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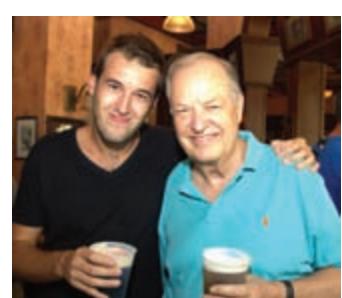
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Early works of Southwest Florida's 'Darling' on exhibit to benefit WGCU

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BY DON MANLEY

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JAY NORWOOD "DING" DARLING'S LEGACY AS AN ARTIST, CONSERVATIONIST AND CHRONICLER OF WORLD EVENTS WILL BE CELEBRATED IN A ONE-NIGHT-ONLY EXHIBIT THIS MONTH AT THE GALLERY ON FIFTH AT MERCATO IN NAPLES.

"THE HIDDEN WORKS OF J.N. 'DING' DARLING" ON THURSDAY, SEPT. 26, WILL SERVE AS A FUNDRAISER FOR WGCU PUBLIC MEDIA AND PROVIDE A GLIMPSE INTO THE FAMED EDITORIAL CARTOONIST'S WORK AS WELL AS HIS LIFE'S JOURNEY. IT WILL ALSO HIGHLIGHT HIS UNIQUE TIES TO SOVIET UNION, WHICH HE VISITED IN 1932 AT THE INVITATION OF THEN-SOVIET PREMIER JOSEPH STALIN.

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"Ding" Darling activities abound.

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WWII warriors make pilgrimage of remembrance

BY DON MANLEY

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Dominick Gumina will be filled with anticipation as AirTran Airways Flight 1951 takes to the sky from Southwest Florida International Airport this week.

The 92-year-old will be among 50 World War II veterans from this region making a day-long pilgrimage to Washington, D.C., and the National WWII Memorial — a trip organized and funded by the Southwest Florida branch of the Honor Flight Network, a nonprofit that

since 2005 has saluted the service of America's WWII veterans by making such trips possible. Each survivor of the Great War is accompanied by a "guardian" — volunteers who assist them if needed, from their arrival at the airport until their return to Fort Myers.

"I'm very grateful that there is an organization that appreciates what the WWII veterans did on the field of battle," said Mr. Gumina, who served on a Coast Guard amphibious troop transport in the European

and North African campaigns.

The Naples resident said he's looking forward to visiting the memorial to reflect and pay homage to his comrades in arms.

"In a sense, I guess it will be emotional," Mr. Gumina said. "It will bring back memories of what we were doing."

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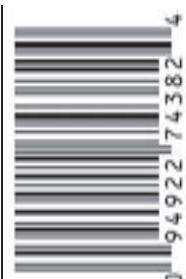
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COMMENTARY

The big D

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I thought about divorce last week while getting some perspective on things — 40,000-feet worth of perspective.

I had just learned by phone that two family members intend to divorce. Meanwhile, I'd spent several recent days talking about the Big D with a close friend, a man at once brilliant and brokenhearted.

My eastbound jet arced out of Colorado more than seven miles above the patchwork squares and circles of the western prairie, where the deep autumn lay drenched in afternoon sun. Green splashes of winter wheat punctuated the otherwise austere palette of browns lying far below me like misplaced algae blooms, planted to sprout before the Great Plains turn white and silent with winter. Come April, the tiny stalks will remain verdant from their dormancy under snow, and by midsummer the wheat will stand in chest-high golden splendor.

To me that's the landscape of divorce, done right: a seed planted in the face of winter's difficult and frozen season, followed by future bounty.

But it's sure no picnic.

"I pretended I wanted to die," David Pulizzi wrote me while sitting on my front porch. He'd driven there from the mountains of central Pennsylvania.

"What I really wanted, though, was to live again. Happily, peacefully. But I couldn't

figure out how. On every front, I felt like a loser in the eyes of everyone I knew. In my own eyes, I was an utter, ceaseless disappointment. With this dismal disposition, I took off at 5 in the afternoon, drove all night and much of the next day — 1,200 miles — until I reached the place where I hoped, dimly, to begin again." My front porch.

Looking at all that from above, it's hard not to conclude that divorce may be the single greatest cultural gift that Americans have ever offered the world. We long since missed the chance to rank at the top of the list of noble nations who first halted the buying and selling of human beings. The British made that form of slavery illegal early in the 19th century, long before we did and without a bloody Civil War to get it done. But when it comes to busting another kind of slavery, the kind that requires two human beings who do not love each other to carry on as if they do — personally, economically, socially, legally or any other way — we have achieved unparalleled progress.

After all, divorce has long been anathema — an ugly thing, an assumed tragedy, a sign of failure, weakness or lack of virtue punishable by all kinds of social and economic sanctions, or worse.

All of which is nonsense. Divorce does not challenge marriage (an institution I support wholeheartedly), at least not substantive marriage. Instead it's a remedy for slavery. And slavery is immoral, a toxic snakebite on the soul.

Americans have invented meaningful divorce, and consecrated it, just as we invented and consecrated the automobile. First we designed it, and then we mass-

produced it, making it both affordable and accessible to those other than just the very rich. And we continue to take advantage of it.

Additionally, every single divorce is a dying echo of courage and hope, which should always be celebrated. Love is risky, as everyone knows, and that's because sometimes it turns out to be a chimera — a shape-shifting fantasy that can burn those who gamble on its merits. But the courage and hope that bet on love in the first place, by putting down the marriage chip rather than just hopping into bed and cohabiting, remain real and glorious, win or lose the pot.

It's true that a lot of pots have been lost lately, but at least they haven't become cultural prison cells.

In the United States, about 43 percent of first marriages will not reach the 15-year mark, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. In Florida alone, more than 80,000 divorces take place each year.

Below my plane, the Arkansas River spilled from the alpine slopes of the Rocky Mountains, split the Royal Gorge in a torrent, then meandered out across the stark plains of eastern Colorado into southern Kansas. That river pushes through northeastern Oklahoma, traverses Arkansas, then breaks free of the Ozark mountains in the cotton-pickin' flatlands to the east (I watched this happen from the jet). Finally, the Arkansas marries the mighty Mississippi River.

Every inch of that journey is a landscape of divorce, both metaphorically and geographically, which is true of the entire nation.

That's a good thing, but good things are not always easy things. As a society, we've

consecrated divorce, but we've done the consecrating mostly in pain, guilt and sorrow — mostly in suffering, in other words. And there's no need for that.

Children, in particular, are said to suffer in the face of their parents' divorces. But I question any assumptions about what such suffering means, or how it manifests itself among children of parents who love them unequivocally.

In my experience of this matter, which is both broad and personal, if parents love their children unequivocally, they will never speak ill of each other in front of them, no matter what they think. They won't even imply criticism in tone, which can take some real self-control.

Instead, they'll actively speak well of each other — but not in servitude to a chimera, to a dysfunctional marriage.

For such benevolent parents, there is no real divorce. There is only shared parenting, by parents who no longer sleep in the same bed.

When divorce is the right thing to do (not a licentious surrender, but a refusal to accept slavery), and when it's the first planting of a new seed at the edge of winter, like winter wheat, then it should be celebrated.

"I've learned that I'm neither doomed nor damned," wrote my friend, David Pulizzi. "And so go I will, taking with me every precious gift. I'll think about how I might turn those gifts into a life. And in so doing, how I might someday return those gifts in spades to everyone who has ever been crazy and twisted enough to love my sorry, blessed ass." ■

— A version of this column first appeared in these pages in 2007.

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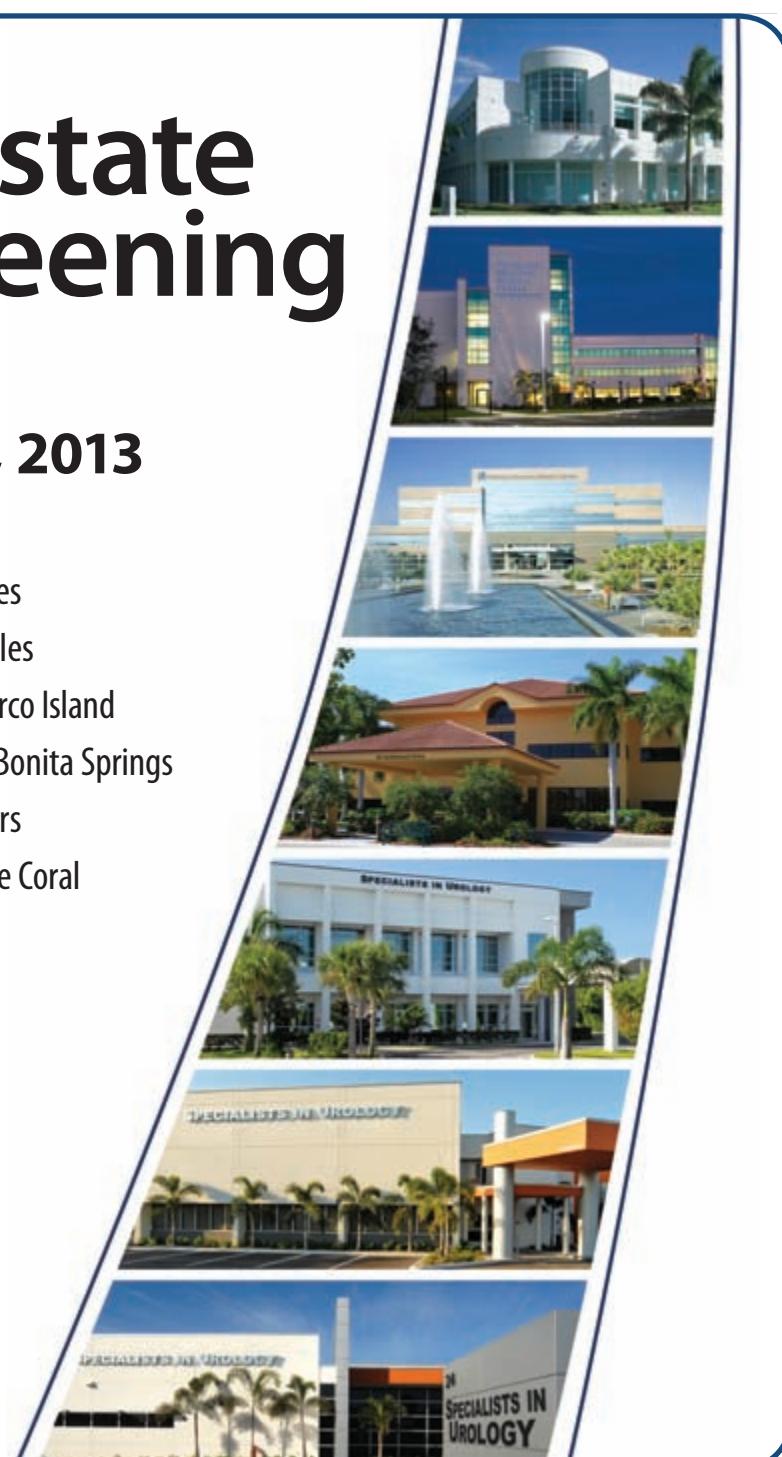
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OPINION**Ted Cruz, traitor to his class**

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Special to Florida Weekly



Henry Adams said that politics is the systematic organization of hatreds. For the left in the past year, it has seemed at times to be the systematic organization of hatred of Ted Cruz.

The freshman senator is not the first Texan to be so honored. In fact, the state isn't holding up its end if, at any given moment, it isn't throwing onto the national scene at least one Republican reviled by the other side.

The party's highest-profile Texans, George W. Bush and Rick Perry, tended to match inarticulateness with cowboy swagger and lend themselves to mockery as intellectual lightweights. Bush went to Yale and Harvard Business School, yet no one naturally thinks of him as an Ivy Leaguer. The two Lone Star State governors played into the left's stereotypes so nicely that if they didn't exist, the *New York Times* editorial board would have had to invent them.

Cruz is different — a Princeton and Harvard man who not only matriculated at those fine institutions but excelled at them. Champion debater at Princeton. Magna cum laude graduate at Harvard. Supreme Court clerkship, on the way to Texas solicitor general and dozens of cases before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Cruz is from the intellectual elite, but not of it, a tea-party conservative whose politics are considered gauche at best at the storied universities where he studied. He is, to borrow the words of the 2008 H.W. Brands biography of Franklin D. Roosevelt, a traitor to his class.

Democrats and liberal pundits would surely dislike Cruz no matter where he went to school, but his pedigree adds an element of shocked disbelief to the disdain. "Princeton and Harvard should be disgraced," former Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell exclaimed on MSNBC, as if graduating a constitutionalist conservative who rises to national prominence is a violation of the schools' mission statements.

One of the left's deepest prejudices is that its opponents are stupid, and Cruz tramples on it. At hearings, Cruz has the prosecutorial instincts of a ... Harvard-trained lawyer. Watching Attorney

General Eric Holder try to fend off Cruz's questioning on the administration's drone policy a few months ago was like seeing a mouse cornered by a very large cat.

Cruz hasn't played by the Senate rules that freshmen should initially be seen and not heard. At another hearing, as Cruz says that the highest commitment of senators should be to the Constitution, another senator can be heard muttering that he doesn't like being lectured. Chairman Pat Leahy (probably the mutterer) eventually cuts him off and informs him he hasn't been in the Senate very long.

None of this is to endorse all of Cruz's tactical judgments or to deny he can irk his own side at times. His push to defund Obamacare this fall is a grassroots-pleasing slogan in search of a realistic path to legislative fruition.

It is no secret that Cruz has presidential aspirations. Even if he ascends no higher, though, he will be a force in the Senate. He could spend decades making liberals recoil at what Princeton and Harvard hath wrought. ■

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

Nuclear's demise, from Fukushima to Vermont

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Special to Florida Weekly



Welcome to the nuclear renaissance. Entergy Corp., one of the largest nuclear-power producers in the U.S., issued a surprise press release Tuesday, saying it plans "to close and decommission its Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station in Vernon, Vt. The station is expected to cease power production after its current fuel cycle and move to safe shutdown in the fourth quarter of 2014." While the press release came from the corporation, it was years of people's protests and state legislative action that forced its closure. At the same time that activists celebrate this key defeat of nuclear power, officials in Japan admitted that radioactive leaks from the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear catastrophe are far worse than previously acknowledged.

"It took three years, but it was citizen pressure that got the state Senate to such a position" nuclear-energy consultant Arnie Gundersen told me of Entergy's announcement. He has coordinated projects at 70 nuclear plants around the country and now provides independent testimony on nuclear and radiation issues. He explained how the state of Vermont, in the first such action in the country, had banned the plant from operating beyond its original 40-year permit. Entergy was seeking a 20-year extension. "The Legislature, in that 26-to-4 vote, said: 'No, we're not going to allow you to reapply. It's over. You know, a deal's a deal. We had a 40-year deal.' Well, Entergy went to first the federal court here in Vermont and won, and then went to an appeals court in New York City and won again on the issue, as they framed it, that states have no authority to regulate safety." Despite prevailing in the courts, Entergy bowed to public pressure.

Back in 2011, Vermont Gov. Peter Shumlin, who called Entergy "a company that we found we can't trust," said

on "Democracy Now!": "We're the only state in the country that's taken power into our own hands and said that, without an affirmative vote from the state legislature, the Public Service Board cannot issue a certificate of public good to legally operate a plant for another 20 years. Now, the Senate has spoken ... saying no, it's not in Vermont's best interest to run an aging, leaking nuclear-power plant. And we expect that our decision will be respected."



The nuclear-power industry is at a critical crossroads. The much-touted nuclear renaissance is collapsing, most notably in the aftermath of the Fukushima disaster, compounded by the global financial crisis. In a recent paper titled "Renaissance in Reverse," Mark Cooper, senior fellow for economic analysis at the Vermont Law School, writes, "The problem for old nuclear reactors has become acute." The costs to operate, and to repair, these plants have prompted operators to shutter five of the 104 operating power generating reactors in the U.S. this year alone, leaving 99. Cooper has identified 30 more that he estimates will be shut down, because "the economics of old reactors are very dicey."

The profound consequences of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear-power accident are still unfolding, as this week the Japanese Nuclear Regulatory Agency increased its assessment of the situation

there to Level Three, or serious, on the International Nuclear and Radiological Event Scale. The original accident in March 2011 was rated a Seven on that scale, the highest, most severe, threat. The nuclear fuel rods there require constant cooling by water. The spent cooling water is highly radioactive. The Tokyo Electric Power Co., which ran Fukushima and which has been responsible for all the cleanup, has been storing the radioactive water in hastily-constructed water tanks, which are now leaking.

"The surveys of the area determined that the radiation coming from the ground was five times more in an hour than a normal person would get in a year," Gundersen said. "Radioactive water is leaking out of this plant as fast as it's leaking in. So, you've got something on the order of 400 tons to maybe even as much as a thousand tons of water a day leaking off of the mountains around Fukushima into the basement of this plant. Well, the basement is highly radioactive, because the containment has failed and radioactive material is leaking out from the nuclear core into the other buildings. That's being exposed to this clean groundwater and making it extraordinarily radioactive. ... And the problem is going to get worse."

The Fukushima disaster has been compared to the catastrophe in Chernobyl, where a nuclear plant exploded in 1986, making the surrounding region uninhabitable. The radiation is spilling out of Fukushima into an ever-growing radioactive plume in the Pacific Ocean.

Fukushima shows us the intolerable costs of nuclear power. The citizens of Vermont show us the benefits of just saying no. ■

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nalism, majoring in TV/radio news and political science. He had completed all the requirements for a master's degree, except for the written thesis, when NBC News offered him an internship. He left school for 30 Rockefeller Center in New York.

After the internship, he joined the US Army Reserve, with six months active duty and seven years in reserve units. His next stop was an on-air reporting position at the NBC station in Philadelphia. Three years later, about the time Peter Jennings became the anchor, Don was hired by ABC News as a correspondent.

In 1970, on assignment in Houston as the southern bureau chief/correspondent for ABC News, Don met Chris at KTRK, the ABC affiliate there, where she was a reporter and anchor.

They married in Houston two years later and then moved to London, where Don was assigned to a key correspondent's post in the ABC News bureau. He was later named ABC News bureau chief in Germany.

During this period, Chris covered international news for radio and print in Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

Don's coverage abroad sent him to war and civil strife in Europe, the Middle East, Latin America and Asia, including Vietnam and Cambodia.

He also covered civil rights turmoil in the U.S. and several presidential campaigns as well as the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate.

When Ted Turner created CNN, he hired Chris and Don to be among the all-

Don Farmer and his wife Chris Curle have been seen and heard by millions on major media outlets including ABC News, CNN, NBC News and network TV stations from Philadelphia to Houston.

In 81 countries on six continents, these veteran journalists have covered wars and peace talks, historic figures from presidents to the Beatles, heroes and villains, civil rights leaders and civil unrest at home and abroad.

Don and Chris have settled in Marco Island, where they enjoy the beach and backwaters of the island. With his wife's advice and support, Don wrote the recently released "Deadly News," a thriller set against the backdrop of the sometimes bizarre and frenetic world of TV News.

When Don was a sophomore in high school in St. Louis, Mo., he was assigned to write a paper about what he wanted to be when he grew up. He had no idea, so he threw together an essay on being an electrical engineer. The teacher called him in after class and said, "Don, you clearly know nothing about electrical engineer ... But you're a pretty good writer. You might consider that as a career."

So he did.

He earned a bachelor's degree at the University of Missouri School of Jour-

Talking points with Don Farmer

Something your mom was always right about: That liver tastes terrible no matter how it's prepared.

Mentor(s): Elmer Lower, whose career included serving as presidents of the news divisions of all three major networks: ABC, NBC and CBS; and George Killenberg, executive editor of the *St. Louis Globe-Democrat*.

First job: I was a soda jerk at Quillman's drug store in Ferguson, Mo.

What would you be doing if you weren't doing this? I'd wrangle season tickets to the Atlanta Braves and St. Louis Cardinals and attend every game, somehow.

Guilty pleasures: Putt-putting around Marco on our old but reliable little deck boat.

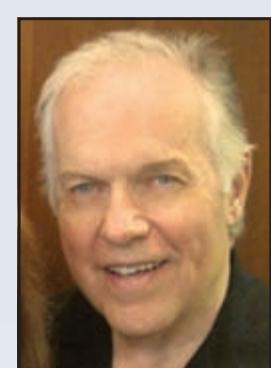
Most recent vacation destination: I returned to Vietnam and Cambodia 40 years after I covered the war.

Skill or talent you wish you had: I wish I could play the guitar well. Or play it at all, really. I played trombone in school but realized there was little need in this world for a trombone player to entertain bar patrons at the Holiday Inn down by the river.

Something you'll never understand: Liberals who are older than 35.

Advice for your grandkids:

To win in life, always work the extra hour, take or make one more phone call, revere your grandparents and come see them over and over again. And never rely on "Spellcheck."



Best thing about grandkids: They call me Dondaddy and inexplicably still think I am "cool."

What makes you laugh? Sportscaster Chip Caray lovingly imitating his late father Skip's unique style of broadcasting a ball game.

Something people might be surprised to find out about you: I'm shy in public. I find it much easier to talk on TV than to a group in person.

What are you most proud of? Our family.

What you miss about the Paradise Coast when you're away: The general euphoria of living here ... the pervasive atmosphere of optimism and good will.

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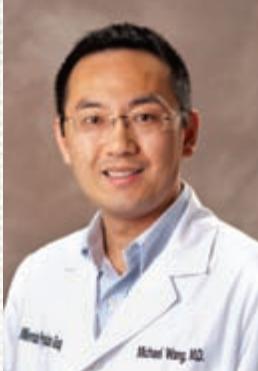


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REMEMBRANCE

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resident Don Vecoli formed the Southwest Florida branch — a “hub” in the organization’s terminology — in 2008.

At the close of 2012, the Washington, D.C.-based organization had 127 hubs in 49 states and had transported 98,500 veterans to see the WWII Memorial.

The Southwest Florida hub covers Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Sarasota, Manatee, DeSoto and Hendry counties.

Mr. Vecoli, a Desert Storm veteran who served in the U.S. Navy for 26 years, was Charlotte County’s veterans services officer before leaving the post and moving to Bradenton.

“It was just natural for me to continue to help vets,” Mr. Vecoli said, explaining why he formed the hub. “My dad was a WWII veteran and we lost him at 47 years old. So you could say, each one of these trips, I’m making with Dad.”

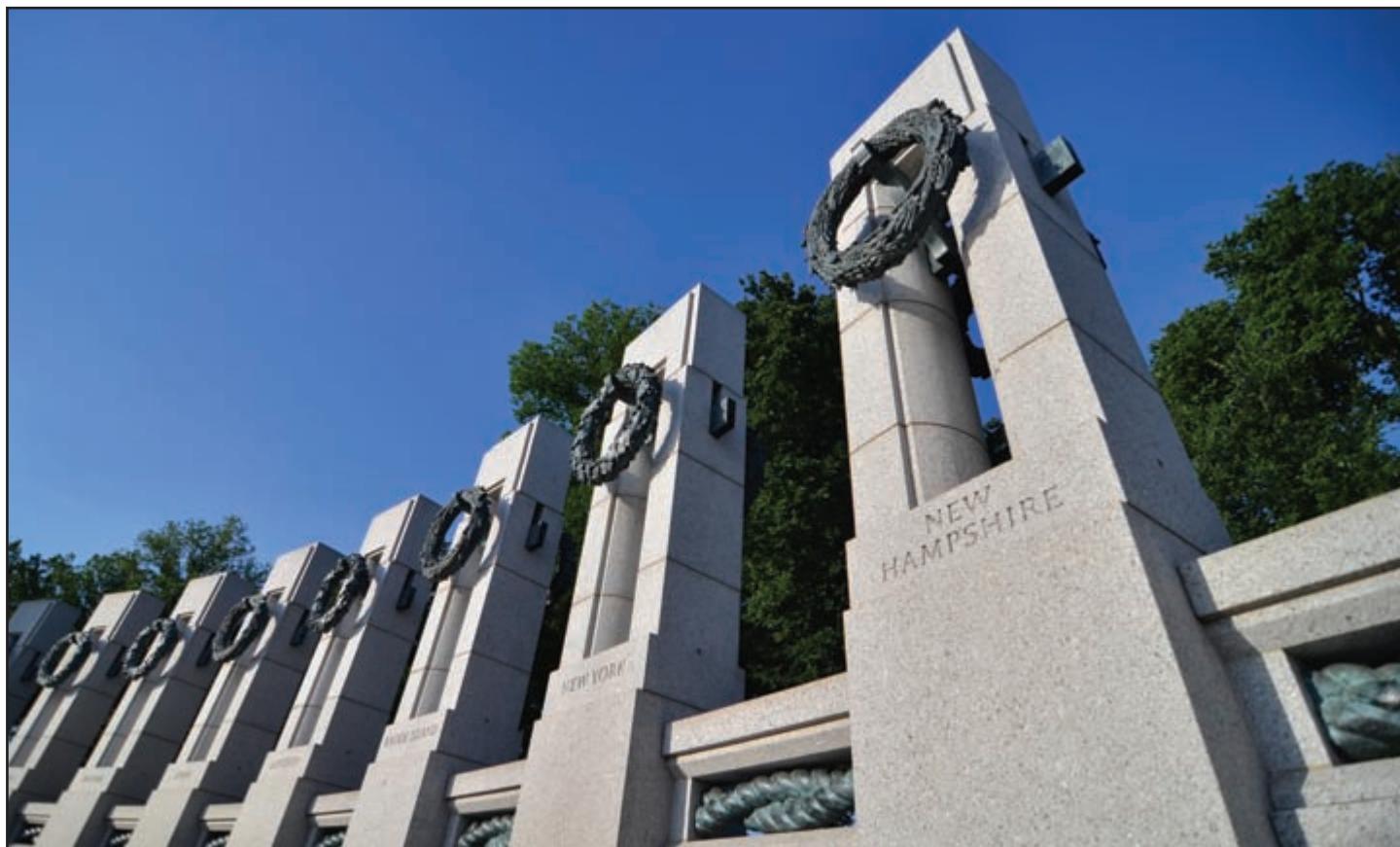
Since 2008, he has organized 13 Honor Flights that transported 740 veterans to and from the WWII Memorial, which was opened in April 2004.

