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DROWNING DEATHS OCCUR FREQUENTLY IN FLORIDA. TAKING STEPS COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE

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LIFEGUARDS ARE TAKING A deep breath going into the Fourth of July weekend, praying for flat water and cloudy skies.

They know what's coming — masses of families and extended families and friends close as family, who have thought about food and tunes, planned a menu and a playlist but not checked the weather, not paid any mind to the flags flying at the beach.

Their forecast for the three-day weekend: crowds and coolers. Veteran lifeguards describe the first day as busy, the second day as super busy, and they say that the third day, that doubles. "People are pickled," says Rick Welch,

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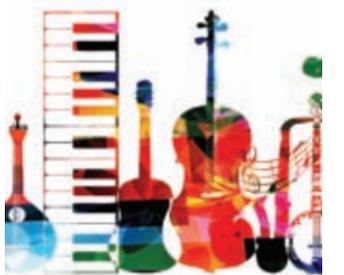
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Baby Basics knows what low-income families need

BY LINDSEY NESMITH
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Somewhere in Naples right now — actually, in many places throughout Collier County — there is a baby with diaper rash sitting in an overfull diaper. The baby isn't suffering from

neglect or inattention, but from poverty. Keeping an infant or toddler in disposable diapers can run parents between \$70-\$80 a month — a modest estimate, but a whole lot of money for anyone living near or below the poverty line. So they leave diapers on longer and sometimes

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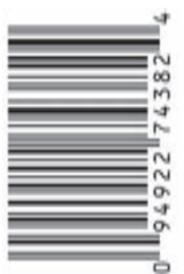
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The bona fide red, white and blue



On at least two distinct occasions in the history of the United States, the nation found itself equipped to take over the world.

The first occurred beginning in April of 1865, at the end of the Civil War. Never in history had so much military power been amassed together with so much experience and effective ability as President Abraham Lincoln's. He wielded that power only near the end of his life.

The second occasion occurred at the end of World War II, when an Army general of such magnitude as George Patton suggested we take advantage of our muscle to put down the Soviets. He wanted to wield the Third Army right down their throats, along with everything else we had.

That period of unmatched American power arguably stretched into the early 1950s, when Gen. Douglas MacArthur advocated nuking the Chinese. At the time, the Chinese were supporting the North Korean effort to swallow the south. They were belligerent Communists, just like the Soviets.

But after that suggestion, Gen. MacArthur (a belligerent democratist) found himself not only in the Korean War but right back out of it, relieved of duty by a stubby, hot-tempered civilian from Missouri with no West Point education and only aging memories of his own service more than 30 years earlier in World War I — President Harry Truman.

Lincoln and Truman were both hard-

nosed pragmatists. As presidents, each might well have been asked to consider a variety of muscular military options. Mexico and Canada, for example, could have been ours for the taking in 1865.

Germany both east and west, along with Eastern Europe and Russia, not to mention China, could have been ours for the taking beginning in 1945 or '46.

But Lincoln and Truman understood something some other Americans didn't and still may not: The greatest American weapon of all — the greatest strength we had and still have — lies not in our sophisticated killing tools or our ferocious ability to employ them and to wage war.

Instead, it lies in our ferocious ability to employ and wage peace — to play the role of Samaritan or capitalist, not conqueror, even when we're both or all.

Lincoln's greatest general, Ulysses Grant, started the peace war on Lincoln's behalf beginning at Appomattox. After Robert E. Lee surrendered the Army of Northern Virginia on April 9, Gen. Grant allowed each man to walk away with his rifle (and a mule or horse if he had one).

Truman, meanwhile, waged peace with the immense Marshall plan, providing aid to our former enemies, restoring their economies, and ending their suffering almost on the spot.

So in my book, Lincoln and Truman are two of our greatest patriots.

As for Lincoln, no other wars have occurred between Americans. And now, 150 years later, societal discrimination based on race is gone. (Yes, it flares up from time to time in individuals, as recent events suggest.)

As for Truman, more than 65 years of massive peace has followed World War II, a peace

whose aberrations — Korea, Vietnam and possibly Iraq — have not become world wars and probably should not have occurred at all.

They were errors — but patriotism does not exclude errors, any more than living or loving does.

Patriotism merely excludes the defending of errors out of pride, vanity or jingoism.

But what does patriotism include? Leftists, rightists and centrists in America probably agree at least on this: that patriotism requires love, allegiance and defense of country.

How we define those qualities, however, varies considerably.

Is the United States a geographic location or is it a set of values — or both?

Does patriotism exclude criticism? Or on the contrary does it require criticism and self-inspection?

Whatever it is, we know that any grand plans or philosophies like those of Lincoln's or Truman's always come down to individuals on the ground, men and women who get dirty, damaged or dead being patriots.

I was reminded of all this last week when I finally met the writer and author Robert Hilliard, now a month or so shy of his 87th birthday.

Dr. Hilliard (he earned a doctorate from Columbia University 14 years after World War II) came from New York City to fight as a teenager at the Battle of the Bulge, from Dec. 16, 1944 to Jan. 25, 1945.

He survived, unlike 19,000 other young Americans who were alive when that five-week horror kicked off. By April, he had been wounded, shipped out and hospitalized in Paris, where he found himself on April 12, 1945, when President Franklin Roosevelt died.

In uniform that day, Pvt. Hilliard was sur-

prised and moved by French citizens, many of them crying, who approached and hugged or kissed him, offering consolation for the loss of his president.

Then he rode back to his barracks. What moved him the most, he recalled, was the sight of 12 very tough combat veterans, most of them older than him and all of them recuperating from battle wounds, who weren't playing cards. They weren't shining their boots. They weren't writing love letters home, or eating or drinking.

Instead, they were crying, too. From Paris, he joined a unit ordered to help disarm the Germans — all of which, by that time, would have qualified him as a bona fide American patriot.

But Pvt. Hilliard wasn't through being a patriot. Between April and late fall with his friend, Pvt. Ed Herman, he helped save about 10,000 Jewish survivors of the Holocaust — not from Germans but from Americans who neglected them, cutting off the food and medicine they needed unless they were recompensed with favors.

He stopped it by writing a letter home — with 600 copies for all the friends and families he and his pals could contact — begging for food and supplies. President Truman ultimately saw the letter, investigated, and ended the abuse.

It amounts to this: Two patriots waging peace — Pvt. Hilliard and President Truman — did what Americans do at their best.

They put down the prejudices or callous indifference of their own people, and painted tolerance and charity in red, white and blue. ■

— This column first appeared in March 2012. Mr. Hilliard turned 90 last week.

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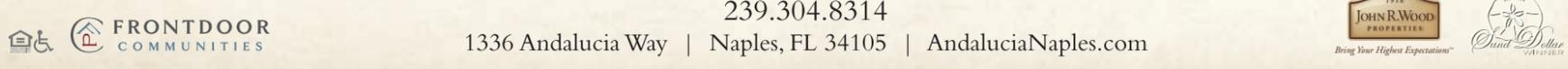



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OPINION

Pope Francis goes off the rails



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A quasi-religious movement now has a genuinely religious leader.

The pope's encyclical on the environment is being hailed for its embrace of science, although it is about as scientific as the Catholic hymnal.

Pope Francis writes that Sister Earth "now cries out because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her." Really? Is that what the United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change says?

The Catholic Church brings comfort and meaning to the lives of countless millions. That doesn't mean that climate science, economic policy and cost-benefit analysis are its core competencies. No one has ever said: Yes, but what did Gregory VII do to fight the onset of the Medieval Warm Period?

All that matters to the media, though, is that Pope Francis has taken an apocalyptic

climate alarmism and given it the imprimatur of the Vatican. The same people who dismiss the pope on more central moral matters, like the dignity of life, are now attributing to him an authority that might have made Pope Innocent III, who challenged kings, blush.

The document could have benefited from an editor cutting out the bizarre ramblings. The pope writes of "harmful habits of consumption," including "the increasing use and power of air conditioning." He argues that "an outsider looking at our world would be amazed at such behavior."

That's assuming the outsider lives in a very cool climate, or doesn't mind sweating. Anyone not so lucky probably thinks the inventor of air conditioning should be canonized.

While the pope pays lip service to technological advances, he doesn't truly appreciate their wonders. The Industrial Revolution was a great boon to humankind. Consider the unrelieved misery — the disease, the poverty, the illiteracy — before around 1800, when if you weren't an aristocrat, a general or a bishop, your life was probably nasty, brutish and short.

But at least when everyone died at a much earlier age, we weren't engaging in the ravages of the planet that so exercise

Francis. This sinful assault on the Earth, by the way, largely consisted in taking otherwise completely useless glop from the ground and using it to power economic and technical advances that enriched average people beyond anyone's imagining. This is obviously a secular miracle of the highest order.

And the bounty hasn't ended. Something like a billion people have been lifted out of poverty in places like India and China in recent decades as they have embraced markets and global trade. The pope should be delighted, except he has a blinkered view of capitalism as a zero-sum game benefiting only the privileged.

For all that the pope portrays modern development as a long exercise in environmental devastation, it is the advanced countries that have the cleanest water and air, and are best prepared to adapt their way around any far-off environmental challenges.

His encyclical will be portrayed as the best thing the church has done since Pope Leo dissuaded Attila from sacking Rome, but on climate change, it merely bends to the fashions of the hour. ■

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Take down the flag



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"Patriotism is seen not only as the last refuge of scoundrel but as the first bolt-hole of the hypocrite," so said a British broadcaster in observance of Parliament. He might just as well have been talking about right wing conservatives professing to bleed red, white and blue for the United States, but who hate the federal government — and yes, they can hardly wait to take over Washington, if only to blow things up.

They have no fealty toward Congress accomplishing much of anything unless it can be challenged and undone by a conservative state legislature, in the guise of protecting state sovereignty — immigration reform, voting rights, environmental protection, access to healthcare, gay rights, and family planning, for example. If their zealotry wins the argument, they will divorce the nation, and repudiate the American pledge of allegiance to one nation, under God, indivisible and with liberty and justice for all and these United States will become a balkanized version of its former self.

I have been thinking about states' rights because of the tragic events in Charleston and where the trail really begins that led to such a horrific act of racial violence. Devotees of the confederacy are still with us. The modern proponents of states' rights, like their Civil War predecessors, promote insurrection by stoking cultural fires and fostering economic divides, appealing to the basest amongst them in support of their cause.

These modern rebels are the progeny of the southern conservatives who took the South down a rabbit hole with Jim Crow, launched the defense of "separate but equal education" and promoted decades of white resistance to the desegregation of

public schools following Brown vs. Board of Education.

When states' rights was ascendant in the '60s, white supremacists murdered and assassinated African-Americans and civil rights workers, burning and bombing more than 300 black churches, all with impunity.

One of the most infamous of these terrorist acts killed four African-American girls attending Sunday school at the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham. The states of the old Confederacy turned their gaze and looked the other way, signaling their complicity with white supremacists, perpetuating racial injustice by using all the levers of government available. States' rights was a euphemistic code for condoning intimidation, hate and racial violence.

Congress passed the Civil Rights Act in 1965 with Democratic support. The legislation opened the door for Richard Nixon to cultivate the disaffection of white southerners with the Democratic party.

The "southern strategy" to advance Republican ambitions drove a stake into the heart of the Democrats' solid South, but to win converts to its party, Republicans allied with the proponents of white supremacy. The GOP today owes its dominance in national politics to the South but it must now struggle with the region as the engine room of its growing extremism.

The Confederate flag has always been a not-so-secret handshake among people sympathetic to white resistance. It debuted with the States' Rights Democratic Party in 1948.

These were the "Dixiecrats," the southern Democrats, who bolted their party to fight integration and champion states' rights.

South Carolina's then-governor, Strom Thurmond, campaigned unsuccessfully for president as a Dixiecrat. He went on to serve 48 years in the U.S. Senate representing his state.

Thurmond said states' rights was the reason he defended segregation and opposed racial equality, but no, he was no racist, proving yet again that lawmakers like Thurmond can whistle "Dixie" like

nobody's business.

Enlightened attempts to remove the Confederate flag from state-sanctioned displays are new.

The rebuttal of those loyal to the cause (Cause?) say it is in homage to southern heritage, to honor the fallen rebels who gave their all in defense of states' rights. The folks who make these assertions generally deny slavery caused the Civil War.

A read of the Constitution of the Confederate States of America ought to put this issue to bed.

The document is a plagiarized version of the U.S. Constitution, with one major exception. It sanctions and institutionalizes slavery as the rule of law in the nation the Confederacy went to war to create.

So really, the fancy footwork around the flag's symbolism fools no one, least of all the African-Americans for whom the flag is a deeply painful and repugnant reminder of slavery. Southern manners ought to dictate that its offensiveness alone is sufficient reason to put it away, but no.

Dancing with the devil has consequences.

By with their defense of deeply moral wrongs, right wing conservatives nailed themselves to the cross they elected to carry to win the South. No one can deny the substance of the murderous act in Charleston or the breadth of those who bear its responsibility.

A white supremacist targeted and massacred nine African-Americans in Charleston's historic Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church, espousing words of bigotry and hate, delivered with a racist manifesto, wrapped in a Confederate flag.

Yes, take down the flag.

But if that is the only thing that changes, we will not prevent such acts from happening again. ■

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Looking back at a lifetime of July Fourths, Neapolitan-style



If you're anything like me — young-ish, native and stubborn — you have a very clear idea of how Independence Day should be spent in Naples. Most self-respecting Neapolitans will be watching the city's fireworks show on the beach, and those who can't get there will stay home and set alight their own property, thank you. Bonus points for owning a lot in Golden Gate Estates, where pyromania and increased lot size often combine for truly terrifying displays that would make Beldar Conehead hang his head in shame.

But really, fireworks on the beach are one of the defining characteristics of a Naples summer. After I've peeled my legs off the car seat and reapplied sunscreen to sweaty children for the umpteenth time, I'm secretly singing love songs to my hometown while waiting for hours on the beach for the light show to begin.

And our Independence Day celebrations have changed over the years. In high school, when we had a steady supply of friends who lived downtown, we didn't have to fight for a parking space in order to get a view of the fireworks show. Inevitably, I'd already be at someone else's family barbecue

near the beach, and after the food had been eaten and the real grown-ups were over-sunned and quiet, my friends and I would take a slow walk to the beach and plop our butts down on wet sand that had already absorbed a summer thunderstorm. No towel or chair required — we traveled empty-handed and spent dusk gossiping, flirting and smacking no-see-ums from our legs and shoulders. The rain and sea breeze combined to wipe away the humidity, and we spun glow necklaces on our fingertips against a pink and gold sunset. We flitted from one group of teenagers to another until dark, at which point many of us were sitting with an entirely different group of people than the ones we had arrived with. The fireworks were really the conclusion of our evening, rather than its climax, and we walked back from hence we came and stayed the night, usually because our parents didn't want anyone driving (it was a totally unnecessary inconvenience for everybody to get in and out of the downtown area).

College brought independence from licensed adults and from knowing someone with a beachside abode. The Fourth of July often turned into an all-day beach day, complete with homemade sangria poured into Nalgene bottles and an argument between a reunited long-distance couple. By staking out our claim by noon, we would have already solved the parking problem. We had all afternoon to drink our contraband while sunning, avoiding calls from our parents and whining about our summer jobs.



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Frequent sandy walks to the 7-Eleven on Third Street South broke up the day to supply essentials that were frankly inessential when we were packing for the day — like water, food and sunscreen. By the time crowds started packing the beach, we all kind of regretted being there since we were sunburned, bored and our buzz had long gone. Relinquishing our spot and going home would have meant it was all for naught, however, so we stuck it out. When the fireworks were over, we separated to our cars quietly and sat in traffic for an hour until we could reach the open road on U.S. 41. This pattern repeated itself

in some form for a few years until we realized that our plan sucked and made better arrangements that involved more booze and less beach.

Now that we have kids, spending a day on the beach to see fireworks after bedtime seems unspeakably dim. But I'm not saying it hasn't happened. It might even happen this year, when standing on the sand will feel like standing on the surface of the sun. The kids will spend the entire day in the water and not suffer from the heat the same way their keepers will, as long as they can deal with lots of hands frequently pulling them out of the surf to administer an application of sunscreen or a sip or two of water.

More likely is that the day will be spent poolside where we can light our own tame (or not) fireworks and the kids can retreat to the house when they get a little uneasy about the noise and lights.

I'm sure that one day, though — and probably sooner than I realize — they will be winding their way through the crowds and cars on Seventh Avenue North to plop their backsides on the damp sand, surrounded by a group of good friends and Neapolitans to watch the best show in town. ■

— Lindsey Nesmith just remembered homemade sangria. It will be making an appearance this weekend, in proper glasses this time.

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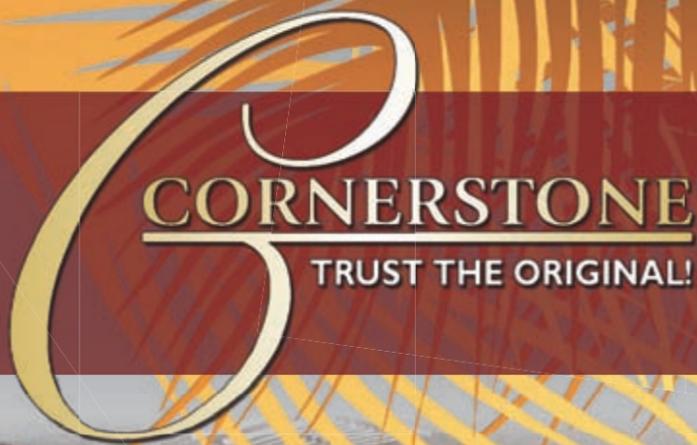
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SAFETY

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an ocean rescue captain in Palm Beach County. "What you can explain to them on day one no longer goes in on day three."

This Independence Day, people will swarm to water, pools and beaches across South Florida, to cut loose and celebrate with liberty. Lifeguards will keep an eye out for the very young and very old, boogie boarders with more ambition than skills, pool bathers more concerned with impressions than safety, leisure-seekers without local tans and anyone in blue jeans looking displaced and audacious.

These revelers are water bound, so lifeguards and drowning prevention activists are speaking out before the holiday to prevent the tragedy.

"Over a holiday weekend, you can be certain, the drowning rate goes up. Every summer holiday. Memorial Day, it spikes. Independence Day, it spikes. Labor Day, it spikes. It's a sad truth, but it can be changed," says Diane Holm, public information officer for the Florida Department of Health in Lee County.

Palm Beach County beaches are guarded. Southwest Florida beaches are not, making personal responsibility even more imperative on the gulf side.

"The natural, gradual slope of the gulf sea bottom that goes out for miles doesn't really create the dangerous rip currents or rough wave conditions that the Atlantic beaches and coastline has," says Alise Flan-jack, deputy director of Lee County Parks & Recreation. "When we had guards at our

beach parks, they mainly did first aid from seashell cuts or stepping on stingrays."

Capt. Welch, who spent 25 years on the beach as a lifeguard before his recent promotion, and Rob Rogerson, a rescue training officer who has been in the office 15 years after 13 years on the beach, wish everyone would check the weather forecast, check posted hazards for beaches on county websites, see the flags lifeguards are flying at the beach, read the signage and what the colors mean and take advantage of the various ways they communicate what their concerns for your safety might be.

They wish everyone would watch their children and teach their children that lifeguards are like police, like firefighters, "that's where you go, that tower, that's your safe place."

Too often they have to hold a child up and blow an air horn. Parents come running up, embarrassed.

"We are constantly battling this idea, 'I'm at a guarded beach, I don't have to watch my kid anymore,'" Capt. Welch says. "We're fetching 2-, 3-, 4-, 5-year-old kids out in moving water. That makes up the bulk of our rescues."

Children are among the most vulnerable.

In 2013, the latest statistics available, 448 residents and 86 visitors drowned in Florida, reports the Florida Department of Health.

Drowning ranks as the leading cause of death in Florida among children ages 1 to 4. Florida's drowning death rate among children ages 1 to 4 ranks as the highest in the nation. Enough children drown each year in Florida to fill three to four preschool classrooms, the Florida Department of Health reports.

Florida children under the age of 5



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Robert Wagner, promoted to ocean rescue captain after 22 years on the beach in Palm Beach County, changes the flag to red, closing off the water to the public for a lightning hazard.

are most likely to drown in a swimming pool. Florida children ages 5 to 9 are most likely to drown in a natural, open body of water.

Lifeguards are stationed at county pools across Southwest Florida, but regardless if you are at a pool or beach, Ms. Holm says, "The single most important thing, always watch your child, always have a designated child watcher."

Too many children drown at crowded pools or crowded parties because everyone thinks everyone else is watching. "No one is exclusively watching the children near the water," Ms. Holm says. "It happens so quickly, a child disappears from sight, there is no sound, that's why you must have a designated child watcher."

She recommends taking shifts, no drink in hand, no cell phone.

"If your kid is in the water, don't text, don't take calls, put your phone away," says T.J. Snopkowski, executive director of NCH Safe & Healthy Children's Coalition in



Naples, also a certified lifeguard and swim instructor. "If you're a lifeguard on patrol, there's no phone on deck, or you could lose your job immediately. Parents should adopt this same approach. Instead of losing your job, you could be losing your child."

In the absence of lifeguards, lifejacket loaner stations are surfacing at Southwest Florida beaches. The U.S. Coast Guard-approved lifejackets come in all sizes, from infant to multiple Xes. Beachgoers are welcome to take

them, use them and return them.

"It's important lifejackets are present," Ms. Holm says. "People don't plan ahead. They don't realize they might need something until they get there. If you think about the free time we have, it's limited. And sometimes, people overanticipate what they are capable of doing, so one may get to the beach and realize watching two or three kids, they figure out it's harder than they had thought and wish there was some way to keep them safe. That's why we have the lifejacket loaner stations at the beach, for when people realize they need help."

People may also overestimate their own swimming skills, or know their water skills are marginal, but feel uncomfortable wearing a lifejacket because of the image it portrays, says Ms. Holm. "Having lifejackets readily available, we hope what comes out of this, more people will find it OK to wear a lifejacket ... and encourage others who may be feeling uncomfortable emotionally to take the safer route."

As an instructor, Mr. Snopkowski has taught 6-month-old babies and 55-year-old men to swim. He has heard self-conscious adults say, "I don't want people to see I can't swim," but he reminds them, "Everyone in swimming classes can't swim," then he tells them, "Your children, your grandchildren, look up to you. You have to learn how to swim for them. They will not make it a priority if you don't. And if they were to fall in the water, what would you do?"

He says the most poignant piece of advice he could ever give would be never swim alone. "If every kid heard that a million times by the age of 5, it might make more of an impact."

As for Collier County, Mr. Snopkowski says the numbers are going down. "Looking at the number of drownings, under the age of 18, between 2000 to 2010 and 2010 to now, the numbers are down," he says. "Total drownings of kids 18 and under

Be safe on the beach

The flat water located between the breaking waves, which appears to be safe, is actually the rip current. It is a river flowing away from the beach out to the ocean. Typically, rip currents form at breaks in sandbars and also near structures, such as jetties and piers.

How to survive a rip current:

- Don't fight the current.
- Relax and float to conserve energy.
- Do not try to swim directly to shore.
- Swim parallel to the shoreline until you escape the current's pull.
- When free from the pull of the current, swim diagonally back to shore.

The National Weather Service offers online training on how to "break the grip of the rip" and spot rip currents before entering the water. For more information on rip current safety, visit RipCurrents.NOAA.gov.



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Taking proper precautions while playing in the pool include having someone assigned to watching children, proper life vests and teaching children the dangers with water.

Pool safety: Use layers of protection

This Fourth of July, heed the statewide campaign: "Pool safety is everyone's responsibility." A pool party can be a lot of fun, but it's important to incorporate layers and layers of protection.

■ Layer 1: Supervision.

The first and most crucial layer of protection, supervision means someone is always actively watching when a child

is in or near a pool.

■ Layer 2: Barriers.

A child should never be able to enter a pool area unaccompanied by a guardian. Barriers, like pool fences, physically block a child from the pool.

■ Layer 3: Emergency preparedness.

