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CAN HIGHER EDUCATION BE ATTAINED FOR JUST \$10,000?

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SOMETIMES IVAN GUERRERO LOOKS AT the big picture in which, after earning a bachelor's degree at Edison State College, and then going on to finish a master's somewhere else, he may be "fortunate to walk out of there underneath the \$80,000 debt bracket."

But that's an overwhelming and discouragingly large figure, so mostly he just concentrates on saving money where he can. The free nachos or funnel cakes at Edison events present a "semi-healthy" opportunity if he forgot to pack a lunch. There are also usually Ramen noodles available in the offices of the Student Government Association on the school's Lee County campus, of which Mr. Guerrero is president for the second

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Ivan Guerrero expects to graduate from college tens of thousands of dollars in debt.

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Dome homes south of Marco Island are housing new life.

Under the domes

South of Marco Island, sinking sentinels are housing new life

BY CYNTHIA MOTT
Florida Weekly Correspondent

It is a spectacle. The sort that makes you rub your eyes and look again.

Jutting from the water, a hundred feet off an isolated strip of beach, a cluster of white domes rise absurdly from the Gulf of

Mexico a few miles south of Marco Island. Published descriptions have called them igloos, Pac Man figures, something out of Star Wars and "retro futuristic."

Retro futuristic?

Passing around my own photos to friends, I collected the terms "giant jellyfish" and "scrubbing bubbles from the toilet cleaning commercial" (thank you, Perry and Patty).

Locals call it the Cape Romano dome

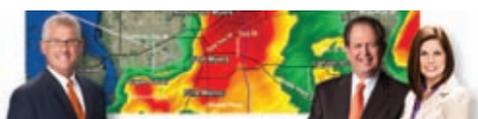
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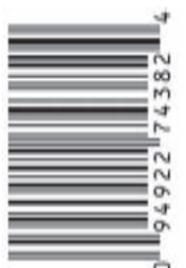
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COMMENTARY

The Four Freedoms from our own fields rise



They finally made the big time, and right out of the Sunshine State's tomato mud, too: the Coalition of Immokalee Workers, a few thousand strong.

En masse, the tough little bunch of field hands with eyes, brains and heart won a Roosevelt Institute "Four Freedoms" award last week in New York City — the less-famous equivalent of a Nobel Prize for do-gooders. Theirs is the 2013 "Freedom from Want" award, but it could have been any one of the others presented, as well.

If you've ever seen Norman Rockwell's 1943 paintings of the "four freedoms" defined by FDR just before we entered World War II, you'll know them instantly: Freedom from Want (Rockwell's Thanksgiving scene); Freedom from Fear; Freedom to Worship; and Freedom to Speak.

Suddenly, Coalition members Greg Asbed, his partner and wife, Laura Germino, along with Gerardo Reyes Chavez and Nely Rodriguez, were standing where all of them should be — with the likes of such previous winners as Studs Terkel, the Dalai Lama, Carlos Fuentes, Harry Truman, Jimmy Carter, Nelson Mandela and others.

In a two-decade effort, the Coalition has changed the way farm work is con-

ducted and understood in the United States, and especially in Florida.

None of those previous Roosevelt award winners were there in the flesh to witness the formal acknowledgement of this extraordinary achievement — some of them no longer operate in the flesh. But four others, people whose names are now famous in the Land of Do-Gooders, were present: Wendell Berry, Sister Simone Campbell, Ameena Mathews, and Paul Krugman, who also holds the Nobel Prize in Economics (2008).

They'd all come to receive a 2013 Roosevelt award.

Not that this extraordinary moment of glory for the home team made the front page of even a single Florida newspaper. It didn't, as far as I could tell, even though Immokalee is only 30 miles as the cormorant flies from Naples; 32 miles from Fort Myers; 86 miles from Miami and 88 miles from Palm Beach — all of which sport alert and agile print and electronic media outfits, some of them swollen to considerable size and wealth.

But hey, Jesus wasn't front-page news to the Romans, either. He was just another do-gooder.

I watched the ceremony unfold via podcast at St. Michael's Episcopal Church



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Norman Rockwell's *Freedom from Want*.

on Madison Avenue with a feeling of pleasant confusion, as if my senses had suddenly been cross-wired. You don't put your hand in an oven expecting to feel cool water. You don't salt your meat expecting to taste sugar.

And you certainly don't expect to witness field hands walking down the aisle of an upper east-side church in elegant suits and ties while a string quartet performs Bach in the background.

By all rights, these folks should have appeared sweat-streaked and sobered from two decades of not just back-breaking hard work for low pay (hell, they've been doing that forever), but by their public resistance to what often went with that work: almost criminally low wages as a matter of course. Breathtakingly little sympathy for their lives on the part of many employers. Greed at their expense, excused away as the implacable narrative of "the market." Beatings, sexual abuse and kidnapping of individuals in the fields many times over the years. And a callous lack of compassion and understanding for their needs and hopes — for their children and grandchildren.

The callousness has come not just from employers or corporate leaders, but

from many of the rest of us, too, simply because we've been too comfortable to pay attention, or too wrongheaded to recognize the rights of field hands.

The Coalition's fight is far from over, therefore. Only some, not all, of the corporations who buy food from Florida farmers have agreed that workers should be paid a penny more per pound for tomatoes they pick, for example — which is the bottom line. That's what Coalition members define as a "fair wage."

For 33 years, from 1978 until 2011, field hands got 40 cents to pick a 32-pound bucket of tomatoes. That's 30 years with no raise. So, by 2010 one man or woman had to pick about 2.25 tons of tomatoes in a day to make the equivalent of minimum wage, with no benefits of any kind.

"In 1990," says Mr. Chavez, "41 cents of every dollar you spent at the store would go to a farmer. In 2000, it was 24 cents of a dollar. That money was going to the top." It went to the owners of big retail franchises such as Walmart, who had changed the way business is done, and not to farmers or field hands.

So now, there is only one conscionable thing for any of us to do: Join the Roosevelt Institute, and join the Coalition of Immokalee Workers, and join any neighborhood store or business that insists these men and women get a fair wage for a day's work.

It's the conscionable thing to do, sure. And it's also the American thing to do for this most proud and American of organizations. ■

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IN MEMORIAM

Earl Hodges, a quiet giant 1927-2013

BY LOU TRAINA

Special to Florida Weekly

In September of 2000, while I was serving as vice president of institutional advancement for International College, President Terry McMahan and I gathered a small group of past Humanitarians to select the 2001 Humanitarian of the Year.

Terry began the meeting with his customary get-down-to-business style: "Well, you know what we're here for..." Lavern Gaynor, the first honored Humanitarian, sat quietly, listening with great interest to the suggestions made by other past Humanitarians Jack Humphrey and Corbin Wyant.

While she observed, Myra Daniels appeared somewhat attentive, but deep in thought. Sensing that Myra was getting ready to speak, the room grew quieter. Breaking a short silence, Lavern asked, "Myra, what do you think?"

As if by script, Myra replied, "I like Earl Hodges."

In a purposeful and methodical manner, she described the man whose spirit of benevolence and compassionate contributions had stayed under our community's radar, concluding her remarks with the words that I will never forget: "He is a quiet giant."

In good speed, the selection process concluded in less than five minutes. Earl was unanimously chosen by his peers, lunch was served and higher education in Southwest Florida took a giant step forward.

Earl and Thelma's first gift to Hodges University (then International College) came years after his Humanitarian of the Year award. Like many who are fortunate to have been introduced to the International College family, Earl and Thelma took great interest in the students, most of whom were veterans of the armed services, single parents, working couples and law enforcement officers attending fulltime while balancing family, work and life.

Impressed by the faculty and staff's concern for student welfare, Earl and Thelma gave their first gift to help establish the school's foundation. Earl became



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The writer, at right, with Earl and Thelma Hodges at the Triumph Awards in 2008.

one of 10 Founders. Other gifts followed, including the Earl and Thelma Hodges Veterans of the Armed Forces Scholarship Fund and, most notably, the naming gift that transformed a college into a university. It was a gift that turned a small college into a thriving university recognized in the Southern Region for excellence in its efficiency. It was a gift that moved the university toward the center of economic diversity and prosperity of the Southwest Florida community. It was a gift that firmly established Earl and Thelma as present and future role models for all Hodges University students, past, present and future.

I remember Earl once said there are some lessons that take a lifetime to learn. These are powerful words "plain spoken" by a man who experienced life as fragile and uncertain. In his humble way, he would sometimes wish he were "smarter in his early years" to live each day as if it were his last and to cherish the moment and lessons learned from each experience, each encounter and each meeting. In all the years I have known Earl, he did just that.

For me and other fundraising professionals, Earl provided a stellar role model

of the dedication required to serve our community, our purpose to move society forward and the opportunity to work within the philanthropic community with which we are blessed.

For each of us, there are lessons to be learned from this quiet giant of a man, who was as generous with his time as with his treasure. As a funeral home director, Earl was reminded daily of the importance of time and would often conclude his sentiments with this quiet reminder: "It could be your last day to do or say something that needs doing or saying." ■

— Lou Traina is executive director of the Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida.



Mr. and Mrs. Hodges with Seth Minso at the Hodges Funeral Home 50th anniversary celebration in August 2012.

"It is with a heavy heart that we honor the passing of our founder and president, Earl Glenn Hodges. His frequent visits always made us smile. His presence was inspiring and his insights were enlightening. He will be missed by all of us, his Hodges Funeral Home family. We ask the community to keep Thelma and Earl's family in thought and prayer."

— Seth Minso, general manager
Hodges Funeral Home at Naples Memorial Garden



Mr. and Mrs. Hodges with Steven Miller at the 2013 conference of the Florida Cemetery, Cremation and Funeral Association.

"Earl and Thelma have been icons and innovators of the funeral industry in Naples for over 50 years. Their passion and love for serving families and their involvement in the community has made a profound difference through their philanthropy and generosity. Like so many others, my wife Bonnie and I have personally been touched and influenced by their lasting friendship."

— Steven Miller, Dignity Memorial of Florida
at the presentation of the Lifetime Achievement Award to Mr. Hodges this past summer at the 2013 conference of the Florida Cemetery, Cremation and Funeral Association

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While new in her job as managing director of the Golisano Children's Museum of Naples, Karysia Demarest is no newcomer to C'mon. She began working for the museum back in 2003, when one of the six founding moms asked her to help with the newly opened C'mon checking account. She volunteered for five years before becoming director of finance five years ago.

In addition to being a CPA, she is a master instructor and international referee of tae kwon do. She and her husband, Jim, have owned and operated a tae kwon do academy in Naples for 10 years.

"The joy of knowing you have been an important part of molding a young person to be physically capable, mentally strong and of good character is extremely satisfying," Karysia says about her years of teaching the ancient martial art form.

She was born in Fort Lauderdale and grew up in Coral Springs and the Florida Keys. At Coral Springs High School, she

was a member of the marching band. As a teen, she also worked on her grandparents' bee farm when she wasn't fishing and boating "all over the Keys."

After high school, she served in the U.S. Air Force, New Mexico Air National Guard and the Massachusetts Air National Guard for almost 10 years. She was trained as an airframe repair specialist for the F-15 and A-7 aircraft. (Jim, a former F-15 pilot, is a consultant and lieutenant colonel in the Florida Air National Guard as a JAG; they have two children, 15-year-old Gabby and 12-year-old Chad.)



Karysia Demarest

Using GI Bill education benefits, Karysia put herself through college, earning an associate's degree from New Mexico State University and a bachelor's in accounting from the University of Massachusetts. Upon graduation, she worked in the physics department at Cornell University.

She returned to Florida in 1995 and went to work first at the CPA firm of Schultz Chaipel & Co. in Fort Myers and later with Girardin Baldwin & Associates in Naples. After Chad was born, she started working part-time a CPA with Swope Lamberson (now Urish Popeck) and has maintained an affiliation with Urish Popeck since then.

Karysia was part of the Gene Doyle Memorial Foundation in her capacity as a

Talking points with Karysia Demarest

Something that's been on your mind:

The ability of our youth to have face-to-face communication. They are so busy hanging on to something (phone, computer, video game, etc.) instead of hanging out with each other.

Something your mom was always right about:

People are generally good. Some of them have just had experiences that have soured them along the way.

What did you want to be when you grew up?

I wanted to be independent. I don't recall wanting a specific career field as much as I wanted to do whatever I did all on my own.

Guilty pleasure:

Definitely ice cream. Most recent vacation: I love to travel and recently came back from Costa Rica.

One thing on your bucket list:

Visit Israel. I find the history there to be fascinating.

Skill or talent you wish you had:

I wish I could draw. I have trouble drawing the hangman stick figure.

Advice for your kids:

Be happy. I will steal the quote, "Do what you love, love what you do."

Best thing about kids:

Their honesty and innocence. They have not had any limits put on

what to think. Just listening to them is inspiring.

What makes you laugh: I find people very entertaining. One of my favorite places to watch people is at Disney World.

Last book read: I love to read. I would rather say my favorite authors are Harlen Coben, Nelson DeMille and Vince Flynn.

Something you'll never understand: Why the parking spaces in Naples are so small.

Pet peeve: Wet clothes left on the floor.

Something people would be surprised to find out about you: Prior to college, I was a heavy equipment operator — bulldozers, tower cranes and front-end loaders.

High school job: Cashier at Publix.

What the Paradise Coast really needs: More events to bring all five counties together.

Favorite thing about Paradise Coast: The way this coast has developed. We have not put development on every available acre.

What you miss about the Paradise Coast when away: Proximity, since everything I want to do is within a 30-minute drive.

CPA, and she supported the foundation's annual fishing tournament for seven years as a judge and all-around volunteer. She continues to support the foundation's scholarship for Collier County youth by fishing in the tournament with her family (Chad is the tournament's current youth grand champion, a title he has now earned four times).

When asked what she is most proud of in her life of varied accomplishments, she says: "Initially, I would say I was most proud of passing all four parts of the CPA exam in one sitting, but now I am most proud of playing a part in making C'mon a reality." ■

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year running.

"Thankfully there's Instant Ramen that me and my (SGA) officers will share with one another," said the 26-year-old. "That's a godsend."

Limited gas money, a basic phone plan and a beat-up old Honda have also helped control costs in his progress toward earning his bachelor's in supervision and management this summer.

"Saving money is the name of the game," Mr. Guerrero says.

Many students, parents, financial aid advisors and apparently Gov. Rick Scott, agree. To make education more affordable, Gov. Scott pushed public universities this year to put the brakes on sizeable tuition hikes.

In a statement in late 2012 directed specifically at more than two dozen state or community colleges such as Edison State, Gov. Scott challenged those schools to cap tuition for at least some bachelor's degrees at \$10,000. That's roughly \$4,000 less than the normal tuition at a state school or community college.

At Edison State College, for instance, 120 credit hours comes to \$14,605 at current prices. The school offers associate, bachelor and other programs at campuses in Fort Myers, Naples, Punta Gorda and Hendry County.

At the 12 larger public universities in the state system, such as Florida Gulf Coast University or the University of Florida, tuition for 120 credit hours comes to upwards of \$24,000 at 2013-14 levels.

Private schools such as Hodges University or Barry University that generally charge far higher tuitions also boast more personal attention and scholarship opportunities. And of course tuition is only one part of college costs, but a major one.

The bottom line for state officials like Gov. Scott is ultimately how much income those diplomas generate for you, your community and Florida, in relation to how much they cost to complete.

"(A degree) is not just for a piece of paper but really so you're able to contribute to society," said Jorge E. López, director of student financial services at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Ideally, degrees need to create jobs without loading students with so much debt that it impedes their ability to spend money on other things like a home or luxuries. But half the students at Florida schools offering four-year degrees graduated with a large tab in 2011, and on average it came to \$23,054, according to a report by The Institute for College Access & Success.

Mr. Guerrero plans to graduate from Edison College about \$15,000 in debt before going on to a master's program that will be more costly — possibly to pursue a career in broadcast journalism, but maybe something entirely different.

"I hate to limit myself right now," he said.

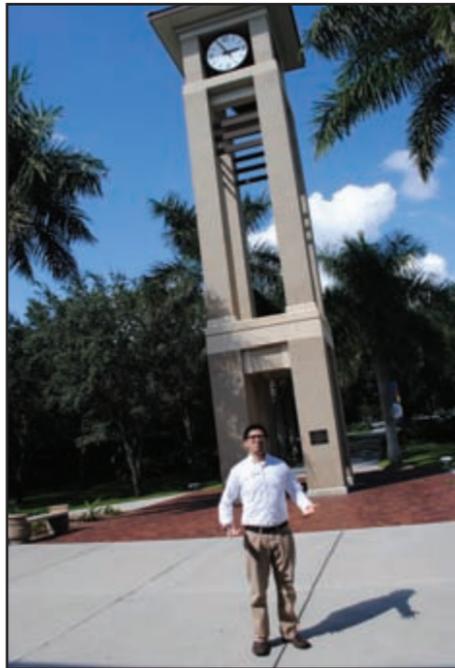
'Quality at a cut-rate price'

Locking in a \$10,000 tuition means community colleges have found "innovative ways to provide a quality education at a great value," Gov. Scott said in a press release.

Part of that means degree programs should have specific jobs waiting at the other end, as Edison State interpreted it.

The school answered the governor's challenge by rolling out two such "\$10,000 degrees" this fall — the price reflects tuition only — aimed at potential science and math teachers.

"I'm going to be very happy if we've sold a number of students on the fact that you could be a high school teacher or middle school science teacher and



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Ivan Guerrero left a manual labor job and is now racking up debt as a student in hopes of finding a better career.

we're going to help you get there," said Denis Wright, Ph.D., provost and vice president of academic affairs at Edison State College. "And when you get out of here, hopefully you won't have any loans. And when you start your career you'll start not in the hole."

So far there haven't been any official takers of the two new \$10,000 degrees. But that may be partly because community college students are required by the state to earn a two-year associates degree before declaring a major in a bachelor's course of study. So Edison students in their first two years could take advantage of the discounted, though limited, programs.

One is a bachelor's in secondary biology education; another is in middle grades science education. Like many programs at the school, they'll include a blend of in-person and online classes. More lower-cost degrees could follow if these prove successful.

The idea of a \$10,000 degree raises the question, Mr. Wright said, "Just how far and in what ways can you discount a degree and still accomplish what you want to financially and every other way — to offer a good solid degree.

"We have to continue to attract competent, well-qualified faculty. That takes salaries that attract those individuals. We want to have technology and classrooms that are at least on the bleeding edge of where we want to be if not on the cutting edge.

"It's quality at a cut-rate price."

Route to work

Students seeking degrees of any kind, discount or not, are increasingly career minded, school officials say. Courses of study aimed at specific careers like computer forensics or EMTs have become popular for their more direct route to work.

That's in part because of an influx in older students who used the recession as a time to go back to school, with a job foremost in mind, said Laura Selvey, vice president of financial services for Southwest Florida College, a private school.

"I think in the recession and then coming out, these people were displaced," she said. "Or it seems like they wanted to start a new career, or saw this as an opportunity to change career paths."

That was the case with Mr. Guerrero, who left a job in Fort Myers working for a metal manufacturer to start school at Edison State in 2010. He didn't know then what job he wanted to pursue exactly, just that he wanted something better than labor.

"I kind of dreaded going into work — this isn't what I want my life ultimately to come down to," he said.

Some of his classmates at Edison State feel the same. Natalie Santana, who is

in the know

Sticker price of bachelor's degree

Here's a quick look at what five schools in Southwest Florida are charging for tuition for 120 credit hours (the average number needed to complete a bachelor's degree) and links to their web pages.

This figure is the total cost at current tuition prices for in-state students and fees tacked on to tuition such as a "capital improvement fee." It does not include any related costs or help related to college such as grants, books, food, or late night meals at McDonald's that play into this figure.

School websites and their net price calculators (see below) offer a more comprehensive look at the financial costs of going to college.

- >> **FGCU:** \$24,472 (\$203.94 per credit hour)
- >> **Edison State College:** \$14,605 (\$121.71 per credit hour)
- >> **University of Florida:** \$25,052.4 (\$208.77 per credit hour)
- >> **Barry University (private school):** \$101,400 (\$845 per credit hour)
- >> **Hodges University (private school):** \$61,200 (\$510 per credit hour)

Net price calculators

For quick comparisons on overall costs, schools are required to provide a net price calculator that takes into account tuition and fees, expected grant aid, room and board, and other ancillary costs.

- >> **Florida Gulf Coast University:** www.fgcu.edu/AS/FinancialAid/Undergraduate/npcalc1.html
- >> **Edison State College:** www.edison.edu/financialaid/netprice
- >> **Barry University:** www.barry.edu/netpricecalculator/default.htm
- >> **Hodges University:** <https://webadvisor.hodges.edu/CALCULATOR/npcalc.htm>
- >> **University of Florida:** <https://npc.collegeboard.org/student/app/uf1>



19, is already a certified nurse assistant. That's profitable enough, "but for me I want to go big," she said, with plans to keep studying to pursue a career as a nurse or doctor.

Most of her family didn't go to college, she notes: "I'd rather just do it now so when I'm their age I can have a career I love."

Leila Younes, 22, was inspired for similar reasons to work toward an associate's degree in arts at Edison State, with plans to transfer to another school to study illustration.

One side of her family is full of wealthy people with higher levels of education, she observed; the other is much the opposite.

"I've seen the very stark difference between education and not," she said, adding that, "I don't want to be a slave to work, I want to actually enjoy it."

Amanda Schreiber, 18, is taking five classes at Edison this semester while working full-time at a gymnastics facility in Cape Coral.

"I feel like education is something you could get that no one could take away from you," she said.

Incomes based on education levels

Higher levels of education are generally associated with lower unemployment and more income.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimated unemployment and median weekly wages in 2012 among people with different education levels.

Among those with high school diplomas, the unemployment rate was 8.3 percent and they earned \$652 per week. Those with two-year associates degrees had a 6.2 percent unemployment rate and earned \$727 per week. Those with bachelor's degrees had a 4.5 percent unemployment rate and earned \$1,066. Master's degree graduates had a 3.5 percent unemployment rate, earning \$1,300 per week. Among doctoral degree grads, unemployment was at 2.5 percent and their median weekly pay was \$1,624.

Easing student debt

Students are becoming increasingly practical about education costs, school officials said.

"The students look at higher education more like a return on an investment," said Joseph Pepe, Ed.D., associate vice president of administration at Hodges University.

School websites are also now also required to include a "net price calculator" that takes into account not just tuition but a range of costs and benefits, including expected grant aid. Then it calculates how much money a student would need to get by going to school full-time for two semesters (30 credit hours) at that particular school. But most sites used for schools in this article showed outdated costs, such as tuition prices for the 2010-11 school year.

That year, roughly four in 10 FGCU grads had incurred debt, The Institute for College Access & Success reports: \$22,171 per student on average.

At the private Barry University, more than 60 percent of 2011 grads left with about \$37,512 in debt.

Gov. Scott would like to see more students graduate with no debt.

"Our goal should be that students do not have to go into debt in order to obtain a degree," he said in a prepared statement.

That's not an option for many students like Mr. Guerrero, who has already accepted whatever debt he'll incur in spite of a Pell Grant, part-time work at Banana Republic, and Instant Ramen.

When he accepts a diploma for his bachelor's degree in the spring, he'll be the first one in his immediate family to do so, and for now that's reward enough.

"Grad school is definitely in my future," he adds. ■



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— Gov. Rick Scott

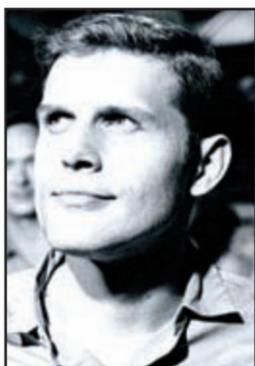
Fledgling Honor Flight Collier County set to take off

Trip takes WWII and Korean vets to see war memorials in D.C.

Forty years ago, the legacies of the Greatest Generation came home to America after years of captivity as POWs of the Vietnam War. Among them was Collier County resident Wayne Odgen Smith, a U.S. Air Force pilot who endured five years and two months of torture by remembering the sacrifices of WWII veterans and hearing the Tap Codes sent nightly by POWs at the Hanoi Hilton, reinforcing their mission to "return with honor."

Now Mr. Smith wants to return the favor for the inspiration these men and women of WWII gave him.

"Return with honor" is his motto in accepting the honorary chair position of the fledgling Collier County Honor Flight program. The local effort is part of a national nonprofit organization established to transport America's veterans to Wash-



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Wayne Smith as a Vietnam veteran in 1973. Shortly after this picture was taken, he sang lead baritone with the U.S. Air Force Singing Sergeants chorus at a White House dinner hosted by President Richard Nixon for Vietnam POWs.

ington, D.C., where they can visit the memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices. The inaugural Collier County Honor Flight is set for Saturday, Nov. 9.

"My generation's and subsequent military generations' service to our country is built upon the Greatest Generation's legacy of dignity, duty and character," Mr. Smith says. "We're returning the favor of the honor they bestowed upon America by taking our residents to see the memorials built to remind us of their sacrifices."

Honor Flight priorities are given to WWII, Korean and critically ill veterans who have not seen their respective memorials in the nation's capitol city. There is no charge for veterans making the flight; guardians pay a fee of \$400 for the honor of assisting a veteran throughout the flight.

Collier County Honor Flight was founded by Naples orthodontist and Navy veteran Debi Strand and Air Force veteran Sean Lux. The choice of Mr. Smith as honorary chair was obvious to them.

"After returning from Vietnam, he, like our WWII veterans, went on with his life to add greatly to our country's economic development, with no fanfare," Dr. Strand says. "Today, after retirement, he consistently works to support veterans' causes."

About Wayne Odgen Smith

Born in 1943 in Richmond, Ky., and a 1965 graduate of the Air Force Academy, Mr. Smith flew 90 F-4 fighter combat missions over North Vietnam and Laos before being shot down in January 1968. After his years in captivity, he was repatriated in March 1973 as a captain.

His honors for service in combat include: two Silver Stars, the Legion of Merit, two Distinguished Flying Crosses, two Bronze "V" Stars, seven Air Medals and the Purple Heart. His

first Silver Star citation reads:

"First Lieutenant Wayne O. Smith distinguished himself by gallantry in connection with military operations against an opposing armed force as an F4D pilot over North Vietnam on 18 January 1968. On that date, Lt. Smith delivered his ordnance on an important strategic target in the face of intense antiaircraft artillery fire, tracking surface-to-air missiles and attacking hostile aircraft. With exceptional boldness and courage, Lt. Smith then engaged the hostile aircraft in close air-to-air combat. As a direct result of Lt. Smith's efforts, his target was heavily damaged, and one hostile aircraft was shot down. By his gallantry and devotion to duty, Lt. Smith has reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force."

After a distinguished military service, Mr. Smith went on to an illustrious business career. He was president and COO of BF Goodrich, chief executive of BOC Gases for the U.S., Canada, Mexico and South America, and an executive with Air Products and Chemicals. He retired in Naples from MidAmerican Energy as COO in 1999.

