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## A new shelter for elephants opens in Fellsmere



▲ A family of elephants at The National Elephant Center in Fellsmere.

# Where pachyderms PLAY

### BY THE NUMBERS

**14**

Height in feet a male elephant can grow to.

**15,000**

Weight in pounds an elephant can grow to.

**300**

Pounds of food an elephant can eat in a day.

**70**

Years an average elephant lives.

BY ELLA NAYOR

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TUCKED AWAY IN RURAL FELLSMERE, Fla., on a 225-acre parcel of land off an unpaved road, birds soar and swoop over grassy knolls dotted with palm trees. From inside this slice of Indian River County emerges a large, bluish-gray mass of lumbering animals. A few moments later, four African elephants come into focus. The mammoth mammals shuffle about, waving their trunks along the orange trees and plucking the sweet, round fruit.

The herd pays not much attention to a small group of onlookers and continues munching on the citrus, seemingly enjoying their new home at the National Elephant Center, a nonprofit organization that provides permanent and temporary residency for elephants. After breaking ground in April, the first

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## Local businesses make investment in Grace Place kids



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Bayle Brew of IberiaBank shows Grace Place students how checks are processed in the lockbox department.

BY ROBIN DEMATTIA

Florida Weekly Correspondent

Forty middle school students recently went behind the IberiaBank teller line, into the vault and through the payment processing area on a tour designed to help them learn more about the business world and careers.

The morning at the bank's Naples office was the first of more than a dozen field trips children from Grace Place for Families & children will take this summer. Other stops include D'Latinos, Harmon-

Meek Gallery, Waste Management, Physicians Regional Healthcare System, Naples City Hall, The Ritz-Carlton and the Collier County Sheriff's Office.

"These are all new field trips, and we are very pleased with the diversity of experiences and the business partners who have made these possible," says the Rev. Stephanie Munz Campbell, executive director at Grace Place. She adds the children, who are at-risk students from Golden Gate Middle School, have shown

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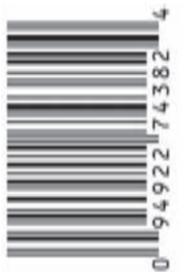
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# COMMENTARY

## Bigotry diminishes us all



The air along Flagler Drive was stifling that night.

There was no breeze to speak of from across the Intracoastal Waterway. The humidity was high and the temperature was above 80.

But it was a good night for exercising, so a friend and I walked along the West Palm Beach waterfront taking in the view of Palm Beach and admiring the houses of the tony neighborhood south of Southern Boulevard that has been nicknamed "So-So."

Then a car slowed, the window came down and the passenger shouted, "Hey, faggots!"

A stop like that could lead to a beating or worse. Fortunately, the car sped off.

And just like that, I was transported more than 30 years back to high school in Fort Myers.

The memories go something like this: Algebra class began and the first spitball hit.

Mr. Gilmore turned and began to write a problem out on the board.

Zing!

And other.

Someone hissed, "Faggot!"

Mr. Gilmore turned around, gave the class a look and continued writing.

Another spitball and class continued. It was 1977 and these were the honor students.

Riverdale High was the easternmost high school in Lee County, and served a predominantly rural community.

It could be a tough crowd. No Latin class here, and humanities courses were cut to make way for a remedial writing class.

Books and arts were frowned upon by many of the students.

So were people who were different.

Even then, I was the geeky kid. I was shy and slightly chubby, and the thick aviator glasses I wore let everyone know I took things perhaps a little too seriously.

Kids could be cruel and they fed on that.

Take the time a girl walked up to me and shouted, "Hey, fag-boy."

She grabbed my books and tossed them into a water-filled ditch.

The stack sank to the bottom of the mire.

It almost was pointless to retrieve them, as the crowd shouted, "Faggot! Faggot! Faggot!" over and over.

The books were ruined, and at the end of the year, Mr. Gilmore looked at the algebra book, its cover warped and its pages stuck together, and said, "I really should charge you for this..."

He didn't.

The torment continued, though it eased somewhat; even senior year could be a bumpy bus ride as kids shouted a chorus of "Scott! Faggot! Scott! Faggot!" all the way home.

Grandma had said to counter the tormenters by telling them they didn't know what the word meant.

I tried it, but one boy gave a very graphic definition of the word, and a visit to the dictionary proved him to be somewhat accurate.

Thirty-five years later, a little perspective helps.

Florida was a simpler place. Local folks could be simpler, too. They were naïve, and tended to see things in strict hues of black and white. Taupe and gray were elusive, and forget all about the folks who possibly followed a rainbow.

Fort Myers still had a small-town feel three decades ago, but was well on its way to becoming the hub that it is today. West Palm Beach was the big city for us — heck, it had a mall with two major department stores — but civilization largely ended at Military Trail. The land along U.S. 441 and beyond was horse, cattle and farm country that gave way to the sugarcane fields of the Glades. State Road 80 cut through a vast emptiness that ended at the Orange River in Fort Myers.

Thirty-five years later, southern Florida feels all grown up.

But somehow it feels tragic that youth feel the need to belittle folks because of sexual orientation or race, especially in a free, educated society.

Faggot. The word contains two painful syllables.

Replace it with any racial slur and the hurt is still the same.

As Pride Day — traditionally the last Saturday in June — approaches, it's important to remember that we're all in this together, straight or gay.

It is part of the diversity that makes our nation great, and it reminds us that bigotry diminishes us all. ■



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# OPINION

## Dead man walking, 20 years on



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Special to Florida Weekly

Thirty years ago, a Catholic nun working in a poor neighborhood of New Orleans was asked if she would be a pen pal to a death-row prisoner. Sister Helen Prejean agreed, forever changing her life, as well as the debate on capital punishment in this country.

Her experiences inspired her first book, "Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the United States," which has just been republished on its 20th anniversary. She was a pen pal with Patrick Sonnier, a convicted murderer on death row in Louisiana's notorious Angola prison. In her distinctive Southern accent, she told me of her first visit to Sonnier: "It was scary as all get-out. I had never been in a prison before. ... I was scared to meet him personally. When I saw his face, it was so human, it blew me away. I got a realization then, no matter what he had done ... he is worth more than the worst thing he ever did. And the journey began from there."

Sister Helen became Mr. Sonnier's spiritual adviser, conversing with him as his execution approached. She spent his final hours with him, and witnessed his execution on April 5, 1984. She also was a spiritual advisor to another Angola death row prisoner, Robert Lee Willie, who was executed the same year. The book was made into a film, directed by Tim Robbins and starring Susan Sarandon as Prejean and Sean Penn as the character Matthew Poncelet, an amalgam of Mr. Sonnier and Mr. Williams.

Ms. Sarandon won the Oscar for Best Actress, and the film's success further intensified the national debate on the death penalty.

The United States is the only industrialized country in the world still using the death penalty. There are currently 3,125 people on death row in the U.S., although death-penalty opponents continue to make progress. Maryland is the most recent state to abolish capital punishment. After passage of the law, Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley wrote: "Evidence shows that the death penalty is not a deterrent, it cannot be administered without racial bias, and it costs three times as much as life in prison without parole. What's more, there is no way to reverse a mistake if an innocent person is put to death."

Studies of the racial bias abound. The Death Penalty Information Center, citing a recent Louisiana Law Review study, reports that in Louisiana, the odds of a death sentence were 97 percent higher for crimes in which the victim was white than those where the victim was African-American. Nationally, 75 percent of the cases that resulted in an execution had white victims.

Although Colorado is not one of the states to abolish the death penalty, Gov. John Hickenlooper used his executive authority to grant a temporary reprieve to one of the three death-row prisoners there, saying, "It is a legitimate question whether we as a state should be taking lives."

This week, Indiana released a former death-row prisoner. Paula Cooper was convicted for the 1985 murder of Ruth Pelke. Ms. Cooper was sentenced to death at the age of 16, and was, at the time, the youngest person on death row in this country. Ms. Pelke's grandson, Bill Pelke, actively campaigned for

clemency for her: "I became convinced, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that my grandmother would have been appalled by the fact that this girl was on death row and there was so much hate and anger towards her." He went on, "When Paula was taken off of death row in the fall of 1989, I thought, 'Well, that's it. She's off of death row. My mission has been accomplished.'"

Nevertheless, Ms. Pelke joined a march from Florida's death-row prison to Atlanta, on which he met Sister Helen Prejean. "After 17 days of walking down the highways with this nun, you get a real education about the death penalty. It was on that march with Sister Helen Prejean where I dedicated my life to the abolition of the death penalty," he said. "As long as there's any state in this world that's killing their own citizens, I'm going to stand up and say that it's wrong."

Sister Helen said one of her greatest regrets was that she failed to reach out to the families of the murder victims while she was spiritual adviser to Mr. Sonnier and Willie. She went on to found Survive, an organization to support families of murder victims such as Ms. Pelke. She wrapped up our conversation this week by saying: "I've accompanied six human beings and watched them be killed. I have a dedication to them to do this; I can't walk away from this. I'm going to be doing this until I die." ■

— Denis Moynihan contributed research to this column.

— Amy Goodman is the host of "Democracy Now!," a daily international TV/radio news hour airing on more than 1,000 stations in North America.

# GUEST OPINION

## A lesson in leaving the world a better place

BY SAM DURSO, M.D.

Special to Florida Weekly

I believe that each of us desires to leave our world a little better than when we arrived. My wife was no different. As was true throughout her life, she did everything with the fullest measure of what she had to offer. Her legacy stands as a testimony to her passion to make a difference, and particularly to positively impact the lives of children living in poverty.

In 1993, when Mary Ann and I retired to Marco Island, she became involved in Guardian Ad Litem, a strong and critically important organization that advocates for our community's abused and neglected children. At the same time, I picked up my hammer and began working on Habitat for Humanity homes, beginning with house No. 100 in Immokalee.

As I learned more about the work that Habitat was doing and its incredible impact on children and families struggling to break the cycle of poverty, I encouraged Mary Ann to join me on a home visit to a prospective partner family (the last step in the exhaustive application process). Having been in and out of many homes in Immokalee, she knew that a safe, stable and affordable home could make a life-changing difference to ALL the children in a family and even could preclude the need for Guardian Ad Litem.

After that first visit, the rest, as they say, is history.

For 15 years, we worked together to strengthen the Collier County affiliate of Habitat for Humanity and to reach as many families as possible. By building relationships with generous donors, hard-working volunteers and inspirational partner families, we witnessed the transformation that occurred in everyone who got involved. Together, we built a strong and dedicated staff that multiplied our efforts and, in 2002, we reached the milestone of building 100 homes in a year. Mary Ann's efforts remained intensely focused on families. Through many of her initiatives, we have seen the success of 1,600 local families who now own the homes that they helped to build. It was Mary Ann's insight that led to our requirement that mortgage payments be made in person. In this way, our relationships with partner families remain strong, and late payments are a rarity (our delinquency rate is less than 5 percent).

A careful balance between tough love and unconditional acceptance remains one of my late wife's greatest lessons and something that our staff continues to strive to emulate.

In 2008, just months after Mary Ann's passing, Habitat for Humanity International selected Naples to be the site of the 300,000th home built in the world.

That home was funded and erected in Mary Ann's memory and serves as a constant reminder of her deep dedication and unwavering commitment to the mission of Habitat for Humanity.

Mary Ann was taken from us too soon. But the legacy that she has left continues to offer hope to Collier County families living in desperate conditions. Her inspiration to those who knew her and worked alongside her remains the driving force behind new initiatives and programs to support and empower partner families.

If you are looking for a way to positively impact our community for generations to come, I invite you to join me in the work of Habitat for Humanity as together we build a legacy and make a life-changing difference.

For more information about volunteering or donating to support Habitat for Humanity of Collier County, please call our office at 775-0036 or visit www.habitatcollier.org. ■

— Dr. Sam Durso is president and CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Collier County. This year marks the fifth anniversary of the passing of his wife, Mary Ann, who served as full-time volunteer executive director of the organization. This year also marks the 35th anniversary of the local Habitat affiliate.



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of Collier County as the vice president for the Take Stock in Children program. She joined The Immokalee Foundation two years later.

She and her husband, Jeff Allbritten, the president of Edison State College, reside in Naples. They have two children and four grandchildren.

One of Liz's favorite quotes is from Ralph Waldo Emerson:

"To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty; to find the best in others; to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded."

To her, those words exemplify true life and success.

"My family had great success in Honduras if you measure success simply by the accumulation of wealth," she says. "They lost all they had and came to the United States with very little money ... Houses are built with bricks and mortar and some are quite grand; assets are simply placed on a balance sheet and they are fleeting. A home is made with love and respect, and success is measured by the difference one makes to enhance the life of another." ■

— Bob Harden is the producer and host of "The Bob Harden Show," airing from 7-8 a.m. weekdays at [www.bobharden.com](http://www.bobharden.com).

Devoted to enhancing the lives of Immokalee's next generation by emphasizing education, vocation and life skills, The Immokalee Foundation thrives under the leadership of Liz Allbritten. Her life story serves as an object lesson for many of the young people the foundation serves.

The sixth of seven children, Liz Peña Allbritten was the first child born in the United States to Jose Mercedes Peña and Melba Cubero after they immigrated to Miami from Honduras in 1960. Although the family had lived a life of wealth and privilege in Honduras, no such luxury existed for them here.

Liz graduated from Hallandale High School in 1979 and attended Broward College and the University of Phoenix. She began her career in higher education as an academic adviser at Broward College in Fort Lauderdale, and served the school in various capacities over the next 23 years, ultimately becoming director of student life and development.

Upon moving to Naples in 2004, she began volunteering for nonprofit organizations including the PACE Center for Girls, the United Arts Council and the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce's Youth Leadership Collier program. In 2007 she joined the Education Foundation

## Talking points with Liz Allbritten

**Mentor(s):** George Young, the former vice president of student affairs at Broward College, taught me the value of leading with integrity, conviction and passion. John Henry taught me about collaboration and relationship building. John Costigan taught me how to take a practical approach in solving problems and showed me the importance of staying calm in difficult situations. And Don Gunther is teaching me how to look at myself. He tells me: "I am the problem and I am the solution."



many students who struggled to complete their college education as a result of not being prepared. It's 2013 and very little has changed. I am passionate about helping solve this problem.

**Something your mom was right about:** Do the right thing, even if you think no one is watching.

**Something you'll never understand:** Why doing the right thing can sometimes be so difficult.

**What makes you laugh?** My husband. He helps me to remember what an important part

**As a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up?** In high school I thought I wanted to be a clinical psychologist, until I shadowed one. I learned that you have to detach emotionally, and that is not who I am.

**What would you be doing if you weren't doing this?** I would be mentoring more children personally and I would write a book.

**Guilty pleasures:** Chocolate, red wine and spa days.

**One thing on your bucket list:** To have our children and grandchildren spend a Christmas with us in Murren, Switzerland, where you feel like you're walking in a storybook.

**Skill or talent you wish you had:** I wish I could sing and play the piano.

**Advice for kids:** Nothing worth having comes easily.

**Something that's been on your mind:** In 1981, when I began working as an academic adviser, I saw firsthand

laughter is in our lives.

**Pet peeve:** Passive-aggressive people. It's OK not to agree on everything all the time.

**Something people would be surprised to find out about you:** I am very adventurous and an adrenaline junkie. I've tackled a ropes course in the Swiss Alps.

**What are you most proud of?** My family, and how I've been able to overcome significant obstacles and turn my passion into my life's work.

**First job:** At a bakery when I was 14. My father made me.

**What the Paradise Coast really needs:** Economic diversification to allow young people to stay in Naples and contribute to the growth of our community.

**What I miss about the Paradise Coast when I'm away:** The beauty and peacefulness here.

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Above: A family of elephants at The National Elephant Center in Fellsmere. Below: Every day starts off with a bath.

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## ELEPHANTS

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phase of the facility welcomed its charter guests in late May. The four African elephants from Disney World are making themselves at home, says Executive Director John Lehnhardt. Plans are for the center to accommodate Asian elephants as well.

The National Elephant Center is the dream child of Mr. Lehnhardt and other wildlife advocates who comprise the board of directors. Approximately 75 zoos around the country have contributed financially and in other ways to bring the dream to fruition. All accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums, the supporting zoos have elephants themselves and expect someday to benefit from the existence of the center.

"It's a support system for zoos," Mr. Lehnhardt says.

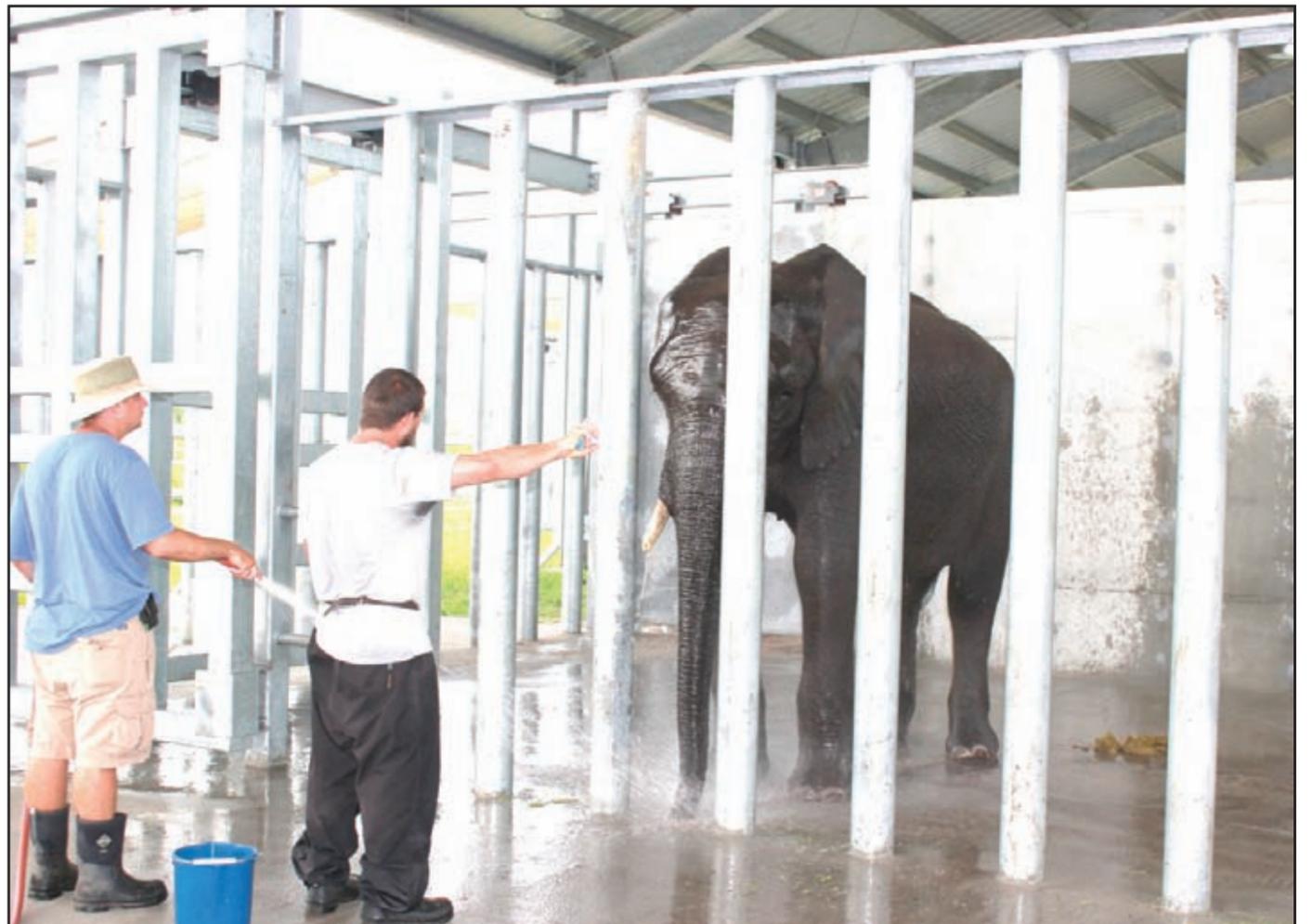
Zoos that have elephants trumpet the National Elephant Center as a godsend.