The moment a child stops breathing there is a small, precious window of

time in which resuscitation may occur, but only if someone knows what to do. Even if you're not a parent, it's important to learn CPR. The techniques are easy to learn and can mean the difference between life and death. ■

— Source: WaterproofFL.com

in Collier County from 2010 to the end of 2014, there were nine. That's still nine too many."

He thinks of all the parents who don't know CPR and says, "It's unfortunate, you don't think about these things until the tragedy."

Paul DeMello lost his 13-month-old twin boys to drowning. There was a lapse of time, the pool was the last place checked, there was no pool fence, no one knew CPR. It was the middle of winter 2010.

Mr. DeMello has since started the Just Against Children Drowning foundation in Port Charlotte, the JACD acronym for his boys, Joshua and Christian DeMello.

"I'm the pool guy. I feel like my boys left me with a job. They're here with me every time I do a (pool) fence, an event, sharing their story, that's how I get to live this life with them. I need that to wrap my head around it," Mr. DeMello says.

A developing coalition in Charlotte County has taken a proactive role in drowning prevention, promoting pool fences and swimming lessons, awarding scholarships to families in need.

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edy happens, that's a good thing, but why wait for something bad to happen," says Mr. DeMello, who was named safety advocate of the year by the National Drowning Prevention Alliance.

Two-thirds of drownings happen in swimming pools, Mr. DeMello says, so he's pushing the message of layers and layers of protection — active adult supervision, barriers such as pool fences and pool alarms, and emergency preparedness, know CPR.

"My real mission, it's the little people, the ones under 5 years old. They're so innocent, they don't know right from wrong,

but they can be taught, 'Look both ways before you cross the street. Don't talk to strangers. Don't touch the stove,' and they learn it, so why can't we teach them not to go in the water alone?" Mr. DeMello says.

To adults who don't swim well enough for the situations they put themselves into, or parents who look away from their children, he says, "The worse thing you can do is be close-minded, think it's not going to happen to you, it happens to other people."

He thought that way. And he became "other people." ■

in the know

Sobering numbers

- >> Children in Florida under the age of 5 are most likely to drown in a swimming pool.
- >> Children in Florida ages 5 to 9 are most likely to drown in a natural, open body of water.
- >> In Florida, drowning happens year round, but most drownings occur during the spring and summer.

— Florida Department of Health

in the know

Holiday snapshot

- >> This past Memorial Day, around 124,200 people flocked to Palm Beach County beaches. There were 313 minor first aid incidents where lifeguards treated jellyfish stings, fishing-hook injuries, cuts from rocks, surfboard blows to the head and the like. There were four major first aid cases where someone needed further medical attention, lost consciousness, was given oxygen, a 911 call may have been made.
- >> There were 13 rescues where lifeguards swam or paddled out to a victim in distress. And there were 42 assists where lifeguards helped someone who lost their footing, stumbled in a shore break, or helped a child struggling in shallow water. ■

in the know

CPR for child 1-8

The following steps are based on instructions from the American Heart Association.

Check for alertness. Shake or tap the child gently. See if the child moves or makes a noise. Shout, "Are you OK?"

If there is no response, shout for help. Tell someone to call 911 and get an AED (if available). Do not leave the child alone until you have done CPR for about 2 minutes.

Carefully place the child on his or her back. If there is a chance the child has a spinal injury, two people should move the child to prevent the head and neck from twisting.

Perform chest compressions:

Place the heel of one hand on the breastbone — just below the nipples. Make sure your heel is not at the very end of the breastbone.

Keep your other hand on the child's forehead, keeping the head tilted back.

Press down on the child's chest so that it compresses about 1/3 to 1/2 the depth of the chest.

Give 30 chest compressions. Each time, let the chest rise completely. These compressions should be fast and hard with no pausing. Count the 30 compressions quickly: "1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 1, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, off."

Open the airway. Lift up the chin with one hand. At the same time, tilt the head by pushing down on the forehead with the other hand.

Look, listen, and feel for breathing. Place your ear close to the child's mouth and nose. Watch for chest movement. Feel for breath on your cheek.

If the child is not breathing:

Cover the child's mouth tightly with your mouth.

Pinch the nose closed.

Keep the chin lifted and head tilted.

Give 2 rescue breaths. Each breath should take about a second and make the chest rise.

Continue CPR (30 chest compressions, followed by 2 breaths, then repeat) for about 2 minutes.

After about 2 minutes of CPR, if the child still does not have normal breathing, coughing, or any movement, leave the child if you are alone and call 911. If an AED for children is available, use it now.

Repeat rescue breathing and chest compressions until the child recovers or help arrives.

If the child starts breathing again, place him or her in the recovery position. Periodically recheck for breathing until help arrives.

DO NOT

If you think the child has a spinal injury, pull the jaw forward without moving the head or neck. Do NOT let the mouth close.

If the child has signs of normal breathing, coughing, or movement, do NOT begin chest compressions. Doing so may cause the heart to stop beating.

Unless you are a health professional, do NOT check for a pulse. Only a health care professional is properly trained to check for a pulse.

— nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/000012.htm



Boys & Girls Club kids get into the swim

Almost 100 Collier County kids recently completed a week of water-safety lessons at the Boys & Girls Club of Collier County as part of a national partnership initiative undertaken by The ZAC Foundation and the Boys & Girls Clubs of America to bring life-saving water-safety skills to more than 2,500 of the youngest members of 25 clubs across the country.

The ZAC Foundation and ZAC Camp are named for 6-year-old Zachary Archer Cohn, who drowned as a result of being entrapped in the suction of a swimming pool drain. Campers received swimming instructions and learned how to create a water-safety plan and how to rescue a distressed swimmer safely.

“Water safety plays an important part in saving our children’s lives,” says Jodi Truel, unit director at BGCCC. “The camp was a fun way for our youth to learn water-safety techniques they will carry with them throughout their lives.”

At week’s end, campers received medals handed out by Olympic diver and 1964 gold medalist Lesley Bush and heard words of encouragement from him about continuing their water-safety education.

The ZAC Foundation was established in 2008 by Brian and Karen Cohn after the loss of their son. Through education and advocacy, the foundation is dedicated to preparing children and their families for a lifetime of water safety. For more information, connect on Facebook or visit thezacfoundation.com.

BGCCC annually serves 3,000 of the most at-risk children and teens in Collier County, providing a safe, positive place that fosters academic success,



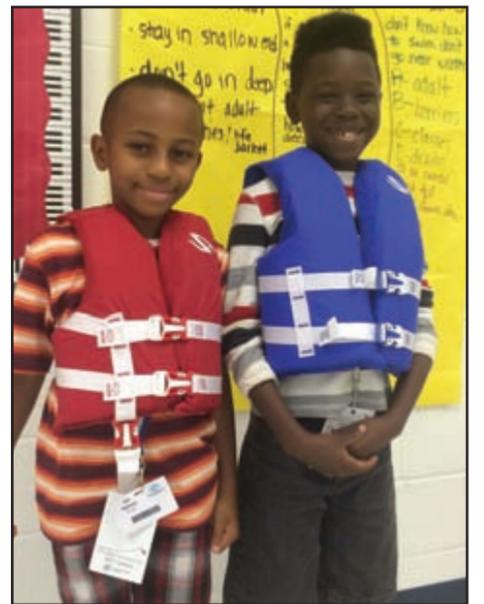
Left to right: Devonte Dorvil, Sophia Cardeso, Celeste Yanez, Lesley Bush, Dwayne Liberal and Austin Hernandez



good character and citizenship and healthy lifestyles. The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of America is to enable all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. To learn more about BGCCC or to arrange a tour of the local facility, call 325-1700 or visit bgccc.com. ■



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Summer is a great time to visit the Conservancy

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Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Admission is always free for Conservancy members; non-member adults pay \$12.95 and kids pay \$8.95. Active and retired military with ID will enjoy free admission Thursday through Saturday, July 2-4.

Here's what's on the summer schedule:
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily - Electric boat rides and kayak rentals.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily - Interactive exhibits and brief videos in The von Arx Wildlife Hospital help visitors learn about

the threats facing Southwest Florida's native wildlife and what they can do to help. The hospital's nursery viewing window is also open.

1:15 a.m. daily - Reptile Reverie, an education program in the Dalton Discovery Center.

1:15 p.m. daily - Feeding Frenzy, a hands-on activity in the Dalton Discovery Center touch tank.

2:15 p.m. daily - A glimpse into The von Arx Wildlife Hospital.

Cinema Saturdays - 1:30 p.m. July 11 ("Invasion of the Giant Pythons") and Aug. 8 ("Earth" by Disney Nature).

10 a.m. Thursday, July 2 - "Izzie Lizzie Alligator," a Little Explorers program especially for ages 5 and younger.



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Curious kids get up close and personal with creatures in the touch tank.

10 a.m. Thursday, July 16 - "Oopsie Otter," a Little Explorers program especially for ages 5 and younger.

10 a.m. Thursday, July 30 - "Oozie

Octopus," a Little Explorers program especially for ages 5 and younger.

10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 13 - "Stevie B. Sea Horse," a Little Explorers program especially for ages 5 and younger.

10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 27 - "Johnny Longlegs," a Little Explorers program especially for ages 5 and younger.

Noon every Friday (subject to weather conditions and tides) - Take a guided tour of the Gordon River aboard one of the Conservancy's electric boats and stop for lunch at Jack's River Bar in Naples Harbour. Price of lunch not included. Reservations required. Call 262-0304.

For more information about the Conservancy, including how to become a member, visit conservancy.org. ■

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Here's where Collier County Sheriff's Office traffic-enforcement deputies will be the week of July 6-10:

Monday, July 6

U.S. 41 North and Pelican Bay Boulevard: Red-light running
White Boulevard: Speeding
Industrial Boulevard and Radio Road: Red-light running

Tuesday, July 7

Santa Barbara Boulevard and Recreation Lane: Aggressive driving
Collier Boulevard and Business Circle South: Speeding
Vanderbilt Beach Road and Gulf Pavilion Drive: Red-light running

Wednesday, July 8

Bayshore Drive and Barrett Avenue: Speeding
Osceola Trail and Livingston Road: Speeding
Golden Gate Parkway and I-75 south-bound exit: Red-light running

Thursday, July 9

Goodlette-Frank Road and Granada Boulevard: Aggressive driving
Radio Road and Davis Boulevard: Red-light running
Golden Gate and Wilson boulevards: Speeding

Friday, July 10

Rattlesnake Hammock Road and Grand Lely Drive: Speeding
Immokalee Road and Oakes Boulevard: Speeding
Vanderbilt Beach Road and Logan Boulevard: Red-light running ■

Classes can help older drivers

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

Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for others. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the number listed with the session you wish to attend. Here's what's coming up:

Tuesday, July 14: 9:15 a.m. to 3:34 p.m. at Germain Toyota, 13315 Tamiami Trail N., Naples; 269-6050.

Tuesday, July 21: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Marco Island Lutheran Church, 525 No. Collier Blvd.; Marco Island; (734) 968-3105.

Tuesday, July 21: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Christus Victor Lutheran Church, 15600 Tamiami Trail N., Naples; 269-6050.

Thursday, July 23: 9:15 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. at Germain Toyota 13315 Tamiami Trail N., Naples; 269-6050. ■

Breakfast will honor the Greatest Generation and all military vets

The Naples Spirit of '45 committee will host its sixth annual Greatest Generation Breakfast from 8-11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, at the Hilton Naples. Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Josiah Bunting II, chairman of the Friends of the National World War II Memorial, will attend as a special guest.

This year's theme will honor the 70th anniversary of the ending of WWII as well as Victory Florida, which pays tribute to the Sunshine State's role in WWII and its WWII Heritage Trail.

WWII and other U.S. military veterans, a family member and Honor Flight guardians can make reservations by calling Kena Yoke at 431-5618. The free

breakfast is underwritten by a local sponsor.

Table sponsorships are available by calling Lois Bolin at 777-2281.

"Thank You for Our Freedom" advertisements in the morning's program are also available. Call Karl Frye at 777-3962 for more information.

For more information about the breakfast in general, call Ms. Bolin at the above number. ■



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Representatives of the Greatest Generation gather for a group photo at last year's breakfast in their honor. Reservations are being accepted for the sixth annual breakfast coming up Saturday, Aug. 8, at the Hilton Naples.

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That New York attitude

Gregory Reddick, 54, and his employer, SJQ Sightseeing Tours, filed a lawsuit in June against New York City for “harass(ing)” them and hampering their ability to rip off tourists, specifically, interfering with their “right” to sell tickets for \$200 or more for trips on the Staten Island Ferry — which is actually free to ride. Reddick was wearing an (unauthorized)

“Authorized Ticket Agent” jacket when arrested, and according to a *New York Post* account, believes he operates legally because he misunderstands a technicality in a 2013 court case. Prosecutors, who described the waterfront tourist-exploitation scene as “the wild west,” found Reddick with seven dates of birth, five aliases and six Social Security numbers.

Can't possibly be true

■ Doctors at a hospital in Dongyang, China, removed 420 kidney stones from a single patient in June (a “Mr. He”). One of the surgeons told reporters that a soy-heavy diet of tofu was probably to blame. According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the most stones removed from one kidney during surgery (in India in 2009 in a three-hour operation) is (this is not a misprint) 172,155.

■ In May, the Museum of Modern Arts in Krakow, Poland, began showing a video of naked men and women entering a room and playing a game of tag — then revealing that that particular room was actually a building in a Holocaust gas-chamber facility in Auschwitz. The idea, apparently, was to bring three affected nations (Poland, Germany and Israel) together, and among the sponsors of the exhibit was the Israeli embassy in Warsaw, despite criticism that the work was somewhat “repulsive and offensive.” (A similar project opened in Tartu, Estonia, in February, but was closed almost immediately after objections from Jewish-advocacy organizations.)

■ U.S. students may be clever, but they apparently badly trail Chinese students in the genius of cheating on exams (and especially on the use of cheat-enabling technology). The government’s newest anti-fraud weapon, employed recently in the city of Luoyang during the crucial university-determining tests, is a six-propeller drone

that can hover above a cavernous exam hall, trying to pinpoint the locations inside in which designated ace test-takers are radio-transmitting correct answers to their clients, whose tiny earbuds are worn deep in ear canals. Cheating students also use beverage-bottle cameras, ordinary-appearing eyeglasses that can scan and transmit images, and fingerprint film (to fool fingerprint scanners that otherwise would root out test-taking “ringers”).

■ France’s daily *La Provence* reported in May that at least one enterprising drug dealer in Marseilles had begun distributing “loyalty cards” to its best customers, offering a 10-euro discount on future sales after that customer’s card was full (all 10 squares stamped from previous sales). Said one buyer, “I thought I was hallucinating. I thought I was at a pizzeria or something.” The card also expressed thanks for the patronage and reminded the customer of operating hours (11 a.m. to midnight).

■ Rehab Will Be Difficult: Laquanda Newby, 25, was charged with three counts of child abuse on June 7 at the county courthouse in Richmond, Virginia, after police spotted her car with two children locked inside on a day in which the temperature reached the 90s. Newby had parked at the courthouse that day in order to attend her hearing on charges that on May 26, she had locked her kids in a hot car while she was out on errands.

Wait, what?

Two students at Florida’s Valencia College filed a federal lawsuit in May against the school and three instructors for forcing them to undergo “transvaginal probes” as part of their sonography (ultrasound) curriculum. According to the lawsuit, the school insisted that students learn the probing on each other because, as an instructor said, “Experience is the best teacher.” The plaintiffs also charged that

some instructors and a student leader (dubbed the “TransVag Queen”) made inappropriate, sexualized comments about bodies during the demonstrations. Though the school defended the practice initially, it ordered the live probes halted about a week after the lawsuit was filed and announced lessons would in the future be conducted on simulators.

Compelling explanations

■ Luis Cruz, 46, sought pre-trial release in Springfield, Mass., in June — even though he had been charged with heroin distribution and even though his rap sheet, counting his record in Florida, was 52 pages long. His court-appointed lawyer, Anna Levine, was not deterred, arguing that bail was not necessary to assure that her client would appear for trial because none of the 52 pages, she said, contained an arrest for failure to appear. Said Levine, earnestly, “It’s a 52-page record for showing up.”

■ “(J)ust one of those spur-of-the-

moment crazy things,” explained John Paul Jones Jr., in May after he had intentionally driven his pickup truck through his living room in Senoia, Ga. He told a reporter that he had been on the phone with his wife and gotten angry, and “one thing led to another.” Fortunately, Jones is a contractor, and has been out of work for a while and thus figures he can keep busy fixing his mess. The house “needed some work,” he said, “needed air conditioning.” Jones said the truck fared well, with just a few scratches.

Questionable judgments

Teachers Just Wanna Have Fun: Some parents of Encinal High School students, in Alameda, Calif., demanded an investigation in June after learning from a counselor at an after-school program that students had been “assigned” the extra-credit project of rummaging through their parents’

bedrooms looking for sex toys (and bringing in a “selfie” holding one). Administrators told parents that the “assignment” was not a requirement of the course but could not ascertain how many students actually presented show-and-tells to the class. ■



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Paying it forward: College Success students tutor high-schoolers

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Yasmin Estrada is devoting part of her summer to help fellow Immokalee youths achieve the same dream she has realized: becoming a college student.

The Florida Gulf Coast University junior is among a group of The Immokalee Foundation's College Success program participants who are serving as tutors for the organization's annual Summer Academy. The academy is designed to help high school students improve their reading, writing and math skills in preparation for graduation, as well as college. Programming focuses on readying students for the ACT college admissions examination, which is traditionally taken during a high school student's junior and senior years. Professors from Southwest Florida colleges and universities lead the TIF Summer Academy instruction.

"Being a summer program tutor not only allows me to give back to the community, but it also satisfies my passion for helping and seeing the product that comes from working in a program like this," Ms. Estrada, who is a nursing major, says. "I believe helping others is one of the most wonderful things mankind has to offer."

About 50 Immokalee High School students, ranging from incoming ninth-graders to rising seniors, are enrolled in this year's academy, which runs through July 30. This is Ms. Estrada's first time taking part in the program; in previous years, her summers were spent with her family who, as migrant workers, travel the country following the growing seasons. She is the first person in her family to attend college.

In addition to helping the Summer Academy students with their learning, Ms. Estrada has found she is learning from them as well. "Getting to know them has created



Elijah Arreaga, center, tutors Summer Academy students Amy Montez and Hannah Hernandez in preparation for the ACT college entrance exam.

a desire to continue helping and making a difference in their lives," she says. Education starts with an instructor or tutor who shows students they are not alone on their path to success, she adds. "I want to be part of that path."

Students in the TIF College Success program, all of who are pursuing post-secondary degrees, receive individualized academic plans and guidance in obtaining financial aid and developing life skills, such as time management and financial responsibility, that will benefit them in college and beyond.

Elijah Arreaga is a College Success participant who is sharing his knowledge with aspiring TIF students for a second summer.

teach the students — pacing themselves so they complete the exam," he says about his role as a Summer Academy tutor.

The tutors' roles can extend beyond academics.

"They get close to the students, and they're there to answer questions about their personal journey," says Noemi Perez, manager of the Take Stock in Children and College Success programs for TIF. "As alumni of our program, the tutors understand the struggles the students go through."

Like Ms. Estrada, Mr. Arreaga derives a sense of fulfillment from tutoring the future college students. "One thing I find satisfying is when I can help a student and they are excited about understanding or getting the answer to a practice problem," he says. He also plans to mentor 2015 Immokalee High School graduates who will be freshmen at the University of Florida in the fall. "I really plan on helping them, whether it's with academics or just giving friendly advice," he says about connecting with the students in Gainesville.

"The Immokalee Foundation has had a big impact on my life, not only financially with a scholarship, but in building relationships with my mentor and the staff," Mr. Arreaga says. "You always have somebody looking out for you and helping you strive for greatness. Having parents who dropped out in the ninth grade, it was hard to find someone to help keep me on the right path. That's the reason I want to come back and help the students. I want to give back to them and give them the benefit of what I received from the foundation."

To learn more about TIF programs, including how to become a volunteer mentor, call 430-9122 or visit immokaleefoundation.org.



Now a junior at the University of Florida, he took part in the academy before the start of his sophomore year at Immokalee High.

"It helped me a lot," Mr. Arreaga says about the Summer Academy. "I got a lot of practice and became familiar with the ACT. When I took it, the tutoring helped me because it gave me a real sense of how the test sessions are timed." Now he helps academy students learn that same sense of timing. "That's a big part of what we're trying to



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even rinse and reuse them.

Why don't these parents use cloth diapers? Because cloth diapers are relics of days when babies stayed home with a parent. In families of the working poor, moms and dads head out to work and children go to daycare, which always requires disposable diapers to come from home. Even in families where a parent stays home with the children, most don't have washers and dryers for cloth diapers, and laundromats do not allow cloth diapers in their machines.

"Families have told us that they had to stay home from work until they could gather enough money to buy diapers to get their kids back to daycare," says Jean Ann Lynch, founder and board president of Baby Basics of Collier County.

Since starting the first chapter of Baby Basics 23 years ago in Ridgewood, N.J., Mrs. Lynch has started 15 official chapters and affiliates around the country to address families' needs for diapers. Locally, the Collier chapter runs nine distribution centers (eight in Collier County and one in Bonita Springs)

that disperse diapers monthly to qualifying families. Right now, the program supplies diapers to 378 babies.

"That's 33 more babies than a year ago, a 9.6 percent increase," Mrs. Lynch says. "The numbers are not decreasing. The need is still out there."

Not only is diaper rash painful for a baby, but according to a study conducted by Yale University and The National Diaper Bank Network in 2013, low-income mothers who cannot afford diapers suffer increased rates of anxiety and depression. The whole family is affected by a baby who cannot be diapered properly, particularly children. Kids' cognitive development is vastly influenced by their parents' mental health, particularly their mothers', and they can be negatively impacted when parents suffer over a seemingly simple need that can't be met, the study showed.

Baby Basics is working with Florida Gulf Coast University's College of Social Work on a similar study that focuses on local families. The results of that project, headed by professor Karen Landy, will be revealed on Thursday, July 16.

To participate in Baby Basics, a family must have one working parent, be within 185 percent of the federal poverty



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Baby Basics volunteers and other supporters toss coins into the fountain at Waterside Shops. The shopping center has designated the nonprofit to receive all of the money collected from the fountain this year.

line, which is \$24,250 for a family of four in 2015, and cannot be receiving state or federal cash assistance. All participants are accepted into the program on a referral basis from other local agencies and nonprofits that work with low-income families. Babies are graduated from the program once they reach 3 years old.

Despite how necessary a plentiful supply of disposable diapers has become to modern families, one in three families in the United States reported to The National Diaper Bank Network

that they experience diaper need. Food stamps do not currently and have never covered diapers, and no state or federal programs exist to specifically provide or assist in the purchase of diapers. Even more frustrating is that low-income families often do not have the money to purchase diapers in bulk, which the network claims is much more cost-effective. If Baby Basics can take care of that one essential item for a family living in poverty, parents can purchase other necessities for their children, such as food and medicine, Mrs. Lynch says.



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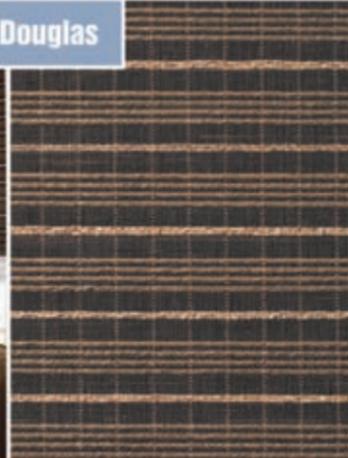
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Nonprofits can save the date for 'Telling the Story' seminar

Nonprofit organizations in Collier County are encouraged to mark their calendars for "Telling the Story," the sixth annual Thinking Outside the Box seminar presented by Sue Huff of E. Sue Huff & Associates and real estate professional Kelly Capolino.

This year's free session is set for 8:30

a.m. to noon Friday, Aug. 14, in the community room at the *Naples Daily News*.

Five speakers will discuss various aspects of telling a story in ways that make powerful impact.