About Honor Flight

In 2012, Honor Flight Networks partnered with the Library of Congress Veterans History Project, the largest American history archive in the world, to capture veterans' stories.

Earlier this year, Florida became the first state to follow the lead of the 111th U.S. Congress in passing a resolution to make the second Sunday in August "Spirit of '45 Day" in remembrance of the ending of WWII and in honor of the Greatest Generation.

Collier County Honor Flight is seeking veterans of WWII and Korea who would like to travel to Washington, D.C., on the inaugural flight Saturday, Nov. 9, to visit the war memorials established in their honor. The program is also looking for volunteers to accompany each veteran on the one-day trip as a guardian.

The trip is free for WWII and Korean War vets; guardians pay \$400. Volunteers are also needed to help with efforts in Collier County.

For more information, e-mail colliercountyhonorflight@gmail.com. ■



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Vietnam War veteran and former POW Wayne Smith, right, listens with respect and admiration to WWII veteran/POW Don Tallon at a Spirit of '45 event earlier this year.

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Moher selected for top spot at Conservancy from right here at home

Rob Moher has been named president and CEO of the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. Following an extensive national search led by the Conservancy of Southwest Florida board of directors, Mr. Moher was selected among more than 100 applicants. He assumes the role immediately, and brings more than 25 years of experience in local, regional and international conservation organizations to the position.



MOHER

For the past 14 years, he has held senior management positions at the Conservancy, most recently as interim COO since July, helping to fill the role of Andrew McElwaine, former president and CEO. During this time, Mr. Moher worked closely with Conservancy interim CEO Ken Krier, vice-chair of the Conservancy board of directors.

"Rob Moher is a global visionary who has worked collaboratively with the board and his staff to develop a strategic plan designed to position the Conservancy for continued growth and impact," Mr. Krier said when he made the announcement. "It has been an honor to work with

him during this interim period, and I join the board in wishing him great success."

As vice president of development and marketing for the Conservancy, Mr. Moher led strategic philanthropic initiatives and provided leadership support for the "Saving Southwest Florida" Capital Campaign that raised \$38.8 million for construction and renovation of the Conservancy Nature Center as well as for policy and science endowments.

"Throughout his tenure at the Conservancy, Rob has been instrumental in establishing collaborative partnerships with local individuals, businesses and community groups to help further the Conservancy mission," said Tucker Tyler, former chairman of the Conservancy board of directors who led the search committee. "In addition, he empowers the staff, volunteers and board with the direction and resources to

positively impact the organization and the greater Southwest Florida community."

Prior to coming to the Conservancy, Mr. Moher served as regional director for Bahamas National Trust, where he was responsible for protection, management and development of three national parks including coastal and marine parks. He had previously served as a research officer for the International Development Research Center in Ottawa, Ontario, where he was involved in environmental policy research on an international level.

Mr. Moher earned a master's degree in international affairs from Carleton University in Ottawa and a bachelor's degree Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario. In addition, he is a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) and completed his Certificate in Fundraising Management (CFRM) from Indiana University Fundraising School. In 2012, he was named Fundraising Executive of the Year by the Association of Fundraising Professionals, Everglades Chapter.

"With our 50th anniversary season upon us, it is an opportune time to reflect

on our accomplishments as a conservation community as well as to challenge ourselves to advance the mission of the Conservancy to preserve our quality of life in Southwest Florida," Mr. Moher said in a release about his appointment as president and CEO. "However, none of this would be possible without the support of our staff, volunteers and loyal members. They bring an array of experiences, expertise and talents that inspire and motivate me every day. I am grateful for their continued support of our mission and look forward to what we will accomplish together."

Lynn Slabaugh, chair of the Conservancy board, added her appreciation for Mr. Moher's leadership qualities, in-depth knowledge of the organization and passion and commitment to the purpose and mission of the Conservancy.

"As the Conservancy prepares to celebrate 50 years of helping to protect our land, water and wildlife in Southwest Florida, there is no one better prepared to lead and inspire this organization into the future," Ms. Slabaugh concluded. ■

Free tree saplings help Keep Collier Beautiful

Plant a tree, keep America beautiful. That's the theme for the National Planting Days campaign that kicked off in September around the nation.

Here in Collier County, Keep Collier Beautiful and GreenCare are celebrating National Planting Days in November with a tree giveaway at the annual Southwest Florida Yard and Garden Show on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 26-27, at the Collier County/University of Florida IFAS Extension Office, 14700 Immokalee Road (next to the Collier County fairgrounds).

Organizers are asking the community to join this volunteer effort to beautify the community by planting saplings at home, school or the workplace.

Individuals can stop by the show to pick a free sapling. Classrooms, groups or organizations interested in organizing a tree-planting event are urged to contact KCB to make arrangements.

"Tell your friends and family about the importance of native species and get them involved," says Gordon Vanscoy, owner of GreenCare and a KCB board member.

GreenCare staff will be on hand to offer tips for planting and caring for the saplings. Individuals or groups can also contact Ms. Vanscoy directly by calling 288-2222 or e-mailing gvanscoy@greencare.us.

National Planting Day celebrates the value and power of native species in restoring ecological balance to the environment while creating greener, more beautiful communities.

KCB's Community Wildlife Habitats beautification and certification efforts will benefit by planting native species of

trees, flowers, and plants.

The tree giveaway is part of the National Wildlife Federation's Trees For Wildlife program. NWF is an educational partner of KCB and Keep America Beautiful. Jim Zimmerman, KCB president, says photos of tree plantings are encouraged and can be sent to KCB for sharing with its national partners.

For information about educational activities for schools and youth groups, call KCB at 580-8319 or e-mail keepcollierbeautiful@aol.com. ■



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Destined to be the only waterfront location for dining, shopping and entertainment in Palm Beach County, Harbourside Place will be more than Jupiter's new downtown. This \$144 Million development will offer a stunning setting for visitors staying at the Wyndham Grand Jupiter Beach, a 4.5-Star hotel that overlooks the Intracoastal Waterway.

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Marco Island Woman's Club approaches the big 5-0



About 10 years ago, while researching another article about woman's clubs in Florida, I made a most delightful discovery that showed where woman's clubs throughout the country have been a driving force behind the scenes in the creation of libraries, hospitals, educational concerns, garden clubs and more — as was the case here in Naples.

So it came as no surprise when I learned that the Marco Island Woman's Club, which turns 47 this year, was also very instrumental in the formation of the library, hospital, youth center and the historical cemetery in that community. These are just a few of the many improvements the members of the Marco club have undertaken over the years to make their island more enriching.

The original library on Marco was in a room in the volunteer fire station. It was the Marco Island Woman's Club members who initiated the effort to find a bigger, permanent home. I'm told they approached Deltona, one-time developers on the island, and convinced them to donate their "Welcome to Marco" Polynesian-style shack for the cause. Thanks to the tireless efforts of many, the "shack" was remodeled, carpeted and stocked with 110 books before it opened to much fanfare in 1968. The inventory had increased to 18,127 volumes four years later, with help from individual donations as well as the Collier County Public Library.

The Marco Island Library outgrew its donated quarters and then found a new home on Winterberry Drive, now home to the Collier County Tax Collector. Once again, the library outgrew its quarters due to the island's continued growth. The present-day library was built in 1988 and is still expanding.

In 1998, the women's club, in collaboration with the Marco Island Historical Society, funded a lovely gazebo as an addition to the library. It has since been relocated to the Marco Island Historical Museum property across the street from the library.

The health and welfare of Marco residents has also always been an important priority for the woman's club. Members have spent many years gathering donations for equipment, dating back to their early formation. In 1977, the club purchased a defibrillator for Marco's ambulance service. Two years later, all hospital donations were dedicated to a building fund that became a reality as the Marco Island Health Care Center. In addition to the financial donations over the years, many club members also donate their time to the center as auxiliary members.

Club member were also instrumental in clearing and restoring the Marco Island Historical Cemetery. Tending to the cemetery garden, which is named on behalf of the club, remains an important project for members.

One of the club's most important projects to date stems from members' strong interest in the education of high school students on Marco who hope to attend college. Started in 1988 with a generous donation from member Signe Gleich — and boosted by another gift in 2011 from former member Verne Cabooris — the Marco Island Woman's



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"Woman at the Well" is a gift from the Marco Island Woman's Club installed at the Marco Island Historical Cemetery.

an's Club Education Foundation awards several scholarships each year, including the Verne Cabooris Scholarship of \$12,000. Over the years, the club has awarded more than \$370,000 to graduating high school seniors.

With family also a priority among members, the club initiated the development of Marco Island's original youth center, which has blossomed into the Greater Marco Family YMCA.

While programs to benefit the Marco Island community are the main focus of the club's efforts, members hold a food drive every November to help stock the pantry shelves at St. Matthew's House, and they collect toys and gifts every December for The Shelter for Abused Women & Children.

Not bad for an initial group of 16 friends who wanted to help support the people and nonprofit organizations of Marco Island. Kudos to one and all who have been involved since 1966.

Residents of Marco who would like to get involved should call Joyce Frame at 642-9079 or visit www.marcowomanclub.com to find out more. ■

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

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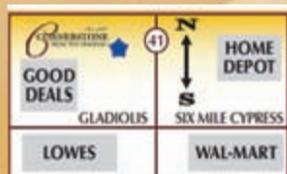
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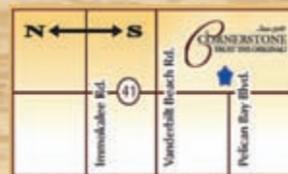
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Hertz senior VP opens season for Speakers Assembly of SWF

Richard Broome, senior vice president-corporate affairs and communications at the Hertz Corp., opens the new season for The Speakers Assembly of Southwest Florida at a luncheon Friday, Nov. 15, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point.

Mr. Broome is responsible for community affairs worldwide and corporate social responsibility at Hertz. The company is relocating its corporate headquarters from New Jersey to Southwest Florida.

"With respect to community affairs, our primary goal is to provide a framework for our locations to take local ownership of community and charitable activities," he says. He is also responsible for worldwide internal and external communications, including media affairs, government relations, community relations and corporate philanthropy.

Since joining Hertz in 2000, he has helped plan and execute a global communication strategy. He continues to manage efforts to ensure Hertz businesses receive fair treatment in legislative bodies, especially in the U.S. and Brussels.

Prior to joining Hertz, Mr. Broome served as vice president-government relations and communications for Selective Insurance Group. He also served as counsel at Aetna and the Connecticut Business and Industry Association. He earned a bachelor's degree from Bates College and a law degree from the University of Connecticut School of Law. He is a member of the Connecticut Bar.

During his presentation for The Speak-

ers Assembly, he will discuss why Hertz chose Southwest Florida, the advantages and opportunities for Hertz, as well as the obstacles of corporate relocation and the hiring process.

About the Speakers Assembly

Members of The Speakers Assembly of Southwest Florida attend eight seasonal luncheon events to be enlightened, educated and entertained by the world-class speakers.

"We exist in Southwest Florida to enhance the cultural and educational opportunities in our community," says Arden McCurdy, executive director. Luncheon programs include a question-and-answer session with the speaker. New members are always welcome.

The 2013-14 season

continues with:

■ **Jan. 10:** William Isaac, Ph.D., chairman of Fifth Third Bank

■ **Jan. 24:** Tom Zenty, CEO of Cleveland-based University Hospitals

■ **Feb. 7:** TBA

■ **Feb. 14:** Ambassador J. Stapleton Roy, director of the Kissinger Institute on China

■ **March 7:** TBA

■ **March 21:** Neal Boortz, attorney and former radio talk-show host

■ **April 4:** Ken Feld, CEO of Feld Entertainment, the owners of Disney on Ice and Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, among others

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Gordon River Park will encompass approximately 25 acres to the east of Goodlette-Frank Road. The projects at left are Mariners Cove and Bayfront.

**Residents invited to have their say
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The city of Naples' master plan for Gordon River Park is officially underway, with City Council having accepted architect Matthew Kragh's offer to vol-

unteer his design services for the project. The park is to be passive by nature, with a focus on providing public access to the Gordon River.

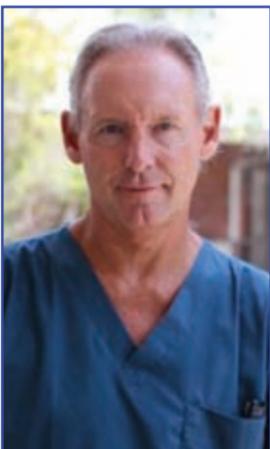


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And for those who want to pick up the phone, the Naples Community Services Department welcomes calls at 213-7120.

City planners and elected officials want to know:

■ What type of waterfront activity is missing in Naples that could be provided in the new city park?

■ What other waterfront parks should be considered as inspiration for the new park?

■ What specific components should be included in the park?

Timeline of public meetings

Save this list and mark your calendar to attend any or all of these public meetings in City Council chambers at Naples City Hall.

8:30 a.m. **Monday, Oct. 28:** Presidents' Council design charrette meeting

4-7 p.m. **Friday, Nov. 8:** Stakeholders design charrette meeting and park program discussion

10 a.m. to noon **Saturday, Nov. 9:** Open meeting for public input

9 a.m. **Tuesday, Nov. 12:** Community Services Advisory Board master plan update

3-6 p.m. **Friday, Nov. 22:** Public input/discussion of initial design concept (design charrette No. 1)

10 a.m. to noon **Saturday, Nov. 23:** Public input/discussion of initial design concept (design charrette No. 2)

9 a.m. **Tuesday, Dec. 10:** Community Services Advisory Board master plan update

8:30 a.m. **Monday, Dec. 16:** Joint City Council/Community Service Advisory Board meeting

8:30 a.m. **Tuesday, Jan. 14:** Joint City Council/Community Service Advisory Board meeting

3-6 p.m. **Tuesday, Jan. 14:** Public input (design charrette No. 3)

9 a.m. **Wednesday, Jan. 22:** Preliminary Design Review Board public hearing

9 a.m. **Monday, Jan. 27:** Community Services Advisory Board review of final plan

9 a.m. **Tuesday, Feb. 11:** Community Services Advisory Board master plan update

8:30 a.m. **Wednesday, Feb. 12:** Planning Advisory Board (conditional use public hearing)

8:30 a.m. **Wednesday, March 5:** City Council public hearing (final master plan approval)

9 a.m. **Tuesday, March 11:** Community Services Advisory Board master plan update. ■

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DOMES

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home. It isn't just a local kitschy oddity. The domes have their own Facebook page, an honor shared by another white dome surrounded by water, the Jefferson Memorial.

The giant bubbles were once connected by wooden walkways to make a home, a private vacation retreat for the Tennessee family of Bob and Margaret Lee. According to family interviews, Mr. Lee retired early from a lucrative career in oil. He then directed his energies, technical skills and vast imagination toward a miscellany of inventions, with a particular passion for sustainable living.

The Lees also had the good taste to love Southwest Florida, and so purchased lots on a pristine slice of sand on the bridgeless isle of Cape Romano.

According to Everglades matriarch Marjory Stoneman Douglas, Cape Romano was named for British surveyor Bernard Roman who sailed by it in 1775. In "The Everglades: River of Grass," Miss Douglas wrote, "(the cape) juts boldly south, at the head of the Ten Thousand Islands ... where Indian canoes and small Spanish vessels had always moved between Cuba and the beaches north of Cape Romano."

Juan Ponce de Leon was at Cape Romano, too, long before surveyor Roman passed by. During Ponce's summer of 1513 sea journey, the bold jut of the cape was mapped for all time on the famous Freducci 1515 chart depicting La Florida.

Cape Romano has stood sandy sentinel to a sundry parade of people. After the Calusa Indians came Spanish conquistadors, followed by Cuban fishermen and pirates, outlaws, in-laws and Cracker fisherfolk.

In 1980, Bob Lee and family staked their claim on the sunny spit and started crafting their retro futuristic, scrubbing bubbles, igloo-shaped vacation dream home several hundred feet inland from the gulf.

Living off the grid

Mr. Lee's business may have been oil, but his dome home was designed to live as unreliant on the grid as possible. His Cape Romano creation utilized solar for all power systems and had gutters that filled a 23,000-gallon cistern with rainwater. Cement for building construction was made using island sand, and walls were foam-filled for temperature regulation. Pilings allowed for the free-flow of water under the structure, should such ever become necessary during a storm, and round roofs meant little wind resistance.

Technologically speaking, the futuristic home was off the grid and ahead of its time, but it also suffered no lack of amenities. Even by today's standards it was well fitted for comfort, boasting air conditioning, skylights, a hot tub, satellite dish and



The dome house as it looks today.

lighted walkways to waterfronts on both sides of the house.

But why was *everything* round?

Janet Maples, Mr. Lee's daughter recalls, "My dad thought the corners of rooms were wasted space as were the corners of the ceiling. He thought the dome ceiling gave the feeling of openness. He was right. The rooms felt very large and open."

The buildings have withstood the onslaught of nature. The domes endured two major hurricanes, Andrew in 1992 and Wilma in 2005, and the gulf's utter rearrangement of land around them.

Hurricane Wilma came ashore with winds of 120 mph and Cape Romano in her crosshairs. According to a 2009 U. S. Geological Survey, the storm pushed a wall of water 15 feet into the mangroves and spread three to six inches of gulf-bottom muddy sediments across 110 square miles. The mighty storm did exact her pound from the ancient isle; however, it was not the domes that caved, but the land itself. Nature has bent and broken but not yet destroyed Mr. Lee's monuments to human ingenuity.

Time and tides have taken their toll. Cape Romano has undergone a transformation, a total reshaping. Morgan Pass, once a navigable stretch of water on the backside of the beach, filled in with sand.



Above: This photo courtesy of Lindsay Skender shows the home in its early days.

Thumbing through historical photos, the shifting ground makes it appear the domes crept themselves into the sea, until today they are totally surrounded by water. Cape Romano got a makeover and the dome homes got a new yard.

When her father built their home, Mrs. Maples recalls, it stood so far inland it seemed like a long walk to the beach. The beach grew uppity and marched itself right on by the dome homes, of which Miss Douglas might write, "now jut boldly from the sea."

The view from beneath

On a recent trip to Cape Romano, I put on a snorkel and mask and slipped underwater for a peek at Mr. Lee's sodden dream. The spectacle was as surprising underwater as over. I've snorkeled Grand Cayman, Mexico and Fiji, yet have never witnessed a more diverse, crowded concentration of undersea life than what has taken up residence under the remnants of those domes. It was as if all the fish and rays living along that part of the Collier County coast decided to hangout in one location. To make the sight even more remarkable, swirling like iridescent tornado clouds around the gathering were millions of shimmering, silver baitfish.

I snorkeled with a companion, a braver, more experienced diver, who would swim under the domes and herd clouds of fish in



eral years ago he was ordered to remove the domes entirely. When they did not disappear, Collier County Code Enforcement imposed stiff fines, reaching into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

"It would break Daddy's heart to see it like it is, but what he always said before he died was that it was worth it for the time he had in it," Mrs. Maples is quoted in a 2012 interview. The author, Natalie Strom, adds, "Those who have seen the domes for themselves certainly agree."

Granted, it is disconcerting to see those domes tilting odd-angled from the sea. And if judged by their worthiness for human habitation, then surely they are metaphors for endings, not rebirth, for decay, not vigor.

But if Mr. Lee were alive today and could return to his beloved Cape Romano to slip beneath that clear briny water and take a masked swim around, I think his heart would swell with pride to see that his dream of sustainability thrives. The flurry and fuss of colorful, busy, swirling sea life would surely astound and thrill him. It's a fishy riot down there, the likes and number of which Mr. Lee never enjoyed inside his beautifully strange shore home.

I hope neither the Tosto family nor any well-intentioned regulatory agency ever destroys the domes. They are providing a healthy habitat, clearly beloved by countless creatures of the sea — and a host of the



Above and above left: Janet Maples, the daughter of Bob Lee, provided these photos of her father and his dome house.

my direction. It was dizzying and splendid, and gave an all-new context to the decaying domes arching high overhead.

A murky future

The Lee family sold their Cape property years ago and the domes are currently held in a family trust of Naples resident John Tosto. Mr. Tosto purchased the property in 2005 with the intention of renovating the domes to make them habitable, but has since run into hurdles with an entire flock of governmental regulating agencies. Sev-

feathered sort, too. Mr. Lee's dream should be allowed to age gracefully, as it and Cape Romano itself have been doing all these years — hand-in-hand with the elements, until nature engulfs the dream. ■

— Author's note: In case this entices anyone to snorkel or dive this beautiful site, beware of strong currents, tangles of fishing line wrapped around pilings and giant stingrays buried in the sand.

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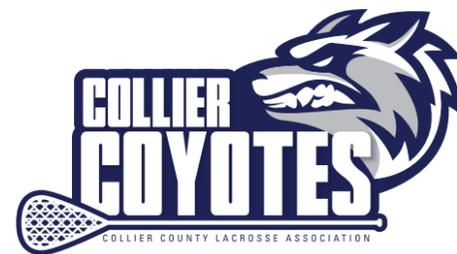
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Collier Coyotes ready for lacrosse

The Collier County Lacrosse Association has introduced a new image for its affiliate youth lacrosse teams. All youth lacrosse teams are now the Collier Coyotes, represented by a new logo in the navy blue, silver and white team colors.

CCLA has operated fall and spring youth lacrosse programs since 2003. Spring teams participate in the regional youth lacrosse league known as FLYLAX along with teams from Fort Myers and Estero. Boys ages 7-15 participate.

CCLA had seven teams and more than 125 boys in the FLYLAX league for the spring 2013. The current fall ball program has more than 90 boys who participate in weekly practices and scrimmages.



Sign-ups for the spring 2014 season start Monday, Oct. 28, and can be completed at www.collierlax.com or in person at Coastland Center Mall between noon and 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 9-10.

For more information, visit the website above. ■

‘Connect With A Classroom’ grants awarded

Teachers in Collier County Public Schools classrooms received a total of \$58,000 in “Connect With A Classroom” grants recently. Champions For Learning-The Education Foundation delivered 114 grants to 39 schools. Awards included \$58 for a program called “Watching My Garden Grow” at Avalon Elementary School, \$344 for “Exploring the Unconquered Nation” at New Beginnings-Immokalee and \$2,000 for the Naples High School JROTC “With A Drum Corps We Can Do More” proposal.

Because of a \$20,000 charitable gift from Herb and Ann Rowe and \$15,000 from the

PNC Foundation to support the technology and capacity for the Connect With A Classroom grant program, every penny donated from the community goes to fund innovative teacher requests.

The award-winning teachers requested classroom funding through the Champions For Learning’s website, where all grant requests can be viewed and fulfilled by the community. To review current grant requests, visit www.championsforlearning.org.

For more information, visit the website or call 643-4755. ■

Parkside elementary earns grant for books

Parkside Elementary School has been selected as a recipient of a Laura Bush Foundation for America’s Libraries “Grant to School Libraries.” Through the grant, the

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Honorary chair of this year's gala is Paige Eber Fraley; emcee of the evening is Haley Webb, chief meteorologist at NBC2; guest auctioneer is Jay Severson.

Among the silent and live auction items are a Marina B. cocktail ring from Yamron Jewelers and vacations in Italy, Napa Valley and Banff, Alberta. The complete list of items up for bid can be viewed at www.salvationarmynaples.org (click on Gala Auction).

Tickets are \$100 per person. For reservations and for information about becoming a bell ringer, call 775-9447.

■ Friends of **Foster Children of Southwest Florida** has been chosen to benefit from Preferred Travel of Naples' eighth annual travel showcase, "Explore the World ... Your Way," set for Monday, Feb. 10. More than 40 of Preferred Travel's luxury travel partners from throughout the world will present information about domestic and international travel by private jet, luxury cruise ships, cultural tours and adventure travel from African safaris to exploring the Galapagos.

Friends of Foster Children provides social, educational and financial support to abused, neglected



and abandoned children in Southwest Florida's foster care system.

Each year, Preferred Travel of Naples donates all proceeds from the travel showcase to a charitable organization. Past recipients include Boys and Girls Club of Collier County, Neighborhood Health Clinic, The Immokalee Foundation, The Founders Fund, the Shelter for Abused Women & Children and the David Lawrence Center.

Reservations to the travel showcase are required. For more information, call 261-1177.

■ The **James Madison Institute** will welcome Stephen Hayes as the keynote speaker at its annual Naples luncheon Thursday, Nov. 14, The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Mr. Hayes is a senior writer at The Weekly Standard and a regular FOX News contributor on "Special Report with Bret Baier."

He has written extensively about national politics and international affairs and reported on the 2012 presidential elections. Before joining FOX, he was part of CNN's "Best Political Team on Television," which won a Peabody Award for its coverage of the 2008 elections.

Tickets to the luncheon are \$75 for JMI members, \$100 for others. VIP packages and sponsorships are also available. For more information, call (850) 386-3131, e-mail Jenny Stone at jstone@jamesmadison.org or visit www.jmi-naplesluncheon-hayes.eventbrite.com. ■



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Adria D. Starkey will lead the team as Collier County President. Mrs. Starkey brings 30 years experience to the bank and trust company. Most recently, she was Chief Operating Officer of The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company and President of Naples Trust Company (a division of The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company). Prior to that, Starkey held various executive positions at major banking institutions. In addition, Starkey is Co-Chair of the 2014 Naples Winter Wine Festival.

"Adria has been in Collier County since 1988. She is highly regarded and well respected," said Catti. "She shares our same unwavering commitment to put the client first. We are fortunate to have Adria leading the Naples team."



Back (standing from left to right): Robert Ramsay, Patrick Kellard, Keith Embree, Terri Caple, Bruce Berkinshaw, Lori Breyman, Jim Johannsen, Joe Charles, David Smith. Front (seated from left to right): Christi Lunsford, Peggy Lindenberg, Patty Luppy, Adria Starkey.

Starkey added, "I am thrilled to have the opportunity to join FineMark. I am most excited about the culture of this company and its mission to build extraordinary relationships. I am also pleased to be working with a remarkable group of people. I look forward to building the FineMark name in Collier County."

Starkey, along with the 11 other new hires, will join Keith Embree, who has been working in Naples since 2011. Each team member has spent a significant amount of time in the Naples market.

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■ The **Crazy 8K** (4.97 miles) and 2-Mile Walk to benefit Lighthouse of Collier and the Bonita Springs Lions Eye Clinic sets out Sunday morning, Oct. 27, at Vineyards Community Park. Prizes will be awarded for best costumes worn by adults and children. Call 732-9779 or visit www.gcrunner.org.

■ The third annual **Sunset & Suds 5K** sponsored by the Naples North Rotary Club is set for Friday, Nov. 1. The route starts at Vanderbilt Beach Road and Gulf Shore Drive and finishes at the Turtle Club for paella and suds on the beach. Registration is \$23 per person in advance, \$25 on day of the race. Call 250-5085, e-mail sunsetandsuds5K@gmail.com or follow [sunsetandsuds5K](https://www.facebook.com/sunsetandsuds5K) on Facebook.

■ The fourth annual **Southwest Florida Epilepsy Walkathon** takes place from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 2, at North Collier Regional Park. Sign up as an individual or form a team and step out to raise funds for the Epilepsy Foundation of Florida. All walkers who raise \$50 will receive a T-shirt. Raise \$1,500 and get a \$100 gift certificate to Best Buy.