"This is something the zoo community has needed for a long time," says Tony Vecchio, executive director of the Jacksonville Zoo & Gardens. "It's especially exciting to see it happening right here in Florida."

The vast acreage — being leased to the center by an orange grove owner for \$1 a year for 40 years — is vital for keeping male or bull elephants, mostly solitary creatures who need room to roam. At capacity, the center could house 45 elephants.

It cost \$2.4 million to get the 25-acre first phase up and running; four subsequent phases totaling an additional \$2.4 million will depend on private and corporate donations and fundraisers.

The master site plan calls for four open-air barns for daily caretaking, health checks and veterinary procedures, a keeper center, conservation/education center, elephant overlooks, a



pavilion and varied yards for flexibility. Ultimately, the center might also have an observation tower and an education center for school groups and other visitors to learn about elephants.

The grounds are designed to ensure the elephants' security and safety and to enable them to roam free, forage and socialize with their families and herds. Mr. Lehnhardt and his staff of caretakers work to keep the elephants healthy and comfortable in their tropical surroundings. Chief Operations Officer Jeff Bollings and his staff work to minimize human interaction with the animals so that they can form and cultivate their

own social groups.

"Our goal is for them to be elephants," Mr. Lehnhardt says.

### Meet the elephants

The first four pachyderm residents at the new center are a family made up of Thandi, the matriarch at 33 years old; Moyo, 32; and her male calves, Tufani, 10, and Tsavo, 5. The daily routine in their new digs starts with morning baths, care checkups and breakfast.

Fed a diet of grain, hay and supplements, the elephants eat several hundred pounds of food a day.

Tufani's big hazel eyes are aglitter as

he spots his breakfast being delivered. As it does for most teenagers, room service seems to agree very much with him. As a young and growing elephant, Tufani likes to eat, play with his brother, roll in the mud and knock over trees. And of course, there's his budding love life.

"He's a preteen," Mr. Lehnhardt says. "He's very interested in the opposite sex."

Tufani raises his trunk while handlers bathe him with a gentle spray of water. His emerging maturity has not gone unnoticed within his family. He is beginning to get asked in elephant

terms to leave the nest.

While Tufani, guided by the handlers, moves in different angles to get his bath, a barrier remains between him and the staff at all times.

“He’s not a pet,” Mr. Lenhardt says. “You can’t get too close.”

Besides their own safety, there’s another reason the handlers don’t get too close: They want the elephants to focus on one another, not on people.

“We’re not part of their social group,” Mr. Lenhardt explains.

Elephants can live into their 60s and beyond, which means most of the pachyderms who come to the National Elephant Center will spend many years in residence there. Staff, on the other hand, will no doubt change over the years, and if they were encouraged to interact and bond with the elephants, such changes could affect the animals.

On a recent day, one could spot the elephant family noshing on palm fronds, branches and oranges remaining in the citrus groves. The oranges are a new phenomenon for the elephants.

With their large gray trunks, they suction oranges from the trees.

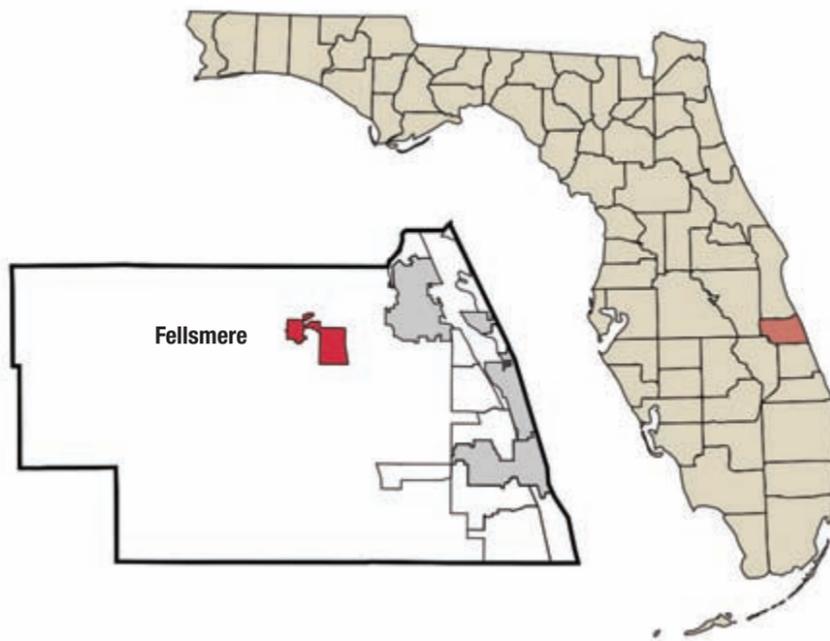
“It like a kid in the candy store,” Mr. Lenhardt said.

Aside from a big appetite, elephants have even bigger brains that need to be enriched. Mr. Lenhardt, the staff and Elephant Center board work to make sure that the sensitive, bright and socially aware creatures have what they need to thrive.

Right now that support comes in letting the elephants get to know their new home and become comfortable in it.

### Maintaining the population

A main component of the National



Elephant Center’s mission is to ensure a future elephant population. For several decades, elephant numbers have dwindled. The African elephant is considered vulnerable and the Asian endangered, according to www.LiveScience.com. The animals are living in areas of dense human population. Their habitat is being encroached upon, and their lives are also being taken for their ivory tusks.

“Both Asian and African elephants are being persecuted,” says Rick Barongi, director of the Houston Zoo and a board member for the National Elephant Center.

“The center will be able to contribute to maintaining elephants in the future,” Mr. Barongi says. “I think that’s so important.”

Future breeding opportunities coupled with an education center and access for school children are what center staff and board members trumpet as the keys to the center’s success.

“The vast majority of Americans will not be able to see elephants in their habitats,” Mr. Barongi says. “It (the center) will inspire all people, especially children, to care more about elephants. And if they care more about elephants, they will try to help them.”

Although the center houses elephants, it is not a sanctuary. A sanctuary keeps animals permanently and has core standards that emphasize no active breeding and no commercial trade. Nor are they generally not open to the public, says Jackie Bennett, deputy director for the Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries.

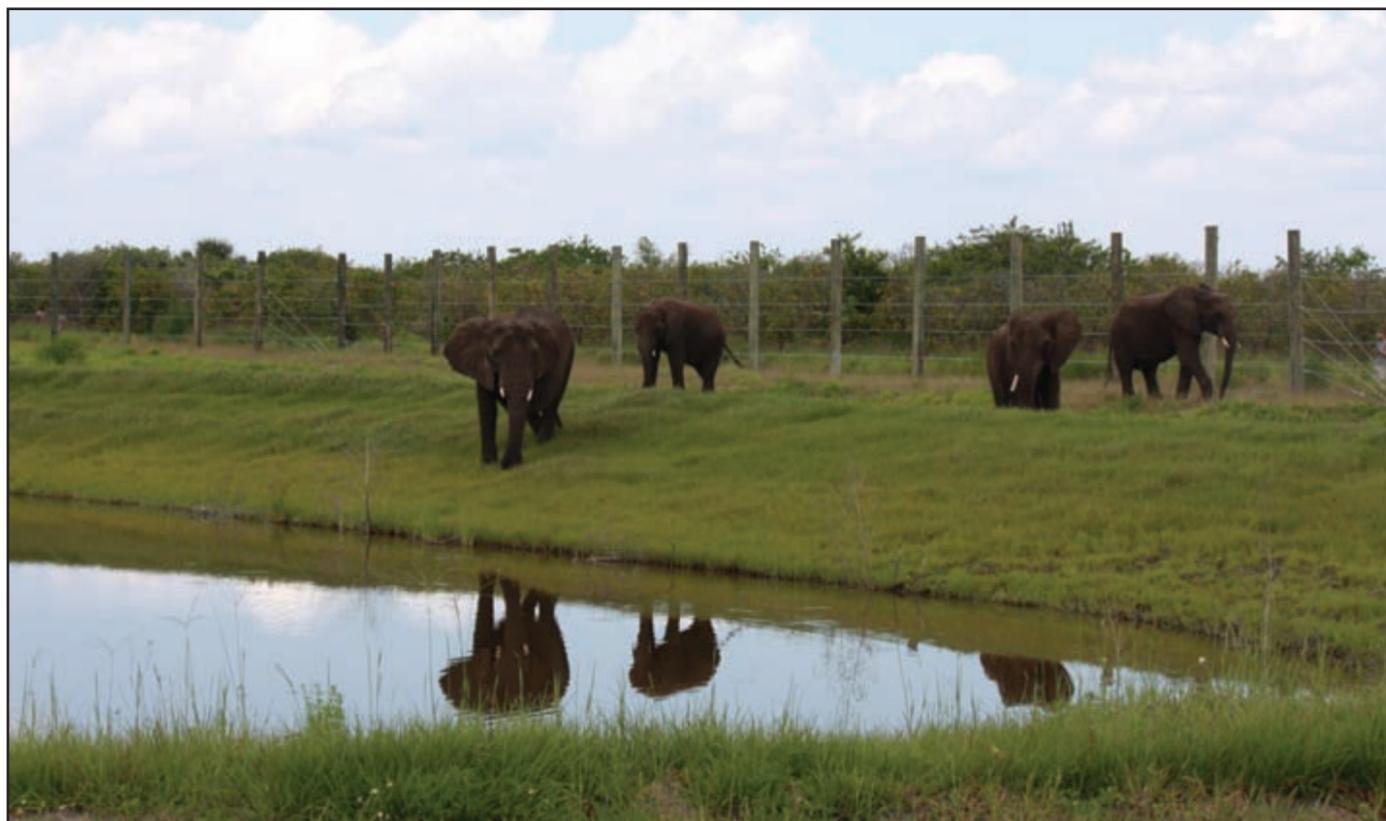
### Helping Fellsmere too

Before The National Elephant Center came to town, the residents of Fellsmere didn’t have much reason to think about the 225 acres of orange groves the nonprofit now leases. But the new center holds the potential to make a difference in the lives of the city’s 5,300 residents.

The town’s Frog Leg Festival every January used to be the biggest show in town. But with a herd of elephants in the neighborhood, now the people of Fellsmere can expect some new attention.

“We’re very excited about it,” says City Manager Jason Nunemaker. “It just puts us on the map.”

Mr. Nunemaker expects the center will create opportunities and draw tourists when it is complete. He also



### in the know



### Elephant facts

- >> **Height:** Five to 14 feet at shoulders (males); females of all subspecies are smaller than males.
  - >> **Length:** Up to 30 feet trunk to tail.
  - >> **Weight:** 6,000-15,000 pounds.
  - >> **Lifespan:** Up to 70 years.
  - >> **Diet:** Grasses, leaves, bamboo, bark, roots. Elephants are also known to eat crops like banana and sugarcane. Adult elephants eat 300-400 pounds of food per day.
  - >> **Range:** African forest elephants inhabit the dense rainforests of west and central Africa. The Asian elephant is found in India, Sri Lanka, China and much of Southeast Asia.
  - >> **Behavior:** Elephants form deep family bonds and live in tight matriarchal family groups of related females called a herd. The oldest and often largest female in the herd, called a matriarch, leads the herd. Herds consist of eight to 100 elephants depending on terrain and family size. When a calf is born, it is raised and protected by the whole matriarchal herd. Males leave the family between the ages of 12-15 and may lead solitary lives or live temporarily with other males.
  - >> **Communication:** Recent discoveries have shown that elephants can communicate over long distances by producing a sub-sonic rumble that can travel over the ground faster than sound through air. Other elephants receive the messages through the sensitive skin on their feet and trunks.
- Source: www.defenders.org

### To help:

- >> The National Elephant Center is non-profit and is accepting donations. A private foundation has agreed to match donations to The National Elephant Center up to \$150,000. For more information, go to www.nationalelephantcenter.org.

envisioning greater prosperity being generated from visiting trainers who will use City Hall as a place to work and hold meetings. “I think it’s a huge resource on a variety of levels,” he says.

But perhaps the most tangible benefit will be for Fellsmere’s youngest residents. The area’s children are going to have a chance to take school trips to see and experience the elephants.

“Were excited,” says Fellsmere Elementary School Principal Ramon Echeverria. “It’s unique. It’s going to be a plus from an educational aspect.” For many Fellsmere youngsters, it could be their first chance to see a real elephant. “They’re excited,” Mr. Echeverria adds. “These kids are off the chain.”

The idea of reaching children seems to matter most in procuring a future for the elephants.

“I think it’s going to have the biggest benefit for school kids,” Mr. Barongi says. “Those kids will be in awe. It will influence them to care.”

He and Mr. Lenhardt, along with everyone who has worked to make the new center a reality, know that engendering compassion is the must-have ingredient in order to ensure that the National Elephant Center and similar places have a reason to exist and serve. ■



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# NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPHERD

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## Storage cloudburst

The executive in charge of the electronic infrastructure of Facebook confirmed to London's information-technology website The Register in June that when the company inaugurated its first "cloud" data-storage facility in Prineville, Ore., in 2011, the equipment was "drenched" when an actual cloud formed inside the building. (Facebook had only "hinted" previously at a Prineville "humidity event," according to The Register.) The tall, huge

building's cooling units use an electricity-saving system that takes air from the outside (rather than recirculated indoor air) and subjects it to various humidity levels to cool the heat coming from the aisles of computer servers. Apparently, engineers had not accurately anticipated the vapor condensation profile of the new system, and rain guards were promptly installed. ■

## Can't possibly be true

■ In May, only two states away from last year's mass shooting at an Aurora, Colo., movieplex, management at the Goodrich Capital 8 Theaters in Jefferson City, Mo., hired a man dressed in full tactical gear and carrying guns resembling M-4 rifles and 9mm pistols (as "S.H.I.E.L.D." operatives) to greet patrons for the opening of the new "Iron Man" movie. Police were not pleased by the barrage of frightened 911 callers who were fearful that Aurora was happening all over again. Capital 8 manager Bob Wilkins said that "hundreds" of customers were entertained by the publicity stunt and that "only a few" were upset.

■ Since Rozie, a pregnant Asian elephant at Albuquerque's ABQ BioPark Zoo, stands a better chance of a healthy birth if she is strong, the "elephant manager" and staff have been putting her through twice-a-day, Pilates-type exercises (featuring leg lifts, squats and other calisthenics). (Rozie is due sometime between August and November.) Lest anyone worry that Rozie is being mistreated, the elephant manager noted in a May press release that her participation "is completely voluntary."

■ The founder of the Beauty Park Medical Spa in Santa Monica, Calif., has introduced a 45-minute procedure called the "Male Laser Lift," which is also known

colloquially as "tackle tightening," involving the removal of hair and wrinkles on the scrotum, along with laser treatment to remove "discoloration." Co-owner Jamie Sherrill ("Nurse Jamie") told London's *Daily Mail* that sales are up this year, and some might attribute that to a joke comment made by actor George Clooney that the latest Hollywood craze was "ball-ironing."

■ Recently, parents in Texas and New York City have pointed out that when children commit sex offenses against classmates, educational policy (and sometimes, the law) seeks to give light punishments and second chances to the perpetrators, thus posing risks to their classmates. A Texas child, raped at age 4 by a 13-year-old, recently was forced to endure the perpetrator's return to class after only 45 days away at an "alternative" program — because federal law requires the child's prompt return to ordinary classroom settings if a "disability" played a role in the incident. A New York City mother filed a \$6 million lawsuit in May against the city's Education Department after her son was allegedly forced to perform oral sex on a group of classmates, one of whom had already been involved in a sex assault — for which he received a five-day suspension. ■

## Inexplicable

■ As John Jacobson, 20, was being booked into jail in Portland, Ore., in May (for allegedly trying to steal a case of beer from a Plaid Pantry grocery store), police discovered a live mouse in his pocket. Mr. Jacobson had his father come down to the jail and take custody of the mouse.

■ Christie's auction house in New York City reported that a painting of the late actress Bea Arthur — nude from the waist up — by the artist John Currin in 1991 had sold for \$1.9 million on May 15th. Mr. Currin said that he made the painting from a photograph of Ms. Arthur clothed, and

Ms. Arthur, known for her roles in TV's "Maude" and "Golden Girls," appears younger in face and body in the painting than on the TV shows.

■ Maryland state troopers caught sight of a drummer rocking out on the shoulder of Interstate 695 near Windsor Mill Road in Baltimore on May 21, at about 10:30 a.m. According to the troopers, the man had run out of gas and had decided to set up his drum kit to practice while he waited for assistance. When a utility truck arrived, supplying gasoline, the drummer packed up and resumed his travels. ■

## Perspective

■ The websites *OpposingViews.com* and the *Jewish Daily Forward* (*Forward.com*), sweeping through all of the 2013 news accounts that two reporters could find, added up the fatalities so far this year (through May) of Americans killed by domestic "terrorist" attacks, compared

to the number of Americans killed with guns fired by toddlers (aged 2-6). Terrorism's total: 4 (all from the Boston Marathon bombing). Gun deaths by toddlers: 11. (During the same period, 10 additional Americans were merely wounded by toddlers firing guns.) ■

## Least-competent criminals

■ A 38-year-old man was arrested in Wichita, Kan., in June and charged with trying to rob a Spangles restaurant by presenting a cashier with a demand note. He was arrested a short time later — and easily, because the demand for money was written on the back of a check-reorder form that contained his name and address.

■ Joseph Meacham, 39, fleeing on foot during a mid-afternoon traffic stop in Clayton, Mo., in May, ran through town so indiscriminately that when he decided to duck into a building for cover, he failed to realize it was the St. Louis County Police Headquarters. He was found curled into a ball on the floor in a dead-end hallway, and promptly arrested. ■

## Search under way for those who served on USS Intrepid

The 70th anniversary of the commissioning of the USS Intrepid, the World War II-era Essex class aircraft carrier that is now home to the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum in New York City, takes place Friday, Aug. 16. The museum has issued a coast-to-coast "all call" for former crewmembers on the ship to be reunited Aug. 16-18 in New York.

Nicknamed "the Ghost Ship" by the Japanese, the Intrepid was hit by five Kamikaze attacks in the Pacific but refused to sink. One of the most stalwart ships in U.S. history, she later served three tours of duty off Vietnam and in submarine surveillance in the North Atlantic during the Cold War. She was also one of the primary recovery vessels for NASA during the Mercury and Gemini space missions, and retrieved astronauts Scott Car-



The USS Intrepid in the Philippine Sea, November 1944

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penter and Gus Grissom after their respective Earth orbits and splashdowns in the Pacific.

For more information about the reunion and the 70th anniversary celebration of the ship's commission, visit [www.intrepidmuseum.org](http://www.intrepidmuseum.org). ■



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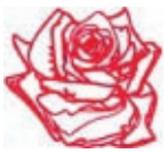
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## FIELD TRIP

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a commitment to their academics through participation in Grace Place's after-school tutoring program.

"These hands-on and real-world experiences open their eyes to possibilities for their lives that they never imagined," Rev. Campbell says. "Meeting business people who are interesting and enjoying their jobs and their fields makes a big impression on youth. Seeing what a workplace really looks like is invaluable."

Throughout the almost two-hour visit at IberiaBank, staff provided both practical and fun information.

The first thing that Cathi Johnson, vice president and branch manager for private banking, told the students was that everyone who enters a bank is on video, so they all turned to wave at the security camera.

She asked the students if they knew why people use banks, and they answered with the main reasons: to put in and take out money, to transfer money and to borrow it — though one student quickly added, "But then you have to pay it back."

Machelle Shirk, vice president for retail administration, shared a list of facts about money. Most students did not know that "paper" money is actually 75 percent cotton and 25 percent linen. And all of them were amazed to hear that 38 million bills with a value of \$541 million are printed daily by the Federal Reserve in Fort Worth, Texas, and the District of Columbia.