Save the date for now and watch for information and registration details coming soon. ■

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"One little family said to me they were able to buy their daughter a new T-shirt" because we were providing diapers, she continues. "The use that money to enhance their lives and the lives of their family members."

Kristen Thomas, a local mother of a 3-year-old and an 8-month-old, found herself suddenly in need of help last winter when her youngest was born with spina bifida. The condition had gone undetected during her pregnancy, and the family faced magnified and additional medical costs coupled with unpaid maternity leave.

"It's one less thing we have to worry about," Mrs. Thomas says about the diapers provided by Baby Basics. "When you have a child with special needs, the expense of everything goes up. Financially, we were already in the hole; throw that on top and it doesn't help."

Baby Basics volunteers were also able to connect Mrs. Thomas with other resources that could help with other needs her son will have.

Baby Basics of Collier County is run by 125 volunteers. There is a board of directors, an operations council, a development council and various other people who distribute supplies. It will cost the organization \$122,641 to supply its current crop of babies with a year's supply of diapers (72 families out of 378 are migrants who will only be here for seven months to receive their share).

Baby Basics receives its diapers by tractor-trailer load and volunteers disperse them to nine distribution centers. For more information about donating or volunteering, or to find out how to apply to receive Baby Basics services, visit babybasicscollier.org. ■

in the know

- Baby Basics has been named Waterside Shops' 2015 Coins for a Cause partner, which means the shopping center will donate all of the coins tossed in its fountains to Baby Basics for the entire year.
- The eighth annual Baby Basics Champagne Brunch & Fashion Show is set for Monday, Nov. 9, at Wyndemere Country Club.
- The seventh annual Baby Basics Walking Challenge will take place Saturday, Jan. 23, at North Collier Regional Park.

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An old-fashioned (and early) Independence Day celebration

Pretty much the whole town turned out for Everglades City's annual Independence Day parade and celebration. As happens every year, the all-American festivities took place the weekend before the rest of the country brings out the flags and fireworks on July 4. See page C1 for our list of patriotic fun still to come.



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CLUB NOTES

■ The **Naples Orchid Society** invites members and guests to "A Common Sense Approach to Growing Orchids" presented by Dan Christensen of Dan and Margie Orchids in Fort Lauderdale at the society's regular meeting Thursday evening, July 2, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Attendees will also enjoy a slide presentation about ghost orchids in Cuba by Ernesto Mujica, whose upcoming research at Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge has been sponsored by the orchid society. Doors open at 7 p.m. for the orchid competition; the business meeting and program start at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome. Admission is free. For more information, visit naplesorchidsociety.org.

■ The **Gulf Breeze Button Club**, whose members collect and study antique clothing buttons, meets at 11:30 a.m. the first Tuesday of every month at the Golden Gate Community Center, 4701 Golden Gate Parkway. The next meeting is July 7. Guests are always welcome. For more information, call 682-6117.

■ The **Naples Civitan Club** meets at noon on the second Wednesday of the month at Perkins on Pine Ridge Road and on the fourth Wednesday of

the month at varying locations. The next meetings are July 8 and 22. For more information, call 774-2623 or email naplescivitan@aol.com.

■ The **Marco Island Civitan Club** meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. The next meetings are July 14 and 28. For locations, call Anthony DeLucia at 285-6785 or email marcoislandcivitanclub2014@yahoo.com.

The international service club focuses on assisting people with developmental disabilities and finding the cause, cure and better treatments of brain disorders including autism, Alzheimer's disease and Down syndrome.

■ **Alliance Francaise de Naples** hosts its next French-speaking table and lunch from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, July 9, at Café Normandie. Anyone who speaks French at any level and wants to converse with others in the language is welcome. Attendees pay for their lunch; there is no fee for the session that is monitored by French teacher and Alliance Francaise de Naples president Denyse Jenkins. Summer lunches at Café Normandie continue on Thursdays, July 23 and Aug. 13 and 27. Reservations are required and can be made by

calling 261-0977. For more information, visit afnaples.org.

■ **Pilot Club of Naples/Naples Pilot Foundation** meets at 6 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month at Perkins on Pine Ridge Road. Guests and new members are always welcome. The next meeting is July 9. Reservations are not required. Attendees order from the menu and pay for their meals. Pilot International focuses its charitable and educational efforts on brain-related disorders and disabilities, including traumatic brain injuries, dementia and autism. For more information, call Sue Lester 289-8268.

■ Members of the **Naples chapter of Sigma Chi alumni** meet for a luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, July 10, at the Pelican Bay Club. Results of the national convention will be discussed. The group will not meet in August. Members are reminded that 2015-16 dues are payable now. For more information, call Bill Robinson at 293-5239 or visit naplessigs.com.

■ The **Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 10670-Naples** serves a pancake breakfast from 8-11 a.m. on the second Sunday of each month in

the pilots' lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. All are welcome. Admission for \$5, with proceeds benefitting the EAA Young Eagles program that acquaints youth ages 8-17 with aviation as a career. The next breakfast is July 12. Members also meet at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Naples Municipal Airport. The next meeting is Aug. 5. The Naples EAA chapter is one of approximately 1,700 chapters worldwide. Members are pilots, student pilots, plane builders and aviation enthusiasts. For more information, call 649-6627 or visit eaa1067.com.

■ **Kappa Alpha Theta** alumnae are invited to join the chapter of Naples, Marco Island and Bonita Springs for lunch at noon Monday, July 13, at La Bazanne, 474 Fifth Ave. S. Reservations are required by July 9 and can be made by calling Betsy Penzo at 404-3075 or emailing penzob@aol.com. For more information about the chapter, call chapter president Linda Shafer at (402) 770-3737, email lworklife@msn.com or visit NaplesMarcoIslandBonitaSprings.KappaAlphaTheta.org. ■

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Eye institute opens \$25 million center in Naples

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The nation's top-ranked program in ophthalmology as ranked by U.S. News & World Report, the institute has leased a 3,000-square-foot office in the NCH Medical Plaza for the past 11 years. Services were primarily for the diagnosis and treatment of retinal and macular diseases. The new center at the intersection of U.S. 41 and Cypress Woods Drive (across the street from Park Shore Drive) has 20,000 square feet and more than six times the clinical space of the previous facility.

"The new campus will allow our doctors to treat virtually all eye diseases, from the most common to the most rare," says Dr. Stephen Schwartz, associate professor of ophthalmology and medical director of the center. "Not only are we expanding the space and our faculty and staff," he adds, "but the number of clinical research trials offered to patients will increase." In addition, an ambulatory surgery center will open early next year on the second floor of the new building.

Bascom Palmer Eye Institute physicians partner with its scientists who use the latest technology, including stem cell research and gene therapy, to find treatments that can be personalized for each person suffering from vision loss. "Much of what we do and learn will take place right here in Naples," Dr. Schwartz says. For more information, visit bascompalm-er.org. ■

Crohn's, colitis support group meets monthly

The next support group meeting for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America takes place from 5-6 p.m. Thursday, July 2, at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. Gastroenterologist Raymond Phillips will welcome questions from all in attendance. The group will also meet from 5-6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 6, and Sept. 3. For more information, call 649-1336. ■

NIH begins clinical trial of new medication for alcohol use disorder

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A clinical trial investigating a potential treatment for alcohol use disorder was announced recently by the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. The study will assess the safety and efficacy of gabapentin enacarbil in extended-release tablets for treating moderate to severe AUD. NIAAA is part of the National Institutes of Health.

Alcohol use disorder affects about 16.6 million adults in the United States and has an estimated societal cost of \$223.5 billion each year, primarily from lost productivity, but also from health care and property damage costs. Currently, three medications are approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for treating alcohol dependence: disulfiram, an older drug that blocks the metabolism of alcohol and causes nausea; acamprosate, which helps support abstinence and can ease symptoms of withdrawal; and naltrexone, which can help people reduce heavy drinking.

NIAAA will enroll 346 patients in a randomized, double blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial of gabapentin enacarbil in patients with AUD at 10 sites across the United States. The study will assess the safety and efficacy of 1200 milligrams of gabapentin enacarbil (administered in two daily doses of 600 mg), compared with placebo, to reduce drinking in patients who report four or more symptoms of AUD, as defined in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. Eligible subjects will receive either gabapentin enacarbil or placebo for 26 weeks. The study will evaluate whether participants using the medication are more likely to abstain from heavy drinking during the last four weeks of treatment.

In a recent study supported by



NIAAA, researchers at The Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, Calif., found that alcohol-dependent patients using gabapentin were more likely than those taking placebo to stop drinking or refrain from heavy drinking. Scientists at XenoPort designed gabapentin enacarbil extended-release tablets to address certain limitations of drug levels in the body, which may make it a more attractive treatment option for people with AUD.

Gabapentin is already widely prescribed to treat pain conditions and epilepsy. HORIZANT contains gabapentin enacarbil, a prodrug of gabapentin that is converted to gabapentin in the body. A prodrug is an inactive form that is converted to an active form through metabolic processes. Gabapentin enacarbil is currently approved in the U.S. for the treatment of restless leg syndrome and

nerve pain caused by shingles. NIAAA is working in partnership with the biopharmaceutical company XenoPort of Santa Clara, Calif., which will supply gabapentin enacarbil for the study.

"This multi-site, well-controlled clinical trial will allow us to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of gabapentin enacarbil in treating alcohol use disorder," said George F. Koob, Ph.D., director of NIAAA. "Gabapentin has shown promising results in earlier clinical trials, and the development of new medications is an important component of our commitment to broaden the range of treatment options for people with AUD."

For more information about the NIAAA clinical trial of gabapentin enacarbil for the treatment of AUD, visit clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT02252536. ■

Bonita senior living community partners with Hope Hospice

The Terraces at Bonita Springs senior living community has partnered with Hope Hospice to provide additional space to offer care and comfort to those who need end-of-life palliative care. The partnership grew from an opportunity that arose following the opening of the Renaissance health center at The Ter-

aces two summers ago.

"We saw an opportunity in the fact that some of the beds in our health center weren't always full," says Ross Dickmann, executive director of The Terraces at Bonita Springs. "We already had a strong relationship with Hope Hospice dating back to the opening of

Renaissance in 2013, so it made good sense to build on that."

The agreement was finalized at the end of May, following meetings between Mr. Dickmann and Hope Hospice President and CEO Samira Beckwith. For more information, visit theterracesatbonitasprings.com. ■

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6. Integrate care delivery into the community: most of health is controlled in the community, outside the hospital, with everyone being responsible for his/her own health outcomes.

7. Create a safe and highly reliable health-care organization: organizations can create a culture of safety by managing and avoiding risk.

The value of these policy board discussions is captured in something my parents used to say: "Nothing happens when you stay home."

To put it another way: "In our turbulent health-care waters, learning from other ships at sea is both comforting and instructive." ■

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

All the new health-care metrics sometimes create confusion, not clarity, for patients, families, physicians, health-care systems and payers. So it's important to remember that those metrics are designed to realize one goal: better outcomes at lower cost, the value equation defined as outcome/cost = value.

This equation was at the heart of recent discussions in which I participated as a member of the Region 4 policy board of the American Hospital Association. A group of about 45 of us discussed issues of common concern and shared best practices.

First we reviewed AHA's strategic planning assumptions, which include a strong interest in retail health, digital strategies, consumerism and other market disrupters.

We then discussed the Institute of Medicine's report from the Committee on Core Metrics for Better Health at Lower Cost. Titled Vital Signs, the report seeks to remedy the confusion over health-care metrics by setting forth 15 priorities by which we can best measure progress toward realizing the value equation. Among those priorities are life expectancy, weight, addictive behavior, unintended pregnancy, preventive services, care access, personal spending burden, individual engagement and community engagement. Interestingly, these priority measures overlap significantly with those of the Blue Zone Project.

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PET TALES

Summer reading list

We share seven of our favorite new dog and cat books

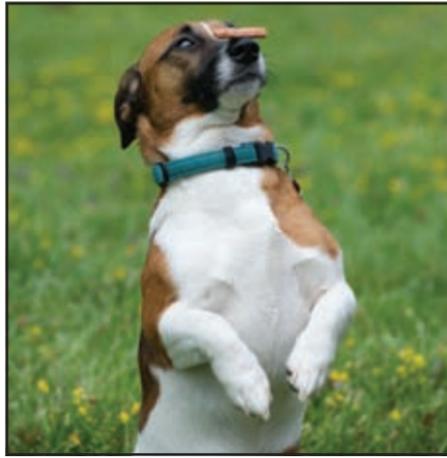
BY KIM CAMPBELL THORNTON

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Reading is a year-round activity, but summer is an extra-special reading time, with lazy family vacations and extended periods of daylight making it seem as if we have more time. And who better to read about than our best friends: dogs and cats? Whether your vacation reading leans toward mystery, history, photography or nonfiction, we've rounded up some new favorites that will have you turning the pages with fervor.

■ Two cats, Mrs. Murphy and Pewter, and Tee Tucker the corgi are your guides to life in Crozet, Va., where they live with too-curious farmer Mary Minor Haristeen. In "Tail Gait," the latest installment of the Mrs. Murphy mysteries written by Rita Mae Brown and Sneaky Pie Brown, past and present blend to tell the tale of a Revolutionary War-era mystery and a modern-day murder, with Mary Minor and her pets in the thick of things. A perfect cozy read for a beach or mountain getaway.

■ Judy was an English pointer, the mascot of a Royal Navy gunboat in the Pacific as the world geared up for World War II in 1939. Frank Williams was a POW in a Japanese internment camp on the Indonesian island of Sumatra, where the two met and became best friends. Robert Weintraub's "No Better Friend" is the story of their friendship and survival through battle, captivity, starvation and shipwreck. Readers and reviewers call it



Hobbes, a 5-year-old Parson Russell terrier, demonstrates balancing a biscuit on his nose.

spellbinding, gripping and heartwarming.

■ You've come a long way, kitty! That's the message in Arden Moore's "Fit Cat: Tips and Tricks to Give Your Pet a Longer, Healthier, Happier Life." In chapters on health, nutrition, grooming, behavior and more, Ms. Moore shares top cat tips on coping with cat burglars, teaching tricks and building a cat habitat, to name just a few of the areas covered. One tip from the book: Treat your cat to a hit of catnip just before bedtime to induce a case of the zoomies and wear him out so you'll both sleep soundly.

■ Teaching tricks to your dog (young or old) is a fun way to spend some time this summer. In the recently released "Idiot's Guides: Dog Tricks," mother-

daughter team Deb Eldredge, DVM, and Kate Eldredge show step by step how to teach your dog more than 80 basic and advanced tricks and skills, including the fun — playing basketball — and the useful — putting away his toys. They explain how to use rewards, cues and body language to communicate with your dog, and color photos illustrate each step. Dr. Eldredge's dog Doc demonstrates basketball and putting down the toilet seat. "I think it is admirable that a male dog learned to put the seat down," she says.

■ Canine Instagram star Momo and his chronicler and best buddy, Andrew Knapp, take to the road in "Find Momo Coast to Coast." The border collie and his photographer visit landmarks and attractions such as Grand Central Station, the White House and the French Quarter in New Orleans on their 15,000-mile journey through the United States and Canada. Part game, part photography book, it will test not only your geographic knowledge, but also your ability to find the black-and-white dog hiding in each photo.

■ Do you miss the Zen of coloring? Pull out your crayons, watercolor pencils, markers or gel pens and take a trip back in time to the pleasure of coloring books with "Cool Cats" from the Really COOL Colouring series or "Creative Cats Coloring Book" from the Creative Haven series. Don't be surprised to feel stress melt away as you let your creativity run wild. Bonus: No one cares if you color outside the lines. ■

Pets of the Week

>> **American Pharoah** is a fun-loving, neutered, 8-month-old pup who looks like a tiny cattle dog with a long body.



>> **Isadora** is a spayed, 1-year-old Chihuahua mix who will be full of loyalty and love for her forever companion.



>> **Karishma** is a spayed, 7-month-old Staffordshire terrier mix who was rescued from medical neglect and is being nursed back to health. Her spirit shines and should be an inspiration to all.



>> **Upstart** is a neutered, 2-year-old hound mix who is happy to have a second chance at life.



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You know how actresses and models lose weight so fast after having a baby and then they have more babies and they still stay unbelievably thin and fit? And you're certain, of course, that they have a team of personal trainers, a private chef and probably a little liposuction after each birth? But then, when they're interviewed for People magazine about how they're in such good shape when they have two or three little ones (I'm looking at YOU, Gisele Bundchen, Gwyneth Paltrow and Sarah Jessica Parker) and they say something like, "Oh, golly, I NEVER work out or diet. I don't have to. When you're running around with toddlers all day, the weight just falls right off!" and you mutter to yourself, "Liar?"

Well, after last weekend, I will no longer doubt the honesty of these willowy models.

I spent four days with my only grandson, who just turned 2, and I'm pretty sure I lost three dress sizes.

Little Bentley lives in Ohio with my son, so the last time I saw him, he was NOT 2. Two is an adorable age. It's that time when a wee one is still a cuddly baby in many ways, but is suddenly infused with great power and strength in his 29-pound, 34-inch body. Especially

when you're laying on the floor and he jumps from the sofa on to your back, "Wheeeeeee!" Then there are some of his favorite ways to pass the time: One way is to jump up from the couch into your arms (after a running start, of course) and then be lifted high into the air, which emits squeals of joy and delight (and if you're getting squeals and delight out of the most beautiful, perfect, lovable little boy in the world, well, well, you lift him in the air as high as you can). This game does wonders for your triceps, your lower back muscles, and your abs. I am positive it's better than Cross Fit.

If you've ever wondered how Ms. Bunchen gets those strong, fabulous legs with which she struts down the Victoria's Secret Angel runway, I think it's by playing airplane with her toddlers. This is where you lie on your back and the toddler lays face down on your lower legs while holding your hands. Your job is to move your legs up and down while speaking in a sing-song baby voice, "Uuuuuuup!!! Dooooowwwwn!!! Uuuuuuup!!! Dooooowwwwn!!!" Insert even more wild giggles and delighted shrieks from your toddler. This does more for your quads than a week of bikram yoga.

And while a 2-year-old has short legs, it doesn't slow him down a bit. I took Baby B. to the park and learned that a 2-year-old's attention span is even shorter than his legs. We start at the swings, and then he darts to the teeter-totter. That lasts for 78 seconds before he runs over to the slides for



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The writer's 2-year-old grandson, Bentley.

one brief moment. Then he finds the merry-go-round far more interesting for, oh, 30 seconds. You get to run, dart and whip around with him until you're out of breath.

Thankfully, Baby B. found the drinking fountain to be the most fascinating item at the park, and after 20 minutes of pushing the button and watching the water spurt forth over and over and over and over again, he had to be bribed away with promises of a cookie.

That trip to the park had to have been a burn of more than 1,000 calories.

But, it's not only your body that gets a much-needed workout with a toddler; there's your brain, too. Because 2 is the age of Baby B.'s favorite question: "Whassat?!"

"Whassat?!"
"The sky."
"Whassat?!"
"An iPad."
"Whassat?!"
"A lightning bug."

I could go on, but you get the drill. It's almost as good for your thinking skills as Words With Friends.

So, yeah, maybe all those celebrity moms are telling the truth about how their toddlers give them a workout. I'm just waiting for a shapely diva of a grandma actress or model to give credit for her hot bod to her grandchildren. Now, THAT I'd like to hear. ■

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

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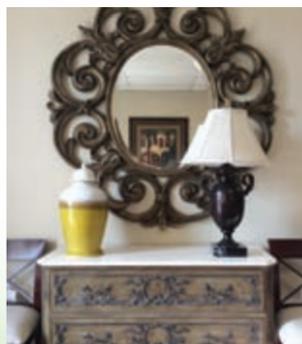
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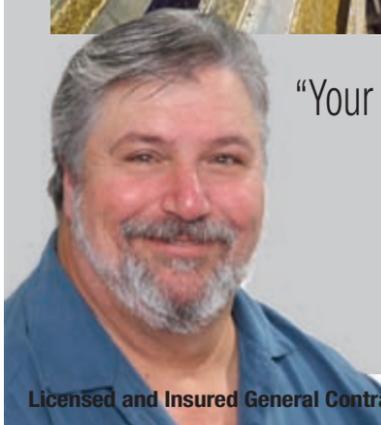
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A GUIDE TO THE LOCAL BUSINESS & REAL ESTATE INDUSTRIES



And the beat goes on

SWFL music shops are crossroads for diverse musical equipment and people

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Musical instrument and repair shops are central to the local music scene as traders in the tools that power its sound and style. For those who shop at them, or just stop by to hang out on a Saturday afternoon, their greater value is in the expertise of owners and employees who are themselves often seasoned, working musicians; and as crossroads for the wider community of the musically inclined. Among their customers are teachers and students, beginners and those beginning again later in life, symphony orchestra professionals and drum-circle percussionists, marching bands, church bands, bands covering any era or style, and a less visible but distinct group of original songwriters and recording artists. *Florida Weekly* stopped by neighborhood music stores to talk shop with owners of differing backgrounds — a drummer, a guitarist and a tuba player.

Cadence Music

This time of year, Cadence owner Tom Kracmer and 14 employees fulfill a symphonic-sized task: the summer maintenance of orchestra and band instruments for the school districts in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and parts of Glades and Sarasota counties.

One day last week, the muffled sound of a violin tuning came from one end of the shop, where musicians have rooms for private lessons. At the other end, in the back, employees were busy cleaning or repairing flutes and brass instruments. Cadence also uses an ultrasonic cleaner, a bath in which instruments are sterilized in a solution and cleaned by sound waves.

"Some of them need a lot of dent work, especially the big brass instruments,"



Denny Scott, owner of Naples Park Music.

said Mr. Kracmer, standing near a group of large unwieldy black cases containing sousaphones, a marching-band instrument. It is related to the tuba, which Mr. Kracmer plays for the Southwest Florida

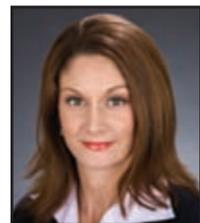
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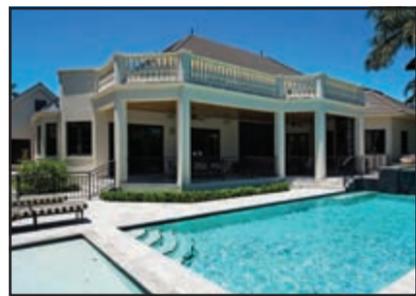
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Exploring the nuances of stock options



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I went through a very stressful episode this past weekend as my wife assigned me with a Herculean task: to buy toothbrushes for my twins. Now, before you start to laugh at my difficulties, buying a toothbrush today is not like it was 20 years ago when your choices were either a soft-bristled brush, which would guarantee plaque buildup and thus gum disease or a hard-bristled brush, which would guarantee scraping away your entire gum line and thus gum disease. Today there are literally hundreds of different toothbrush choices ranging from vibrating and rotating mechanical brushes to all different shaped handles and heads to the ability to scan the toothbrush with a smart phone to reward a child for brushing. This is one situation where options are overwhelming.

Financial options are also overwhelming for most people, which is why most investors tend to stay away from them. This is a very valid reaction, as one of my primary investing tenants is that if you don't understand an investment completely, absolutely do not buy it. I have seen too many investors and business leaders get burned by a financial product because they didn't com-

prehend the nuances of the purchase. That being said, "vanilla" equity (stock) options may have a place in your portfolio, so I think it is worth understanding what they are and how they work.

Purchasing a stock option gives an investor the option to either buy a stock (a "call") or sell a stock (a "put") on a certain date in the future at a predetermined price (the "strike price"). For example, you can buy a call on Apple to purchase the stock for \$150 one year from now even though the stock is trading at \$125 today. Or you can buy a put on Apple to sell the stock for \$150 one year from now. In a year's time, let's say that Apple is actually trading at \$160. If you bought the call, let's say for a price of \$2, you are feeling great because you have the right to buy Apple at \$150 and can immediately sell it for \$160 and make a \$10 profit.