For registration or more information, call 254-7710 or 348-5155 or e-mail Danny Rosenfeld at dbrosenfeld08@gmail.com.

■ **Conservancy of Southwest Florida** invites amateur anglers to sign up for the 20th annual RedSnook 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.

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 **12th annual Earl Morrall/NFL Alumni Celebrity Charity Golf Classic** takes place Monday, Nov. 4, at Hideout Golf Club. A cocktail party and silent auction Nov. 3 are also part of the event. The tournament benefits the Staff Sergeant Marc Scialdo Scholarship Fund and the Trauma Imaging Foundation's research and treatment for military veterans and NFL players that have suffered brain and neck injuries.

Registration is \$650 per player, \$2,500 per foursome. Sponsorship opportunities are available, with sponsors to date including Hilton Naples, Shula's Steakhouse, Hideout Golf Club and the Meyer Corporation.

For more information, call Renee Relf or Diane Fischer at 287-3964 or visit www.nflalumnigolf.com/earlmorrall.

■ The second annual **Footloose & Fancy Free 5K run/walk** takes place Saturday, Nov. 16, at Koreshan State Park in Estero. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. and the race begins at 8 a.m. Participants are asked to bring a pair of used shoes for donation to Soles4Souls and Shoes for the Cure. Shoes can be donated at Foot Solutions

Estero in Corkscrew Village Plaza prior to the race.

Registration forms and sponsorship information are available at the store and online at www.footsolutions.com/estero. For more information, call 495-8911 or e-mail estero@footsolutions.com.

■ The fifth annual **All Species Fishing Tournament** to benefit Miracle Limbs-Courage in Motion is set for Saturday, Nov. 16, at Hamilton Harbor Yacht Club. Anglers in the catch-and-release competition will earn points for 19 different species and a mystery fish.

Participation is limited to the first 30 boats that sign up. For more information, call Bob Ayers at 591-8393 or Diana Ayers at 300-8156, e-mail Robert@miraclelimbs.org or visit www.miraclelimbs.org.

■ The **Immokalee Foundation 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 Beach Resort.

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 **Jolly Be Good 5K** run/walk to benefit the Marco Island Parks & Recreation Department sets out Saturday morning, Nov. 23, from Veterans Community Park on Marco and follows a course along Collier Boulevard, across the Jolley Bridge and back. Runners start at 7:30 a.m., walkers at 7:35 a.m.

Registration is \$20 until Nov. 22 and \$25 on race day; students pay \$10.

For more information, call 642-0575 or visit www.cityofmarcoisland.com.

■ The inaugural **Gulf Coast Runners Turkey Trot 5K** sets out from Cambier Park at 7:30 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 28. The route will wind through downtown Naples and return to the park. Registration is \$25 through Oct. 31, \$30 through Nov. 27 and \$40 on race day (\$15 for ages 17 and younger).

Moe's Southwest Grill has pledged to donate 1 pound of rice or beans to St. Matthew's House for every registrant. In addition to Moe's, race sponsors include Arthrex, the Naples Pathways Coalition and Naples Velo. Sign up at www.gcrunner.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 change 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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Avow regatta invites sailors and spectators

The 2013 Avow Hospice Regatta sets sail Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 16-17, off the shores of Marco Island and will include racing and on-shore activities.

Activities at sea begin with a memorial ring ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday, and the races start at 10:30 a.m. Non-sailors can book passage on a spectator boat (\$30 per person includes lunch) or attend a beach party hosted by the Marco Island Civic Association at Residents' Beach (free admission). Activities at the beach will include games and sailing commentary including race progress.

The regatta's culminating shore party begins at 5 p.m. Sunday at the Marco Island Yacht Club and will include an awards ceremony, cocktails, light supper,

silent auction and musical entertainment. Admission is \$75 per person. Spectator boat passage and/or shore party admission can be purchased in advance by calling 649-3683 or online by visiting www.avowcares.org/events.

The Avow Hospice Regatta is a Southwest Florida "Boat of the Year" race. Racing sailors and pleasure cruisers are invited to participate. For information about race entry, call racing co-chairs Lois Dixon at (515) 205-7047 or

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- **Monday, Oct. 28**
Vineyards Boulevard and Vanderbilt Beach Road: Aggressive driving
Davis and Lakewood boulevards: Red-light running
Bayshore Drive: Aggressive driving
- **Tuesday, Oct. 29**
Collier Boulevard and Golden Gate Parkway: Speeding
White Boulevard and 31st Street Southwest: Speeding
Immokalee Road and Saturnia Grande Drive: Speeding
- **Wednesday, Oct. 30**
U.S. 41 North and Old U.S. 41: Red-light running
Cypress Way East: Aggressive driving
Logan Boulevard and Pine Ridge



- Road: Red-light running
- **Thursday, Oct. 31**
Goodlette-Frank and Pine Ridge roads: Red-light running
Vanderbilt Beach Road and Vanderbilt Drive: Aggressive driving
U.S. 41 North and Wiggins Pass Road: Speeding
- **Friday, Nov. 1**
Radio Road and Davis Boulevard: Aggressive driving
Golden Gate Parkway at I-75 southbound exit: Aggressive driving
Airport-Pulling Road and U.S. 41 East: Speeding ■

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 is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for others. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the number with each session.

- **Friday, Oct. 25:** 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Golden Gate Community Center, 4701 Golden Gate Parkway; 732-5310.
- **Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 12-13:** Noon to 3 p.m. at South Coun-

ty Regional Library, 21100 Three Oaks Parkway, Estero; 498-5820.

■ **Wednesday, Nov. 13:** 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Williams Ministry Center, 750 Seagate Drive; 269-6050.

■ **Thursday and Friday, Nov. 14-15:** 2-5 p.m. at Country Creek, 21131 Country Creek Drive, Estero; 498-5820.

■ **Monday, Nov. 18:** 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1225 Piper Blvd.; 455-0533.

■ **Tuesday, Nov. 19:** 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Christ Victor Lutheran Church, 15600 Tamiami Trail; 269-6050. ■



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Salud Immokalee takes aim at obesity

BY KAYDEE TUFF AND RON HARTUNG
Special to Florida Weekly

No sooner had the ink dried on Dr. Javier Rosado's study of obesity in Immokalee than he transformed from academic observer into anti-obesity coach.

In his paper last March in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine, the Florida State University College of Medicine assistant professor and psychologist at Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida concluded: "Interventions are needed that address both childhood obesity and parent weight status among Latino migrant farm workers."

He didn't wait for someone else to provide those interventions. For Dr. Rosado, clinical training director for psychology at the FSU College of Medicine's Health Education Site, the people of this migrant-rich community are not just research subjects; they're his neighbors.

With the support of the FSU College of Medicine, University of Florida IFAS-Extension Family Nutrition Program, and Immokalee Arts in Health, Dr. Rosado assembled a team of medical personnel, nutrition educators, a soccer coach and a Zumba instructor to create Salud Immokalee, a year-long multi-disciplinary program designed to help youngsters and their parents make healthy lifestyle choices.

The concept of managed health care is the core mission of the Healthcare Network, which provides primary medical and dental care to more than 45,000 patients annually at 13 locations throughout Collier County. More recently, the network expanded its behavioral health services through a partnership with FSU.

Unlike Little League or ballet lessons, Salud Immokalee includes an educational component on the dangers of obesity and the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. The program targeted 30 Healthcare



Salud Immokalee participants proudly display the certificates earned for completion of the first phase of the program.

Network pediatric patients ages 6-11 with a body mass index at or above the 95th percentile. Most of these children have high cholesterol, high blood pressure and are already at risk for developing diabetes. Without intervention, they face a lifetime of poor health.

To be effective, the program had to take root in the home.

In his study, Dr. Rosado surveyed each parent's understanding of obesity and found that initially, most were not overly concerned about their child's weight, thinking they would outgrow the problem.

Culture can also influence parental perceptions of weight, the doctor knows. "In the Latino culture, mothers have a preference for plumper children, associate thinness with poor health, and may fail to perceive their children as overweight," he says.

Many parents did not connect chronic health concerns, such as asthma, to obesity. Once made aware of the consequences, the majority of the parents agreed to adjust diet and increase physical activity, not only for the overweight child, but the entire family.

"What we want to do is change behavior," Dr. Rosado says.

Dr. Rosado says.

"Research shows us that it takes at least 12 months of consistent contact to really make an impact. Once these kids know how to take control of their health and weight, with the support of their parents, they'll be empowered to live healthier lives."

To encourage healthier behavior, the children and their parents received 18 weeks of classroom instruction and hands-on learning built around three essential elements: nutrition, physical activity and behavior.

SEE SALUD, A29 ►

Clear out your medicine cabinet

In collaboration with the Collier County Sheriff's Office and the Naples and Marco Island police departments, Drug Free Collier encourages residents to bring unused or expired prescriptions, controlled substances and over-the-counter medication to the following drop-off places between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Oct. 26. No questions asked, no ID

- required and it's free.
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- CVS Pharmacy, 294 Ninth St. S., Naples
- 5585 Golden Gate Parkway, Naples
- 30 Golden Gate Blvd. W., Golden Gate Estates
- Everglades City Hall, Everglades City

- Naples Recycling Center, 2640 W. Enterprise Ave., Naples
- Walgreens, 15295 Collier Blvd., Naples
- 13520 Tamiami Trail N., Naples
- 12780 Tamiami Trail E., Naples
- 1800 San Marco Road, Marco Island
- Wal-Mart Super Center, 5420 Juliet Blvd., Naples

If you can't make it to any of the above Operation Medicine Cabinet drop sites on Oct. 26, there are several locations that accept medicines throughout the year during business hours. For a complete list or for more information, call 377-0535, e-mail info@drugfreecollier.org or visit www.drugfreecollier.org. ■

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Mr. Patterson's keynote stressed the need to evolve quickly from in-patient emphasis on electronic health or medical records — which all successful hospitals will have within a decade — to a new business model based on connectivity, interoperability and the ability to predict and subsequently prevent illness. This digital health-care data, he said, must be utilized intelligently to discover problems, predict illnesses and prevent disease.

Our own Ms. Thoman followed Mr. Patterson by sharing NCH's IT story, emphasizing our use in North Naples of a new mobility and communications program for smart phones that brings together communications, alarm management and nursing workflow tools on a single device. By mid-winter we will have our entire system using iPhones to connect.

Being intertwined with a world IT leader such as Cerner expands the scope of the competencies we can deliver to our patients and our community. It is a partnership that has helped us immeasurably, and one we look forward to enhancing in the years ahead. ■

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

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Our partnership has been so eventful and mutually beneficial that at the recent annual Cerner Health Conference (attended by 10,000 health-care and IT professionals from 667 systems and 23 countries), NCH Chief Nursing Officer Michele Thoman was chosen to follow Cerner CEO Neal Patterson's keynote address. Ms. Thoman's prestigious role at the conference was emblematic of an alliance between two successful and growing institutions.

I had the privilege of introducing Mr. Patterson to a smaller group of select colleagues at the conference who share a similar deep and growing relationship with Cerner. I compared Mr. Patterson with others who have contributed over the recent decades to changing the way we practice health care, among them: Alexander Fleming and the beginning of the antibiotic era in the 1940s; Morton Levin, who made the connection



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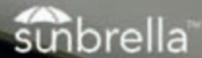
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According to UF IFAS Extension nutrition educator Suzanne Funding-land, the key to classroom success was to present the information not as a “diet” but as a way of life for the family.

The typical roadblocks to healthy eating for migrant families include lack of knowledge about how food affects health, lack of adequate kitchen equipment and facilities to prepare and store fresh foods and lack of transportation to shop on a regular basis, Ms. Funding-land says.

Despite the challenges, participants were eager to put their classroom knowledge to work, she adds. “One mom talked about how she was changing the way she made her tortillas — without fat — and her family was OK with it, which surprised her. Another mom was going to start substituting whole wheat flour in her tortillas.”

Salud Immokalee participants recently celebrated “graduation night.” While parents got reminders about diet and exercise, children reviewed the food groups and yelled out examples of foods labeled Go (“carrots!”), Slow (“pancakes!”) and Whoa (“fatty, salty chips!”). Soon, half of them were out back chasing soccer balls and half were in a heart-pounding Zumba exercise class, where the energy level was all “go” and no “whoa.”

At evening’s end, each child received a certificate, pretzels, fruit and a jump rope. Each parent received a promise that Dr. Rosado and his team will keep tabs on them and their children through



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Clockwise from left: Javier Rosado, a Florida State University College of Medicine assistant professor and psychologist at Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida, answers a question about bullying during a classroom discussion on self-image.

Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida nurse Delia Bustamante measures Yahir Santos.

Freddy Sanchez on the soccer field.

Dulce Davalos “pumps up” in Zumba classes led by instructor Samantha Molina.

next spring, taking vital signs and inquiring about successes and challenges.

Research among migrant farm workers is rare, and Dr. Rosado says he is thrilled by this opportunity. “That is why community-based research is so powerful. You don’t have to wait years to put findings into action.”

Beyond the health benefits, what pleased Dr. Rosado most was that during the program, parents discovered each other.

“It’s an immigrant community,” he says. “A lot of people come on their own.

They don’t have extended family members. They don’t know many people. They end up isolated in their homes.”

Now they have a support group. And hope. ■

— Ron Hartung is the assistant director of communications at FSU College of Medicine. Kaydee Tuff is communications coordinator for the Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida. For more information about programs and services offered by the network, visit www.healthcareswfl.org.

Women’s lunch all about heart

The Collier/Lee County Chapter of Hadassah, the Women’s Zionist Organization of America, hosts a luncheon program about women’s heart health at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29, at The Club at Old Cypress. All are welcome.

Keynote speaker Dr. Tracey Roth is medical director of the catheterization laboratory at Naples Community Hospital and practices interventional cardiology at the NCH Heart Institute.

Cost is \$27. Reservations are required by Oct. 24. To RSVP or for more information, call 598-1009. ■

Hazelden hosts Hodges program

Hazelden addiction treatment center presents a free symposium, “Motivating Change: Addiction Treatment versus Incarceration,” from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29, at Hodges University. The panel discussion will focus on the powerful relationship between addiction, mental health and criminal behavior as well as the rationale for addiction treatment versus incarceration. Brenda Iliff, executive director of Hazelden in Naples, will moderate.

The symposium will take place in the main auditorium at 2655 Northbrooke Drive. For more information, call 659-2351 or e-mail mcampbell@hazelden.org. ■

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PET TALES

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A trip to the veterinary ER is never easy, but these tips can help you get through it

BY DR. MARTY BECKER AND KIM CAMPBELL THORNTON

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Taking a pet to the emergency hospital is something none of us wants to do. It's scary and stressful for you and your dog or cat. We've been there more times than we like to think about, and we have some tips to help you cope. We hope you won't ever need to use them, but tuck them away in the back of your mind just in case.

Protect yourself when handling a sick or injured animal. Even the most docile dog or cat can bite when in pain. Keep a muzzle on hand or ask your veterinarian to show you how to safely tie one using a scarf or tie.

Be patient. Your pet won't be seen in the order of arrival. Animals who are most unstable will be seen first.

"We do them in order of medical need," says our friend and colleague Dr. Tony Johnson, an emergency and critical care specialist at the Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine. "If I have a hit-by-car and a dog with diarrhea, even if the dog with diarrhea has been waiting two hours, the hit-by-car is going to get seen first."

The only time someone jumps that line, he says, is if they're bringing in a pet to be euthanized.

Be prepared to wait as little as five minutes or as long as six hours. It all depends on what other cases are there or come in while you're waiting. If you think about it before you leave the house, grab a book or

your iPod in case you'll be there for a while.

If possible, have someone go with you or meet you there. You may need help getting your pet in and out of the car and into the hospital. And it's always good to have someone's hand to hold while you're waiting.

Designate a single person to communicate with the veterinarian, so he or she doesn't have to repeat information to multiple family members. Take notes or record the conversation on your smartphone so you can refer back to it.

Don't forget your wallet in your mad rush out of the house. Most veterinary hospitals won't treat your pet without proof that you can pay for care. Your regular veterinary hospital might do that if you've been a client for years — they know where you live and that you're probably not going to skip town — but an emergency hospital isn't in that position.

"It sounds avaricious, but there are not too many emergency hospitals that are going to do something on a handshake," Dr. Johnson says. "ERs usually see people once. They can't separate out the people who are a risk of not paying from those who aren't. They're not trying to be greedy."

Know when to go. Some things are obvious. Take your pet to the emergency hospital in the following situations:

- allergic reactions
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Know when to take your pet to the emergency hospital.

- bloody diarrhea
- difficulty breathing
- distress from excessively hot or cold temperatures
- eye injuries
- frequent or projectile vomiting
- heavy bleeding
- ingestion of a toxic substance, such as anti-freeze, human medications or snail bait
- seizures
- serious trauma, such as being hit by a car
- straining to urinate or defecate
- sudden lameness
- unconsciousness or collapse
- venomous snake or spider bites

If you're not sure, well, we recommend erring on the side of caution. Like their counterparts in human medicine, veterinary emergency clinics are expensive, but sometimes the cost of a visit is a price worth paying for peace of mind. And when a visit saves your pet's life? Priceless. ■

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THE DIVA DIARIES

What's so wonderful about the worm?

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Several years ago, a friend who knows me very well gifted me with a little wall plaque that reads: "The early bird gets the worm, but has a very boring social life."

While some might find the phrase cute or funny, I consider them words of wisdom. My personal motto. My mantra, even.

When it comes to mornings, I am decidedly diva-esque. I have never, ever, EVER been a morning person. I tend to think it might even be genetic. My dear mother was a big fan of "sleeping in." In fact, whenever my dad would take me to Sunday morning services and some of the nosy church ladies would ask him why my mom wasn't there, he'd just smile and tell them that she preferred to worship at St. Mattress. Meanwhile, we always had house cats, so to get me up for school in the morning, my father would resort to putting kittens all over my bed — it was the only thing that worked. When I was 12 and got a job delivering the *Dayton Daily News* during a particularly cold Ohio winter, getting out of my warm, comfy bed at 4 a.m. was pure torture. So you can probably guess how thrilled my mom was to be woken up by umpteen phone calls from livid newspaper subscribers along my route nearly every morning. The next job I got was when I was 15 — as a bus girl



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2013 NCH Hospital Ball co-chairs Sen. Garrett and Diana Richter at the 2012 soiree.

in a restaurant — at night. A much better fit, career wise.

I have always been and always will be a night owl, and I no longer apologize for it. I blame Benjamin Franklin for labeling morning people as virtuous with that whole "Early to bed, early to rise ..." non-sense. Mornings do nothing for me.

First of all, the morning lighting is harsh and unflattering, while sunset casts such warm, soft rays — everyone looks better at sunset. Also, morning traffic is just *awful*, loud and chaotic and speedy and scary. And then there are morning

events, which I rarely cover for obvious reasons, but also because there's no sparkle. Everyone is wearing business suits and nametags and drinking coffee and acting way to perky — it's like they're all congratulating themselves for getting up when it was still pitch black outside and attending an event before they even go to work. I'll admit it right now: I'm not even crazy about luncheons, because usually you have to be there at the crack of 10:30 a.m.

I'm attracted to evening events. Give me cocktail dresses, martinis and music. I

know, *I know* that the early bird gets the worm. But honestly, I really do not want the worm. Give me the stars instead.

A milestone Hospital Ball

When it comes to the ultimate night out with lots and lots of sparkle and glitter, nothing trumps the NCH Hospital Ball year after year — for 55 years. And the fact that it's happening this Saturday, Oct. 26, means that gala season is officially underway. Co-presenting sponsors are Team Health and DeAngelis Diamond Healthcare Group, and with Sen. Garrett and Diana Richter as chairs and Mary Jane Briggs as honorary chair, the 55th annual ball at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort is THE hot ticket of the fall.



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A limited number of tickets remain available for \$500 per person, with all proceeds earmarked to benefit the expansion of the Pediatric Emergency Department at the North Naples campus of NCH. Call 624-2000 for more info. ■

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

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The FPL fleet includes hybrids, plug-in hybrids, all electric vehicles and biodiesel vehicles.

Power driven

FPL competes to get the best vehicle fuel savings

BY ATHENA PONUSHIS

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There's a little friendly competition going on within the ranks of Florida Power & Light. Workers are competing to see who can best maximize their fuel economy.



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Claude Masters, FPL manager of vehicle acquisition and fuel, calls it an "internal phenomenon," a new company culture focused on fuel savings.

FPL has amassed more than 550 vehicles that are either plug-in hybrids, electric-gas hybrids or all-electric. These electric vehicles make up about 92 percent of the company's light-duty fleet. The largest utility in the state, FPL possesses one of the largest hybrid-electric fleets in the nation.

"Automotive Fleet Magazine ranks us up with the big guys: UPS, FedEx, Coca-Cola," Mr. Masters says. "We're No. 8 in the nation. That's a pretty good statistic."

FPL has gone electric, the company wants to go more electric and it wants you to go electric too. But FPL sells electricity. To those who think an electric company pushing electric cars might be self-serving, FPL management maintains that besides being better for the environment and reducing the country's

dependency on foreign oil, electric vehicles lower their operating costs, and if their operating costs go down, customer bills could go down.

"Electric vehicles are 80 percent cheaper to operate," says Anne-Louise Seabury, FPL Electric Vehicles Program Manager. "Reducing our operating costs helps us reduce customer bills."

FPL execs want to increase their electric fleet across all product lines, meaning any new vehicle they acquire,

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INSIDE



Breaking ground

A celebration for the Arlington Naples, and more Networking events. **B8-10** ►



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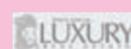
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MONEY & INVESTING

The tax man cometh, and cometh, and cometh



countries (including the U.S.) provide some form of government subsidy or support to more than 50 percent of their citizens and, in effect, have created a majority voting constituency that is aligned with largesse in government spending. The voting minority is aligned with cutbacks.

These voting majorities have helped create a worldwide group-think about taxation, as evidenced in the IMF's report.

Per the IMF report, advanced economies of the world share a common problem: "...the average gross debt ratio in advanced economies is expected to stabilize at slightly below 110 percent of GDP — some 35 percentage points above its 2007 level... Maintaining public debt at these historic peaks would leave advanced economies exposed to confidence shocks and rollover risks and hampers potential growth. Thus, it remains important to lower public debt, although it will inevitably be a slow process."

So, per the IMF, the governments will move to capture more tax revenue dollars. How will it be done?

The report reviews the many varied forms of taxation and looks at their effects on long-term growth. The concern is quite simple: taxation forms that satisfy an immediate need for funds might negatively impact a country's GDP growth (and therefore diminish future tax receipts that are tied to economic activity).

In layman's terms, corporate taxation should be the last form of taxation to be toyed with (as increases and constant changing of corporate tax rules discourages corporate capital investment/forma-

tion.) In IMF jargon: "The effects of the tax mix on long-term growth have been widely studied. The literature suggests that corporate income taxes have the most negative effect, followed by labor income taxes, then consumption taxes, and finally property taxes. In line with this "growth hierarchy," a recent IMF work finds, for a wide set of countries, that a revenue-neutral rebalancing that reduces income taxes while increasing consumption and property taxes is associated with faster long-term growth (Acosta-Ormaeche and Yoo, 2012)."

However, the IMF does suggest that the days of multinational corporate tax evasion are (and should be) numbered. "For the United States (where the issue has been most closely studied) an upper estimate of the loss from tax planning by multinationals is about U.S. \$60 billion each year — about one-quarter of all revenue from the corporate income tax (Gravelle, 2013)."

Some of the "coolest" companies have led the multinational pack by creating "mind-boggling complexity" to evade taxes. "Google, Starbucks, and other household names have famously managed to pay very little corporate tax" but the issue is "likely an even greater concern for developing countries, typically more reliant on corporate tax receipts."

The IMF report, in its search for more taxation-grab ideas, poses the question: are the wealthy "a revenue source that could be tapped more?" The IMF expands the U.S. administration's "increase taxation on the wealthy argument" from

income taxation into asset taxation.

The IMF rationale is: "Household wealth is very unequally distributed — even more so than income. In advanced economies, the top 10 percent own, on average, more than half of the wealth (up to 75 percent in the United States). It is, arguably, a better indicator of ability to pay than annual income — and indeed taxes on wealth and transfers have historically been a major source of revenue. Now, however, they yield very little — slightly fewer than 2 percent of GDP on average in the OECD."

Possibly the most frightening part is the IMF report's ending... which proposed the merits of a special, onetime tax on the very wealthy. The very wealthy should take heed that the worst might possibly be yet to come, as a capital levy is already being suggested and discussed by world leaders. ■

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Newest laureates set for business hall of fame

The four newest laureates will be inducted in the Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida Business Hall of Fame-Collier County at a ceremony Tuesday evening, Oct. 29, at the Waldorf Astoria Naples. Limited tickets remain available for the evening honoring 2013 laureates John DeAngelis and David Diamond of DeAngelis Diamond Construction and Mayela and Orlando Rosales of Media Vista Group.



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The annual award recognizes entrepreneurs who serve as outstanding role models for youth through their professional accomplishments and commitment to the community.

Sponsors for the awards evening include IberiaBank as title sponsor and Barron Collier Companies, DeAngelis Diamond Construction First National Bank of the Gulf Coast, Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida and Hodges University and gold sponsors.

For information about tickets, call 225-2590 or visit www.jaswfl.org.

About the laureates

After both earned a bachelor's degree in building construction from the University of Florida, Mr. DeAngelis and Mr. Diamond co-founded DeAngelis Diamond Construction in 1996. The company has since negotiated and managed more than \$1 billion in construction services throughout Florida and beyond while maintaining a corporate culture devoted to Christian values and a deep commitment to local, national and international philanthropy.

Mr. DeAngelis, who serves as company vice president, is on the board of the Pregnancy Resource Center of SWFL and the advisory boards of Liberty Youth Ranch, Grace Works and Leadership Foundations of America. Mr. Diamond, company president, serves on boards for the Naples International Film Festival and the Gulf Coast Venture Development Organization, and is an honorary professor at the Nalchik Business Institute of Russia.

Known for their entrepreneurial spirit and success, both men speak regularly to college business students. DeAngelis Diamond Construction,

SEE LAUREATES, B5►

Five in the running for 2013 Blue Chip award

Five intrepid entrepreneurs have been named finalists in the 19th annual Southwest Florida Blue Chip Community Business Award program that honors business owners who find innovative ways to overcome adversity.

The finalists will be recognized and one will be named winner of the 2013 Blue Chip Award at a luncheon ceremony Thursday, Nov. 7, at Harborside Event Center in downtown Fort Myers.

"The finalists are all success stories," says Scott Gregory, vice president of event sponsor BB&T-Oswald Trippe and Company. "They serve as models for other businesses, rising above adversity, which is fundamental to the future of our community."

This year's five finalists are:

■ **Ardent Manor:** Daniel and Helen Waite gave up lucrative jobs in the hospitality industry in Miami to move to Naples and open a day center for seniors. They set out to create a "Four Seasons" of day centers, pouring their retirement savings and Dan's severance money from being laid off into their dream, creating a country club environment and hiring top-notch staff.