Lead teller Fernando Fresnillo demonstrated a money counting machine

that can detect counterfeit bills. When asked about his favorite part of the tour later, 13-year-old Eduardo Martinez said the specialized equipment was a highlight.

At the vault, Ms. Johnson let the students push the door to see how heavy it is. Opening the vault each morning requires two people with different codes, she told the students. Sebastian Sanchez, 13, said he was impressed with how securely the money is kept.

The students enjoyed a tour of the lockbox area, watching how checks for utilities such as electricity and cell phones are processed. They got some hands-on experience as they helped operate the machine that slits open the payment envelopes.

Just before snacks were served, they learned about the symbolism of the images and wording on the \$1 bill, each getting to take one home along with a packet of information from the bank that included dress-for-success and interview etiquette tips. Leslie Mahoney from the bank's human resources department discussed some of those tips while the students sat around a table in a conference room. She also demonstrated the best way to shake hands — with a firm grip and making eye contact — before she asked the students to practice with the person next to them.

The students also heard from Maria Botana, Golden Bate branch manager, about how to protect themselves from identify theft. Then, Senior Vice President Paul Belfore invited five students up to the front of the room to role play the process of a customer making a deposit and another customer requesting a business loan. Mr. Belfore explained that a bank pays its customers interest to put their money there,



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which then means the bank has money to loan to people who need funds for their business or to pay for a car, a house or perhaps college.

The students' tour was just part of IberiaBank's relationship with Grace Place. The bank provides school supplies for Grace Place students and invited them to participate in the grand opening of the Golden Gate branch last December. And Ms. Botana recently launched a financial literacy training program for mothers whose children attend Grace Place, teaching them the basics of having a bank account. "Most of them don't know how to manage money or how a bank works," she says.

For now, the tour may have sparked an interest in a banking career for a budding branch manager or loan offi-

cer, or at least inspired the students to remain focused on their academics.

"A field trip can awaken the desire in a student to try new things and pursue previously unconsidered dreams," Rev. Campbell said. "Studies also show that field trips can result in greater achievement in all subjects at school. By seeing real-life application of the lessons they are learning in school, students are more likely to understand and appreciate the importance and relevance of what they are learning."

Grace Place's middle school summer program was funded through grants from The League Club of Collier County and the Marco Lutheran Church Foundation, along with individual donor sponsorships. ■

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"Many relapses occur in the first three months following treatment," says Crossroads clinical supervisor Nancy Dauphinais. "Our expanded aftercare services provide support, education and coping skills during this critical period."

Aftercare group sessions focus on promoting a positive lifestyle and continuing the stabilization process as clients return to living in the community. Participants learn about the dynamics of relapse and how to identify and develop recovery maintenance skills. Aftercare treatment is individualized and usually lasts four to 12 weeks. All services are free.

Expanding the aftercare services is one of several program enhancements made to the Crossroads program at David Lawrence Center in the last year. Additional services implemented include onsite yoga, equine-facilitated psychotherapy, tobacco cessation groups, art therapy and enhanced family support services. ■

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## Big-screen portrayals can enhance our understanding of mental illness

BY CARYN HACKER-BUECHEL

Special to Florida Weekly

When the drama of mental illness plays to large audiences via cinema and TV screens, the emotional pain within the storyline remains a comfortable, yet perceptible, distance from what we would like to think of as our personal realities. And yet, the stories often touch us, individually and communally.



Hacker-Buechel

The popularity of "Silver Linings Playbook" demonstrates our desire to understand the deep complexities of human behavior. In the award-winning film, high-school teacher Pat Solitano Jr. struggles to find his way to a balanced emotional life following a months-long psychiatric hospitalization and the end of his marriage.

The movie portrays the characteristics of bi-polar disorder honestly, poignantly and humorously, as the audience travels the emotionally moving yet capricious journey toward psychological stability with Pat and his "family" of parents, friends and a potential love interest, Tiffany, who's also bi-polar. With the positive changes that come with Pat's treatment, our compassion and acceptance of everyone involved increases, as they begin to appear less diagnosable, more commonplace and whole.

"Silver Linings Playbook" is less an expose of mental illness as it is more a study of family love and tolerance, highlighting the beauty and healing magic that lie in that empathetic and pliable relationship.

"Bi-polar disorder is not a condition brought on by a weakness of will or a lack of prayer. It is a real illness and requires treatment," says Dr. Scott Haltzman, a staff psychiatrist at the David Lawrence Center. Yale-educated and the author of books including "The Secrets of Happy Families: Eight Keys to Building a Lifetime of Connection and Contentment," Dr. Haltzman says that although the road from illness to wellness is not an easy transition for those with bi-polar disorder, the condition is very treatable.

But sadly, not everyone suffering from a mental disorder will benefit from psychological intervention, as the stigma regarding mental disorders continues as one of the potential deterrents to treatment.

"If we don't talk about these things, the stigma will continue," Dr. Haltzman cautions.

Our communal skin is highly sensi-



tive to the potential trauma related to mental illness when left unchecked and/or untreated. Images of Sandy Hook — and far too many other examples of brutal human outbursts and destruction — remain imprinted in our hearts and minds. But most people with mental illness are not violent, Dr. Haltzman stresses.

Psychological therapy (individual and family) is critical with this population and highly important in successful treatment, he adds. The assessment for potential assistive medications, as well as the use of supplements, exercise, healthy nutrition and meditation, can be useful tools in the treatment of bi-polar and other mental disorders.

## About the center

David Lawrence Center is the Naples-based, nonprofit center that provides innovative comprehensive inpatient, outpatient, residential and community-based prevention and treatment services for the one in four local children and adults who experience mental health, emotional, psychological and/or substance abuse challenges.

For more information or to begin or solidify your journey (or someone else's) toward life-changing mental wellness, call 455-8500 or visit [www.DavidLawrenceCenter.org](http://www.DavidLawrenceCenter.org). ■

— Psychotherapist and motivational speaker Caryn Hacker-Buechel serves on the board of directors of the David Lawrence Center. The author of the children's book "A Bully Grows Up: Erik Meets the Wizard," she focuses her writing on ways to heighten psychological and interpersonal awareness.

in the know

## Common symptoms of the two phases of bi-polar disorder

## ■ At least two weeks of depressive behavior:

- Feeling hopeless
- Persistent sadness
- Lack of interest or pleasure in people and things
- Difficulty sleeping or over-sleeping
- Feelings of worthlessness
- Thoughts of self-harm or suicide

## ■ At least a week of manic behavior:

- Abnormally elevated mood and/or irritability
- Over-inflated self-esteem
- Increased talkativeness
- Racing thoughts/distractibility
- Decreased need for sleep
- Increase in irresponsible behaviors (alcohol/drug use, unusual sexual behavior, excessive shopping)



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# CLUB NOTES

■ Five Collier County high school graduates will receive \$1,000 scholarships for the 2013-14 year from the **Naples Press Club**. The club's Terrence J. Miller Renewable Scholarships are awarded to students who are majoring in journalism at their respective colleges.

Three of this year's recipients are enrolled at Florida Gulf Coast University: senior Mary Castro (Immokalee High School, 2010), sophomore Eric Crum (Barron Collier High School, 2012) and junior Oscar Santiago-Torres (Golden Gate High School, 2011). One is at the University of Central Florida: sophomore Lauren Schoepfer (Barron Collier

High School, 2012), and one is studying at Florida Southern College: freshman Kyle Shatto (Naples High School, 2013).

The Naples Press Club Endowed FGCU Foundation Scholarship will again be awarded to Andrew Friedgen, a senior at FGCU (Bishop Verot High School, Fort Myers, 2010), for 2013-14. The club is also giving a \$500 Writing Award Scholarship to Florida State University freshman Lisa Kobzina (Naples High School 2013).

■ The **Ohio State Alumni Club of Naples** holds its annual "student send-off" social for local students who attend OSU from 5-6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 18, at Gatsby's Pizza, 4450 Bonita Beach

Road in Bonita Springs. RSVP by calling 404-9399 or e-mailing ohfliova@gmail.com.

The club has 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](http://www.naplesbuckeyes.com).

■ 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, mahjongg, 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](http://www.naplesnewcomers.com). ■

## HEALTH

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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. July 8.

Here are some additional stops for the bloodmobile coming up:

■ **Thursday, June 27:** 10 a.m. to noon at the Glenview, 100 Glenview Place (donors get a complimentary movie pass).

■ **Thursday, June 27:** 2-5 p.m. at Lowe's, 12730 Tamiami Trail E. (donors get a complimentary movie pass).

■ **Friday, June 28:** 2-6 p.m. at Parkway Plaza, 4897 Golden Gate Parkway in Golden Gate (donors get complimentary movie pass).

■ **Saturday, June 29:** 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Germain BMW, 11286 Tamiami Trail N. (donors get a \$10 gas card while supplies last).

■ **Sunday, June 30:** 8:30 a.m. to noon at Summit Church at Barron Collier High School, 5600 Cougar Drive (donors get a complimentary movie pass).

■ **Monday, July 1:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Soldavini & Caldwell CPAs, 5455 Jaeger Road (donors get complimentary movie pass).

■ **Tuesday, July 2:** 2:30-6:30 p.m. at NCH in North Naples, 11190 Health Park Blvd. (donors get complimentary movie pass).

■ **Friday-Sunday, July 5-7:** 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Sembler Plaza, corner of Airport Road and Naples Boulevard (donors get a complimentary movie pass).

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For more information, call 624-4120 or visit [www.givebloodcbc.org](http://www.givebloodcbc.org).

### Breast surgeon to present free cancer lecture

"Myths and Facts about Breast Cancer," a presentation by Dr. Sharla Gayle Patterson, is set for 6-7 p.m. Thursday, July 18, at IberiaBank at 1905 Pine Ridge Road. Dr. Patterson will discuss detection, BRCA testing, surgical options and treatment for breast cancer.

The program is part of the Health Plus

lecture series sponsored by the bank in collaboration with Physicians Regional Healthcare System. Attendance is free.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in eight women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime, and breast cancer is the second highest leading cause of death among American women. While many advances have been made in the detection and treatment of breast cancer, many misperceptions persist.

Dr. Patterson earned a medical degree and an MBA from the Health Organization Management program at Texas Tech University. She completed a Society of Surgical Oncology Breast Surgery Fellowship at Emory University, and her general surgical internship and residency at the University of South Alabama.

Lecture seating is limited. call 403-5170 for reservations. ■

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# UNDERCOVER HISTORIAN

## Hats off to Guy Bradley and other Everglades wardens



Back in the late 1880s, in order to keep up with demand from a thriving millinery trade, 5 million birds were being slaughtered every year for their prized plumes. Those plumes were as valuable as gold. Historical records show that in 1915, an ounce of gold sold for \$32 — the same as plumes. It's hard to believe that ladies hats were at one time a \$17 million industry.

The Florida Everglades were prime hunting grounds. Most birds were shot in the springtime, when their feathers were colored for the nesting and mating season. Poachers would shoot the birds, pluck the plumes and leave the carcasses to rot. Also left behind were thousands of baby birds, defenseless without their parents and doomed to die from starvation or exposure.

It's no wonder that many species were decimated, most notably the great egret.

In an effort to control plume hunting in Florida, the American Ornithologists Union and the National Association of Audubon Societies (known today as the National Audubon Society) persuaded the state Legislature to pass a bird protection law in 1901. With that law came jobs for wardens to oversee rookeries throughout the Everglades.

Enter Guy Bradley, a game warden

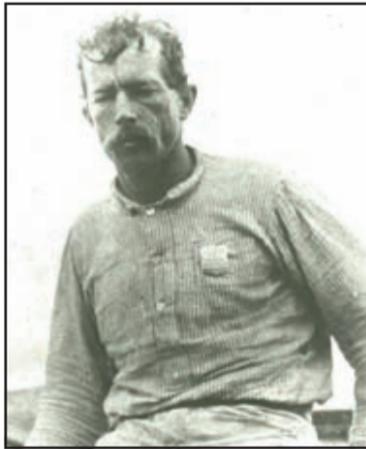
who was also a deputy sheriff for Monroe County (of which Collier County was once part). Before becoming a guardian of the wading birds, Guy had been a plume hunter himself. He and his older brother served as scouts for the noted French plume hunter Jean Chevalier on his trip to the Everglades.

It was 1885. Guy was 15 years old, and plume feathers were selling for more than \$20 an ounce. It was reported that on that one hunting trip, which lasted

several weeks, Mr. Chevalier and his party killed 1,397 birds of 36 different species.

Seventeen years later, Mr. Bradley became one of the first wardens hired by the American Ornithologists' Union and the Florida Audubon Society. For a monthly stipend of \$35, he was charged with single-handedly patrolling the area that stretched from Florida's west coast through the Everglades and on down to Key West — an area known for its plentiful egrets, spoonbills, white ibis and herons. It was a dangerous job, and one that Mr. Bradley took very seriously.

The story is told that on July 8, 1905, gunshots rang out near his home in Flamingo. He got into his skiff and came upon a father and two sons by the name



This photo of Guy Bradley in the Everglades is provided courtesy of the Florida State Archives and the National Park Service.

of Smith shooting up a rookery. This was not their first altercation; Mr. Bradley had twice arrested two of the Smith men for poaching, and the elder Smith had threatened to kill the warden if he tried to cite anyone in his family again.

This time, as Mr. Bradley attempted to arrest one of the sons who was loading plumes into a truck, Mr. Smith opened fire with his hunting rifle. The warden's body was found the next day by a search party,

having drifted 10 miles from the scene of the crime.

The day after that, Mr. Smith sailed to Key West and turned himself in to the authorities. Mr. Smith claimed self-defense, maintaining that Mr. Bradley had fired first. Even though the evidence showed the warden had never fired his gun, the jury decided against conviction, saying there was insufficient evidence.

Mr. Bradley's death and Mr. Smith's acquittal made headlines in the New York Times, Philadelphia North American, New York Herald and Forest and Stream. Not only were members of Audubon societies around the country outraged, women's clubs around

the country rose up against the use of plumes in millinery and encouraged others to follow suit.

A couple of years after Mr. Bradley's murder, another game warden/deputy sheriff went missing near Charlotte Harbor. His boat was later recovered, having been weighted down, but the body was never found. That same year, an employee of the South Carolina Audubon Society was shot and killed during an ambush. The deaths helped put a stop to the commercial trade of feathers from Florida. In 1910, the New York legislature passed the Audubon Plumage Act, outlawing the plume trade once and for all.

Mr. Bradley was buried on a shell ridge overlooking Florida Bay. A monument erected by the Florida Audubon Society was inscribed: "Guy M. Bradley, 1870-1905, Faithful Unto Death, as Game Warden of Monroe County he Gave his Life for the Cause to Which he was Pledged." The grave and monument were washed away during Hurricane Donna in 1960; however, the original gravestone was recovered and is now on display at the Flamingo Visitor Center. ■

— 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 about Ms. Sullivan-Hartung at [www.maureenwrites.com](http://www.maureenwrites.com).

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# PET TALES

## Pet-safe on the Fourth of July

Prepare now for the most dangerous holiday for companion animals

BY GINA SPADAFORI  
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I love the Fourth of July. I love the picnics and parades, and especially the fireworks. But I love my pets, too, so I usually stay home.

My cats live indoors, so I don't worry about them running off in fear, and my backyard is double-fenced, so I don't worry about my dogs bolting when let outside, either. But I know I would spend the evening worrying if I left them alone, and with good reason: Pet-advocacy groups warn that more pets are lost or killed, injured or panicked on this day than on any other.

Even if your pet is not the nervous type, it is a good idea to think twice before heading out the evening of July 4, or at least to take some precautions. Here are some tips:

■ **Line up some chemical calm.** If you know your pet looks for a place to hide and shiver at the neighborhood's first noise, call your veterinarian in advance to get a medication to keep him calm. While you are at it, ask if your vet is available for after-hours emergencies, and if not, get the location and phone number of the nearest emergency clinic. You never know if you will need it. One usually calm dog I know jumped through a sliding-glass door after firecrackers went off in the yard behind him. Fortunately, his owners knew where to take him, and he got the prompt care he needed to save his life.



Leave your party animal at home, and stay with him if you can. The Fourth of July is a risky day for cats and dogs.

■ **Set up a safe room.** For truly terrified pets, it's not a bad idea to secure them in quiet room, or a crate if they're used to one. Synthetic pheromone sprays — Feliway for cats, Adaptil for dogs, both available at pet stores — mimic the natural substances that calm anxious pets, and help many pets over the rough spots. Clothing that "hugs" your pet, such as Thundershirts, has also been shown to help. And many people have used the homeopathic Rescue Remedy on their pets; a few drops in drinking water may help.

■ **Keep your pets secure.** Make sure all your pets are safely confined and provided with plenty of fresh, cool water (nervous animals drink lots of water). Bring outside pets inside, at least into the garage. Allow your cat no access to the outside, and be

sure to keep your dog on leash outside, even in your own yard if you're not sure about your fencing. Frightened dogs have been known to go over — or even through — fences that would normally hold them. And cats are often the targets of cruel pranksters, some of whom enjoy terrorizing animals with fireworks.

■ **Prepare for the worst.** Make sure your pet is wearing a collar with ID tags. When animal-control agencies are closed, there's no way for your pet to be traced to you unless you have made sure your phone number is also on that collar. And if you don't have time to get your pet microchipped, get it done before next year's fireworks.

■ **Know what to do if you lose your pet.** Start looking as soon as you discover your pet is missing. Cover your neighborhood with fliers and check with veterinarians, emergency clinics and shelters. When dealing with shelters, remember that a phone call is not enough. Shelter staff cannot remember every animal in the place, and may not be able to recognize your pet from your description even if they have seen it. It is important to check in person at least every other day.

With so much to worry about, I feel a lot better staying home. Besides, I live close enough to my city's fireworks show that I can get a pretty good view without leaving my pets alone. ■

### Pets of the Week



>>**Kat** is a 2-year-old Labrador retriever mix who weighs about 60 pounds. Friendly with people and other dogs, she's good on her leash and loves to run.



>>**Lotus** is a quiet and affectionate, 2-year-old black mouth cur mix who weighs almost 80 pounds. Loves children and other dogs, is good on the leash.



>>**Mickey** is a handsome and personable, 1-year-old domestic short hair. He purrs to the touch and loves to be held and petted.



>>**Paige** is a 3-month-old domestic short hair who has a well-mannered, sweet personality.

### To adopt or foster a pet

This week's pets are from **Collier County Domestic Animal Services**. Adoption fees for cats are \$60 and dogs are \$85 and include sterilization surgery, vaccinations, pet license, ID microchip and a bag of food. Visit DAS at 7610 Davis Blvd. from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday. For more information, call 252-7387 or visit [www.colliergov.net/pets](http://www.colliergov.net/pets).

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# THE DIVA DIARIES

## How to get the hang of responsible drinking



opposite to your stomach. A liver working to metabolize liquor doesn't need to deal with Tylenol as well, so stay away from that. "Hair of the dog" the morning after only serves to postpone the inevitable.

The only thing that seems to soothe at all is staying in bed all day and watching a marathon of happy Tom Hanks movies such as "Big" and "Sleepless in Seattle." Not "Castaway," though. You don't want to see poor Tom knock his own tooth out when you're hungover. Trust me on this.

Here, dear readers, is how one avoids a hangover and therefore need never fret that there is no relief:

■ "Never mix, never worry" is a true fact. If you're going to drink wine, don't switch to vodka midstream, or you'll regret it.

■ Enjoy a cocktail, then drink a full glass of water before ordering another cocktail. A friend of mine calls it "the rinse cycle."

■ Please, I beg you: Eat a meal before imbibing. Drinking on an empty tummy is the most common cause of hangovers. Remember in "Gone with the Wind" when Mammy makes Scarlett eat a plate of food before the Wilkes' barbecue? It's not in the dialogue, but I'm certain it was because Mammy didn't want Scarlett getting fall-down drunk at



"The Girls," by Madelon Gorsky

are no fun, but waking up on a cot in a cell would likely be your worst hangover ever.