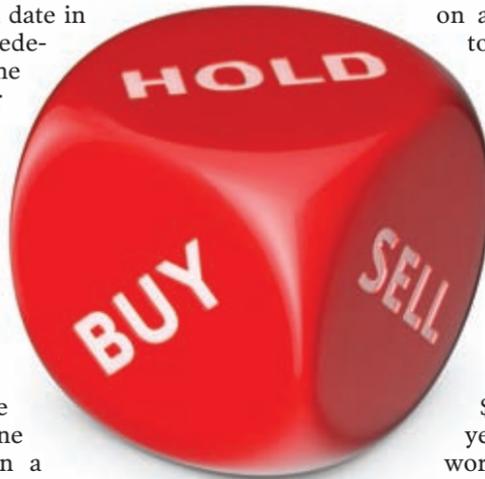
If you bought the Apple put, you aren't in such a good mood. It wouldn't make sense to exercise your option contract to sell Apple for \$150 because the market price is \$160 and you can sell the stock for \$10 more without the contract. So, in this case, you would just walk away from

the contract and your loss is just the purchase price of the option. That's one of the great things about buying options — they give you the right but not the obligation to buy or sell a stock. You can always just walk away.

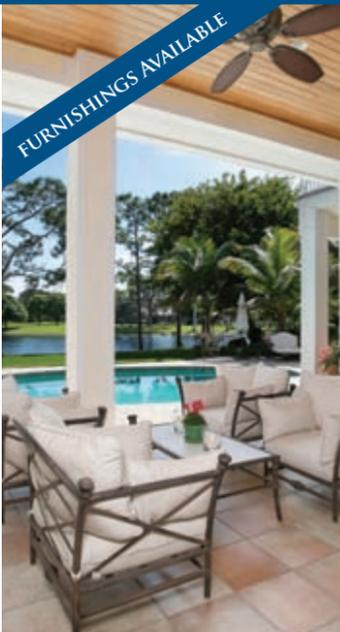
So what are the positives and negatives of buying an option on a stock as opposed to buying the stock itself? On the positive side, returns on an option position are much higher when the stock moves in your favor. For example, in our Apple scenario, you may have bought the call option for \$5. At the end of the year, the option is worth \$10 so you made a 100 percent return. If you bought Apple stock during that time period, the price of the actual stock rose from \$125 to \$160, a 28 percent return. So clearly you were much better off buying the option. But the opposite is true when the stock does not move in your favor. If you purchased the \$150 put, at the end of the year the option is completely worthless. You lost 100 percent of your money with no chance of ever getting it back. This is why buying options is not for the faint hearted.

Finally, I would like to touch on selling options. When you sell an option, you collect a premium in exchange for granting someone the right to buy or sell a stock at a predetermined price. Unlike buying an option, selling an option IS an obligation. If the person who buys the option exercises it, you are forced to honor the transaction. This makes selling options extremely risky. In fact, you can theoretically lose an infinite amount of money selling options. For example, let's say you sell a call option at a strike of \$10 and the stock rises to \$100. The buyer of the option would make \$90 and the seller of the option would lose \$90. Now let's say the stock rises further to \$1,000. Our seller now has a paper loss of \$990. And since there is no ceiling to a stock price, there is no ceiling to how much money a call option seller can lose. This is why I would never advise a typical investor to sell options. The one exception to this rule is a covered call strategy where the option seller actually owns the underlying stock, but this is a complex strategy not meant for novice investors. Kind of like buying children's toothbrushes. ■

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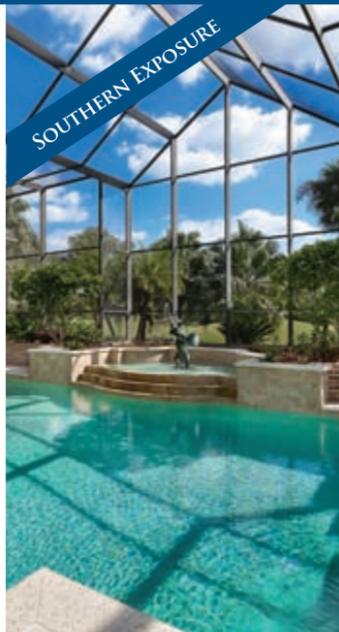


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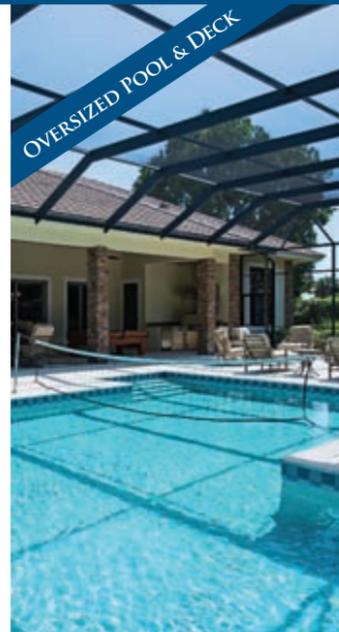
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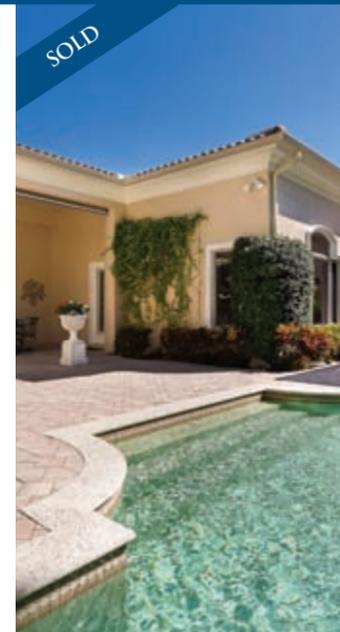
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Symphony Orchestra. He also plays with the Suncoast Brass Quintet.

Cadence has long been a destination for classical, community, marching and school band participants with a steady business of rentals, repairs, sheet music, instrument sales and supplies.

“Really it’s all about school and professional music and education,” said Mr. Kracmer.

The shop has been open since 1979 and Mr. Kracmer started working there a decade later. He bought the business in 1993.

Growing up, he played baritone horn in Detroit public schools, and later worked as a freelance musician in the Chicago area. For nearly a decade he played with a major symphony orchestra on the other Gulf Coast — the one near Xalapa, Veracruz, in Mexico. His parents had meanwhile retired to Punta Gorda. He moved to Southwest Florida in 1989, where he has a wife and two children. And it looks like for at least another generation, business should be steady.

“Fortunately students still like to play in band and orchestra,” Mr. Kracmer said, “and they get passionate about music, symphonic music and jazz.”

Naples Park Music

It’s easy to miss Naples Park Music at first, tucked into a partially hidden spot in a generic shopping plaza on U.S. 41 in North Naples. Owner and guitarist Denny Scott has run the shop here since 1992, and many of his customers are families who live in the surrounding Naples Park neighborhood or nearby Bonita Springs.

Acoustic and electric guitars and amps crowd the walls along with other accessories in a small, cozy showroom where Mr. Scott greets customers, occasionally flashing a boyish grin that belies his decades of experience as a music educator and professional guitarist for national performers, including rock pioneer Bill Haley & His Comets. That was shortly before Mr. Haley’s death in 1981, but Mr. Scott went on to tour with the Comets anyway. He still often plays live. You might see him around town with a country rock band called Railhead or at the open mic at Fred’s Food, Fun, & Spirits from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday evenings.

Besides the showroom, Mr. Scott rents other space at the plaza where music teachers offer lessons on myriad instruments. There is also a recording studio and space to keep larger, high-end sound equipment used to power shows throughout South Florida, including a concert at a wedding in early June at the



Ken Giunta, owner of Ace Drums in Port Charlotte.

Versace mansion on South Beach. Closer to home, the mid to lower-priced guitars, usually in the \$300 to \$500 range, are bestsellers.

Mr. Scott’s expertise and personal attention to customers and equipment keeps him competitive with big box and online stores, he believes. Each instrument leaves the store ready to play; there’s no question about what you’re getting and a pro is there to answer questions, help you figure out a riff or talk technical details about knobs on an amp.

While the business has weathered its ups and downs, with online sales, a road construction project and a major recession posing challenges, sales improved by 10 to 20 percent per year each of the last four years, Mr. Scott said. His customer base is strengthened by an active music scene, especially for working musicians with the ability to play a diverse range of covers at restaurants, bars, hotels and clubs.

“If you’re a solo piano or guitar player, have a little trio, there are gobs of places to play,” he said. “There’s a lot of music here.”

Musicians who write their own songs are more rare — and find far fewer venues that will pay to support them in Southwest Florida — but some of Mr. Scott’s customers have gone on to find varying degrees of commercial success performing their own music outside the region.

Venues such as Rack’em Billiards in Cape Coral host original local and traveling bands. Howl Gallery/Tattoo shop in Fort Myers, by Brent’s Music, another well-known independent shop, is also known for supporting new and sometimes avant-garde musicians. They hold occasional concerts and carry a small number of original albums by bands such as “Audible Chocolate” by The High Chiefs, a funk rock group from Naples.



Bill Akins gets a piano lesson at Ace Drums.



Employees at Cadence Music in Fort Myers cleaning brass instruments.

Ace Drums

Ken Giunta is the drummer for Charlotte County’s popular rock and soul group The BoogieMen. You will also find him at his shop, Ace Drums in Port Charlotte, although it is better described by its slogan, “your neighborhood music store,” for its comprehensive array of inventory, services and customers.

Mr. Giunta has run Ace Drums for 12 years and lived in Southwest Florida for 35. But he became a drummer (and salesman) long before that, in the fifth grade when he sold the guitar his mom bought him for his birthday and bought a drum instead. He grew up on Long Island where he got involved in school music programs and listened to drummers like Ringo Starr, Charlie Watts, Gene Krupa and Buddy Rich.

The front room of his shop is packed with instruments and equipment. In the back, musicians rent out studios to teach just about any instrument you can find in a band. Sharon Ponte, a keyboard and voice teacher who graduated from Berkeley School of Music in Boston, said her

students range in age from 5 to 75.

She had stopped in for a lesson with one of them, Bill Akins, an unassuming 65-year-old Vietnam War veteran who has led fundraising efforts for a memorial wall in Laishley Park. Mr. Akins has played guitar off and on since he was a teenager and is expanding his musical horizons, learning breathing techniques, for example.

A guitarist who works at Ace as a volunteer and performs with local rock and bluegrass bands, Pete Stillwaggon said one of the best places to get involved as a player is the Punta Gorda Guitar Army. The open jam session is held in Gilchrist Park every Thursday evening for acoustic music as it has been for more than a quarter century; and more recently on Tuesdays for electric, both nights from about 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Drum circles, such as those on Siesta Key in Sarasota and Centennial Park in downtown Fort Myers on Sunday evenings, have also become more popular lately, Mr. Giunta said, which has helped sell a wide variety of percussion instruments. ■

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In a nutshell, an annuity typically involves your handing an insurance company a big chunk of cash today, with it agreeing to pay you an income for a specified period, which can be a certain number of years or the rest of your life. Here are three broad categories of annuities:

- **Equity-indexed annuities:** Beware of these. They might promise a "guaranteed" return based on the performance of an index, but it likely will be several percentage points lower than the index's. Worse, your gain is often capped. When the S&P 500 has a big year, perhaps surging 20 percent or more, you might collect no more than a 10 percent return. And that's before ridiculous fees. A well-built portfolio of stocks should easily trounce this tax-disadvantaged product.

- **Variable annuities:** These often

sport high fees, iffy returns and brutal "surrender charges" if you need your money back. There are some tax advantages, but they won't necessarily compensate for the downsides.

- **Fixed immediate annuities:** These are basic, classic annuities — you hand over a lump sum and get a specified income for the rest of your life. The best ones offer cost-effective insurance against outliving your money, and you can opt for ones that include inflation adjustments, too. They're worth serious consideration if you're near retirement and seeking guaranteed income.

Even if you think your nest egg is big enough, remember that you might not always want to be managing an investment portfolio or be dependent on an adviser. An immediate annuity — or a deferred one that starts paying you at a later date — might suit your needs.

Annuities offer trade-offs, but they may be worth the peace of mind. If you're considering this option, seek low-fee offerings backed by highly rated insurers. We'll offer more details next week. ■

My Dumbest Investment

Caved and Lost

My investment club once had a member who liked to gamble with his personal investing money. He had been pumping all of his money, around \$30,000, into a large trucking company, and that was his only investment before joining our club. It had been close to bankruptcy, and he was sure it had nowhere to go but up. He hounded the club about buying shares, and after a few months we caved just to shut him up.

At that time, it was a penny stock, trading around \$0.50 per share. A few days after buying it, the stock jumped 25 percent and the following day it dropped about 28 percent. We had a stop order in place, calling for an automatic sale if the shares fell 25 percent, so that kicked us out of them. We only lost a few dollars, but it is the dumbest investment because we caved and bought a stock that only one member wanted. It was a small cost for a big lesson

— J.R., Anaheim, California

The Fool Responds: That company is saddled with a pile of debt and has been losing money for years, making it a risky proposition. Buying is fine if your research suggests a company is likely to grow, but buying to shut someone up isn't a great path to profits. (It was risky for him to have all his money in one stock, too.) ■

Last week's trivia answer

I trace my history back to 1938, when my founder opened The Green Frog luncheonette in Georgia. Today, headquartered in Orlando, Florida, I'm an \$8 billion giant, encompassing the following brands: Olive Garden, LongHorn Steakhouse, Bahama Breeze, Seasons 52, The Capital Grille, Eddie V's and Yard House. (I sold Red Lobster last year.) Through subsidiaries, I own and operate more than 1,500 restaurants, employ more than 150,000 people and serve more than 320 million meals annually. My sales top \$6 billion each year, and my stock has averaged gains of 13 percent annually over the past 20 years. Who am I? (Answer: Darden Restaurants) ■



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Different Growth Rates

QI recently noticed a company post quarterly results that featured earnings growing faster than revenue. Shouldn't those two items grow at a similar rate?

— W.A., Wilmington, Delaware

ANot necessarily. Revenue (or "sales") is the top line of the income statement and earnings (or "net income") the bottom, with a lot happening in between. If a company's revenue holds steady over a few years, but it adds workers or factories, or spends more on advertising, its expenses will rise and its profits will shrink. When you see a company's earnings growing faster than its revenue, that suggests it's becoming more efficient and its profit margin is increasing.

QA company I'm invested in wants to issue more stock. Should I vote for or against that?

— F.B., Miamisburg, Ohio

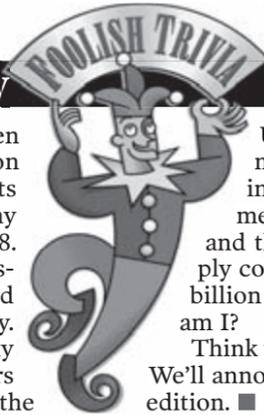
ASome would automatically vote no, because adding more stock can dilute the value of existing shares. For example, imagine that Chihuahua Channelers (ticker: YIPYIP), which helps people communicate with long-lost pets, has just 100 shares of stock outstanding, and you own 10, or 10 percent of it. Then it issues 10 more shares. It now has a total of 110 shares, and your 10 now represent only 9 percent of the company. The value of your shares appears to have dropped.

But consider why the company is issuing more shares. Sometimes it's just to facilitate a stock split or for employee stock options. If the additional shares are to buy another company in a well-structured deal, adding them may be a smart move. Perhaps the acquisition will add much more in value to your company than it's costing in additional shares. If a company uses the money raised to grow its business effectively, shareholders can still win. ■

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Name That Company

I trace my roots back to 1906, when William Riley founded me in Boston in order to manufacture arch supports and orthopedic shoes. I produced my first pair of running shoes in 1938. By the 1950s I was handcrafting customized footwear, and customized sneakers are a big hit for me today. I'm now the only major company producing more than 4 million pairs of athletic footwear annually in the



U.S. Over the years, my acquisitions have included the Dunham men's casual shoe brand and the Brine athletic supply company. I raked in \$2.7 billion globally in 2013. Who am I?

Think you know the answer? We'll announce it in next week's edition. ■

The Motley Fool Take

This Stock Isn't Walking Dead

If you'd like to make money in show business, consider investing in AMC Networks (Nasdaq: AMCX). AMC, once mainly a distributor of content, is now purchasing and/or producing it, with such critical and popular hits as "Mad Men," "Breaking Bad," "Better Call Saul" and "The Walking Dead." It has profited by selling multiyear streaming rights to those programs and recently sold rights to its upcoming spinoff, "Fear the Walking Dead," to Hulu.

Hulu's purchase is wide-ranging and also includes future originals screening on AMC channels such as IFC and Sundance and on network partner BBC America, in which AMC has a 49.9 percent stake. The resulting windfall could last several years.

The international upside might be even greater. Right now, AMC gets just over 2 percent of its cash flow from overseas sales. As the ratio gets closer to 50-50 — and it likely will, because the international TV audience is far larger and AMC is doing more of its own international distribution — AMC should see revenue and earnings accelerate, driving its stock value higher.

AMC Network's revenue has roughly doubled since 2011, and its net profit margins are in the teens, with revenue and net income growing by double digits over the past five years. With its P/E ratio in the teens, the stock is appealingly priced. (The Motley Fool recommends and owns shares of AMC Networks.) ■

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 napleschamber.org.

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

■ **The Florida Gulf Coast Real Estate Investors Alliance** meets at 5:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at the Bonita Springs Elks Lodge, 3231 Coconut Road. The next meeting is July 7. Call (941) 257-3577 or visit fgreaia.com for more information.

■ **Wake Up Naples** for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 7-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 8, at the Hilton Naples. Guest speaker Gregory Scasny, CEO of Cybersecurity Defense Solutions, will discuss how to defend your business against hackers and data thieves. The morning's sponsor is the Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida. Sign up at napleschamber.org/events.

■ **Business After Five** for members and guests of the Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, July 15, at Ciao Bella Ristorante Italiano, 1000 N. Collier Blvd. Call 394-7549 or visit marcoislandchamber.org.

■ **Young Professionals of the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** meet for networking from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 15, at The Center Bar in the Promenade at Bonita Bay. Admission is free, and food and drinks will be available for purchase. Sign up at bonitaspringschamber.com. For more information, call 992-2943 or visit facebook.com/bsayoungprofessionals.

■ **Business After Five** for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, July 16, at the chamber Visitor Information Center, 900 Fifth Ave. S. Sign up at napleschamber.org/events.

■ **Young Professionals of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** hold their annual meeting from

6-10 p.m. Thursday, July 16, at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. Free for members who sign up in advance, \$10 at the door; \$50 for non-members (includes a membership). Visit ypnnaples.com or follow ypnnaples on Facebook.

■ **"Destination Paradise: Limitless Opportunities,"** a business-to-business trade show sponsored by the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, takes place from 3-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort. Sponsorship opportunities are available, as are exhibit booths. Call Judi Menard at 298-7928 or email judi@napleschamber.org. ■

— Email business meeting announcements to cpierce@floridaweekly.com.

ON THE MOVE

Board Appointments

John Cardillo, a partner with the law firm of Cardillo, Keith and Bonaquist, P.A., has been appointed president of the Collier County Bar Association. Mr. Cardillo is active with the Florida Bar as a member of the RPPTL Section, Client Security Fund and the Grievance Committee for the Twentieth Judicial Circuit. He sits on the planning advisory board for the city of Naples and is a past president of the Collier County Bar Association's Young Lawyer Division. Mr. Cardillo received his law degree from the Florida State University College of Law and his undergraduate degree from Boston College.



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Officers and directors joining Mr. Cardillo are **Marc Huling**, president elect; **Carlo Zampogna**, treasurer; **Damian Taylor**, secretary; **Sonia Diaz**, immediate past president; and **Travis Hayes**, **Edward Larsen**, **Rachael Loukonen**, **Mike McDonnell**, **Richard Montecalvo**, **Andrew Reiss** and **Kimperly Spiker**, directors.



DIAZ

The Collier County Bar Association was formed in 1948 to enhance the legal profession by providing educational opportunities for its members and the community. Members of this voluntary association educate the public about the legal profession through pro-bono clinics, speaking opportunities and programs such as the high school mock trial competition. The association has a lawyer-referral service to help link members of the public with a local attorney, and a library for legal research open to the public.

Lisa Freund, Ph.D., has been appointed to the board of directors for Project Help, Collier County's rape and crisis center. Originally from New York, Ms. Freund earned her doctorate in education from Teachers College, Columbia University, and was a teacher, staff developer and professor of education for almost 40 years prior to her retirement in 2012. She devotes her time now to volunteerism and social action.

Matt Grabinski, attorney with Coleman, Yovanovich & Koester, P.A., has been named chairman of the 2015 Business Hall of Fame-Collier County advisory board for Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida. **Patrick Utter**, vice president of real estate and club operations for Collier Enterprises, has been named vice chairman. Other advisory board members for this year are **Wilma Boyd**, president and CEO, Preferred Travel of Naples; **Carleton Case**, vice president of business development, Brown & Brown Benefits; **Clay Cone**, president, Cone Communications Com-

pany; **John English**, PE, LEED-AP, Barron Collier Companies; **Kathy Gulvas**, communications manager, London Bay Homes; **Ken Haney**, partner, Quarles & Brady, LLP; **Matthew Kragh**, president, MHK Architecture & Planning; **Kent McRae**, COO, Moorings Park; **Jerry Nichols**, executive vice president, Brown & Brown Benefits; **Tom O'Reilly**, former McDonald's owner/operator; **Orlando Rosales**, CEO, Media Vista Group; **Craig Sherman**, senior vice president-commercial lending, CNL Bank; **Vicki Tracy**, director, The Arlington; **Steve Wheeler**, vice president of development, Healthcare Network of SWFL; and **Len Zaiser**, Azimuth Technology Inc. The 2015 Business Hall of Fame-Collier County event will be held Thursday, Oct. 29, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort.

Banking

Jackie Fritsch has been named vice president-branch manager for First Florida Integrity Bank at the location at 3580 Pine Ridge Road. Ms. Fritsch has more than 22 years of experience in the banking industry. Prior to joining First Florida Integrity Bank, she was a vice president-branch manager at Capital Bank/TIB Bank, a branch manager at Fifth Third Bank and an operations manager at First National Bank of Florida.

Media

Justin Paprocki, an award-winning print and digital journalist, has joined the staff of Gulfshore Life magazine as a senior editor.

Mr. Paprocki has 10-years professional experience in the journalism industry. After graduating from the University of Maryland, he worked in newspapers, starting at Suburban News Publications in Columbus, Ohio. He then moved to Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, and worked in news and features for eight years at *The Island Packet* newspaper. Before leaving, he served as an assistant features editor.

He is a recent graduate of the University of Missouri with a master's degree in convergence journalism. Originally from Ohio, Mr. Paprocki lives in Naples with his wife, Sarah.

Nonprofit Organizations

Karen Brothers has been named assistant manager at Options Thrift Shoppe at 968 Second Ave. N. The shop is operated by The Shelter for Abused Women & Children. ■



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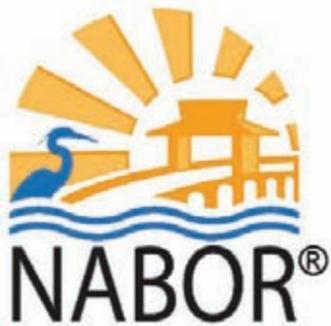
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Market report shows spike in home sales

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Historically, May has been considered an “in-between” month in the local real estate industry, as it sits between when winter residents head north and when summer visitors arrive. This year, however, activity in the \$300,000 to \$500,000 price category of the housing market was on fire in May, increasing 30 percent in overall closed sales, from 181 homes in May 2014 to 236 homes in May 2015. The numbers are according to the newest report from the Naples Area Board of Realtors, which tracks home listings and sales within Collier County (excluding Marco Island).

Many homes in the under-\$300,000 category have moved into the \$300,000-\$500,000 price category (bracket creep), a phenomenon that contributes to the increase in inventory levels for single-family homes in all price categories above \$300,000, all of which increased by double digits.

