a lighting design that would not only light the stairwell, but that would also be a focal point in the home.

FW: How do homeowners get started on a lighting plan with you and Lighting First?

LS: We offer a free hour-long consultation in the home, and we take a look at the property. You have to address everything: What kind of light bulbs? What kind of shades are on the table lamps?



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Lynne Stambouly says this is the most challenging installation she's ever done.

Are the chandeliers the right size? We get a feel for where and how the client lives. Sometimes if people take digital photos and bring them to us, we can be helpful there, too, especially if a customer just needs to come in and purchase lighting products. We can supply everything they would need and install whatever design they specify. We are licensed electrical contractors.

FW: Our cover story this month is about amazing pools. What advice can you share with readers about lighting a pool space? For example, what's the best way to light a lanai?

LS: We entertain, read, watch TV and relax next to the pool. Adding depth through different kinds of lighting — landscape lighting, pool lighting and even floating candles, wall sconces, etc. — is what creates the ambience. With proper landscape lighting, the reflection of that palm tree on the pool is as tropical as it gets. When I incorporate lighting, I always include landscape lighting. ■

MUST READ

'Tropical Houses — Living in Paradise'

Michelle Galindo's "Tropical Houses" is like eye candy for homeowners who love the luxe tropical designs that evoke sandy shores, crystalline waters, lush palms and blue skies. The hardcover book is really a collector's item for anyone who appreciates outdoor architecture. It's available at Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops. (ISBN 978-3-03768-95-7)

The book itself is inspirational, providing pages that evoke dreams of outdoor spaces, especially beautiful pools, similar to those featured in this month's cover story. Published by Braun Publishing, which also brought us books such as "Super Yachts," "Beach Houses" and "Tropical Gardens," "Tropical Houses" defines what it means to live so close to paradise in places such as the Caribbean, South America, Asia and Australia. These homes have every amenity — if you can dream it, these places have it. Each page begs readers to wonder how they can achieve their own utopian retreat (think dramatic waterfalls and sky-high treehouses) in a tropical climate.

From cottages to bungalows to villas, examples in "Tropical Houses" range from natural ventilation wonders to breathtaking views, married with eco-friendly building materials that pay homage to Mother Nature. There are 42 houses presented in "Tropical Houses." Each is unique, but they all share a common thread that makes you wonder how in the world they did that. ■



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Driftwood Garden Center has it all to get you growing

BY KELLY MERRITT
Florida Weekly Correspondent

To stroll through Driftwood Garden Center is to become engulfed in nature and the accents we humans use to herald the greenery that uplifts us. Roaming through aisles of potted plants and trees, statues, fountains, fish tanks and pottery, regular customers know not to be in a hurry.

The center is a Naples landmark. Anyone who has driven south on U.S. 41 past Pine Ridge Road is familiar with the sign and foliage that mark the landscape on the western side of the highway. Here's what some longtime fans have to say about it:

"Everything in there is eye-catching."

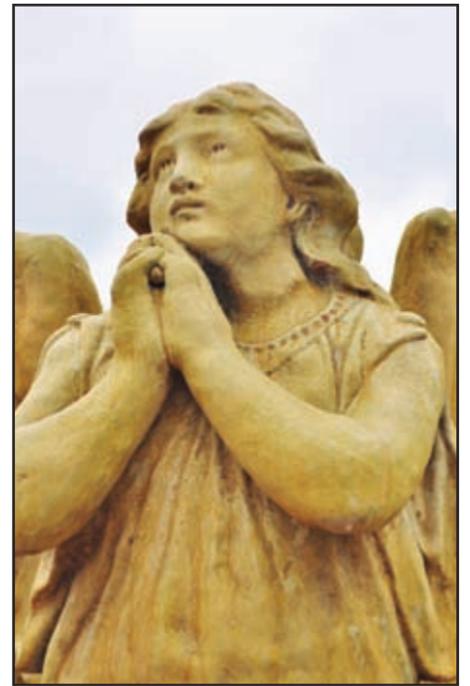
"You typically expect to walk into a place like this and just see plants everywhere. But Driftwood has a showroom style. It's set up with inspirational ways to arrange everything."

"My favorite thing about visiting Driftwood is seeing the fish — I can imagine my own soothing aquatic installation someday with lots of fish."

"You can get the pretty things you want to beautify a garden but also everything you need, the nuts and bolts, tools and tricks to actually keep it growing."

"Sometimes I go there just to wander around, even if I don't know what I need or want. It's just a soothing place to get inspired to grow something."

Expertise is available from the passionate people who work there, too. And that



separates the center from many others. The staff here can change a black thumb to a green thumb provided you follow their lead. Driftwood even sells custom-blended fertilizers tailored to different gardens in Southwest Florida.