### Three artists, one show

I can't think of anything more delightful than being at the Sweet Art Gallery perusing the vivid, festive and colorful works of Sharon Erby, Madelon Gorsky and gallery owner Dede Sweet herself, who paints under the moniker, MAC. (Ms. Gorsky's "The Girls," shown here, makes me smile and want to pack my beach bag — but probably keep my cover-up on once my toes are in the sand, at least until I've had my first a piña colada.)

The opening reception for the new exhibit, fittingly dubbed "Summer Jamboree," will surely be sweet. Be there from 6-8 p.m. Friday, June 28. In case you can't get there for the opening fun, the exhibit will hang through July 24. Through June, regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday; July and August hours are noon to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday and by appointment

Saturday. Check it out at 2054 Trade Center Way. Also, you can "like" Sweet Art Gallery on Facebook for all the latest news. ■

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

the party. Mammy was very, very savvy.

■ Don't do shots. Just don't. So many hangover stories start with, "I was fine until we started doing Jagermeister shots ..."

■ And, finally, if you ignore everything above and find yourself drunker than Cooter Brown, do NOT drive. Hangovers



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# SHOP TALK

## Show your true colors on Independence Day

BY CINDY PIERCE  
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Whether you're lacing up your running shoes for the annual Moe's Firecracker 5K Race at Fleischmann Park, taking a side-walk seat downtown for the patriotic parade or simply looking forward to a lazy day by the pool with a few friends until the fireworks start, declare your American pride by having something red, white and/or blue on hand (or in your hand) all day Thursday, July 4. Here are some ideas that won't break the bank.

**Keep it cool** - We found a bright red "Drinks" tub for \$19.99 at Tuesday Morning. Fill it with all the bottles and cans of soda, wine, water or beer that'll fit and add a bag of crushed ice. Also spotted: beach towels and umbrellas in various patterns of red, white and blue, and pint-sized plastic chairs in red and blue (\$3.99) for flag-waving toddlers.



**Tervis goes patriotic** - Every household can always use another Tervis Tum-

bler or two, right? Beall's has them with all-American designs from fireworks and flags to Uncle Sam and stars-and-stripes peace signs (\$15.99 for a 16-ounce mug or tumbler).



**Cheers!** - Redneck wine glasses (Mason jars affixed to "crystal" stems) are great for indoor to-dos, but a Solo cup hot-glued to a plastic stem is safe by the pool (40 percent off the regular price of \$14.99 at Beall's).

**Decorate!** - Beall's has an array of wood blocks with patriotic proclamations such as "Every heart beats true ..." (40 percent off the regular price of \$24.99). Prop one up by the "Drinks" tub. Dollar Tree has paper lanterns (\$3 for a package of two) perfect for hanging in the pool cage or over the buffet table.

**Accessorize!** - Every red-blooded fashionista can accessorize herself for the holiday with one stop at Charming Charlies in Mercato, where we scored sunglasses (\$12.99), bangle bracelets (\$10) and a necklace inspired by Old Glory (\$10). By the checkout counter at Pier One, we found necklaces of little red, white and blue stars that light up and blink (\$10).



**Store and serve** - We don't usually think of Best of Everything for kitchen stuff, but these metal mixing bowls with plastic lids would be perfect "accessories" for an Independence Day pot-luck (\$8 and \$10). Also seen: a bright red, crisp cotton tunic dotted with white crabs and trimmed in navy blue (\$44), and gauzy cotton scarves in red or blue and white stripes (\$14). And if hair bows are your thing, Best of Everything has tons of them in red, white and blue for \$3 each.

**A patriotic picnic** - Make your patties the All-American kind with a burger press from World Market (\$7.99). Sip your liquid refreshment through an old-fashioned paper straw (\$4.99, also at World Market). And pack up your paper plates (\$1-\$2 at Dollar Tree) and other picnic must-haves in a retro-plaid tin for easy transport (\$17.99 at World Market).



### Patriotic places to be

- **Everglades City**  
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 29  
Independence Day parade, Art-in-the-Glades art festival, fun and games for the whole family.
- **Fleischmann Park**  
7 a.m. Thursday, July 4  
The annual Moe's Firecracker 5K Race sets out at 8 a.m. Registration begins at 7 a.m. Sign up in advance at [www.gcrunner.org](http://www.gcrunner.org).
- **Third Street South**  
and Fifth Avenue South  
10 a.m. Thursday, July 4  
The city's annual July Fourth Parade starts on Third Street South and winds up at Eighth Street near Cambier Park.
- **Sugden Regional Park**  
4-10 p.m. Thursday, July 4  
Free ice cream social, 4-6 p.m.; big band music, 7-8:30 p.m.; fireworks, 9:15 p.m. Bring blankets or lawn chairs for seating. No parking on site; shuttles will run from various locations. Call 793-4414 or visit [www.collierparks.com](http://www.collierparks.com).
- **Mercato**  
6-9 p.m. Thursday, July 4  
Indie-Pendence Day celebration including lawn games, face painting and live music by The Free-styles.
- **Waterside Shops**  
7:30-10 p.m. Thursday, July 4  
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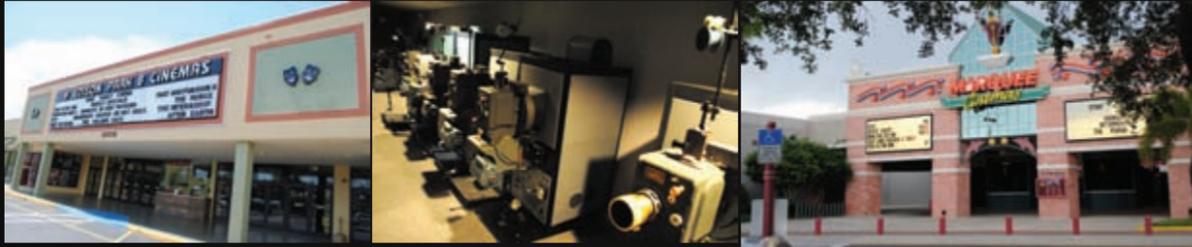
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# MONEY & INVESTING

## Wealthy giving changes in light of federal policy



2011's giving focuses on the patterns, priorities and trends of America's wealthiest households. The Bank of America study also was conducted in conjunction with the Center for Philanthropy at Indiana University; it is the fourth time-sequenced study covering this group's giving.

While the middle and lower economic classes focus their giving on religious causes or their church, the giving by HNW individuals becomes much more diverse and is becoming far more complicated.

HNW individuals are defined, per the Indiana University study, as households with incomes exceeding \$200,000 and/or with net assets exceeding \$1 million. It is this group that writes the priceless checks to support the many worthy organizations in higher education, medical research, health institutions, the arts and so forth.

Their reasons for giving vary, from passionate interests, to peer pressure, to complicated tax strategies, to generational family traditions, etc. But their capacity to give might be constrained by higher levels of taxation and the economic sub par recovery. As a consequence, HNW giving (excluding the top 50 philanthropists) is changing.

The biggest change in 2011's HNW giving (excluding the mega million gifts or "outliers") was that giving decreased from 2009. "The average amount donated to philanthropic causes in 2011 was \$52,770 — a 7 percent decline from 2009." (But it is a 45 percent decline from 2005 when the average amount — excluding the "outlier" gifts — was \$96,408.)

Even though high-net-worth households are on average giving less, the giving of the top 50 philanthropists moves the overall meter. In 2011, the inclusion of the bequest from the estate of Margaret Cargill — \$4.4 billion — accounted for the decline in giving by the average HNW households.

Besides a decline in gifting, The Philanthropy Daily reported in November that the HNW givers made some other changes in 2011. They became more focused, reducing the number of gift recipients.

Surprisingly, according to the Bank of America report, the HNW group expects nonprofits "to spend an appropriate amount of their donation on general administration and fundraising ... " as it demonstrates sound business and operational practices. "They expect nonprofits to honor their request for privacy and anonymity and similarly to not distribute their name to others."

The HNW group is very much impacted by tax policy. "The Obama administration threatened at several points in Obama's first term to decrease the value of the charitable deduction for high-income households. Nearly half — 49 percent — of respondents in the new Bank of America report said that they would decrease their charitable giving in response to such a move (about the same percentage of respondents who reported that they would feel this way in the previous Bank of America reports)."

For those who readily point to the wealthy as not paying their fair share, they might want to, firstly, consider the degree to which the HNW group give more than their fair share (... to many nonprofits for which

they or their children are direct recipients of such largesse; e.g., gifts that help colleges meet their budgets) and, second, consider that the nature of very large gifts generally requires a lot of time and effort in making the gift.

More than 90 percent of the HNW group donate time to the nonprofits. Beyond this service, most donors expend much time finding suitable recipients; conducting due diligence to affirm legitimacy; structuring the gift for tax benefit and creating a vehicle for giving in perpetuity; reviewing the funds' expenditure and effectiveness, etc. Rarely is a large gift made without a multitude of such time-consuming steps. Rarely is the gift whimsically made.

This column's focus on HNW giving does not suggest that lower and middle income groups are not doing their very best in their charitable giving and labors.

The various reports are worthy of reading by those involved with nonprofit giving or solicitation. ■

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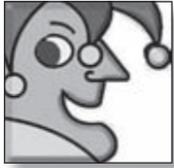
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### Progress for Shareholder Rights

Many stock investors discard the annual proxy statements and ballots they receive from their holdings without looking at them. That's a shame, as investors have been wielding more power lately. More attention is being paid to matters of corporate governance, such as board composition, voting rights and CEO pay issues. And the link between corporate governance, shareholder rights and choosing solid investments is gaining the attention it deserves.

According to data from proxy advisory firm Institutional Shareholder Services, as of last year, 21.5 percent of S&P 500 companies had an outside director serving as chairman of the board, a huge increase from just 3 percent 10 years ago.

Other heartening signs include corporations increasingly embracing shareholder-friendly gestures such as eliminating staggered board elections and putting majority voting in place. Both of these have a huge influence on the level of difficulty shareholders have in voting out underperforming or even incompetent directors.

Staggered board elections remain in only a quarter of companies. They're a share-

holder nightmare because they have only a portion of the board coming up for election in any given year.

Meanwhile, plurality voting is giving way to majority voting. Majority voting requires directors to receive a majority of votes cast in order to be elected. Far fewer votes can prevail with plurality voting.

Not everything is improving, though. Multiple-class stock structures are on the upswing, permitting insiders to maintain voting control.

It's no surprise there's still work left to do in reminding corporate managements and boards that they are beholden to shareholders, not their own self-interest and control. And more shareholders need to come to the realization that they're part-owners of public companies, so they should act like it.

Recent years have delivered accelerated progress, though, strengthening shareholders more than ever. If we investors continue to take long-term views and weigh factors such as corporate governance policies in our investment decisions and proxy voting, we'll see far more victories toward the goal of having stronger companies to invest in — and a stronger marketplace. ■

## My Smartest Investment

### Don't Settle for High Fees

The smartest move I ever made, many years ago, was getting out of a big brokerage and transferring all my money to AARP, which charged relatively little. At the brokerage, my money was just sitting there, doing nothing, while I was charged very steep annual fees.

— J.R., Las Vegas

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AARP still offers financial services, such as immediate annuities and insurance. It has partnered with Schwab, for example, providing financial advising and brokerage services. (Learn more at [AARP.org](http://AARP.org).)

It's great that you realized how harmful steep fees can be. If a firm is taking hundreds of dollars from your account every year, it better be more than making up for that with great performance. Otherwise, it's just shrinking your nest egg, which could grow elsewhere.



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!

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### Spending Company Money

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— S.L., West Palm Beach, Fla.

A It's how the company spends its money, doing such things as buying back some of its shares on the open market, paying shareholders a dividend, paying off debt, buying another company, investing the money, or reinvesting it in the firm's core business (perhaps building a new factory or hiring more employees).

Companies should spend effectively, though — buying back overpriced shares or paying too much for an acquisition, for example, is wasteful and hurts shareholders.

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Q Once I decide to invest in a mutual fund or a stock, how do I actually do it?

— R.B., Honolulu

A You can invest in most mutual funds either through an account you set up at a brokerage, and/or through the mutual fund's parent company (such as Vanguard or T. Rowe Price). Some funds have small minimum initial investment requirements, such as \$500 (compared with \$10,000 or more for other funds).

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## The Motley Fool Take

### A Refined Stock

Valero Energy (NYSE: VLO) was recently one of the cheapest stocks in the S&P 500. Having both fans and doubters, it deserves some consideration for a berth in your portfolio.

Based in San Antonio and sporting a market value north of \$20 billion, Valero is one of America's largest oil refiners and ethanol producers. Its stock doubled in value over the past year, and yet it still looks compelling, with its price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio in the single digits and a solid dividend yield. (Its dividend has grown by about 8 percent annually, on average, over the past five years.)

Valero has been profiting from strong international demand for energy products.

Naysayers don't like Valero's vulnerability to volatile commodity prices and worry that the company may suffer from proposed regulations requiring cleaner gasoline. Bulls see a lot of promise in the U.S. shale boom and like that Valero (and others) have been buying thousands of rail cars in order to transport inland crude to its refineries.

Valero has also made investments in next-generation biofuel technologies such as green crude and algae farms, although each will take considerable time to prove effective at commercial scale. No company or stock is a sure thing, but Valero has been looking intriguing at recent levels. If management executes well, there could be a lot of upside to this oil stock. ■

# BUSINESS MEETINGS

■ **Leadership Bonita alumni** are invited to a refresher session from 1-4 p.m. Friday, June 28, at the Bonita Springs Fire Control & Rescue District, 27701 Bonita Grande Drive. After the program, all Leadership Bonita alumni (including those who did not attend the refresher session) are invited to happy hour from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at Fitzgerald's Irish Pub, 9070 Bonita Beach Road. RSVP by calling 992-2943 or visiting [www.bonitachamber.com](http://www.bonitachamber.com).

■ Young Professionals of the **Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** have a Wake Up networking event from 7:45-9 a.m. Tuesday, July 9, at Toast, 24600 S. Tamiami Trail. Attendance is free; food will be for sale. RSVP by

calling 992-2943 or visiting [www.bonitachamber.com](http://www.bonitachamber.com).

■ **Wake Up Naples** for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 7:30-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 10, at the Hilton Naples. Guest speaker will be Dwight Brock, Collier County clerk of courts. The morning's sponsor is CenturyLink. Call 262-6376 or visit [www.napleschamber.org/events](http://www.napleschamber.org/events).

■ The **East Naples Merchants Association** meets for Business After Business at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 11, at Physicians Regional-Collier Boulevard. For more information, call 435-9410 or 643-3600 or visit [www.eastnaplesmerchantsassoc.com](http://www.eastnaplesmerchantsassoc.com).

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■ The **Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce** holds its next Business After Five event from 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, July 17, at the Old Marco Pub & Restaurant, 1105 Bald Eagle Drive on Marco. \$5 for members, \$10 for others (cash bar). For more information, call 394-7549, e-mail [kate@marcoislandchamber.org](mailto:kate@marcoislandchamber.org) or visit [www.marcoislandchamber.org](http://www.marcoislandchamber.org).

■ **Business After Five** for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 18, at Whole Foods in Mercato. \$8 for members, \$25 for others. RSVP by calling 262-6376

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■ 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. ■

# MOVIE SUMMER

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year,” said Nick Campo, partner and general manager of Fort Myers Beach Theatre and Marco Movies. “When everyone else is winding down, we’re building up for summer.”

From hometown operators such as Mr. Campo to the country’s largest theater chain, Regal Entertainment Group, expectations are high for summer ticket sales. Regal has 6,777 screens nationwide, including those at Town Center Stadium 16 in Port Charlotte, Hollywood Stadium 20 in Naples, and Bell Tower Stadium 20 in Fort Myers.

“Summer’s got a great mix of something for everybody,” said Christine White, Regal’s southern region marketing manager. “It’s hitting every fan group and every interest base.”

One of the country’s smallest operations, the boutique Silverspot Theatre in Naples, offers special indie features in addition to blockbusters, plush seating and gourmet food. And Edison Park 8, an independently owned theater in Fort Myers, reopened in January with major upgrades after closing during the recession.

“The summer is always the season for theaters, unlike restaurants,” said Bill Goble, projection manager for Edison Park 8.

The theater’s renovations include Dolby Surround Sound, 3-D, and ultra high-resolution digital projectors. At 4,000 lines per inch, they’re twice the resolution that other theaters offer and almost four times that of a standard 1080 HD television, Mr. Goble says. For movie history buffs, the theater has kept many of its antique projectors for posterity as well. An upstairs room at the theater will be used for birthday parties and to show off some projectors as museum pieces.

## Top grossing

Marquee Cinema’s Coralwood 10 in Cape Coral increases its staff from roughly 20 to 30 for the summer season. “Iron Man 3” was a huge hit, of course. But the theater is even busier when movies that reach across market segments come in combination, pointed out general manager Matt Vandemark.

Marquee was busiest recently when “Fast & Furious 6” combined with raunchy comedy “The Hangover Part III” and animated feature “Epic” to reach a more diverse audience, from boys to boy-men.

Features geared toward kids bring in bigger, younger crowds.

“During the summer, kids’ movies



Edison Park 8 manager Bill Goble shows off antique film projectors.

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are the most important thing,” Mr. Vandemark said, especially on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 9:30 when the theater offers a free kids’ show. On one such morning, busses arrived and parents dropped off children, filling the theater’s almost 1,300 seats to capacity.

“We were running around like chickens with our heads cut off,” Mr. Vandemark said.

## Sleeper hits

Every year brings surprise hits, movies often geared toward mature audiences and made with relatively low budgets that end up being widely popular.

Last year, the comedy-drama “Magic Mike,” a picture about a group of male strippers in Tampa, was the sneaker hit of the season, turning on straight women, gay men and movie critics down the line. This year, “The Purge,” a horror film made by production company Platinum Dunes, blew away stiff competition, heading to the top spot for its opening weekend. It is about a future in which all crime is legal for 12 hours each year.

“Some of the surprise stuff has been “The Purge,” said Jerry Jones, director of film, television and digital media for The Charlotte Harbor Visitor & Convention Bureau. “The premise, from the

standpoint of an older demographic, looked not very appealing. But that little production company has a history of making these little low budget films hugely successful.”

Marquee in Cape Coral gets younger kids during the week — when teenagers head to the beach, Mr. Vandemark surmises — and teenagers on the week-

ends. The teens tend to like R-rated pictures (those younger than 17 must be accompanied by an adult, not just dropped off at the show), so identification is checked at the door.

Even if they aren’t allowed in, “they try,” says Mr. Vandemark with a smile. “They absolutely try their hardest.”