NABOR’s May 2015 market report also indicated closed sales for single-family homes in the \$300,000 to \$500,000 price category — while impressive at an increase of 25 percent, from 102 in May 2014 to 127 in May 2015 — was actually not the highest performing price segment. It was closed sales for single-family homes in the \$1 million to \$2 million category that experienced the highest increase: 38 percent, from 32 closed sales in May 2014 to 44 this May. Year over year, closed sales in the \$300,000 to \$500,000 condominium market increased 38 percent, from 79 condominiums in the 12 months ending May 2014 to 109 in the 12 months ending May 2015.

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Rex Miller of Gulf Coast International Properties has the listing for \$3,495,000. For more information or to arrange a showing, call 821-1433, email rex@gcnaples.com or visit gcnaples.com. ■



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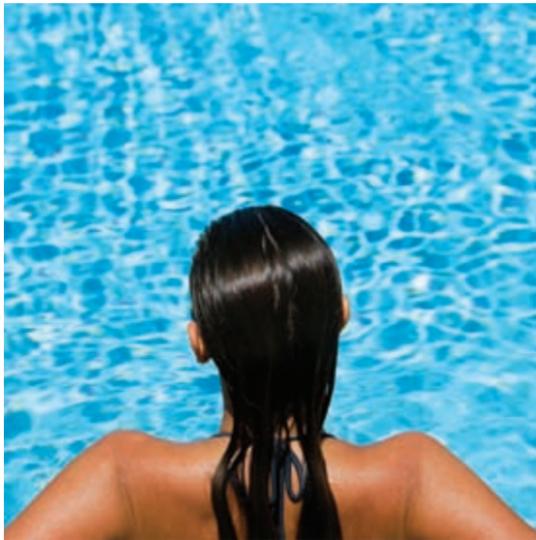
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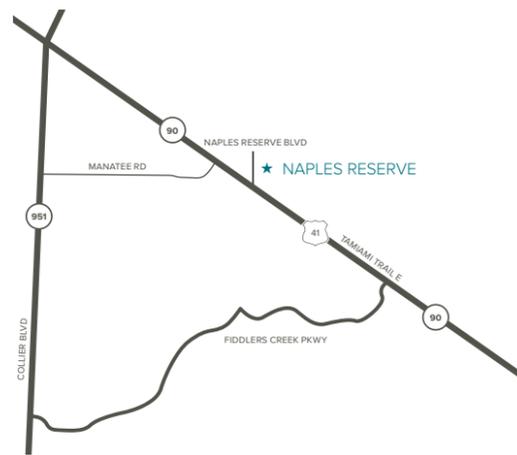


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Homes in the \$300,000 to \$500,000 range saw positive double-digit action in overall pending and closed sales (and inventory), yet the overall median closed price did not change. Contributing to this pricing stabilization was a 2 percent increase for single-family homes, from \$380,000 in the 12 months ending May 2014 to \$386,000 in the 12 months ending May 2015, and a 1 percent decrease in the median closed price for condominiums in the same price category, from \$370,000 in the 12 months ending May 2014 to \$367,000 in the 12 months ending May 2015.

Jeff Jones, NABOR treasurer and managing broker at the Naples-Park Shore office of Coldwell Banker, says the median closed price for homes above \$300,000 in May was the lowest since NABOR began tracking statistics in March 2008. The median closed price for homes above \$300,000 was \$520,000 in the 12 months ending May 2015, compared to \$550,000 in the 12 months ending May 2009, he adds.

John Steinwatt, broker and principal at Naples Realty Services, says prices for homes between \$300,000 and \$1 million are remaining relatively static. The May report supports his observation, indicating the overall median closed price for homes under \$300,000 increased 10 percent, from \$170,000 in the 12 months ending May 2014 to \$187,000 in the 12 months ending May 2015; and the overall median closed price for homes \$2 million and above increased 11 percent, from \$2.9 million in the 12 months ending May 2014 to \$3.212 million in the 12 months ending May 2015.

The NABOR market report for May 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. Among the additional findings:

- Overall pending sales decreased 11 percent, from 1,096 in May 2014 to 977 in May 2015.
- Overall closed sales remained flat for a second month, with no increase or decrease reported on a 12-months ending basis.
- Closed sales for single-family homes in the \$300,000 to \$500,000 category increased 22 percent, from 1,075 homes in the 12 months ending May 2014 to 1,316 homes in the 12 months ending May 2015.
- Closed sales for condominiums in the \$300,000 to \$500,000 range increased 33 percent, from 691 in the 12 months ending May 2014 to 922 in the 12 months ending May 2015.

■ The overall median closed price increased 15 percent, from \$252,000 in the 12 months ending May 2014 to \$289,000 in the 12 months ending May 2015.

■ Overall inventory decreased 3 percent, from 3,919 homes in May 2014 to 3,800 homes in May 2015.

■ Inventory for single-family homes in the under \$300,000 category decreased 34 percent, from 465 homes in May 2014 to 307 homes in May 2015.

■ Inventory for condominiums in the \$2 million and above price category increased 83 percent, from 30 condominiums in May 2014 to 55 in May 2015.

Average days on market decreased 21 percent from 95 days in May 2014 to 75 days in May 2015.

Bill Coffey, broker manager of Amerivest Realty Naples, points to the report's finding that there is a 1.85-month supply of homes available in the under \$300,000 category.

"Inventory is not going down as much as it once did," notes Mike Hughes, NABOR president and vice president/general manager of Downing-Frye Realty says the below-\$300,000 market is under tremendous pressure from multiple groups including first-time home buyers, retirees and boomerang buyers.

"The dynamics of the Naples market in 2015 are quite different than they were in 2005," Mr. Hughes adds. "We are not seeing the rampant flipping of properties that occurred in 2005. Many of our recent buyers are end users. The financing market today is a lot tougher than it was in 2005. Roughly 60-70 percent of our buyers these days are cash buyers. Also, many developers are requiring a larger down payment than they did back in 2005."

"With respect to the low-end part of the market, we still have many properties within Naples and plenty on the outskirts of the Naples area, too. The bottom line is that the consumer looking for properties below \$300,000 still has a wide selection of choices in Southwest Florida."

Mr. Hughes points to similar dynamics affecting other high-demand cities such as Washington, D.C., where most of the affordable homes are in suburban areas. "The projections are for tremendous growth east of Collier Boulevard over the next 20-plus years," he says, adding the area is very desirable for the consumer who wants land and wants to stay in a more affordable budget.

Homebuyers are fueling the decrease in days on market, as shown by an overall decrease of 21 percent, from 95 days on the market in May last year to 75 days on the market this May.

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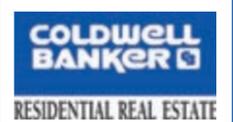


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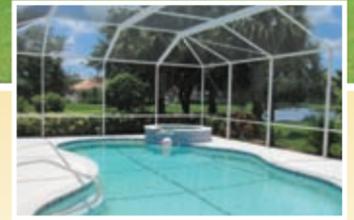
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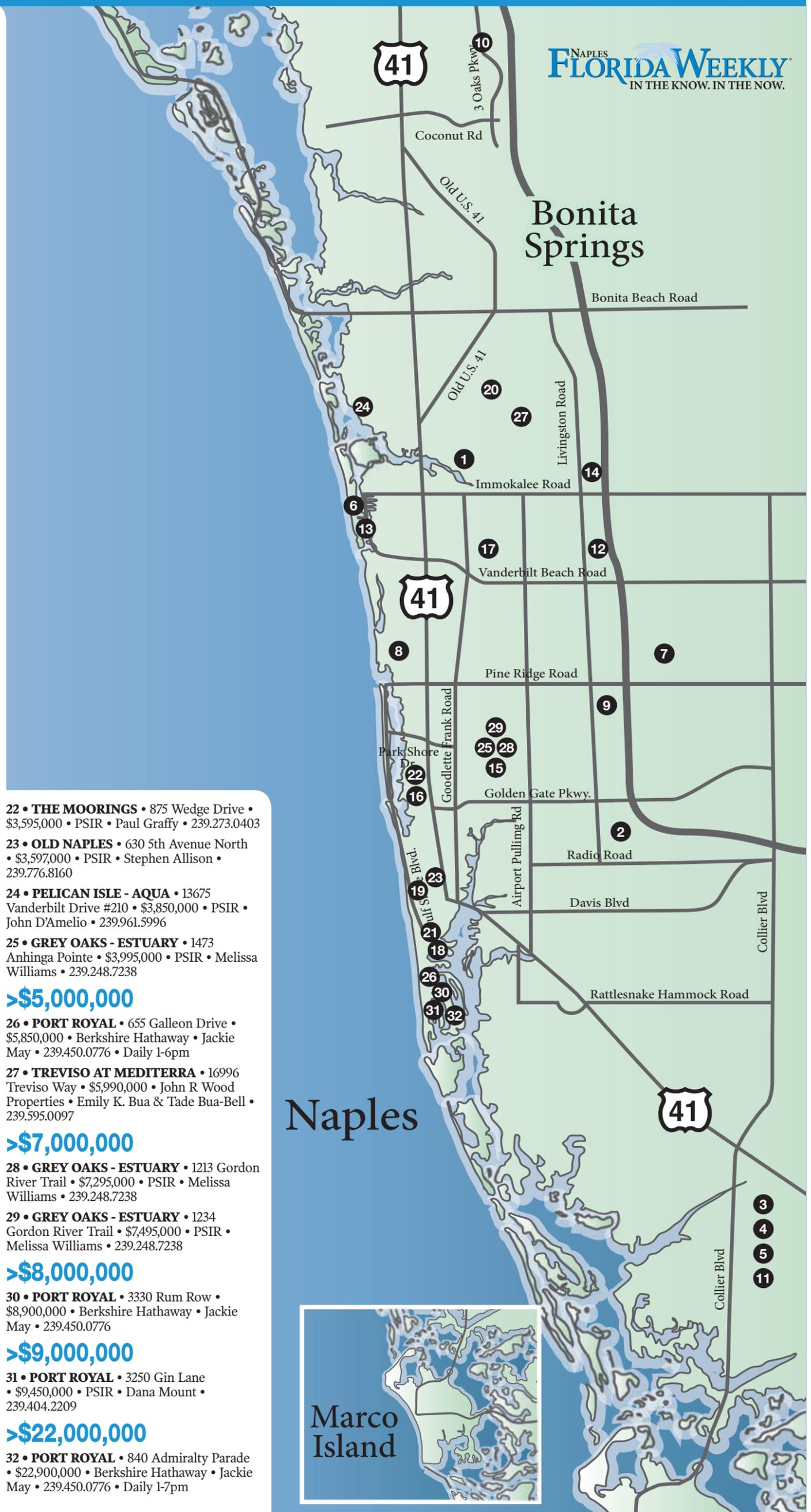
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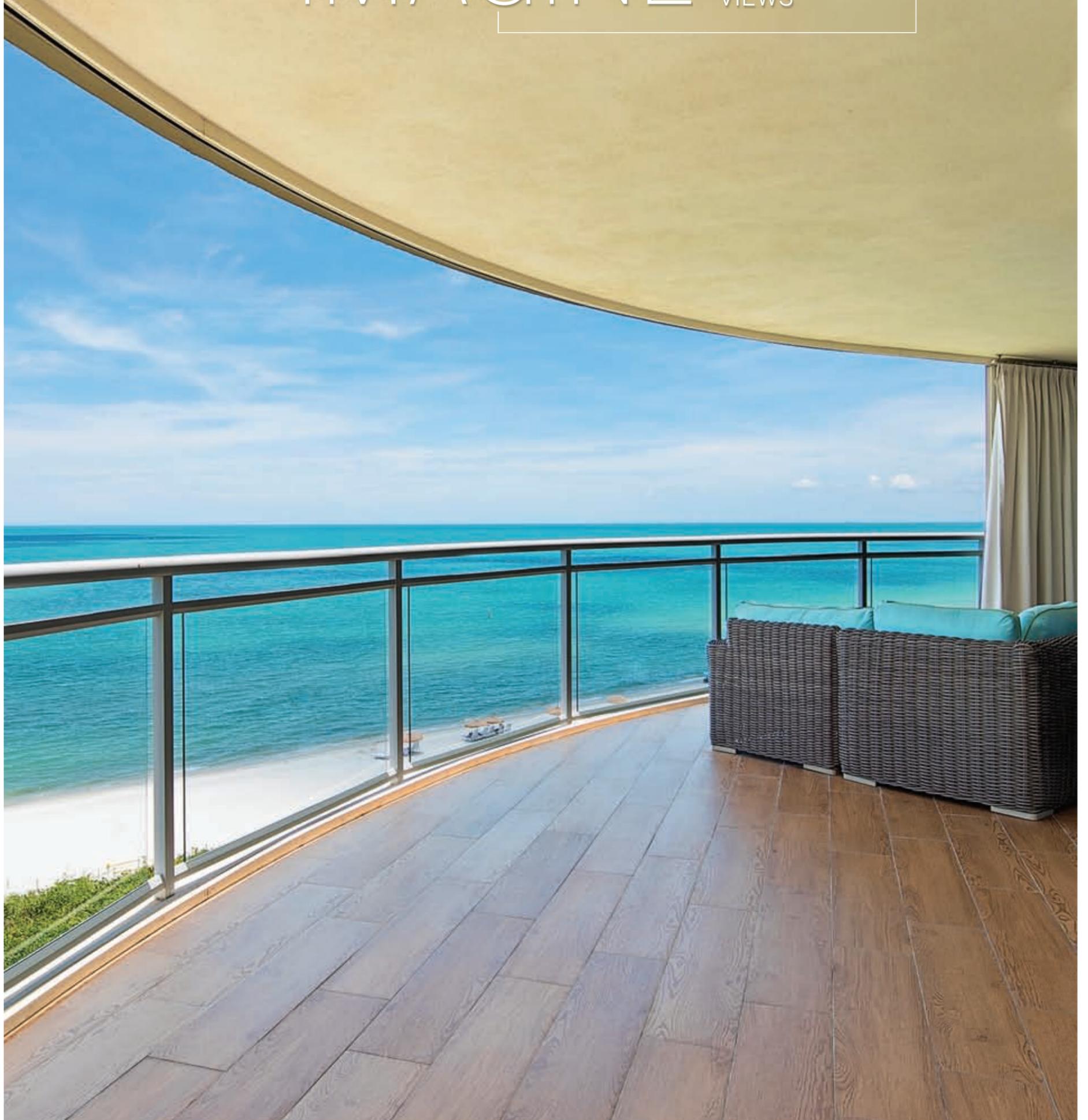


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A GUIDE TO THE LOCAL ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT SCENE



T-shirts from the heart of the Midwest put pithy sayings on your chest

At right: Mike Draper's Raygun T-shirt store in Des Moines, Iowa.

BY NANCY STETSON
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PEOPLE USED TO HAVE CLEVER CONVERSATIONS. They'd banter. They'd make witty observations. They'd drop bon mots like Oscar Wilde or Dorothy Parker wannabes. Now, we let our T-shirts do the talking for us. And Mike Draper thinks that's a good thing. A native Iowan, he's built a small empire upon clever sayings printed on cloth... and paper, and mugs.



He saw a need, and started a business to meet that need. He grew up in Van Meter, Iowa, a small town of 900 people just north of the county

SEE SHIRTS, C4 ►

Here's to the red, white and blue

Southwest Floridians can show their patriotic pride over the next few days in a wide variety of activities that celebrate summer, freedom and fireworks. Grab the family, a cooler, some sunscreen and head to one (or more) of these events that honor the red, white and blue.

■ **Independence Day Kick-Off Party**
6-9 p.m., Thursday, July 2
Mercato

The shopping center in North Naples salutes the holiday with a bounce house, face painting, stilt walkers, lawn games

and more, including live music by Rockin' Horse. Guests who wear red, white and blue will receive a complimentary Mercato beach towel and tumbler (while supplies last).

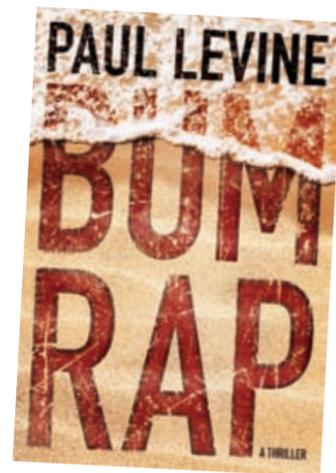
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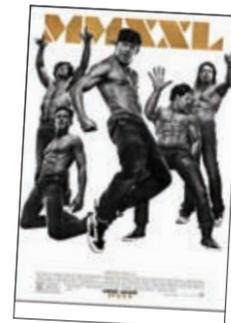


Thriller in Miami

Book critic Phil Jason enjoys a scintillating adventure involving the lead players from two popular series. **C8** ►

More Mike to like

Film critic Dan Hudak says it's OK to enjoy "Magic Mike XXL." **C15** ►



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Catching up with Tony Ridgway, patriarch of restaurateurs in Naples. **C31** ►

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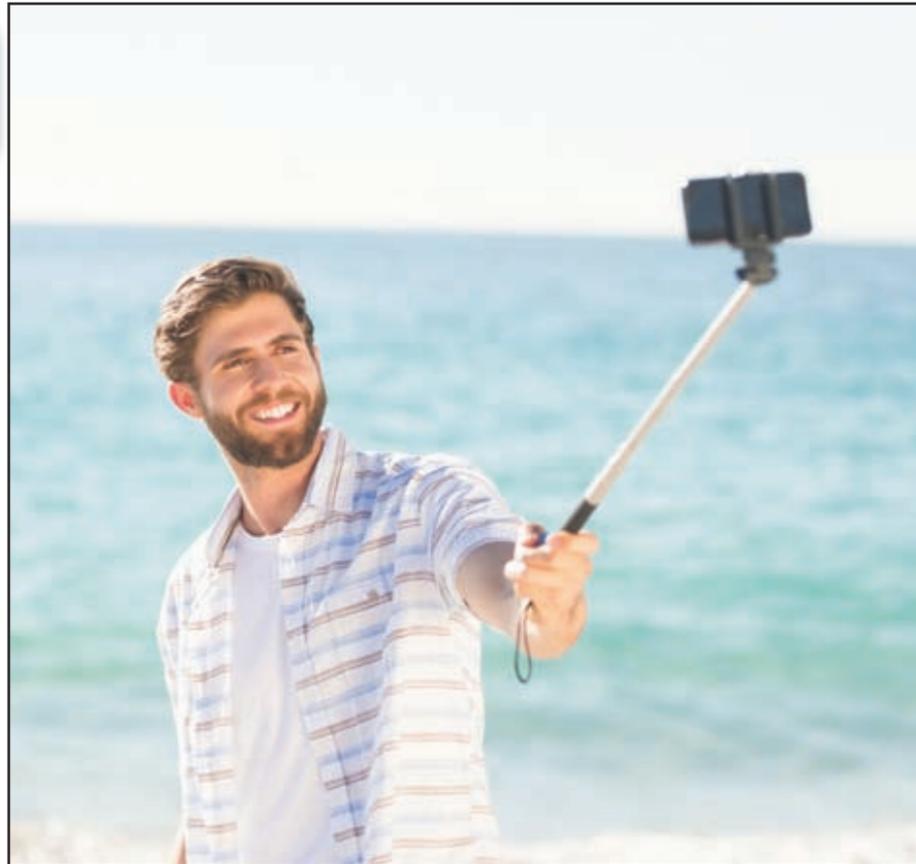


Every few weeks, I change my Facebook profile picture. Even though I'm hardly active anymore, I figure it's still a good idea to give a fresh face to the world.

My profile picture is usually from one of my travels, set against some glamorous backdrop like the mountains of northern Spain or the coast of Greece. In these photos I always have a certain look: deliriously happy. And of course I only post pictures that capture me in the best possible light, a moment of good hair and calm skin.

But here's a secret I never tell people. Those photos? They're the product of careful curation. I don't photoshop them — who has time? — but I'm judicious in my selection. For every profile picture that makes it onto Facebook, there are at least 20 that stay on the proverbial cutting room floor. Same fabulous location, same good-lighting, but I'm doing something to screw it up (making a weird face or closing my eyes or pulling my shoulders together in that awkward way that makes me look like Gummy).

In my pictures from Greece, I had a blemish on my left cheek so big it looked like a wasp sting. People would stop me and ask, "What happened to your face?" I then invariably offer some sort of cream



from their first aid kits. But in my profile picture you'd never know it. I have my left side turned away from the camera and my hand covering my cheek. I'm laughing. Deliriously happy, of course.

The reason I'm telling you all this: I recently had drinks with a friend who

confessed that he isn't as happy as other people.

"What people?" I asked. "Who's so satisfied with their lives?"

My friend shrugged and took a sip of his bourbon. "Oh, you know. The people on Facebook. The ones with the great

families and the perfect lives."

I started to laugh. Perfect lives? Please. But I could see his point. I've felt the same anxiety. It's easy to forget that Facebook and other social media are carefully crafted, even when we're the ones doing the crafting.

What's worrisome is that lately I've noticed a trend in the men I'm dating. This online tendency to clean up our image has spilled off the Internet and into the real world. The men I've been out with recently seem more concerned with looking good than investing in any sort of authenticity. Instead of celebrating their weirdness and insecurities — qualities that are actually endearing — they put all their energy into expunging their true selves. It must be exhausting for me, not only to humor the character they've created but to maintain my own. If they're not going to let a hair slip, I can't either.

Which creates a scenario in which no one wins.

The problem with this insistence on maintaining our best face at all times is that it's, well, impossible. In real life, there are no retakes, no cutting room floor.

If we're going to be in a real relationship, we have to learn to be our true selves. Even when the lighting's not perfect. ■

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SHIRTS

From page 1

seat of Winterset. (“Home of Bob Feller, who pitched for the Cleveland Indians in the 1930s,” he says. “He was called The Heater from Van Meter.”)

He knew his state — heck, not only his state, but the entire surrounding cluster of a dozen or so Midwestern states — was viewed as “flyover country” to those living on the east and west coasts.

But the Midwesterners have hometown pride and love local references and in-jokes.

And they love wearing these pithy sayings on their chests.

Mr. Draper makes T-shirts that say things such as: “I put the ‘sin’ in Wisconsin,” “Iowa: 75% vowels, 100% awesome,” “Missouri: the South of the North” and “I went to the Iowa State Fair and all I got was Type 2 diabetes.”

Some are obviously tongue-in-cheek: “Dubuque! The Riviera of Iowa!”

Others are slightly suggestive: “Kansas City: Two States at the Same Time” (referring to the fact that Kansas City is in Kansas but also in Missouri.)

There are quotation shirts:

“I grew up in Kansas. That’s about as American as it gets. — Superman” “Is this heaven?” “No, it’s Iowa. Field of Dreams” and “No, I’m from Iowa. I only work in outer space.” — Captain Kirk”

Mr. Draper made and sold his first T-shirts in his senior year in college at the University of Pennsylvania. A store that originally sold “Not Penn State” T-shirts had gone out of business. Mr. Draper saw how popular the shirt was when he wore his, so he printed 100 T-shirts that said “Not Penn State” and with some friends, sold them on campus.

“I made some other college-based stuff, in-jokes. The first several months of the company was just selling on busy intersections of college campuses. Not the most desirable job in the winter.”

After graduating, he also sold shirts in Boston, Philadelphia and in New York City at Union Square and Times Square.

“The whole concept of funny phrases on shirts was, I had to sell a shirt to a total



COURTESY PHOTO

Inside the Raygun T-shirt store in Des Moines, Iowa.

stranger in the time it took for them to walk past me. We got pretty good at making products that people would purchase quickly.”

Then, in the spring of 2005, he opened up his first store in Des Moines. (“Des Moines: French for the Moines.”)

“I thought, ‘I know this city.’ There are all sorts of inside jokes about Des Moines and Iowa. I was privy to all that. Not a lot of people make shirts about Des Moines and the Midwest... I like the idea of having something that’s just here.”

In the beginning, the Raygun company consisted of just him.