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But one of the best-kept gardening secrets in Naples isn't even on property — it's the Driftwood website. Categories include "In the Nursery" and "In the Greenhouse," but reviewing the "Gardener's Calendar" and "Plant Care" sheets available under the resources section of the site will educate new gardeners and enhance a visit to the store. ■



This page and opposite: Driftwood Garden Center has everything to help your garden grow, from the plants themselves to containers and decorative accessories to useful tools and gadgets.

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THE STRADA AT MERCATO / COURTESY PHOTO

Above: Residents and guests of The Strada at Mercato have access to one of the best rooftop pools in Southwest Florida.

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their sanctuary with several luxurious perks.

“Ours is a saline water system, so it’s very soft on the skin and hair. We have a JewelScape glass pebble surface, and the gas heater automatically switches to an electric heat pump to maintain the temperature economically,” says Mrs. Gagne, who opted for a 7-foot spa with its own hydro pump for soothing away the day’s aches and pains. In the pool, the Badu Stream II Swimjet system creates a current that allows for continuous swimming exercise. A swim-up bar has four pedestal seats for resting and refreshing after the equivalent of a few laps.

The Gagnes selected two natural Alabama ledge rock waterfalls, created by Lotus Water Gardens, and a 10-inch-deep sun shelf/wading pool in which to sunbathe and play with little ones.

Controlled onsite or via iPad or smartphone from afar, the Pentair Screen Logic2 interface lets them ensure that the spa is ready and waiting at the perfect temperature whenever they get home.

The secret to success

When it comes to pool construction, water literally seeks its own level. The Gagnes and their pool contractor, Custom Pools of Naples, are an example of what can happen when customer and contractor share a like mindset. Mike Matson of Custom Pools says the Gagnes were open-minded, an integral part of making a great team.

“The Gagnes’ project was a lot of fun, because they know what they like and dislike and were very open-minded, which allowed us to be creative in bringing their pool area to life and making it something that works perfectly for their family,” Mr. Matson says.

He and his business partner, Travis Wilson, specialize in creating backyard environments that reflect homeowners and their lifestyles, something that was important to the Gagnes.

“It was a wonderful opportunity to be able to work with them and create a space for their family and friends to enjoy,” Mr. Wilson says.



MIROMAR LAKES BEACH & GOLF CLUB / COURTESY PHOTO

Above: Bold Egyptian blue mosaic tile is used for dramatic accents in and around the pool at this home in Miromar Lakes Beach & Golf Club.

Right: Landscaping and lighting by Christian Busk help create the perfect setting for a nighttime plunge.

So where can homeowners find inspiration and facts before breaking ground for a new pool or making over an existing one? Nothing makes potential pool owners salivate more than the Association of Pool & Spa Professionals Awards of Excellence gallery of photos, which is on the company’s website at www.APSP.org.

The APSP is the oldest, largest association representing swimming pool, spa and hot tub folks in the world. It’s also the only industry organization recognized by the American National Standards Institute to develop and promote national standards for pools, hot tubs and spas — standards that are important when you’re talking about safety and expenditures associated with pools.

“Contractor selection is very important,” says Lisa Grepps, APSP marketing and communications director, who refers homeowners to the member locator section of the website to help them choose a qualified contractor. “The good news is that the right APSP-certified profes-



CHRISTIAN BUSK / COURTESY PHOTO

sional can help make the backyard dream achievable and affordable.”

Old pool? Make it over

Sometimes, a facelift is just what a pool needs to become fabulous. That’s where companies such as Naples Pool Service come in, providing pool and deck renovation, automation of pool/spa systems and all types of repairs and pool maintenance.

The company, family owned and operated by Julie, Stanley, Alan and Pete Roeser, has been helping Naples and Bonita Springs residents dive in since 1969.

“Swimming pools in Naples come in a wide variety of shapes, sizes and complexities, and over time, our industry has increasingly adopted technology to mod-

ernize pools and spas,” Julie Roeser says. “Computerized control systems regulate valves, pumps, lights and heaters to make the pool an integral part of the house and lifestyle — a far cry from simple swimming holes built in the ’70s.”

Renovation of older or “dated” pools is common, she says, and can involve things such as new decking, automation and the addition of items such as fountains and swim-outs.

“Some swimming pool remodeling requires significant demolition, and others are surprisingly easy to make over,” she adds. “A pool is an investment in a residence that requires maintenance and repairs.”

in the know

Tips for choosing a pool contractor

■ **Check for experience.** Ask if the contractor has built pools or installed hot tubs in environments similar to yours. Ask for samples of past work and look for similar yards (especially if your yard has slopes or drainage issues).

■ **Beware of cost issues.** Make sure all factors are included in the cost estimate. Factors that influence price go beyond installation and can include quality of materials, design and warranties.