For Mr. Vecoli, the memorial “was dedicated almost 60 years too late,” coming at a time when advancing age and infirmity, fixed incomes and death were becoming increasingly common for WW II vets.

Emotions run high on the trips and begin to flow well before the groups arrive at the memorial.

Mr. Vecoli said Reagan National Airport usually announces the flight’s landing and the special passengers that it bears, and it’s common for the vets to be received by a 200-400 person welcoming committee when they deplane.

“That’s when all the camaraderie of the day becomes. They’re good tears,” he said. “And all through the airport, the peo-



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The WWII Memorial in Washington, D.C.

ple that are there to greet them, it’s just overwhelming. When we actually get to the WWII Memorial, there are so many school kids that come up and hand a veteran a handmade card on construction paper made with crayons to thank them.”

Mr. Vecoli said many of the guardians who accompany the older veterans are Vietnam vets who come from all walks of life. Former Naval officer Dr. Debi Strand is looking forward to serving as a guardian for the first time on Saturday.

A dentist who works and resides in Naples, Dr. Strand pointed to the many sac-

rifices made by members of the Armed Forces, as motivation.

“They give up their families,” she said. “They go overseas and they put themselves in harm’s way. I truly, truly believe in giving back. I love my men and women of the service and when I heard about Honor Flight, especially since my grandfather was at Normandy and has a Purple Heart and a Bronze Medal, I felt this was something I needed to do.”

Southwest Florida Honor Flight organizes two trips a year to the memorial. Mr. Vecoli wishes he could add many

more trips, but limited funds and rising costs make that difficult.

“There is no corporate funding to fall back on,” he said. “We just beat the bushes. In the beginning it cost me \$32,000 (for airfare, buses and meals) to take people to Washington, D.C. Now it’s costing me \$48,000 to make the trip.”

Donations to Southwest Florida Honor Flight can be made by sending a check payable to SWFL Honor Flight to P.O. Box 12416, Bradenton FL 34280. For more information, contact Mr. Vecoli at that address, call (941) 685-9163 or e-mail dtvecoli@gmail.com. ■

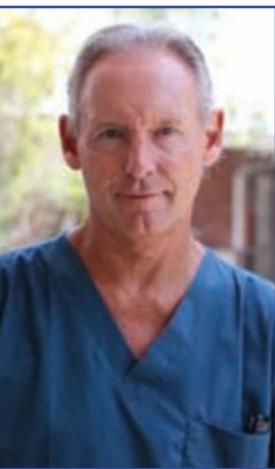


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Golden Gate community remembers 9-11

"We Will Never Forget," the annual 9-11 commemorative service at the Golden Gate Community Center, takes place at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, at the Golden Gate Government Center.

The Collier County Sheriff's Office Color Guard will conduct the flag raising, and members of the Golden Gate High School JROTC will lead the Pledge

of Allegiance and present the colors. Band members from Golden Gate High School and Golden Gate Middle School will perform patriotic selections. A memorial wreath will be presented by the Golden Gate Civic Association, and a bell ceremony will be conducted by the Golden Gate Fire District in honor of first responders who lost their lives

in the attacks. The invocation will be presented by Pastor Paul Getter, with Pastor James Boyd delivering the benediction. Melissa Getter will sing the national anthem.

The public is invited. Lawn chairs are encouraged. For more information, call Kaydee Tuff at 353-1687. ■

DEP sets public meeting about drilling

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection invites the public to hear more about the oil and gas permitting process and the DEP's assessment of the Dan A. Hughes Company's appli-

cation for a project near Golden Gate Estates.

The meeting is set for 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at the Golden Gate Community Center. Comment cards will be avail-

able to be filled out at the meeting or mailed at a later time. Comments can also be e-mailed to Ed.Garrett@dep.state.fl.us. ■

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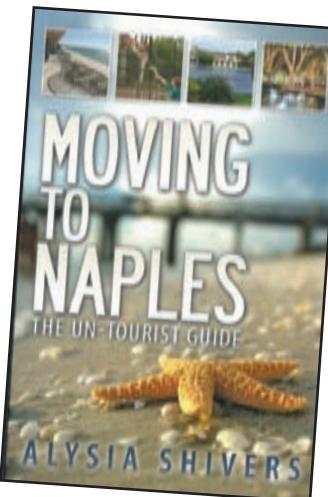


But what about those who want to make a life here? Where can they easily learn about neighborhoods, schools, getting around town, cost of living, taxes, job opportunities, etc.? To address this need, Naples-based publisher Voyager Media partnered with local resident and writer Alysia Shivers to produce

"Moving to Naples: The Un-Tourist Guide." The lively, practical guide provides newcomers (or those seriously considering a move to town) insight into what it's like to live, work and play in Naples.

"As frequent movers in years past, we always wished for a book that made it easy to feel at home in a new town," Ms. Shivers says. She adds that "Moving to Naples: The Un-Tourist Guide" is the first in a series that will help new and future residents settle in wonderful small cities quickly and comfortably.

The next two books in the



series — "Moving to Sarasota" and "Moving to Charlotte" — will be published this fall.

Marci Seamplles, a longtime Naples resident and a former Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce employee, reviewed "Moving to Naples: The Un-Tourist Guide" on Amazon.com:

"I'm always hesitant when a new

book about my hometown comes out. There are many facets to Naples/Collier County and, inevitably, the writer always misses some key component. Not this time! I was very impressed with Shivers' comprehensive yet nicely concise overview of the Naples area."

A former New Jersey girl, Ms. Shivers moved to Naples in February 2000. In her mid-20s at the time, she had no real desire to call Florida home. And yet, today, she can never imagine going back up north.

"Moving to Naples: The Un-Tourist Guide" is \$24.95 at www.Moving-toNaplesGuide.com as well as through Amazon, Barnes and Noble or iTunes. It is also the shelves at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore at Waterside Shops. ■

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American Mensa gives those brave brainiacs the chance to take the Mensa home test for just one dollar. Normally \$18, the online test is offered for \$1 through Sept. 15 at www.us.mensa.org/MHT.

One in 50 people qualify for admission into Mensa. The organization's home test does not qualify those who take it for membership, it will indicate their likelihood for success should they take the official Mensa admission test.

Here are some questions typical of the kind on the test (sorry, we don't know the answers):

■ If two typists can type two pages in two minutes, how many typists will it take to type 18 pages in six minutes? 3

typists, 4, 6, 12 or 36

■ If it were two hours later, it would be half as long until midnight as it would be if it were an hour later. What time is it now? 18:30, 20:00, 21:00, 22:00 or 23:30

■ Only one other word can be made from all the letters of INSATIABLE. Can you find it?

■ Which of the following proverbs is closest in meaning to the saying, "Birds of a feather, flock together."

"One swallow doesn't make a summer."

"A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."

"A man is known by the company he keeps."

"Fine feathers make fine birds."

"Don't judge a book by its cover."

■ Pear is to apple as potato is to what? Banana, radish, strawberry, peach or lettuce

■ Which word of four letters can be added to the front of the following words to create other English words?

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■ There are 1,200 elephants in a herd. Some have pink and green stripes, some are all pink and some are all blue. One third are pure pink. Is it true that 400

elephants are definitely blue? Yes or No

■ Sally likes 225 but not 224; she likes 900 but not 800; she likes 144 but not 145. Which does she like: 1600 or 1700?

■ Two men, starting at the same point, walk in opposite directions for 4 meters, turn left and walk another 3 meters. What is the distance between them? 2m, 6m, 10m, 12.5m or 14m

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Auctioneer holds seminar for nonprofits

Auctioneer Scott Robertson presents "Emerging Trends and Best Practices of Fundraising Auctions" from 8 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Sept. 24, at the Hilton Naples. Attendance is free for representatives of area nonprofit organizations.

"Nonprofits are faced with an increasingly competitive fundraising climate," Mr. Robertson says. "But benefit auctions are booming and raised more than \$110 billion worldwide for charitable causes last year," he adds. His seminar will give nonprofits some strategies to help them realize the full potential of their next benefit auction.

Mr. Robertson annually conducts 60-70 fundraising auctions, raising more than \$20 million dollars this past year. He is one of an estimated 30 auctioneers in the country that make fundraising auctions their fulltime profession. He is among the less than 1 percent of auctioneers in the country to have earned the Benefit Auctioneer Specialist designation from the National Auctioneers Association.

Although the seminar is free, seating is limited and reservations are required. Call 246-2139 or visit www.thevoe.com. ■

Junior Achievement honors Collier laureates

Tickets and sponsorships for the Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida 2013 Business Hall of Fame, Collier County, are now available. The celebration takes place Tuesday evening, Oct. 29, at the Waldorf Astoria Naples. Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida will induct John DeAngelis and David Diamond of DeAngelis Diamond Construction and Mayela and Orlando Rosales of Media Vista Group as Business Hall of Fame laureates in recognition of their professional accomplishments and commitment to the community.

Business table sponsorships are offered

for \$7,500, \$5,000, \$1,800 and \$900. Individual seats are \$250.

Sponsors also are needed to support student admission, which is \$125 per ticket. Junior Achievement students who attend the event have an opportunity to interact with local professionals and practice their etiquette skills. Additionally, full-page and half-page advertisements are available in the program book for \$1,000 and \$500.

To reserve tables, purchase individual tickets or buy advertising, call 225-2590 or visit www.jaswfl.org. ■

Help keep Keewaydin Island clean

The marine bureau of the Collier County Sheriff's Office sponsors its fifth annual Keewaydin Cleanup Saturday morning, Sept. 7. Two groups, one on the northern portion of the island and one on the southern portion, will help make a clean sweep of the barrier island.

The northernmost effort will depart from Naples City Dock aboard the sailing vessel Sweet Liberty at 8:30 a.m. and will return

to the dock around 12:30 p.m. The southern clean-up detail will depart from Pelican Bend restaurant on Isles of Capri aboard the Caloosa Spirit, also at 8:30 a.m., with a 12:30 p.m. return to the restaurant.

Seating is limited to 35 people on each boat. Reserve a place by e-mailing your name, phone number and boat preference to keewaydincleanup@gmail.com. Bring sunscreen. Bottled water will be provided. ■

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPHERD

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Spreadsheet parenting

First-time mother Amy Webb proudly notates dozens of data points about her child each day and obsessively tracks their detailed progression by computer on spreadsheets, according to the provocative first-person account she wrote for Slate.com in July. In categories ranging from ordinary vital signs, to the kid's progress in sound-making, to dietary reactions, to quantity and quality of each poop, stats are kept 24/7 (even with a bedside laptop to facilitate nighttime entries). She began tracking her own health during pregnancy, but then decided, "Why stop now?" when her daughter was born. Ms. Webb's pediatrician rated the kid's health as "A-minus," but the parents' as "C," adding: "You guys need to relax. Leave the spreadsheets (out)." Ms. Webb and her husband remain confident that their extreme tracking optimizes their chances of raising a healthy daughter. ■

Compelling explanations

■ Dr. Timothy Sweo said later that he was only trying to make his diagnosis of lumbar lordosis "less technical" for patient Terry Ragland when he described her condition as "ghetto booty." The shape of her spine makes her buttocks stick out more, he said, and he prescribed pain medication as there is no cure, *per se*. Nonetheless, Ms. Ragland felt insulted and filed a complaint against Dr. Sweo with the Tennessee Department of Health in July. Said she, "I couldn't believe he said that."

■ An Anglican parishioner complained in August about the "blasphemous" bumper sticker she saw on the car of Rev. Alice Goodman of Cambridge, England, but Rev. Goodman immediately defended it as not irreligious (although, she conceded, perhaps "vulgar"). The sticker read "WTFWJD?" which is a play on the popular evangelical Christian slogan "WWJD?" — "What Would Jesus Do?" ■

Ironies

■ Germany's center-left Social Democrats posted about 8,000 campaign placards in July that it proudly hailed as "eco-friendly" and biodegradable to attract the support of environment-concerned voters. However, 48 hours later, at the first rainfall, the posters became waterlogged and, indeed, biodegraded. Reported Hamburg's Spiegel Online, "None of the campaign workers could have guessed... how quickly the environmentally friendly process... would begin."

■ In August, a federal judge in Seattle sentenced Alicia Cruz, 31, to four years in prison for violating court-ordered drug treatment stemming from a 2011 conviction for stealing the identities of more than 300 people. Ms. Cruz had won a second chance (drug treatment,

instead of prison) by convincing the judge that she was no longer a crook — that this time, she would abandon her identity-theft life and go straight. Added Ms. Cruz, "I'm a different person now."

■ James "Sonny" McCullough, the mayor of the New Jersey shore town of Egg Harbor (pop. 4,240), announced in August that he was selling his waterfront home — because real estate taxes were too high (more than \$31,000 a year) following a recent re-assessment and that he could no longer afford it. The mayor, 71, told *The Press of Atlantic City* that he had planned to live the rest of his life in the home, but was not even certain he could afford to live anywhere in Egg Harbor. ■

The litigious society

A lawyer and former spokesman for the judiciary of Kenya filed a petition in July with the International Court of Justice in The Hague, Netherlands, seeking a retrial of Jesus Christ and naming as defendants the state of Israel, King Herod, various Jewish elders, the former emperor of Rome (Tiberius), and of course Pontius Pilate. Dola

Indidis claims that the proceedings before Roman courts did not conform to the rule of law at the time. (The claim had been dismissed by the High Court in Nairobi, and a spokesperson for the ICJ said the court has no jurisdiction in such a case, for it is not one between governments.)

Fine points of the law

■ In August, minutes before a scheduled mixed martial arts fight in Immokalee, Fla., the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation canceled it as "unsanctioned." Contestant Garrett Holeve, 23, who has Down syndrome, was to fight David Steffin,

28, who has cerebral palsy, and both had trained intensively for eight weeks and were outraged by the decision. Said Mr. Holeve's father of his son's reaction, "(T)hat hurts his feelings and angers him." "Their decision is pretty arbitrary (and) discriminatory." ■

A fond farewell to McCabe's Irish Pub



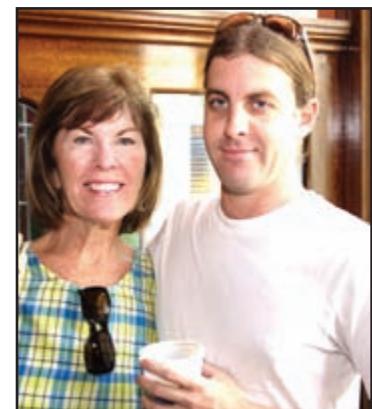
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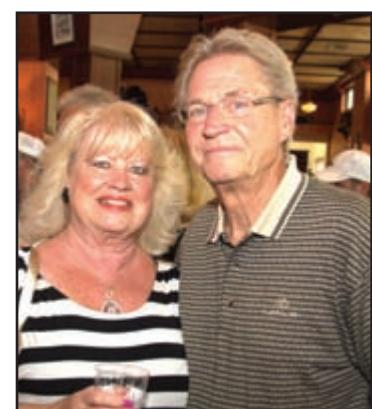
The gang's all here for one more beer



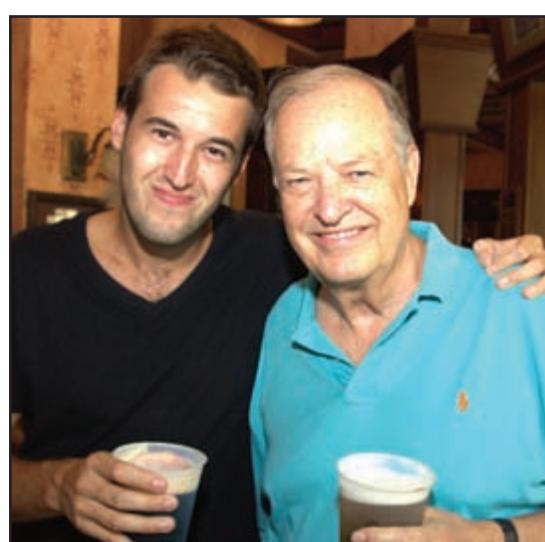
Claire Gorman of Celtic Spirit School of Irish Dance



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Watch out for traffic deputies

The Collier County Sheriff's Office gives drivers a heads-up that traffic enforcement deputies will be posted at the following spots the week of Sept. 9-13:

■ Monday, Sept. 9

- Immokalee Road and Lakeland Avenue: Aggressive driving
- Pine Ridge Road at Pine Ridge Middle School: Aggressive driving
- Golden Gate Parkway at I-75 southbound exit: Speeding



■ Tuesday, Sept. 10

- County Barn and Rattlesnake Hammock roads: Speeding
- Lely Cultural Parkway at Lely Elementary School: Aggressive driving
- Radio Road and Davis Boulevard: Red-light running

■ Wednesday, Sept. 11

- Collier Boulevard at U.S. 41 East: Red-light running
- Golden Gate Parkway and Sunshine Boulevard: Aggressive driving
- Industrial Boulevard: Speeding

■ Thursday, Sept. 12

- Airport-Pulling Road and Ponce de Leon Drive: Speeding
- Pine Ridge Road and Osceola Trail: Aggressive driving
- Immokalee Road at Laurel Oak Elementary: Aggressive driving

■ Friday, Sept. 13

- Vineyards Boulevard: Speeding
- Lakewood Boulevard and U.S. 41 East: Red-light running
- Vanderbilt Beach and Goodlette-Frank roads: Red-light running ■

Brush up on your driving skills

The AARP offers driver safety classes to help drivers learn new traffic laws, refresh their driving skills and reduce their risk for tickets and accidents. Drivers over age 55 become eligible for a discount on auto insurance.

Registration to cover the cost of supplies is \$14 per person, \$12 for AARP members. Reservations are essential and can be made by calling the number with each session. Here's what's coming up:

■ **Thursday, Sept. 12:** 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Williams Ministry Center, 750 Seagate Drive; (866) 686-4364.

■ **Tuesday, Sept. 17:** 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Christus Victor Lutheran Church, 15600 Tamiami Trail; 269-6050.

■ **Friday, Sept. 20:** 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Golden Gate Community Center, 4701 Golden Gate Parkway; 732-5310.

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HEALTHY LIVING

Healthcare Network celebrates National Health Center Week

BY KAYDEE TUFF

Special to Florida Weekly

Tatiana Bejarano giggled at her daughter's face paint during the Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida's National Health Center Week celebration at the Golden Gate Community Center.

But her smile faded when asked about the 5-year-old's dental care.

"We had a dentist, but Medicaid changed," she explained. "Now I have to pay and I don't have the money."

Providing parents such as Ms. Bejarano with access to quality health care is the mission of the Healthcare Network, which last year provided primary care to more than 45,000 people (including 32,000 children) at 13 locations throughout Collier County, including the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile.

The Healthcare Network is among 1,128 nonprofit, federally supported health centers in the United States that serve millions of people, regardless of their ability to pay. During National Health Center Week, centers across the country celebrated with a variety of events and activities.

"The goal was outreach and education, but we had a lot of fun as well," said Healthcare Network Medical Operations Manager Lydia Posada, chair of the operations team that coordinated events in Immokalee and Golden Gate. "We were thrilled with the turnout, especially in Golden Gate where it was a first-time event."



COURTESY PHOTO

More than 500 people enjoyed food, activities and free health screenings during National Health Center Week festivities at the Golden Gate Community Center.

Joining in the festivities were the David Lawrence Center, Integral, Radiology Regional, Early Steps, the HIV mobile unit, the Mammogram Mobile,

the Collier County Sheriff's Office and local fire control and rescue district personnel, among others.

As she watched her daughters romp in

the bounce house, Golden Gate participant Nadia Aparicio shared her thoughts

SEE WEEK, 15 ▶

Why caregivers — individuals and institutions — do what we do

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Over the Labor Day weekend, I recalled the timeless advice of the Chinese philosopher Confucius: "Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life."

Caregivers have chosen the most noble of professions, that of bringing healthy, sustaining, sometimes life-saving outcomes to those they serve.

As an organization, NCH has focused on building a culture of success to aid those we serve. Over the past decade, this

continuous journey has been marked by fits and starts as the health-care climate becomes more complex and the global environment more competitive.

The immediate outlook for health care suggests accelerated pressure as the major payer, our government, continues to be challenged financially. Indeed, with some predicting that the Medicare system will be insolvent in 13 years, the pressures on our industry and on all of us will not subside soon.

How we react to the continuing challenge will tell the tale on how we succeed in the decade ahead. Our attitude as individuals and as an organization is more important to our success than any other factor. Keeping a positive attitude in the midst of constant change isn't an

easy task. Being overwhelmed by fatigue, frustration and fear can undermine all of the altruism, vitality, inspiration, meaning and creativity that we bring to our professions.

One need only look at the numbers. Studies suggest that 40 percent of nurses feel burned out, job dissatisfaction among nurses is five times higher than other workers, and 20 percent of nurses plan to leave their jobs within one year. Meanwhile, 84 percent of physicians believe the medical profession is in decline, 77 percent are pessimistic, and 58 percent wouldn't recommend medicine to their children. And more than one-third of physicians say they wouldn't choose medicine if they had their careers to do over. (Not in my case!)

That, in a nutshell, is the challenge we face: To retain our idealism and our spirit in the midst of change and doubt. It all comes back to the individual and what he or she goes to work to do.

Here's a great quote from Professor Christopher Bartlett of the Harvard Business School: "People don't come to work to be number one or two or to get 20 percent return on assets. They come to work to get meaning from their lives." At NCH we believe this meaning to be helping everyone live a longer, happier, and healthier life. ■

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



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GET OUT FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Walk the walks, run the runs, hit the links or bait a hook in the name of a non-profit organization. Here are some opportunities for getting out for a good cause.

■ Oakridge Middle School holds the fifth annual **Bulldog Dash 5K Race and Fun Run** on Saturday, Sept. 14. Proceeds benefit the **American Cancer Society Relay For Life**. The 1-mile fun run starts at 7:15 a.m. and takes place on the school's track and field area. It's open to all ages, and all participants will receive ribbons. Beginning at 7:30 a.m., the 5K will follow a course through Indigo Lakes before returning to the school.

Registration in advance is \$20 for adults and \$15 for ages 18 and younger. Sign up by Sept. 12 at www.bulldogdash.com. Registration on race day is an additional \$5.

The Bulldog Dash is sponsored by the Oakridge Middle School Builders Club and the Northside Naples Kiwanis Club. For more information, call teacher Katie Sullivan at 377-4800.

■ The Barron Collier High School boys' basketball program hosts its **inaugural golf tournament** Saturday, Sept. 14, at Tiburon Golf Course. Registration begins at 7 a.m. before the shotgun start at 8 a.m.

Sponsors include Culver's of Naples, Naples Cosmetic Surgery Center, Bella U Color & Styling Salon and Mercedes Benz of Naples. Proceeds will help the team purchase equipment and uniforms and attend tournaments, among other things. For registration or more information, call tournament chair Andrea Fulcher at 404-0287 or e-mail andrea.fulcher@comcast.net.

■ The United Way of Collier County hosts its eighth annual **Walk for the Way** beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at North Collier Regional Park. This family-friendly event is open to the public free of charge and boasts live entertainment, local celebrities and mascots, and representation from each of the United Way's 31 partner agencies. Individual walkers and teams are encouraged to participate.

Walk for the Way marks the beginning of the United Way of Collier County's fall giving campaign. "Our objective is to build community awareness through a fun and healthy event where families can meet and learn more about the United Way and the 31 local agencies and hundreds of health and human service programs we fund," says Steve Sanderson, president and CEO.

For more information or to register as a team, individual or sponsor, call Jennifer Fey at 261-7112, ext. 203.



BOB RAYMOND / FLORIDA WEEKLY

Getting set for the Stiletto Sprint, 2012

■ Specialists in Urology, 21st Century Oncology and Gulf Coast Runners invite adults and children to participate in the third annual **Prostate Cancer Awareness 5K race** on Saturday morning, Sept. 28, at Physicians Regional-Pine Ridge. The first 250 to sign up receive a race T-shirt.

To register or for more information, visit www.gcrunner.org.

■ Wine Tasters of Naples hold their **third annual golf outing** for charity on Saturday, Oct. 19, at Heritage Bay Golf & Country Club. Registration for \$85 per person includes a buffet lunch and drawings for prizes. Sign up as a single or a team by calling John Groneman at 963-6237 or e-mailing jhg3.154@gmail.com.

■ Hundreds of participants of all ages and both sexes will step into their highest heels for a 500-foot dash down Fifth Avenue South on Saturday Oct. 19. The fourth annual **Stiletto Sprint** benefits the Garden of Hope & Courage and Susan G. Komen Southwest Florida.

Runners, walkers and all footwear are welcome, but only those in 2-inch heels will qualify for the first-place prize.

The race sets out at 5 p.m. Other fun beginning at 4 p.m. includes live musical entertainment and family activities in Cambier Park. A beauty pageant will take place in the band shell.