“I had a staff of just one very good-looking employee,” he jokes. “We had that going for us. I printed every shirt, rang up every sale. ‘Iowa: Wave the next time you fly over.’ ‘Iowans: The few, the proud, the extremely attractive.’ Those were some of the really early ones. It laid the groundwork for what became this overly positive content about Des Moines especially: ‘Des Moines: The greatest city in the world!’ ‘Des Moines: Hell yes’ ‘Des Moines: Let us exceed your already low expectations.’”

He originally called the store Smash, but learned a California company already had the name. So he changed it to Raygun.

“I wanted a noun, four or six letters, spelled properly,” he explains. “I just like the idea of this all-powerful weapon that doesn’t exist. It would be a pretty powerful weapon if someone could make it work, but until then, it’s just a toy. Menacing and not menacing.”

He opened another store in Iowa City

in 2010 (“Iowa City: All our creativity went into our name”), and then a third in Kansas City, Mo., in 2014 (“Kansas City: Too much city for one state!”) He now has 40 employees, including two full-time designers.

Any staff member can suggest a T-shirt slogan or product ideas.

For every T-shirt they offer, there are 25 ideas that didn’t make it, Mr. Draper estimates.

“In a creative environment, you want everybody to throw out ideas and white board ideas,” he says. “It’s a pretty interesting place to work. I own 100 percent of it: no investors, no board, no shareholders. Just me and the bank. It makes for a nice environment; anything we come up with can happen, there’s nobody else to clear it with.”

There are no \$50 T-shirts at Raygun. For one thing, Midwesterners, especially Iowans, are too practical to spend that much on a T-shirt. Raygun keeps the prices low, at \$21. And they’re good quality, made by American Apparel. All their paper products are made by union labor on the north side of Des Moines.

“I’ve been to every facility that makes stuff for us,” he says. “We take the supply chain more seriously than other companies. I think it shows in what we do: My goal is not to grow it as fast as possible and sell it to venture capitalists, but to build something that I enjoy but also adds to the community. Our employees should be well paid. The people we buy stuff from should be well paid.”

“Our stores are all in downtown (areas). We’re not adding to the sprawl, we’re not opening up next to Best Buy in the suburbs. We want to add to the core of the city.”

He also doesn’t do business with national chains or large, publicly held corporations.

“I don’t think they contribute anything,” he says simply.

Mr. Draper, who’s married to a woman he met in college, has printed a number of T-shirts supportive of same-sex marriage. Iowa was the third state in the nation to legalize same-sex marriage after Massachusetts and Connecticut. He made a shirt: “4.3.09 Iowa is now finally as gay as Connecticut.” And more shirts followed, including, “5/14/13 Minnesota is now finally as gay as Iowa.”

Recently, Raygun created a series of special black and white shirts in response to the Iowa caucuses.

“Every four years we’re in the news,” he says. “(Typically) we get in the news if famous people visit or enough people die: George Clooney visiting or a tornado comes through.”

in the know

What makes a good T-shirt slogan?

Mike Draper, founder of Raygun, has been brainstorming T-shirt slogans for more than a dozen years. He follows a couple of basic rules.

First, make it as direct as possible.

Use as few words as you can.

“Start with one word and go from there, start smaller and work your way out,” he says. “If you start longer, then try to eliminate words.”

“Delete unnecessary words,” he says, sounding like E.B. White in Strunk and White’s classic “The Elements of Style.”

In high school, he wrote for an alternative weekly in Des Moines, he says, which taught him to be “very punchy, getting to the point early.”

“Strip everything down,” he says.

Second, he says, make a declaration of some kind.

“For example,” he says, “if you want to make a T-shirt about Naples, you don’t want to start with a roundabout joke that refers to Italy. That’s really common knowledge. Instead, make a declaration about Naples. It can be kinda an inside joke.”

“It’s harder than you think it’s going to be,” he warns. “It’s difficult to make an appealing slogan in only seven words that you can sell to strangers.”

— Nancy Stetson

The T-shirts sport sayings such as: “Is there a bale of hay I can interview you next to?” “Sorry to interrupt your meal, but are you alive and have an opinion on the election?” and “Didn’t I interview you four years ago?”

The T-shirts have been mentioned on NBC, CNN, C-span and in the New York Times.

“We enjoy having the media here,” he says, acknowledging that they’re “extremely hyper-local.”

And they may not sell as well as, perhaps, “Decorah: Lutherans Gone Wild” or “Art: Just another get-poor-quick scheme.”

Sometimes, people just don’t understand their humor and will write to him to “correct” the slogans. They take exception to the shirts that say “Des Moines: French for the Moines” and “Chicago: Home of the El train, which is Spanish for... the train.”

“It’s interesting to be in the business of humor, to see what people don’t get, or get offended by,” he says.

And everyone, it seems, has an idea for a T-shirt.

“At the birth of our first son,” Mr. Draper says, “the doctor was like, ‘You guys ever do any doctor-related T-shirts?’

“That’s bizarre.” ■

in the know

Send us your slogans

Send your own T-shirt slogans to Tshirts@floridaweekly.com. We’ll print some of the best ones in the weeks to come.

Sweaty Florida T-shirts

BY NANCY STETSON

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What would Raygun-style T-shirts say if they focused their laser-like wit on Southwest Florida?

We asked company founder Mike Draper, whose maternal grandparents from Michigan wintered in Sarasota for 15 years, and this is what he came up with:

Florida: Humid with a chance of Midwesterners

Florida: From Mobility Scooters to Meth

Florida: From Prescription drugs to illegal drugs

Florida: The most normal state in America

Florida: Nothing crazy going on here, that’s for sure... no sir.

We came up with a few ourselves:

I don’t live here, I’m just visiting my grandparents.

My other grandparents live in Arizona. Southwest Florida: The Ohio of the South

Fort Myers: Ohio with palm trees
Southwest Florida: God’s waiting room
Mamie Eisenhower’s alive and living in Naples

Naples: The playground of billionaires
Welcome to Southwest Florida: Land of snowbirds, retirees and meth addicts

Fort Myers River District: Give us 50 years and our name will be literal.

Naples: City of entitlement & Botox

Turn off your damn signal if you’re not turning!

It’s the humidity
Paul Rudolph is God

Thomas Edison invented everything
Thomas Edison stole all his ideas

Thomas Edison: Inventor of the night parade

Cape Coma
Escape from the Cape

Now we’re opening it up to our readers. Send in your best suggestions for what

you think would make a great Southwest Florida-oriented T-shirt slogan, and we’ll print the best ones in an upcoming issue. Send them to Tshirts@floridaweekly.com

You might want to have “a positive kernel” to it, Mr. Draper says. “Sometimes use another state as your whipping boy. Look at how people explain their state to people outside. ‘Florida: A whole lot of crazy.’”

“Get the whole range. You’ve got gay Cubans and old people, white trash people, shooting, swamps, beaches. There’s a whole lot going on down there, a lot to unpack.”

He notes that though Mamie Eisenhower doesn’t really live in Naples, she was from Boone, Iowa.

And the almost-sanctified “ordinary friends” were all from the Midwest. Thomas Edison and Harvey Firestone were from Ohio. Henry Ford was born in Michigan.

And bam! there’s another T-shirt idea, he says: “Southwest Florida: Pretty much built by Midwesterners.” ■





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THEATER

Church Basement Ladies – Through July 4 at the Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or broadwaypalm.com.

Legally Blonde – By The Naples Players July 8-Aug. 9 at the Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or naplesplayers.org.

Shrek the Musical – By the Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs Youth Players Aug. 14-16 at the Hinman Auditorium. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

THURSDAY 7.2

Free Admission – Active and retired military veterans get free admission today through Saturday, July 4, at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. 262-0304 or conservancy.org.

Sock Hop Pop – Explore 1950s pop culture with books, movies, games and more fun starting at 9 a.m. Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops. Free. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Free Movie – Paragon Theaters in Pavilion Shopping Center presents “How to Train Your Dragon 2” at 10 a.m. Free. 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or paragontheaters.com.

Extraordinary People – South Regional Library hosts a lecture about the contributions by women and minorities to the U.S. military at 10 a.m. Reservations required. Free. 8065 Lely Cultural Blvd. 252-7542 or collierlibrary.org.

Make and Take – Artis—Naples invites guests to make carved soap sculptures at 2 p.m. Free. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Love That Dress! – Gordon’s on the River at Naples Harbour hosts “Life, Liberty & Love That Dress!” from 5-8 p.m. Free admission for those who bring a new or previously loved dress for PACE Center for Girls’ annual fashion sale; \$10 for others. gordonsontheriver.com.

Freedom Fun – Mercato hosts a pre-Independence Day bash with family activities and live music starting at 6 p.m. Free. 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

FRIDAY 7.3

Free Admission – Active and retired military personnel receive free admission to the Naples Zoo today through Monday, July 6, in honor of Independence Day. 262-5409 or napleszoo.com.

More Free Admission – Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center offers free admission to kids 12 and under. 300 Tower Road. 530-5940 or rookerybay.org.

Beachcombing – Set out at 9:30 a.m. with a volunteer at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park to see what kind of treasures you can find in the sand. Free with park entry fee (\$2 for bicyclists and walkers, \$4 per car with one person, \$6 per car with two or more people). 593-2568 or floridastateparks.org.

The Power Within – Join the meditation session and chill out at 10 a.m. at Goddess I Am. \$10. 600 Goodlette-Frank Road. 228-6949 or goddessiam.com.

Paws on Fifth – Take an adoptable pups from Humane Society Naples for a stroll down Fifth Avenue at 4 p.m. The HSN mobile adoption bus will be parked at the corner of Park Avenue, and adoption volunteers will be on hand. 643-1555 or hsnaples.org.



“Spring in Tavria,” on exhibition at Gallery on Fifth at Mercato, features the work of artists Mikhail Shapovalenko (“Games on the Beach,” above) and Alexei Petruhin as they capture the beauty and majesty of the fabled Crimean Coast.

Jazz Ai Fresco – Naples Grande Beach Resort presents The RJ Howson Band on the Sunset Veranda starting at 5 p.m. Free. 597-3232 or naplesgrande.com.

Happy Hour Flow – Shangri-La Springs hosts Yin Yang Happy Hour Yoga at 5 p.m. \$15. 27750 Old 41 Road, Bonita Springs. 949-0749 or shangrilasprings.com.

Dr. Who? – Fans of “Doctor Who” are invited to Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops for trivia, games and giveaways from 7-9 p.m. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Two Left Feet? – Step up for a dance lesson at 5:30 p.m. at the Naples Italian American Foundation. \$10. If you’re already comfortable with your moves, come for dancing beginning at 7 p.m. \$10. 7035 Airport-Pulling Road. 597-5210 or niafoundation.org.

Summer Fun – Collier County Sheriff’s Office invites families to Hot Summer Nights from 6-9 p.m. at McLeod Park in Everglades City for food and fun with bounce houses, rock walls, Wii games, hot dogs and more. Free. 774-4434 or colliersheriff.org.



Start the weekend off right by sipping a cocktail and enjoying live music by The RJ Howson Band starting at 5 p.m. Friday, July 3, at the Sunset Veranda at the Naples Grande.

SATURDAY 7.4

Food Trucks and Farmers Market – The summer farmers market at Galleria Shoppes at Vanderbilt is open from 7:30 a.m. to noon, and the food trucks stay until 2 p.m. 273-2350.

Farmers Market – Dozens of vendors bring their food and wares to the Third Street South Farmers Market from 7:30-11:30 a.m. in the parking lot behind Tommy Bahama. 434-6533 or thirdstreetsouth.com.

We Love A Parade – Get in stop for the city’s Independence Day parade starting at 10 a.m. 213-1000 or naplesgov.com.

Jazz Concert – Naples Jazz Masters perform at 1 p.m. at The Norris Center. Free, but donations welcome at the door. jazzydrjim@gmail.com or naplesjazzsociety.com.

Bonita Celebration – The City of Bonita Springs hosts a holiday bash starting at 4 p.m. and continuing through the fireworks show at sundown. 949-6262 or cityofbonitasprings.com.

Peace and Paddleboarding – Strive for perfect balance in a class that combines yoga and paddleboarding from 8:30-9:45 a.m. on the beach at Second Avenue North. \$35 includes board rental; \$15 if you bring your own board. Text 595-3199 to obtain confirmation beforehand.

Light Show – Head to the beach for The City of Naples’ annual fireworks show starting at sundown, or about 9 p.m. 213-1000 or naplesgov.com.

Island Sparks – Residents Beach on Marco Island puts on its annual fireworks show for members at 9:30 p.m. 642-7778 or marcocivic.com.

SUNDAY 7.5

Wonder Garden – Kids can learn about aquatic plants from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Naples Botanical Garden. Regular admission applies. 643-7275 or naplesgarden.com.

Kids Paint – Vino’s Picasso hosts a guided painting session for children at 3 p.m. \$15. 2367 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 431-8750 or vinospicasso.com.

MONDAY 7.6

Black Hole Sun – Learn about black holes, quarks and quasars in an FGCU Renaissance Academy class starting at 10 a.m. at the Naples Center of FGCU. \$20 for RA members, \$25 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Yoga for Youngsters – Green Monkey Yoga offers classes for kids ages 4-8 starting today. Sessions are from 4-5 p.m. Monday and Wednesday and 8:45-9:45 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. \$10 per class, \$90 for 10 classes. 6200 Trail Blvd. 598-1938 or greenmonkey.com.

Ommmm – Chelsea’s Resale Shoppe hosts evening meditations at 5:15 p.m. every Monday. Peace offering welcome. 949 Second Ave. N. 261-0005.

TUESDAY 7.7

Free Movie – Paragon Theaters in Pavilion Shopping Center screens “Diary of a Wimpy Kid” at 10 a.m. today through Friday, July 9. Free. 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or paragontheaters.com.

Bridging the Gap – Naples Italian American Foundation hosts bridge for beginners at 11 a.m. and for intermediate players at 12:30 p.m. Free for members, \$3 for others. 7035 Airport-Pulling Road. 597-5210 or naifoundation.org.

History Presentation – Marco Islander William Hughes presents his two 30-minute movies, “A Look Through Time” and “Jane Hittler at Marco Cemetery,” at 7 p.m. at the Marco Island Historical Museum. Free for members, \$5 for others. 180 S. Heathwood Drive. 642-1440 or themihs.com.

Start to Tango – Pablo Repun Tango holds a lesson for beginners at 7 p.m. \$15. 1673 Pine Ridge Road. 738-4184 or pablorepuntango.com.

Belly Up – Learn to belly dance in a five-week series of classes starting at 7:30 p.m. at Etudes de Ballet starts a Teusday-belly dancing class at 7:30 p.m. Sessions runs through Aug. 4. \$50. 3285 Pine Ridge Road. 593-8280 or bellydancingswfl.com.

WEDNESDAY 7.8

Pop-Cultured – Fans of DC Comics are invited to Barnes & Noble for activities and giveaways starting at 9 a.m. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Beach Yoga – Candice Oligney of Green Monkey Yoga leads a gentle yoga class for all levels from 9-10 a.m. at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Bring yoga mat, water, a towel and bug spray. \$5 plus regular park entrance fee (\$2 for bicyclists and walkers, \$4 per car with one person, \$6 per car with two or more people). Sign up by calling 598-1938 or visiting greenmonkey.com.

Paddleboarding Basics – Learn the basics of standup paddleboarding from staff at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park starting at 9:30 a.m. For ages 12 and older. Boards supplied by Naples Beach Adventures. Reservations required. Free with regular park entry free (see above entry). 597-6196 or floridastateparks.org.

Gardening Clinic – Naples Botanical Garden hosts a terrarium workshop at 10 a.m. \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members. 643-7275 or naplesgarden.org.

Bingo on Board – Double Sunshine sets sail on a bingo cruise at noon. Boarding starts at 11:30 and guests will enjoy three games and snacks. \$25. 1200 Fifth Ave. S. 263-4949.

Florida History – Collier County Museum presents “Enterprising Entrepreneurs: The Archaeology of Southwest Florida’s Cuban Fishing Ranchos” with Florida Public Archeology Network’s Melissa Timo at 2 p.m. Reservations required. Free. 3331 Tamiami Trail E. 252-8738 or colliermuseums.com.

WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

Film Fest Fun – Naples International Film Festival presents a screening of “Chocolat” (2000) as part of its summer series at 7 p.m. at Silverspot Cinema at Mercato. The arrival of a free-spirited woman disrupts a conservative French village. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. \$30 includes a glass of house wine, beer or soft drink, snack and a sweet treat. 775-3456 or silverspotcinema.com.

Dinner & Cards – The Naples Italian American Foundation hosts dinner, cards and mah jongg at 6 p.m. 7035 Airport-Pulling Road. 597-5210 or nia-foundation.org.

COMING UP

Monster Hurricanes – The FGCU Renaissance Academy presents a lecture about the science of hurricanes and the history of recording them at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 9, at the FGCU Naples campus. \$20 for RA members, \$25 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Alla Fun! – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs invites guests to paint wine glasses while they enjoy pizza and wine starting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9. \$55. 26100 Old 41 Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Great Outdoors – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts an opening reception for its “All Outdoors” exhibition from 6-8 p.m. Friday, July 10. Free. 26100 Old 41 Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Youth Group – Unity Faith Missionary Baptist Church kicks off its Youth Jamboree 2015 at 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 10. Fun and fellowship continue through the weekend with speakers, workshops and concerts. 1620 39th St. SW. 353-6604.

Nature Flick – The Conservancy of Southwest Florida screens “Invasion of the Giant Python” at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, July 11. This PBS nature series film explores the Burmese pythons’ invasion of Florida habitats. Free with regular admission (\$12.95 for adults, \$8.95 for children). 262-0304 or conservancy.org.

Family Fun – St. Mary’s Episcopal Church welcomes families for games, hot dogs and more fun from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, July 11. Free. 9801 Bonita Beach Road. 992-4343 or stmarysbonita.org.

Foreign Film – The Renaissance Academy screens “My Afternoons with Marguerite,” (France, 2010) at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 12, at the FGCU Naples campus. In a small French town, a nearly illiterate and lonely man bonds with an older and well-read woman in the park. \$5 for RA members, \$6 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Film for Film Lovers – Centers for the Arts of Bonita Springs screens “Phoebe in Wonderland” at 7 p.m. Monday, July 13. Confounded by the seemingly rule-obsessed world, a troubled young girl seeks enlightenment from her unconventional drama teacher. \$10. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Read-a-thon – Barnes & Noble hosts a marathon read-in of “To Kill A Mockingbird” that starts at 9 a.m. Monday, July 13. 598-5200 or bn.com. ■

— Email calendar listings and high-resolution photos to Lindsey Nesmith at lnesmith@floridaweekly.com. Please send Word or text documents and jpgs with pertinent details, cost and contact information. No pdfs or photos of fliers. Deadline for calendar submissions is noon Monday.

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■ Perky Elle Woods (Paige Raleigh) embodies the power of determination and positive thinking in The Naples Players’ production of “**Legally Blonde: The Musical**,” running July 8-Aug. 9 at the Sugden Community Theatre.
— naplesplayers.org

7.2



■ Rockin’ Horse keeps the party going at Mercato’s Independence Day Kick-Off Party starting at 6 p.m. Thursday.
— mercatoshops.com

7.3



■ Dog fanciers are invited to take adoptable pups from Humane Society Naples for a stroll down Fifth Avenue on Friday afternoon. Starting at 4 p.m., the HSN mobile adoption bus will be parked at the corner of Park Avenue.
— fifthevenuesouth.com

7.7

■ Tune in to Discovery Channel at 10 p.m. Tuesday for the Shark Week presentation of “Tiburones: The Sharks of Cuba,” a documentary about an expedition that partnered researchers from Sarasota’s Mote Marine Laboratory, the University of Havana and Cuba’s Center for Coastal Ecosystems Research.



FLORIDA WRITERS

Legal hotshots team up for a scintillating adventure set in Miami



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Nicolai Gorev, who has also locked away Nadia's passport. During a meeting in Gorev's office, weapons are drawn and Gorev ends up shot to death. Steve's fingerprints are found on the murder weapon, and gunpowder traces are found on him.

In a confused panic, Steve confesses to the murder. From various perspectives, the narrative rehearses the facts as alleged by Steve and Nadia (not quite identical) and the facts as used, abused and refused in various iterations of Jake's proposed trial strategy. Though Jake is a stickler for the truth, he is also bent on winning every case and doing all he can for a client.

Did Steve pull the trigger accidentally? Did he pull it at all, or did the weapon simply misfire? Do these details make any difference with regard to murder charges if Steve is viewed as Nadia's accomplice in a robbery? Can Steve change his story during the trial with any credibility?

Slowly, deliberately and with uncanny humor, Mr. Levine uses this case to expose many slippery aspects of the legal system, including laws regarding criminal charges and sentences that seem to contradict one another.

The reader is blessed with a device that the author uses to add contextualizing background to the case: the piecemeal presentation of Nadia's testimony in an interview with Deborah Scolino, an assistant U.S. district attorney. Scolino is investigating the Russian mafia-like enterprise that has Gorev as its front man and Benny the Jeweler as the ultimate boss.

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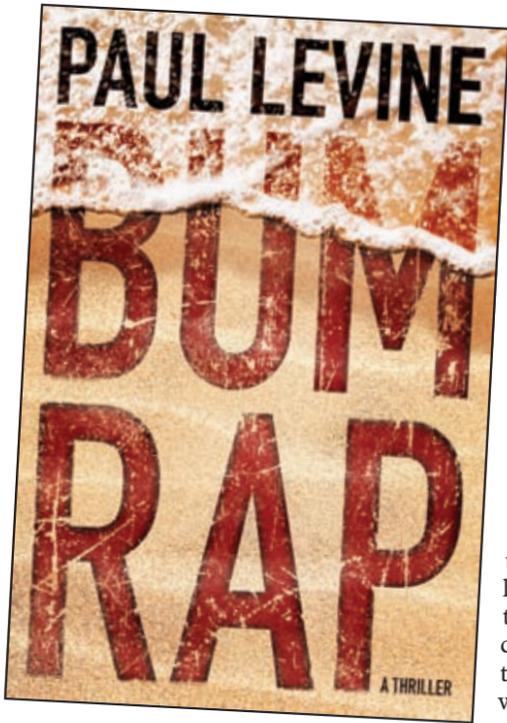
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the air. Though she remains faithful to Steve, Victoria becomes more and more attracted to Jake. This proves to be a problem for both of them. Will Jake eventually take advantage of her vulnerability? You'll have to find out for yourself.

Another romance, much more sudden, grows out of a Pennsylvania pretzel manufacturer's attraction to Nadia. He moves quickly from being her good times customer to being her suitor and perhaps her husband.

An aging Jake Lassiter is still a blessing. Jake stays in good physical condition, remains a sarcastic wise guy, continues to be quick-witted and proves more an attack dog than a counterpuncher. However, his sense of how to conduct himself in life and in court has mellowed, as has his relationship to truth and justice. When he looks at his client, attorney Steve Solomon, he sees the kind of rawness and brashness that will be toned down in time.

Jake is considering his future in retirement, which seems to be not so far away.

As he handles these subtle changes in his best-selling character, Mr. Levine shows his skills as a writer who reveals his characters through sharp-edged dialogue and convincing excursions into their thoughts and feelings. He sets the action in one of the country's most intriguing cities.

Miami is the place, presented with confident authority and telling detail, and Mr. Levine is the ace. ■

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

Nadia's testimony reveals the operations of Club Anastasia, run by the Gorev brothers, and the Q&A underscores how Nadia's future is governed by how many charges against her will be dropped or reduced in exchange for her testimony against others, including Steve.

Illegal immigration, scamming customers who expect sexual favors while running up enormous bar bills with beautiful women, money laundering, and smuggling diamonds all figure in the enterprises under investigation. However, for Jake the case is all about proving Steve innocent. He will somehow use Nadia if he has to — she certainly has a much stronger motive than Steve Solomon — but he'd rather find another way.

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ARTS COMMENTARY

Making a list, checking it twice



List making seems like a very basic human activity.

We make lists for a variety of reasons and occasions: grocery lists, to-do lists, New Year's resolutions, supplies to purchase for the new school year.

In addition to making lists of bills I have to pay and people I have to contact for my work, I make lists of books I've read and movies I've seen, as well as those I hope to devour in the near future.