They opened in September 2009. Six months later, they had run out of money. Unable to find work locally in the midst of the recession, Dan had to take a job in Jackson Hole, Wyo., for a year, sending 90 percent of his pay to Helen to keep the doors open.

Just as they were getting back on their feet, the landlord sold the property and they had to vacate immediately. Their clients took the case to the newspapers and the new landlords relented. Today, the center is operating in the black.

■ **Direct Access Home Health:** Larry Beuer and Wendy Murray opened their home health business in 2010 from an office Ms. Murray shared with another company. That first year, Mr. Beuer lost his father to cancer and went through a tough divorce. When they moved into their own office in North Fort Myers a year after opening, Ms. Murray walked in on a burglary by a neighbor the first night.

Nonetheless, they persevered, handling marketing, staffing, contracting and billing themselves, even staffing the phones on weekends and overnights on their own. They went to every health fair, called on assisted living facilities and nursing homes, contacted trust officers and guardians for referrals and spoke at senior communities, growing their business with hard work and good service.

Three years later, they have a successful company with a full-time staff of nine, more than 150 caregivers and two more companies that offer counseling and non-emergency transport.

■ **East West Veterinary Care Center:** Veterinarian Elizabeth Dixie Brown purchased a failing veterinary clinic in Cape Coral in June 2007. With virtually no clients, a clinic full of worn-out equipment and a building whose value would plummet in three years,



she struggled to stay in business. She believed that providing good service and treating each client well would eventually build her practice.

In 2011, she bought another failed practice but this time turned things around by extending office hours to six days a week and until 9 p.m. each night, offering 24-hour emergency care to established clients and making house calls. She learned acupuncture, traditional Chinese veterinary practices and chiropractic medicine, which drew many more clients. Today she is building a new clinic and anticipates hiring 10 to 12 additional staff members and expanding services.

■ **Gatsby's Pizza:** Greg and Jackie Chapin had operated their Midwestern-style pizza restaurant in Naples for eight years when Greg was diagnosed with brain cancer. His diagnosis forced them to close the popular restaurant so he could undergo surgery and related treatment. It was his goal during treatment to regain his health and strength and reopen the restaurant so he could be a proud example of a cancer survivor. When he did recover, that's what he did. This time the couple headed to Bonita Springs. They opened their new restaurant in 2013. Greg personally greets guests at their tables, providing a fun and welcoming atmosphere. Today customers from their original Ohio pizza shop will stop in when they are in town to enjoy Gatsby's pizza.

■ **Purely You Spa:** Jennifer Alvarez's business was born from diversity. Diagnosed with cancer — which turned out to be a benign, but fast-growing desmoid tumor — in her leg, she underwent surgery and, when it returned, chemotherapy, which caused acne. This sparked her interest in skin care, which led her to earn an aesthetician's license. She offered organic facials and other services and opened an organic spa in Naples in 2009. She set up the spa herself, using environmentally friendly materials and insisting on using organic products. To build a client base, she networked heavily, serving as president of the Women's Network of Collier County and donating more than \$20,000 in spa services to local charities for their fundraisers.

Her spa business has flourished, recently winning the Greenest Spa

Award from Eminence Organic Skin Care.

Luncheon speaker

In addition to recognizing the finalists and honoring the winner of the Blue Chip Award, the luncheon will feature a keynote address by motivational speaker Erik Stolhanske.

Born without a fibula, Mr. Stolhanske overcame his disability to become one of Hollywood's most popular comedic actors, as well as a writer and producer. His story of overcoming obstacles and persevering through adversity, even when the odds are stacked against you, is poignant and often humorous.



STOLHANSKE

As in years past, sponsors BB&T-Oswald Trippe and Company and BB&T Bank has arranged for the keynote speaker to donate his time for appearances at area high schools the day prior to the award luncheon. Mr. Stolhanske will visit Lorenzo Walker Technical High School and Immokalee High School. In addition, principals are invited to attend the Blue Chip Award luncheon along with students.

The 2013 Southwest Florida Blue Chip Community Business Award is endorsed by the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, Business Observer, Cape Coral Chamber of Commerce, Charlotte County Chamber of Commerce, Charlotte County Economic Development Office, Christian Chamber of Southwest Florida, City of Cape Coral Economic Development Office, Edison State College, Englewood-Cape Haze Area Chamber of Commerce, Florida Gulf Coast University, *Florida Weekly*, Greater Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce, Greater Lehigh Acres Chamber of Commerce, Gulfshore Business, Hodges University, Lee County Economic Development Office/Horizon Council, Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce, Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce, Southwest Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Fort Myers Beach Area Chamber of Commerce and The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. ■

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Firm launches anti-bullying initiative

The Naples law office Quarles & Brady, through its national corporate social responsibility program called Quarles Cares, has launched an anti-bullying initiative that provides financial support to organizations that offer anti-bullying education and raise awareness of anti-bullying efforts.

"Quarles & Brady is committed to leading by example in its Quarles Care efforts during my tenure, and I'm particularly excited about this new initia-

tive," says Kimberly Leach Johnson, newly elected chairperson of Quarles & Brady. "I believe an appreciation for fairness and justice develops at an early age, so it is important to me personally to help create a safe and cruelty-free environment in our schools."

The Quarles Cares program provides opportunities for the firm's attorneys and staff to commit themselves personally to civic and charitable efforts as good corporate citizens, to make better

the world around them. Ms. Johnson selected the anti-bullying cause to represent a part of her leadership legacy.

To kick off the initiative, the Naples office hosted a luncheon with representatives of the Collier County Sheriff's Office for a discussion about the causes of bullying and prevention measures. According to information at the presentation, one in four school-age children will be bullied sometime during their adolescence. However, only one in 25 will report the case. ■

ON THE MOVE

Awards and Recognition

Wilma Boyd, president and CEO of Preferred Travel of Naples, has been named the first recipient of the Mamie Tooke Trailblazer Award presented at the Excellence in Industry Award luncheon hosted by The Partnership for Collier's Future Economy, an initiative of The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. Mamie Tooke has long been regarded by many as the mother of Naples; the award named for her is given to a woman or minority-owned business owner who has shown exceptional achievement and admirable community leadership qualities, a professional whose leadership is an example to the community and whose combination of hard work and determination serves as inspiration to others.



BOYD

Larry Norris, the owner and president of Norris Home Furnishings, has received the Patriotic Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Freedom Award from the U.S. Secretary of Defense. The award recognizes private and public companies that go above and beyond what the law requires to support their deployed National Guard and Reserve employees.



NORRIS

Mr. Norris currently has employees who are members of both the National Guard and Reserve.

Aviation

Gustavo Botura has joined Naples Jet Center as director of Embraer sales. Naples Jet Center and its parent company, Eagle Creek Aviation Services, are Embraer Authorized Phenom Service Centers. Mr. Botura is responsible for marketing sales and maintenance services for the Embraer Phenom 100 and 300 aircraft locally and in South America. He previously worked for Embraer in São José dos Campos for seven years.



BOTURA

Board Appointments

Collier Child Care Resources has welcomed two new members on its board of directors and six new members on its advisory board. The board members are **Kristin Seeger**, a principal with the advertising and marketing firm of Seeger & Associates; and **Joseph Davidow**, managing member and trial attorney with the Naples firm of Davidow Law. New advisory board members are **Sara Henry**, a licensed marriage and family therapist; **Amy Landrum**, owner of Florida PC Distributors; **William Myers**, partner, Porter Wright Morris & Arthur; **Trista Hines**, Florida Com-

munity Bank; **Indira Maharaj**, Iberia Bank; **Dennis Frodsham**, retired CFO, Judson College; and **Jeanne Sweeney**, CEO, the Above Board Chamber of Florida.

The executive committee of the board of trustees for the **Community Foundation of Collier County** for 2013-14 is as follows: **Alan Horton**, retired head of the newspaper division of the E.W. Scripps Company, chair; **Dennis Brown**, trust and estate attorney at Bond, Schoeneck & King, chair-elect; **Jennifer Walker**, a former journalist and retired public relations executive, secretary; **William Lange**, senior officer for the Naples office of Regions Bank Private Wealth Management, treasurer; and **Thomas McCann**, retired vice president of public affairs for Bristol-Myers Squibb, immediate past chair. Returning executive committee members are **Kim Ciccarelli Kantor**, president and co-founder of Ciccarelli Advisory Services; and **Deborah Russell**, a principal of Cummings & Lockwood in the Naples office. New board members are **Mary Lynn Myers** and **Robert Bulloch**.

Banking

Scott Kellett has been promoted to regional president-Southwest Florida for Sabadell Bank & Trust to oversee private banking, wealth management and fiduciary services within the Naples, Fort Myers and Sarasota market. Mr. Kellett joined Sabadell in 2010 and has more than 18 years of experience

in the financial services industry. Prior to this promotion, he served as the executive vice president, market executive for Southwest Florida and headed the initiative to open Sabadell Bank & Trust's Naples office two years ago. He is the immediate past chairman and a member of the Trust Executive Board of the Florida Bankers Association, and he also serves as board member for T2 Aquatics.

Maria Senice has been named branch manager of Central Bank Southwest Florida in Naples. Ms. Senice has 30 years of experience in the banking industry and has been working in the Naples market since 1995. She holds a bachelor's degree and an MBA in management from Hodges University, where she has served on the advisory council and the president's council.



SENICE

Education

Lucie Rodriguez, a language arts teacher at Manatee Middle School, was one of three educators in the state to be honored recently by Gov. Rick Scott and First Lady Ann Scott with a 2013 Hispanic Heritage Month Excellence in Education Award. Ms. Rodriguez attended an awards reception at the Governor's Mansion and received a \$1,500 prize. ■

LAUREATES

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ranked No. 4 of the Top 50 Contractors in Florida's Gulf Coast by the Business Observer, has earned numerous Sand Dollar, Summit and Pinnacle awards, in addition to being selected four times as the Commercial Builder of the Year by the American Specialty Contractors of Florida. According to McGraw Hill, DeAngelis Diamond Construction is among the Top 100 Contractors in the Southeastern United States. The firm was named No. 15 of the Top 48 Companies overall in Southwest Florida in 2012 by Gulfshore Business.

Orlando and Mayela Rosales moved from Maracaibo, Venezuela, to Naples in 1996 to pursue new job opportunities. With Mayela's background in television journalism and Orlando's experience in business operations and computer programming, the couple realized the opportunity to start the first Hispanic media company in Southwest Florida in 2001. In 2002, they created D'Latinos al Dia, the first Hispanic television news program in Southwest Florida. In 2003, they launched D'Latinos Magazine, a free Southwest Florida Hispanic lifestyle publication, followed by the dlatinos.tv website in 2004. In 2006, the company expanded to 24 hours of programming as the affiliate of Azteca America for Southwest Florida, and has since acquired Univision Network television stations in Fort Myers, Minneapolis and Kansas City.

Mayela, who serves as executive vice president of Media Vista Group, and Orlando, president, are active in many community organizations.

She has served on the board of directors of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, the American Cancer Society of Collier County, Conservancy of Southwest Florida and Fifth Third Bank, among others. In 2009, Congressman Mario

Diaz-Balart honored Mayela as one of the 100 Most Influential Latinas in the USA.

Orlando is a member of the President's Council of Hodges University and serves on the board of BB&T in Southwest Florida.

About Junior Achievement

Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to inspiring and preparing young people to succeed in a global economy. Through a dedicated volunteer network, Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida provides in-school and after-school programs for more than 12,000 students in Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties that focus on three key content areas: work readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy.

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POWER

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they want it to be electric, even medium or heavy-duty trucks. The company was instrumental in the development of hybrid-electric bucket trucks, designing the specs and deploying the first truck of its kind in 2005.

"In 2012 we were able to reduce our CO2 emissions by 2,500 metric tons," says Mr. Masters, attributing the decline to the company's hybrids, plug-in hybrids, all-electric vehicles and their biodiesel fleet, which includes hybrid-electric bucket trucks.

"We calculated 295,000 gallons of fuel reduction over the last year," Mr. Masters continues. "And we're seeing that number grow." It's difficult to convert those gallons into monetary terms, as the price of fuel fluctuates, but Mr. Masters says if you multiply those gallons by a conservative \$3.50 per gallon, that's over a million dollars in fuel savings.

Mr. Masters says FPL has made public commitments to increase its electric fleet because the company wants to mobilize the marketplace. "Our intent is to send a signal to these guys: 'If you build it, we will buy it,'" he says. "And we're putting our money where our mouth is. For instance, we have 74 hybrid-electric bucket trucks and we intend to add another 30 to 35 this next year ... These guys building these medium, heavy-duty trucks, we want them to know, the market is real."

Growing up as a mechanic, working on cars all his life, Mr. Masters cannot help but be surprised by how easy electric vehicles are to maintain. He says when you pop the hood, it looks more like the trunk: there's nothing underneath it. He says your main maintenance will be your tires.



COURTESY PHOTOS
Electric vehicles used by FPL have helped the company reduce carbon emissions and its fuel bill.

Talking about alternative fuel, Mr. Masters says natural gas seems to be the "soup du jour," but when trying to decide whether to go the natural-gas route or the electric-hybrid route, he likes to remind people that natural gas does not have an established infrastructure, but when it comes to electric, the infrastructure's already there.

Even in the exaggerated event of every Floridian going out and buying an electric car tomorrow, Ms. Seabury says FPL would not be concerned with its electric grid. The company has noticed most electric car owners charge their cars at night, not at a time of peak power use.

"People overcomplicate electric vehicles. They are very simple," says Ms. Seabury, who has been driving an electric car for over two years. "You plug it in at night, the car does its thing while you're sleeping, you wake up and go about your business."

Ms. Seabury says Floridians are responding to the appeal, with more than 5,200 electric vehicle owners in the state. She encourages anyone to take a test drive when they can. Beyond saving money and the environment, she says people buy electric cars for the thrill of the ride.

The Lee County Electric Cooperative has been keeping an eye on electric vehicles. LCEC serves 200,000



customers in five counties. Public Relations Manager Karen Ryan says that's "small potatoes" compared to FPL's 4.6 million accounts across 35 counties.

"Our fleet, although adequate for our customer base, is not that large. We have an excellent preventative maintenance program so we typically don't need to purchase replacement vehicles that often, one or two a year maybe," Ms. Ryan says.

LCEC has approximately 65 heavy-duty trucks and 150 smaller trucks and vans. But compared to FPL's total fleet of roughly 3,500 vehicles, Ms. Ryan says LCEC savings would be limited.

"We are keeping an eye on the developments in vehicle technology and exploring our options to see when

electric vehicles might be beneficial for our business," Ms. Ryan says. "The last time we evaluated it, it was not cost effective for us."

LCEC purchased a hybrid car in 2002 and Ms. Ryan says when the timing is right, the company will be part of the electric vehicle movement. As far as the conundrum of electric utilities pushing electric cars, Ms. Ryan agrees with FPL.

"Promoting electric vehicles isn't self-serving for utilities for several reasons. We have an obligation to help preserve/conserves natural resources," she says. "Conserving fuel resources that are used to power vehicles makes a positive impact on the customer's wallet. If you compare the cost of a kilowatt to the cost of a gallon of gasoline, there is no comparison." ■



SEABURY

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— Anne-Louise Seabury
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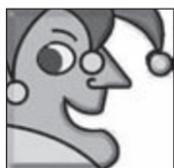
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- If you don't know exactly how the company makes its money.
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- If the reason you bought a stock is no longer valid. Maybe it's no longer growing briskly, or it's moving in a new direction that doesn't seem promising.
- If it has some persistent troubling characteristics, such as shrinking profit margins. Short-term problems can be OK, but be on the lookout for long-term ones.
- If a stock has become significantly overvalued relative to what you think it's

worth. Consider the tax consequences, though. If you expect continued growth for a long time, you might want to just hang on.

- If you find a more attractive place to invest your money. If your calculations suggest that a holding is now fairly valued and another stock appears to be undervalued by 50 percent, you stand to gain more in the other stock. Again, consider tax effects.
- If a stock is your only holding. Portfolios should be diversified, but not too diversified. For many people, eight to 15 stocks is about right. If one holding grows to represent more than, say, 20 to 30 percent of your portfolio, consider selling some of it.
- If you'll need that money within three to five (or even 10) years. It should be in a less volatile place than stocks, such as a money market fund or CD.
- If you're hanging on only for emotional reasons. ■

My Smartest Investment

Going for the Gold

I retired in 1975, and up to that point I'd lost money in the stock market by taking the advice of brokers. I learned to use Value Line reports to pick stocks, and as a result, my stocks have soared in value. My wife and I have traveled around the world and attended six Olympic Games.

— R.W., Lancaster, Pa.

The Fool Responds: Value Line has been around since 1931 and has both fans and foes. At ValueLine.com, you can read about how stocks that are top-ranked per the Value Line system have soundly beaten the market over time.

Detractors will point out that trading costs and taxes are ignored in such calculations, and that the portfolio rejiggering required to hold only top-rated stocks would generate significant commission charges and short-term capital gains hits. The flagship Value Line Fund (VLIFX), launched in 1950, has underperformed the market over the past 10 and 15 years.

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Last week's trivia answer

I was born when two brothers bought a pizza place in Ypsilanti, Mich., in 1960. The next year, one of them traded his stake in it for a VW Beetle. Today I'm the world's top pizza delivery company, operating in more than 70 nations and delivering more than a million pies per day. I'm 95 percent franchise-owned and sport more than 10,400 stores globally. I rake in about \$3.5 billion in U.S. sales annually, and nearly \$4 billion internationally. In the 1990s, I introduced bread sticks and a patented hot bag to keep traveling pizzas warm. Who am I? (Answer: Domino's) ■



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IRA or Mortgage

Q I have a lot of money in my IRA. Should I use it to pay off my mortgage?

— R.W., Lake City, Fla.

A Probably not. With a traditional IRA, you'll be taxed on the withdrawal at your ordinary income tax rate, and you'll face a 10 percent early withdrawal fee, too, if you're younger than 59 1/2.

In addition, the sum you withdraw will boost your taxable income, potentially moving you into a higher tax bracket, such as from 25 percent to 33 percent. Another consideration is that by wiping out your mortgage debt, you'll lose the deductibility of your mortgage interest payments.

Think also of your mortgage rate versus the growth rate you expect for your IRA holdings. If your mortgage rate is 5 percent, paying any of it off early essentially "earns" you 5 percent.

If your alternative is 8 percent that you aim to earn on your IRA stocks, you're not coming out ahead. Cash-ing out a retirement account also means that money won't be able to grow for you over time (tax-free, in the case of a Roth IRA).

Do the math for your particular situation, but consider keeping your IRA and trying to make extra payments on your mortgage when you can. Just a few each year can shave years off the loan and save you thousands in interest payments.

Q What does "NASDAQ" refer to?
— B.R., Scranton, Pa.

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Name That Company

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lionth phone in 2005, and sold my entire phone business to Microsoft this year for about \$7 billion. Who am I? Know the answer?

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The Motley Fool Take

A Health Care Giant

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The consumer segment contains several world-class brands found in nearly every U.S. household — think Band-Aid, Listerine, Tylenol, and the company's

namesake baby care products. Its pharmaceutical business is less steady, but solid.

J&J generates approximately 70 percent of its revenue from products that hold the No. 1 or No. 2 global market positions. It has delivered 29 consecutive years of adjusted earnings increases, and earlier this year increased its dividend for the 50th year in a row. (It recently yielded 3 percent.) With a fortress-like balance sheet, J&J is one of only four nonfinancial, U.S.-based companies to hold the triple-A credit rating from Standard & Poor's.

Add it all up, and what you're left with is a hugely profitable, remarkably consistent company. (The Motley Fool's newsletters have recommended it.) ■

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.

■ The **Leadership Collier Foundation Alumni Association** holds the next meeting in its Leadership Lunch Series at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 25, in the Professional Development Center at 615 Third Ave. S. Lunch will be provided by Hamilton Harbor Yacht Club. Guest speaker is John Cox, president and CEO of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. \$15 for Leadership Collier alumni, \$20 for others. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ The **Council of Hispanic Business Professionals** holds its next networking meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30, at McCormick & Schmick's in Mercato. Call 449-8668 or e-mail webmaster@chbnpnaples.org.

■ The **Above Board Chamber of Florida** welcomes members and guests to its luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11, at the Hilton Naples. \$23 for members, \$28 for guests. Reservations required by Friday, Nov. 8. Call Jeanne Sweeney at 910-7426.

■ Wake Up Naples for members of the **Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** takes place from 7:30-8:30

a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Hilton Naples. The 10th annual Distinguished Public Service Awards presentation will take place. \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ The second annual Marco Island Area Home Show sponsored by the **Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce** takes place from 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, at the Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort. Networking for exhibitors will start 30 minutes before the doors open to the public. Exhibit space and sponsorship opportunities are still available. Call 394-7549 or e-mail Katie@marcoislandchamber.org.

■ The **Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** holds its annual "Harvest Night" Business After Hours from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, at Gulf Coast Coin & Jewelry, 25355 S. Tamiami Tr. Guests are asked to bring a donation of canned food for the Bonita Springs Assistance Office. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door for members; \$30 for non-members. Call 992-2943 or visit www.bonitaspringschamber.com.

■ The **East Naples Merchants Association** meets for Business After Business at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, at Physicians Regional-Collier Boulevard. For more information, call 435-9410 or 643-3600 or visit www.eastnaplesmerchantsassoc.com. ■

NETWORKING

After 5 at Rookery Bay for the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce



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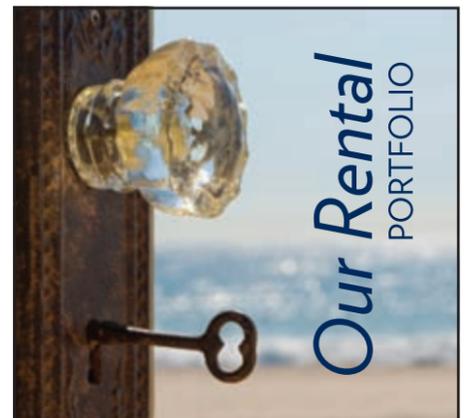
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NEW LISTING**



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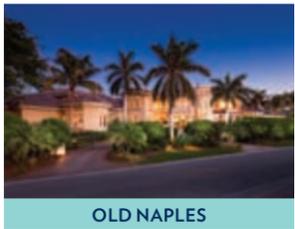
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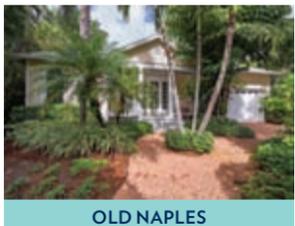
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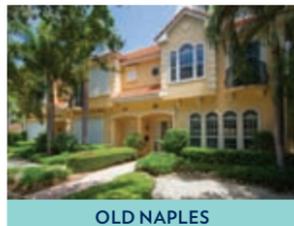
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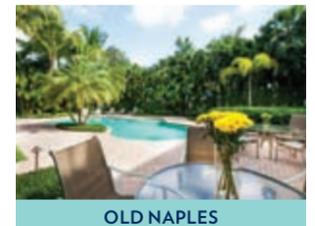
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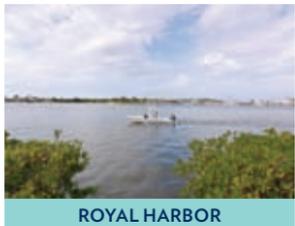
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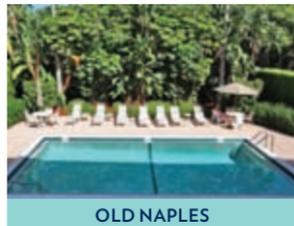
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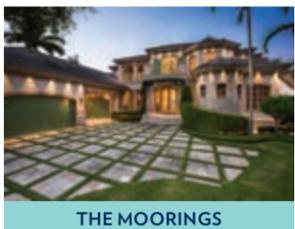


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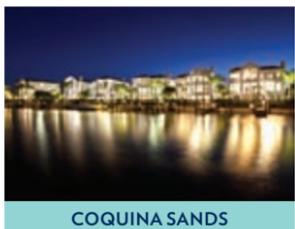
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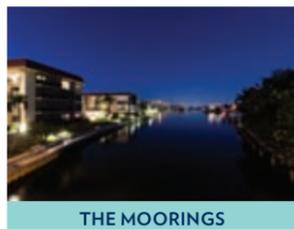
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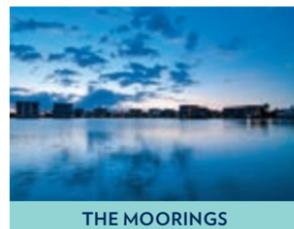
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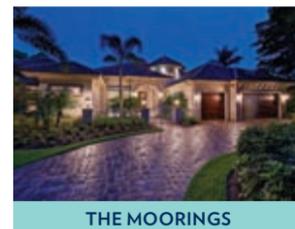
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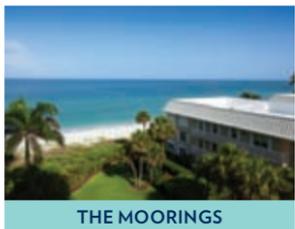
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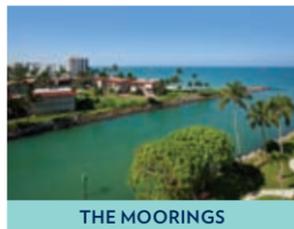
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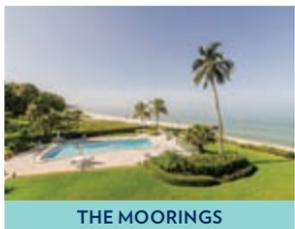
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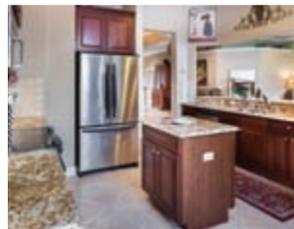
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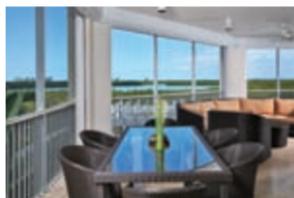
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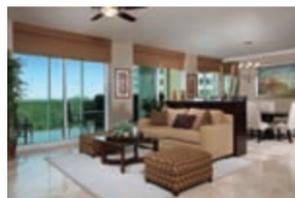
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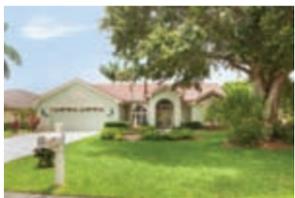
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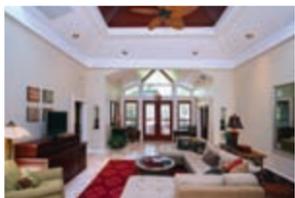
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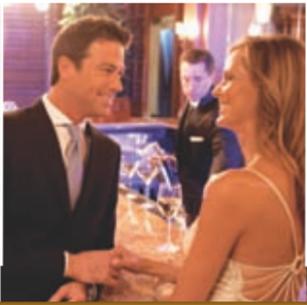
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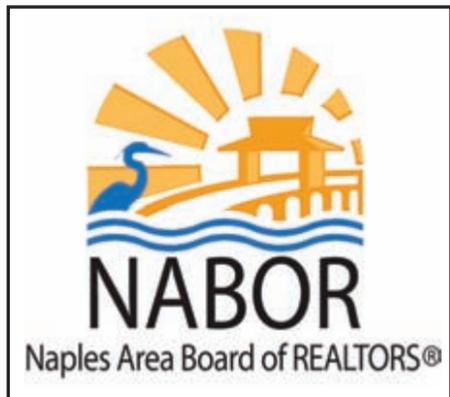
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NABOR numbers are in, and the market looks strong



The Naples area real estate market is outperforming last year's third quarter activity as shown by three key indicators: sales, median closed price and inventory.