Registration is \$35 for adults, \$15 for children. To sign up or for information about sponsorships, visit www.komenswfl.org.



■ The Freedom Waters Foundation's **"Heels & Reels"** girls fishing tournament to benefit the PACE Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee takes place from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 12, at the Naples Boat Club. Rain date is Saturday, Oct. 19. The event pairs approximately 30 teens from the PACE Center for Girls with an experienced female angler who offers mentoring and instruction while on the water.

Volunteers and sponsors are needed to donate funding, vessels, time and experience. For more information, contact Debbie Hanson at 233-4930.

■ The Alzheimer's Association's **Walk to End Alzheimer's** takes place Saturday morning, Oct. 19, at Cambier Park and consists of a 2-mile walk as well as a tribute ceremony to honor those affected by Alzheimer's disease.

To register or for more information, call Nicole Melnick at 405-7008, e-mail melnickn@alzflgulf.org or visit www.act.alz.org/naples.

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■ Conservancy of Southwest Florida invites amateur anglers to sign up for the **20th annual Red Snook Catch and Release Charity Tournament**. Proceeds support the Conservancy's efforts to protect area waters and fund juvenile game fish research.

A kick-off party and auction take place Friday evening, Nov. 1, at the Naples Yacht Club. Anglers will launch from locations in Naples, Goodland and Everglades City

the mornings of Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 2-3. The tournament concludes with an awards ceremony at 6 p.m. Nov. 3, at the Conservancy's Nature Center.

Presenting sponsor is Wayne Meland at Morgan Stanley Wealth Management. Supporting sponsors include Naples Yacht Club, RGM Capital, Arthrex, CRS Technology Consultants, Hurley Travel Experts, Northern Trust, Outback Steakhouse, Whole Foods Market, Florida Weekly and CATCountry 107.1-FM, Larsen Allen, Atlantis Roofing of Naples, Everglades Isle and Heatherwood. Additional sponsorship opportunities are available through Sept. 9.

Registration is limited to the first 60 teams that sign up by Oct. 25. Forms for anglers are available at www.conservancy.org/redsnook.

For information about sponsorships, call Nikkie Dvorchak at 403-4219 or e-mail nikkied@conservancy.org.

■ The **American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer** sets out Saturday morning, Oct. 12, at Cambier Park. To register a team or to sign up to join an existing team, visit www.makingstrideswalk.org.

■ The Immokalee Foundation's **2013 Charity Classic Pro-Am golf tournament** pairs two dozen of the world's greatest golfers with Naples' most philanthropic players on Monday, Nov. 18, at Bay Colony Golf Club. This year's chair is Kevin Johnson of Morgan Stanley Private Wealth Management. Entry fees begin at \$5,000. All pro-am golfers will receive tickets to the 2013 Charity Classic Celebration dinner and auction Saturday, Nov. 16, at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples.

To sign up or for more information, contact The Immokalee Foundation by calling 430-9122, e-mailing info@immokaleefoundation.org or visiting www.immokaleefoundation.org.

■ The ninth annual **Iron Joe Turkey Ride** to benefit the Naples Pathways Coalition takes place Sunday, Dec. 1. The race sets out from North Collier Regional Park and gives bicyclists the chance to pedal 15, 30 or 62 miles, or to take the 15-mile Crossfit Box Challenge, with the box challenge taking place mid-ride on the beach. The day begins with sunrise yoga from 6:30-7:15 a.m. and includes lunch.

Registration for each of the above is \$30 in advance, \$35 on the day of. To sign up or for more information, visit www.naplespathways.org or e-mail info@naplespathways.org.

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CLUB NOTES

■ The Naples Orchid Society invites the public to a program by orchid expert Ruben Sauleda, Ph.D., about Brassavola and Nodosa hybrids beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Mr. Sauleda, whose Miami-based Ruben In Orchids is one of the oldest orchid businesses in Florida, will provide orchids for the evening's raffle and will have some of his orchids available for purchase.

Attendance is free. All are welcome.



■ Members of the **Naples Iowa Club** invite University of Iowa Hawkeyes fans and alumni to watch the football game against Missouri State beginning at noon Saturday, Sept. 7, at Weekend Willie's, 5310 Shirley St.

For more information, call Michael Eovino at (319) 431-8845, e-mail naplesiowaclub@gmail.com or follow the club on Facebook at www.facebook.com/naplesiowaclub.

■ The **Jewish Genealogy Shared Interest Group** meets at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at the Jewish Federation of Collier County, 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. All who are interested in getting starting and/or continuing to explore the world of Jewish genealogy are welcome. No experience is necessary. RSVP by e-mailing genresearch13@yahoo.com.

■ The **Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club of Naples** invites all Pi Phi alumnae in Naples, Bonita Springs and Marco Island to a beach-casual gathering at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, on the beach at Pelican Bay. Reservations are required in order to board the Sandpiper Beach shuttle.

For more information, call Connie Kindsvater at 249-4969 or e-mail conskind@aol.com.

■ The **Naples chapter of Ikebana International** holds its first meeting of the new season beginning at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Members Carol Brocklesby and Ingrid Maguire will present a Sogetsu program and workshop. Attendees must pay \$5 to cover the cost of materials.

All are welcome. Reservations are required and can be made by visiting www.ikebananaples.com.

■ The **Naples Newcomers** helps those who are new to the area make new friendships centered on 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 are 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.

■ The **Ohio State Alumni Club of Naples** invites Buckeyes, friends and fans to happy hour in the Parrot Room at Harold's Place from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19. Burgers will be served in the chickie hut after happy hour.

RSVP by calling Sara Ann Mousa at 593-9196 or e-mailing brusara@aol.com.

■ The **Naples chapter of PFLAG, Parents Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays**, a support, education and advocacy group for families with gay or transgender members, meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting is Sept. 19. Call 513-4568 for location.

■ The **Southwest Florida Chapter of the American Airlines Kiwi Club** holds its next luncheon and meeting starting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at D'Amico's Restaurant. The club is a social and charitable organization of present and former flight attendants of American Airlines, TWA and other airlines acquired by or merged with American Airlines. The chapter supports Pace Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee and the Collier County Hunger & Homeless Coalition. New members are always welcome.

For reservations or more information, call Eileen Pearson at 595-1761 or e-mail Barbara Traci at summerbid@comcast.net.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

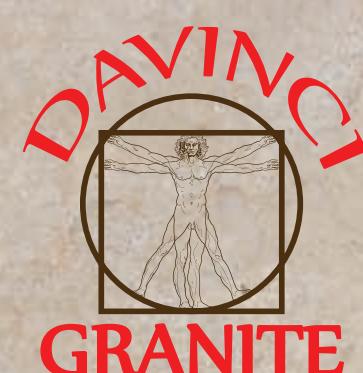
Naples Advanced Toastmasters: 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday at the North Collier Government Center, 2335 Orange Blossom Drive. Call Linda Valentine at (954) 780-6683. This club has prerequisites for membership.

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

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PET TALES

Cat 'bib' may stop a pet from hunting

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Q: One of our cats has become proficient at catching small birds and rodents, and brings them alive or barely alive into the house. We really don't like this and would appreciate some tips on how to change both cats back to indoor-only pets, if possible. Also, do bells on collars really work, since maybe that would at least hinder her ability to catch birds? They both wear collars, but not bells.

— via Facebook

A: If your only concern is about the hunter cat turning your home into the "nature channel," the easiest thing to try is a cat bib. While it may not be the best feline fashion statement, this device hangs down the front of a cat and keeps her from getting the jump on her prey.

As for bells on cat collars, they do sometimes work to scare birds away. But some cats learn how to stalk without ringing their bells. Who says cats aren't smart?

The better route to take is to convince your outdoor adventure lovers to accept an indoor-only life.

Feline frustration can turn into an orchestra of cat complaints. Some cats complain vocally (nonstop), others make the 50-yard dash to the door their sport (nonstop), while still others play Tarzan indoors from curtains to couches. Cranky cats may pick on each other. Just a few escapes can drag out this feline focus and fury on gaining freedom. If you decide to make them indoor cats, go cold turkey. Once they're in, they're in forever.

When you take away the great outdoors, replace it with a new indoor cat jungle. Purchase a few floor-to-ceiling

cat trees for climbing and perching. Place new things to explore in the room every day. Boxes and bags make great cat caves to investigate. Place catnip mice in new places. Buy a variety of scratching surfaces, both vertical and horizontal. Add a few containers of cat grass. Buy cat toys that look like real prey and begin daily indoor hunts.

The better you are at creating a new nature environment indoors, the less fuss and stress for you and the cats when changing from outdoor to indoor scenery.

Mentally and physically tired indoor cats will be more contented ones. They may never completely give up trying to escape, but over time, their efforts will wane. ■

— Do you have a pet question? Send it to petconnection@gmail.com or visit Facebook.com/DrMartyBecker.

Beauty of black cats more than skin deep

■ If you have a black cat with yellow eyes, you have a pet who's not only striking in appearance, but fairly remarkable genetically. These cats display a condition known as melanism, which is more or less the opposite of the better-known albinism. Their genetic code is what makes them appear completely black with "Halloween eyes" to match. According to National Geographic's News Watch feature, "Melanism (is) seen in 11 of the 36 wild felid species, (and) produces yellow irises as a result of high

levels of melanin in the pigment." While superstitions say that black cats are bad luck in the United States, the exact opposite is true in the United Kingdom.

■ After the horrific deaths of nearly 50 large cats, wolves and bears following their release from a Zanesville, Ohio, compound in 2011, laws were changed that turned the state from one of the easiest places to keep dangerous exotic animals into one of the most difficult. Ohio officials have offered owners amnesty to turn in their animals under the

state's new Dangerous Wild Animals and Restricted Snakes Act, but the Cleveland Plain Dealer reports that some are just being turned loose.

■ A transfusion using blood donated by a dog saved the life of a poisoned cat. With no time to lose and the cat's life slipping from her grasp, New Zealand veterinarian Dr. Kate Heller took a chance that the unorthodox move would work — and it did. One hour after the transfusion, the cat was on the way to recovery. ■

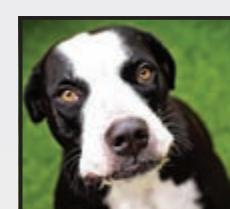
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>> **Snow White** is a beautiful, 4-year-old American bulldog mix who's very loving and laid back. Her adoption fee is \$75.



>> **Puma** is a 4-year-old Chihuahua mix who loves meeting new people. His adoption fee is \$150.

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THE DIVA DIARIES

Fall has arrived. So how do we know?

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As so much of the country heralds the arrival of September with back-to-school days, the onset of cooler nights and crispy leaves turning from green to gold to red to brown, we here in Southwest Florida do our best to pretend it's "fall."

Fall officially starts on the 22nd of this month, but here in the subtropics, September doesn't mean much as far as changes go. It's still hurricane season, the kids have already been back to school for a month, and the weather seems even hotter and more humid than it did in August — so we're forced to use our imaginations and, for some of us, our memories.

My best, most vivid recollections of fall are mostly all about clothes. Even though I was just a wee diva when my family moved here from Ohio, I always loved leaving my summer wardrobe of shorts, sleeveless tops and flip-flops behind to go to the mall for back-to-school school outfits. I might have only been in elementary school, but while my pals were flipping through Tiger Beat, I was devouring the September issue of Vogue. I loved turning the pages and seeing the tall, gorgeous super-models happily striding down northern city streets decorated with piles of vibrant leaves everywhere, sporting chic knee-high

boots, wool houndstooth gauchos (sorry, it was the '70s), fitted blazers and fabulous knit scarves in cranberry or violet, their perfectly feathered hair (I told you, it was the '70s) blowing lightly in the autumn breeze.

For me, fall fashion was the *ultimate* fashion.

Now that I'm truly old enough to carry off a houndstooth pattern and a brightly colored scarf, September in the swamp means that I'm still searching for clothes that are loose, breathable and light-colored *and* that forgivingly hide sins and skin while still ensuring I don't keel over from heat stroke. This is no easy trick (unless you're 19).

So, like so many others in these parts who are missing the usual signs of fall, I resign myself to what we *do* have to signify the seasonal change.

In Southwest Florida, we know it's fall when the pumpkin products return — as in when Starbucks reintroduces the pumpkin latte and Publix brings back the limited-edition pumpkin pie



CHARLIE MCDONALD / FLORIDA WEEKLY
Loving the dresses at last year's Love That Dress! event to benefit PACE Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee are: Todd Schusterman, Marianne Kearns, Stacy and Jason Sherman.

ice cream.

Also, when we start seeing Christmas decorations for sale in Walgreens, you can be assured it's September.

When we're desperate to open up our windows to allow some fresh air in for the first time since April — but we can't because it's 89 degrees outside — we know it's September.

Until it's really and truly fall in Southwest Florida — which is typically the beginning of November, right around the time the snowbirds and the traffic

return — enjoy your pumpkin latte (get it on ice), anticipate powering down the A/C in a couple of months and go pick up the nice, heavy, thick September issue of Vogue with Jennifer Lawrence on the cover and drink in "902 pages of fabulous fall fashion." That's what I'm going to do.

Love those dresses!

Let's stay on the subject of fashion, shall we?

After a sparkling summer of pre-parties, Naples fashionistas finally get to shop up a storm at Love That Dress!, the annual soiree to raise funds for PACE Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee.

Chair Stacey Herring, along with co-chairs Cotrenia Hood, Libby Fero and a dedicated committee, have collected more than 3,000 new and gently used frocks — "from beach to bridal, Gap to Gucci," so they say — for the sale that happens Saturday night, Sept. 7, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club.

General admission tickets are \$30. The best way to Love That Dress!, however, is as a VIP ticket-holder. For \$150, you get early entry (5 p.m. instead of 6 p.m.), concierge checkout, one drink ticket and savory appetizers plus sweet treats from none other than Norman Love Confections.

For tickets and more info, go to www.pacecenter.org and click on the center for Collier. ■

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



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Getting hired

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THE JOB MARKET IN SOUTHWEST FLORIDA is heating up, but after a bruising economic recession, employers are as choosy as ever when it comes to sifting through applications and gauging personal qualities in face-to-face interviews. Tailoring what you say on paper and in person to the company you're applying for is key, local employers say. But everything's on the table. Your phone message, style of dress, social media savvy, and personal understanding of just how good you really are — and how bad — all play into a prospective employer's perception. Inside this edition, savvy local businessmen and women who have honed their interviewing skills over hundreds of

applicants offer candid insights, lessons and common sense on what it takes to snag a new job.

Paul Makurat and Nancy Korista, Alta Resources

Alta Resources specializes in providing services for Fortune 500 companies. The company's first Florida campus opened in Fort Myers this July at 12600 Gateway Blvd. Once fully staffed, the company plans to have 600 to 700 people working there.

Just one example of the services it provides: when you call customer service for a large health insurance company,



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an Alta employee might answer your call. But their work spans different services for health care and insurance, consumer package goods, entertainment and e-business companies.

Florida Weekly spoke with Nancy Korista, who is human resources program manager at the Fort Myers campus; and Paul Makurat, who is managing director here.

"We love to hire college students because we need part-timers to help with our flexible schedules," Mr. Makurat said.

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Alternative asset classes worth a look for big-money investors

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Most investors are familiar with four types of investments: stocks, bonds, real estate and cash/money market. These four investment asset classes are called the "traditional" asset classes.

While these assets might encompass the investment universe for most investors, they are only part of the spectrum of investments used by institutions and very wealthy investors. Whilst traditional investments constitute the majority of portfolios of the wealthy and institutions, these mainstream investments are accompanied by meaningful allocations to "alternative" investment assets.

Alternative does not imply bad or weird or less desirable, but is so named because it is an "alternative" to traditional assets. As these investments are more complex in their terms and structure, even the sophisticated investor has to spend time understanding each alternative's unique risk/return characteristics.

There are too many alternative investment types to list. However, the largest large dollar concentration of alternatives is made as equity investments in privately held companies... i.e., ownership in shares of stock that cannot be easily resold as the privately owned company is not traded on

an exchange (as are publicly traded equities and bonds.)

Most times the company, particularly if it is a start-up company, has not met the requirements to be listed on a stock exchange; however, sometimes, the companies have met the requirements but they choose "privacy" in order to save money spent for tedious and neverending public company regulatory filings and to save money spent on communications/investor relations.

Another factor further limiting liquidity or resale is that shares cannot be privately sold to just anyone. The SEC requires that investors meet very high financial requirements (high assets or high income levels) as the SEC seeks to protect smaller investors who cannot assume the risks of opaque and illiquid investments.

As such, the sales of shares in a privately held company must be privately arranged: entrance (to own shares) is private and exit (to sell shares) is private. To most investors who value their ability to sell an asset within a nanosecond at a price established by a large number of buyers and sellers, this illiquidity is unattractive.

However, when investors are willing to forego liquidity and breadth of price discovery, they can enter a world that seeks to compensate investors for such give-ups.

Some mainstream investors might think, "Well, gee, real estate is plenty illiquid..." True, but these investments take illiquidity to heightened levels... i.e., selling commercial or residential real estate can take months to execute a transaction; reselling a

private company's shares sometimes takes years and is at prices that are fractions of a hypothetical fair market value.... as there is no market.

Investments in privately held companies are generally in two forms: a venture capital, or VC, investment or a private equity investment. Beyond their mutual lack of liquidity, there are scant similarities.

VC is generally a "venture" into something very new: a new, startup company usually with a new technology or service and a new management team that might be relatively young/new to entrepreneurial ventures. All this "newness" generally means high risk. Apple, Google, Twitter are examples of VC. All this "newness" also generally means the time horizon is five or more years before a liquidity event such as sale to a larger entity or going public.

As VC is an idea trying to become a big economic reality, the deals are sold to investors based on a vision for the startup companies' unique products and services. The metrics shown to investors are created out of due diligence — but they are numbers being created around the ideas and people. Clearly, the company is not troubled since it is too new to have gotten into trouble.

If investing in VC, it's best to think in terms of making many VC "bets." Industry pros typically explain that one-third of their VC portfolio will be home runs; one-third will be boring and a "wash" financially; and one-third will be total failures. Does that suggest three VC deals should comprise a VC portfolio? Try 20-25 VC investments and hope for a similar distribution of finan-

cial euphoria, boredom and dismay.

Private equity typically involves buying public companies that have operational or other difficulties: some part of the way they are doing business needs to be changed and being private is the best venue for making the changes. There is no "newness" as the company might be quite old, tired, and hence, needing a new managerial configuration. The risks and rewards of the turnaround will accrue to the owners of the privately owned company. A long time ago, these buyouts would use huge amounts of leverage, called leveraged buyouts, but these days, the equity portion of the capital structure is often 30-40 percent. The gains will come from operational improvements and less from financial leverage gains.

In private equity, there are already plenty of historical financials and the odds of total failure are much lower than VC — and so are the odds of a home run.

So, if you are an accredited investor and you are considering investing in VC or private equity, make sure that you carve out sufficient capital to make multiple allocations, can accept the lack of liquidity and can commit to a five-year time horizon. You can also seek out firms that will allocate your capital to a fund that is invested in many of the same investments. ■

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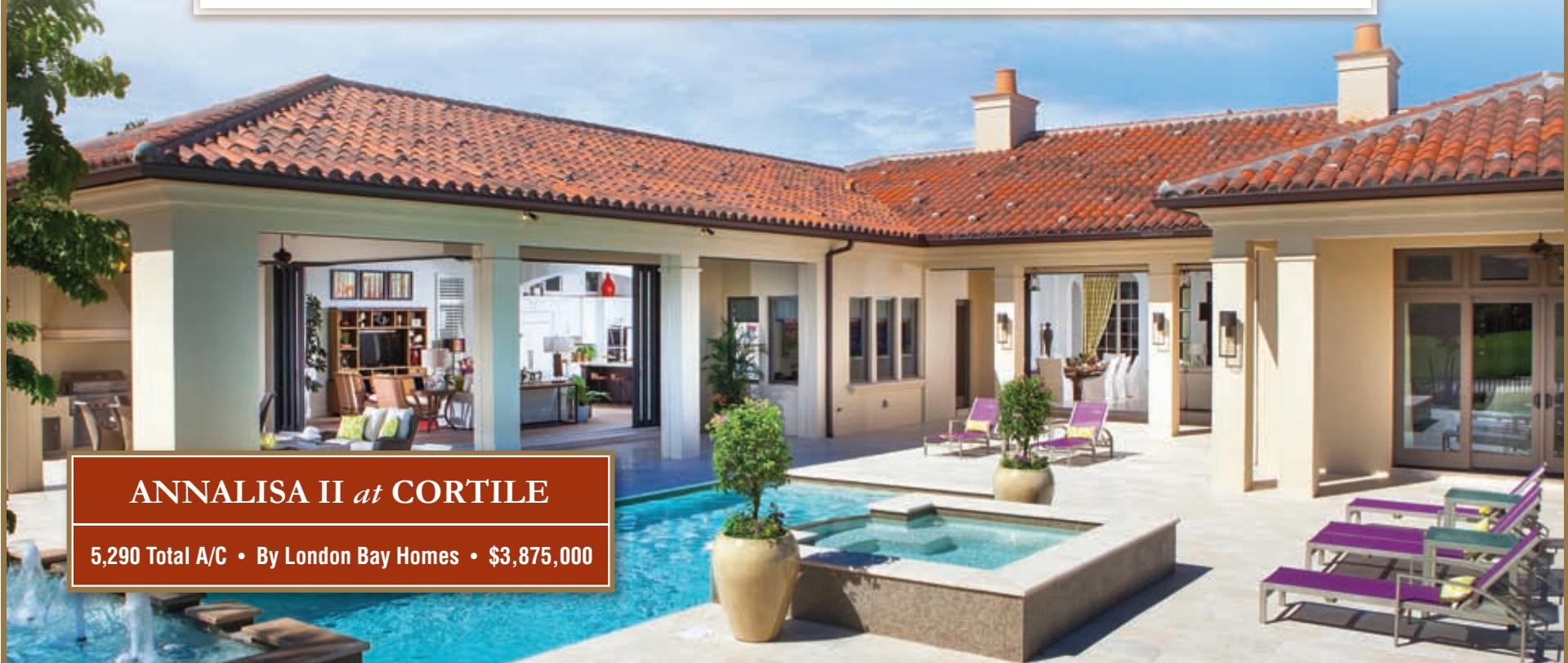
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In August, Alta held a job fair in Fort Myers. Company representatives interviewed 735 candidates face-to-face in two days. They sorted through roughly another 1,000 online applications and resumes. They hired for all the leadership positions, sales agent positions, and some of the customer-care positions available. They still have roughly 350 customer-care positions open and plan to add them at a rate of about 50 new employees per week.

After interviewing so many candidates, for everything from leadership positions to call-in center employees, Ms. Korista and Mr. Makurat were impressed with the candidates overall. They also shared some tips on how to improve.

Nancy Korista: "We need to make sure they have good PC literacy. If somebody has never worked on a keyboard, they wouldn't be for us. We also look for a good to high energy level. Because there are certain days with our call centers where we can be extremely busy. We also look for excellent communications skills. Our employees love to define a consumer's issue and seek the solution."

Paul Makurat: "Much like a grocery store or any other business, the customers are coming in or calling in whether you're here or not. We want to be flexible, but personal accountability (showing up on time for work) is really, really high on that list."

Nancy: "Our employees are on the phone so they're not doing a face-to-face with the customer or consumer. We would like them to have a nice-sounding voice, someone who sounds engaging, of course. And of course we do look for professional appearance. We do have a casual dress policy but we want that professionalism to show through."

Paul: "Your readers would be well served by the adage: dress one level above the job you're going for. Business casual is more of a golf shirt or oxford, no tie. But if someone comes in with a tie, it really catches my eye."

FW: How long is too long for the resume?

Nancy: "One to two pages are certainly sufficient for the positions we're now currently hiring for. If they get to be three pages long I feel they've put a little too much detail into that. They should save something for the face-to-face interview."

FW: Are there any pitfalls you see applicants fall into or things that, while not necessarily a deal breaker, might

give you second thoughts?

Nancy: "The ones that are truly — they're very excited to come in — but they may get a little too chatty."

Paul: "If they do dress for success and then they need to come in to fill out some paperwork and then they come in in shorts and flip flops. I understand there's a little bit of a Florida culture that way. In general, I would say try to, before you walk out the door, check yourself and say, 'is anything about my appearance going to give my future employee misgivings?' If I was giving advice to a young college kid, I'd say, 'you can't get too relaxed too quickly.'"

Paul: "When I look through the uploaded resumes; when you look at somebody's resume and they have some pretty basic spelling errors, it does make me second guess. Even if they've worked for Fortune 500 companies, they might go to the bottom of the pile. That's what people have to remember. We have 1,000 people online, that's one of the ways of prioritizing who you want to talk with."

Nancy: "I'd say the candidate needs to present professionally in person as well as professionally on paper."

Molly Grubbs, career development coordinator at Hodges University

"I think the number one thing is their showing enthusiasm toward the position, and they are exhibiting their communication skills. Being able to articulate what they can offer an employer is very important and some students really don't know how to sell themselves, so that's a weakness. A lot of people don't really know how to talk about their strengths..."

"The way that I view (resumes) is I tell my students to tailor their resume to each position. I want them to look at the company, look at the skillsets of the job they're applying to and tailor their resume to the specific job: mirror the key words, the knowledge, skills and abilities the employee is looking for. I do like it to be brief (one or two pages), but I don't think you can just do something general, throw it out there and hope somebody bites."