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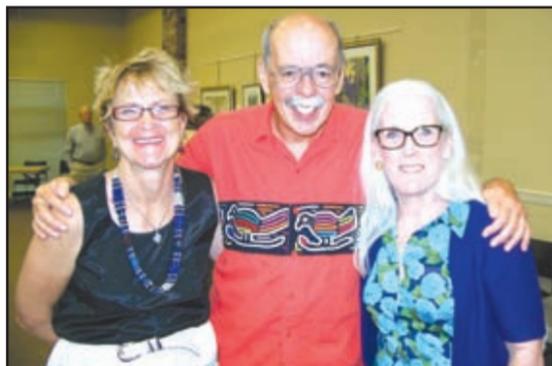
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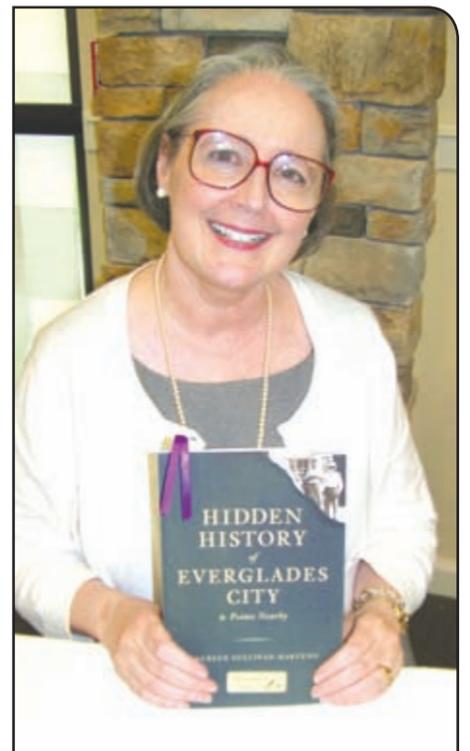
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## Champions For Learning, Take Stock in Children at Golden Gate High School



1. Jose Hernandez, Susan McManus and Matt Mucci (fifth, sixth and seventh from left) with Golden Gate High students and JROTC cadets
2. Beth Colman and Rich Mattes
3. Barb Anderson and Claudine Leger-Wetzel
4. Golden Gate High School culinary students
5. Cadet Lt. Col. Tiare Velasco and John Sorey
6. Carlos Tarra and Bill Zellin
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## What \$799,000 will buy in SWFL

6791 PENZANCE BLVD., FORT MYERS



This beautiful custom home is located along a private road on more than 1½ acres. Interior features include a stunning kitchen with island, granite countertops, raised panel custom cabinetry offering ample storage, KitchenAid appliances, double oven and breakfast bar. Other features are a media room, 10-foot coffered ceilings, hickory wood floors, custom tile in bathrooms, frameless glass doors, solid core interior doors, wood-burning fireplace, three Trane air-conditioning zones and a safe room. The home has a large paved lanai with saltwater pool, three-car garage and two electric gates. The guesthouse offers two bedrooms, 2½ bathrooms, kitchen and living room in 1,350 square feet and a downstairs office of 1,000 square feet. The home is listed at \$799,500. Contact listing agent Sunni Hammermeister of Sellstate Premier Realty Network at (239) 822-3332. ■

5025 N. BEACH ROAD, ENGLEWOOD



This updated home is located on a spacious bayfront parcel. The home of 2,019 square feet of living space has three bedrooms and two bathrooms, including a master bathroom with a shower and no tub. The dining room, living room and kitchen have views of the bay. The living room has a gas fireplace, and the home has tile flooring except for the master bedroom and game/exercise rooms, which have new carpeting. Other interior features are solid wood cabinets, stone counters and window treatments. The property has a dock with room for three boats. The home is listed at \$799,000. Contact listing agent JoAnn Schilp of Nelda Thompson & Associates in Englewood at (941) 475-8572. ■

4855 POND APPLE DRIVE S., NAPLES



This gorgeous pool home with spectacular views of a lake and golf course is in the gated golf course community of Quail Creek. The home of 3,636 square feet of living space offers four bedrooms, a den and 2½ bathrooms. A loft space can serve as a retreat or office. Other interior features are cathedral ceilings, closet cabinets and custom mirrors. The extended patio includes an outdoor kitchen, and the home has a three-car garage. The landscaping is lush and manicured. Community amenities include a clubhouse, fitness center and putting green. The home is listed at \$799,000. To learn more, contact listing agent Tiffany McQuaid of McQuaid & Company at (239) 287-6308. ■

22431 GLENVIEW LANE, BONITA SPRINGS



This pool home with golf course and preserve views is in the Glenview subdivision of the Shadow Wood at The Brooks. Glenview is an enclave of 17 homes on a quiet cul-de-sac opposite a tranquil preserve. The home of 3,693 square feet includes four bedrooms, den and 4½ bathrooms. Among the updates are refinished kitchen cabinets, new pool equipment, stainless steel appliances, natural gas stove and Viking refrigerator, electric roller storm shutters, a home entertainment center with a flat-screen TV in the family room, California closets, two air-conditioning units, TV and speakers on the lanai, hot water heater and an air purifying system. The tropical pool is in a courtyard setting, and the residence has a two-story cabana. The home is listed at \$799,000. For more information, contact listing agent Sheila Gea of Palm Realty Group at (239) 455-2727. ■

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**Cove Tower | Caribe**  
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**Pelican Bay**  
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# Center for Healthy Living opens at Moorings Park

Tailored specifically for forward-thinking seniors, the new Center for Healthy Living at Moorings Park addresses all aspects of physical, emotional and spiritual wellness under one roof. Director of the 37,000-square-foot center is Dr. Michael Gloth, who has been a practicing geriatrician for more than 20 years and was previously an associate professor of medicine in the division of geriatric medicine at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

According to CEO Dan Lavender, the resident-focused, physician-based center will improve the delivery of health care to Moorings Park residents, expand the knowledge of the aging process and introduce new approaches to care “that celebrate the positive aspects of aging and optimize vitality and happiness.”

The center offers personalized physician services, integrated rehabilitation programs and licensed professional staff specializing in geriatrics. Its features include customized cardio and strength programming as well as cognitive and memory training. There is also a theater suitable for feature films and lectures, and a full-service salon and spa and an Internet café.

A Max-Wellness retail store is set to open soon at the center, stocked with merchandise selected by Max-Wellness CEO Michael Feuer (also co-founder of Office Max) in collaboration with Moorings Park’s medical staff and wellness providers. Products will range from natural vitamins and supplements to fitness items and mobility devices.

Moorings Park is at 120 Moorings Park Drive. For more information, call 643-9111. ■



Dr. John Little, Dan Buettner, Major John Sorey and Dan Lavender



Dr. Michael Gloth, Dan Buettner, Dan Lavender, Dr. John Little and Steve Brinkert



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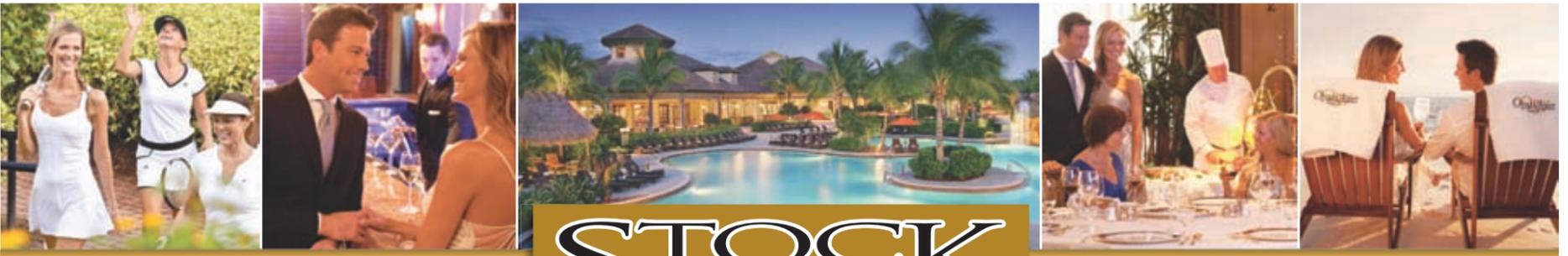
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# REAL ESTATE NEWSMAKERS

**Susie Ulrich-Loewel** and **Nancy Fox** earned top sales honors for Stock Development at Lely Resort in May. A native of Bath, Ohio, and a Florida resident since 1984, Ms. Ulrich-Loewel has worked as a real estate professional in central sales at Vineyards, Stonebridge Country Club and Lely Resort. She is a member of the Naples Area Board of Realtors, the Collier Building Industry Association Sales and Marketing Council and the Women's Council of Realtors. A native of Fort Knox, Ky., Ms. Fox has been a Florida resident since 1971 and has 31 years of experience in real estate sales. Before joining Lely Resort, she spent six years as the sales manager at Europa-by-the-Sea in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and also worked at West Bay Club and for Gulfshore Homes in Pelican Landing.

**John Zagar** earned top sales honors for Stock Development at Mediterra for the month of May. A native of Minneapolis, he has spent more than 30 years in the real

estate profession. Mr. Zagar has worked in a variety of sales position with Stock since 2003.

**Sharon Karr** earned top sales honors for Stock Development at Black Bear Ridge in May. Originally from Springfield, Mo., she has lived in Florida since 1979 and has 30 years of real estate experience. Before joining Stock, she was a sales associate at Vineyards Realty and has also worked for US Home/Lennar in Fort Myers and Centex Homes/Pulte Homes in Estero.

**Friley Saucier**, a broker associate in the Broad Avenue office of Premier Sotheby's International Realty, has been selected to serve on the advisory board of Leaders in Luxury, an educational and networking event exclusive to real estate agents who work in the million and multi-million dollar home and estate market in the United States and Canada. Hosted by the Dallas-based Institute for Luxury Home Marketing, the event takes place in October at the Four Seasons in Seattle. ■

## Move-in ready Biella design available in Firano at Naples

Toll Brothers offers new homebuyers the opportunity to move in before season and enjoy the Florida lifestyle in a new quick-delivery home in Firano at Naples. Buyers can personalize the Biella floor plan with selections from the builder's regional design studio.

The Biella has two bedrooms plus a study and 2½ baths in slightly more than 2,058 square feet of air-conditioned living space. With a two-car garage, lanai and entry, the home includes 2,777 total square feet. The great room/dining room/kitchen are at the heart of the home. Details include stainless steel appliances, granite countertops in the kitchen with undermount sinks, 42-inch upper cabinetry and raised-panel cabinetry in the kitchen, granite counter tops in the master bath and 18-by-18-inch floor tile.

The Biella is priced at \$495,995, with completion planned for January 2014.

Firano at Naples will have 112 single-family homes on approximately 40 acres when completed. Amenities include a clubhouse

with a community room, fitness center and media center, a pool with sun decks and spa, and a children's playground.

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The entrance to Firano at Naples is four miles from downtown Naples on Davis Boulevard. The model and sales center are open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 596-5966 or visit [www.firanoatnaples.com](http://www.firanoatnaples.com).

In addition to Firano at Naples, Toll Brothers' Florida West Division includes Bonita Lakes, a new community of luxury single-family homes on Imperial Parkway in Bonita Springs priced from the low \$300,000s to the \$600,000s; The Reserve at Estero, a community of single-family homes also on Estero Parkway priced from the \$200,000s; and Belle Lago, a single-family community nearing completion on Estero Parkway priced from the mid-\$300,000s. ■



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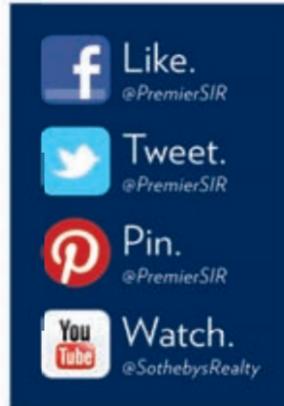
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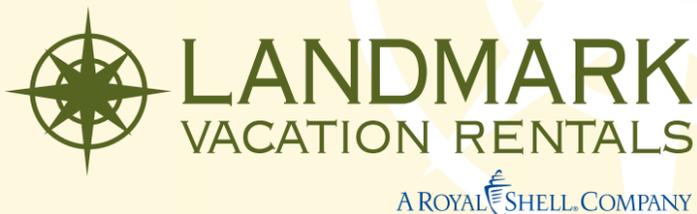
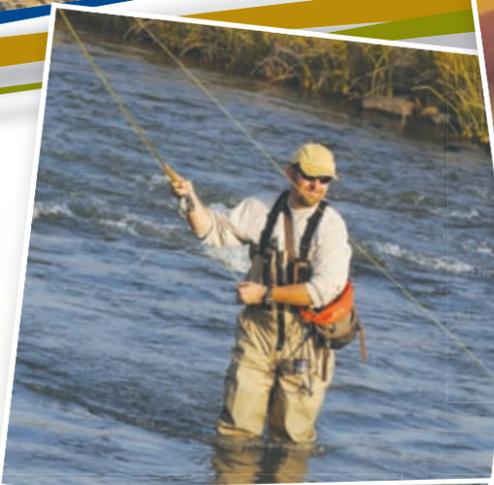
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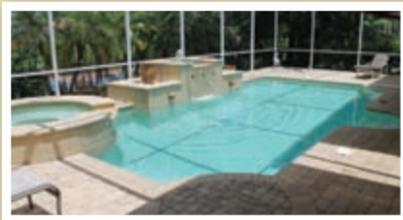
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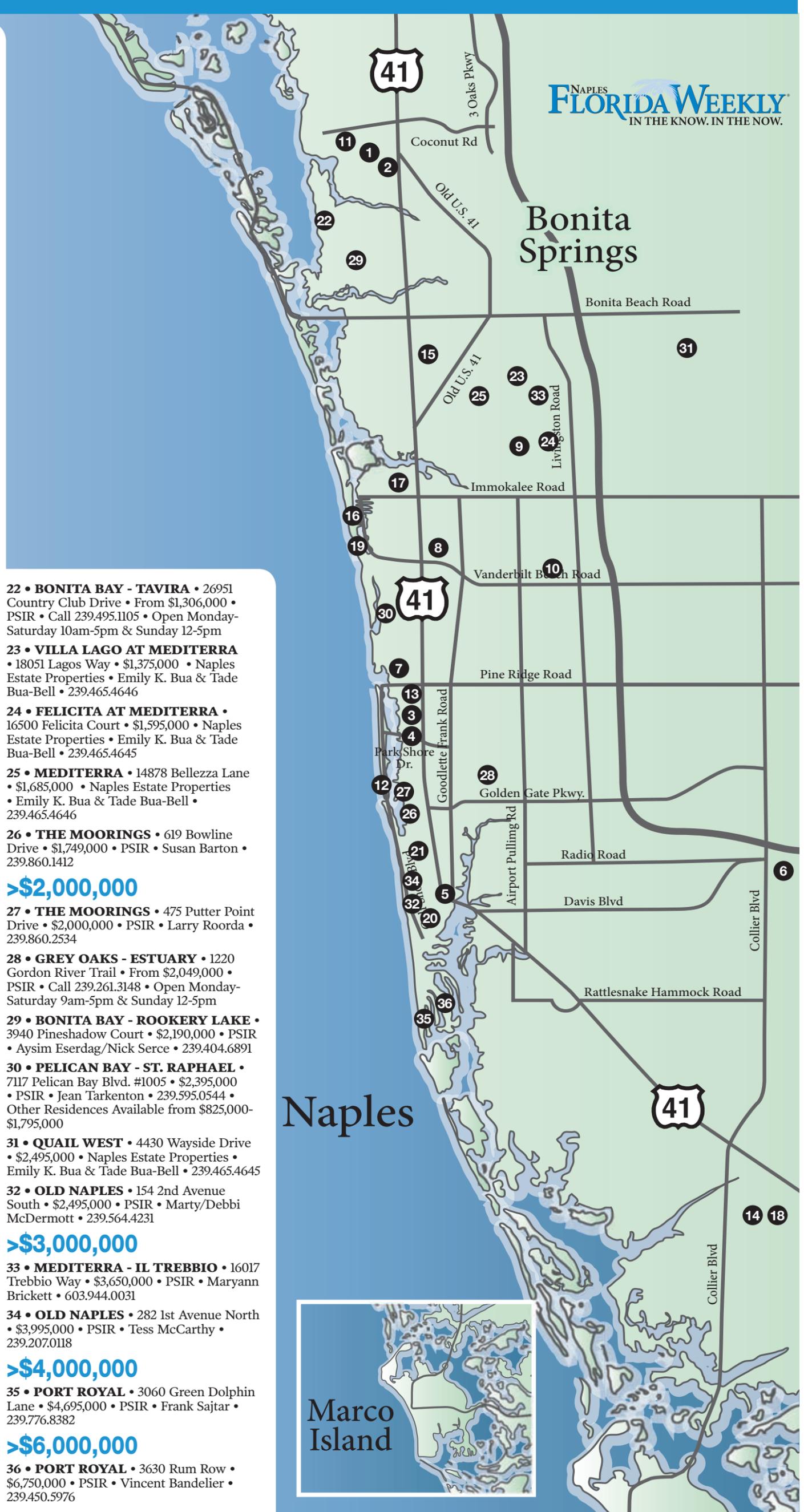
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A GUIDE TO THE LOCAL ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT SCENE

"It's an incredible show ... so full of heart. Everything is so passionate and so emotional. You become emotionally invested with the people in the show."

— Charles Fornara, The Naples Players



VANDY MAJOR/ FLORIDA WEEKLY  
Left: Dave Gipson as Valjean. Right: Michael Freshko as Javert in The Naples Players' performance of "Les Misérables."

BY NANCY STETSON  
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"THIS WHOLE SHOW IS WOW!" SAYS Charles Fornara. "Everything about this show is wow!" He's talking about "Les Misérables," the musical based on Victor Hugo's 1862 novel.

The show celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2010. The new national tour played Artis—Naples (the venue formerly known as the Philharmonic Center for the Arts) in 2012 and the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall in Fort Myers this past March. A movie version starring Hugh Jackman, Anne Hathaway and Russell Crowe was released last year.

And now The Naples Players are trying their hand at it. The

SEE LES MIZ, C4 ▶

## Epic roles

*Naples Players interpret beloved characters in 'Les Miz'*

## Improv troupe adds performances through July

Naples' newest improvisational theater troupe has added performances to its summer debut at the Sugden Community Theatre. First-timers and fans of Stage 2 Improv can catch a show Thursday-Saturday, July 11-13, 18-20 and 25-27. Performances feature scenes, games and songs that are driven from suggestions by the audience. Each show is created on the spot, so no two are ever alike.



Stage 2 Improv is directed by Michael Santos and Judith Gangi Santos, co-founders of the now-defunct Naples City Improv. "We are proud of our show and what we have accomplished so far," Mr. Santos says. "We're grateful and excited for the continued support of the community."

In addition to the Santoses, the cast consists of JamieLynn Bucci, Kat Ebaugh, Brad Goetz, Steven Johnson, Randy Jones, Meg Pryor and Nancy Swartz. Interns for the summer shows are Casey Debrowski, Synthia Dubose, Guy Clover, Bukki Sittler, Rosie Spinosa and Corey Walker.

Show time is 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for ages 18 and younger. Call 263-7990 or visit [www.naplesplayers.org](http://www.naplesplayers.org). ■

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# SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

## Our overly medicated human condition



An alert reader who enjoys reading about sex and relationships as much as I do recently sent me a compelling article from The New York Times Magazine: "Unexcited? There May Be a Pill for That."

The article explores the pharmaceutical industry's response to the complicated female libido, a subject that has long fascinated (and eluded) researchers. In the story we're given a look into the science behind a new medication called Lybrido currently undergoing FDA trials. The pill aims to kindle female desire; many hope it will be a panacea for the declining sex drives that haunt many long-term couples.

The article rightly points out the complexity of female desire, an elaborate system of physical and emotional stimuli often weighed down by the demands of daily life. Any misstep on the way to copulation — and there are many — can snuff out a woman's appetite. Scientists are aiming to develop a drug that would prevent that, but to call these medications a female version

of Viagra is misleading, the article's author writes:

"Viagra meddles with the arteries; it causes physical shifts that allow the penis to rise. A female-desire drug would be something else. It would adjust the primal and executive regions of the brain. It would reach into the psyche."

The complicating factor with the female libido, it seems, has less to do with quotidian distractions and more to do with the quotidian itself.

Through his research, the author suggests that the plunge in female libido is often tied to long-term monogamy. Whereas male desire stabilizes in a relationship, female desire plummets. We're not so much distracted, it turns out, as bored.

Which is a terrifying prospect. So terrifying that a drug has been invented to counteract it.

But what exactly are we afraid of? Perhaps that everything will fall apart.

We've created this mass delusion that we should find the right person, settle down together and feel uncomplicated lust into old age, long after the sheen has worn off the wedding china. We think if only we choose correctly, if we behave wisely, if we keep a tight rein on our desires and toe the unambivalent line, then this fantasy will come to pass. And if not? Now there's a pharmaceutical solution.