According to the latest report from the Naples Area Board of Realtors, which tracks home listings and sales within Collier County (excluding Marco Island), the Naples area housing market's third quarter 2013 Southwest Florida MLS statistics demonstrate:

- A 22 percent increase in overall sales from 1,882 units in the third quarter of 2012 to 2,290 units in the third quarter of 2013.

“The decline in inventory is a good sign. People are buying homes.”

— **Wes Kunkle**
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- A 24 percent increase in overall median home prices, from \$190,000 in the third quarter of 2012 to \$235,000 in the current reported third quarter.

- A 20 percent decrease in overall inventory from 6,195 units in the third

quarter 2012 to 4,964 units in the third quarter 2013.

- Overall closed sales for the third quarter of 2013 increased 48 percent in the \$500-\$1 million segment, from 196 properties sold in the third quarter of 2012 to 290 properties sold in the third quarter of 2013; and increased 128 percent in the \$2 million and above segment, from 36 properties sold in the third quarter of 2012 to 82 properties sold in the third quarter of 2013.

Wes Kunkle of Kunkle Realty, NABOR president, describes the local market as “a prime example of economics. It's the law of supply and demand,” he says.

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“Home inventory (supply) is decreasing, home sales (demand) are increasing, and we continue to see an increase in the median closed price of homes. The decline in inventory is a good sign. People are buying homes.”

Cindy Carroll of the real estate appraisal and consultancy firm Carroll & Carroll says, “These factors contribute to increasing values in many market sectors and necessitate the use of time adjustments in appraisals to accurately measure current market value. Leading the pack are property values up to \$300,000, where the median price has increased 14 percent in the past 12 months.”

The NABOR 2013 third quarter report provides comparisons of single-family home and condominium sales (via the Southwest Florida MLS), price ranges and geographic segmentation and includes an overall market summary. Second quarter sales statistics are presented in chart format, including these overall (single-family and condominium) findings:

■ The overall average days on the market decreased 18 percent from 174 days in the third quarter 2012 to 143 days in the third quarter 2013.

■ Overall pending sales increased 8 percent from 2,362 in the third quarter 2012 to 2,548 in the third quarter 2013.

■ Condominium closed sales increased 31 percent from 869 in the third quarter 2012 to 1,142 in the third quarter 2013.

■ Naples coastal area overall pending sales increased 14 percent reflecting 439 pending sales in the third quarter 2013 compared to 388 pending sales in the third quarter 2012.

The NABOR report for September 2013 reflects sales statistics presented in chart format, with these overall single-family and condominium statistics:

■ Overall closed sales increased 45 percent in the \$2 million-plus category from 213 closed sales in the 12 months ending September 2012 to 303 closed sales in the 12 months ending September 2013.

■ Overall inventory decreased by 20 percent from 6,195 properties in September 2012 compared to 4,964 properties in September 2013. Pending sales with contingent contracts are included in the overall inventory number.

■ Overall pending sales in the Naples coastal area increased 14 percent from 1,985 pending sales to 2,255 pending sales, and closed sales increased 17 percent from 1,759 closed sales to 2,066 closed sales for the 12 months ending in

September 2013.

■ Condominium closed sales increased 102 percent from 49 sales to 100 sales in the 12 months ending September 2013.

“Leading the pack are property values up to \$300,000.”

— **Cindy Carroll**
Real estate appraiser

“Demand for homes in the coastal area is driving activity in other segments due to reduced inventory,” says Kathy Zorn of Florida Home Realty.

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The construction phase of these projects to date has created more than 1,000 jobs and has resulted in more than 2,500 sustainable jobs at Miromar Development's commercial properties. More than 2,000 people live in Miromar Lakes, and the company's properties have generated more than \$45 million in tax revenue and development fees for the county.

Miromar Lakes Beach Club was honored in 2010 with the National Association of Home Builders' Gold Award



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for Best Clubhouse, and in 2011 the community earned the NAHB Gold Award for Community of the Year.

The vision for each of the corporation's award-winning properties was that of company founder

and CEO Margaret Antonier, who previously developed retail and commercial buildings in Canada and elsewhere in the U.S.

The company's philanthropic efforts include the Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest, the third largest charity wine auction in the country. Held a Miromar Lakes for the fifth year, the 2013 grand tasting and live action helped raised \$7.5 million for Southwest Florida Children's Charities, including Lee County's Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. Miromar also brought the Dancing Classrooms program to the state of



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The Miromar Design Center

Florida for the first time in 2008. The social development program for Title 1 schools is funded by Miromar Outlets and administered by the Foundation for Lee County Public Schools.

"We are part of this community," says Ms. Antonier. "The entire Miromar team is committed to making Southwest Florida a better place to live. Our employees volunteer their time for the charitable events at Miromar and to countless other charities and causes.

"That is what it means for a business to be a part of a community."

In addition to the aforementioned University Village, the immediate future for Miromar Development includes a final phase of Miromar Outlets, an additional 650 homes to be built in Miromar Lakes and office/medical development on property adjacent to Miromar Design Center.

For more information visit MiromarDevelopment.com. ■

REAL ESTATE ROUNDUP

■ **Christie's International Real Estate**, a subsidiary of Christie's auction house, has awarded affiliate status to Naples-based **Campbell & Prebish**



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■ The following new sales associates have joined John R. Wood Realtors:

In the Bonita Springs office: **Jill Kushner** and **Corey Wayland**. Ms. Kushner previously worked in broadcasting for NBC-2 and ABC-7. She has 17 years of experience in real estate. Mr. Wayland is a graduate of South Plains College and Texas Tech University. Prior to joining the real estate industry in 2006, he worked in banking, property management, sales and purchasing.

In the North Naples office: **Robert Kapish** and **Lynne Hancock**.

Mr. Kapish is a graduate of California



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One of two Edison inventory homes nearing completion in Amador at Fiddler's Creek.

State University, Fullerton. He previously worked in retail as a vice president and store manager for Macy's for 27 years. Ms. Hancock is a graduate of Stetson University and the University of South Florida.

In the Central office: **Peter Zouck** and **Stacey Healy-Dooney**. Mr. Zouck attended the University of Maryland and Loyola College and holds a bachelor's degree in economics and an MBA in finance. Ms. Healy-Dooney attended Ramapo College of New Jersey and Hodges University and holds a degree in interdisciplinary studies. Prior to real estate, Healy-Dooney worked in sales for corporate health and wellness benefit plans.

■ The following have joined the Vanderbilt office of Premier Sotheby's International Realty: **Joseph Buch**, **Lizette Candela** and **Craig Cervantes**.

Mr. Buch's professional career spans numerous genres including general real estate, commercial real estate, legal practice, fundraising and finances. He earned a law degree from the West Virginia University College of Law in Morgantown, W.Va., and graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a bachelor's degree in Economics. He previ-

ously was a broker associate at Premier Commercial Properties, Grubb & Ellis/VIP D'Alessandro in Bonita Springs.

Ms. Candela has worked in new home construction and in general real estate. She began working with Pulte Homes in 2004 and earned the Pinnacle Award multiple times for the highest volume and number of sales throughout her career. She earned a bachelor's degree in biology from Florida Southern College in Lakeland.

Mr. Cervantes has 30 years of real estate experience, having started his career in his hometown of St. Louis, Mo. He relocated to Naples in 2012. He holds a master's degree in music composition from Walt Disney's California Institute of the Arts and performing on the piano at local art galleries and for charitable events.

■ The following associates have joined the Naples Parkshore and The Ritz-Carlton offices of Berkshire Hathaway Homeservices Florida Realty: **Lynn Applebaum**, **Christine Higgins** and **Jody Levy**, all formerly of Coldwell Banker; and **Erin Risher** and **Lou Sandouk**, both formerly of Weichert Realtors.

■ **Marc Boatman** has joined Neal Communities as a builder responsible for construction operations in the Canopy community in Naples and Villa Palmeras in Estero. Mr. Boatman has more than 18 years of experience in systems design, new construction project management and operations supervision for large-scale initiatives. He started his career as a draftsman for Tiger Tractor Corp. in Lee's Summit, Mo., where he was promoted to vice president-engineering. After relocating to Southwest Florida, he became a construction manager for Hansen Homes of South Florida.

■ **D.R. Horton** is nearing completion on two Edison inventory homes at Amador, an enclave of 38 homes in **Fiddler's Creek**.

The one-story Edison has 1,983 square feet under air with three bedrooms, two baths and a den. Base price is \$404,990.

The inventory home at 9241 Campanile Circle features options including upgraded maple kitchen cabinets with expanded crown molding; upgraded Venetian bronze hardware in the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry; granite laundry countertops; stainless steel kitchen appliances; whole house window treatments; and wood flooring in the den. The home is being built with the optional gas pool and spa package with dark tan brick pavers and Stonehurst waterline tile. The lanai area will be prepared for an optional outdoor kitchen. This Edison residence is offered at \$495,267 and will be available staged with furniture as an optional purchase.

The inventory home at 9193 Campanile Circle also features extensive options, including the gas pool and spa package with a raised deck area and sheer decent waterfall. The lanai area will be prepared for an optional outdoor kitchen. This inventory home also will be staged with furniture and the furniture package will be available as an optional purchase. This Edison residence is currently priced at \$499,957.

Three floor plans are available in the Amador community, all with courtyard entry, lanai, two-car garage and landscaping package.

The entrance to Fiddler's Creek is off Collier Boulevard on the way to Marco Island. For more information, call 732-9300, stop by the Fiddler's Creek sales center or visit www.fiddlerscreek.com. ■



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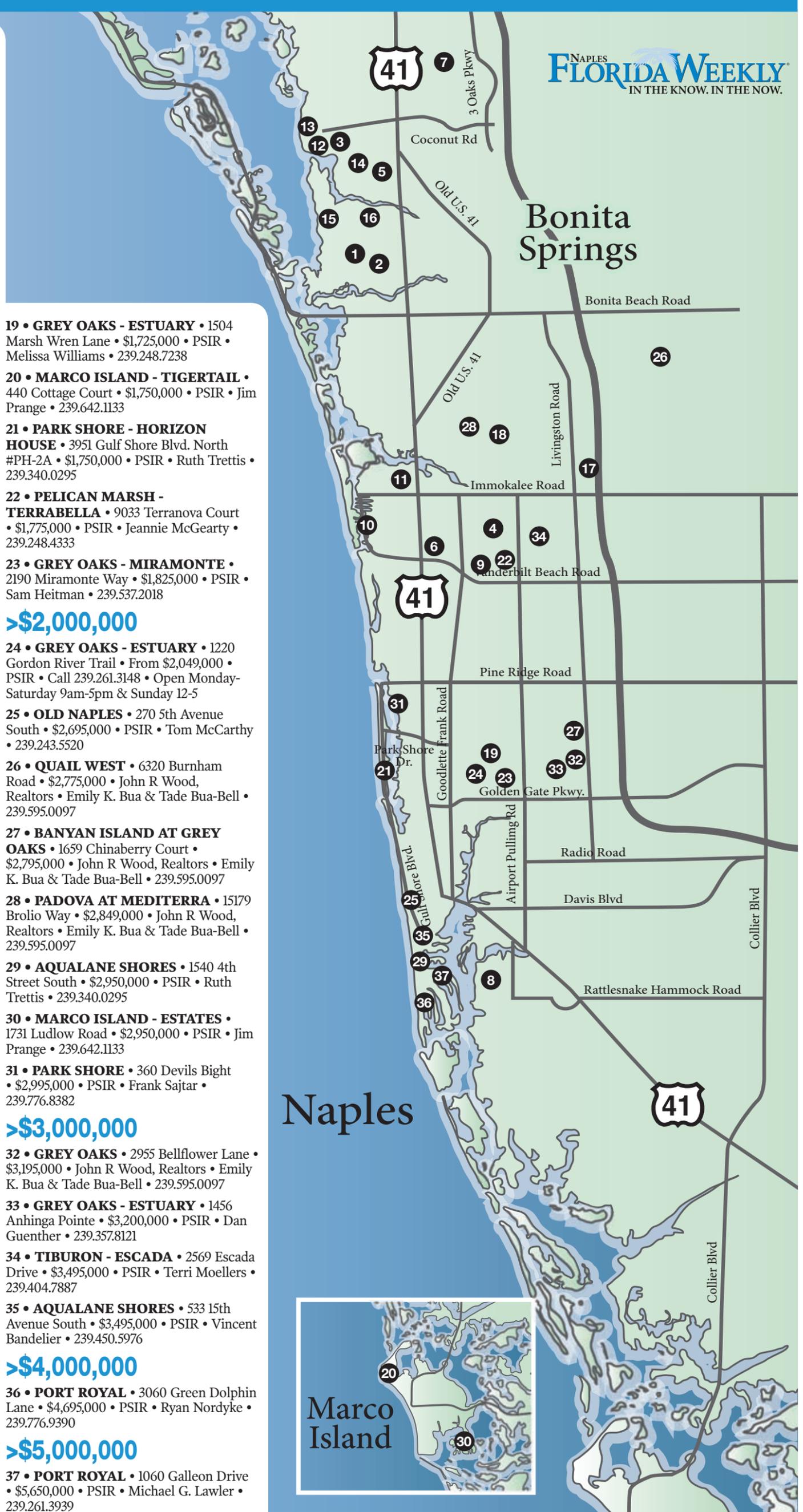
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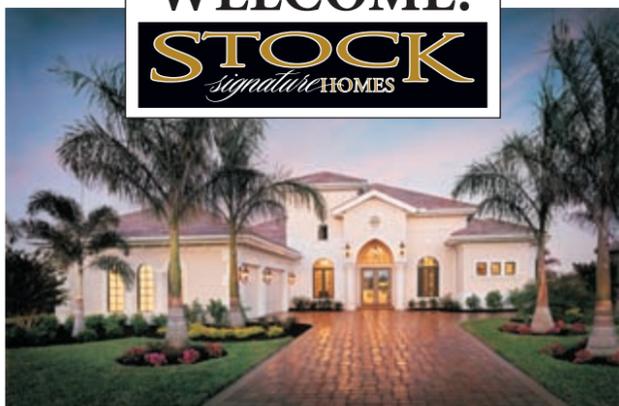
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GAME NATION / COURTESY IMAGE

Game Nation holds inaugural immersive video game celebration

BY NANCY STETSON

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HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO WALK THROUGH THE screen of your video game and step right into the action?

Daniel Ruke, who goes by just his last name, knows how you feel. He's wanted to jump into the video games he plays, too.

And now he's created a way to do just that: a video-game theme park and resort.

Dubbed Game Nation, the actual park won't open for several years — at least seven, Ruke says — but on Friday, Nov. 1, Game Nation Celebration in downtown

Daniel Ruke, creator of Game Nation Celebration

SEE GAME, C4 ►

Players set stage for a gothic spoof and an American classic

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When Lord Edgar Hillcrest and his new wife Lady Enid embark on a journey to find out what happened to Irma Vep, the adventure takes them from their estate in England all the way to Egypt and has enough plot twists and costume changes to cause whiplash.

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See The Naples Players' production



COURTESY PHOTO

Mike Santos and Mark Vanagas play seven different roles in "The Mystery of Irma Vep," a quick-change send up of horror stories.

Oct. 30-Nov. 23 in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre, starring Mike Santos and Mark Vanagas in seven

different roles.

Show times are 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students.

The company is also preparing for "Our Town," which runs on the main stage in Blackburn Hall Nov. 27-Dec. 21.

Set in the early 20th century in the fictional town of Grover's Corners, N.H., Thornton Wilder's classic play explores the beauty of love, marriage, family and the everyday moments that often are taken for granted. A production known for its minimalistic use of set and props,

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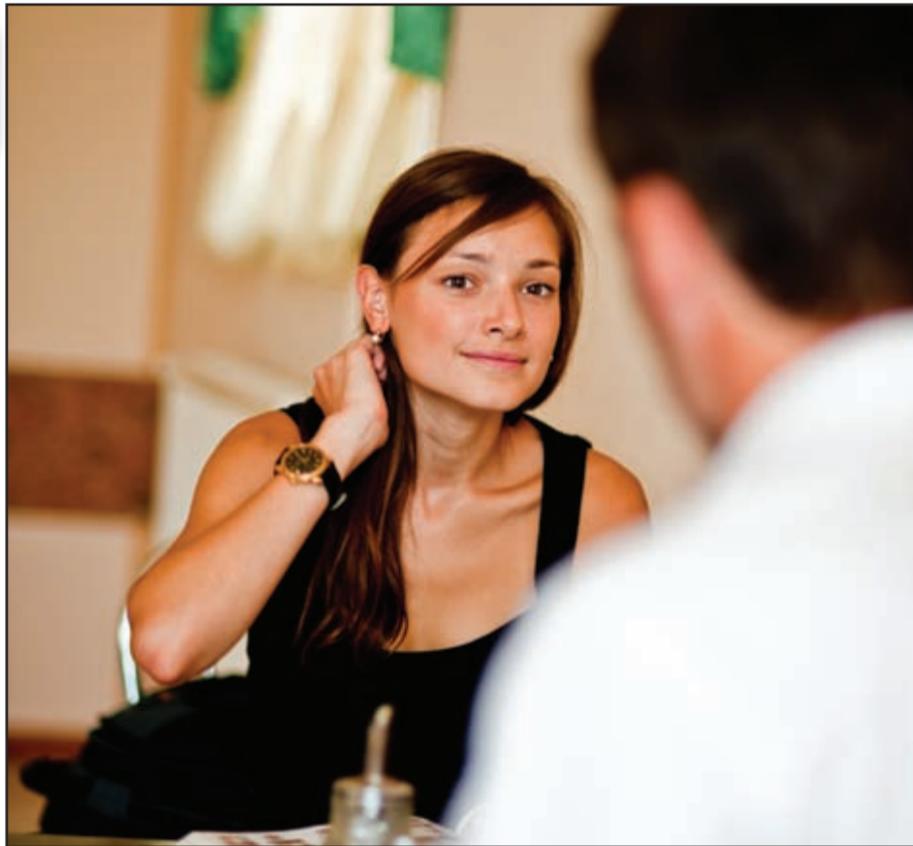
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SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

Meeting new people is harder than it looks



A good friend just came out with a book and invited me to his book party, a fancy soiree held at an expensive boutique — the kind of place I'd never venture into on my own.

A model-beautiful blond greeted me at the door and asked if I was there for the party. She pointed me toward an elevator at the back of the store, and as I made my way to the second floor I wondered which mutual friends would be at the event. But as the doors slid open and I stepped into the dazzling crowd, I quickly realized: none of them. A passing waiter offered me a glass of wine, and I must have given him a desperate look because he smiled encouragingly before disappearing into the throng.

Glass in hand, I lodged myself against the back wall, practically in the corner, trying to look as nonchalant as I could. My blood pressure ratcheted up as more people arrived, each lovelier than the last, and it became obvious that no one I knew would be coming.

I was thoroughly on my own.

My wine almost finished, the book signing still not started, I noticed someone next to me looking equally lost. He thumbed through his phone in

that desperate way people have when they're at a party without a plus-one. I weighed the awkwardness of introducing myself against the shame of standing there alone for another half-hour. Finally, I gathered my courage.

"So, do you know anyone at this party?" I said.

The man laughed. "My friend is coming, but he's running late."

I started to turn away, feeling foolish, but he smiled and introduced himself.

I smiled back and we started chatting. Before long we were comparing favorite books and TV shows. He had a good sense of humor and he laughed at my jokes. I actually thought, *Maybe this meeting-new-people thing is not so bad.*

But just as we settled into an easy conversational rhythm, his plus-one showed up. The second man worked in finance; they knew each other from a networking group. Not friends, exactly, but professional acquaintances. The financier let me know that they were there to network, not meet women.

"Well, we're going to walk around," he said.

I should have known better. Maybe if I were used to the social scene, I would have had a feel for these things. Maybe I would have known what a polite brush-off looks like. But the first man had been so nice and such a good social anchor at that strained party, that when he smiled and said I should join them, I did.

They stopped in an alcove and the two men grabbed more drinks. The financier talked business and it slowly dawned on me that I should have already made an exit. Before I could summon just what to say, the financier stuck out a fleshy hand.

"Well," he said, "it was nice meeting you. Take care."

I knew I had been dismissed even as I turned away. The moment stung and I silently kicked myself. Had I really thought it would be that easy? ■

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 Sarah Hadeka • 12-3PM
 Asarte's Gypsy Cabaret • TBD
 Jimmy Stowe & the Stowaways • 5-7PM

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Bayfront Naples:
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 Dance Arts by Maria • 1PM
 Asarte's Gypsy Cabaret • 2PM
 Calendar Girls of Florida • 3PM



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TIN CITY



GAME

From page 1

Fort Myers will give people a taste of what the theme park will be like.

Ruke calls the corporate launch an alpha test for the theme park. "It's gonna be where the fans can help us pioneer our collective future," he says.

A pared down opening party

Originally scheduled for three days and encompassing the entire downtown Fort Myers area, the launch event has been scaled back considerably. Earlier press releases promised interactive play in scenarios such as "Saving the Princess," "Pirate Ship" and "Capturing the Alien Threat."

"After reviewing all the aspects of our three-day event, I came to the decision that Game Nation Celebration as planned wasn't delivering a financially appropriate event for our brand, for our future and for our long-term strategy to build your video game theme park," Ruke told followers of his website in a video released last week. "We've scaled celebration into a more intimate, yet still awe-inspiring experience."

Now, Game Nation Celebration will begin at Hotel Indigo's ground floor bar, with video-game competitions, industry performers, a YouTube star and a DJ who mixes dubstep with video games.

From the hotel, attendees will be driven to Harborside Event Center to participate in The Starved, an immersive video-game experience. Armed with airsoft guns, they'll enter the arena and fight their way through hordes of the undead.

"Basically, you and your friends fight in a first-person shooter against the undead, which are our actors," Ruke explains.

How is this different from paintball?

"We're bringing technology and theatrics to it," he says.

A place for gamers

Ruke says the idea for the Game Nation theme park was sparked four years ago, when he and his wife, who live in a gated golf course community, were discussing where they'd like to live in the future.

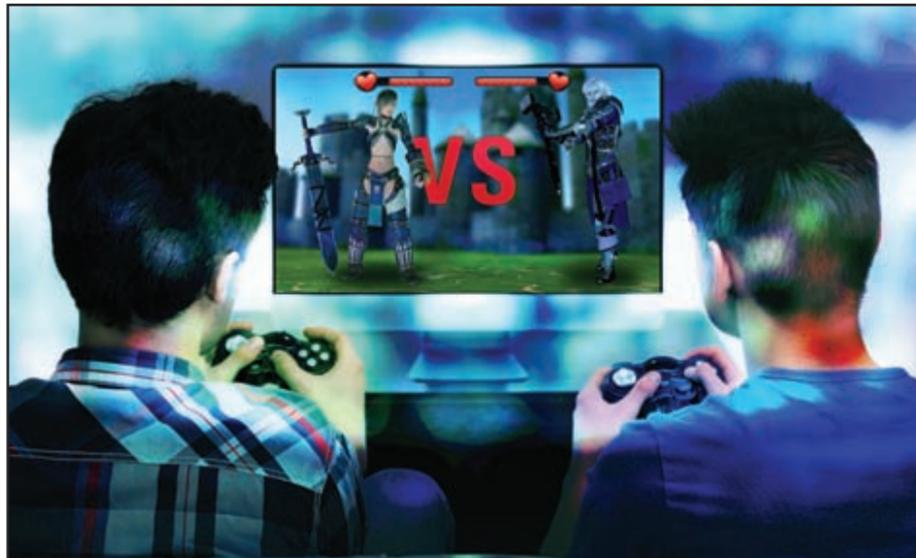
"We're not golfers," Ruke says, noting that all the gated communities here seem to be connected to a golf course. "So there's not really a community for us. Then we started to think what would we want, to imagine (what that would be). We realized, looking at our lifestyle, that we liked theme parks, video games and entertainment."

"So instead of a golf course, we should have a theme park, and instead of a clubhouse, we wanted a place where you could come and talk about art, technology and video games."

"We realized that there is nothing out there like that, and we thought, 'We're not the only ones that want that.' We decided, if that's a place we wanted, we'd have to build it ourselves."

The team he's assembled to create Game Nation is filled with heavy hitters in the industry.

When Ruke originally told his agent Marc Mencher, about his idea, he told Ruke he had to meet Bob.



Game Nation Celebration will feature traditional games as well as live-action experiences.

Bob turned out to be Bob Ward, the man who'd taken the Universal Studios tour and turned it into a theme park.

"I went to Bob's house and told him my idea," Ruke says. "He looked at me and said, 'You know, I've been looking for you. I left Universal five years ago, looking for someone like you.' He proceeded to tell me that he'd started with Disney as an original Imagineer. He was hired by Universal Studios to take their best back-lot tour and turn it into a theme park. He's the co-founder of Universal Creative (and

former senior vice president of international business development for Universal Parks & Resorts.)

"He said, 'I'm going to help you do this.' And I said, 'I guess we can do this now.'"

Mr. Ward is currently in Korea, Ruke says, helping Samsung build a theme park.

The Game Nation team also includes Charles Weber (financing, negotiations, production, licensing and merchandising) and Cole Peacock (investor and governmental relations, corporate program funding and international retail development.)

in the know

Game Nation Celebration

>> **When:** 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1, to 2 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 2

>> **Where:** Hotel Indigo and Harborside Event Center, downtown Fort Myers

>> **Cost:** \$5

>> **Info:** www.GNCelebration.com

Secret plans years in the making

As for Ruke himself, it seems that his entire career — his entire life — has been leading up to this.

He's always loved theme parks and video games. (His first video game was Pong. "My granddad bought it for his house, and I stole it," he says. "I never gave it back.")

He started private art lessons when he was 8 and eventually graduated from the Ringling School of Art and Design. He started his own company, RUKÉ Illustrations, in 1993, specializing in themed and branded spaces, then expanded in 1998, renaming the company blink, which he describes as a "non-traditional creative agency." Eight years later, the company was helping develop video games.

Ruke created Game Nation three years ago. He calls it "the world's first experiential video-game theme park and resort (offering) total immersion and completely interactivity."

But talking with him about the theme park is almost like reading a redacted letter.