"I tell my students to do research on the company prior to the interview. If there's something you can mention in your cover letter prior to your interview — why you want to work there could make you stand out. So I think tailoring is key. (And) formatting is important; something that's eye catching, and obviously, professional."

"I also really encourage my students to use LinkedIn. So if you're familiar with LinkedIn, it's almost like an online resume. It came back really in the last two or three years as a hot social media tool for job seekers. If you are a job

seeker, you should be on LinkedIn with your profile complete. Let's say you put a resume in at Arthrex and haven't heard anything. I'd tell a student get on LinkedIn, follow Arthrex and get an HR contact and send them a (message letting them know), 'I've recently applied to the x-y-z position, I'd love to interview.' And the other cool thing about LinkedIn is you can see if someone viewed your profile."

Barbara Hartman, spokeswoman for Southwest Florida Works

"On e-mail: Surprisingly, we've found that some job seekers don't realize the e-mail that they have for their personal friends is not appropriate for an employer. They can easily establish a new no cost e-mail with Gmail or Hotmail or Yahoo; remember to have a very professional businesslike e-mail."

"Get an idea of the feel of the company, if that's a business you'd be interested in working at. It gives you an idea of the culture of the business and their customer service; and get an idea of the attire that they wear there. Dress appropriately for their interview."

"We also recommend, of course, taking your resume with you, taking a couple extra copies so if it's a team interview you can have a copy for the different team members. (And) you'll have your own copy so if there are any questions you'll have that right in front of you as a guideline."

"One of the best ways to find employment, find jobs, is through friends and relatives. Word of mouth and networking are so valuable. So if you belong to any kind of professional group or related committees, get into attend those and also use social media like Facebook and LinkedIn. Those are very effective. We also recommend doing a comprehensive job search: in person, online, going to job fairs, networking and social media, too. There are so many different avenues now available for somebody's job search. Many positions aren't ever advertised. They're through word of mouth if somebody leaves a company."

Gary Guerrero Jr., GGG Marketing

Other people talk about an online future while Naples entrepreneur Gary Guerrero Jr. lives there. He runs his web design and consulting firm, GGG Marketing, with "an Internet connection, a laptop and a phone," building sophisticated websites for local businesses as diverse as a chiropractor, limousine service, and real estate company.

He hires people by searching for job seekers or posting job descriptions and requirements on

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websites such as Craigslist, oDesk and Elance, and sometimes getting hundreds of applications. He looks at their references, background, and what type of work they've done.

"Then I'll talk to them on Skype, so sometimes a video or voice conference, maybe even a chat," he said.

Using this method, he's found employees in the United States, as well as countries such as India and Pakistan. They work for him on a freelance basis, helping design websites, for instance, getting them ranked high on Google or building links. Some only do a few jobs, while others log as many as 25 or 30 hours per week. They send him an invoice for their service, and he pays them through PayPal.

"This is the business model of the future," Mr. Guerrero says.

He started building websites roughly five years ago. After working as a graphic designer at small stores such as a sign shop in the San Francisco area, he moved to Naples, where his father lives, and began waiting tables. Meanwhile, he started building websites for people on the side before making the business an official LLC in 2010.

"I went from building these tiny niche sites to custom, high-ranking websites," he said. ■

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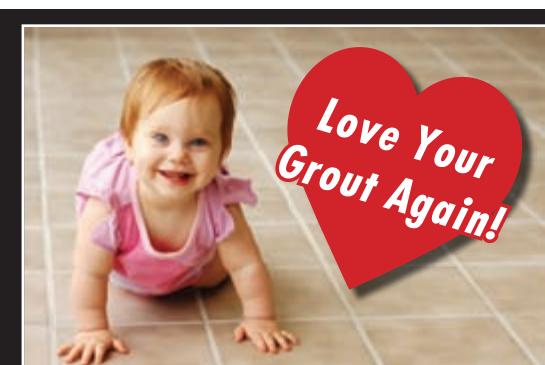
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Mary Ann Green, the founder and owner of magik, announces her firm's expansion into a full-service public relations and communications company offering services in copywriting and editing, public relations, branding, social media and SEO, graphic design, events and strategic planning. Ms. Green, who served as development and public relations officers at The Shelter for Abused Women & Children for almost eight years, has more than 20 years of experience in the communications industry.



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experience in health-care management, having served as executive director of the Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida for seven years and 20 cumulative years executive experience with Family Health Centers of Southwest Florida; University Hospital, the University of Florida affiliate in Jacksonville; Nemours Children's Clinic in Jacksonville; and St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. Akin has been appointed CEO of Integral Health Plan, a Medicaid health plan sponsored by Healthcare Network. Integral has 37,000 members throughout the state and is the leading Medicaid health plan in Collier County.

Steve Weinman, who served the Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida for more than 29 years, has retired as vice president and chief operating officer.

Awards & Recognition

My Shower Door has been recognized as a recipient of the 2013 Florida Companies to Watch award, an honor presented by GrowFL at the University of Central Florida. Along with representatives from 49 other companies from across the state, My Shower Door owners **Bill, Keith** and **Doug Daubmann** will be honored at a ceremony Oct. 24 in Orlando.

Health Care

Mike Ellis has been named president and CEO of the Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida. He previously served as director of medical operations and replaces **Richard Akin** as president and CEO. Mr. Ellis has more than 35 years of

Amy Tardif, FM radio station manager and news director for WGCU Public Media, has been named 2013-14 chair-elect of the Radio Television Digital News Association, the world's largest professional organization devoted exclusively to electronic journalism. Ms. Tardif previously served as RTDNA regional director for Region 13. During her 12-year tenure as news director at WGCU-FM, she has won numerous local, state, regional and national awards for reporting, including the prestigious Peabody award in 2011. ■



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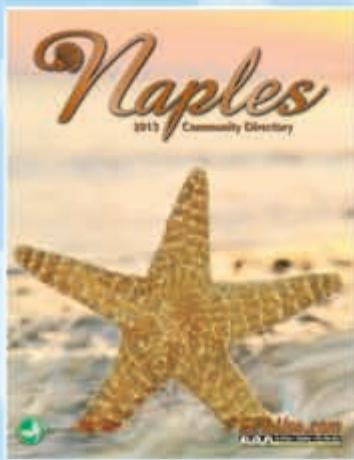


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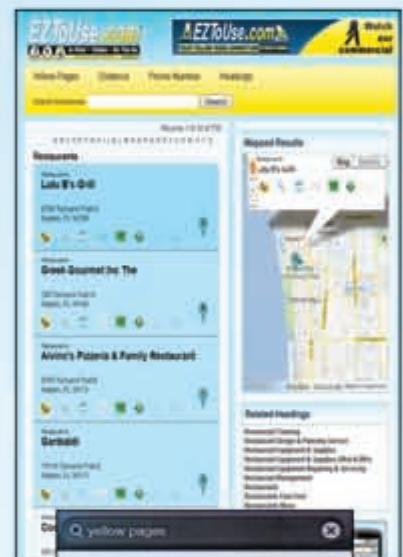
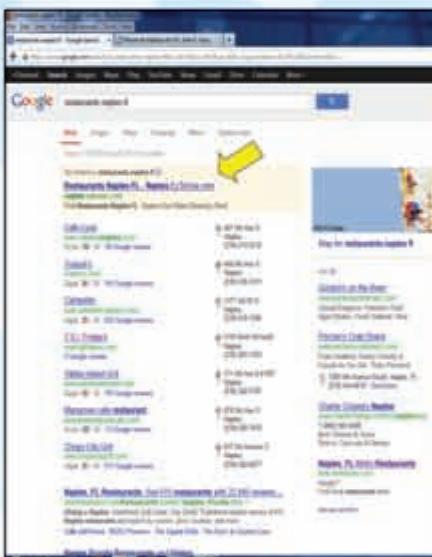


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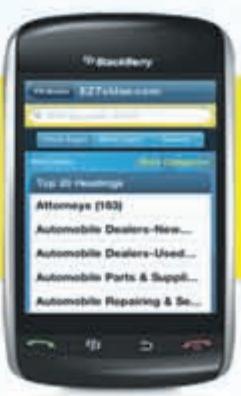
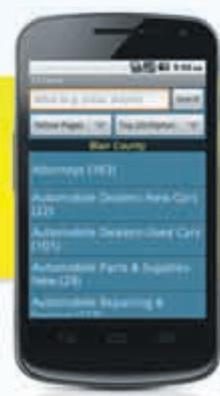
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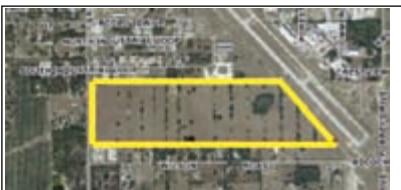
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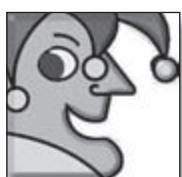
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- (1) Save up and earn interest, or
- (2) Borrow the money (often via a credit card) and pay interest (at a much higher rate).

The better choice should be clear. So how much should you save? It depends. Generally, aim to have at least three to six months of living expenses in an emergency fund. If you work in a field where it's easy to find work, three months' worth may be enough. If you're a typewriter repairman supporting five kids, three elderly parents and six large dogs, you may want to aim for a year's worth of

expenses. Beyond your emergency fund, any funds you'll need within three to five years (or longer, to be more conservative) shouldn't be in stocks. Stocks can be terrific over long periods, but in the short run, anything can happen — just remember the 2008 stock market swoon. You don't want a stock market crash occurring just before you have to make a big college tuition payment.

Short-term savings belong in instruments such as money market accounts, certificates of deposit (CDs), short- to mid-term government and corporate bonds, and bond mutual funds. Your return will vary, of course, but right now some money market accounts are paying close to 1 percent.

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My Dumbest Investment

Execution Counts

One investment that looked like it would be my dumbest was in a company with promising technology that developed renewable and synthetic fuels. It could convert feedstock into synthetic diesel and jet fuel, for example. It was doing business with the military and seemed quite promising, but had trouble getting to full production capacity and producing on a large scale.

Worst of all, it conducted a 1-for-10 reverse split of its stock in order to prop up its price and not get delisted by the Nasdaq Stock Market. The stock has rebounded lately, though, so my pain has eased.

— L.S., Virginia Beach, Va.

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Based in New Jersey, I'm a leading shelf-stable and frozen food company, with a market value near \$5 billion. My brands are found in more than 85 percent of American households and they hold the No. 1 or No. 2 market position in 10 of the 12 major categories in which they compete. My brands include Duncan Hines, Vlasic, Mrs. Butterworth's, Log Cabin, Armour, Open Pit, Birds Eye, C&W, Van de Kamp's, Mrs. Paul's, Hungry-Man, Aunt Jemima, Lender's and Celeste. I'm backed by the Blackstone Group and went public via an IPO earlier this year. Who am I? (Answer: Pinnacle Foods) ■

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Name That Company

Born in Seattle in 1994, I debuted on the stock market in 1997. I'm one of Earth's top retailers, offering everything from books to spoons, watches, cereal, shoes and more. I offer one-click shopping, streaming video and electronic tablets, among many other things. More than 2 million businesses and sellers use my e-commerce platform, and I've offered cloud computing-based services for years. My stock has grown by an average of 22 percent annually over the past decade. I aim to be the most



customer-centric company. My annual revenue tops \$66 billion and I employ more than 88,000 people. Who am I? ■

Know the answer? Send it to us with Foolish Trivia on the top and you'll be entered into a drawing for a nifty prize!

The Motley Fool Take

Intel Inside ... Your Portfolio?

Intel (Nasdaq: INTC) stock hasn't exactly been on fire lately. Some think the stock should be sold, due to the company's flagging revenue growth, its dependence on a weak PC market for much of its business and softness in prices for its wares.

The company still has a lot going for it, though, and much to offer investors. For one thing, it has been spending heavily on research and development (we're talking more than \$10 billion annually) and building a bigger position in the fast-growing mobile device sphere and other arenas.

For example, it has been partnering with others to develop offerings for the health care market, such as home-based health technologies and computing systems for

hospitals. It's even looking at the TV business, with its OnCue service offering viewing options over broadband Internet connections. Some think Intel has a chance of reviving the PC market with its new Haswell chip that boosts battery life considerably.

Finally, consider the company's dividend, which will pay you handsomely while you wait for business to pick up. It recently yielded 4.1 percent, and the company has been hiking its payout by more than 10 percent annually, on average.

Intel is too big, too rich and too forward-thinking to be forgotten. (The Motley Fool owns shares of Intel and its newsletters have recommended it.) ■

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How Long Is Long?

QI've heard I should invest in stocks for the long term. But how long is that?

— C.R., Pensacola, Fla.

AIt's good to shoot for at least several years, if not many years — as long as the company remains healthy and growing at a good clip, and as long as its stock price hasn't gotten way ahead of itself. Many fortunes have been built by people who stayed invested in solid stocks for decades.

Keep taxes in mind, too, because long-term capital gains are generally taxed at a lower rate than short-term ones — 15 percent for many of us, vs. our ordinary income tax rate for short-term gains. For Uncle Sam, long term is at least a year and a day.

QI'm considering investing in a company that seems to be doing everything right: Sales and earnings have been growing at double-digit rates and there's no debt. And yet the stock keeps falling. Am I missing something really obvious?

— E.D., Green Bay, Wis.

AMaybe. You need to look more closely. Even steep growth rates may be lower than previous levels. Check out expectations, too. If the company and/or Wall Street analysts expect slower growth in the future, that can dampen enthusiasm for the stock, sending it down. Perhaps competitors are fast advancing on the company, or questions have been raised about its management or offerings. For investors, the company's future matters more than its past.

Then there's the stock price itself. Since the company has been growing briskly, investors may have bid up the stock to lofty heights, well above its intrinsic value, and the price may now be settling back to more reasonable levels.

Always look at a company's big picture. ■

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

BUSINESS MEETINGS

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

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

■ The Above Board Chamber of Florida welcomes members and guests to its luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, at the Hilton Naples. Attendees will receive tips for getting coverage from eight media executives with

TV, daily/weekly/monthly newspapers and magazines. \$23 for members, \$28 for guests. Reservations required by Friday, Sept. 6. Call Jeanne Sweeney at 910-7426.

■ Wake Up Naples for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 7:30-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, at the Hilton Naples. Guest speaker will be John Cox, incoming president and CEO of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce and the Leadership Collier Foundation. Call 262-6376

■ The Business Alliance Committee of the Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce hosts speed networking facilitated by David Longfield-Smith from 4:5-30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, at the Marco Island Hilton Beach Resort. \$5 at

the door (cash only). Participation is limited to the first 30 people who RSVP by e-mailing Katie@marcoislandchamber.org or donna@marcoislandchamber.org.

■ The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce holds its next Business After Hours for members and guests from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, at the Colony Golf & Bay Club, 41010 Pelican Colony Blvd. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door for members, \$30 for others. 992-2943 or www.bonitaspringschamber.com.

■ The Leadership Collier Foundation kicks off its 25th anniversary season and the Class of 2014 at a reception from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Guest speaker will be John Cox, the new

president and CEO of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. \$25. Reservations are required and can be made at www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ The East Naples Merchants Association meets for Business After Business at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, at Physicians Regional-Collier Boulevard. For more information, call 435-9410 or 643-3600 or visit www.eastnaplesmerchantassoc.com.

■ SCORE Naples and the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce present a workshop titled "Health Care Reform for the Small Business Owner" from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 14, at chamber headquarters, 2390 Tamiami Trail N. \$35. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events. ■

NETWORKING

Angelina's hosts wine tasting for Bonita chamber President's Club



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Robert Jones and Christine Ross



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Nonprofits learn about 'Thinking Outside the Box'



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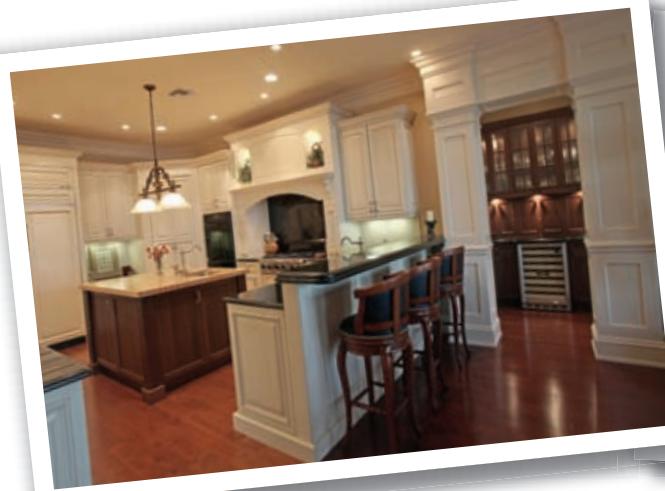
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A dramatic setting — 23 feet above Barfield Bay on a natural shoreline, with views of flora, fauna and the bay beyond — gives this 5,900-square-foot home a top-of-the-world feel. Designed to capture the essence of early Florida architecture, the residence has a wraparound porch with white wood balustrade and a stand-

ing seam metal roof. The sophisticated interior has extensive millwork, voluminous ceilings, wood flooring and windows strategically placed to capture natural light. There are five bedrooms, 4½ baths, a den, home theater and a three-car-plus garage. In the outdoor living area, generous space for seating and a summer

kitchen extend the enjoyment of being outdoors. There is room to add a boat dock (no bridge between the property and Caxambas Pass and out to the Gulf of Mexico).

Helga Wetzold of Premier Sotheby's International Realty has the listing for \$3.475 million. Call 821-6905. ■



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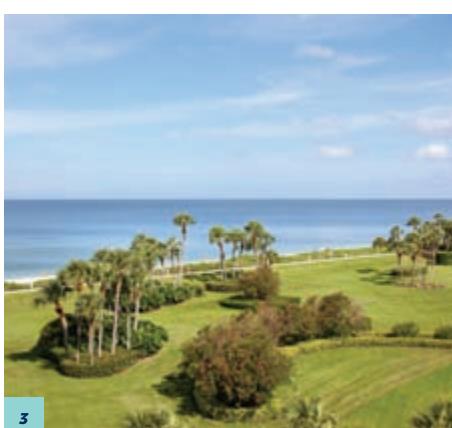
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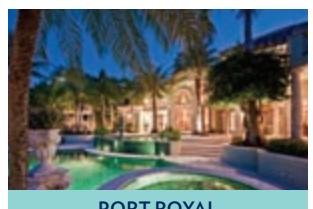
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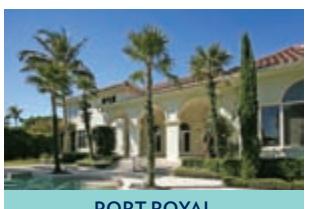
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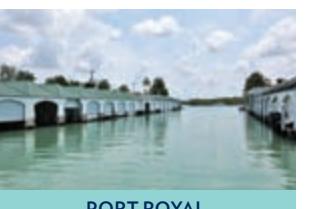
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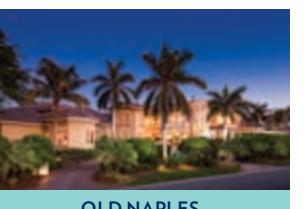
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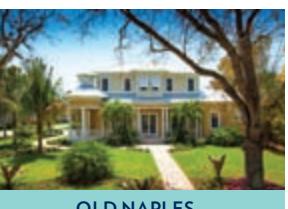
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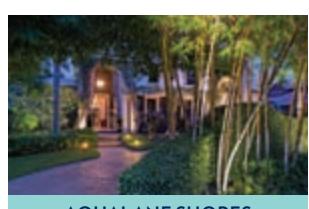
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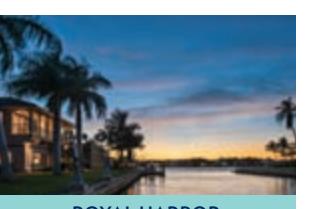
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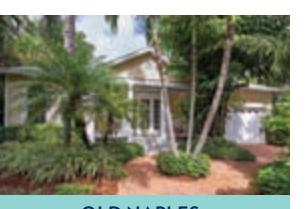
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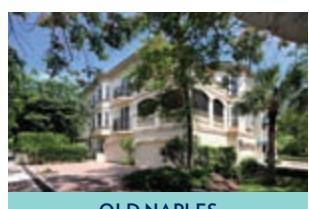
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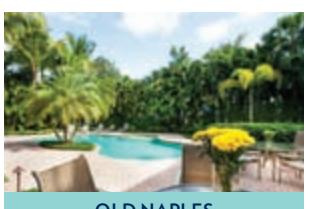
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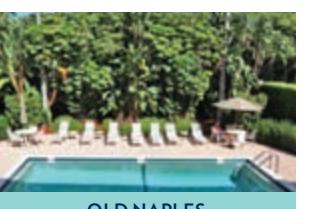
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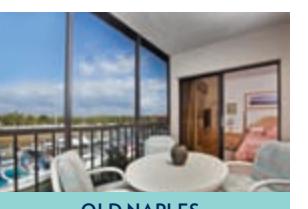
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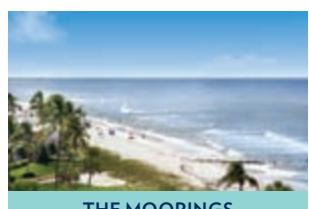
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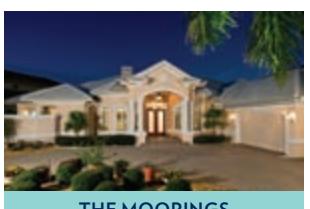
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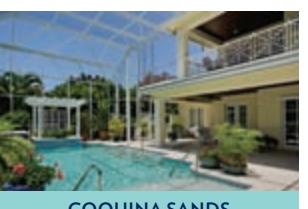
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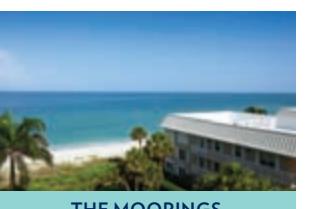
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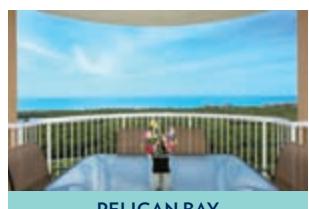
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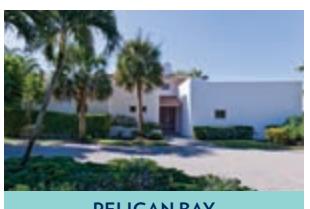
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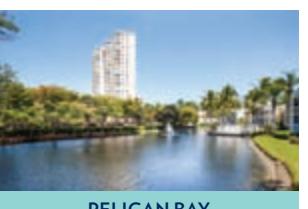
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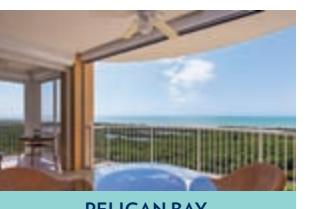
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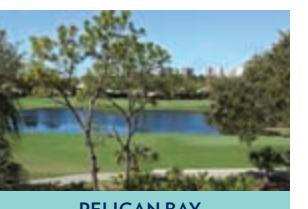
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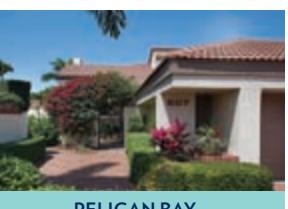
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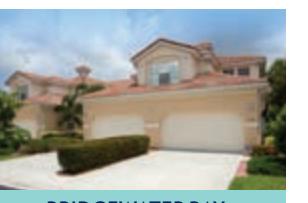
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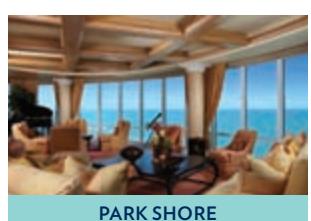
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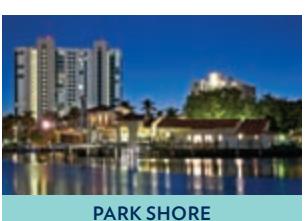
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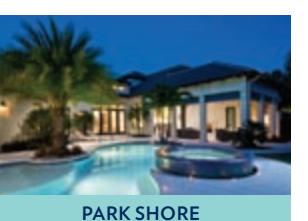
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Bet Dewey 239.564.5673
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4100 Gulf Shore Blvd. North
Michael G. Lawler 239.261.3939
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**PARK SHORE**

Provence #PH3
Susan Barton 239.860.1412
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**PARK SHORE**

4010 Old Trail Way
Michael G. Lawler 239.261.3939
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**PARK SHORE**

Brittany #1606
Amy Becker/Leah Ritchey 239.272.3229
premiersir.com/id/212059531 \$2,495,000

**PARK SHORE**

233 Mermaids Bight
Michael G. Lawler 239.261.3939
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**PARK SHORE**

Park Plaza #1704
Michael G. Lawler 239.261.3939
premiersir.com/id/212037005 \$1,999,000

**PARK SHORE**

Brittany #305
Barbi Lowe/Trish Lowe Soars 239.216.1973
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**PARK SHORE**

The Savoy #PH-6
Sarah Theiss 239.269.0300
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**PARK SHORE**

503 Turtle Hatch Lane
Vincent Bandelier 239.450.5976
premiersir.com/id/213023696 \$1,550,000

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Le Parc #504
Ed Cox/Jeff Cox 239.860.8806
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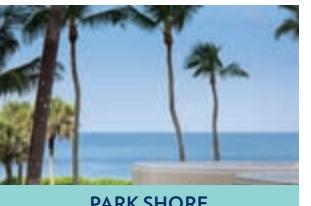
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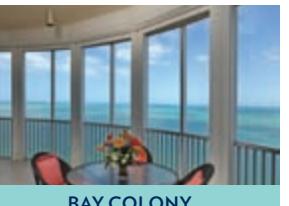
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Tess McCarthy 239.207.0118
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**PARK SHORE**