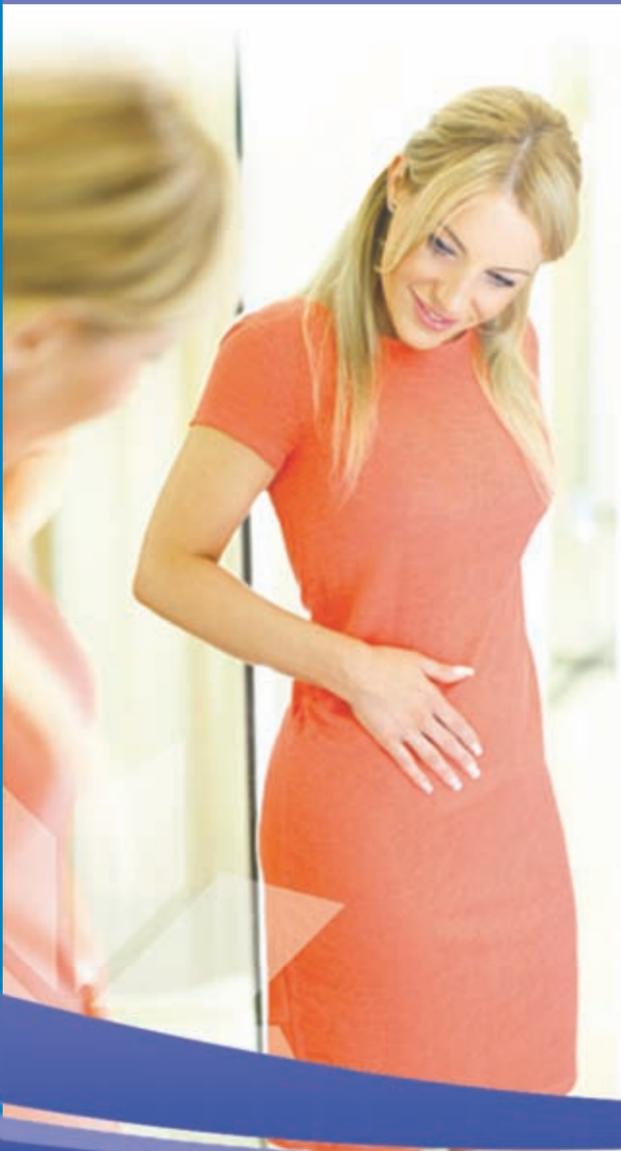
What worries me about all this is not simply our reliance on an easy external fix — the fact that we would turn to a pill in times of struggle — but our unwillingness to examine life's messy complications. We expend so much energy fortifying this ideal life we have built in our minds that we miss the opportunities for dazzling misadventures.

Life's most worthy moments rarely spring from smooth passages. They arise during the complicated chapters, the parts where we thought everything was falling down around us. If a perfectly content existence were handed to us in a pill, we would lose the rich complexity that makes this time on earth so remarkable.

I'd argue that the human condition is a state of uncertainty, and that the intangible loveliness of existence comes from the ebb and flow of all things — including desire. Why would we ever give that up? ■



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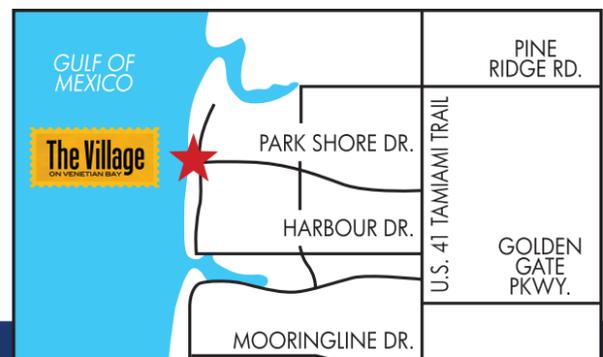
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# LES MIZ

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production opens Friday, June 28, at the Sugden Community Theatre and runs through July 28.

Mr. Fornara is music director, conducting an orchestra of 14 in the pit; his wife, Dawn Lebrecht Fornara, is the choreographer. Dallas Dunnagan directs. This trio has been a winning combination many times for The Naples Players, often with the company's summer musicals.

In his nine years with the community theater, Mr. Fornara says, this is "the best cast I've ever had ... I thought 'All Shook Up' was great. This one is better, though it has a lot of the same people. I'm absolutely thrilled."

It's a musical Mr. Fornara knows well. He played both male leads — Jean Valjean and police inspector Javert — in the late 1990s in Germany for a little over a year. Initially, for the first six months, he was an alternate for both roles, a role similar to that of an understudy, except the actor is guaranteed stage time. Mr. Fornara would perform as Valjean in two shows and as Javert in another two performances each week — in German.

"They're enormous roles," he says.

Valjean, a French peasant, steals a loaf of bread for his sister's starving child. He serves prison time, but when he's released, he breaks his parole and is pursued relentlessly by Javert. So within the course of a week, Mr. Fornara would play both the man being chased and the one doing the chasing.

"What's also really funny is that they each have a song that starts exactly the same way," he says. "When you don't know the language that well, you have to be super careful. Valjean sings his at the beginning of the show, and Javert sings his at the end. You had to be very careful to make sure you were singing the right one."

He looks back at that time as one of the best years of his life.

"The cast was like a family," he says. "It's an incredible show ... so full of heart. Everything is so passionate and so emotional. You become emotionally invested with the people in the show."

Some 20 years later, he says, he sees that happening with The Naples Players cast. At the first rehearsal with orchestra and cast together, he saw people weeping on stage.

Mr. Fornara recalls that when he began rehearsing for the show in Germany, the director told the cast that "Les Miserables" would change their lives.

"And it does," he says. "It really does. I can't say exactly why, except it speaks to so many human emotions."

Part of the show's appeal to actors is that it has several iconic roles — "top-shelf roles that everyone wants to play," he adds.

"Valjean is the best role to play in musical theater if you're a man. If you're a tenor or a bari-tenor, you dream of being Enjolras or Marius. If you're a soprano, you dream about playing Cosette. And if you're a belter, all you want to do is play Éponine.

"And ... every character actor wants to play Thénardier and Madame Thénardier.

"It's everyone's bucket list role, all in one show."

## Role of a lifetime

For baritone Michael Freshko, playing Javert for The Naples Players is a dream come true. "I've loved it for 25 years," he says about the role. "It's my favorite."

He says he's drawn to the police



The Naples Players in rehearsal for "Les Misérables," opening Friday, June 28.

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Music Director Charlie Fornara with Michael Freshko as Javert and Dave Gipson as Valjean.

inspector in "Les Misérables" because the character is so complicated.

"Some people mistakenly think he's a bad guy, but he's passionate ... about being the best he can be. He's doing his job."

He and Mr. Fornara performed together in "CATS" in 1997-98 in Germany, which is where Mr. Freshko saw Mr. Fornara as Valjean on stage at the closing night of "Les Misérables."

As Mr. Freshko prepares to play Javert with The Naples Players, he says Mr. Fornara has been "a wealth of information" about the character ... "the role, the music, the body language ... how Javert walks, stands, holds himself. Once he (shared that) the role started coming together for me."

Dave Gipson, cast in the role of Valjean for the upcoming production, also finds Mr. Fornara's first-hand experience invaluable.

"He's there to guide me through it; he knows it inside and out," he says. "He's been an inspiration to me, personally, and also a comfort. It's like having someone shepherd you through it. He'll give me bits of stage business I wouldn't have thought of doing, because he has been through it himself. I'm very fortunate to have him there as a guide. He has incredible insight into the character."

Mr. Gipson, who in real life serves as the pastor at Legacy Church of Naples, says the character of Valjean is "the most Christian character in musical theater, other than Jesus himself. He spends his entire life sacrificing himself for others ...

He's a heroic figure. Because of the pain he's been through in his life, he has a tremendous amount of mercy."

At the other end of the spectrum, Mr. Gipson adds, "Javert is a self-righteous man. Both characters claim to know God and be religious, but they're completely opposite. One is self-sacrificing and merciful, while the other is judgmental and hateful. To me, the play is a sermon."

## 'A monster to conduct'

It isn't just the complexity of characters that makes "Les Misérables" a great musical, says Mr. Fornara, it's "how beautiful the music is, how strong the story."

(Claude-Michel Schönberg wrote the music. Alain Boublil and Jean-Marc Natel wrote the French lyrics, which were adapted into English by Herbert Kretzmer.)

The original version of the musical was known for its turntable set; the new national production doesn't use one, instead incorporating clever video projections to give a sense of place and movement.

Nor does The Naples Players' production have a turntable.

"When you get the rights (to the musical), the contract specifically spells out that you're forbidden to use a turntable," Mr. Fornara says. "I think they wanted to keep the memory of the original production untainted. Only (producer) Cameron Mackintosh (could use the turntable set); that version will never be repeated."



Kellie Cullinan as Cosette and Dave Gipson as Valjean.

**in the know**

"Les Misérables"

>> **When:** June 28-July 28

>> **Where:** The Sugden Community Theatre

>> **Tickets:** \$35 for adults, \$10 for ages 18 and younger

>> **Info:** 263-7990 or [www.naplesplayers.org](http://www.naplesplayers.org)

Mr. Fornara won't disclose how the Players are staging the show, allowing only that set designer Matt Flynn and his team, costume designer Dot Auchmoody and Ms. Dunnagan as the director have had "really good ideas."

Conducting the score will keep him on his toes throughout the month-long run, he says. "No matter how well I know the score — and I can sing the entire score, everyone's part — it's a monster to conduct. There are so many meter changes, so many crazy musical things ... it's pushing me to the limit. It's as complicated as conducting any opera would be."

The musical marks the first time the Players have covers for roles — someone who can step in and play someone else's role, if they need to. The show is vocally demanding, even the new shorter version that runs from 2 hours, 45 minutes to 3 hours long.

"I think this is going to be the best thing we've ever done," Mr. Fornara says. ■

# Naples, Fort Myers festivals seek entries from filmmakers

The Naples International Film Festival and the Fort Myers Film Festival invite submissions for consideration.

NIFF welcomes full-length features (fiction, at least 40 minutes), documentaries (non-fiction, at least 40 minutes), shorts (narrative or documentary films shorter than 40 minutes) and Florida films (any of the aforementioned, but with principal photography in Florida) exclusively through Withoutabox, the online submission platform, at [www.withoutabox.com/login/7363](http://www.withoutabox.com/login/7363).

The fifth annual NIFF is set for Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 7-10. The opening night screening and gala take place at Artis—Naples; screenings of approximately 40 films will be held at Silverspot Cinema.

Summer screenings hosted by the Film Society of NIFF continue Tuesday, July 9, with “The Sting” at Silverspot Cinema. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for food and drink, and the movie starts at 7 p.m. Next up are “The Station Agent” (Aug. 13) and “Sunset Boulevard” Sept. 10.

A discussion follows each screening. Tickets for \$25 include refreshments.

For more information about NIFF, call 775-3456 or visit [www.naplesfilmfest.com](http://www.naplesfilmfest.com).

## And in Fort Myers

The fourth annual Fort Myers Film Festival is set for Thursday-Monday, March 19-23, 2014. Films for consideration can be submitted online at [www.fortmyersfilmfestival.com](http://www.fortmyersfilmfestival.com).

FMFF categories for 2014 are: features, documentaries, shorts, short shorts, student and “Strictly Local.” Through Aug. 1, entry fees will be waived for submissions from students and filmmakers living in Lee, Collier and Charlotte counties.

FMFF starts its “Missed It Mondays” series on July 22. The six-week series brings back films from the 2013 festival. Screenings are at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 for happy half-hour) at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, downtown Fort Myers. Tickets are \$6.

For more information about FMFF, visit the website above. ■

“The Sting” comes to Silverspot Cinema as part of the Film Society of NIFF summer series on Tuesday evening, July 9.



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# WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

## Theater

■ **Les Mis** – By The Naples Players June 28-July 28 at the Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or [www.naples-players.org](http://www.naples-players.org). See story on page C1.

■ **Shrek The Musical** – June 27-Aug. 10 at the Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or [www.broadwaypalm.com](http://www.broadwaypalm.com).

■ **Funny Money** – Through Aug. 10 at the Off Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or [www.broadwaypalm.com](http://www.broadwaypalm.com).

■ **Bob: A Life in Five Acts** – June 28-July 20 at Laboratory Theater, Fort Myers. 218-0481 or [www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com](http://www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com).

## Thursday, June 27

■ **Family Concert** – The Gulf Coast Symphony presents a family-friendly performance at 1 p.m. at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers. Pre-concert activities include a “Picture This!” art contest and a “Musical Discovery Zone” where children can create a work of art and play an instrument. \$10 for adults, \$7 for children. 481-4849 or [www.bbmannpah.com](http://www.bbmannpah.com).

■ **Take the Floor** – Interior designer Jill Kersey discusses flooring possibilities for the home at 2 p.m. at Clive Daniel Home. Free. Registration required. 213-7844 or [www.clivedaniel.com](http://www.clivedaniel.com).

■ **Stand Up Guy** – Eric Schwartz, aka “Smooth-E,” takes the stage tonight through June 30 at the Off the Hook Comedy Club, Marco Island. 389-6901 or [www.offthehookcomedy.com](http://www.offthehookcomedy.com).

■ **Art Walk** – The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs showcases works by local artists along with live music and light refreshments from 5-7 p.m. at the Promenade at Bonita Bay. 495-8989.

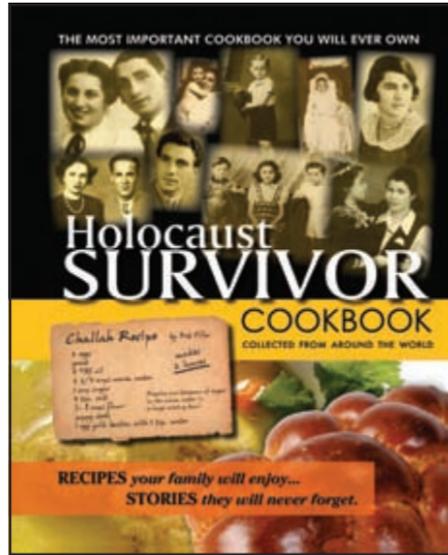
■ **Dancing by the Fountain** – The Village on Venetian Bay hosts an evening of live music and dancing demonstrations from 5-8 p.m. 261-6100 or [www.venetianvillage.com](http://www.venetianvillage.com).

■ **Wine Tasting** – Sea Salt Restaurant hosts a tasting of wines perfect for Fourth of July barbecues from 6-7 p.m. \$10 per person, which can be applied toward dinner. Reservations required. 434-7258 or [www.seasaltnaples.com](http://www.seasaltnaples.com).

■ **Jamming with Jebry** – Jebry’s Jazz Jam takes place from 6-9 p.m. at New York Pizza and Pasta House. 11140 Tamiami Trail N. 594-3500.

■ **Keep it Local** – The Good Life of Naples holds a “Local Farms in the Summertime” cooking class from 6-8 p.m. \$50. 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road. Reservations required. 514-4663 or [www.goodlifenasles.com](http://www.goodlifenasles.com).

■ **More Wine** – The Sauce Lady hosts a wine tasting from 6-8 p.m. \$20. Reservations required. 9331 Tamiami Trail N. 592-5557 or [www.saucelady.com](http://www.saucelady.com).



The Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida hosts Joanne Caras, creator of the “Holocaust Survivor Cookbook” and “Miracles & Meals,” from 7-8:30 p.m. June 27 for a discussion about the books and stories about the people whose recipes they feature. Free. 4760 Tamiami Trail N. 263-9200 or [www.holocaustmuseumsfwl.org](http://www.holocaustmuseumsfwl.org).

■ **Opera Time** – Opera Naples members present a free performance of selections from Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “State Fair” at 7 p.m. at the Naples Italian American Foundation. 7035 Airport Pulling Road. 963-9050.

## Friday, June 28

■ **Farmers Market** – The indoor farmers market at the Shoppes at Vanderbilt is open from noon-6 p.m. today and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 29. 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 273-2350.

■ **Craft Beer Tours** – Tour Naples Beach Brewery from 4-8 p.m. today and 3-7 p.m. June 29. \$15 gets the guided tour and samples of six beers. 4110 Enterprise Ave. 304-8795. [www.naplesbeachbrewery.com](http://www.naplesbeachbrewery.com).

■ **Birthday Bash** – Tommy Bahama’s celebrates its 20th anniversary with live music, refreshments, appetizers and giveaways, from 3-7 p.m. Free. 1220 3rd Street. 643-7920.

■ **Rock Out** – Konnie & Kirk perform from 6-9 p.m. by the pool at Jack’s River Bar. 475 North Road. 213-1441 or [www.floridamarinaclubs.com](http://www.floridamarinaclubs.com).

■ **Piano Music** – Lynn Carol entertains at the baby grand from 6-9 p.m. today and June 22 in the lounge at Capers Kitchen & Bar. 2460 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 431-7438.

■ **Art Reception** – The Sweet Art Gallery hosts an opening reception for “Summer Jamboree,” an exhibit of works by Madelon Gorsky, Sharon Erbe and Mac, from 6-8 p.m. Free. 2054 Trade Center Way. 597-2110.

## Saturday, June 29

■ **Two to Tango** – Alicia Repun leads a tango class from 7-8 p.m. followed by milonga for all levels until 11 p.m. \$15.

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■ **Amazing Animals** – The Golisano Children’s Museum of Naples and Shy Wolf Sanctuary present “Wolves, Coyotes, Dingoes...and Dogs!?” from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the museum. Guests will meet a wolfdog, a coyote and a husky. Free for C’mon members, \$10 for others. 514-0084 or [www.cmon.org](http://www.cmon.org).

■ **Summer Cooking** – Sea Salt restaurant presents a cooking class featuring “Summer Grilling: Fish and Poultry” at 11:30 a.m. \$65 (includes lunch and two glasses of wine). Reservations required. 434-7258.

■ **Summer Smokeout** – The Trail Café & Grill hosts its second annual barbecue and raffle to benefit Humane Society Naples from noon-4 p.m. 370 Airport-Pulling Road. 643-1555 or [www.hsnaples.org](http://www.hsnaples.org).

■ **Young Voices** – The Opera Naples Youth Program presents Gilbert & Sullivan’s “Ruddigore” at 7 tonight and 3 p.m. June 30 at G&L Theatre at Community School of Naples. \$15 for adults, \$8 for children. 963-9050.

■ **Live Tunes** – The Boogie Men perform from 8-10 p.m. under the stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. Free. 267-0783 or [www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com](http://www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com).

■ **Live Tunes** – One Good Day performs a reunion show at 9 p.m. at IIVII Beach Bar & Grille. 13510 Tamiami Trail N. 596-5731.

## Sunday, June 30

■ **Foreign Film** – The Renaissance Academy of FGCU presents a screening and discussion of the film “Paris 36” (France, 2008) beginning at 1 p.m. Rated PG-13 for some sexuality and nudity material. \$5. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737.



Learn about the creation and history of Lady Liberty when WFGU-TV presents the 1985 documentary “Ken Burns’ America: The Statue of Liberty” at 8 p.m. July 2. An Academy Award nominee, the film narrated by David McCullough includes readings by Jeremy Irons and Arthur Miller, among others. See page C16 for more of what’s coming up on the public television station.

■ **Flamenco Guitar** – El Gato Solea plays from 7-10 p.m. at Café Luna. 467 Fifth Ave. S. 213-2212 or [www.cafelunanaples.com](http://www.cafelunanaples.com).

## Monday, July 1

■ **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](http://www.freds-diner.com).

■ **Live Tunes** – Kerry West plays from 7-10 p.m. at Café Luna. 467 Fifth Ave. S. 213-2212 or [www.cafelunanaples.com](http://www.cafelunanaples.com).

## Tuesday, July 2

■ **Movie Time** – The Regal Hollywood Stadium 20 presents a screening of “Monte Carlo” (PG) for \$1 at 10 a.m. as part of its Summer Movie Express series. 6006 Hollywood Blvd. 597-4252 or [www.regmovies.com](http://www.regmovies.com).

■ **History Lecture** – Naples Regional Library hosts David Southall with a presentation titled “The Timucuan Rebellion of 1656” from 10-11:30 a.m. Free. 650 Central Ave. 263-7768 or [www.collierlibrary.org](http://www.collierlibrary.org).