I also have a bucket list of things I'd like to do or experience in this life. It includes moving back to New York, touching an elephant, and putting on a parka and feeding penguins in a penguin exhibit.

Our lists are very practical and personal. You wouldn't think they'd be of interest to anyone other than the person who'd written them.

Yet I find myself captivated by Sasha Cagen's book, "To-Do List: From Buying Milk to Finding a Soul Mate, What Our Lists Reveal About Us" (\$16, A Fireside Book). It's a collection of 100 hand-written lists and short explanations of the stories behind them.

The book started as a magazine called To-Do List and a blog (todolist-blog.com).

It's not a collection of 100 grocery lists.

Apparently, we make lists for all kinds of reasons. One, by a 30-something grad student, is "Risks I Took That Paid Off (aka how to cheer myself up when I feel blue)." One person made a list of "Things I Hate," while another wrote "Ten Reasons to Be Happy."

Some are whimsical. One father kept his 7-year-old daughter's list of supplies for an imaginary camping trip, written in blue crayon. The list, in its entirety: "flashlight, food, shos (shoes), bananas, blue crayon" There's a short space, and then she's written: "thats all." I love that she felt bringing a blue crayon was essential. Maybe she was just in love with the color or, like me, doesn't like to be anywhere without paper and pen.

Another list includes "do taxes" followed by "call cat psychic."

Some lists are heart wrenching.

One daughter, who was taking care of her mother who had Alzheimer's, found a list the mother had written while in high school or junior college: "Sayings to Live By."

"My mom did use sayings like these with us growing up," the daughter writes. "She was a very sweet, chipper person and tried to be positive in every situation ... I found the list long after she had lost the ability to speak. It's a treasure that's now 50 years old. It's the kind of thing I would run back into a burning house to save."

One son contributed lists that his father, a rabbi, would write and put in envelopes that then went into his jacket pockets. On the first anniversary of his father's death, the son opened the envelopes his father's nurse had sent him.

"They were like ancient relics," he writes. "All were written in his unmistakably beautiful penmanship, parts Hebrew, parts English. I realized he carried his whole life in his pockets ... Whether or not these notes gave him a sense of control over things, I don't know. I only know these envelopes are now precious to me. When I finished reading them, I put them back in one of his jackets. Every so often I pat them to make sure they are safe."

In the introduction to her book, Ms. Cagen writes: "In a sense, our to-do lists are like diaries, only they're the bullet-point version.

"Lists can be about anything — from flossing to finding a soul mate, from buying carrots to becoming whole. When we read other people's lists, we uncover the range of meaningful and mundane things that are on their mind. Lifelong hopes and daily tasks mix together, and 'organize sock drawer' is on par with 'get teaching credential,' which is sometimes exactly how life feels."

She calls it "everyday voyeurism," a "rare window into (others') everyday life.

"They are not only reflections of our mind states, they're also often tools

for action and decision making," she writes. "They represent the conversations that we have with ourselves but don't often voice to others."

One man made a list of "10 Ways to Be a Better Husband," while a young woman made a list of things she wanted to do before getting pregnant. A

Michael Musto of films for his Bad Movie Club. Mr. Musto and four friends meet regularly to watch "movies that should've been good but weren't," he writes. "It's an ongoing, evolving list which I started about five years ago when I realized there are so many bad movies out there that I had to catalog the best of the worst. The club is sick, ritualistic and much more fun than watching a good movie."

According to a telephone survey of 1,000 people by American Demographics, 42 percent make to-do lists.

Ms. Cagen did her own online survey of list making, which she includes in the book's appendix. She had 600 respondents. Of those who participated, 83 percent prefer to write their lists with pen and paper. (And there's just something about seeing lists written in others' handwriting.) Just over a quarter of them had made a "to-don't" list — things to not do. Most (66 percent) cross things off the list, while 21 percent use a check mark.

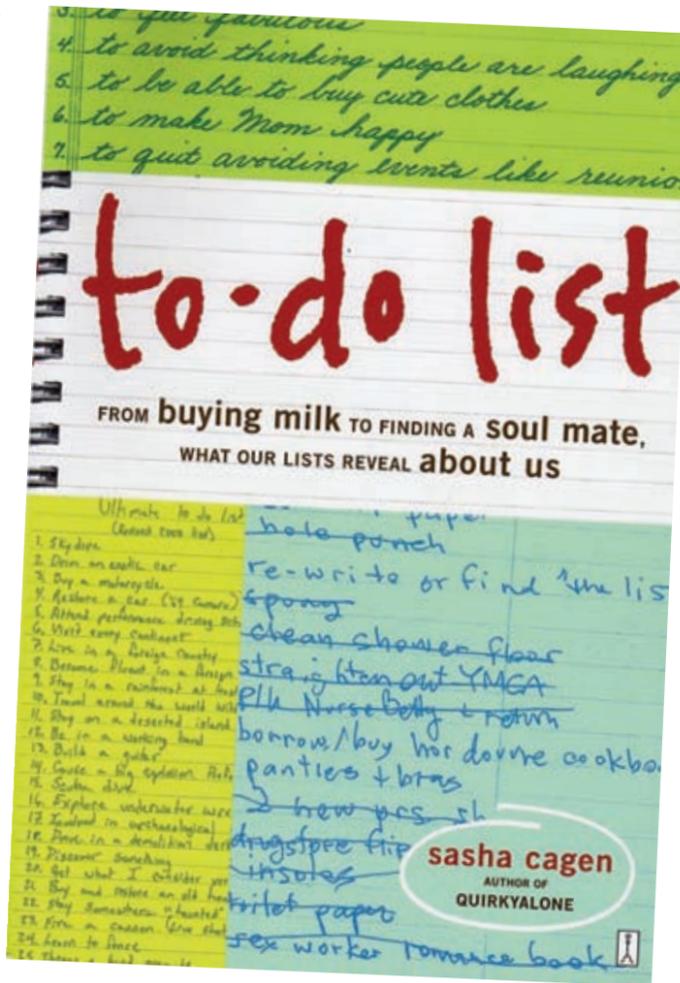
And — this warmed my heart, because I thought I was the only person who did this — 50 percent admitted they added things to their list that they'd already accomplished, then crossed them off.

"The pleasure of reading other people's lists is certainly voyeuristic, but also therapeutic, because there's so much humanity in them," Ms. Cagen writes. "We all wonder: Am I normal? Am I the only one who doesn't have it all figured out?"

When we only see other people's polished exteriors, it feels like they have some secret we don't. When we look at other people's lists, we see that functional adulthood doesn't come naturally to everyone else either.

"... Our lists reveal our secret selves. They show us as the hilariously imperfect works-in-progress that we are every single day. We're all figuring it out as we go along, and we're all much funnier, more neurotic and idiosyncratic than our finished-product versions of ourselves suggest. The evidence is in our lists." ■

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teenager's to-do list included: "stop swearing, stop eating pork (unless in the form of bacon)" and "get left ear pierced a third time."

The lists include New Year's resolutions and lists of what someone wants or doesn't want in a mate. One woman wrote 28 reasons to lose weight, another made a list of things wrong in her marriage.

Some are minimal and cryptic. One, titled "5 Happiness" consist of: "1. no work 2. book 3. sleep 4. food 5. money."

Some of the list-makers are well known. There's one by Chef Alice Waters of the things she planned to cook for a friend's birthday, and one from former Village Voice columnist

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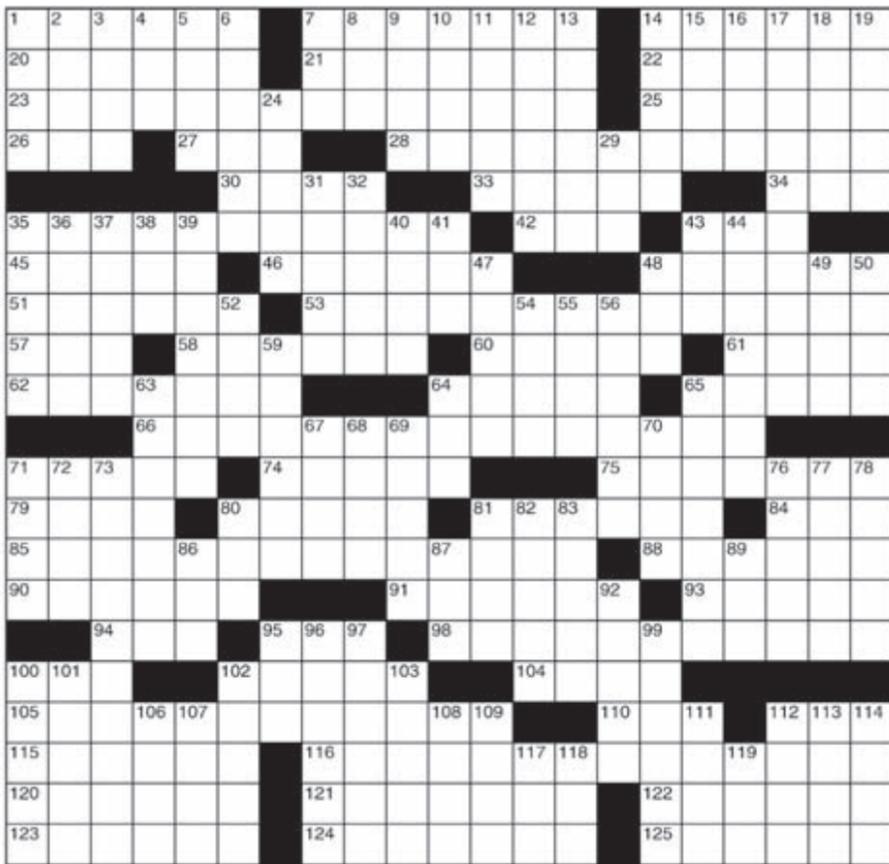
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 - 7 Its capital is Montgomery
 - 14 Old jazz buff
 - 20 Henry II player Peter
 - 21 Horse feed supporter
 - 22 106-Down on Cal Ripken's cap
 - 23 Amaze a Sherlock Holmes portrayer?
 - 25 — acid (corrosive liquid)
 - 26 — rno
 - 27 Brighton brew
 - 28 12-month famine?
 - 30 Trendy berry in juices
 - 33 Shire of film
 - 34 Goddess of the dawn
 - 35 Singer Brown got dressed?
 - 42 Gridiron gains: Abbr.
 - 43 Pen giant
 - 45 Make reparations
 - 46 Cosa — (Mafia's kin)
 - 48 Areas of expertise
 - 51 Provides party platters
 - 53 Determine which team scored?
 - 57 Supper scrap
 - 58 "Egypt — up like a flood": Jeremiah 46:8
 - 60 "NO TURN —" (traffic sign)
 - 61 Octa- plus one
 - 62 Relative of a résumé
 - 64 Judge on the bench, e.g.
 - 65 Bee creation
 - 66 Fact about a consolidation loan?
 - 71 Two-spot
 - 74 University in Atlanta
 - 75 In — (owing)
 - 79 Old science magazine
 - 80 Balance pan
 - 81 Pittsburgh's Carnegie — University
 - 84 Instructors' org.
 - 85 Sub-shop blaze?
 - 88 Relative key of B minor
 - 90 Michelangelo work
 - 91 California wine region
 - 93 Old Greek market
 - 94 Erwin of old films
 - 95 "The Tell-Tale Heart" taleteller
 - 98 Moola earned by a love god?
 - 100 Blocks from the freezer
 - 102 Is up against
 - 104 School in Berkshire
 - 105 Road named after singer Deanna?
 - 110 Seeded loaf
 - 112 — Alamitos, California
 - 115 Thinking the world of
 - 116 What to do to socks that tear every 24 hours?
 - 120 Appear
 - 121 Asinine
 - 122 Late actress Brennan
 - 123 Hot — (drag racer)
 - 124 Turn from a straight line
 - 125 Say "no" to
 - 1 Mortar trays
 - 2 List-ending abbr.
 - 3 TV clown
 - 4 "Frasier" woman
 - 5 Jazz singer Fitzgerald
 - 6 Li'l fellow
 - 7 Gasteyer of "Mean Girls"
 - 8 Truckload
 - 9 Deadly pale
 - 10 Neuwirth of "Frasier"
 - 11 "If I Had —" (Lyle Lovett song)
 - 12 American avant-garde artist
 - 13 Antediluvian
 - 14 Toyota rival
 - 15 Iroquois foe
 - 16 Falafel bread
 - 17 Amendment
 - 18 Samuel of justice
 - 19 PC whizzes
 - 24 Intel mission
 - 29 Hi — (stereos)
 - 31 Positive pole
 - 32 Atlas feature
 - 35 Son of Isaac
 - 36 Video game name
 - 37 Catchphrase
 - 38 Phenyl ender
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 - 43 Jazz genre
 - 44 Limonite, e.g.
 - 47 Worship
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 - 49 Kin of -ess
 - 50 Don't depart
 - 52 Uses a stool
 - 54 Writer Blyton
 - 55 Grove plant
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 - 59 — Field (Mariners' stadium)
 - 63 Most chancy
 - 64 "— will be done"
 - 65 Very irate
 - 67 Arabian Sea country
 - 68 Actor's part
 - 69 Long lock of hair
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 - 73 Frank and open
 - 76 Pear variety
 - 77 Corp. shuffling
 - 78 Mother of Isaac
 - 80 — cone
 - 81 List of dishes
 - 82 Get hitched on the fly
 - 83 Maximum
 - 86 Post-OR area
 - 87 OR worker
 - 89 Before now
 - 92 Prettify
 - 95 "NerdTV" network
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 - 97 Online investing site
 - 99 Tom of "Tomorrow"
 - 100 Slacking sort
 - 101 Pataki's predecessor
 - 102 Make furious
 - 103 Font flourish
 - 106 Nest builder
 - 107 "Picnic" dramatist
 - 108 Organic compound
 - 109 Head, to Gigi
 - 111 Falco with four Emmys
 - 112 In — of (rather than)
 - 113 Jai-alai cries
 - 114 "Auld Lang —"
 - 117 Amp plug-in
 - 118 Masquerade
 - 119 Fury TV alien

SEE ANSWERS, C11

HOROSCOPES

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A difficult personal situation seems to defy efforts to resolve it. Perhaps you're too close to it. Take some time to reassess what went wrong, and then see where things can be set right.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Leonine pride could be piqued a bit when someone else appears to be standing in your light. Be patient and resist the urge to growl at the interloper. You'll soon be the "mane" attraction again.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A professional situation benefits from your clear assessment of the circumstances involved. On the personal side, that new relationship looks as if it will continue to grow.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) More good news about a loved one helps reassure others who could not share your more-optimistic view before. Continue to help everyone in need of your comforting presence.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Creating new friendships could turn out to be the unexpected but welcome result of reconnecting with old friends. The weekend is a good time for fun and games. Enjoy!

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The more you learn about what you plan to do, the more likely you are to consider making some changes in your plans. This is good; don't resist it. Instead, go with it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A career change is still in your aspect, but a potential workplace change

could be what you've been looking for. See what develops before making any drastic moves.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your energy levels are high this week, which should help you get all your workaday tasks done and still leave you with enough breath to handle some domestic challenges.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) An unexpected fluke could cause problems with your travel plans. If so, use the time to troll for other available options, and you might be pleasantly surprised at what turns up.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A perplexing situation needs to be dealt with in order to avoid problems later on. Rely on both your own sense of what's right and the advice of someone you trust to help work it out.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Let your sharp Taurean business insight guide you when considering a "dream deal." Without all the facts, it could turn into a nightmare. Remember: Investigate before investing.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Sharing so much of your time and your gifts with others is what you do so well, and this week, don't be surprised if others want to share with you. Enjoy the experience. You've earned it.

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy the company of lots of people, but you also can treasure the moments shared with just one special person. ■

By Linda Thistle

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BY STEVE BECKER

Good bidding gets you to the best contract a very high percentage of the time. Every bid you make sends partner a message, and your partner replies in kind. Eventually, after a sufficient amount of information has been transmitted, one of you chooses the final contract.

In today's deal, for example, when South bids one heart, he announces that he has a hand containing approximately 12 to 21 high-card points. North's raise to two hearts has a much narrower range, indicating adequate trump support and six to 10 points.

Two spades shows values above a minimum opening, since otherwise South would pass two hearts. It also suggests that spades might serve better as the trump suit than hearts. Three spades guarantees at least four-card support and willingness to go on to game in either suit, and four spades closes the auction.

Unfortunately, these exchanges of information can sometimes backfire. As the bidders send their messages back and forth, the opponents can listen in, and what they hear often helps them find the best defense.

West took full advantage of the North-South bidding and found the killing opening lead. He led the ace and another heart, and later gave East a heart ruff to set the contract.

West reasoned that his opponents had to have at least eight hearts between

South dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ J 9 7 2
♥ Q 10 9
♦ Q
♣ K 8 6 4 3

WEST

♠ K 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ A 9 7 4
♣ J 10 9 7

EAST

♠ 8 6 4
♥ 6 3
♦ J 10 8 5 3 2
♣ Q 5

SOUTH

♠ A Q 10 3
♥ K J 7 5 2
♦ K 6
♣ A 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠			

Opening lead — ace of hearts.

them for the opening heart bid and immediate raise. This in turn indicated that East had either one or two hearts, and that he could sooner or later trump a heart.

Had South adopted a less-scientific approach to the bidding and jumped directly to four hearts over two, there would have been no way to stop him from making that contract. ■

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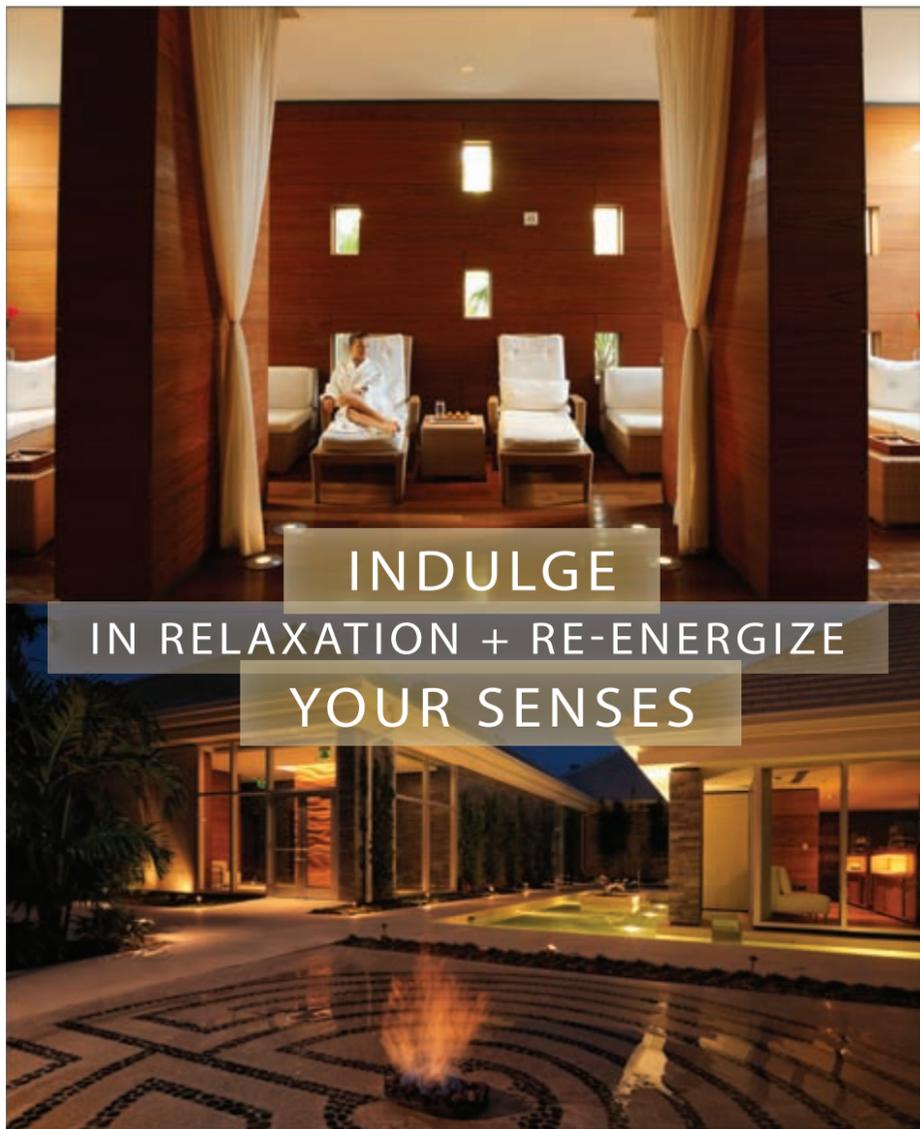
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Max ★★

(Robbie Amell, Lauren Graham, Thomas Haden Church) A Texas family welcomes in the Belgian Malinois dog that accompanied their now-deceased Marine Corps son in Afghanistan, but people around the family cause trouble. Sappy and sentimental, it's something that belongs on the Hallmark Channel, not the big screen. Rated PG.



Entourage

★★1/2
(Adrian Grenier, Jeremy Piven, Kevin Dillon) Movie star Vinny's (Grenier) directorial debut stresses out studio boss Ari (Piven), while other members of Vinny's entourage get into trouble of their own. It's an amusing bit of showbiz buffoonery, much more accessible to fans of the show than newbies like myself. Rated R.



Inside Out ★★★

(Voices of Amy Poehler, Bill Hader, Mindy Kaling) The emotions of an 11-year-old girl, including Joy (Ms. Poehler), Fear (Mr. Hader) and Disgust (Ms. Kaling), take center stage as the girl moves to San Francisco. The latest from Pixar Animation, it's tender with its heart in the right place, but not as funny as you'd expect. Rated PG.

Jurassic World ★★

(Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, Ty Simpkins) A genetically modified dinosaur gets loose and endangers everyone at an island-based amusement center, including the operations manager (Mr. Howard) and a Velociraptor whisperer (Mr. Pratt). The action and effects are fine, but not impressive enough to justify a trip back to the park. Rated PG-13.



Insidious: Chapter 3 ★★

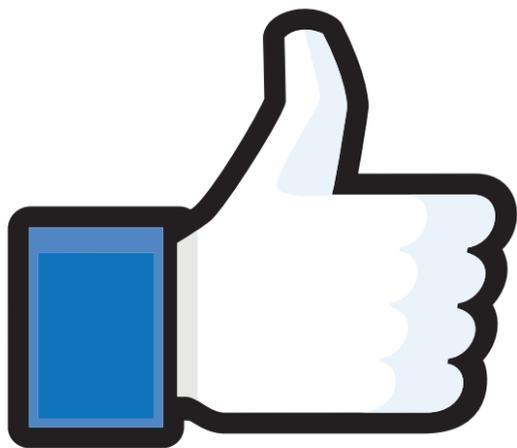
(Dermot Mulroney, Stefanie Scott, Lin Shaye) Psychic Elise (Ms. Shaye) helps a father (Mr. Mulroney) exorcise a demon from his daughter (Ms. Scott). The story is poorly structured and the scares lack imagination. And why does this franchise need a prequel? Rated PG-13.



Aloha ★★

(Bradley Cooper, Emma Stone, Rachel McAdams) A military contractor (Mr. Cooper) deals with government bureaucracy and two love interests (Ms. Stone and Ms. McAdams) in this woefully lost drama from writer/director Cameron Crowe ("Jerry Maguire"). The writing is weak, it's not funny, and it's a total bore. When will Mr. Crowe be good again? Rated PG-13. ■

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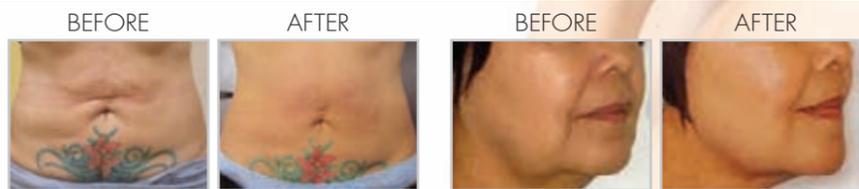
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★★★
Is it worth \$10? Yes

Not only does "Magic Mike XXL" have more male dancing, bulging biceps, oily, washboard abs and G-string thongs than you can imagine, it also hasn't lost sight of what made "Magic Mike" (2012) successful: At its core it was about Mike (Channing Tatum) striving to break free from the pleasurable but unfulfilling monotony of male exotic dancing. Logically, "XXL" finds Mike pursuing the life he desires — but allowing himself one more week of fun with the boys before it's too late.