Villas of Park Shore
Anne Killilea/Marion Bethea 239.285.1292
premiersir.com/id/212007991 \$645,000

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Barbi Lowe/Trish Lowe Soars 239.216.1973
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Contessa #PH-22
Barbi Lowe/Trish Lowe Soars 239.216.1973
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**ESTATES AT BAY COLONY**

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Carol Gilman 239.404.3253
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**BAY COLONY**

Brighton #303
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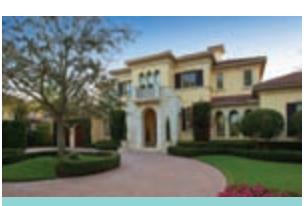
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**GREY OAKS**

1433 Nighthawk Pointe
Melissa Williams 239.248.7238
premiersir.com/id/213005908 \$6,995,000

**GREY OAKS**

1394 Great Egret Trail
Sam Heitman 239.537.2018
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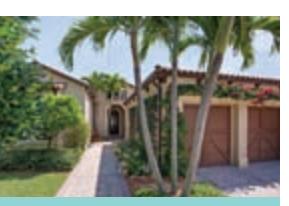
1486 Anhinga Pointe
Dan Guenther 239.357.8121
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2614 Bulrush Lane
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Fahada Saad 239.659.5145
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Melissa Williams 239.248.7238
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**LELY RESORT**

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Heidi Deen 239.370.5388
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910 Wyndemere Way
Gary L./Jeff/Becky Jaarda 239.248.7474
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385 Willett Avenue
Dina L. Moon 239.370.1252
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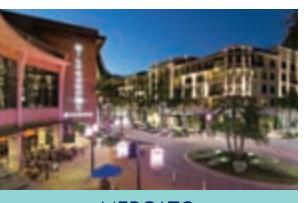
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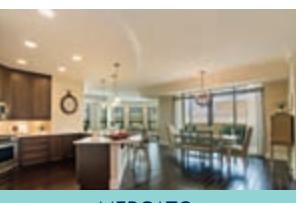
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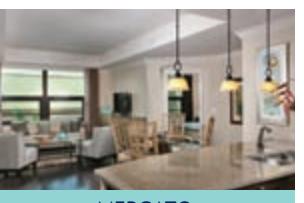
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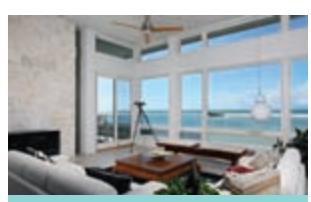
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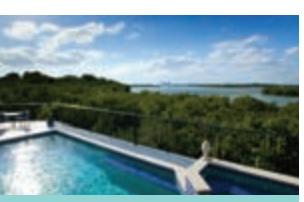
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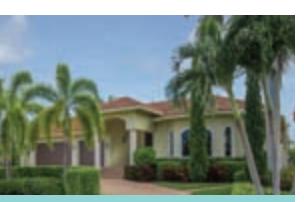
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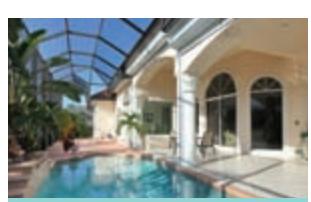
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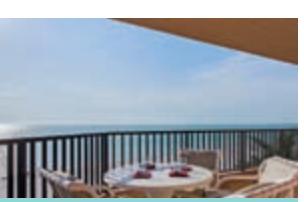
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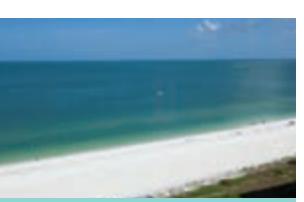
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Roe Tamagni 239.398.1222
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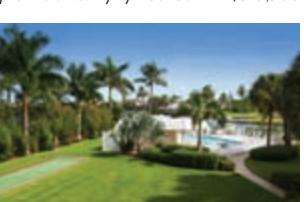
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524 Barfield Drive North
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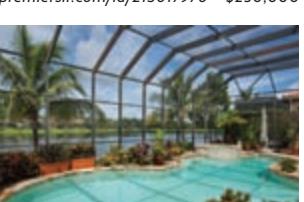
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Michelle L. Thomas 239.860.7176
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BAREFOOT BEACH



Barefoot Beach

- 6 Bedrooms, 6.5 Baths
- Palatial "Olde Florida" Style Gulf Front Home
- Wide West Gulf Views
- 25 Ft. Boat Dock w/Lift
- \$4,995,000 MLS 212027127
- Steve Suddeth & Jennifer Nicolai 239.784.0693

MEDITERRA



Intimate & Elegant Estate Home

- 4 Bedroom +Den, 4 Full & 2 Half Baths
- Soaring Ceilings, Precast Columns, Stone Flooring
- Superior Craftsmanship In Every Detail
- Amazing Views Of Golf Course & Lake
- \$4,695,000 MLS 213007341
- Martinovich & Nulf 239.564.5717

MEDITERRA



Mediterranean Style Home

- 4 Bedroom +Den, 6.5 Baths
- Views of Lake & 10th Hole On North Golf Course
- Over 5,500 SF of Grand Living Space
- Western Exposure
- \$3,395,000 MLS 212026860
- Martinovich & Nulf 239.398.3929

PARK SHORE



Entertainers Delight on the Water

- 3 Bedrooms, 3.5-Baths
- 140' on the Water & Wide Bay Views
- Fabulous Backyard w/Pool and Tiki Bar
- Boat Dock Accommodates a 30' Boat
- \$2,800,000 MLS 212021154
- Steve Suddeth & Jennifer Nicolai 239.784.0693

BAMBOO ISLAND



Bamboo Island

- Enchanted Nature's Wonderland
- 6+/- Acres On Estero River
- Minutes to Airport, FGCU & Coconut Point
- Historically Quaint Island
- \$1,445,000 MLS 201215260
- Katie Brady 239.770.6061

QUAIL CREEK



Quail Creek

- 4 Bedroom +Den, 7.5 Baths
- Views of Lake & Golf Course
- Tropical Gardens, Outside Entertainment Area
- 2 Arthur Hills Championship Golf Courses
- \$1,395,000 MLS 212033934
- Lauren & Mike Taranto 239.572.3078

HORIZONS



Bonita Bay

- 3 Bedroom +Den, 4 Baths
- Oversized Balconies, Golf & Gulf Views
- His & Hers Master Baths
- Many Custom Interior Upgrades
- \$1,249,000 MLS 212031902
- Martinovich & Nulf 239.564.1266

BONITA BAY



Augusta Creek

- Beautiful Great Room Home
- Lovely Tropical Golf View Lanai
- Many Fine Upgrades & Amenities
- 3 Bedrooms & Den
- \$1,200,000 MLS 212034937
- Connie Lummis, The Lummis Team 239.289.3543

ESTERO BAY SHORES NEW LISTING



Bonita Springs

- Gulf Access, Endless Potential Home Situated Right on Estero Bay
- Approx. 370 Feet of Waterfront
- 10,000 Lb. Boat Lift & Pool
- Clean & Well Kept 3 Bedroom 2 Bath
- \$699,000 MLS 213500457
- Cory Lauer 239.465.9290

BONITA BAY



Bonita Bay

- Unique 3 Bedroom + Den, 2.5 Baths
- Spacious 2-Story Detached Villa Home w/Spa
- Completely Remodeled Bathrooms
- Resort Style Amenities
- \$659,000 MLS 213013245
- Marya Doonan 239.450.4000

MEDITERRA



Mediterra

- 2 Bedroom +Den, 2 Full & 1 Half Bath
- 1st Floor Coach Home, Extensive Upgrades
- Gourmet Kitchen w/Gas Cook Top
- Southern Exposure, Lake & Golf Course Views
- \$545,000 MLS 213024637
- Kristin Cavella-Whorrell 239.821.6330

CASA BONITA II



Bonita Beach

- Direct Beachfront
- 6th Floor, 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths
- Turnkey Furnished
- Gorgeous Gulf Views!
- \$535,000 MLS 213012001
- Denise Stilwell 239.273.0990

VANDERBILT COUNTRY CLUB



Assessment Fully Paid

- 2 Bedroom +Den, 2 Bath, Beautiful Built-In Cabinets
- Extended Lanai w/Complete Privacy
- Hurricane Shutters
- 2 Yr. A/C & New Hot Water Heater
- \$398,500 MLS 213009162
- Barbara Irons 239.821.2510

ROOKERY POINTE



Estero

- Lovely 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath Pool Home
- Upgrades Throughout
- Beautiful Fountain Lake View w/ SW Exposure
- Over 2,100 s/f of Living Area
- \$360,000 MLS 213017238
- Donald Faber, The Fagan Team 239.634.0989

LELY RESORT NEW LISTING



Ascot

- 3 Bedroom plus Den, 2 Bath
- Turnkey Furnished
- Pristine Condition
- 2nd Floor End Unit w/Volume Ceiling
- \$319,900 MLS 213500818
- Annette Villano 239.248.6798

SHADOW WOOD AT THE BROOKS NEW PRICE



Cypress Hammock

- Fabulous 1st Floor Carriage Home
- 2060 s/f 3 Bedrooms & 2.5 Baths
- Golf Course & Lake View
- Turnkey Furnished
- \$316,000 MLS 213013485
- Corye Reiter, The Lummis Team 239.273.3722

BONITA FAIRWAYS NEW LISTING



Bermuda Links

- Large 2 BR + Den, 2 Full Bath Condo, First Floor, 1,658 s/f
- Lanai w/Lake View + Enclosed Patio, Kids Play Area or Relaxing
- Car Detached Garage
- Built 2005, Close to Coconut Point Mall, Schools, Movies, Dining
- \$195,000 MLS 213500770
- Greg Lewis, The Lewis Team 239.287.1158

BERMUDA PARK



Bonita Springs

- Beautiful Lake View
- 1-Car Garage
- Courtyard
- Great Location
- \$185,000 MLS 213024154
- Bette Pitzer 239.560.2627

HARBOR LAKES



Naples

- 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Turnkey w/Lake View
- Updated w/Granite Counters, New Impact Windows
- Living/Dining Combo, Large Lanai, 2-Walk-In Closets
- Shows Very Well, Large Storage Room, 2-Parking Spaces
- \$179,000 MLS 213024971
- Ben Maltese & Jennifer Nicolai 239.273.8700

FALLINGS WATERS



Rosewood

- 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, End Unit
- Volume Ceilings
- 2 Screened Lanais
- Resort Style Community Pool
- \$164,900 MLS 213024210
- Annette Villano 239.248.6798

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QUAIL WEST

Mega Mansion of Quail West

- 6,900 Under Air & 4 Car Garage
- 18 ft. Ceilings, Porcelain African Tile
- Three Grand Living Rooms
- Gorgeous Pool & Spa
- \$2,495,000 MLS 212024318
- Lauren & Mike Taranto 239.572.3078



NAPLES CLUB ESTATES

Naples Club Estates

- 4 Bedroom +Den, 4 Full & 3 Half Baths
- Chef's Kitchen, Butler's Pantry & Wine Room
- Formal Dining, 2 Masters & 3 Fireplaces
- 1 Acre +/- Estate Lots Gated w/Preserve Area
- \$2,295,000 MLS 213003435
- Roger Stening 239.770.4707



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Vanderbilt Lagoon Villas #1

- 3 Bedroom +Den, 2.5 Baths
- Lives Like A Private Home w/Pool
- 30 Ft. Boat Dock
- Also Available #5 At \$1,695,000
- \$1,595,000 MLS 212037480
- Steve Suddeth & Jennifer Nicolai 239.784.0693



PELICAN LANDING

Bay Creek

- Stunning Estate in Bay Creek
- Custom Estate-Large Lot 4,621 Sq. Ft. Living Space
- Gourmet Kitchen with Wonderful Upgrades
- Infinity Edge Heated Pool & Spa
- \$1,558,000 MLS 211513905
- Darlene Rice 239.325.3537



THE STRAND

Naples

- Beautiful 5 Bedroom +Den, 5 Bath Home on Oversized Lot
- 3 Car Garage Attached, 2 Car Detached w/ Private Entry
- Nearly 6,000 sf of Indoor/Outdoor Area w/ Private Pool & Spa
- Completely Private Upstairs Guest Suite
- \$995,500 MLS 213017103
- Sandy Kass, The Fagan Team 239.292.4044



BAYFRONT

Bayfront

- 3 Bedrooms, 2.5 Baths
- Completely Remodeled, 1,970 Sq. Ft.
- Wonderful Amenities
- Direct Views Of Naples Bay & Marina
- \$995,000 MLS 213009698
- The Fischer Group 239.777.7500



THE MONACO BEACH CLUB

Park Shore Beach

- Large Open 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath w/Direct Walkout To Beach
- Rarely Available Beach Front Condo
- Only One Of Its Type Available
- Landscaped Privacy Area With Outdoor Lanai & Cabana
- \$949,000 MLS 213001018
- Kurt Petersen 239.777.0408



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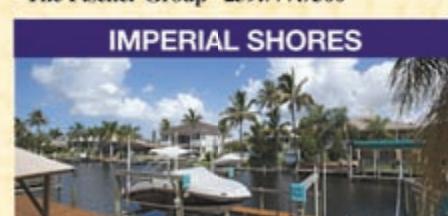
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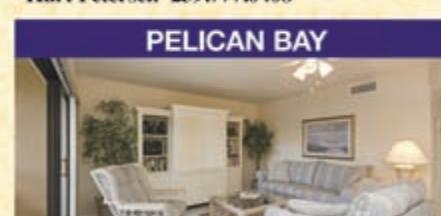
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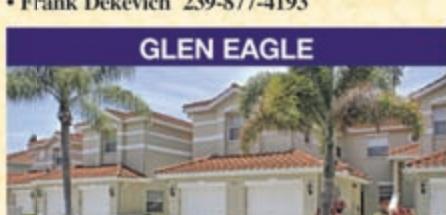
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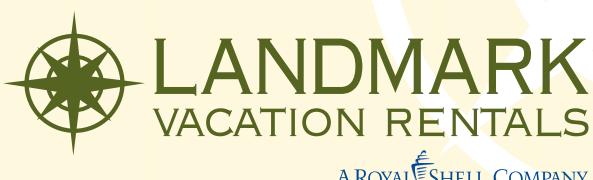


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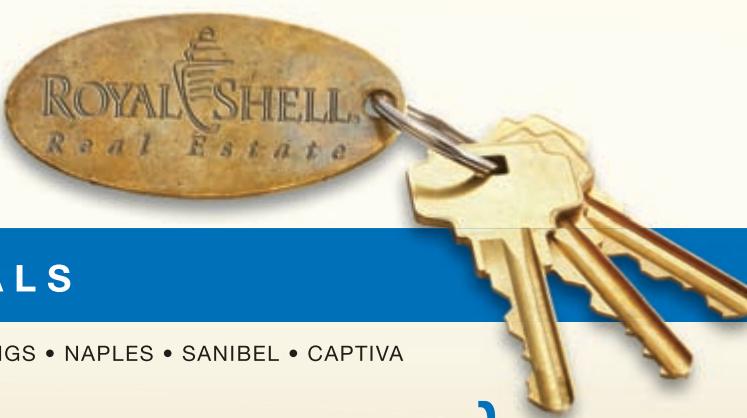
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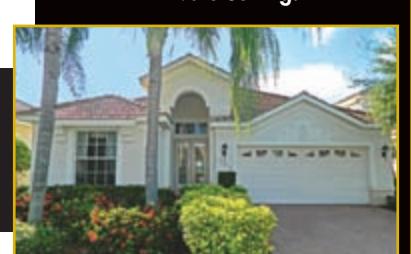
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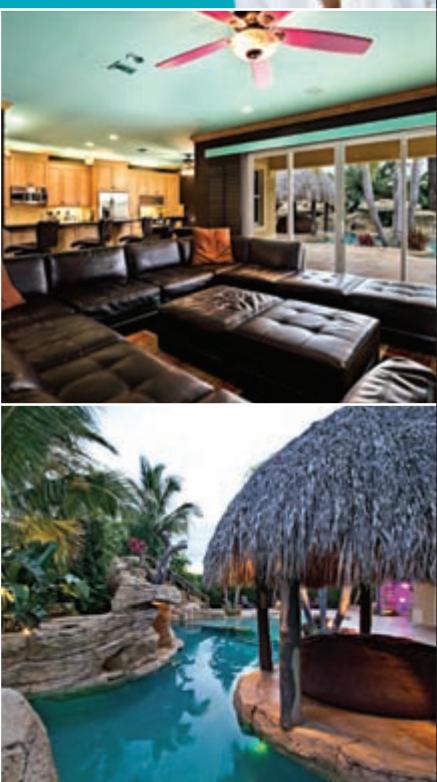
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■ **Amy Daugherty** and **Debbie Nocera**, sales representatives at Villa Palmeras in Estero, were the sales leaders in July for Neal Communities in Southwest Florida. Both working in the Villa Palmeras community in Estero, Ms. Daugherty sold five homes with a total value of \$1.347 million, while Ms. Nocera sold four homes totaling \$1.06 million.

■ **Sharon Karr** earned top sales honors for July at Black Bear Ridge, a gated North Naples neighborhood of single-family homes being developed by Stock Development. Before joining Stock, Ms. Karr was a sales associate at Vineyards Realty. A licensed Florida Realtor since 1987, she also worked for US Home/Lennar in Fort Myers before moving to Centex Homes/Pulte Homes in Estero.

■ John R. Wood Realtors welcomes new team members at its following offices:

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North Naples — Margaret R. Semrad, licensed sales associate; Tom Scholton, licensed sales associate on the Mindy Young Real Estate Team.

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The Terraces will host grand opening ceremonies at the community in early November.



The Tarpon Club Marina on the Isles of Capri

■ The **Tarpon Club Marina** in the Isles of Capri has achieved the Florida Clean Marina Program designation from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. The marina, which is part of Fiddler's Creek, is one of just 16 marinas in Collier County and 273 throughout the state to earn this distinction. To become designated as a Clean Marina, facilities must implement a set of environmental Best Management Practices that address critical issues such as sensitive habitat, waste management, storm water control, spill prevention and emergency preparedness.

The Tarpon Club Marina is a full-service facility providing direct boating access to the Gulf of Mexico and backwaters. The marina offers covered and enclosed dry storage as well as wet slips, which are available for rental to the general public on a first-come, first-served basis.

■ The first residents have settled into **The Terraces at Bonita Springs**, a

■ Site development on 42 single-family-home lots has started in **Maple Ridge** at Ave Maria. Phase one includes roadway and landscaping construction, utilities infrastructure, lake excavation for more than 4 acres of neighborhood lakes, landscaping and construction of the entryway monument.

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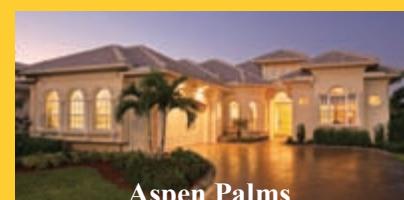
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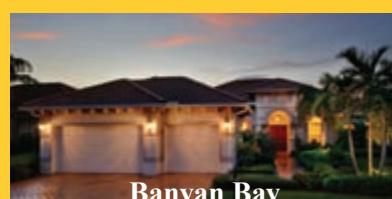
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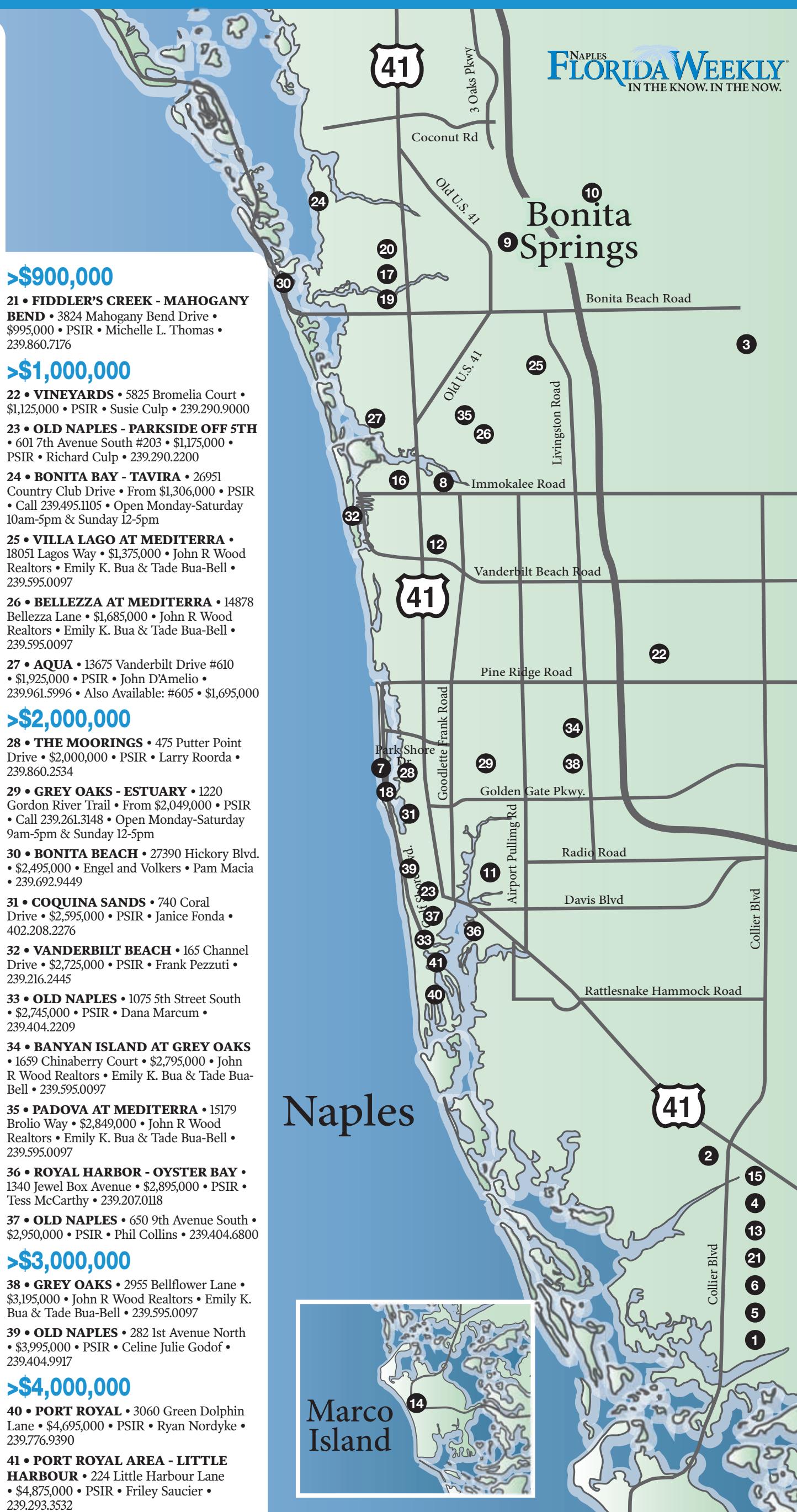
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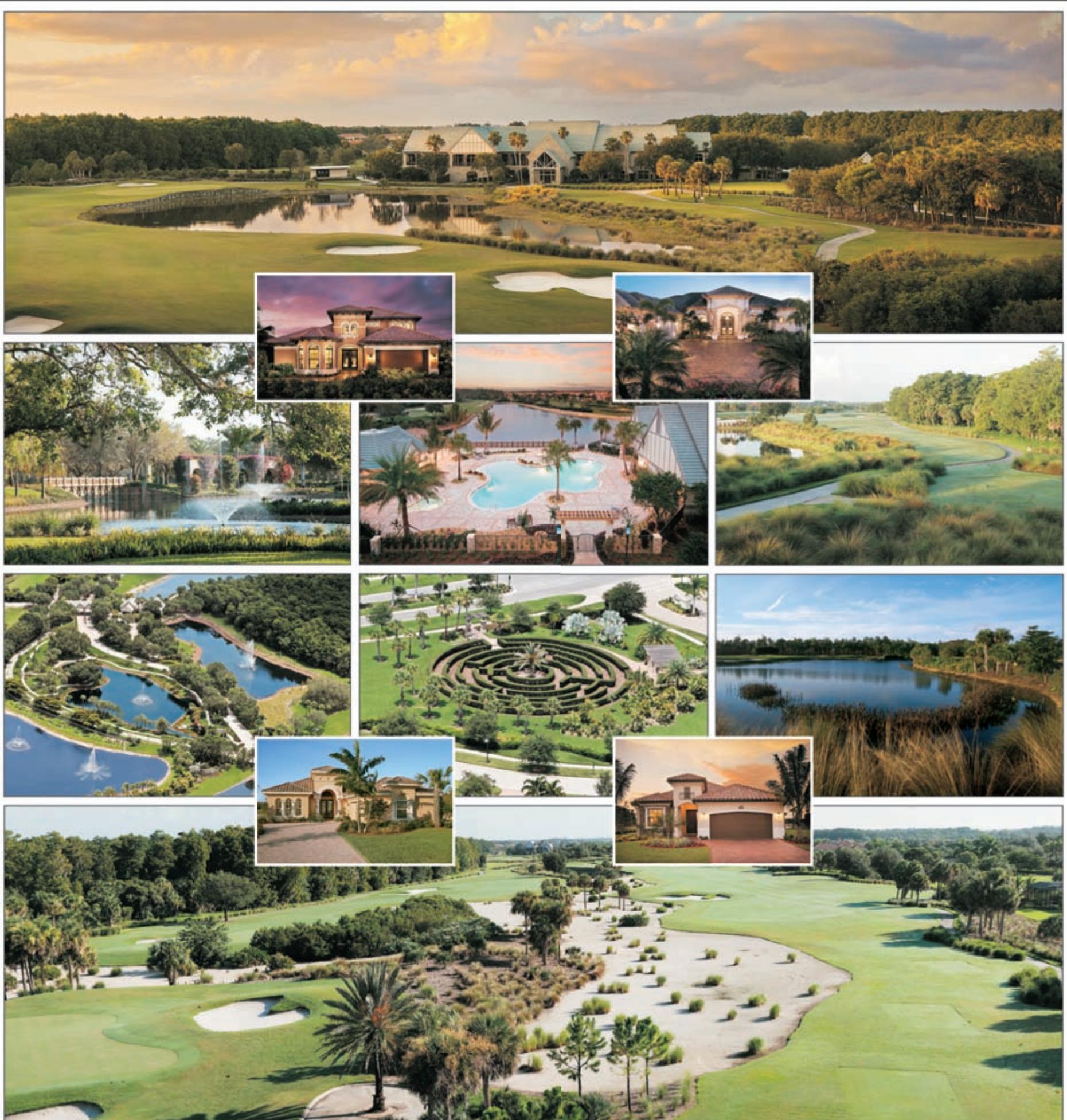




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A GUIDE TO THE LOCAL ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT SCENE

Trendy restaurant concept pops up downtown

BY KAREN FELDMAN

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Take one passionate chef, six inventive courses and 13 adventurous diners and you have the ingredients for a tantalizing evening's entertainment.