■ **Movie Night** – Catch a free screening of “Hotel Transylvania” beginning at 8:30 p.m. under the stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. Bring blankets or chairs for seating. 267-0783 or [www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com](http://www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com).

## Wednesday, July 3

■ **History Lecture** – Collier County Museum presents “The Florida Crackers: Pioneer Life in Southwest Florida” at 2 p.m. Free. 252-8476 or [www.collier-museums.com](http://www.collier-museums.com).

■ **Independence Eve** – Miromar Outlets celebrates Independence Day from 3:30-8 p.m. with children’s activities, fireworks and entertainment by Superbot and Simple Jack. 948-3766 or [www.miromaroutlets.com](http://www.miromaroutlets.com).

## Coming up

■ **Red, White, and Blue** – Naples Botanical Garden celebrates Independence Day from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 4, with \$4 admission for guests wearing red, white, and blue. 4820 Bayshore Drive. 643-7275 or [www.naplesgarden.org](http://www.naplesgarden.org).

■ **Patriotic Tunes** – The Village on Venetian Bay celebrates Independence Day with patriotic tunes performed by The Suncoast Brass Quintet and more entertainment by the Blue Wave Duo from 4-7 p.m. July 4. [www.venetianvillage.com](http://www.venetianvillage.com).

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**Dec. 7-8:** Pompano Beach Masters Art Festival

**Jan. 18-19:** Naples Masters Art Festival, The Shoppes at Vanderbilt

**Feb. 1-2:** Sarasota Masters Art Festival

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# ARTS COMMENTARY

## Some short shorts for summer



It's summer, the time of flip-flops and shorts.

We can't provide any flip-flops for you, but we do know where you can find some great shorts — the non-wearable kind.

The sun and heat can make the brain a bit sluggish, and with that in mind, we offer some arts and entertainment-related quick hits to check out during the summer months.

### PBS Online

You've probably already watched entire shows on [www.video.pbs.org](http://www.video.pbs.org) (I just caught up with the second season of "Call the Midwife"), but did you know you can also see short videos from some of the network's arts and entertainment shows?

Just think of it as public television's version of early MTV — you know, when they actually showed music videos. I've recently watched:

- Jack White, on electric guitar, performing Paul McCartney's "Mother Nature's Son," with a nod to "That Would Be Something" in the middle.

- Alabama Shakes performing "Born Under a Bad Sign," with lead singer Brittany Howard growling and belting her way through the song.

- Stevie Wonder at the piano, singing the Burt Bacharach/Hal David song, "Alfie." What really knocked my socks off was when, halfway through the song, he played a couple of verses on the harmonica, hitting notes he wouldn't have been able to reach vocally and displaying such virtuosity it gave me a new respect for the instrument and what it's capable of expressing.

And this is just scratching the surface of what's available. Performances are from shows such as "Live at Lincoln Center," "Great Performances," "In Performance at the White House," just to name a few. The last time I looked, there were 1,589 video shorts to choose from at [video.pbs.org/topic/arts-entertainment/](http://video.pbs.org/topic/arts-entertainment/).

### The Idea Channel

A friend recently turned me on to the Idea Channel, a series of short PBS videos (three to eight minutes long) examining different ideas connecting pop culture, technology and art. Find it at [www.video.pbs.org/program/idea-channel/](http://www.video.pbs.org/program/idea-channel/).

Presented by Mike Rugnetta, each video, which opens with the sentence, "Here's an idea ..." examines a different question. He presents his theories at such breakneck speed you'd be forgiven for thinking that perhaps the studio is on fire and he wants to say his piece before the entire place burns down. And the accompanying graphics — everything from The Village People to "The Simpsons" to movie stills from "Singin' in the Rain" and "The Matrix" — are unexpectedly clever.

Some of the questions he debates:

- Is William Gibson a modern-day oracle?
- Is "Dr. Who" a religion?
- Is dub step the new musical avant-garde?
- What makes a pop star authentic?
- Is Twitter the newest form of literature?
- Are mashups the end of musical genres?

### The New School Minute

My undergraduate school, The New School in New York City, recently held an event on alumni day where 20 professors and deans sequentially stood behind a podium and talked about a subject for a minute. (Though the event was held for alumni, you don't have to have attended the school to appreciate the mini-talks.)

Of course, it's almost next to impossible to get a professor to keep to a minute, so some of these mini-lectures run for oh, maybe two minutes. Topics of the rapid-fire talks range from design to economics to urban policy to music, drama and history. Some even incorporate graphics or video.

Pippin Parker, director of The New School for Drama, spoke of the importance of drama, opening his talk by saying, "If all people told the truth all the time, there would be no need for drama." His talk is poetic and lyrical, and I've found myself watching it more than once.

You can watch all 20 "New School minutes" by going to [YouTube.com](http://YouTube.com) and keying in "Alumni Day 2013: New School Minute." Or you can key in Pippin Parker's name, and then choose other minute lectures from the column on the right.

### Hint fiction

Back in 2006, Larry Smith invented the six-word memoir.

In comparison, Robert Swartwood's hint fiction — stories consisting of no more than 25 words — can seem almost downright wordy.

In the introduction to his anthology, "Hint Fiction" (W.W. Norton, \$13.95), he writes: "The hierarchy of fiction goes something like this: novel, novella, novlette, short story, sudden fiction, flash fiction, micro fiction, drabble, dribble ... Only two types have clear word distinctions: a drabble is a story of exactly 100 words; a dribble, of 50 words."

And now, hint fiction: stories of 25 or fewer words.

It almost seems like a literary parlor game; the trick is to pack as much as possible into those 25

words. (Swartwood explains that that's why he calls it hint fiction — "because the reader is given only a hint of a much larger, more complex story.")

Some work is better than others.

There's Merrilee Faber's story, "Love is Forever": "We came around the corner and there they were: young lovers, hands clasped. I drew the outline, Joe directed the crowd."

The title of Will Panzo's story is almost as long as his story: "The Man of Tomorrow or Maybe You've Heard This One Before But You've Never Heard It Like This." It reads: "Dying planet. A boy, a rocket, a last hope. Kansas cornfield crash landing. Ma finds it sleeping in the crater. Pa fetches the shotgun."

And then there's "Widow's First Year," by Joyce Carol Oates: "I kept myself alive."

### Lydia Davis

When it comes to writing short stories, Lydia Davis is a genius. In fact, she received a MacArthur Fellowship Award (commonly called the Genius Award) in 2003.

She's basically reinvented the genre of short stories. Her stories are lyrical, humorous, wry and totally unexpected. Though they are sometimes only a paragraph or two long, or even just one or two sentences, they are light years away from hint fiction.

All her short stories, to date, have been gathered in "The Collected Stories of Lydia Davis," now in paperback (Pacador, \$20).

Her "Spring Spleen" is just two sentences: "I am happy the leaves are growing large so quickly."

"Soon they will hide the neighbor and her screaming child."

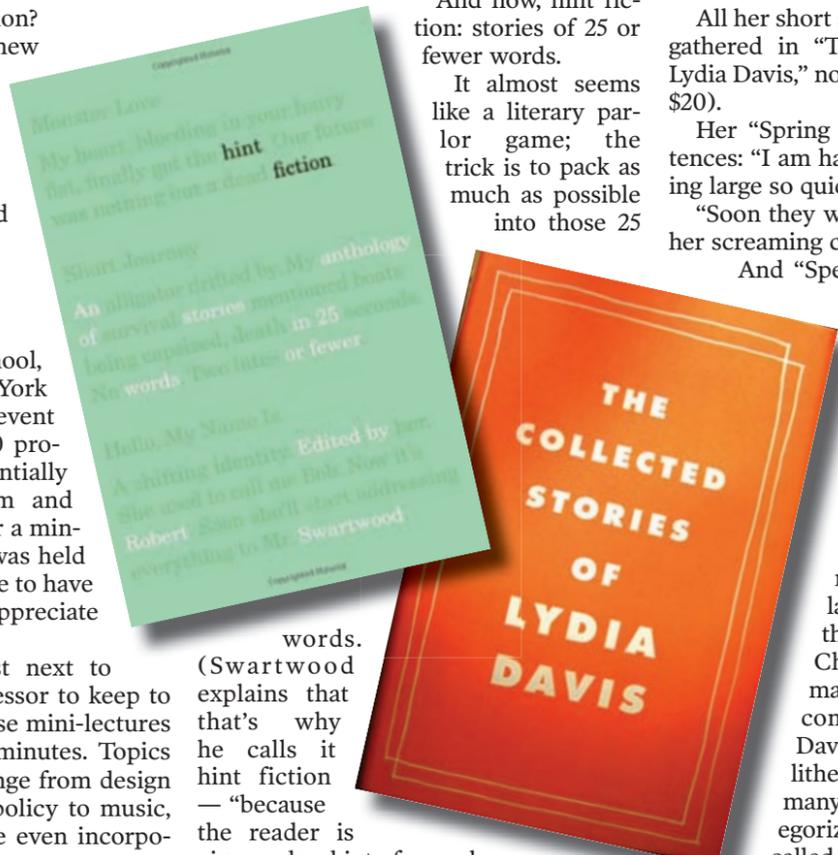
And "Special" goes like this: "We know we are very special."

Yet we keep trying to find out in what way: not this way, not that way, then what way?"

Just this month, Ms. Davis won the Man Booker Prize, an international award that has a cash value of approximately \$93,000 in U.S. dollars. A press release from the organization quotes Sir Christopher Ricks, chairman of the judges in the competition, saying Ms. Davis' writings "fling their lithe arms wide to embrace many a kind. Just how to categorize them? They have been called stories but could equally be miniatures, anecdotes, essays, jokes, parables, fables, texts, aphorisms or even apophthegms, prayers or simply observations."

"There is vigilance to her stories, and great imaginative attention. Vigilance as how to realize things down to the very word or syllable; vigilance as to everybody's impure motives and illusions of feeling."

Fellow writer Dave Eggers says Ms. Davis' work, "blows the roof off of so many of our assumptions about what constitutes short fiction." ■



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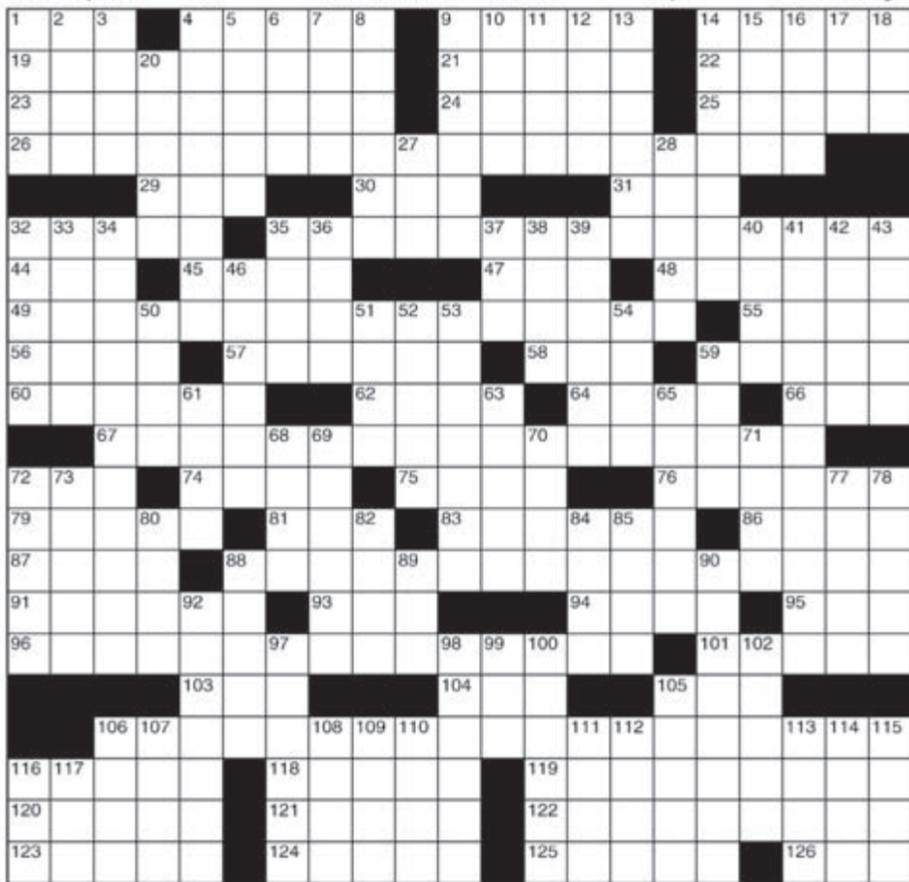
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  - 14 Hair hides it
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  - 22 Threesome
  - 23 Large tanks for marine life
  - 24 Death, in Venice
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  - 26 Los Angeles tourist draw
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  - 45 "Get — writing"
  - 47 Maui necklace
  - 48 "L.A. Confidential" novelist
  - 49 Gossip sheet
  - 55 Carl Sagan's sci. film
  - 56 "Born Free" feline
  - 57 Nike rival
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  - 106 Theme of this puzzle
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  - 18 "Stat!"
  - 20 Indian Ocean archipelago
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  - 32 Oleate, e.g.
  - 33 "... — told by an idiot"
  - 34 Not trivial
  - 35 Literature Nobel
  - 36 Feminizing suffix
  - 37 Swiss mountain
  - 38 Rural tracts
  - 39 Didn't guzzle
  - 40 "The Firm- — Man" (1967 film)
  - 41 "Citizen Kane" director
  - 42 Helicopter part
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  - 46 Angry lecture
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  - 51 Auction Web site
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  - 59 Tennis pro
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  - 63 Postpaid encls.
  - 65 Mary-Kate Olsen's twin
  - 68 Land o' Blarney
  - 69 Raving type
  - 70 Captivated
  - 71 Royal name of Norway
  - 72 Chinese menu notice
  - 73 "— Dark Stranger" (1946 spy film)
  - 77 1960 Wimbledon winner
  - 78 Sponsorship
  - 80 Writer Bombeck
  - 82 Clic — (Bic pen brand)
  - 84 Make lighter
  - 85 — below cost
  - 88 Author Sinclair
  - 89 July third?
  - 90 Store receipt add-on
  - 92 Not merely words
  - 97 "That pleases me"
  - 98 Takes guns from, e.g.
  - 99 Souze
  - 100 Casual cotton top
  - 102 Decide to join
  - 105 Neolithic British Isles monument
  - 106 Hammer-wielding god
  - 107 Fish piercer
  - 108 Unaided
  - 109 "— ever thus"
  - 110 "Take one"
  - 111 "Zip- — -Doo-Dah"
  - 112 Cutlet meat
  - 113 Got 100 on
  - 114 Hard to find
  - 115 Picnic dish
  - 116 Financial daily, briefly
  - 117 Gibbon, e.g.

SEE ANSWERS, C9

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## HOROSCOPES

■ **CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Your urge to do your best on a current task is commendable. But don't let it become all-consuming. Spend some spiritually restorative time with those who love you.

■ **LEO (July 23 to August 22)** This could be a good time for all you Leos and Leonas to take your bows for your recent achievements and then go off to enjoy some fun times with your prides and joys.

■ **VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** A negative response to a well-intentioned suggestion could communicate a sense of distrust you might later find hard to refute. Think carefully before reacting.

■ **LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Your loving attention comforts a family member who is feeling a bit out of sorts. But be careful to prioritize your time so you don't neglect your work duties.

■ **SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Your curiosity might be resented by some. But those who know you will support your penchant for never settling for less than the truth. So stay with it.

■ **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** A pesky situation from the past recurs, albeit in an altered form. Deal with it promptly before it can go from merely irksome to decidedly troublesome.

■ **CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** Don't wait too long to submit your proposals after giving them a

last look-over. If necessary, you should be able to defend any portion called into question.

■ **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** A bid to use your workplace dispute-settling skills in another situation is tempting. But be careful: You might not have all the facts you'll need if you agree to do it.

■ **PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** That sense of self-doubt is so untypical of you, you should have no qualms in shaking it off. Remind yourself of all you've done and can do, and then do it again.

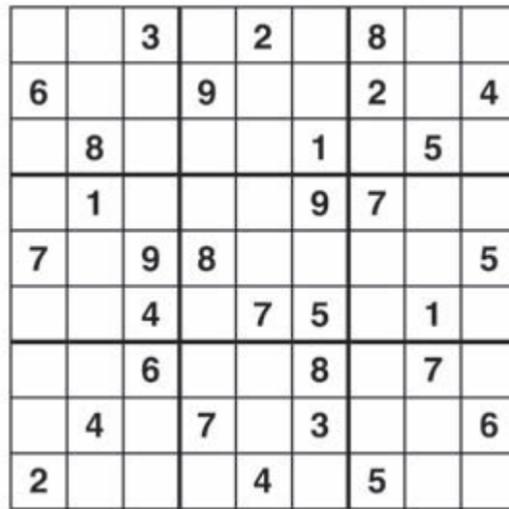
■ **ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Don't be Sheepish about asking questions and demanding answers. You not only gain needed information, but also respect for your steadfast search for the truth.

■ **TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** A money problem that shows up early in the week is expeditiously resolved by savvy Bovines who know how to turn a momentary financial lapse into a monetary gain.

■ **GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** It's a good time to shed negative energy-draining forces and develop a positive approach to handling current, as well as upcoming, personal and/or professional situations.

■ **BORN THIS WEEK:** Your ability to charm others without sacrificing sincerity is what makes people want to follow your leadership. ■

By Linda Thistle



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Sequels and any James Bond film can begin with large-scale action sequences because we know who the characters are and can easily grasp why they're in a perilous situation. But when we don't know the characters and the action lacks energy — as is the case with "World War Z" — it's especially grating because you're bored and have no idea why anything is happening.

There are zombies, we do know that. They're fast, strong and aggressive, and with people turning into them within seconds of being bitten, the zombies are multiplying at an alarming rate. What's causing this is never explained, which is annoying, but not nearly as frustrating as seeing Gerry Lane (Brad Pitt), his wife Karen (Mireille Enos) and their daughters (Sterling Jarins and Abigail Hargrove) get special attention from the government for (at this point) no discernible reason.

It's not until about 30 minutes in that we learn Gerry is a former United Nations investigator who has experience in war-torn areas. With a pandemic in full swing, he's forced to traverse the globe looking for the person who started the zombie-causing virus, aka "patient zero," as it's believed the origin of the disease can also provide the antidote. If Gerry doesn't help, his family will be kicked off their safe haven cargo ship and placed in harm's way.

Soon Gerry finds himself in South Korea, Jerusalem and Cardiff, Wales, slowly but surely figuring out how to combat the omnipresent virus. Between various misleads and dead ends are some high-octane action scenes — but only one of which, on a plane headed to Wales, is notably impressive (and still not nearly as good as the plane crash in Liam Neeson's "The Grey").

The visual effects are adequate, highlighted by the aforementioned plane crash and the way zombies swarm like ants to climb a wall in Jerusalem, but overall, this film is not visually dynamic. And the 3D (if you go this route, which is not recommended) only makes things worse. Thankfully, though, direc-

tor Marc Forster ("Quantum of Solace") gives us a PG-13 rating, which spares us excess violence and gore.

Although the movie is based on the best-selling book of the same name by Max Brooks, fans of the novel will only see scant elements of it here. Mr. Pitt's production company, Plan B, won the rights to the novel, and with "The Walking Dead" and other undead-related content all the rage right now, it's easy to see why he thought this could be a profitable big-ticket franchise. But what makes "The Walking Dead" so successful — the central question of "What



becomes of humanity when all hope for mankind is lost?" — is completely absent here, shoved aside for the sake of post-apocalyptic action that doesn't want the audience to think for a second about what's going on.

Unfortunately, "World War Z" is flat from the start. It sort of ambles its way along with excitement popping up here and there, always ready to feast on an action scene with reckless abandon because nothing else of interest is happening.