■ **Be safe.** Make sure your contractor is bonded, insured and versed in all applicable installation/building regulations for your state and community, and especially the standards of the Association of Pool & Spa Professionals. Confirm that he or she understands any unique safety concerns, such as the presence of a special-needs child or high-traffic corner lot where the pool could attract neighborhood children.

■ **Get on the same page.** Ensure your contractor understands your vision and is willing to make it as cost-effective as possible, while advising on the best location for the new pool, spa or hot tub.

■ **Professional certification.** Verify that the contractor you’re considering is an APSP-certified professional. Contractors who achieve the APSP certification have proven knowledge of design and construction, are committed to continuing education to maintain their certification, and adhere to a stringent code of ethics.

— Source: *The Association of Pool & Spa Professionals, www.APSA.com.*

A big pool with all the bells and whistles costs more to maintain than a small, simple one, of course, but the Roesers stress that landscaping around the pool can greatly affect how clean the pool will stay and the cost of keeping it clean.

Enter W. Christian Busk, landscape architect, widely regarded as the landscape garden whisperer. No one does it like Mr. Busk, with soaring trellises and breathtakingly lush designs his living calling cards.

“We can call in the contractors and work as a team — including building the pool — and work with the owners as their representative to do whatever the client wants,” says Mr. Busk, who owns W. Christian Busk Landscape Architect Inc. and Busk & Associates Landscape Contractors. “Actually, the last thing we do is plant the garden, because so much of our job is planning.”

That planning includes many issues of which homeowners often are unaware, he adds — issues such as cleaving for irrigation, paving and solutions such as using grass in the driveways to manage storm water runoff. He’s quick to clarify that his team doesn’t just plant bushes.

“These pools are for people who want to spend time entertaining outdoors. They want the house, basically, outside,” says Mr. Busk, whose work has been featured in publications including Southern Living, Florida Architecture and Home and Garden.

While a lovely pool can create a focal point anywhere on a property, perhaps no pool is more eye-catching than one on a rooftop. And in Naples, perhaps no one does it like The Strada at the Mercato, where the common area includes a 52-foot, heated infinity pool complete with a waterfall and spa, all overlooking restaurants and shops below. ■

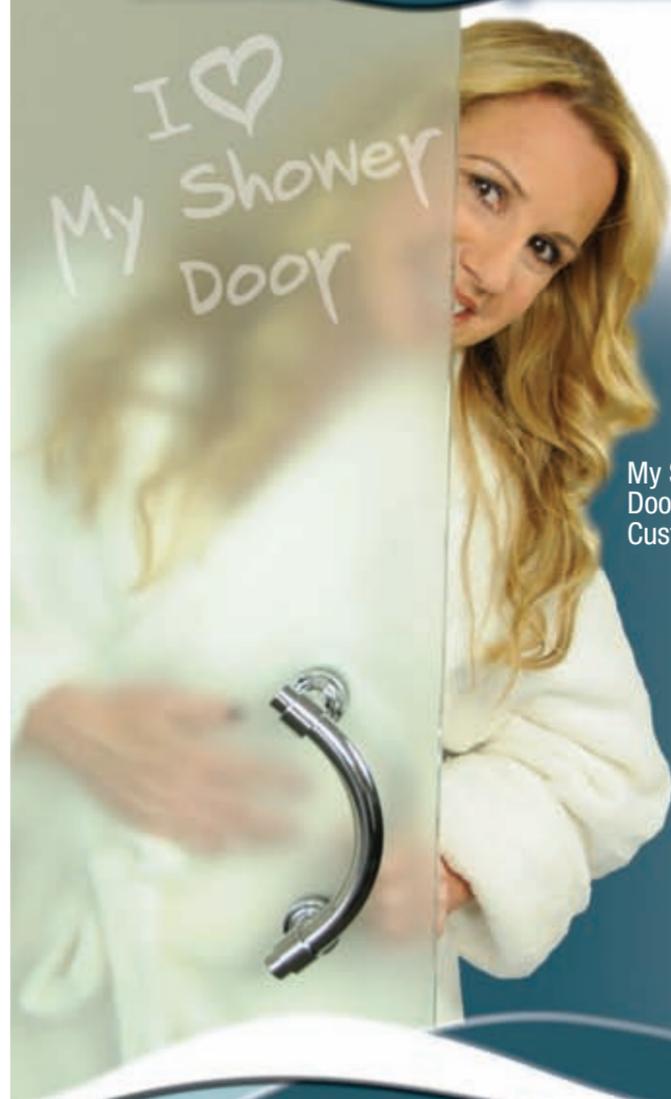


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Above: Custom Pools of Naples created this pool for Monica and John Gagne. It has two natural Alabama ledge rock waterfalls by Lotus Water Gardens, a 10-inch deep sun shelf/wading pool and four underwater pedestal seats at the swim-up bar (shown on the cover page).