That was the recipe for the first two trial runs of a dining club dubbed 13 Dozen, a concept dreamed up by chef Ryan Flood, who aspires to create these inspired dinners a few times a month at various locations throughout Southwest Florida.

On Friday and Saturday, Aug. 30-31, the dinners took place at The Cafe on Fifth, the classy breakfast and lunch establishment owned by Flemming and Gitte Madsen (who were also among the 13 at dinner on the 31st).

"I'm hoping to develop a membership group basically by word of mouth," says Mr. Flood. Instead of a country club or a yacht club, he explains, it'll be a club with "a big table where you can come and we can feed you."

So far, he's doing it in fine fashion.

Last weekend's guests arrived to find an assortment of appetizers spread through the raw bar area of the cafe. Mr. Flood poured each person a glass of wine and invited them to get acquainted and sample the small bites had prepared (cheese with flax-seed crackers; goat cheese with speck, dates, nut and sweet soy; smoked fish on toast points with dill salsa and a yogurt-cream cheese blend; and turkey pate with Napa slaw, country mustard spread and a slice of hard-boiled egg).

It was an eclectic and friendly group of individuals who quickly discovered they all had one thing in common: a love of food and wine.

Once everyone had gotten comfortable, Mr. Flood directed them to the other end of the room, where a long table was set with china and crystal in preparation for a six-course meal. Assisted by his girlfriend and his parents, the chef began serving dinner.

First up was a star fruit gazpacho, made with fruit harvested from the chef's backyard that very day. It was studded with bits of cucumber and crunchy fried yellow and black chickpeas. A light prosecco paired well with this refreshing starter. Next: a gluten-free crepe made of lentil and chickpea flour, stuffed with langoustines, avocado creme and a touch of rice wine vinegar. A few of the crepes were of the conventional flour variety, a strategy that the chef employed to encourage sharing. What began as couples sharing tidbits eventually wound up with perfect strangers swapping bites as the evening progressed. A New Zealand sauvignon blanc went nicely with this course.

Then came small pieces of alligator meat, braised to a tender, beef-like in consistency and served with okra, purple yams, basil oil, crunchy green peas, a guava berry and grapefruit dust (zest that's been dehydrated and pulverized).

SEE POP-UP, C7 ▶

Naples Art Association presents sixth annual non-juried member exhibit

▲ *Half a Smile*, acrylic, by Donna Babcock

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

THE NAPLES ART ASSOCIATION HIGHLIGHTS a wide range of artistic styles and media in the sixth annual Non-Juried All Artist Members Show of Shows and the Southwest Florida Fine Craft Guild's "Dimensions in Art" exhibition. A preview reception for both exhibits takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, at The von Liebig Art Center.

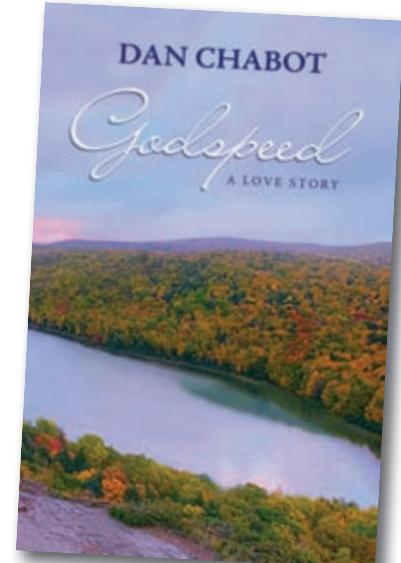
The NAA received a record-breaking 148 registrations for the sixth annual Non-Juried All Artist Members Show of Shows. On view at the center through Nov. 9, the exhibition showcases the diversity of NAA member artists. Guests will be able to help decide the award.

SEE SHOWS, C3 ▶



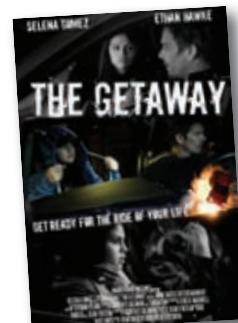
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Office romance

Former journalist pens a story of love, loss, redemption in a newspaper setting. C8 ▶



Stay away

Film critic Dan Hudak says don't go near "The Getaway." C11 ▶



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Restaurant writer Karen Feldman enjoys the continuing success of Sam Bucco Bistro. C27 ▶

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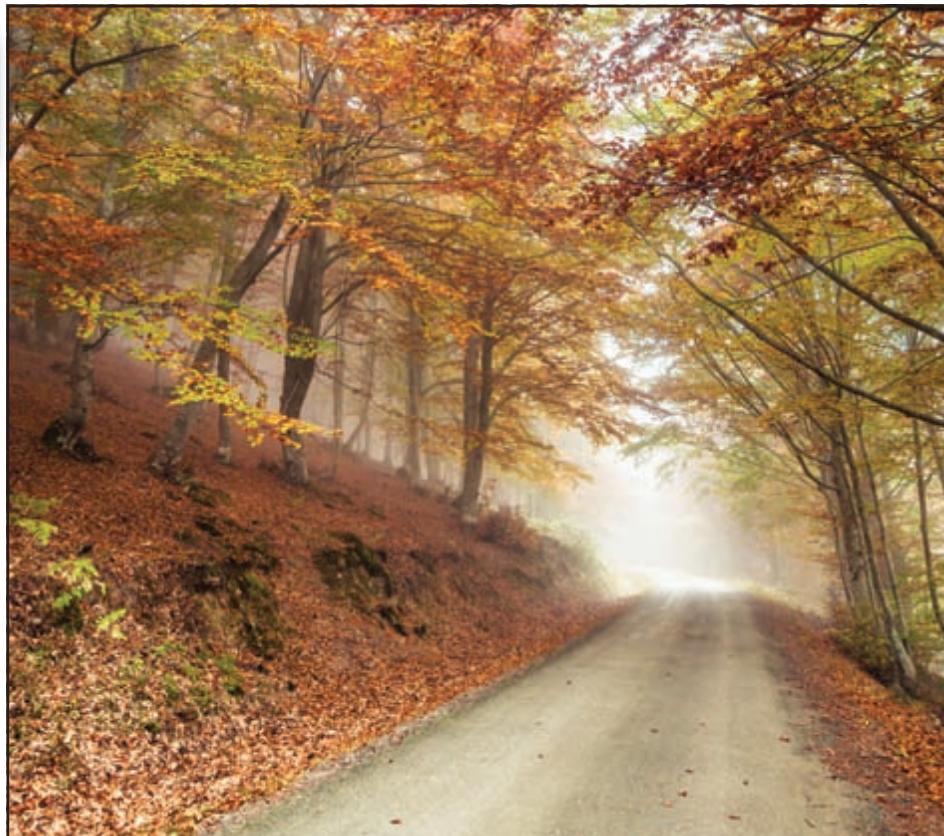


Nobody who writes for a living imagines they will be rich. Most of us have moderate financial goals that include paying this month's rent and, hopefully, the next's. All of the writers I know hold down an assortment of jobs — they edit for magazines, they teach at universities, they work on copywriting — because it takes an odd mix to pay the bills.

The writing life is glorious, but it's also a slog. Which is why so many writers are grateful — hugely, immensely grateful — to the organizations and institutions that cut us a break: the no-charge writing residencies, the fellowships that let us pursue our own projects, the grants that enable time off from our pieced-together work schedule. We are so very thankful to these patrons of the arts.

So when I received an e-mail last week from a man I'd met over the summer offering to fund my stay at a writing residency in Spain, I was initially appreciative. All expenses paid? At an old stone villa with a swimming pool and lemon trees and an olive grove? And all I had to do was show up? Yes, please.

But before I sent my delighted confirmation I had a moment of reflection. Nothing is free — that's for damned



sure — especially not when it comes to relations between the sexes. Of course the patron would also be staying at the Spanish villa. Did I really think all I had to do was pack my bags?

Journalist Ruth Padawer wrote a brilliant piece for the New York Times Magazine several years ago that tackled

this issue. She explored a website, Seeking Arrangements, that put wealthy men in touch with young women who were willing to provide a certain, though not always sexual, companionship. In exchange, these women received cash gifts, designer purses and expensive jewelry.

On first blush, the Seeking Arrangements set-up looked like classic prostitution. But the article rightly addressed the bigger questions the arrangements asked about our modern relationships.

"In the early 1900s, courtship shifted from girls' porches or parlors to a commercial venture: a date. Etiquette manuals of the time were explicit — boys were to pay for meals, entertainment and transportation, and in return, girls were to provide well-groomed company, rapt attention and at least a certain amount of physical affection. His money bought not only companionship but also her indebtedness."

This trend continues today.

We still expect men to pick up the tab and women to offer something in exchange. If it's true that men use money as leverage in a relationship, then it's also true that women allow and encourage it.

One young woman interviewed for Ms. Padawer's article asked, "You know with a sugar daddy that they're spending a lot of money on you and they clearly want something in return, but is that really any different than how it is with a boyfriend?"

Or a patron?

The concerns raised by the article ran through my mind as I evaluated the offer I had received. I thought of the very thin line I was toeing. I considered my values, my self-worth and the thousand odd jobs I work. And then I thought: Spain would be beautiful in the fall. ■

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Above: *Pure Joy!*, photograph, by Kathy Knight
Right: *Sleeping Beauty*, pastel pencil, by Beth DuBay



SHOWS

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winners. Voting for the People's Choice awards will take place during the preview reception under the guidance of the Collier County Supervisor of Elections Office. Top-voted artists will win one of seven awards, including Best of Show (\$200) and first place (\$100).

"Dimensions in Art" showcases works by members of the Southwest Florida Fine Craft Guild. Naples artist

and NAA member Muffy Clark Gill served as the juror.

Admission to the preview reception the evening of Sept. 6 is free for NAA members, \$10 for others. Wine and light hors d'oeuvres will be served.

The von Liebig Art Center is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 262-6517 or visit www.naplesart.org. ■



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DING

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The Soviet connection also dovetails with what is also a primary focal point at The Gallery on Fifth: To serve as a Russian art museum and cultural center.

Aside from Mr. Darling's editorial cartoons and other drawings, the exhibit will also feature rarely seen personal items, including his art tools, original sketches, photos and more. In addition, limited-edition prints of Mr. Darling's 1956 black-and-white sketch, "Fisherman I Have Met: The Old Sanibel Slip," bearing his "Ding" signature, will be available for a donation of \$125 to WGCU.

"The Hidden Works of J.N. 'Ding' Darling" is an outgrowth of the documentary "America's Darling: The Jay N. 'Ding' Darling Story," which was released in November and was broadcast on WGCU-TV for the organization's month-long pledge drive in August.

Samuel Koltinsky, the documentary's creator, Kim Woodle, Florida Gulf Coast University's director of development, and Olga Arkhangelskaya, founder and owner of The Gallery on Fifth, worked together to make the "Hidden Works" exhibit a reality.

"As we have progressed with the production (of the film), we started uncovering a treasure trove of artifacts, research materials and artwork, both from the (Darling) family as well as private supporters of the project," Mr. Koltinsky, a part-time Naples resident, says. "It occurred to me to start putting these artifacts where people would be able to see that path of production and have insight into his character and personality."

Ms. Woodle says the nascent idea popped up during a conversation she and Mr. Koltinsky were having about the documentary's airing. Mr. Koltinsky suggested they bring Ms. Arkhangelskaya (ARK-angel-sky-a) in on their brainstorming.

It was Ms. Arkhangelskaya, a native of Russia, who came up with the idea for the exhibit as a fundraiser.

"We were specializing since our opening on Russian art, and I knew very vaguely that at a time when almost no foreigners were allowed to visit Russia, he (Mr. Darling) was invited by Stalin," she says.

"Second, we are in Florida, and my daughter (Leeza) and I are Floridians for many years now. Anything that raises awareness of preserving Florida's landscape and the unique ecological system, we are very much in favor of."

"Third is the art. 'Ding' Darling is among the most noted American cartoonists, and cartoons as a genre have always been very popular in Russia. Having 'Ding' Darling's cartoons in the gallery is just close to our interests."

A lingering legacy

A long-time, part-time resident of Captiva Island who died in 1962, Mr. Darling's pioneering conservation efforts had a profound and lasting impact on the island, Southwest Florida and the nation. He was the driving force behind the Federal Duck Stamp Program, founder of the National Wildlife Federation, creator of the Cooperative Fish & Wildlife Research Unit Program and a key player in the creation of the America's National Wildlife Refuge System.

What had been the Sanibel National Wildlife Refuge was renamed the J.N.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Above: Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling.
Left: A hat and flask belonging to the artist.



"Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge in 1967 in recognition of his conservation efforts, particularly his push to ensure the 2,200-acre refuge would

in the know

"The Hidden Works of J.N. 'Ding' Darling"

- >> **What:** An exhibit of "Ding" Darling's artwork and memorabilia, some of which has never before been on public display
- >> **Where:** The Gallery on Fifth at Mercato
- >> **When:** 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, as a benefit for WGCU Public Media
- >> **Cost:** \$50 per person, includes beer, wine and hors d'oeuvres and live music by Swing Set.
- >> **Info:** 590-2361 or www.wgcu.org/events

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"Hidden Works" brings together a host of rarely seen Darling memorabilia, such as 1920's vintage cartoon plates the artist created for the *Des Moines Register*, a map he used while traveling in Russia and books he purchased there, artwork related to Captiva, and even his top hat.

"There really is something for everyone in these hidden works," Mr. Koltinsky says. "We hope to have a wonderful turnout."

More exhibits coming

The "The Hidden Works of J.N. 'Ding' Darling" isn't the only happening at the Gallery on Fifth.

Ms. Arkhangelskaya is also forming a Collectors' Club for exhibiting, selling and auctioning off artworks of private collectors in the area. Applications for those interested in sharing their collections with the public will be available starting Nov. 1. The inaugural Collectors' Club exhibit, "Rescued from the Flames - Realist and Social Realist paintings from the Soviet Union" will open with a reception from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11.

"This will be the first time for an exhibition of this size in Florida or even the United States," Ms. Arkhangelskaya says. "This event, I think, will be very, very important for the gallery, for Naples and for Collier County."

Plans also call for the formation of a Russian-American Museum of Art at the Gallery on Fifth. RAMA will focus on long-term and permanent exhibits of historically important works and contemporary works by American and Russian artists via the Collectors' Club, art competitions, sales and auctions.

Once RAMA is up and running, Ms. Arkhangelskaya says, the gallery will house one of the largest collection of Soviet art in the U.S. and also make the Gallery on Fifth the nation's sole Russian-American museum.

For more information about the gallery and its programs, call 220-7503 or visit www.artorg.net. ■



Sanibel wildlife refuge splices up annual 'Ding' Days celebration

Every day from Oct. 20-Oct. 26 brings favorite, classic "Ding" Darling Days activities plus new, creative ways to enjoy Sanibel Island's J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge and learn more about the environment.

The 24th annual event kicks off on Sunday, Oct. 20, with free Family Fun Day, a \$50 value per family of four. This year for the first time, starting at 11 a.m., festival goers can bring a T-shirt to recycle into a reusable shopping bag to fill with giveaways throughout the festival site. The refuge will also have T-shirts and ready-made bags to hand out to early arrivals.

Also new this year, Family Fun Day will feature guided walking tours of the Indigo Trail and the new Wildlife Education Boardwalk.

Monday, Oct. 21, brings Coastal Birds Day, a prelude to the refuge's Big 5 Coastal Birds promotion funded by a BP-Amoco grant. Highlights of Coastal Birds Day include reddish egret and osprey presentations in the free "Ding" Darling Visitors Education Center.

Beach Day follows on Tuesday, Oct. 22, featuring a free beach walk and sea turtle talk on the refuge's Perry Tract near Sanibel's Gulfside Park. Tarpon Bay Explorers is also sponsoring a new estuary exploration tram tour that day and again on Friday, Oct. 25, free of charge to the first 30 to make reservations for each day.

VIVA 500 Calusa Day on Wednesday, Oct. 23, brings local experts to the refuge to show artifacts and talk about native tribes in honor of the 500th anniversary of Ponce de Leon's Florida landing.

Free ongoing stand-up paddleboarding clinics run throughout the day at Tarpon Bay Recreation Area on Thursday, Oct. 24, Discover Paddleboard Day.

Friday, Oct. 25, is Trails Day. Families can play "Animal Olympics" throughout the day at the Bailey Tract, and the refuge visitor center will present "Oh Scat!" and "Animal Tracks" programs that explore the wildlife found on and around refuge trails.

"Ding" Darling Days 2013 culminates on Saturday, Oct. 26, with Conservation Art Day. This year, Federal Duck Stamp winner Robert Steiner, Federal Junior Duck Stamp winner Madison Grimm and Florida Junior Duck Stamp winner Jefferson Jones will be on hand to talk about their craft.

For more information and a full "Ding" Darling Days schedule, visit www.ding-darlingdays.com. ■

CALLS TO ARTISTS

■ Artists are invited to submit work for display and sale at the "Inspired Artworks" exhibition planned for Nov. 7-13 as part of the fourth annual **Storytellers Creative Arts Conference** in Naples. The annual, juried exhibit will be on public display in the lobby of Covenant Church of Naples-PCA, 6926 Trail Blvd., across from the entrance to Pelican Bay.

Artists can submit photos of their work online at www.storytellerscreativearts.com. Deadline is Sept. 29, and the \$25 entry fee covers three pieces (framed illustrations, abstracts, photos and representational and graphic works, sculptures or crafts).

Author/illustrator Mary Lee Gutwein and photographer/publisher Susan Conner will lead the review committee to select pieces for exhibition, based on the "Inspired Artworks" theme and Psalm 19:1: "The heavens declare the glory of God and the sky above proclaims His handiwork." Additional jurors are painter and watercolor artist Emily James, pastel artist and silversmith Cheri Dunnigan, photographer Hans Schmidt, portraiture artist Frances Golden Bussing and painter Marty Keddie.

The Storytellers Creative Arts Conference will give emerging and professional artists, as well as people with a passion for the arts, the chance to connect, share ideas and build mentor relationships. Literary, visual and performing arts leaders will share their expertise for using creativity to positively impact culture. The conference includes performances, keynote speakers, workshops and small group ses-

sions plus an evening of talent, food, film and networking. Early registration is \$79 per person; group and student discounts are available.

For more information, call 250-1822, e-mail artexpo@storytellerscreativearts.com or visit www.storytellercreativearts.com.

■ Here's the lineup for the coming season of art festivals presented by the Naples Art Association. For registration details, call 262-6517 or visit www.naplesart.org:

Downtown Naples New Year's Art Fair: Jan. 4-5 along Fifth Avenue South. Deadline to apply: Oct. 2.

Naples National Art Festival: Feb. 22-23 at Eighth Street South and Camber Park. Deadline: Nov. 6.

Mercato Fine Arts Festival: March 1-2 at Mercato. Deadline: Nov. 13.

Downtown Naples Festival of the Arts: March 22-23 along Fifth Avenue South. Deadline: Nov. 20.

■ **Friends of Rookery Bay** and the **United Arts Council** collaborate on their eighth annual juried painting exhibition this year. Following Rookery Bay's environmental mission, work with a central theme of landscape is preferred but not required. The competition is open to artists in Collier and Lee counties, both full-time and seasonal.

Deadline for receipt of electronic entries is Oct. 11. The exhibit hangs Nov. 19-Jan. 30 at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center.

For entry rules and more information, e-mail abrowne@uaccollier.com. ■

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Theater

Burt & Me – Through Oct. 5 at Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

Auditions – The Marco Players hold auditions for “Absalom” Sept. 9-10. 404-5198.

Thursday, Sept. 5

Movie Time – Naples Regional Library hosts a free screening of “The Apartment” as part of its “Spotlight on Jack Lemmon” at 2 p.m. Registration required. 650 Central Ave. 263-7768 or www.coliergov.net/library.

Mercato Nights – Mercato hosts a free concert featuring the reggae band SowFlo from 6-9 p.m. www.mercatoshops.com.

Live & Local – Mudbone takes the stage at the Daniels Pavilion at 7 p.m. to kick off the new “Live & Local” series at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

A Stand-Up Guy – Carlos Mencia takes the stage tonight through Sept. 8 at the Off the Hook Comedy Club, Marco Island. 389-6901 or www.offthehookcomedy.com.

Friday, Sept. 6

Museums on Us – Bank of America account holders enjoy free admission to the Golisano Children’s Museum of Naples from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and Sept. 7. 15080 Livingston Road. 514-0084 or www.cmon.org.

Here's to Beer – Tour Naples Beach Brewery from 4-8 p.m. today and 3-7 p.m. Sept. 7. \$15 gets the guided tour and samples of six craft beers. 4110 Enterprise Ave. 304-8795 or www.naplesbeachbrewery.com.

Preview Reception – The Naples Art Association hosts a reception for the sixth annual non-juried All Artist Members Show of Shows and the “Dimensions in Art” exhibit from 5:30-7 p.m. at The von Liebig Art Center. \$10 (free for members). 262-6517 or www.naplesart.org. See story on page C1.

Craving Fashion – Waterside Shops presents a fashion show and food fest to benefit St. Matthew’s House and Make-A-Wish from 5:30-9 p.m. \$50 includes tastes from more than a dozen area restaurants. 676-9756 or nannette@markit-group.com.

Hispanic Art – Naples Depot Museum hosts an opening reception for the exhibit “Journey of Hispanic Artists in America” from 6-8 p.m. Free. 262-6525 or www.coliermuseums.com.

Piano Music – Lynn Carol tickles the ivories from 6-9 p.m. in the lounge at Capers Kitchen & Bar. 2460 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 431-7438.

More Music – Ryan Darling performs from 7-10 p.m. at the Old Marco Pub & Restaurant. 1105 Bald Eagle Drive, Marco Island. 642-9700 or www.oldmarcopub.com.

Live Jam – The Conti St. Band takes the stage from 8-11 p.m. at Weekend Willie’s. 5310 Shirley St. 597-3333 or www.weekendwillies.com.



The Naples Depot hosts an opening reception with live entertainment for the exhibit “Journey of the Hispanic Artist in America” from 6-8 p.m. Sept. 6. Free. 1051 Fifth Ave. S. 262-6525 or www.coliermuseums.com.

Saturday, Sept. 7

Fresh Produce – The Third Street South Farmers Market takes place from 7:30-11:30 a.m. in the parking lot behind Tommy Bahamas. www.thirdstreetsouth.com.

For the Birds – The Collier County Young Audubon Society tours the Naples Botanical Garden from 8-10 a.m. Registration required. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children (includes Garden admission). 643-7822 or colieraudubon@live.com.

It's Your Move – Players of all levels are invited to play chess with the Naples Chess Club from 9 a.m. to noon in the clubhouse at Moorings Park off Goodlette-Frank Rd. 389-2525 or wk@kellerpublishing.com.

Love That Dress! – Shop 'til you drop and fill your closet with great dresses for pennies on the dollar at PACE Center for Girls’ “Love That Dress” from 6-9 p.m. at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. \$30. www.lovethatdress.org.

It Takes Two – Alicia Repun leads a tango class from 7-8 p.m. followed by milonga for all levels until 11 p.m. \$15. 1673 Pine Ridge Road. 738-4184 or www.pablopuntango.com.

Outdoor Entertainment – The Chicago Mob performs from 8-10 p.m. under the stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. Free. 267-0783 or www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com.

Sunday, Sept. 8

Live Reggae – Sheffield Crew performs beginning 9:30 p.m. at South Street City Oven Bar & Grill. 1410 Pine Ridge Road. 435-9333 or www.southstreetnaples.com.

Salon de Garage – The Marco Island Center for the Arts holds a “garage sale” for its first Second Tuesday of the season from 5:30-7 p.m. 1010 Winterberry Drive. Find original artwork as well as art supplies from the center’s closets and classrooms. Donations are also welcome. 394-4221 or www.marcoislandart.org.