He refuses to say where the theme park will be built, only allowing that it will be "South Florida, not Southwest Florida."

"We can't speak specifics," he says. "We have a partnership with one of the largest land-owners in Florida. The property is not on the market."

Not only can he not say where the park will be, he can't say how big it will be. Or how much it will cost.

He will say the world headquarters should be built within a year, but the actual theme park will take seven to 10 years to build.

Though patrons who visit Game Nation will be role-playing while immersed in different worlds, a visit to the park will be nothing like the 1973 movie "WestWorld" or the Star Trek holodeck, where people become immersed in another setting and interact with people who aren't real, Ruke says. "It's tangible, it's real," he adds about Game Nation.

He sees Game Nation as becoming a global destination.

There's certainly a market for it.

According to a 2013 report by the Entertainment Software Association, 58 percent of Americans play video games and there are an average of two gamers in each game-playing U.S. household.

The report quotes Michael Gallagher, the association's president and CEO, as saying, "No other sector has experienced the same explosive growth as the computer and video-game industry. Our creative publishers and talented workforce continue to accelerate advancement and pioneer new products that push boundaries and unlock entertainment experiences."

Now, with Ruke, his team, and Game Nation, it looks as if it's going to be a whole new playing field. ■

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KEYNOTE SPEECHES Once you have traveled to our event and experienced our heart, Game Nation will share with you its dream. We will showcase our vision, our direction, and even go so far as to tell you some previously undisclosed information about the Video Game Theme Park and Resort.

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4:30 PM Backstage Tour

7:00 PM CosPlay Extravaganza and Contest

8:00 PM Injustice: Gods Among Us - \$500 Tournament (Championship Pool Play)

9:00 PM Brentalfloss - Performance (Parody/Cover Artist of Video Game Songs & YouTube Star - www.Brentalfloss.com)

Keynote Speech "Game Nation Theme Park"

Winner's Circle (Tournament & Contest Winner Announcements)

DJ Cutman - Performance (Pioneer Performer of Dubstep, Chiptune & Video Game Music - www.djcutman.com)

11:00 PM Gaming Re-Opens

VIP Party

SATURDAY NOV 2ND

11:00 AM Inaugural Game Nation Assembly Meeting (Drive the Creative Direction of GN, YOUR Video Game Theme Park - Learn More @ www.GNassembly.com)

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WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

Theater

■ **Trailer Park Musical** – Through Nov. 2 by The Naples Players, it's "The Great American Trailer Park Musical" at the Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

■ **Afterlife of the Rich and Famous** – Through Nov. 2 by Let's Put On A Show Productions in the Joan Jenks Auditorium at the Golden Gate Community Center. 4701 Golden Gate Parkway. 398-9192 or letsputonashowproductions.com.

■ **The Mystery of Irma Vep** – Oct. 30-Nov. 23 by The Naples Players in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org. See story on page C1.

■ **You Say Tomato, I Say Shut Up!** – Through Nov. 2 at The Off Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

■ **Blame it on Beckett** – Nov. 1-16 by the Island Theater Company at the Marco Island Historical Museum on Marco Island. 394-0080 or www.theateronmarco.com.

Thursday, Oct. 24

■ **Green Market** – Naples Green Market takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the parking lot at Clive Daniel Home. 2777 Tamiami Trail N. 594-9358 or www.greenmarketflorida.com.

■ **Live & Local** – Fake Problems take the stage at 7 p.m. as part of the Live & Local series in the Daniels Pavilion at Artis—Naples. \$10. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Friday, Oct. 25

■ **Stone Crab Festival** – The fourth annual Naples Stone Crab Festival runs today through Oct. 27 at Tin City, Old Naples Waterfront, Bayfront, Naples Bay Resort and neighboring areas. www.stonecrabfestival.org.

■ **Lecture Series** – Authors Don Farmer and Chris Curle present "An Intimate Evening with Marcophiles" from 5-7 p.m. at the Marco Island Center for the Arts. \$35 includes cocktails and buffet. 1010 Winterberry Drive, Marco Island. 394-422 or www.marcoislandart.org.

■ **Classic Music** – FGCU Bower School of Music students present a wind orchestra/symphonic band concert at 7:30 p.m. at Holmes Plaza at FGCU. www.fgcu.edu (click on "concerts").

■ **Be Entranced** – Hypnotist and standup comic Rich Guzzi takes the stage at 8 p.m. at the Off the Hook Comedy Club, Marco Island. 389-6901 or www.offthehookcomedy.com.

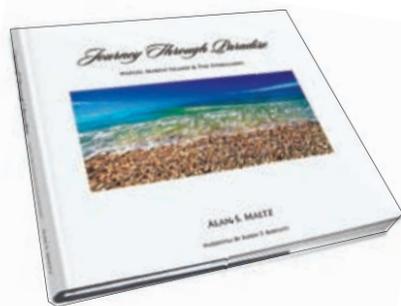
Saturday, Oct. 26

■ **Artcrafters Show & Sale** – The Naples Artcrafters hold a juried fine art and craft show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Cambier Park. Free admission, free parking. 250-0804 or www.naplesartcrafters.com.

■ **Trick-Or-Treat** – The Golisano Children's Museum of Naples holds members-only family-friendly trick-or-treating from 8-10 a.m. 514-0084 or www.cmon.org.

■ **Muck Around** – Guided swamp walks take place every Saturday through March in the wet wilderness behind Clyde Butcher's Big Cypress Preserve gallery off U.S. 41 in Ochopee. \$50 for adults; \$25 for ages 18 and younger. Reservations required. 695-2428 or www.clydebutchersbigcypressgallery.com.

■ **Give Me An I** – University of Iowa alums and fans are invited to join members of the Naples IOWA Club to cheer the Hawkeyes on against Northwestern University beginning at noon at Weekend Willie's. 5310 Shirley St. (319) 431-8845 or naplesiowaclub@gmail.com.



Get a sneak preview of the soon-to-be-released coffee table book "Journey Through Paradise: Naples, Marco Island & The Everglades" at Chez Boet in Crayton Cove from noon to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 29. Photographer Alan Maltz and writer Karen Bartlett will be in attendance to meet guests. \$25 includes a two-course lunch and glass of wine. 755 12th Ave. S. Reservations: 643-6177 or www.chezboetnaples.com.



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Fake Problems brings its blend of beach- and soul-inspired indie rock to the stage at 7 p.m. as part of the Live & Local series in the Daniels Pavilion at Artis—Naples. The Naples-born group consists of vocalist and guitarist Chris Farren, bassist Derek Perry, drummer Sean Stevenson and guitarist Casey Lee. \$10. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

■ **Pumpkin Fest** – Naples Beach Brewery offers a special tour and tasting from noon to 4 p.m. featuring pumpkin and harvest beers. 4110 Enterprise Ave. 304-8795 or www.naples-beachbrewery.com.

■ **Monster Mash** – The Village on Venetian Bay hosts an afternoon of face painters, balloon artists, pumpkin decorating, arts and crafts and more from 2-5 p.m. 261-6100 or www.venetianvillage.com.

■ **Costume Party** – Sports CLUB Center hosts a Halloween costume party from 6:30-9:30 p.m. featuring a haunted house, costume contest, games and more. \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door includes pizza and refreshments. 3275 Pine Ridge Road. 272-6812.

■ **Blue Halloween Ball** – Blue Martini hosts a Halloween costume ball from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. with live entertainment and a costume contest. 591-2583 or www.bluemartinilounge.com.

■ **Live Music** – The DVS Full Band performs from 8-11 p.m. at the Old Marco Pub & Restaurant. 1105 Bald Eagle Drive, Marco Island. 642-9700 or www.oldmarcopub.com.

■ **More Music** – The Wholtones take the stage at 9:30 p.m. at South Street City Oven Bar & Grill. 1410 Pine Ridge Road. 435-9333 or www.southstreetnaples.com.

Sunday, Oct. 27

■ **Community Day** – Artis—Naples hosts a family-friendly Community Day beginning at noon with pumpkin decorating, trick-or-treating, paper crafts, balloon artists and much more. Free. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

■ **Foreign Film** – The Renaissance Academy of FGCU hosts a screening and discussion of "Bliss" (Turkey/Greece, 2007) from 1-4 p.m. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. Pre-registration strongly suggested. www.fgcu.edu/racademy.

■ **See You at Stan's** – The Hot Damn Band performs from 1-6:30 p.m. at Stan's Idle Hour on Marco Island. 394-3041 or www.standsidlehour.net.

■ **Little Bar Jam** – John Lowbridge performs at 2 p.m. at the Little Bar Restaurant on Marco Island. 205 Harbor Pl, Goodland. 394-5663 or www.littlebar-restaurant.com.

■ **Zombie 5K** – Palmetto Ridge High School hosts the Key Club's first-ever Zombie 5K Run/Walk including zombie costume contest at 3 p.m. 1655 Victory Lane. 377-2400.

■ **Cooking for Two** – Sur La Table hosts a "Seafood on the Grill" cooking class at 3 p.m. \$79 per person. 9105 Strada Place. (800) 243-0852 or www.surlatable.com.

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■ **Reggae Sunday** – Army Gideon takes the stage at 9:30 p.m. at South Street City Oven Bar & Grill. 1410 Pine Ridge Road. 435-9333 or www.southstreetnaples.com.

■ **More Tunes** – Kirk Mcfee performs at Vandy's & 5 Brothers starting at 11:30 p.m. 1089 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 394-8767.

Monday, Oct. 28

■ **Sing Along** – It's karaoke night starting at 7 p.m. at Weekend Willie's. 5310 Shirley St. 597-3333 or www.weekendwillies.com.

Tuesday, Oct. 29

■ **Model Tour** – Clive Daniel Home interior designers Rebekah Errett-Pikosky and Charlie Hansen lead a tour of the newest model home in The Estuary at Grey Oaks at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Reservations required. 213-7844 or www.clivedaniel.com.

■ **Deadly News** – Marco Island Florist hosts a wine & cheese reception for Don Farmer and Chris Curle, authors of the book "Deadly News," from 4-6 p.m. 178 S. Barfield Drive, Marco Island. 394-8141 or www.marcoislandflorist.com.

■ **Halloween Milonga** – Pablo Repun Tango hosts an evening of live music, dancing and costumes from 7-11 p.m. \$20 per person. 1673 Pine Ridge Road. 738-4184 or www.pablorepunitango.com.

Wednesday, Oct. 30

■ **Brain Changer** – Sea Salt hosts a luncheon and book signing with Dr. David Perlmutter, author of the national best seller "Grain Brain," beginning at noon. \$75 per person includes a copy of the book. 434-7258.

■ **Pinot Passion!** – Sample a variety of pinot noir wines from 5-7 p.m. at Decanted Wines. \$10. 1410 Pine Ridge Road. Reservations required. 434-1814 or www.decantedwines.com.

■ **Wine Seminar** – Artichoke & Company and Lyeth winery host a wine seminar from 6-8 p.m. \$40. Reservations required. 1410 Rail Head Blvd. 263-6979.



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See Shostakovich's unconventional "The Nose" by the Metropolitan Opera broadcast live in HD at the Hollywood Stadium 20 starting at 12:55 p.m. Oct. 26. The production stars Dina Rose Rivera as A Pretty Lady and Paulo Szot as Kovalyov, the beleaguered Russian bureaucrat with a runaway nose. \$25 at the box office or at www.metopera.org.

■ **Concert in the Park** – Conductor Stuart Chavez returns when the Naples Philharmonic performs a free concert in Cambier Park at 7 p.m. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Coming up

■ **Halloween on Fifth** – Fifth Avenue South hosts the third annual Halloween Spooktacular on Fifth from 4:30-9:30 p.m. Oct. 31 with children's activities, trick-or-treating, adult and pet costume contests and more. www.fifthavenuesouth.com.

■ **Dancing by the Fountain** – The Village on Venetian Bay hosts dancing demonstrations and instruction by Fred Astaire Dance Studio from 5-8 p.m. Oct. 31. Free. www.venetianvillage.com.

■ **American Indian Art** – The Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum holds an American Indian Arts Celebration from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 1-2. \$9 for adults, \$6 for seniors, students and members of the military. (877) 902-1113 ext. 12211 or www.ahtahthiki.com.

■ **Art Exhibition** – The Gallery on Fifth in Mercato hosts an opening for the exhibition "Heat Wave" featuring the works of Russian-German artist Alexander Solotzew from 6-8 p.m. Nov. 1. 220-7503 or www.artorg.net.

■ **Cook's Corner** – Chef Kristina San Filippo of The Good Life hosts a cooking class featuring flavors of Mexico from 6-8 p.m. Nov. 1. \$60. 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 514-4663 or www.goodlifefl.com.

■ **Designer Anniversary** – Designer Diva's Resale Boutique celebrates its first anniversary by donating a portion of proceeds from the day's sales to the Miss Southwest Florida Scholarship fund from 1-4 p.m. Nov. 2. Pageant volunteers will model select fashions from the store throughout the afternoon. 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 431-6341 or www.naplesdesignerdivas.com.

■ **Pancake Breakfast** – Marco Island Fire Rescue Foundation hosts a pancake breakfast from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Nov. 3 at the Fire Station at the corner of San Marco Boulevard and Bald Eagle Drive, Marco Island. \$6/Person. 331-0908.

■ **Exhibition Opening** – The Naples Depot Museum hosts an opening reception "The Art of Jerry Vallez, Naples' Lasting Legacy" from 6-8 p.m. Nov. 6. Free. 1051 Fifth Ave. S. 262-6525 or www.colliermuseums.com.

■ **Harry Connick Jr.** – Harry Connick Jr. brings his signature sound inspired by his New Orleans roots to Artis—Naples at 8 p.m. Nov. 6. \$95-\$149. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

■ **Local History** – Historic Palm Cottage, home of the Naples Historical Society, offers guided tours of The Norris Gardens beginning at 10 a.m. Nov. 7 and 21. \$10 (free for NHS members). 137 12th Ave. S. Reservations required. 261-8164 or www.napleshistoricalsociety.org.

■ **Music at Mercato** – Mercato Nights presents Randy Stephens & The Blue Shades from 6-9 p.m. Nov. 7 on the lawn across from Naples Flatbread. www.mercatoshops.com.

■ **Movie Night** – The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents a screening and discussion of "The Butterfly" beginning at 7 p.m. Nov. 11. \$9. 26100 Old 41 Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

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




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ARTS COMMENTARY

Disappointment rules in the teachers' lounge

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It's been a while since I've attended school.

But yet, from time to time, I'll have those nightmares. You know, the ones where you're back in the classroom and about to take a test, but you don't know the subject or you can't understand the questions. Or the one where you're standing in front of the class, about to give a speech, but you're not prepared.

"All My Raisins in the Son" has given me another scenario: being stuck in a teachers' lounge with a group of teachers.

The 90-minute play by John M. Twomey is this year's Theatre Conspiracy New Play Contest winner. This run, through Saturday, Nov. 2, at the theater at the Alliance of the Arts in Fort Myers, is its world premiere.

The story revolves around a quintet of high school teachers — one of them brand new — and a power-hungry, bureaucratic vice principal.

Victoria (Katie Pankow) has returned to her unnamed alma mater, this time as a teacher. She's so new, the ink on her teaching certificate has barely dried, and her fellow educators at the school think she's still a student.

Mr. Twomey presents us with the typical school politics, teacher frustrations with students not wanting to learn and a vice principal arbitrarily cancelling a school play.

But not much happens in "All My Raisins in the Son."

There are some great lines here and there, and some minor conflicts, but there's not enough drama or comedy. Instead, the playwright has put speeches into the mouths of his characters — speeches about the importance of experience over theory, about the benefits of the teachers' union, about the importance of, and sometimes the futility of, fighting mindless bureaucracy.

And instead of giving us characters that we care about, he gives us types — the types of teachers we've seen in so many other shows set in schools. There's Felix (Ken Ruisi) the fastidious, bow-tie wearing, by-the-book guy who still lives with his mother despite his advanced age. He's the odd one the students all make fun of. There's Sal (Todd Fleck),



the good-looking drama teacher who harbors dreams of being a professional actor. Florence (Angie Koch) is burned-out and counting the days to retirement. And kind-hearted Nora (Joann Haley) is still trying to make a difference in her students' lives.

The aforementioned Ms. Pankow is the brand new teacher: naïve, eager, full of questions and self-doubt.

Susan, a third-generation educator (I use the term loosely), storms into the teachers' lounge from time to time, mostly to berate the teachers and place more obstacles in their path. (Katherine Cintron plays her with a frightening self-righteous zeal.)

But it's Ms. Koch, making her stage debut, who gets the most laughs. Her cynical, acerbic Florence throws out one-liners like grenades. In fact, if she were even more over-the-top in her delivery, she'd probably get even more laughs.

Florence is just marking time in the classroom, taking a mental health day every month. "I don't need this job to make me feel inadequate," she snaps.

The sweetness to her sour is Nora. Ms. Haley does her best with the role, making you believe there's a person with heart. "I don't want to make them read, I want to make them *want* to read," she

says at one point.

This school year, Nora has resorted to dressing up as characters from the classics she's teaching. The sight of her in the teachers' lounge dressed as Hester Prynne in "The Scarlet Letter," with a giant red A hanging around her neck, is a great idea, mostly because it's so incongruous. (She later shows up in a flaming red flapper dress and past-the-elbow gloves when teaching "The Great Gatsby.")

But even these visual jokes didn't get big laughs on opening night.

This play is not consistently funny. The pacing is off, and the staging's a little strange too; surprisingly, the Foulds Theater stage now feels too big, and the people stretched out across it.

The actors are better than the material; the play just doesn't seem to hold together. (And kudos to Mr. Ruisi, who stepped into his role at the last minute, with less than a week of rehearsal. He also has some funny pro-punctuation lines, including, "Punctuation is my passion" and "One day you will regret your disdain for punctuation.")

The playwright seems more focused on having his characters make speeches than actually interact with each other.

The set (by Bill Taylor, who also directed) is excellent. It's a typical teach-

ers' lounge, with a soda machine, bulletin board, microwave, filing cabinet, fire extinguisher and industrial garbage can.

The incidental music, between scenes, was also creative and nicely chosen.

But the play itself seems preachy and predictable. It tries to do too much, introducing myriad struggles teachers face, including student apathy, parental interference, endless paperwork, non-sensical rules and clueless authoritarian administrators.

"All My Raisins in the Son" might appeal to those who teach, who might feel comforted to see their daily struggles represented on stage. (But one audience member, in the opening night's talkback with the playwright, mistakenly seemed to feel the play was suggesting that all public school teachers are incompetent.)

Unfortunately, for me, watching "All My Raisins in the Son" felt like sitting through detention. ■

in the know

'All My Raisins in the Son'

>> **When:** Through Nov. 2

>> **Where:** Theatre Conspiracy at the Alliance of the Arts, Fort Myers

>> **Cost:** \$20

>> **Info:** 936-3239 or www.theatreconspiracy.org

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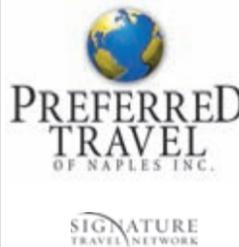
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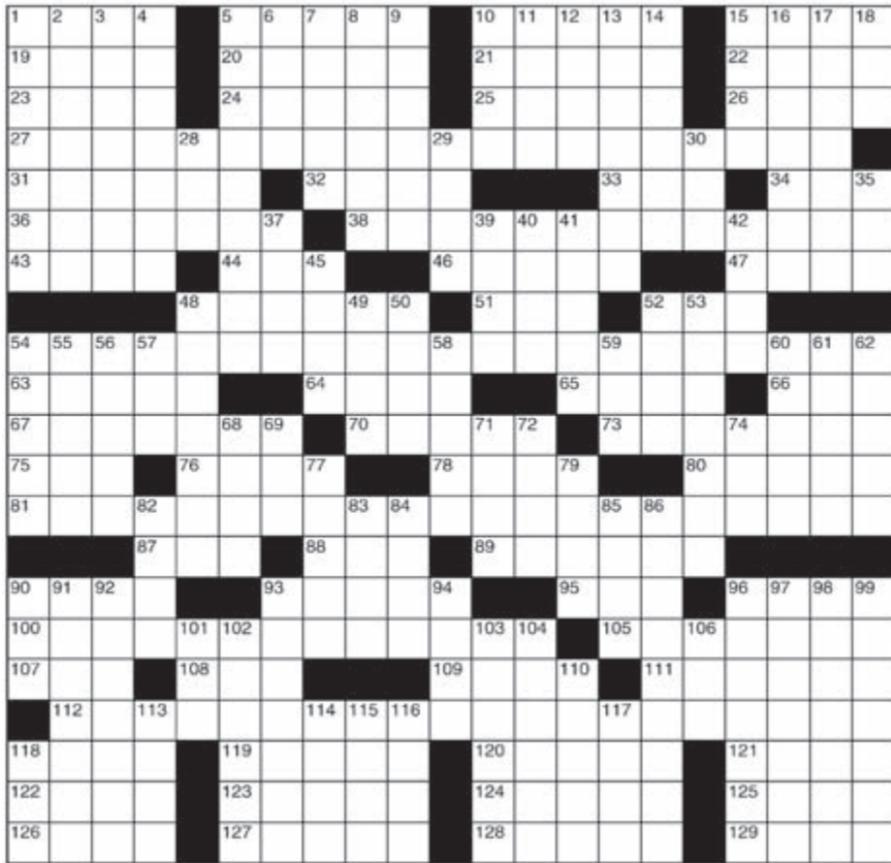
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HOROSCOPES

■ **SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** A more-positive mood might be difficult to assume in light of a recent problem involving the health of someone special. But by week's end, your emotional barometer should start to rise.

■ **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Look for a changed attitude from a former adversary once he or she realizes you have your colleagues' full support. Now you can refocus your energies on that workplace project.

■ **CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** This time, a difference of opinion might not be resolved in your favor. But be patient. It ultimately could all work out to your advantage, as new information begins to develop.

■ **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** A tug of war develops between the artistic Aquarian's creative aspect and his or her practical side. Best advice: Prioritize your schedule so you can give appropriate time to both.

■ **PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** You could be entering a career phase awash with job-related demands. But avoid being swamped by the overflow and, instead, keep treading water as you deal with demands one by one.

■ **ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** You enjoy the attention early in the week, but it might be a good idea to opt for some privacy by week's end so that you can have more time to consider an upcoming decision.

■ **TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** You unearthed some surprising facts. Now you

need to consider how to use them to your advantage. Meanwhile, it might be best to keep what you've learned secret for now.

■ **GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** A comment by a colleague piques your curiosity to know more. Best advice: You'll find people more likely to offer information if you're discreet when making your inquiries.

■ **CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Your energy levels begin to rise by midweek. This allows you to catch up with your heavy workload and still have plenty of get-up-and-go to go out on the town this weekend.

■ **LEO (July 23 to August 22)** You're probably roaring your head off about a perceived slight from a longtime critic. Ignore it. That person might just be trying to goad you into doing something you might later regret.

■ **VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** The early part of the week is open to spontaneity. Then it's time to settle into your usual routine to get all your tasks done. A personal situation could require more attention from you.

■ **LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** A meeting of the minds on a workplace project might well develop into something more personal for Librans looking for romance. Aspects are also favorable for platonic relationships.

■ **BORN THIS WEEK:** You are an exceptionally loyal person, and you're respected for your ability to keep the secrets entrusted to you. ■

By Linda Thistle

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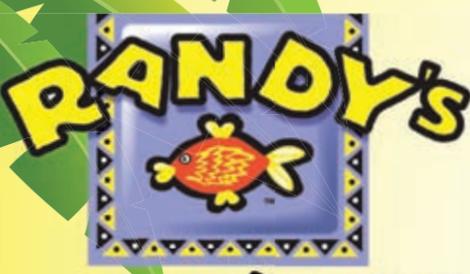


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Is it worth \$10? Yes

In this technological age, the role of the individual has simultaneously become homogenized and powerful. Although millions of social media users around the world keep information superhighways busy with senseless chatter and pictures of waterskiing squirrels, there are times when select individuals use the power of connectivity for (what they believe is) the greater good.

Most famously, Julian Assange pioneered modern citizen journalism with his website WikiLeaks, which was founded in 2007 with the purpose of allowing anonymous whistle blowers the opportunity to unveil news leaks and other classified secrets.

"The Fifth Estate" chronicles the first three years of WikiLeaks.

Mr. Assange (Benedict Cumberbatch), a white-haired Internet activist from Australia with a clear disdain for corporate corruption, views himself as a revolutionary, a man of the people and for the people who wants to change the way we consume news. He also believes the public has the right know everything. "Privacy for individuals, transparency for organizations," he virtuously tells his right-hand man, Daniel Berg (Daniel Bruhl).

With the help of Mr. Berg and other volunteer support staff, WikiLeaks goes to great pains to ensure that the information revealed is truthful. Because the sources are anonymous, tips are submitted to an encrypted online platform and checked for veracity before they are published. Notable WikiLeaks revelations included footage of a military shooting in Iraq, Peruvian politician bribes and Sarah Palin's not-so-flattering views on government.

Most famously, in 2010 WikiLeaks, in conjunction with *The Guardian* in London, *The New York Times* and *Der Spiegel* in Berlin, released the Afghan War Documents, which chronicled U.S. government mistakes, deaths of civilians, Taliban attacks and more over a six-year period. Not surprisingly, the U.S. government wasn't happy

about the leaks, which threatened national security and the job status of two foreign attaches (played by Laura Linney and Stanley Tucci) and a White House staffer (Anthony Mackie), among others.

Mr. Bruhl, who deserves a supporting actor Oscar nomination for his work in "Rush" and is solid here, nicely complements Mr. Cumberbatch's eccentric Mr. Assange, who's a charismatic megalomaniac with a troubled past. Mr. Cumberbatch is good but not spectacular; after "Star Trek: Into Darkness" (he played Khan), his star remains on the rise, but this performance won't elevate him to A-list status. He's close, though.

The central question director Bill Condon ("Kinsey") raises — a question that is as much a sign of modern times as any film this year — is where should the line be drawn between the public's right to know and an organization's right to secrecy? We know how Mr. Assange feel about this, self-touting his efforts to expose all misdeeds as

"social justice." On the flip side is the adage that "individuals are smart, people are stupid," meaning a single person can exercise rational thought and act accordingly when given information, but a herd mentality can sometimes overcome a group of people and chaos ensues.

Surely, it is possible that sometimes the government doesn't reveal information to the public for a good reason. How you feel about this will depend on your personal and political beliefs; what's notable is that this is one of the few films to bring that question to mind.

Mr. Condon's only notable misstep comes toward the end of the film, as WikiLeaks is viewed as a vanity project for Mr. Assange rather than grassroots citizen journalism. No matter: By that point, the intention of "The Fifth Estate" has been made clear, and the result is a message that's more dangerous than it is damning. ■



in the know

>> "The Fifth Estate" was adapted by Josh Singer ("Fringe") from the books "Inside WikiLeaks: My Time with Julian Assange at the World's Most Dangerous Website" by Daniel Berg and "WikiLeaks: Inside Julian Assange's War on Secrecy" by David Leigh and Luke Harding. Mr. Assange did not participate in the making of the film, and given that it's not exactly a flattering depiction of his likeness, it's doubtful that he would endorse it.

stunning, and a strong lead performance from Ms. Bullock makes this one of the year's best. Rated PG-13.