Left: Mature potted palms and a “wall garden” help create the oasis that homeowners Bob and Carole Beauregard consider their private paradise.

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▲ Even though he's mastered the doggy paddle, your canine companion should probably have his own life preserver if he spends much time poolside. This one from Pinch-a-Penny has a handle that allows for picking up your pooch from the side of the pool without getting yourself wet (until he shakes, that is).



▲ You'll look forward to stepping out of the pool or spa when a plush robe awaits. This one has matching towels at Gattles.

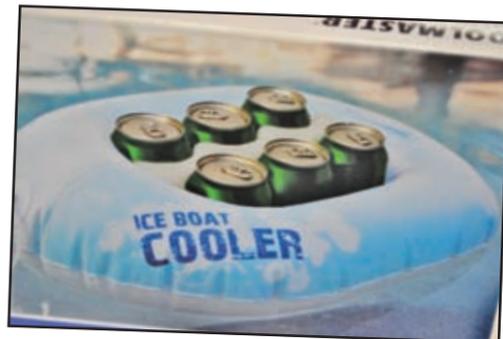


▲ Nothing says droff in style like monogrammed towels. And they don't have to be traditional. We found these bamboo-style beauties at Gattles.

▶ Time in the pool can pass quickly. Pinch-a-Penny has several quartz clocks with thermometers, including this one bearing the trademark Southwest Florida palm tree and sunshine.



▶ Keeping liquid refreshment readily at hand is requisite for anyone who spends time in the pool. Filled with ice, this floating beverage cooler keeps a six-pack perfectly chilled. Bottoms up at Pinch-a-Penny.



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"There was a lot of detail involved. This is in a high-rise condo, so you have to be very careful where you place things, where you can put plumbing, speakers, lighting ... there are many parameters."

— Lyndsey Davis, Reed & Company



COURTESY PHOTOS

Creating a magical master bath from a high-rise layout

BY KELLY MERRITT
Florida Weekly Correspondent

Interior designer Lyndsey Davis of Reed & Company is the first to admit the more challenging the makeover, the more she and Reed & Company relish the project. They got their wish when they took on the major renovation of a master bath in a Pelican Bay condominium.

"It was a pretty intense project," Ms. Davis says. "There was a lot of detail involved. This is in a high-rise condo, so you have to be very careful where you place things, where you can put plumbing, speakers, lighting ... there are many parameters."

In this case, she had to meet the challenges of a walk-in tub and accessible shower as well. "Because there was a curb code requirement, it's not a roll-in shower, but we created a wide space between the shower and the tub and two turn circle spaces in front of the vanities."

Ms. Davis made sure the tub was wrapped as if it were more of a decorative Jacuzzi tub, so it's almost impossible to tell that it is a walk-in tub. Even the grab bars used for ease of getting in and out of the tub and shower are in a

brushed nickel finish that matches the décor. The stone in the shower was the inspiration of the color palate in the whole bathroom.

Her favorite part of the process was when the protective covering was removed from the new floor. "That design element took everything to the next level, and that reveal was when we realized everything was coming together," she says.

A common concern

The goal of the bathroom redesign is one that's shared by thousands of Naples homeowners.

"The client's main requirement was to redesign the large space to become more accessible as an aging-in-place environment, while keeping a luxurious atmosphere," Ms. Davis says. "Our client requested innovative ways to make her routine easier in the bathroom, as well as unique storage as opposed to large closets that would have cut into the space."

She incorporated geometric lines to help transform the long, narrow custom cabinetry. And to replace the large linen closet that took up so much space, she designed a decorative hutch to hold towels and toiletries. The hutch also has

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Opposite and top: Two views from the new bathroom. Above: Before the renovation.

Below: A custom-made hutch takes up much less space than the original linen closet.

an outlet and phone jack to provide an inconspicuous place for a phone.

The most important goal of the make-over was to make the bathroom more user-friendly.

The big, inaccessible tub was removed and replaced with a more appropriate walk-in tub. Once dark and enclosed, the shower was redesigned to allow for natural light and easier access.

The porcelain tile installed throughout the shower floor and main bathroom

floor is ADA-compliant for slip resistance. Natural stone was incorporated in areas where it would not become an issue of slipping.

Sconces were added to either side of the vanity mirrors for more directional light. The homeowner now uses dimmers on light fixtures to provide more control over light levels.

Removing the linen closet and relocating the entryway made a view of the gulf possible.

The biggest challenges? High-rise blues. Naples is famous for the limits placed on the changes to the footprint homeowners can make during a remodeling project.

“The redesign of the master bath was restricted by the existing floor plan — for example, drain locations and vent stacks dictate where showers, tubs and commodes must go,” Ms. Davis says. Calling on her creativity, she overcame the biggest obstacles by using the existing tub location for the new shower, and the existing shower location for the new tub. ■

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