Wednesday, Sept. 11

9/11 Remembrance – Waterside Shops hosts its 12th annual 9/11 Remembrance blood drive from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The Community Blood Center mobile will be parked at Barnes & Noble, and all successful donors will receive a movie ticket and a \$20 Pure Naples gift card. 624-4120 or www.givebloodcbc.org.

Sweat the Small Stuff – It’s trivia night with host Matt Mangas of Arrow 94.5-FM from 7-9 p.m. at Tavern on the Bay in Bayfront Place. 530-2225.

Live Music – Bill Colletti and Sharon Vath perform from 6-9 p.m. at Capers Kitchen & Bar. 2460 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 431-7438.

Road Trippin' – Collier County Museum hosts the presentation “Tin Lizzies: The Archaeology and Cultural Impact of Florida’s Tin Can Tourists” beginning at 2 p.m. 252-8476 or www.coliermuseums.com.

Coming up

Book Talk – Headquarters Regional Library hosts a discussion about Zora Neale Hurston’s “Their Eyes Were Watching God” at 2 p.m. Sept. 12. 2385 Orange Blossom Drive. Registration required: 593-0177 or www.coliergov.net/library.

Argo Screening – Naples Regional Library hosts a free screening of “Argo” (USA 2012) at 2 p.m. Sept. 12. 650 Central Ave. Registration required: 263-7768 or www.coliergov.net/library.

Wild Things – Catch a free screening of the family-friendly “Where the Wild Things Are” at 8:30 p.m. Sept. 13 under the stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com.

Art, Music & More – Mercato hosts Saturday Nights Alive from 6-9 p.m. Sept. 14 with musicians, street performers and local artist Jeffrey Scott Lewis. www.mercatoshops.com.

Act Like A Kid – The Boys & Girls Club of Collier County hosts a “Day for Kids” from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept 21 featuring face painting, a dunk tank, bounce house and obstacle course. Free. 7500 Davis Blvd. 325-1700 or www.bgcc.com.

Birthday Bash – CJ’s on the Bay celebrates its fifth birthday with live music, happy hour, food specials, dunk tank and more from noon to 6 p.m. Sept. 22. 740 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 389-4511 or www.cjsonthebay.com.

Local History – Florida Weekly history columnist Maureen Sullivan-Hartung presents “Beer Worms, Square Grouper & Indians, Oh My! The Hidden History of Everglades City” at 2 p.m. Sept. 25 at the Collier County Museum. 252-8476 or www.coliermuseums.com.

— Submit calendar listings and high-resolution photos to events@floridaweekly.com. E-mail text, jpeg or Word documents are accepted. No pdfs or photos of fliers. The deadline for calendar submissions is noon Sunday.

POP-UP

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What does one drink with gator? In this case, a light chardonnay.

An intermezzo of passion fruit sorbet and sake was light and refreshing, readying palates for course five, which Mr. Flood called "Symphony of Jimmy P's Proteins." Wagyu beef, Berkshire pork stuffed with banana and small bites of lamb sausage all came from the well-known Naples butcher shop and were joined on the plate by orange lentil salad and arugula chimichurri. A glass of Malbec stood up well to the meats and also complemented the vegetable-stuffed cabbage rolls served to the two non-carnivores in the group.

A sugarless, flourless black bean brownie and a chunk of dragon fruit served with a sweet Muscat finished off the meal.

Even after the food was gone, guests lingered, exchanging cards and phone numbers. It turned out to be a unique dining experience and a great way to meet interesting people with adventurous palates.

The cost of this culinary adventure was \$85 per person. Mr. Flood plans his next pop-up dinner for 13 on Friday, Sept. 13. Anyone interested in being part of it should contact the Facebook page, 13 Dozen. But don't delay — at press time, there were only a few spots left. ■



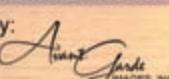
Above: Chef Ryan Flood plates the meat course during a 13 Dozen dinner.
Left: Braised alligator with purple yams, guava berry, crunchy peas and grapefruit dust.

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■ "Godspeed: A Love Story" by Dan Chabot. Babop Publishers. 308 pages. \$14.95 trade paperback.

A features editor and columnist at the *Milwaukee Journal* for 25 years, Don Chabot knows the newspaper business from the inside out. Now a resident of Bonita Springs, he uses his working background and detailed knowledge of Milwaukee to provide a totally authentic setting populated by a group of richly drawn characters who really are "characters."

Along the way, he learned more than a few things about writing. I never felt the need to find my red pencil.

In graceful, evocative prose, Mr. Chabot rolls out an inspiring love story that transforms into personal tragedy and then into gradual recovery from loss. He takes the potential "this is too good to be true" reaction into "this is so good I just have to believe it."

The main narrative, the love story between copy editor and sometimes news writer Derry Danaher and the

breathtaking Amadee Beauchene, opens with their meeting upon Amadee's arrival at the *Milwaukee Ledger*. Amadee, who had worked at the New Orleans *Times-Picayune*, is a bright Louisiana girl who immediately captures Derry's heart. Everyone — including Amadee — sees that they are perfect for each other. Neither has had a serious relationship before, just flirtations. But now, in their later 20s, they need to grow into a new and overpowering dynamic.

The relationship develops within the environment of workplace and Milwaukee neighborhoods that the author paints with care and effect. There are a couple of unpleasant, self-absorbed people in the office, but there is a core of comrades who know each other well and form a kind of family. Amadee fits right in, and all are happy for Dan. The courtship includes lovely scenes: not only the behavior evidences of passion and caring, but also the exquisitely drawn places they share with each other. This part of the story is

launched in 1971.

Another thread of the story has to do with chapters of quite another sort. Most of these are set in 1974. In these, we eavesdrop at the funerals of relatively obscure individuals. In each case, an outsider shows up, usually someone who knew the deceased way back when or knew something special about him (or her). He makes his way to the lectern and presents an unexpected story about all the good the mourned individual had done, selflessly and without fanfare.

These vignettes comfort and inspire those gathered at the funeral. The mourners leave feeling uplifted by new layers of understanding about their relative and friend. Then the speaker vanishes and is not seen again.

Each story line builds its own suspense: one about the destiny of the lovers, the other about the mystery of the funeral-crashers.

The couple prepares for marriage, then Amadee becomes pregnant and has a rough time of it. Not only is the

developing embryo lost, but a virulent cancer is discovered running through Amadee's body. There is no hope.

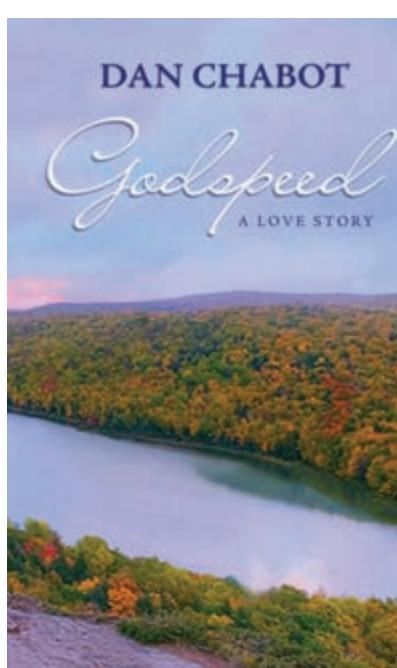
The author captures the emotions of bottomless despair as he portrays in detail the short time Amadee has left. Then he follows with a masterful handling of Derry's trauma — his raging sense of loss and injustice.

Derry's attempts at recovery are slow and uncertain. He disappears from Milwaukee for a long period of time to visit his sister on the ranch she shares with her husband and son. Although working on the ranch and taking in the inspiring vistas bring incremental relief, Derry has a long way to go. How he gets there and what connects the story of love and loss to the self-contained episodes in the funeral parlors and churches are matters you will enjoy finding out about on your own. Surprises await you.

Though a first novel, "Godspeed" shows a great deal of writerly maturity and skill. Sometimes it sneaks up to the sentimentality borderline, but it keeps from getting caught in the trap of excess.

I find it no surprise that "Godspeed: A Love Story" is a semifinalist in The Kindle Book Review's contest for Best Indie Book. ■

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



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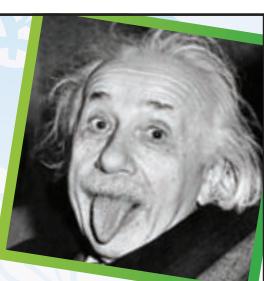
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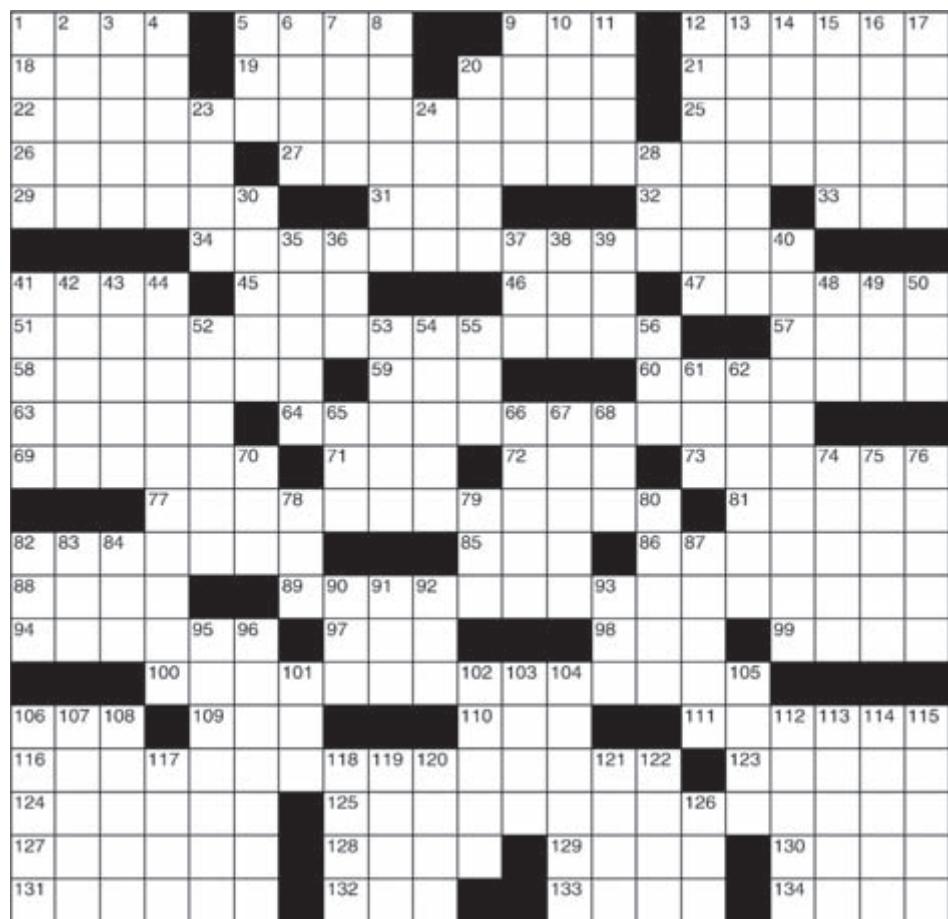
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VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Keep a rein on that green-eyed monster. Jealousy is counterproductive. Instead of resenting a colleague's good points, concentrate on developing your own abilities.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Spending time on a creative project during this high-energy week can pay off both in emotional satisfaction and in impressing someone who is glad to see this side of you.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Now is a good time to start planning that trip you've put off because of the demands on your time. Be sure to choose a destination that is new and exciting.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) That upbeat mood in the first part of the week makes you eager to take on new ventures. A more serious note sets in later to help you assess an upcoming decision.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A high energy level gives the Goat the get-up-and-go to finish outstanding tasks before deadline, leaving time for well-earned fun and games with friends and family.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Dealing with disappointment is never easy. But the wise Aquarian will use it as a vital lesson and be the better for it. A close friend has something important to say.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Best bet is not to get involved in an

argument between colleagues until you know more about who started it and why. And even then, appearances could be deceiving. Be alert.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Aspects favor new romances for unpaired Ewes and Rams. Already-paired Arian twosomes experience renewed harmony in their relationships. Money matters also take a bright turn.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Use that strong Bovine determination to help you keep the faith with your convictions while you move through a period of uncertainty. Things begin to ease by the week's end.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Pay attention to your intuition. It could be alerting you to be more careful about accepting a "statement of fact" simply on trust. Don't be shy about asking for more proof.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Concern for the well-being of someone in need is admirable. But don't forget to take care of yourself as well. Ask a family member, close friend or colleague to help you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's OK to focus on the demands of your career. But try to avoid misunderstandings by also reaching out to family and friends. Your sharp intuitive sense kicks in by midweek.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have creative gifts that inspire those who get to see this sometimes-hidden side of you. ■

By Linda Thistle

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"Getaway" is so inept, even its one-word title doesn't work.

Rather than getting away from someone or something, the protagonists in this car wreck of a movie are always moving toward the main character's kidnapped wife. Saying the protagonists are trying to "get away" from anything is like saying "Die Hard" is about a guy who's easy to kill.

The movie is awful for other reasons as well. Imagine the thinnest, flimsiest plot you can think of, and know that what transpires here is at least three steps worse than that.

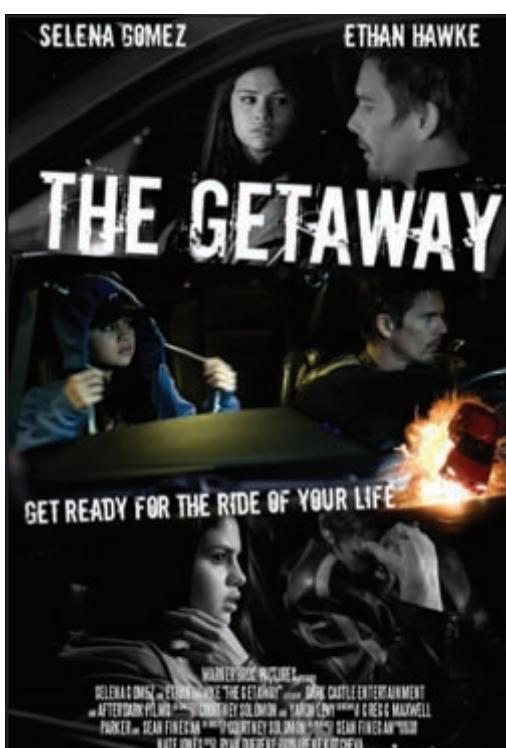
It's Christmas in Bulgaria (of all places), and former racecar driver Brent (Ethan Hawke) is not enjoying the holidays. After a madman (Jon Voight) kidnaps his wife (Rebecca Budig), Brent is forced to carry out a series of random tasks (think "Die Hard with a Vengeance" or, for old schoolers, "Dirty Harry"), none of which make sense.

If Brent contacts or gets caught by the police, his wife dies. With no reason (ever) given, Brent is forced to: Steal a car, drive through a crowded park, drive through an ice rink, smash into various objects and always evade police, among other things. Naturally there's a convenient side street, alleyway or staircase every time he's blocked in, and there are plenty of inept bad guys for him to trick into driving into a pole.

None of these adventures do anything but endanger innocent people.

Along the way he encounters a teenager (Selena Gomez) who conveniently knows a lot about things there is no way she would actually know a lot about.

Apparently, writers Sean Finegan and Gregg Maxwell Parker were absent the day their screenwriting class learned that a villain needs a motive. As the story progresses, you keep waiting for a good reason Brent is forced to play this game, but it never comes. Director Courtney Solomon also tries to shroud the villain in mystery by not showing him in full profile, but all this does is reveal his bad teeth. You're never scared



The lone saving grace for the action comes toward the end as a camera mounted on the front of Brent's car follows the villain, weaving through traffic for more than a minute. It's a fascinating point of view to offer in an extended take, but it's over too quickly to make a real impact.

With a modicum of thought this could've been a 90-minute adrenaline rush that provides one last burst of energy after a so-so summer. Instead, I cannot encourage you enough to "Getaway" and stay away. ■

in the know

>> All the car crashes were real. No CGI was used, and almost 130 cars were wrecked during production.

CAPSULES

The World's End ★★

(Simon Pegg, Nick Frost, Rosamund Pike) Five old friends reunite in a sleepy English town to finish the pub crawl they began 20 years earlier, only to find out alien robots have taken over the bodies of the locals. The comedy doesn't hit the way it needs to. It's as if the writers (Mr. Pegg and Mr. Frost) know how to write jokes for drunk dudes at a bar, but are notably less comfortable/competent when it comes to alien invasion comedy. Rated R.

Elysium ★★★

(Matt Damon, Jodie Foster, Diego Luna) In 2154, poor people live in the decrepit wasteland of Earth while the

wealthy live on "Elysium," an idyllic spaceship oasis just outside Earth's atmosphere. Earth worker Max (Mr. Damon) needs to get to Elysium — where Earthlings are not allowed — or he'll die of radiation poisoning. The production design and visual effects look great and the story is intense throughout. Rated R.

Planes ★★

(Voices of Dane Cook, Teri Hatcher, Stacy Keach) A crop-dusting plane named Dusty (Mr. Cook) gets to compete in a race around the world in this second-rate "Cars" spinoff. There are scattered amusing moments, but the movie consistently flutters when it needs to soar. Rated PG. ■

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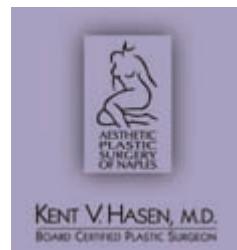
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T.G.I.M. opens fourth season Sept. 9

The Fort Myers Film Festival will begin its fourth season of T.G.I.M. Monday, Sept. 9, at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center with several exciting perks.

For starters, there's a special one-week-only offer Sept. 10-17 to all T.G.I.M. fans: half off their gala ticket for the March 19, 2014, opening night. General admission tickets, usually \$20, will be only \$10 and VIP tickets, usually \$99, will be \$50. Go to the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall website at bbmannpah.com to get the discount.

Also, all T.G.I.M. attendees at the opening night Sept. 9 can check in for this night only at the Fort Myers Film Festival on Facebook and receive a buy one/get one ticket deal for the evening. Go to www.facebook.com/fortmyersfilmfestival.

The first 20 attendees of T.G.I.M. get another special perk: advance tickets to Ron Howard's independent film "Rush," in theaters Sept. 27. The advance showings are Sept. 12 and Sept. 17, and besides the first 20 winners, more tickets will be awarded at the T.G.I.M. event.

T.G.I.M. also is having a season-long talent competition every Monday night with the winner honored at the TGIM-



MYs Feb. 24. Bring in your indie film for our "All About Closets" indie film intermission, where you can swap films with other attendees. Grab a film from the back of your closet, bring it in and meet other film enthusiasts.

Starting Sept. 9, attendees will get a chance to be a part of the filming of a TV pilot and webseries; check out www.kickstarter.com. More information on how to support this project will be available at the Sept. 9 opening night.

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This unique, inspirational and often hilarious theatrical production celebrates sobriety and serves as the centerpiece for an international recovery education project.

This acclaimed two-man show returns to Fort Myers for a limited engagement of six performances Wednesday through Sunday, Sept. 11-15, at the Foulds Theater at the Alliance for the Arts. The production will serve as a fundraising benefit for two local addiction recovery clubhouses.

Evening shows start at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday with matinees at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets are \$15, students pay \$10. For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.theatreconspiracy.com or call 936-3239. ■

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WRITING CHALLENGE

Round two features stories inspired by man on the green

After sending in a record-breaking number of submissions for round one of *Florida Weekly's* writing challenge, readers have not slowed down for round two. Stories based on our photo prompt continue to pour in. This week's selection is "The Master Golfer" by Laurie Rockwell.

We want you to share your story with

us as well. Using the photo from the golf course seen here as a starting point for your creative process, we'd like you to come up with a narrative work of fiction of 1,500 words or less. There is no minimum length. No poems, please. Previous entrants are welcome to submit again.

Florida Weekly will accept your orig-

inal stories in Word format or pasted into the body of an e-mail until Saturday, Sept. 14. E-mail them to writing@floridaweekly.com and we will print some of the best submissions. No "snail mail" copies will be accepted. Be sure to include your name, address and contact information with your submission. Feel free to include a headshot of yourself.

The earlier we receive your submission, the better your shot at being printed.

We'll continue with various heats of the competition in the coming months. Two winners selected by our editorial staff will win a ticket each to the eighth annual Sanibel Island Writers Conference in November. Thanks for writing and good luck. ■



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The Master Golfer

BY LAURIE ROCKWELL

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My father, Harry Ludlam, was a master golfer. He was extremely talented in any game of logistics, planning or strategy, and excelled at golf. He continually strived to complete the magical Hole-in-One shot, though I never saw him do it. He was a rich man, a New Yorker, involved in planning railroads for the U.S. government and was happily married to my mother, a delightful, loving lady of Russian descent named Ludmilla Borachenko. My mother was the world for my father and I, and the glue that held us together until she died when I was 10 years old. I was closer to her of the two parents and the void left by her absence felt like a constant hot stone in my chest. Instead of her gorgeous meals and her lively company at the table, I now dined alone from trays brought by the housekeeper punctually at 6 o'clock. I don't know where my father ate. He seemed to always be in his study, brooding, as bereft from her loss as myself. We missed her laughter pealing through the house, her happiness at the sight of us at anytime, her lavender scent, her arms enfolding me at bedtime when my father would read both of us a story as my mother could not read English, although she spoke it well.

I approached him a few times after her death to just talk with him and be together, but he always brushed me aside gently, saying he was a little busy and we'd catch up later. I attended the best of schools with high achievement and good grades and had the best of everything. I became beautiful in my

teenage years and very spoiled by the seeming unlimited financial resources; however, the distance between my father and I deepened. He was always away at work or at the golf course winning big trophies for charities, again and again and always unapproachable. I became very full of myself and my hormones and in rebellion to get his attention, became careless with the expensive family cars, racing and wrecking them. I was inattentive to my studies. I rarely got out of bed early, racking up nightly visits to clubs. Finally I was noticed. He summoned me one day to the quiet, dark study and asked me what I intended to do with my life. I answered that I would attend Wellesley College. He asked me how I thought I would qualify for the entrance to that prestigious school. I told him that if one had enough cash they could do anything or go anywhere they wanted. At that, he stood up and strode around the desk, face suffused with rage, and asked me how I would dare to think he would foot those bills for a daughter who had become as useless and lazy as I. Itching to lash out, I answered with all the long frustration in my heart, "Because you're an asshole." At that, he struck me, a hard, loud slap across my face. I stared at him with hate and then I turned and left. We never spoke again and I never saw him again for 30 some years until he died. During that time, I lived off of my very fat bank accounts plumped up by my mother's estate, got married and divorced, gambled, drank, lived on the street as well as in very high-end places. In short, I sowed my oats and more. Now and then I would

read about my father winning more golf matches, though I never heard if he managed to hit the ever-elusive Hole-in-One shot. Only one time was there some sign that I might be important to him. That happened when I was visiting my mother's only living Aunt in New York and arrived at the Manhattan station from New Jersey. On the train platform, two men approached me, one carrying a huge bouquet of red roses, my mother's favorite. He said, "These are for you Miss Jessica. Your father sends his regards." I took them without returning a greeting and left. About this time, I was finally exhausting my trust funds and learning that my high standard of living was about to change. Through the years, I would hear of him and his skill at his golf game, and as he grew older, I heard he had a caretaker, also very wealthy, and that he and the caretaker were very close friends. I was too stubborn to admit the error of my ways and this made me continue to bully him by my silence. Even when I heard he had become physically frail and I had divorced for a second time, even then I could not bring myself to contact him. At the age of 74, he died. Our family attorney sent me a letter to the very modest apartment where I lived and worked at a nearby public library. The letter advised that I was cut out of my father's will and would inherit none of his wealth. I would be permitted to visit the family home to collect some memorabilia of my mother's. After I began to recover from the shock, I made plans to take some pieces of jewelry and some treasured photographs that belonged to my mother. I felt as hurt and alone as

one could ever feel. Somehow, I thought he would forgive my many sins and love me anyway and we would somehow miraculously be close in spite of all the intervening years, and now it was too late. I cried bitter tears on the way to his house and was exhausted and empty of all feeling when the bus dropped me off in front of the imposing home that we once shared. My feet felt like lead, they would barely move. Suddenly, I heard a voice behind me saying "Miss Jessica? Jessica? Are you Harry's daughter?"

I turned to see one of the handsomest men I had ever set eyes on, about my age, approaching me from one end of the long, circular driveway. He reached out his hand to mine in greeting, an electric touch, and said, "I'm Benjamin McGrath, your father's former assistant. I have sure heard a lot about you. He spoke of you often."

"He did?" It came out like a squeak, I was so torn with emotions.

"Oh yes," Benjamin said and smiled, and it was as if the heavens suddenly were all around me; I felt suffused with light, my heart lifting from its great depths as he gazed at me, this handsome man with a kind face, a type I did not often meet.

"Come on in, and we'll talk about it," he invited, offering his arm so as to twine with mine. We walked toward the house and I then realized that my father, the Master Golfer, had planned a Hole-in-One for me. A tear slid down my cheek as I suddenly felt a release from the long-term heartache and a true measure of joy. With the release came another truth that I loved my father too. ■

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a writer — pens, paper, inkwell, penknife, eraser, pencil, sealing wax, a candle and matches. Another held a woman's accessories, including tweezers, nail picks, buttonhook, crochet needle, bottles and fan. But that is not all. Imagine a cane that held a long, thin working violin and bow. An artist could get a cane that held an easel, palette and paints. Some canes are amusing. A peephole let the owner look at a picture of a bathing beauty, while another held a whiskey bottle. Strangest is a Chinese "spitter" cane with a silver handle shaped like a man's head. Press his pigtail, point and the head spits water at a victim. Any of these canes sell for thousands of dollars today.