Rush ★★★★★

(Chris Hemsworth, Daniel Bruhl, Olivia Wilde) The rivalry between Formula One racecar drivers James Hunt (Mr. Hemsworth) and Niki Lauda (Mr. Bruhl) is chronicled in director Ron Howard's latest. It's a captivating drama that's less about racing and more about how two men who hate each other bring out the best in one another. There are also great performances from the two leads, especially Bruhl. Rated R. ■

Captain Phillips ★★★★★

(Tom Hanks, Barkhad Abdi, Michael Chernus) Somali pirates hijack a cargo ship helmed by Capt. Richard Phillips (Mr. Hanks). It's based on a true story, and the performances and execution make this a solid movie that might just be around come Oscar time. Rated PG-13.

Gravity ★★★★★

(George Clooney, Sandra Bullock, voice of Ed Harris) After debris destroys their ship, astronauts Kowalsky (Mr. Clooney) and Stone (Ms. Bullock) work together to survive. The visuals are

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The conference helps emerging and professional artists, as well as people with a passion for the arts, to connect, share ideas and build mentor relationships. Literary, visual and performing arts leaders will gather to share their expertise for using creativity to positively impact culture.

Events include a Thursday songwriters' workshop led by award-winning singer and songwriter Martha Christian and the Evening of Music & Arts, a Friday showcase of talented artists who come together for a night of music, dance, live art and other per-

formances. Saturday workshops range from "Change the World Through Movies" led by film director David Nixon and "Ten Commandments of Fine Art" with Naples artist and author Marco Bronzini to Jerry Roots' writers' workshop "Learning from CS Lewis - The Craft of Storytelling" and sessions on speed painting, writing for Hollywood, vocal coaching, journaling, improv and other topics.

Register at www.StoryTellersCreativeArts.com for \$89 per person; group and student discounts are available.

The conference is sponsored by Storytellers Creative Arts, which was founded in 2010 to inspire and develop creative people to use their artistic gifts to influence culture. For more information, call 250-1822. ■

Bonita concert band welcomes players

The New Horizon Concert Band, a Bonita Springs-based group for seniors eager to return to their love of music after years of busy careers and who now have the time, skills and passion to reconnect with a concert band, is tuning up for its seventh season. Rehearsals will be held at 2 p.m. every Wednesday beginning Oct. 30 and continuing through March at the First Presbyterian Church on Bonita Beach Road.

The band plays favorites from John Phillip Sousa marches to Hollywood

and Broadway show tunes. Last season, 45-55 members under the direction of Ben Truax performed a number of concerts in the community as well as the band's signature performance for a crowd of 900 at the church.

The band is seeking musicians for all chairs. Auditions are not required. Just show up Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 30, with instrument in hand.

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WRITING CHALLENGE

Misty park the scene of surprising encounters

We've chosen three short stories this week that all take place in the misty park scene you see pictured here.

We'd like to read your take on the image as well. Using the picture 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 original stories in Word format or pasted into the body of an e-mail until Saturday, Oct. 26. E-mail them to writ-

ing@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.

This is the final round of four heats of competition. Two winners selected

by our editorial staff will win a ticket each to the eighth annual Sanibel Island Writers Conference Nov. 7-10. Winners will be notified on Friday, Nov. 1. So far, we've been impressed with every single entry that's come in. Thanks for writing and good luck. ■

'I saw you...' Jefferson Airplane, Surrealistic Pillow – 1967

DON RUHL
Naples

The misty air still hung in the trees though it was now mid-morning. He entered the Parc Monceau, turned west past the rotunda along the Boulevard de Courcelles, to the two benches by the lamppost just beyond the small lake. He made this journey often, especially on this day, today. This is where it had started for them, where they had first met, soon after the war.

He took his seat on the south-facing bench, sitting quietly, as he had for all these past 15 years. Fifteen? No. Not that long since she had died: more like only 12? No, more. 13! Yes, 13

years since she had died from eating bad sushi. Really? Nobody dies from bad sushi. The very idea made him chuckle briefly. Then he felt bad, truly bad. Being amused by someone's death should be left to bad sitcoms.

He would doze of and on through the morning on these days, roused often by passing strollers or random street sounds. Until finally she would be there, sitting across from him, every year on this day of the past 12.

The first time he had called to her, "Susanne?" But no response. He tried to rise and walk over but of course couldn't. She may have been there, or maybe not. But not for him.

So he came back year after year, just for the glimpse. She would sit quietly looking out someplace beyond his seeing. Then, after a time she would rise, glance his way and a slight smile would cross her lips. She would turn and in two steps fade away into the mist or the sunlight or the rain or the sleet, vapor again. And he would sit and doze

a while longer until startled by the sudden pop of the gas lamplight igniting. Dusk and time to find his way through the park to their old apartment on the Rue L'Murat.

So today he dozed through the afternoon. But she had not come. The afternoon passed and suddenly he was jarred awake by the lamplight's ignition. Confused, he looked up and down the lane. Nothing. He felt suddenly very empty, very alone, staring at his shoes.

"It's time."

He heard it, raising his head. Yes! She had come. But she was standing in front of the opposite bench. She stepped toward him, smiling, holding out her hand, palm up.

He rose. "It's time?"

He reached out for her hand, really feeling her for the first time in more than a dozen years.

"Yes."

He wouldn't need to find his way home today. Or ever. ■

You know the place

NICK KALVIN
Naples

Gravel crunched with my footsteps. Damned daylight savings delayed the dawn.

Our old spot lay just ahead. Fall's first cold night left grass, leaves and our benches with glistening drops of dew. Annette woke me with her call. Pain of bone marrow metastases is not conducive to sleep.

Here, since fifth grade, we exchanged exasperations and dilemmas — boys, parents, teachers, hair and skin problems, geometry and algebra, tortures of pubescent femininity. Our senior year, Dad was transferred to West Pac. We moved to San Diego, his aircraft carrier's home port. At a post-deployment party I met a young pilot, a Top Gun graduate in one of Dad's Squadrons.

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WRITING CHALLENGE

I married Bill. Annette married a handsome classmate, Frank Turner. The four of us got together twice, in the SHS transformed gym, 10th and 15th reunions. Otherwise, cards, e-mail, long calls kept us connected.

Bill died providing air support for Marines in some hell hole. Two years later, I moved back to our old home in historic Savannah. Mom and Dad decided to retire in California. Before I came, Annette suggested I hire Frank, a contractor, to get the rundown wood and brick place up to code, stop the leaks and repair the chimney. About halfway through the job, she found a lump. That led to a biopsy, another biopsy, a partial and then a double mastectomy, chemotherapy and radiation. I became Frank's listener while a lot of this went down. He was having a long consultation with Jack Daniels. Getting worse, he turned to me. When the day came that he cried on my shoulder, on this same bench, I took him to A.A. A Twelve Stepper, I was familiar with that path, too. Everybody at the meeting cried along with him as he told his story.

Her predicament sucked strength from this former jokester and husky three-letter man. His spirit and frame paralleled her bone marrow and blood counts.

When the phone rang, I knew it was her. I knew where she'd want to meet. I knew what she would say... that her hair never grew since the last round of chemo... that Frank couldn't bring him-



self to touch her since the first operation... that Frank was having an affair... that she didn't blame him... that...

Horizontal shafts of sunlight cut through the mist. One hit the bright kerchief wrapped around her head. The gravel told me where she was... almost here. She sat across from me, on the other bench, our knees almost touching.

I hoped she would not tell me everything.

I prayed she didn't know.

My mouth was like cotton, as tears

ran down her face. She wiped at them with a hand. Then, she took a deep breath, looked up into the waiting trees.

"Jeannie, there's something I have to tell you." ■

Promises

JEAN HARRINGTON

Naples

"Be my Lily Marlene," he said. "Meet me by the lamppost."

"Underneath the stars?"

"That would be wonderful. I'll wait for you. No matter how long, I'll wait."

She smiled, knowing he would. He always had, every morning for a year now. Their walks together had made her so happy. Eager to see him, she'd start each day with his smile and firm hand clasp. Then side by side, they'd stroll through the wooded paths for an hour or more, talking about nothing, laughing about everything.

Her cheeks flushed. Meeting at night under the lamplight would be different, exciting. She waved good-bye. "I'll be back after dark."

"I'll be here."

But he wasn't, and her heart plummeted. The bench where he sat to wait for her was empty. No one rose from it to greet her as she approached, beaming a singular smile saved for her alone. Tears pricked at her eyes. She should have known being with him in the night, in the dark, was too good to be true.

She slumped onto the bench — his bench. This time she'd be the one waiting, all night if she had to. In the chill, piney air, her skin erupted into goose flesh. An owl hooted in the distance, and a small creature scurried through the grass, but she wasn't afraid. Or cold. Not under the arc of lamplight that like a mini-moon cast down a perfect, dreamlike glow. She leaned back and glanced up into its warm aura. A scream ripped from her throat.

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Richard Blanco, Dan Bern and Craig Finn headline the conference.

Mr. Blanco has written several



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Keynote speaker Richard Blanco and guest speaker Darin Strauss.

award-winning poetry collections, the most recent of which is "Looking for the Gulf Motel." His poem "Boston Strong," written in response to the

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attack at the 2013 Boston Marathon, was recently published as a chapbook by the University of Pittsburg Press. Mr. Blanco was selected by President Barack Obama to be the 2013 inaugural poet, joining the ranks of Robert Frost and Maya Angelou. He is the conference keynote speaker.

Poet Emma Trelles ("Tropicalia," winner of the Andres Montoya



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Poetry Prize, and "Little Spells") will read before Mr. Blanco's keynote address at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at BIG ARTS. The event is free and open to the public.

Singer-songwriter Mr. Bern returns to Sanibel on Friday, Nov. 8, for his third concert at the writers conference. In addition to his more than 20 albums and ep's, he is the author of the novel "Quitting Science" and the children's book "Cleaver the Gronk."

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"Chang and Eng" and "More Than it Hurts You") reads before Mr. Bern's performance. The event begins at 6 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

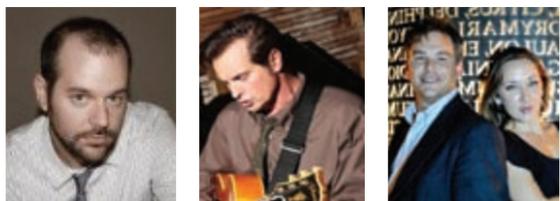
Singer-songwriter Mr. Finn, best known as the leader of Brooklyn band The Hold Steady, performs a solo concert on Thursday, Nov. 7. Author Kristen Iversen ("Full Body Burden: Growing Up in the Nuclear Shadow of Rocky Flats," winner of the 2013 Colorado Book Award and the Reading the West Book Award in Nonfiction) will read before the concert. The event begins at 6 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

Also on the program for this year's conference: Steve Almond (creative nonfiction), Lynne Barrett (fiction/ editor), Lisa Borders (fiction), Mar-

garet Cardillo (children's literature), Christopher Castellani (fiction), Brock Clarke (fiction), Ron Currie Jr. (fiction), John Dufresne (screenwriting), Beth Ann Fennelly (poetry), Roxane Gay (nonfiction), Tim Parrish (nonfiction), Benjamin Percy (fiction), Nahid Rachlin (nonfiction), Kathleen Rooney (poetry), Christopher Schelling (literary agent), Michael Steinberg (nonfiction), Johnny Temple (editor and publisher), Laura Valeri (fiction), Alexis Washam (editor), and Robert Wilder (nonfiction).

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Decorative lanterns lit the way on Halloween

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Lanterns are among the earliest Halloween collectibles — and not just jack-o'-lanterns. The early-1900's jack-o'-lantern was made of metal.

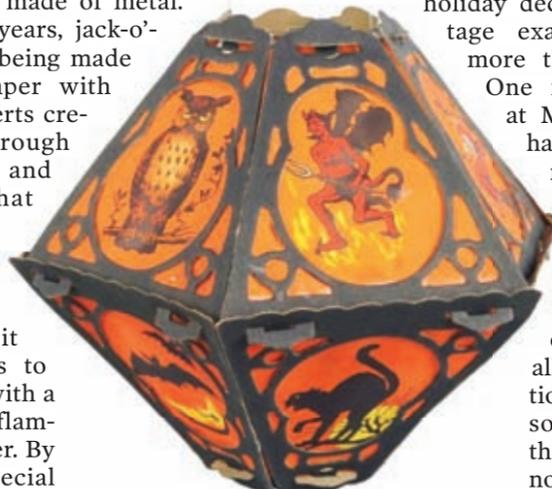
Within a few years, jack-o'-lanterns were being made of pressed paper with thin paper inserts creating see-through eyes, nose and mouth. That way, a candle

inside the paper pumpkin could light a path. But it was dangerous to walk and run with a lit candle in a flammable container. By the 1920s, special Halloween lampshades were made for display in a front window. You also could buy flat-sided lanterns made in a

"stained-glass" style with black cardboard strips and translucent orange paper. These lanterns were made in Germany and the United States until the 1940s. But beware — some were reproduced in the 1990s. Old lanterns usually have round, indented candle-

holders on the bottom; most reproductions have flat bottoms. A very famous 12-panel lantern was made in Germany in the 1920s and sold by Beistle, an important American company that sold (and still sells) holiday decorations. A vintage example sells for more than \$500 today.

One recently offered at Morphy Auctions had a presale estimate of \$400 to \$600.



This 8-inch-high paper lantern was made in the early 1920s. It was scheduled to sell at a Morphy auction in Denver, Pa., in early October. Presale estimate: \$400-\$600.

Q: My mother left me a collection of Kewpie dolls, all in good condition. Please tell me something about them. I'm in my 70s now and probably will give them to my granddaughters rather than sell them. But I'd like to know if they're valuable.

A: Artist Rose O'Neill (1874-1944) drew the first Kewpies, little naked, winged, Cupid-like characters, for a Ladies' Home Journal story that ran in 1909. Within two years, O'Neill's drawings were turned into 3-D designs for Kewpie dolls and figurines. They were




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made with small blue wings and a red heart as a mark. The dolls were an immediate success, and several companies made Kewpies and Kewpie-related products. Kewpie dolls still are being made. They can be found in bisque, celluloid, composition or hard plastic. Collectors love Kewpies and will pay hundreds, or even thousands, for rare old figurines and dolls.

Q: I have a large Wagner Ware fry pan with cover. It reads "Magnalite No. 4569." The pan is 10½ inches wide and 3 inches deep. I'm wondering what it might be worth.

A: Your fry pan is a chicken fryer. Wagner Manufacturing Co. was founded in Sidney, Ohio, in 1891. After several changes in ownership, the company closed in 1999. Wagner made Magnalite, a cast aluminum cookware, from 1934 to 1999. The value of your fry pan depends on condition. The average price is under \$20.

Q: We own an old barber chair with a metal label that reads, "Koken Companies, Manufacturers, St. Louis, U.S.A." How do you suggest we sell it?

A: Ernest Koken, a German immigrant, was selling shaving mugs in St. Louis by 1874, when he was 19 years old. By the 1880s, he was selling barber chairs, and had started filing for patents on improvements to the chairs. His patents eventually included a reclining chair back and a hydraulic lift. His company, Koken Barbers' Supply Co., manufactured chairs until it went bankrupt in the 1950s. (A successor, Koken Manufacturing Co., is in business today; it bought the original company's assets.) Antique Koken barber chairs in excellent shape can sell for thousands, but they're not easy to transport. So it would be better to sell your chair locally

via a trade-paper ad, Craigslist or a local shop or auction.

Q: My husband and I found a very old pen-and-ink calligraphic drawing of a bird. It was stuck inside an old family Bible. The Bible dates back to the early 1800s, and the signed drawing is 7 ½ by 8 ½ inches. The bird in the center of the drawing is surrounded by lots of flourishes and doodads. I understand this type of drawing was done by students studying calligraphy back then. Can you give us an idea of value?

A: The art of calligraphy flourished in the United States during the 19th century. Elegant penmanship was a sign of refinement and was taught in private academies and writing classes. Drawings like yours were done with quills or steel pens, and typically have repeated cursive flourishes that also could be used in fancy handwriting. If your drawing is original, it could sell for \$50 into the low hundreds.

Tip: Paintings displayed in a dining room often are splattered with food and sometimes even pick up food odors. Have an oil painting professionally cleaned. ■

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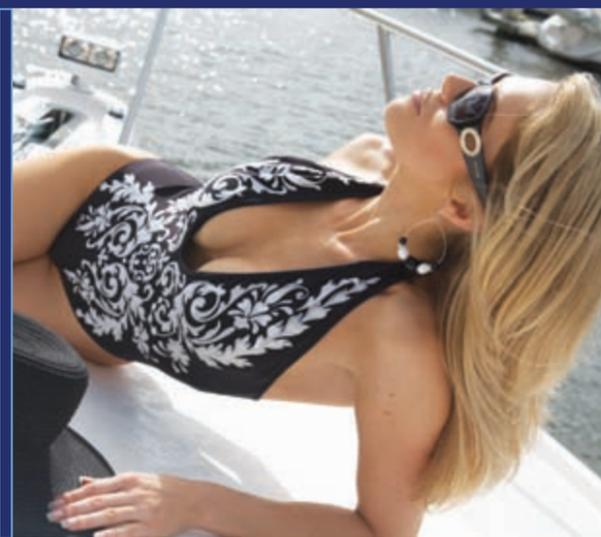
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PLAYERS

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"Our Town" is the love story of George Gibbs and Emily Webb as narrated by a stage manager.

Jim Corsica has been cast as the stage manager, who also assumes many small parts as he guides this play about life in a small town. Brigid Wallace and Michael Frank, making his Naples Players debut, will perform as Emily and George.

Others in the cast include: Ray Kane and Nancy Menaldi-Scanlan as Dr. and Mrs. Gibbs; Greg White and Sharon True as Mr. and Mrs. Webb; Thomas Richardson as Wally Webb; Larry Shoop as Simon Stimson; Sophia-Bella Carrasquillo and Diliana Gresbrink sharing the role of Si Crowell; Joe Byrne as Joe Crowell; Andrew Ciliberto as Howie Newsome; Carla Grieve as Mrs. Soames; Len Becker as Constable Warren; and Jessica Daniels and Amanda Pasler sharing the role of Rebecca Gibbs.

The townspeople will be played by Douglas Casement, Rhonda Davis, Scott Doucette, Cynthia Graf, Michelle Langlas, Preslie True, Denise Villarreal, Carolyn, Weinand

and Mariel Weinand.

"Our Town" will be performed at 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$10 for students.

For tickets to "The Mystery of Irma Vep" or "Our Town," call the box office at 263-7990 or visit www.naplesplayers.org.



COURTESY PHOTO Mike Santos and Mark Vanagas in rehearsal for "The Mystery of Irma Vep."

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A scene from Shostakovich's "The Nose" with the title character (actor Frank Colardo). Photo taken at The Metropolitan Opera on Sept. 14.

Runaway nose stars in Shostakovich's unconventional opera 'Live in HD'

The eighth season of "The Met: Live in HD" continues in theaters across the country with an innovative production of Shostakovich's shocking, unconventional "The Nose." Show time is 12:55 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26.

Pavel Smelkov conducts a cast led by Tony Award-winning Paulo Szot as the hapless Kovalyov, a beleaguered Russian bureaucrat with a runaway nose. Andrey Popov performs as the menacing police inspector, and Alexander Lewis as Kovalyov's peripatetic nose.

Running time is approximately 1 hour, 50 minutes.

In Southwest Florida, "The Met: Live in HD" screenings are at the Hollywood Stadium 20 in Naples, Coconut Point 16 in Estero, Bell Tower 20 in Fort Myers and Town Center Stadium 16 in Port Charlotte.

Live screenings of eight more operas continue through May 10 and include Met Music Director James Levine's return to the podium in December. Metropolitan Opera stars serve as hosts for the HD series, conducting live interviews with cast, crew

and production teams, and introducing the popular behind-the-scenes feature. Soprano Patricia Racette hosts the broadcast of "The Nose." Encore presentations also are on the schedule.

The "Live in HD" 2013-14 season continues with:

- Nov. 9: Puccini's "Tosca," starring Ms. Racette
- Dec. 14: Verdi's Falstaff, with Mr. Levine at the podium
- Feb. 8: Dvorak's "Rusalka," with Renee Fleming in the title role
- March 1: Borodin's rarely heard epic, "Prince Igor"
- March 15: Massenet's "Werther"
- April 5: Puccini's "La Boheme"
- April 26: Mozart's "Così fan tutte"
- May 10: Rossini's Cinderella story, "La Cenerentola"

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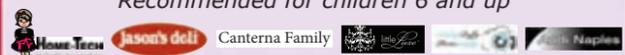
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CLUB NOTES



■ The **Naples Christian Women's Connection** holds its next luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 1, at the Quail Creek Country Club. Guest speaker Meryl Bishop will present "Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone!" Author Cathy Whalen will discuss flower arranging and will have copies of her books available for purchase.

All are welcome. Cost is \$23. For reservations, call 254-0584. For more information about the organization, visit www.cwcf.net.

■ The **Naples Orchid Society** holds its next meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Guest speaker will be Raphael Romero, import/export manager at Plantio La Orquidea, an orchid producer with operations in Sarasota and Venezuela. Mr. Romero will discuss the large, frilly-petaled Schomburgkia orchids that grow in tropical areas of Venezuela. He will have plants available for purchase. Before the program, AOS judge Bill Overton will present a 30-minute class on orchid pests and diseases beginning at 6 p.m. Admission is free, and all are welcome.

The society's annual orchid sale takes place from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at the church. Admission is free.

For more information, call 775-5220 or visit www.naplesorchidsociety.org.

■ **Pi Phi alums** in Naples, Bonita Springs and Marco Island are invited to the Pi Phi Naples mixer at 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24, at M Waterfront Grill in Venetian Village.

The club holds its next luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at Pelican's Nest Golf Club in Pelican Landing, Bonita Springs.

Artist Heidi Saletko's will present "FronD Zoo," a program showcasing her animal masks made from recycled palm fronds. Cost is \$25. Reservations and advance payment are required. Call Connie Kindsvater at 597-7878 or e-mail conskind@aol.com.

■ The **Southwest Florida Chapter of the American Airlines Kiwi Club** holds its next luncheon and meeting starting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, at Naples Lakes Country Club. 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.

■ The **Greater Naples Branch of AAUW** meets from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at Hodges University in the Science & Technology Building. Guest speaker Dr. Allen Weiss, president and CEO of the NCH Healthcare System, will discuss "The Future of Health Care."

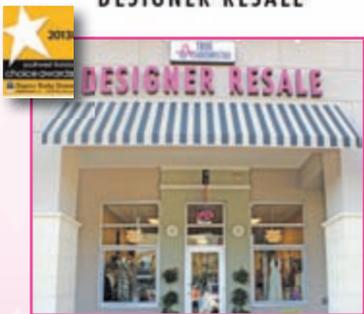
Guests are welcome. For reservations or more information, visit www.aauwgnb.org.

■ The **Naples Garden Club** celebrates its 60th anniversary at a members-only luncheon beginning at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 4, at Windstar Country Club. Cost is \$45. For more information, call 262-1272 or e-mail info@naplesgardenclub.org.

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Tom Turicchi, president of the society, will present "Finding the Fun in Italian Opera," a multimedia program about the comic operas of Rossini. Mr. Turicchi, a former professor of music history and director of instrumental music at Texas Woman's University, lectures regularly at the Center for Lifelong Learning at Hodges University and the Renaissance Academy of FGCU.

Cost of the Welcome Back Brunch is \$36.

The new season of the society's Italian film series begins with a screening of "Tosca's Kiss" (1985) at 6:45 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, at The Norris Center.

For luncheon reservations or more information about the society, call 434-3323, e-mail ics.naples@gmail.com or visit www.italianculturalsociety.com.

■ The Naples chapter of **Ikebana International** meets at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, at Moorings Presbyterian Church.

Senior teacher Mah Tavallali will conduct a workshop on Ohara landscape design. Members and guests will be able to purchase containers and flower-arranging materials at the ginzi, or marketplace.

All are welcome. Advanced registration is required. There is a \$5 charge for provided workshop materials.

For reservations or more information, visit www.ikebananaples.com.

■ The **Genealogical Society of Collier County** meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Guest speaker Ray McAdams will discuss how to identify, date and preserve old photographs. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and guests are always welcome. For more information, visit www.thegscc.org.

■ The **Everglades Astronomical Society** holds its regular meeting from 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at The Norris Center. Newcomers to astronomy and those experienced in star-gazing are welcome. The society also holds a monthly dark sky viewing at the Fakahatchee Strand, with the next one planned for Saturday, Oct. 26.

For more information, e-mail Mike Usher, society president, at usher34105@earthlink.net.

■ The **Women's Cultural Alliance** hosts its annual Welcome Back luncheon beginning at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, at Grey Oaks Country Club. More than 250 members and guests are expected to hear guest speaker Bonita Springs resident and author Peggy Post, the granddaughter of Emily Post.

WCA is an affinity group of the Jewish Federation of Collier County. New members are always welcome. For more information, visit www.WomensCulturalAlliance.com.

■ The **Naples Woman's Club** holds its annual Valentine Family Scholarship Luncheon beginning at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 15, at Windstar Country Club. Guest speaker Allison Blankenship will present "Lessons of a Life Diva."

Tickets are \$50, with all proceeds supporting the scholarship fund and The Shelter for Abused Women & Children. The Valentine family gives \$500 a year and the club matches that for a total of \$1,000 in scholarships.

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Q: Can you tell me what one of my favorite stars, John O'Hurley, has been up to? I'd love to see him in something soon.

— Beatrice W., Omaha, Neb.

A: For starters, the talented actor/host/dancer/singer/author will be hosting the National Dog Show Presented by Purina on Thanksgiving Day, which airs at noon for the 12th year in a row. Aside from all the cute doggy fun for the whole family that we're used to with the dog show, this year sees the introduction of the Chinook, rat terrier and Portuguese podengo pequeno into the competition.

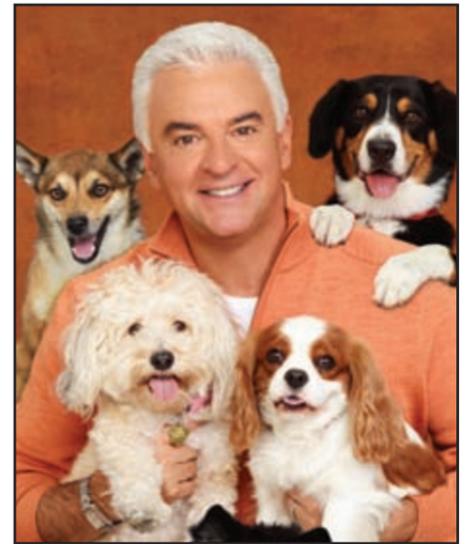
John also has a children's book coming out Oct. 31 called "The Perfect Dog."