You know, kind of like a zombie. ■

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>> Director Marc Forster told me in an interview that the original ending involved a large-scale battle sequence, but they changed it to a haunted-house setting that provides a different type of tension from the action in the beginning and middle of the film.

## CAPSULES

### Man of Steel ★★

(Henry Cavill, Amy Adams, Michael Shannon) Clark/Superman (Mr. Cavill), after being sent to earth by his father (Russell Crowe) prior to the destruction of their home planet of Krypton, discovers that surviving Kryptonian General Zod (Mr. Shannon) is planning to destroy earth. The action is strong and it looks great; too bad the story is burdened with surplus: too many characters, too little development. Rated PG-13.

### This Is The End ★★1/2

(Seth Rogen, James Franco, Jay

Baruchel) Actors Mr. Rogen, Mr. Franco and their friends play versions of themselves in this end-of-the-world comedy set at Franco's house. It's very funny (and raunchy), but it's also one-dimensional and gets old fast. Rated R.

### The Internship ★★

(Vince Vaughn, Owen Wilson, Rose Byrne) Two middle-aged failed watch salesman (Mr. Vaughn and Mr. Wilson) talk their way into an internship at Google, though they know nothing about technology. It's amusing in spurts and fun to see the real Google campus, but it goes through too many dry spells and is woe-fully predictable. Rated PG-13. ■

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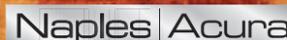
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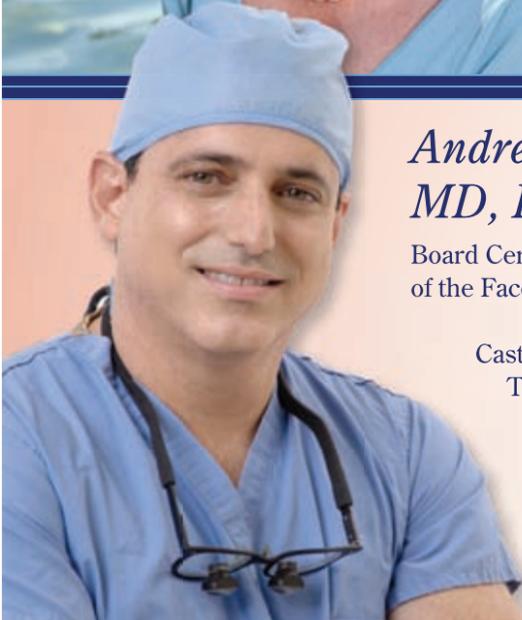
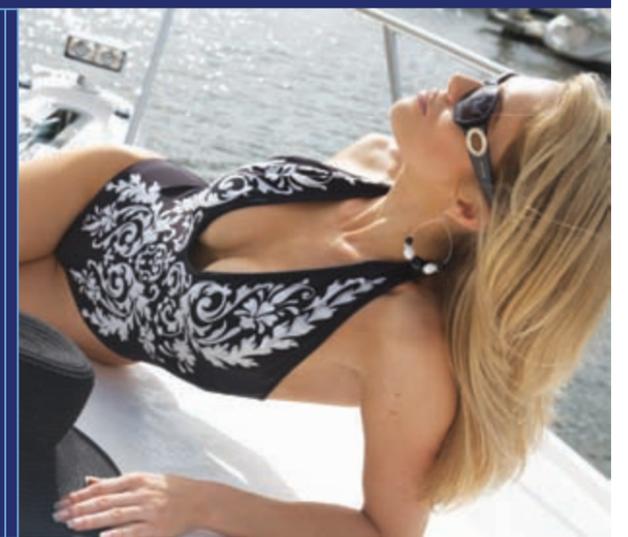
The names of antiques sometimes change as research corrects old errors. In the 1930s, an auction house sold a pair of what were called “Lowestoft” vases that were large enough to put on a fireplace mantel. They were named after the English town where they were thought to have been made in the 18th century. The vases had a traditional Chinese shape and were made of bluish-white porcelain decorated with a blue, green and orange coat of arms and slightly raised white scrolls. When the same vases were sold again in the 1950s, they were described as “Chinese export porcelain” because experts had learned that in the mid-1700s the Lowestoft factory was making early blue-and-white English Delft souvenirs of regional interest, not porcelain like the vases. Researchers also had learned that porcelain made in China in the 18th century was being exported to England and that some had made its way to Lowestoft. But the Chinese porcelain exported to the West back then, although very good, was not the top-quality porcelain made in China for wealthy Chinese families. Some of the export pieces were plain, Chinese porcelain with added new decorations like coats-of-arms or pictures of

ships. But there were also other problems with the pair of vases. The vases were not Chinese at all; they actually were copies made by Jacob Petit (1796-1868), who opened a shop in Paris in 1863. Painted raised white scrolls are the clue to identifying Petit’s copies of Chinese export porcelain. Petit also made copies of Sevres, Meissen, English dinnerware and more. So be careful when looking for information about Chinese export or Lowestoft porcelain. Information in old books is not accurate. And often, information online is from old books. Present-day auction-house descriptions and information in recent publications usually are accurate. Jacob Petit copies of Chinese export porcelain are collected today. A single one of his vases is worth about \$800.

**Q:** My mother would like to know what her bound volume of “Frank Leslie’s Illustrated Newspaper” is worth. The spine is marked “Vol. 1,” and the book includes issues dated from Dec. 15, 1855, to May 31, 1856. The newspaper pages are large, about 12 by 16 inches.

**A:** Bound volumes of Frank Leslie’s illustrated weekly, the first one published in the United States, often show up at shows and can be found for sale online. Leslie (1821-1880) was born in England and immigrated to the United States in 1848. He was an engraver and illustrator before he became a publisher, and his many publications are wanted by collectors not only for their historical value,

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but also for their wood engravings and early photographs. The price your volume could sell for depends on condition of the binding and of the newspapers themselves. We have seen early volumes sell for \$50 to \$200.

**Q:** I have had an old table cigarette lighter for about 30 years. It was old when I got it. It appears to be silver-plate, but it's heavy. It's in the shape of a cornucopia, with the lighter at the top of the basket. There's no mark on it. Can you identify and price it?

**A:** The Evans Case Co. of North Attleborough, Mass., made an unmarked silver-plated cornucopia table lighter like the one you describe. Evans was in business from 1922 to 1960, but table lighters were at their height of popularity in the 1930s and '40s. That's probably when yours was made. Other silver-tone cornucopia table lighters were made in Japan after World War II, but they're marked "Made in Occupied Japan." The irony is that both the Evans and Occupied Japan lighters sell for about \$50 today.

**Q:** My grandmother gave me her antique water basin, a very large pitcher and a smaller, matching water pitcher. She said the smaller pitcher was for hot water. The wash-basin set was given to her as a wedding gift in 1907. All three pieces are plain white. On the bottom, each piece is marked "Yale" in gold on a banner. Since this set is a family heir-

loom, it will not be sold, but I would like to know the history of the company.

**A:** Wash sets such as yours were used in the days before indoor plumbing. The large pitcher was used to pour water into the basin for washing, and the smaller pitcher was used when brushing teeth. The "Yale" mark was one of several marks used between 1882 and 1925 by the Potters Co-Operative Co. of East Liverpool, Ohio. The company made hotel ware, white ware and some decorated ware. The name of the company became Dresden Pottery Co. in 1925. It went out of business in 1927. Your set was made between 1882

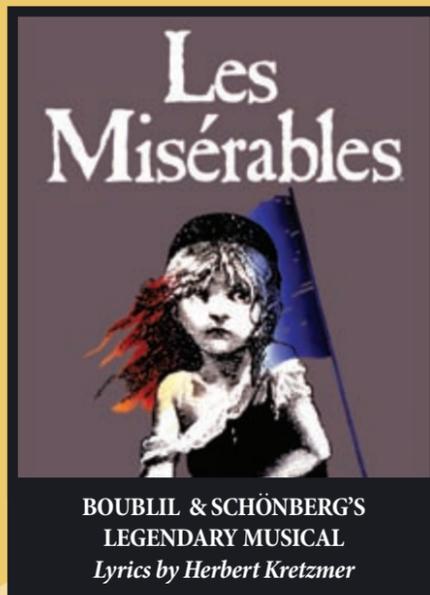


**These urns were thought to be Chinese export pieces made in the 1700s, but they were made by Jacob Petit in France. Raised white lines are found on his 19th-century pieces.**

and 1907. **Tip:** If you have stored a quilt, take it out twice a year and refold it — in half, if you had it in thirds before. This practice will prevent crease lines. ■

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## Eliminating the luck factor

BY STEVE BECKER

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Take this case where South is in four hearts and West leads a club. Let's say declarer ruffs the club lead in dummy, plays a trump to the ace, cashes the ace of diamonds, ruffs another club and then finesses the jack of diamonds. West wins and shifts to the queen of spades, and South goes down one, losing a diamond and three spades.

Declarer might complain about his bad luck in finding West with the queen of diamonds and East with the ace of spades, but this does not alter the fact that South can — and should — make the contract by adopting a more cautious approach to the play. Instead of relying solely on the 3-to-1 odds that either the diamond queen or the spade ace is favorably located, he should rely on a different approach that makes the contract foolproof.

To assure limiting his losses to no more than three tricks, declarer should discard a diamond from dummy on the opening club lead! This play has everything to gain and nothing to lose. In the actual case, East wins the club with the ace but is helpless. Let's say he returns a diamond. South wins with the ace, cashes the ace of trumps and king of

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♠	K 5 3		
♥	Q 10 8 6 4 3 2		
♦	J 10 4		
♣	—		
WEST	EAST	SOUTH	
♠	♠ A J 6 2	♠	9 7 4
♥	♥ 7	♥	A K J 5
♦	♦ 7 5	♦	A K 9 8
♣	♣ A Q 10 6 5 3	♣	8 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	

Opening lead — seven of clubs.

diamonds and then leads the eight of diamonds.

If West follows low, declarer discards a spade from dummy, not caring one iota whether East wins the trick or not. If East wins with the queen, South cannot lose more than one spade trick; if East doesn't win with the queen, declarer cannot lose more than two spade tricks.

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# VINO

## Thrill of the grill requires care in picking right wine



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One of the challenges of grilling is figuring out what wine will work with the finished product.

Whether you're cooking up a big, brawny steak or something more delicate such as chicken, seafood or veggies, the wine needs to complement the smoky char flavors imparted to the food by grilling.

I find it easier to pair wines with the foods grilled, rather than picking a wine then trying to decide which dish would go best with it. It's harder to adjust the flavors of grilled items, so it's best to start with those and find a wine to complement them.

To go with grilled red meat, you need a wine that will stand up to the big flavors without overwhelming them. Cabernet is a classic choice, as the tannic structure works with the smokiness of the meat as well as the proteins and fat. I recently tasted La Vite Lucente 2009, a super Tuscan produced by Tenuta Luce Della Vite in Italy. A blend of merlot, cabernet sauvignon and sangiovese, it's smooth and balanced with big fruit flavors. A smooth, aged chianti riserva, made from sangiovese, would also work.

When you smoke food, you intro-

duce more flavors in the rub or sauce, as well as a greater amount of smoke. You need a bigger red wine here with some spice and oak to allow the flavors of the meat and the wine to balance. Either a shiraz or zinfandel make a good choice here. William Hardy Shiraz has enough depth of flavor to go well with smoked meats and even heavier barbecue sauces.

Barbecue sauce flavors pose the biggest challenges when it comes to wine. Tomato and vinegar flavors are hard to pair with wine, and heavy sauces are even more difficult. With lighter sauces, stick to zinfandel and shiraz. With heavier sauces, skip the wine and stock up on a well-chilled, hearty beer.

If you're grilling seafood, chicken or vegetables, a dry rosé lets you drink a chilled wine, but has some of the berry flavors and structure similar to a red wine, which goes well with the smoky flavors. One of my favorites is made by Tablas Creek Vineyard, a cooperative project of wine importer Robert



**Nipozzano Riserva Chianti**

**Lucente Super Tuscan**

Haas and Chateau de Beaucastel, the famous Rhone wine producer.

White wines are more traditional matches for seafood and chicken. A California sauvignon blanc is well suited here because it will not have the grapefruit notes that other New World wines (think New Zealand here especially) tend to have. Waterstone Sauvignon Blanc from Napa Valley is crisp enough to balance with the stronger grill flavors.

For those who are confirmed red drinkers, look toward a lighter-bodied pinot noir from Oregon. The Ponzi Pinot Noir is light enough to enjoy chilled but has enough tannins and structure to complement many seafoods or grilled vegetable dishes.

### Wine Picks of the Week

■ **La Vite Lucente 2009 (\$30):** This one has big, mouth-filling flavors of dark cherry and plum, with a touch of chocolate. Good structure with enough balanced acid to stand up to grilled meats.

■ **Marchese di Frescobaldi Nip-**

**ozano Riserva Chianti Rufina 2009 (\$20):** Well suited for grilled meats, this one has aromas and flavors of black cherry, berries and violets. It's full-bodied, with complex layers of fruit, acid and a slight mineral finish.

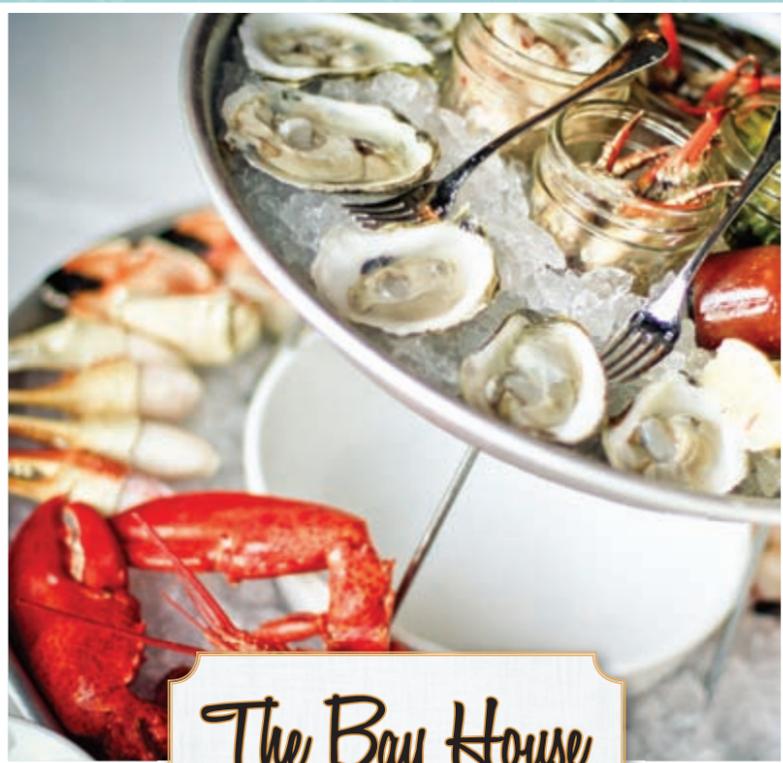
■ **Tablas Creek Rosé Patelin de Tablas Paso Robles 2012 (\$20):** This Rhone-style rosé is made with grenache, mourvedre and cunoise grapes. Clean, refreshing aromas of cherry and berries add to the stone-fruit flavors on the palate, ending with a structured balanced finish with a light spice.

■ **Two Hands Bella's Garden 2010 (\$75):** From the aroma to the palate and on to the finish, complex flavors of black cherry and plum mix with pepper and spice. The complex finish goes on for a long time. Balanced and supple, it's well structured with acid for those big flavors.

■ **Waterstone Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley 2012 (\$18):** Mostly sauvignon blanc with 18 percent semillon, a classic Bordeaux blend. Flowery citrus aromas lead to lemon and tangerine on the palate, with crisp acidity and a touch of oak (90 days in used French oak barrels) for a lingering finish.

■ **William Hardy Shiraz Australia 2011 (\$20):** Made by Hardy's of Australia, this new label has dark fruit aromas and flavors of blueberry and plum, followed by blackberries and spice, with a touch of oak as well. Ends with a satisfying long finish. ■

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# CUISINE

## Craving a certain cuisine? There's an app for that



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**Nara is a new iPhone app that lets you tailor your restaurant searches to your tastes and cravings.**

Nara, an innovative restaurant app, is now operational in Southwest Florida. Available for iPhone and iPad (an Android version is coming), Nara puts "a personal concierge in your pocket," says Thomas Copeman, CEO and founder of the free app.

Download it, take a short quiz at signup or simply press the thumb up or thumb down on specific restaurants, and the app will help tailor restaurant recommendations to your tastes. It can also show you a broad selection of restaurants by cuisine, price and neighborhood. It lets you make reservations on Open Table and order delivery from grubHub. You can use it in your own neighborhood or across the country.

There are comments from other diners to help you figure out if a place might be a good match for you, and a pin list to which you can add places you want to try in the future.

"You shouldn't be spending your free time trying to figure out what to do with your free time," Mr. Copeman says. "Tell us what you like and we'll do the work for you so you can stay in the real world. We believe your time should be spent experiencing real things instead of searching for them."

You can find Nara (which means happy

in Greek) in the iTunes store.

### Say 'ciao' to Tony Soprano

Aldos Ristorante Italiano & Bar says so long to Tony Soprano with a tribute to the late James Gandolfini on Thursday, June 27. From 4-10 p.m. diners can tuck into all-you-can-eat spaghetti and meatballs while scenes from "The Sopranos" starring Mr. Gandolfini, who died June 19 of a heart attack while vacationing in Italy, play on the TV.

The family-style meal is \$9.99 per person, with 50 percent of the proceeds going to the American Heart Association. Aldos is in Kings Lake Square, 4820 Davis Blvd. For more information, call 775-2200 or visit [aldosnaples.com](http://aldosnaples.com).

### Indoor market hours expand

The indoor farmers market and emporium at the Shoppes at Vanderbilt has relocated to unit 190 and is now open from noon to 6 p.m. Fridays and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturdays.

With 40 local vendors, the market offers fruits and vegetables, seafood, fresh flowers, baked goods, artisan wares, clothing and personal care items in an air-conditioned venue. It's at the northwest corner of Airport-Pulling and Vanderbilt Beach roads in North Naples. Check the market's Facebook page for more information about vendors, special events and promotional activities.

### 'Love Potions' and more

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Two new products coming this fall are:

■ **Love Potions:** Coming in September, this line pairs the company's (hot) sipping chocolate with six test tubes of sugar in flavors such as jalapeno and cayenne pepper (called Dragon Fire), instant espresso (Elixir of Life) and red fruits such as acai, pomegranate and raspberry (Eternal Youth). Each box comes with instructions on mixing the sugars with the chocolate for interesting new taste experiences.

■ **Fall in Love:** Even though the weather won't feel like it yet, you'll be able to get a taste of fall through a new line of chocolates due out in September and October in

flavors including maples cookie, pumpkin cheesecake and apple crisp.

The Norman Love Confections Chocolate Salon in Naples is at 3747 Tamiami Trail N. Call 687-725.

### Short subjects

■ **Bellini on Fifth** Italian Ristorante now offers a summer menu and a summer classics menu starting at 4 p.m. Among the offerings are spinach salad, caprese salad and linguini with clam sauce. The summer classics menu, available all night Sunday-Wednesday and from 4-7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, allows guests to choose two entrees and a bottle of wine from the special menu for \$32. Classics include chicken Parmigiana, spaghetti and meatballs and lemon haddock. The restaurant is at 445 Fifth Ave. S. Call 261-1117 or visit [www.belinionfifth.com](http://www.belinionfifth.com).

■ **Wine dinner time:** Angelina's Ristorante will hold monthly wine dinners through October. Set to the theme of "Stars and Stripes," this year's dinners will include producers from Pas Robles, Napa Valley, Washington State and Oregon. The dinners are \$89 (plus tax and gratuity). For details and reservations, call 390-3187.

■ **Local closings:** Among the establishments that have closed recently are Gyrene Burger, Orange Leaf at The Village at Venetian Bay, L'Orient at Naples Bay Resort and Bella Mia Amore Pizza and Pasta at Pelican Strand Shopping Center. ■

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