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The first cane probably was just a strong stick, but by the 19th century a cane was a fashion accessory and sometimes hid a tool. The heads of canes were made of wood, ivory, gold or silver, leather, pewter or porcelain, sometimes with inlay and precious gems. Canes with a carving of a political candidate's head were used until Franklin Roosevelt objected — because he was disabled. At recent antiques sales, there have been some very unusual canes. Some hid weapons. Sword canes are familiar because of movies. But few know there are canes that held parts of a gun, including ammunition — a hidden arsenal. Another was a blow gun that could "shoot" bullets. A woman's cane had a short knife blade to use for protection. A "flicker" cane was made so a short blade could pop out of the handle. Most deadly was the "Diabolique," a cane outlawed in France. If someone tried to pull the cane, a set of spikes popped out of the shaft wounding the attacker's hand. Tap the cane on the ground and the spikes disappeared.

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Q: Back in the 1960s, I bought my daughter a large plush Cat in the Hat stuffed toy. She doesn't want it, but I hear it's "collectible." What do you think?

A: Dr. Seuss' "The Cat in the Hat" storybook was published in 1957, and plush Cat in the Hat toys soon followed — and are still being made. Early versions in "like new" condition might sell for more than newer toys. But don't expect to get more than about \$20 for it.

Q: I'm moving to independent care and must sell or give away my collector plates. I have an Edna Hibel Mother's Day plate called "Erica and Jamie" made in 1985. Is it worth anything? Are people collecting Edna Hibel plates?

A: Edna Hibel (b. 1917) is an artist known for her paintings of mothers and children. A series of Edna Hibel Mother's Day plates was made by Edwin M. Knowles China Co. from 1984 to 1991. Collector plates have gone down in value during the past 10 years, and your plate currently sells for under \$15.

Q: Going through piles of my stuff, I found my teen collection of 24 silly arcade cards called "Licenses to Do Anything." I remember buying them from coin-operated machines in the late 1930s or early '40s. Each one is postcard size, 3 1/4 by 5 1/2 inches, and is printed on heavy stock with green lettering and a fancy green border. Mine include a Back Seat Driver's License, a Bachelor's Permit and a Spendthrift Permit. What are they worth?

A: Your cards were issued by the Exhibit Supply Co. of Chicago. The copyright date on the ones we have seen is 1941. A set of 30 mint examples is being offered online for \$30. So your

smaller set would sell for less than that.

Q: I understand that antique typewriters are popular again. I have a 1935 Remington typewriter that's in good condition. It's 10 by 11 inches and is in a black case. What is my typewriter worth?

A: Arms manufacturer E. Remington & Sons of Ilion, N.Y., made the first successful typewriter for Sholes & Glidden in 1874. It typed capital letters only. Remington made the typewriter in its sewing machine division. It sold its typewriter business and the rights to the Remington name to the Standard Typewriter Manufacturing Co. in 1886. Standard changed its name to Remington Typewriter Co. in 1902 and became Remington Rand in 1927. Remington portable typewriters were introduced in 1920. Typewriter sales fell in the 1990s as more people started using computers. Vintage typewriters have recently become popular with people who like the touch and enjoy seeing words appear on paper as they are typed. Value of your typewriter: about \$145.

Tip: To remove stains from a glass vase, fill it with warm water and drop in a denture-cleaning tablet. ■

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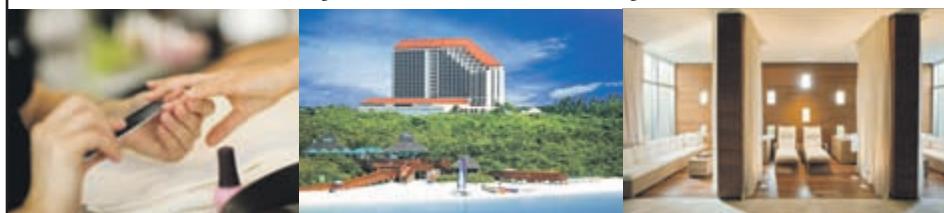
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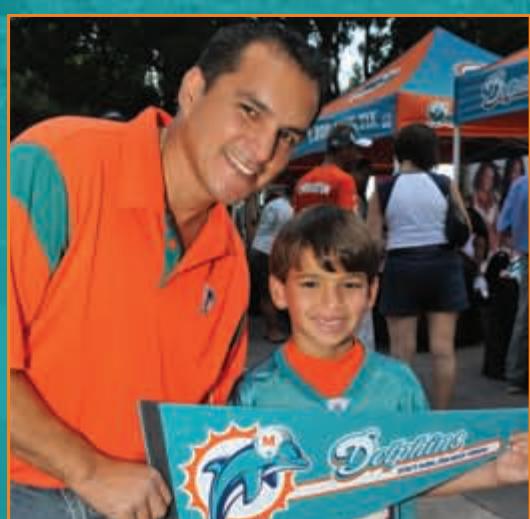
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Consider this deal played in a high-level team championship. At the first table, South got to three notrump on the bidding shown, and West led the deuce of spades. East falsecarded very smartly by winning the trick with the king instead of the queen and returned a low spade at trick two.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

Nobody plays perfectly

BY STEVE BECKER

This play presented declarer with a difficult guess. Unfortunately, he guessed wrong by playing the nine instead of the jack. As a result, he went down one, making only eight tricks rather than the 12 he could have made by playing the jack. Declarer's play of the nine was certainly reasonable and would have succeeded if East had held, say, the A-K-10-5-4 instead of the A-K-Q-5-4.

The contract at the second table was also three notrump, and again the opening lead was the spade deuce. But here East took the first trick with the queen before returning a low spade at trick two. Declarer stewed for a long time before finally deciding to put up the jack, and as a result he finished with 12 tricks.

Regardless of what you might think of South's play at trick two at the first table, or East's play at trick one at the second table, the fact remains that the final contract at both tables was decidedly inferior. Five diamonds and five clubs would both have been better contracts than three notrump, and a slam in either minor could have been made by guess-

North dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ 6
♥ 8 4
♦ K Q J 10 6 5
♣ K J 10 7

WEST

♠ 10 8 2
♥ J 10 9 6 2
♦ 9 3
♣ 8 4 2

EAST

♠ A K Q 5 4
♥ Q 7 3
♦ 8 4 2
♣ Q 5

SOUTH

♠ J 9 7 3
♥ A K 5
♦ A 7
♣ A 9 6 3

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
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3 ♣	Pass	3 NT	

Opening lead — two of spades.

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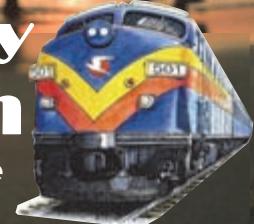
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Susan G. Komen Southwest Florida kicks off Breast Cancer Awareness Month with the inaugural **Pink Promise** luncheon on Tuesday, Oct. 1, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. The multi-faceted “ladies day out” marks the hotel’s debut after a summer-long renovation project.



Events from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. include several breakout educational sessions, a shopping venue, a live auction and survivor stories. Emcee and NBC2 anchor Heather Turco will introduce keynote speaker Diana Jordan, a comedian, author and breast cancer survivor whom Oprah Winfrey has called, “one of the funniest people on the planet.”

Tickets for \$150 are available at www.komenswfl.org.

“Fiesta in PAWradise,” a dog-friendly fundraiser for the **Avow PAWS Pet Program**, takes place from 5-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18, at Avow. Guests will enjoy cocktails and heavy hors d’oeuvres, a silent auction, take-home portrait center, doggy fiesta fashion contest and a canine drill team performance.

Tickets are \$100; well-behaved, leashed dogs are welcome to accompany their owners. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 649-3683.

The NCH Pediatric Emergency Department will benefit from the 55th annual **NCH Hospital Ball** set for Saturday, Oct. 26, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. Funds will go toward expansion of the department, which is part of a complete renovation planned for the North Naples Emergency Room.

Tickets are \$500. For more information, call Miriam Ross at the NCH Healthcare System Foundation at 624-2015 or e-mail foundation@nchmd.org.

The Immokalee Foundation’s 2013 Charity Classic Celebration, “Pathways to Success: Voices of the Future,” includes an evening of fine dining, entertainment and auctions of once-in-a-lifetime experiences to benefit TIF students.

This year’s celebration takes place Saturday evening, Nov. 16, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. Chairman is Pete Negri; Louise Penta hosts the evening’s Fund A Dream.

Tickets are \$550. Underwriting and sponsorship opportunities are available. For reservations or more information, call 430-9122, e-mail info@immokaleefoundation.org or visit www.immokaleefoundation.org.

Champions For Learning—The Education Foundation of Collier County, hosts the **Heart of the Apple** luncheon honoring Alan Korest on Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the Hilton Naples. For tickets or more information, call 643-4755 or visit www.educationforcollier.org.

The Women’s Initiative Network of the Community Foundation of Collier County hosts the inaugural **Power of the Purse** luncheon on Wednesday, Dec. 4, at Grey Oaks Country Club. Guest speaker Connie Rose endured 16 years of childhood sexual abuse, much of it at the hands of her serial sex offender father. She founded Victims2Survivors to raise awareness and provide support for victims and survivors of sexual violence, sex trafficking and domestic violence.

The foundation’s 2014 Women of Initiative honorees will also be formally announced at the luncheon. Nominations are being accepted at www.cfcollier.org. The award ceremony will be held on March 31 at the Naples Beach & Golf Resort.

Tickets to “Power of the Purse” are \$125 per person, \$250 for patrons and \$2,500 for a patron table. For more information, visit the website above.

Humane Society Naples holds its **Strut Your Mutt** costume parade and contest for best-dressed pets and owners on Saturday, Oct. 19, at Germain BMW. Admission is free; registration for the costume contest (Most Original, Scariest, Celebrity Lookalike, Cutest and Best Group/two or more pets) is \$10.

The society’s 15th annual **Tea & Fashion Show** is set for Thursday, Dec. 5, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. This year’s theme is “Passport to Paris.” Co-chairs are Philip Douglas and Doug Olsen.

Visit www.humanesocietynaples.com for information about tickets and sponsorship opportunities as the dates draw closer.

The fifth annual Naples International Film Festival is set for Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 7-10. The red carpet opening night gala and screening take place Nov. 7 at Artis—Naples. Features, documentaries and film shorts of all genres will be screened at Silverspot Cinema at Mercato Nov. 8-10. Check www.naplesfilmfest.com for details as the date draws near, or call 775-3456.

Literacy Volunteers of Collier County stages the annual **Dancing with the Stars for Literacy** beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Notable Neapolitans partner with professional dancers from the Naples Academy of Performing Arts to

dance two-minute routines before a panel of judges. Performers also compete for a prize awarded to the dancer who raises the most money for LVCC.

Tickets are \$175. Advertising sponsorships, table sponsors and a silent auction produce additional funds for LVCC. For more information, call 262-4448 or visit www.collierliteracy.org.

The first annual American Girl Fashion Show to benefit the **Golisano Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida** comes to the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club on Sunday, Nov. 10, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Each show will include brunch/lunch and a marketplace as well as local child models wearing historical and contemporary fashions from American Girl. NBC-2 anchor Kellie Burns will tell the history of American Girl.

Sponsorship opportunities are available now. Call Wendy Tooley at 822-5154.

Naples Botanical Garden celebrates the 10th annual **Hats in the Garden, “Elegance in Bloom,”** on Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Garden. Co-chairs are Karen Scott and Vicky Smith; Connie Vandenberg is the 2013 Hats in the Garden ambassador. Styled by Marissa Collections, the red-carpet runway show will showcase fashions by Oscar de la Renta, Valentino, Zac Posen, Alberta Ferretti, Lanvin, Marchesa, Monique Lhuillier, Naeem Khan and Giambattista Valli. Northern Trust is the presenting sponsor. The patron party Monday, Nov. 11, will be at the home of Jenny and Kermit Sutton. Tickets are \$500 (limited availability).

The Garden holds its **2014 Garden Party** and opening night celebration of “Nature Connects: LEGO Sculpture Exhibit” on Thursday, Feb. 13. Garden Party c-chairs are Mary Ann Bindley and Geren Fauth. The exhibit, which will be in place for three months, consists of 27 larger-than-life sculptures built with LEGO bricks by New York artist Sean Kenney.

For information about tickets and sponsorships for either of the above events, contact Meghan Gorman at 325-1929 or mgorman@naplesgarden.org.

The Naples Zoo holds its 2013 Children’s Gala: **“Carnivale of the Animals”** for kids and their grown-ups from 5:30-8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, at the Zoo. The evening will include “wild” games and prizes, a family-friendly silent auction, dinner and a presentation by world-renowned storyteller Jim Weiss.

Tickets are \$85 for children, \$65 for adults. Call 262-5409, ext 144. Ask about sponsorships and special tables that include story time with Mr. Weiss and

other benefits.

The David Lawrence Center and Foundation holds its signature destination-themed gala Friday, Jan. 17, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Guests at **“Under the Eiffel Tower: A Journey to 1920s Paris”** will be transported to the City of Lights in an era when soulful jazz played through the evening streets and gas-lit promenades were filled with people dancing, dining and indulging in economic prosperity and social and artistic dynamism of the day.

To help set the mood, New York jazz singer Lainie Cooke and her trio — master drummer Ralph Peterson, Peter Zak on piano and Don Mopsick on bass — will provide dinner entertainment, after which the band PowerHouse will take the stage so guests can dance the night away under the Eiffel tower.

The center is Collier County’s only comprehensive, not-for-profit mental health and substance abuse treatment facility serving children, adults and families.

Tickets to “Under the Eiffel Tower” are \$500 per person, \$1,200 per VIP patron and \$10,000 per premier sponsor table of 10. A variety of additional sponsorship opportunities also are available.

For more information or to reserve a ticket, contact Monica Biondo at 304-3505 or visit www.davidlawrencecenter.org.

“Rebuilding Children’s Lives,” Youth Haven’s fourth annual benefit luncheon, is set for Wednesday, Jan. 22, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort.

Guest speaker Antwone Fisher, award-winning film and literary writer, was the subject of the eponymous movie co-starring and directed by Denzel Washington. Like Youth Haven’s children, Mr. Fisher’s young life was scarred by abandonment and abuse. The support of a therapist, friends and, ultimately, a reunion with his family, changed everything for the better.

Tickets are \$300. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, call Aileen Carroll at 687-5155 or e-mail aileen.carroll@youthhaven.net.

“Celebrate the Journey,” the 2014 **Naples Winter Wine Festival**, is set for Friday-Sunday, Jan. 24-26 at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Co-chairs are Linda Malone, Anne Welsh McNulty and Adria Starkey.

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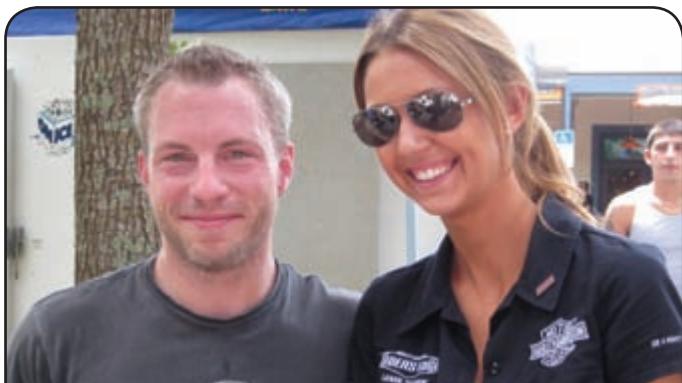


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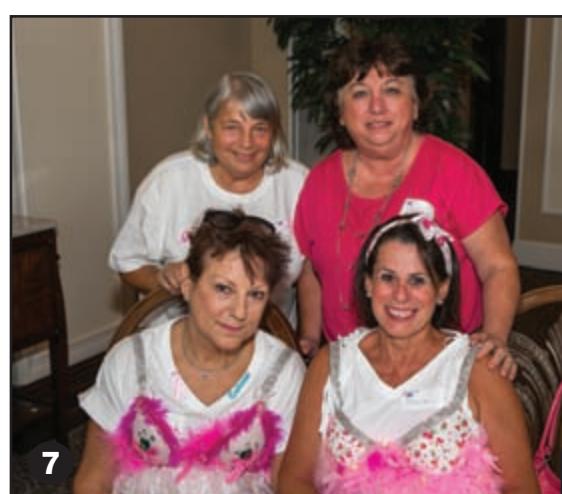
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Que syrah, shiraz — these wines have similar origins but different flavors

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Syrah, shiraz and petite sirah may all sound similar, but they are three distinct wines made from two grape varieties.

Syrah and shiraz are different wines made from the same grape. The difference comes down to terroir, wine-making style and marketing. Syrah is a native French grape, although it is more famous under the name the Aussies use, shiraz (rhymes with jazz in Australia and South Africa). Once thought to originate from the ancient Persian city of Shiraz, recent DNA analysis indicates it comes from southern France.

Petite sirah is often confused with syrah, but is a different grape, a cross between syrah and peloursin grapes developed in France in the late 1800s, and grown primarily in California and Australia. The wines made from this grape are dark and inky colored, with a bouquet of peppers and herbs, a firm full body in the mouth, and the palette shows flavors of plum, blueberries and other dark fruits with significant tannins while young, while aging gracefully for 15 or more years in the bottle.

Wines produced and sold as syrah have a style that is more old world, full bodied with dark berry and floral aromas, followed on the palate by

ripe juicy flavors of blackberry, plum and earthy notes.

In France, syrah is most notably produced in the Rhone district. In the northern portion of the Rhone, it is the single grape responsible for Hermitage and Cote-Rotie (where it is blended with a little viognier, a white grape, to introduce a heady floral aroma and accentuate the fruit flavors on the palate). In the southern Rhone it is blended with grenache and mourvedre to make Chateauneuf du Pape and Cotes du Rhone wines, and is planted prolifically along the Mediterranean coast of France as well.

The best syrahs made in the United States are from the central coastal area of California, crafted by a wine-producing group known as the Rhone Rangers. These syrahs are usually sold as varietal wines, mostly unblended and similar in flavor and style to their French counterparts.

Shiraz, on the other hand, has a distinctly new world feel and flavor, and tastes similar to a zinfandel, with pep-



Mollydooker Blue
Eyed Boy Shiraz

pery fruit-forward aromas and flavors, rich dark red colors and a full tannic finish. Produced mainly in Australia (and South Africa), this prolific red has defined the Australian wine business with a range of style. Medium-bodied reds, priced at less than \$10 with a cute kangaroo or other animal

The fruit-forward spiciness of shiraz is better with barbecue dishes, steaks and short ribs, as well as burgers on the grill.

If you choose petite syrah, serve it with foods that are rich in fat and have lots of flavor. Try it with dry aged cheeses, beef tenderloin with a creamy sauce, barbecued steak, or lamb with a mint sauce.

Wine picks of the week:

■ **Novy Syrah Napa Valley 2010 (\$20):** Dark fruit aromas and flavors of plum and mocha, with some earth tones mixed in. Mostly stainless steel fermentation casks, with a touch finished in oak yields a youthful complex flavor and a long finish. The winemaker mixed in a touch of viognier, styled like a Cote-Rotie.

■ **M. Chapoutier Petite Ruche Crozes-Hermitage 2010 (\$30):** Deep reddish color with dark cherry aromas and flavors, mixed with raspberry and pepper on the palate. Fresh round flavors in the mouth lead to a lingering finish.

■ **Mollydooker Blue Eyed Boy Shiraz McLaren Vale 2011 (\$50):** Dark rich and supple with blackberry and cherry flavors, a touch of chocolate on the palate and spice layers on the long finish.

■ **Two Hands Gnarly Dudes Shiraz 2011 (\$35):** Firm tannins frame the blackberry and red fruit aromas and flavors, with spice and minerals at the end of the lingering finish. ■

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CUISINE

Sam Bucco remains bastion of superb, serene Mediterranean dining

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The devil might be in the details, but in the restaurant business so, too, is success. The devout attention with which Sam Bucco Bistro's management and staff attend to them is responsible for the restaurant's continued success even as the eponymous chef Sam Tadros has opened a second restaurant (Fig's Grille) in Bonita Springs.

I will admit to some trepidation upon heading to Sam Bucco recently, my first visit since the chef had opened his new venture. But his long-time partner, Adel Khalil, remains a warm and hospitable presence at Sam Bucco and clearly a highly competent one as well.

Mr. Tadros' influence continues to run strong in the kitchen, while Mr. Khalil's has waned not an iota out front. Customers are treated like treasured guests from the moment they walk in until they step out the door (something you'd think would be the norm in restaurants but all too often isn't).

The dining room is lushly appointed, with taupe walls, flowing curtains, a lovely glass wine storage area directly in front of the entrance and an inviting bar. Because there are a lot of fabrics and soft surfaces, sounds don't carry far here, keeping the noise down even when the large dining room is relatively full. The restaurant's website describes it as "an oasis of gastronomical and epicurean delights," and I'd have to say that's an apt description. An oasis it surely is.

The wine list is extensive, with an excellent assortment of Italian wines that pair well with much of the menu. We enjoyed a 2006 Marchesi di Barolo Barbaresco, which arrived lightly chilled — the proper cellar temperature rather than the overly warm Florida room temperature.

The staff here works like a well-oiled machine. A server attendant deftly works the room, clearing extra place settings from the table as we arrived, pouring water, delivering warm bread and butter in a stylish metal basket. Between courses, he silently arrived with replacement silverware and

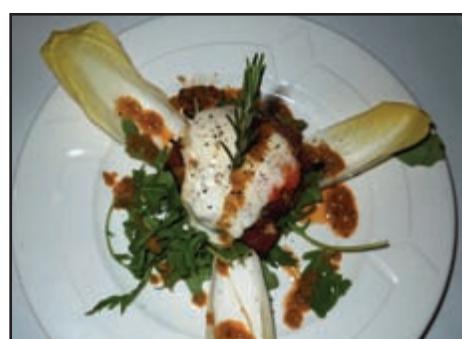
whisked away the plates with which we'd finished.

For those who enjoy making a meal of appetizers, this is a great place to do that. With a dozen from which to choose along with a couple of soups and six salads, you can feast on dishes such as shrimp martini, grilled portobello with roasted red pepper, goat cheese and tomato basil oil, mussels steamed in garlic served with pink pesto sauce, Roquefort salad and Turkish style split pea soup.

Among my favorites is the Turkish grilled calamari (\$10.95), tender rounds of squid that are delicately



Steak chimichurri started with a New York strip served with portobello mushrooms, braised red onions, spinach, fresh tomatoes, pesto and mozzarella cheese.



Eggplant tourine blends mozzarella, avocado, roasted red peppers and tomatoes with layers of roasted eggplant.

grilled, imparting a smoky flavor that pairs well with the arugula, endive, lemon and balsamic vinaigrette with which they are served.

The eggplant tourine

(\$10.50) consisted of thin strips of eggplant layered with fresh mozzarella, avocado, roasted red peppers and tomatoes, a panoply of colors and flavors that was beautifully plated.

For pasta lovers, options include lasagna, linguini with clam sauce, and a rustic vegetarian dish with whole wheat pasta and risotto. You can add chicken or shrimp to any dish for an additional charge.

We skipped the pasta on this trip, attracted by some of the other interesting and less carb-laden options on the menu.

The Mediterranean shrimp (\$23.95) featured jumbo shrimp in garlic and fresh herbs served with eggplant timbale, roasted tomatoes, scalloped potatoes and tomato basil oil. As was the case with the squid, the shrimp were expertly grilled, leaving them tender, juicy and lightly smoky. The vegetables were equally good, making this a very satisfying entree.

A grilled New York strip steak with chimichurri (\$27.95) came with a colorful array of vegetables, including portobello mushrooms, red onions, spinach and tomatoes. Pesto and mozzarella finished it off nicely, with a side of scalloped potatoes. The flavors were excellent and well balanced, but the steak could have been more tender.

In keeping with its well-honed awareness of what customers want, Sam Bucco offers bite-sized desserts. The rice pudding (\$5.50) was rich and velvety, studded with pine nuts and raisins and finished with a caramelized sugar layer like a creme brulee. Even better was the tiny coconut Key lime

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Coconut Key lime
cheesecake is one of
Sam Bucco's mini
desserts.



cheesecake (\$5.50). It was light and creamy, topped with graham cracker crumbs and whipped cream.

Each dessert contained about four or five bites, which was just enough to satisfy that craving for something sweet without producing that uncomfortable overly full feeling that ruin a meal when you polish off a full-sized confection.

Throughout dinner, the staff demonstrated its impressive teamwork. A server attendant would arrive with the next course — and he'd know who had ordered which dish without asking — and our server would appear at the other side of the table with the peppermill in hand to offer a grind as the dish was set before us. The server also returned to make sure each course was satisfactory.

Mr. Khalil paid a couple of visits to the table as well, first to make sure we liked the wine, later to see how dinner was going. I lost track of the number of customers who embraced him as they arrived and departed.

It's easy to see why Sam Bucco has been so successful for so long. If you've never been there, or if it's been a while, it's a great time to visit. It's an oasis you will want to return to time and again. ■

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Sam Bucco Bistro

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Ratings:
Food: ★★★★½
Service: ★★★★½
Atmosphere: ★★★★★

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>> Reservations: Accepted
>> Credit cards: Accepted
>> Price range: Appetizers, \$6.95-\$12.95;
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