Q: One of my favorite shows is "Cold Justice." Will it be back for another season?

— Chris M., via e-mail

A: TNT has ordered a second season of its hit real-life drama "Cold Justice," where former prosecutor Kelly Siegler and former crime-scene investigator Yolanda McClary solve cold cases, their season-one efforts having brought many criminals to justice already. The first season, which wrapped up Oct. 22, so far has helped to bring about a guilty plea (from the Sept. 3 episode), three indictments (Sept. 10 episode) and a grand jury trial to bring about more indictments (Sept. 17 episode). Season two will have 10 more episodes and is scheduled to air in early 2014.

Q: Seeing Tina Fey and Amy Poehler



John O'Hurley

present at the Emmy's this year made me wonder if they'd be back to host the Golden Globes? I loved them as co-hosts!

— Gina F., via e-mail

A: Tina and Amy have signed on to host the Golden Globe Awards for the next two years. Insiders are saying the deal is a coup for the Golden Globes, but I say it's a coup for the viewers, as we'll be treated to the comedic dynamic duo for at least two more ceremonies. ■

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Doc Martin, Oct. 24.

10 P.M.

**Masterpiece Classic
Downton Abbey Season 2, Part 3**

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MONDAY, OCT. 28, 8 P.M.

**Antiques Roadshow
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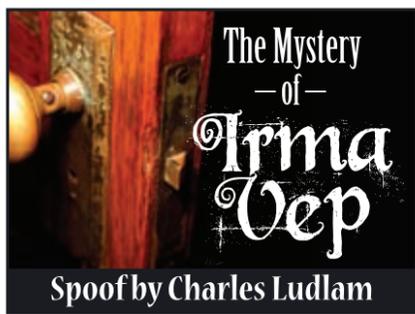
Highlights include a rare Qing Dynasty vase; a 1956 Gretsch Chet Atkins Model 6120 guitar; and an oil painting by popular Victorian artist John George Brown, valued at \$40,000 to \$50,000.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30, 10 P.M.

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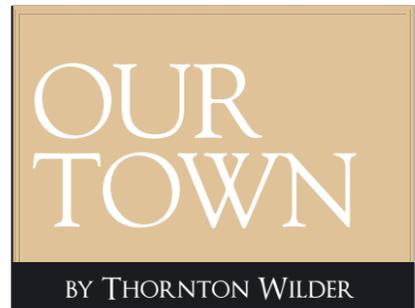
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■ **Literacy Volunteers of Collier County** stages the annual Dancing with the Stars for Literacy beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Tickets are \$175. For more information, call 262-4448 or visit www.collierliteracy.org.

■ **Lighthouse of Collier Center for Blindness and Vision Loss** presents the Beatles-themed Boogie on the Beach from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. A Fab Four cover band will entertain. Tickets are \$75 for adults, \$25 for ages 18 and younger, free for ages 5 and younger.

Call 430-3934 or visit www.lighthouseofcollier.org.

■ **Bayshore Cultural and Performing Arts Center** presents "CAPA Art Forms — Sculpture" from 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at The von Liebig Art Center. Admission is \$100. Ticket proceeds and a portion of art sales will support the CAPA mission to build a state-of-the-art cultural and performing arts center that showcases local visual and performing artists.

Call 775-2800, e-mail bayshorecapacenter@centurylink.net or visit www.bayshorecapa.org.

■ The inaugural **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.

The event also includes lunch, party favors, raffle prizes, a keepsake photo, door prizes, doll salon and a pop-up bookstore. Tickets for \$100 are available at www.swflagfashion.com. Call 822-5154.



■ **Baby Basics of Collier County** hosts its sixth annual Champagne Brunch & Fall Fashion Show at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, at Dillard's in Coastland Center.

Baby Basics provides free diapers and supportive information to more than 325 infants and toddlers from low-income, working families in Collier County and Bonita Springs.

Tickets are \$75. For more information or to purchase a tickets, e-mail babybasicsndc@hotmail.com or visit www.BabyBasicsCollier.org.

■ The **Immokalee Foundation's 2013 Charity Classic Celebration:** "Pathways to Success, Voices of the Future," includes an evening of 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. Tickets are \$550. For reservations or more information, call 430-9122, e-mail info@immokaleefoundation.org or visit www.immokaleefoundation.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.

■ **Champions For Learning-The Education Foundation of Collier County**, hosts the 2013 Heart of the Apple luncheon honoring Alan Korset on Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the Hilton Naples. For tickets or more information, call 643-4755 or visit www.educationforcollier.org.

■ The **United Arts Council of Collier County** hosts its annual fall fundraiser and Celebrate the Arts month soiree Wednesday evening, Nov. 20, at a private club in Port Royal. Guests will enjoy performances by numerous musical and theater groups from the area as well as gourmet dining an auction with Bill Barnett at the podium.

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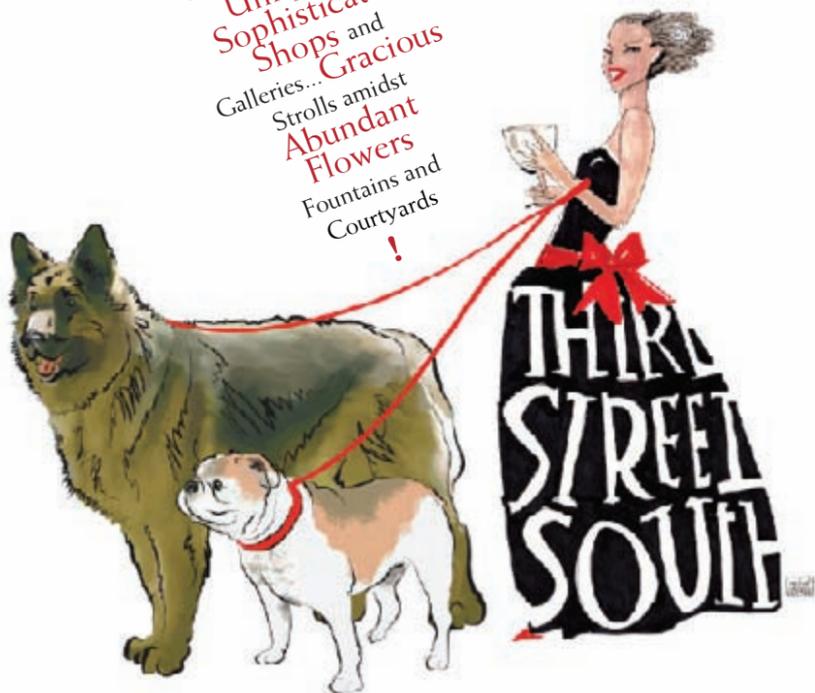


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■ The **Women's Initiative Network of the Community Foundation of Collier County** hosts the inaugural Power of the Purse luncheon on Wednesday, Dec. 4, at Grey Oaks Country Club. Guest speaker Connie Rose endured 16 years of childhood sexual abuse, 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. 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 www.cfcollier.org.

■ **Humane Society Naples** holds its 15th annual Tea & Fashion Show: "Passport to Paris" on Thursday, Dec. 5, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. For tickets or more information, visit www.humanesocietynaples.org.

■ The third annual **Tea at The Ritz** to benefit Make-A-Wish Southern Florida is set for 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. The afternoon, which includes a silent auction, is a popular holiday treat for men, women and children of all ages.

This year's chair is Dylan Sanders; tea host and hostess are Craig and Kelly Chasnov. Tickets for \$100 can be purchased by calling Lesley Colantonio at 992-9474 or e-mailing lcolantonio@sflawish.org.



■ The **David Lawrence Center Young Executives** hosts the 2013 Gulf Ball on Saturday, evening, Dec. 7, at Hamilton Harbor Yacht Club. Like-minded philanthropists and professionals are invited to enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, a silent auction and live music by Brendon McDonnell.

Tickets for \$50 until Nov. 14, \$60 until Dec. 6 and \$65 thereafter can be purchased by calling 304-3505 or by visiting www.DavidLawrenceCenter.org.

■ **"Fete du Cirque,"** a circus-themed gala for Opera Naples, will unfold under a big top starting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, at The Ritz-Carlton Tiburon. Colorful performers from Circus Sarasota will help build excitement for the opera company's staging of "Pagliacci" (Clowns), which will take place under the same tent a few days later.

Gala guests will enjoy dinner and entertainment emceed by ringmaster and celebrity auctioneer Scott Robertson.

Ticket options for "Fête du Cirque" include a table of 10 for \$5,000 (premium location) or \$3,000, and individual tickets for \$500 per person (premium) or \$300 person. For reservations or more information, call 963-9050 or visit www.OperaNaples.org.

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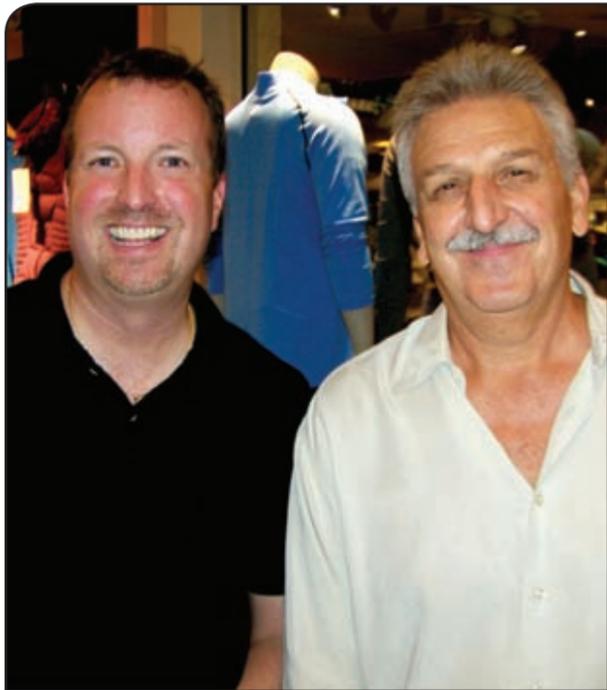
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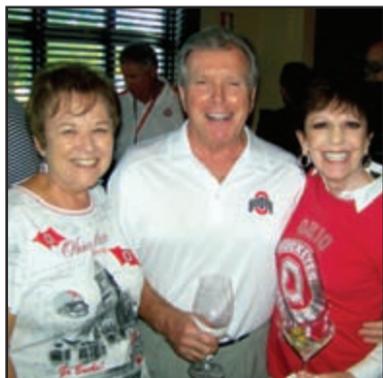
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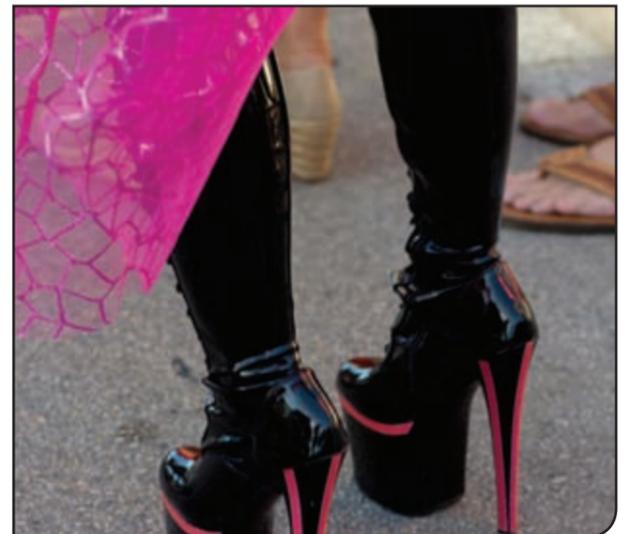
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Rebecca Garufe and adult sprint winner Nick Cherevko



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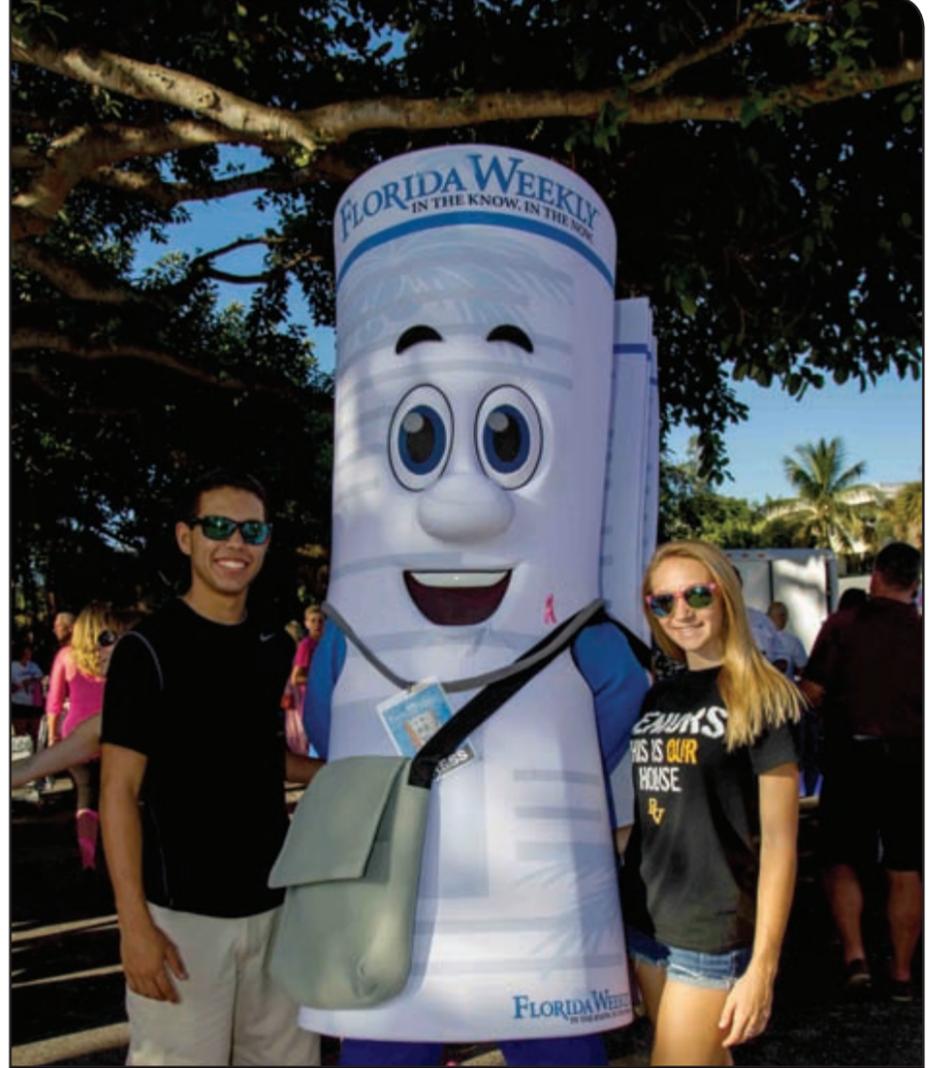
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Here are some capsule summaries of previously reviewed restaurants:

■ **A Table Apart, 4295 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs; 221-8540**

The small but diverse menu spans the globe, embracing classic French techniques, bold Asian flavors and even a bit of Italian pasta panache while emphasizing a commitment to sustainable seafood and seasonal ingredients. The food is sophisticated but unfussy. The chorizo mejillones is simply one of the best mussel preparations I've eaten in a couple of decades of reviewing restaurants — spicy Mexican chorizo sausage, acidic white wine and tomatoes, grassy cilantro pesto and creamy queso fresco mingling with a dozen and a half plump mussels sautéed until just barely cooked through. The fish of the day, Arctic char, was simply grilled and simply perfect. Meats are executed equally well, as evidenced by an expertly crust-ed, juicy flatiron steak topped with rich blue cheese that's smoked in-house. Order it with a side of the best fries you will ever eat in Southwest Florida — they're sprinkled with Parmesan and fresh herbs and drizzled with earthy truffle oil. Beer and wine served.

Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed December 2011

■ **Le Lafayette, 375 13th Ave. S., Naples; 403-7861**

Go hungry to the Sunday brunch at this lovely French restaurant in the Third Street South neighborhood. The \$44.95 price tag is quite reasonable

when you consider that it entitles you to unlimited champagne and a first-rate buffet of fresh delicacies including escargot in puff pastry, quiche, New England clam chowder, beef bourguignon, shrimp Provencal and desserts including chocolate mousse, creme brulee and risotto with cinnamon or caramel sauce. Also included are cooked-to-order omelettes, eggs Benedict, duck and beef as well as a crepe Suzette station. The dining room looks as if it were lifted whole out of a French inn and makes a lovely backdrop to a meal. Or dine al fresco on the broad porch surrounded by lush landscaping. It's a lovely and delicious place to while away a Sunday afternoon anytime through Mother's Day weekend. Beer and wine served.

Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed December 2012

■ **Maguro Sushi & Steak House, 895 Wiggins Pass Road, Naples; 591-0003**

Easily accessible but not so easy to find, Maguro is worth seeking out. Tucked into an outparcel at the corner of U.S. 41 and Wiggins Pass Road (sharing a parking lot with Beall's, Petco and other big-boxers), Maguro offers sushi and cooked entrees in one dining room and the full teppanyaki show and meal in another, both drenched in cool blue lights. The drink menu is inventive, too. I particularly liked the lychee martini. As for the food, everything we tasted — from the yellowtail nigiri to the Snow White roll (shrimp tempura and sliced

cucumber, seaweed and rice topped with white tuna and unsweetened coconut, finished with spicy mayo and coconut sauce) to the miso soup, vegetable tempura and the shrimp and salmon hibachi combo — was carefully prepared and plated. The coconut bombe (layers of coconut cake, coconut custard and coconut icing) proved an excellent finale for two. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed February 2013

■ **Margarita's Mexican Restaurant, 8971 U.S. 41, Naples; 431-6206**

Margarita's features succulent hand-pulled meats and fresh seafood tucked into tender tortillas, served with brightly flavored house-made salsas and sauces. Bracing margaritas in fruit flavors such as watermelon and pomegranate are served on the rocks or frozen, headlining a tequila-heavy cocktail list that goes on for days. The rustic charro beans, whole pintos laced with oregano and chunks of pork, are a revelation — and they're just a side dish. The taco trio (miniature corn tortillas overflowing with shredded beef, chicken and pork) is a good way to start, as is the sumptuous queso fundido, a fondue of warm, silky white cheese garnished with diced scallions, jalapenos and chorizo that may send your eyes rolling back in your head. Available with three stuffings, the tamales are exemplary. A seafood-packed Cancun burrito was big enough for two, and its ingredients all perfectly cooked. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★

Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed December 2011

■ **Texas Tony's BBQ Shack, 4519 Tamiami Trail East, Naples; 732-8392**

A side venture of the Phelan family, owners of the locally grown Pinchers Crab Shacks, Texas Tony's is plastered with Lone Star State flags, horseshoes and longhorn antlers. Foodwise, the loaded chopped pork nachos did not showcase the meat as well as it should have, and the boom boom shrimp lost their batter in a sea of spicy cream sauce. But the spice-rubbed baby back ribs had a good, charry bark along the edges, while the meat remained incredibly tender and had the all-important pink smoke ring. A quarter chicken was super-moist, and the meat slipped easily off the bone. Its darkly varnished skin was visible evidence of the restaurant's smoker, which uses orangewood — a subtle alternative to the stronger hickory or oak. The star of the meal was the Texan, a huge sandwich of super-tender brisket, cole slaw, pickles, onions and barbecue sauce served on Texas toast. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
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CUISINE NEWS

Kitchen 41 offers flavorful Italian fare minus the fat



The sous vide method might be French, but Domenico Bosco has done a fine job of adapting it to the Italian fare he cooks at Kitchen 41, the new venture he opened in late August with his wife, Barbara Gallone.

Literally, sous vide translates to “under vacuum.” It entails sealing the food in a heat-safe (BPA-free) plastic bag, submerging it in a water bath and slowly cooking it at a low temperature. The process, which seals in the natural juices, aroma and nutrients, allows food to be cooked with little to no fat as well, which is another reason Mr. Bosco prefers it.

He prepares all of his proteins this way, as well as vegetables and even his marinara sauce, which comes out a vivid red and possesses a vibrant tomato flavor.

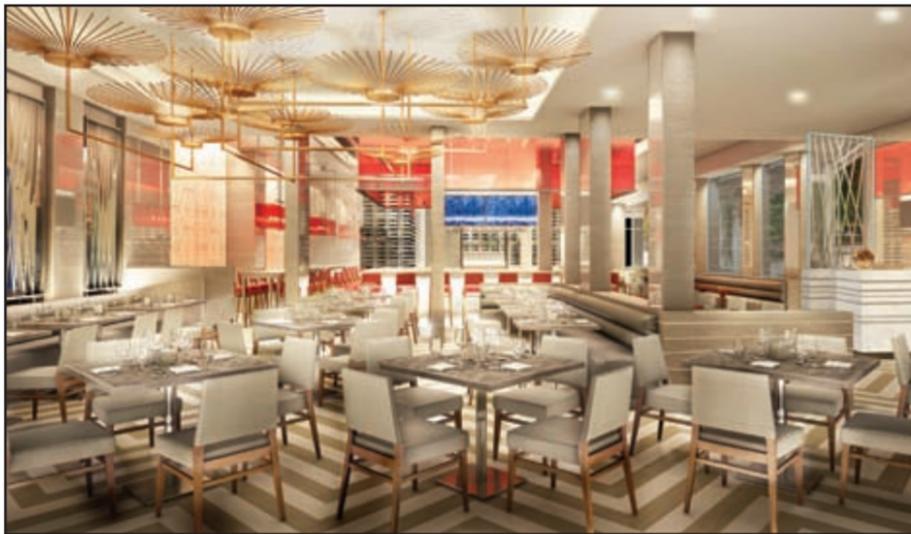
“People say you can taste everything in the sauce,” he says. “You don’t need a great palate to taste the ingredients.”

Customers at Kitchen 41 can pair sauces with their proteins. Choices include prunes and pine nuts; mushrooms with Madeira wine; zucchini and mint; asparagus and caramelized onion; acqua pazza (cherry tomatoes, extra virgin olive oil, garlic, white wine and fish stock); or natural style, dressed with just extra virgin olive oil and Himalayan pink salt.

Side veggies could be a mix of zucchini, scallions and mint; or ratatouille; diced eggplant in tomato sauce; or broccoli in garlic and extra virgin olive oil.

Lunch features panini sandwiches on homemade focaccia — with homemade mayonnaise (which contains about a quarter of the usual egg yolks but remains rich in flavor). Try a caprese, roast beef, chicken or ham and three cheeses. Also available: salads, soups, smoothies and homemade desserts. I can attest to the delectability of both the ricotta pie and the tiramisu, which I believe Ms. Gallo conjures up.

Dine at one of the two tables in the cozy little café or order a meal to go. Kitchen 41, at 2500 Tamiami Trail, is open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Call 263-8009 or visit www.kitchen41.com.



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A rendering of Avenue5, opening in December at the Inn on Fifth.



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Barbara Gallone and Domenico Bosco have opened Kitchen 41, an Italian café where everything is made from scratch and much of it is prepared by the sous vide method.

Now that’s Italian!

Sale e Pepe, the elegant yet casual restaurant at the Marco Beach Ocean Resort, has won the Ospitalita Italiana – Ristoranti Italiani nel Mondo Seal of Quality Award from the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce.

The award recognizes the authenticity of the cuisine, products used and the maintenance of high standards of Italian hospitality. As a recipient, Sale e Pepe will be included in the third edition of “Ospitalita Italiana: The Authentic Italian Table,” which celebrates authentic Italian cuisine.

For more information or reservations, call the restaurant at 393-1600 or visit www.sale-e-pepe.com.

Countdown to Avenue5

While loyal patrons might still be mourning the September closing of McCabe’s Irish Pub, owner Phil McCabe is wasting no time creating his new concept at the Inn on Fifth.

Scheduled to open in December, Avenue5 will be a high-energy, 7,000-square-foot restaurant with seating for 240. With a broad range of classic American cuisine, the menu will focus on grilled entrees. There will also be an extravagant island bar, a private dining area and sweeping views of Fifth Avenue.

“Avenue5 is the next logical step in raising the standard of luxury at the Inn on Fifth,” says Mr. McCabe, who owns the inn and Club Level Suites. “We’re replacing the iconic pub with an exciting, ultra-modern restaurant that will offer a sophisticated, trendy dining experience consistent with the look and feel of the inn and Club Level Suites.”

An \$18 million expansion and \$1.7 million renovation was recently completed at the inn, which prompted Mr. McCabe to upgrade the restaurant as well.

Fine wines by glass

L’Angolo 5th Avenue now offers Brunello di Montalcino, Barbaresco, Barolo and Amarone wines by the glass, thanks to its Enomatic wine-dispensing machine that preserves wines in the bottle using inert gas so even the most expensive vintages can be offered by the glass.

The restaurant’s daily happy hour runs 4:30-7 p.m. except Tuesday, when it extends to 11 p.m. L’Angolo is at 800 Fifth Ave. S. For details and reservations, call

692-8480 or visit www.langolo5thave.com.

Blend your own wine

Artichoke and Company and Lyeth Winery will help guests create their own red blend at a class beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30. A Lyeth sommelier will teach participants how to take several Bordeaux varietals and develop a unique blend. Hors d’oeuvres will be served as well.

The event is \$40 per person. Artichoke and Company is at 1410 Rail Head Blvd. Reserve a spot by calling 263-6979 or e-mailing rachael@artichokeandcompany.com.

More at the market

The Shoppes at Vanderbilt’s Indoor Market & Emporium is adding the Neighborhood Organic Store, offering organic fruits and vegetables. In addition, the Outdoor Farmer’s Market has returned for the season, running from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. The indoor market is open from noon to 4 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

The markets are at the northwest corner of Airport-Pulling and Vanderbilt Beach roads in North Naples. More than 60 vendors offer a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, seafood, fresh flowers, baked goods, crafts and other items.

Quick bites

■ Barbatella hosts a wine dinner featuring the wines of Bertani on Tuesday, Oct. 29. It’s \$50 per person. Barbatella is at 1290 Third St. South. Call 263-1955 for reservations.

■ A limited number of seats remain for lunch with Dr. David Perlmutter, author of “Grain Brain,” at noon, Wednesday, Oct. 30, at Sea Salt, 1186 Third St. S. It’s \$75 per person, with proceeds to benefit Harvard’s Center for Celiac Research. Call 434-7258.

■ In honor of the holiday season, The Counter introduces Not Your Granny’s Turkey Burger, a 1/3-pound seasoned turkey patty with baby spinach, dried cranberries, sliced red onion, sweet potato hash, maple-glazed ham and rosemary cream sauce. It’s available through November. The Counter is at Mercato. For more information, visit www.the-counterburger.com. ■

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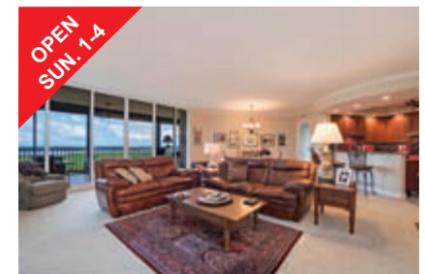
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