A note to those attending just for the stripteases: Be patient. It takes a while for things to get amped up.

Three years after the events of "Magic Mike," Mike runs his own furniture designing business. When his old stripper friends pass through Tampa on their way to Myrtle Beach, S.C., for the annual stripper convention, Mike meets up with them at a hotel. There's naked Richie (Joe Manganiello), who throws him into the pool, and Tarzan (Kevin Nash), Ken (Matt Bomer), Tito (Adam Rodriguez) and Tobias (Gabriel Iglesias).

Back home in his wood shop after the hotel reunion that night, Mike starts dancing when Ginuwine's "Ride My Pony" plays on the radio, going so far as to suggestively drill holes in his table. The next day, he leaves everything behind and heads to Myrtle Beach with the boys.

Once the guys leave Tampa, director Gregory Jacobs' film takes on typical road trip clichés: hookups, drugs, drinking, destroyed vehicles, inspirational chats, etc. Mike meets a girl (Amber Heard) who seems a kindred spirit. It's standard stuff, but the bro-ness of it all makes it enjoyable.

But then an odd thing happens. They get to Rome's (Jada Pinkett Smith) house in Savannah, and the film grinds to a halt. Literally. An old flame of Mike's, Rome now runs a "subscription service" for ladies who come on a monthly basis and enjoy all the male entertainment they desire. And for roughly 15 minutes, we just enjoy the show. It's an odd thing for the story to completely

stop while the action revs up 900 degrees, but such are the flaws and charms of this flawed, charming movie.

That's right — it's charming. It made me smile. Even though it's never really clear why the convention is so important, let alone why Mike decides to tag along, there's heart here that goes beyond dancing and gyrating.

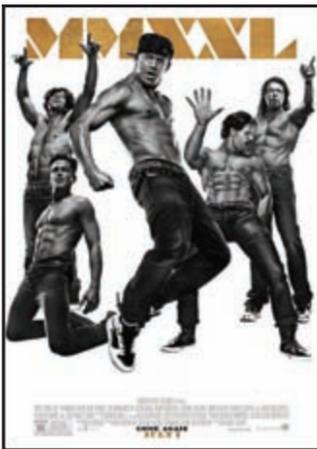
When it comes down to it, the real role of the male adult entertainer/stripper is to make women of all shapes and sizes and walks of life feel good. This is best exemplified in a scene in which the men happen upon a group of five older women (one of whom is played by Andie MacDowell) enjoying an evening of wine. They talk about relationships, sex, secret yearnings and more, and you realize these men are capable of making women feel good in more than one way. Now that's sexy.

This isn't to say the dancing isn't darn entertaining. It is. Mr. Tatum's movements and agility are second to none, but Mr. Manganiello has the two best sequences (one of them inside a convenience store). And Stephen Boss, who plays one of Rome's dancers, has tremendous body control and style.

What's most interesting about the dance sequences is that the women don't necessarily appear to be turned on by six-pack abs and grinding groins, but they are smiling and laughing, clearly having a great time. It makes me think a male strip club would be a lot of fun, whereas a female strip club is downright depressing.

To the macho straight guys who're dragged to "Magic Mike XXL" against your will, it's OK to like it. You are allowed to be entertained by something without finding it arousing. Heck, most of what you're entertained by ("Furious 7") isn't arousing, so why use that criteria here? And if you can't bring yourself to laugh when Mr. Manganiello dances with a woman in a sex swing to Nine Inch Nails' "Closer," you're just missing out.

Final thought: Why wasn't this in 3D? ■



in the know

>>Although they appeared in "Magic Mike," Matthew McConaughey, Alex Pettyfer and Cody Horn do not reprise their roles in the sequel. Steven Soderbergh directed "Magic Mike"; he's the cinematographer and editor here.



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NEW MUSIC REVIEW

Courtney Barnett: 'Sometimes I Sit and Think and Sometimes I Just Sit'

Courtney Barnett sings about seeing Jesus in the watermarks on a ceiling, buying organic vegetables and staring at a lawn that needs to be mowed on "Sometimes I Sit and Think and Sometimes I Just Sit," her captivating debut album. But mixing sing speaking with pop cooing and occasional full-on vocal blast, the Australian singer transforms her observations of the everyday into personal examinations of anxiety and insecurity, love and regret. Ms. Barnett's writing has been rightfully compared to that of Nirvana's Kurt Cobain in her ability to turn the mundane meaningful. But she's also whip smart, insightful and, importantly, funny, ala The Kinks' Ray Davies. The single "Despreston," for example, starts out talking about the purchase of a percolator saving \$23 a week on coffee, shifts to the possibility of buying a house that has some connection to a man who served in Vietnam and becomes an examination of mortality and responsibility. The shimmering music, like the rest of the album, is driven by Ms. Barnett's incisive guitar and is rooted in Pavement of the '90s, but spins backward toward the spareness of the Modern Lovers and even a hint of the Velvet Underground on "Dead Fox," a number about supermarket vegetables, hay fever and a "Jackson Pollock in the tar." The songs range from the spacious



ballad "Small Poppies," which starts out about staring at the lawn and becomes a languid meditation on a break up, to the buzzing '90s alt rock stomp of "Pedestrian at Best," with its key line "Give me all your money, and I'll make some origami, honey." There's garage rock on "Nobody Cares If You Don't Go to the Party," the '60s pop in the look at insecurity and happiness of "Debbie Downer," and layered, grinding guitar crescendos of "Kim's Caravan" — all of which feel perfect. ■

— L. Kent Wolgamott

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BY TERRY KOVEL AND KIM KOVEL

Is an antique "clobbered" Chinese vase a valuable Asian ceramic? Fifty years ago, if you were clobbered, it meant someone beat you up. Recent auction catalogs have been describing porcelains using this word, and at an April 2015 Neal auction, a pair of very large "clobbered" famille rose porcelain vases sold for \$4,780. The term clobbered has been used since the end of the 19th century. It meant patched or worn. In about 1970, we were appraising an estate, and the family had a 17th- or 18th-century, bright-yellow Chinese plate with blue-and-white decoration that they were donating to an art museum. We took it to the museum expert, along with other Chinese porcelains that were being donated. He took the plate and much to our surprise, he climbed on his desk, held the plate close to the ceiling light fixture and said, "Clobbered. We can't accept it." The light showed that the plate was old with original blue-and-white decoration. But sometime, probably in the 19th century, someone in Holland, England or some other European country enhanced the salability of the plate by adding the yellow glaze. Porcelains that were too plain or slightly damaged were given added color by filling in the blue and white lines of a flower or adding a new border, flowers, ani-

mals, birds or even landscapes. Yellow, red and green enamel was added and "burned in" so it was permanent. Today, that clobbered piece would be bought for its decorative value and sell for far less than an original multi-colored plate but more than a similar modern plate.

Q: I have a champer chest that was brought from China right after World War II. It is heavily carved on all sides with figures, some on horses, and trees. All around the border are carved flower heads and overlapping leaves. It also has a shaped brass clasp. It's 23 inches high, 41 inches wide and 20 inches deep. Can you tell me what it might be worth?

A: Your chest is a camphor, not champer, chest, so called because it's lined with camphor wood. In the 18th and 19th centuries, camphor chests were used to carry tea, silks and porcelain from China to Europe and America. Camphor wood has a fresh scent that is like eucalyptus, and is a natural repellent against moths. The outside of your chest probably is teak or rosewood. Sometimes the chests were plain, but usually they have ornate carving with ships, warriors and dragons. Camphor chests also were used to store blankets, linens, clothes and papers. They were popular in American homes in the 1930s and '40s, brought home by Americans who lived

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in China or sailors who were stationed in Asia. Camphor chests made in the 20th century sell for \$50 to \$400, depending on size, carving and condition. Chests from the 19th century sell for lots more. Yours probably is worth about \$200 to \$300.

Q: I have an old tin photograph of Jessie James, his brother, Frank, and an unidentified man. It's been passed down in my family from my great-great-grandfather. The story goes that he was given the picture by Jessie James. It's in excellent shape. Is it valuable?

A: Collectors are interested in pictures of the Old West and of outlaws, but the value depends on rarity and authenticity. The only known picture of Billy the Kid sold for over \$2 million dollars in 2011. Pictures of Jessie James (1847-1882) and his brother Frank (1843-1915) are fairly common. The brothers grew up on a farm in Missouri. During the Civil War, they were part of a group of Confederate guerilla fighters that operated in Missouri. After the war they belonged to a gang that robbed banks, stagecoaches and trains, and murdered several people in the process. Jessie was killed by one of the gang members for the ransom money that was offered for his capture "dead or alive." Frank turned himself in and led an honest life after that. An expert with knowledge of historical photographs would have to authenticate your picture in order to determine the value. If there is no way to prove it's really the James family, the tintype is worth under \$100.

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This 60-inch-high pair of Chinese clobbered famille rose porcelain vases from the 19th or 20th century sold for \$4,780 at a Neal auction in New Orleans recently. They have multicolored decorations and a yellow ground.

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Alan finally lets Celia into his secret about Gary, but is saddened when Celia punishes Caroline on her wedding day for his mistake. Meanwhile, Gillian loses her job after a humiliating visit from Cheryl.



Last Tango in Halifax, July 5

9 P.M. - Masterpiece: Poldark

Poldark's battle with the local gentry deepens. He faces one turning point with Elizabeth and another with Demelza.

10 P.M. - The Crimson Field

Thomas wrestles with a growing attraction to Kitty, a terrified patient faces court martial and Sister Joan reveals a dark secret to one of her patients.

MONDAY, JULY 6, 10 P.M. Queen & Country London: Royal City

Sir Trevor McDonald introduces viewers to the ongoing traditions of the monarchy in London, from members of the Grenadier Guards, the Scots Guards of Buckingham Palace and the Horse Guards to the opening of the Parliament by the Queen.

TUESDAY, JULY 7, 8 P.M. American Experience The Abolitionists, Part 1

Shared beliefs unite Angelina Grimké, daughter of a plantation family; Frederick Douglass, a slave; William Lloyd Garrison, founder of The Liberator; Harriet Beecher Stowe, a writer; and John Brown, who devotes his life to the abolitionist cause. Followed by Part 2.

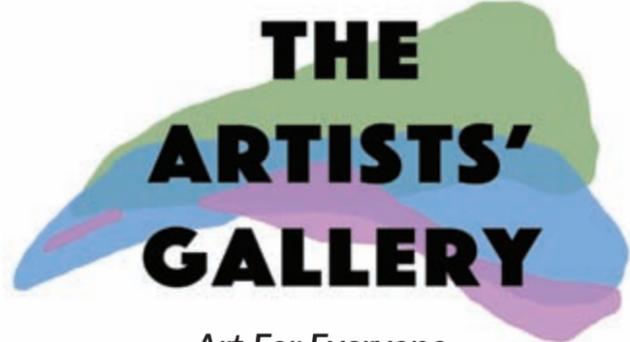
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8 8 P.M. - Operation Wild

Find out how pioneering medicine is transforming ways to tend to animals. See a rhino's groundbreaking skin graft after poachers stole her horns, and view a micro-surgery attempt to restore an orangutan's sight.

9 P.M. - First People Europe

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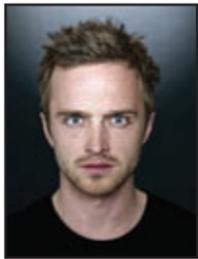
Life after 'Breaking Bad'

BY CINDY ELAVSKY

Q: Can you tell me what Aaron Paul is up to now that "Breaking Bad" is over?

— Holly H., via email

A: Hulu just announced that Aaron has been cast as the lead in its new, original series called "The Way" (working title). Aaron will play Eddie Cleary, a convert to a controversial movement with a wayward past. He's a husband and father who suffers a crisis of faith when all that he's come to accept as truth in his life is fundamentally challenged. Michelle Monaghan plays his wife, Sarah. "The Way" examines a family at the center of a controversial movement, with each episode taking an in-depth look at what it means to choose between the life we live and the life we want. The series is slated to premiere this winter.



PAUL

Q: With all the new shows announced for the 2014-15 TV season, it was said that "24: Live Another Day" would be shown in early spring 2015. Kiefer Sutherland starred in the series "24," and either the 2015 show was going to start another series or a miniseries. Can you tell us what happened or is going to happen to "24" this year or in the future?

— Jo-Ann, West Haven, Conn.

A: Back in fall 2013 (not 2014), I did report on the premiere of "24: Live Another Day," which did indeed air from May through mid-July 2014. In September 2014, the 12-epi-

sode DVD and Blu-ray came out. Either you read an outdated article or got your years mixed up.

There is no word yet on whether "24" will continue as an event series; however, I can tell you that "Live Another Day" was very well-received. In fact, the Blu-ray edition has a bonus episode called "24: Solitary," which takes place approximately three years after the events of "Live Another Day" and features the return of Carlos Bernard as Tony Almeida as he attempts to be released from solitary confinement.

Q: Can you tell me how Vivian Campbell of the band Def Leppard is doing? I heard his cancer came back.

— Larry E., via email

A: As of this writing, Vivian had to miss the first few shows of the band's summer tour with Styx and Tesla to receive treatment for a recurrence of his Hodgkin's lymphoma. Vivian explained what is going on via his Facebook page: "So, so happy to report that I've dodged the bullet of radiation. I was due to start a course that would have sidelined me for most of the first leg of the U.S. tour, but my brilliant doctors have steered me toward an alternative course of treatment that will enable me to rejoin the tour. Furthermore, they've tailored future treatments to accommodate the tour schedule, so I won't have to miss any more shows." ■

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■ The fifth annual **Love That Dress!** event to benefit PACE Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee takes place the evening of Wednesday, Sept. 2, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort. Tickets go on sale Aug. 1 at lovethatdress.org. For more information, visit the website or call Michelle Shaw Hashman at 248-9704 or Shannon Starr at 207-1878.

■ The fourth annual **Trendy Tours & Trendy Travel** luncheon and travel expo to benefit Champions For Learning takes place from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, at the Hilton Naples. Tickets for \$49 include a raffle ticket. Call 449-5065 for reservations or more information.

■ The **25th annual Sand Dollar Awards gala** hosted by the Collier Building Industry Association takes place Saturday, Sept. 26, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. The silver anniversary theme is "Vintage Grace & Glamour." The evening begins at 6 p.m. and includes cocktails and dinner. Tickets are \$150. For reservations or more information, including details

about various sponsorship opportunities, call 436-6100 or visit cbia.net.

■ The **Naples Area Professional League of Executive Services**, a business-to-business networking organization, invites the public to its annual Big Event on Wednesday evening, Oct. 14, at Shula's at the Hilton Naples. Cocktail hour will be followed by a three-course dinner and a presentation by world-renowned chocolatier Norman Love, founder and president of Norman Love Confections in Naples, Estero and Fort Myers. The event is open to the public and will begin with a cocktail reception followed by a three-course meal with guest speaker, Norman Love. The award-winning Mr. Love is chef, president and founder of Norman Love Confections. Sponsors of the Big Event are *Florida Weekly*, Gulfshore Life, Shula's and the Hilton Naples, Naples Flowers and Naples Print Source. For tickets or more information, visit naples-group.net.

■ **Physician Led Access Network of Collier County** hosts a Swanky Speakeasy evening of fun Saturday, Oct. 17, at an as yet undisclosed location (you'll need a password, too). The night includes professional regulation casino-style gaming as well as music, food, drink and a silent auction. Numerous sponsorship opportunities are available starting at \$1,000. For information, call 776-3016 or visit planc.org.

■ **Humane Society Naples** holds its 17th annual Tea & Fashion Show from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. This



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■ The seventh annual **Naples International Film Festival** is set for Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 5-8. The red carpet opening night gala and screening take place Nov. 5 at Artis—Naples, while features, documentaries and film shorts of all genres will be screened at Silverspot Cinema at Mercato Nov. 6-8. Check naplesfilmfest.com for details as the date draws near, or call 775-3456 for information about becoming a NIFF member or sponsor.

■ The 12th annual **Hats in the Garden: "The Confection Collection - Delectable Designs from Garden to Runway"** to benefit Naples Botanical Garden takes place Wednesday, Nov. 11, at the Garden. Leslie Fogg and Kathleen Rooney are this year's chairs; Kathy Wood is Hats in the Garden ambassador. Northern Trust is the presenting sponsor; additional sponsors include Naples Illustrated; Saks Fifth Avenue; Arthrex; Premier Sotheby's International Realty; Arabesque of Naples; Kellie Jacoby, J3 Multi-dimensional Marketing; Rufino Hernandez, The Garden District; Sukie Honeycutt and Tony's Off Third; Naples Soap Company and Mr. and Mrs. John E. Vandenberg. For more information, call the Garden at 643-7275.

■ **Uncorked**, an evening of fine wine, fine food and entertainment to benefit Youth Haven, takes place from 5-8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 13, at Mediterra Beach Club. Tickets are \$125. For reservations or more information, visit youthhavenswfl.org.

■ The 57th annual **NCH Hospital Ball** takes place Saturday, Nov. 14, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. Proceeds from this year's ball have been designated for the stroke program at NCH. This year's co-chairs are Kim Ciccarelli Kantor and Jan Kantor. Tickets for \$500 per person include live and silent auctions as well as dinner, dancing and entertainment throughout the evening. The NCH Physician of the Year and Nurses of the Year awards are also presented during the program.

For tickets or more information, including details about sponsorship opportunities, call 624-2019 or visit nchmd.org/hospitalball.

■ The **Immokalee Foundation holds its Charity Classic Celebration & Fund A Dream Auction** on Friday, Nov. 20, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. The TIF Charity Classic Pro-Am Golf Tournament precedes the celebration on Monday, Nov. 16. For information about tickets and sponsorship opportunities, call 430-9122 or email info@immokaleefoundation.org. To register online, visit immokaleefoundation.org.

■ The **Aqua Gala** to benefit the Guadalupe Center takes place Wednesday evening, Jan. 13, 2016, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. For more information, contact Megan Becker by calling 657-7124 or emailing mbecker@guadalupecenter.org.

■ **PAWS Assistance Dogs** will be the sole beneficiary of the Celebrity Martini Glass Auction set for Saturday, Jan. 16, 2016 at Artis—Naples.

The signature auction will feature more than 20 martini glasses, each autographed by an A-list celebrity or a modern-day hero. Once the autographed glasses arrive in Naples, they are assigned to local artist and artists from around the globe to decorate and design with the celebrity's career accomplishments and personality in mind. One glass can bring \$5,000 to \$25,000 from a collector.

What began as a cocktail party for friends in 2008 has now turned into an annual fundraising event for local charities. CMGA founder Brenda Melton's concept was and still is to bring together fundraising, art, music and entertainment to benefit the community and its chosen charities.

PAWS Assistance Dogs promotes independence and enhances the quality of life for combat wounded veterans and children with special needs through partnerships with skilled assistance dogs.

For more information about PAWS Assistance Dogs, visit pawsassistance-dogs.org. For information about CMGA sponsorship opportunities or tickets to the martini-glass auction, call 775-1660. ■

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CUISINE NEWS

From 'fish ribs' to beach dining and a United Way to-do, there's a lot on the menu for local diners

BY LINDSEY NESMITH
lnesmith@floridaweekly.com

HB's on the Gulf at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club has introduced a Toes-in-the-Sand option that enables diners to take their meal on the literal beach with white linen table service, a five-course dinner, choice of wine or champagne and candlelight. Included on the menu are several small plates such as seared scallops, roasted oysters and horseradish-marinated shrimp. Large plate options for this new service include New York strip steak and grilled shrimp, grilled pork tenderloin, Maine lobster topped with blue crab and pan-roasted Frenched chicken.

HB's on the Gulf is open for dinner service from 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., and the Toes in the Sand option starts at \$360 per couple. 851 Gulf Shore Blvd. N. 435-4347 or naplesbeachhotel.com.

Dinner and a show for United Way

The second annual Nogala Gala to benefit United Way of Collier County takes place Friday, July 10. Guests can enjoy cocktails and a three-course dinner at either Vergina or Mangrove Café (or cocktails at one, dinner at the other) before heading to the Sugden Community Theatre for a performance of "Legally Blonde, The Musical."

Tickets are \$125. Proceeds will support Collier 211, which provides free, anonymous and confidential help and referrals 24/7, in a variety of languages (dial 211 or 263-4211, or text 898-211). For tickets or more information, call Dayhanna Acosta at 261-7112, ext. 201, email Dayhanna.acosta@uwcollier.org or visit unitedway-ofcolliercounty.org.

Take Note

■ **Crave Culinaire** is cooking up a summer series in which the catering company's team will demonstrate cooking techniques and teach guests about the latest developments in culinary science. Each "Test Kitchen Experience" evening will end with a multi-course dinner in the kitchen's food lab. The schedule will be announced soon on company's website, craveculinaire.com.

■ **Maura Methany**, chef chocolatier with Norman Love Confections, recently visited her alma mater, Johnson & Wales University in Providence, R.I., as its 175th Distinguished Visiting Chef. She conducted two demonstrations for 300 students and faculty members. Three times a year, the school invites internationally recognized chefs from around the world to share their knowledge and techniques with students.

■ **Bar Tulia** serves up a culinary salute to Independence Day with an all-American cookout menu starting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, July 4. Chef Vincenzo Betulia will prepare the Bar Tulia burger, Kobe beef hotdogs and Calabrian-style grilled ribs, all served with traditional sides of potato salad, slaw and corn. The restaurant's regular menu will also be available. 462 Fifth Ave. S. 228-7606 or tulianaples.com.

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Macchiato Liqueur and Scotch whiskey. Children welcome. 6 p.m. Friday, July 3, and Sunday, July 5.

■ **American Whiskey Tasting:** Learn about the history and production of American whiskeys while sipping rye and bourbon. 6 p.m. Friday, July 3.

■ **The Alchemy of Absinthe:** Learned about the fabled elixir while enjoying tastings and pairings. 6 p.m. Friday, July 10, and Sunday, July 12.

■ **Brunch & Bubbles:** Sample brunch bites, bubbly cocktails and mocktails. 11 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 18-19.

■ **Irish Whiskey Tasting:** Sip samples of Irish whiskey and take home a grab bag. 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 21.

For more information, call 513-0103 or visit vomfassnaples.com.

■ **Whole Foods** has packed this month full of health-oriented culinary events. Here what's coming up in the week ahead:

■ **Uncorked Friday Wine Tasting:** Enjoy samples of wines paired with specialty cheese. Proceeds benefit PAWS Assistance Dogs. \$10. 6 p.m. Friday, July 3.

■ **Health Starts Here:** The store's healthy eating specialist hosts a weekly cooking class featuring health-inspired dishes. This month's topics are raw vegan, sprouts, healthy picnics and healthy sweets. \$10. 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday.

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■ **The Good Life of Naples**, 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road; 514-4663 or goodlifefl.com - Flavors of Thailand: Thursday, July 9 (\$60); Florida Seafood: Wednesday, July 15 (\$65); Sandwiches: Saturday, July 18 (\$50).

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THE DISH

The Dish: Lobster Salad Gyro

The Price: \$15.25

The Place: Riverwalk at Tin City
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The Hours: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday

The Full Menu: riverwalktinicity.com.

The Details: We had a family event last weekend and once the party was over, the Neapolitans were left with a problem: How does one give guests a nice Naples experience while the heat is topping out at 92 degrees with humidity hovering around 70 percent? These were delicate northeastern flowers we were charged with entertaining, and even we were disgusted with the weather. Our solution? Waterside dining at Riverwalk. We were on the water, the breeze was nice and my lobster gyro was the perfect lunch option because it

was hearty and cooling. A healthy serving of lobster mixed with mayo, celery and bacon came wrapped in a pita and was accompanied by a pile of kettle-style potato chips and a pickle (which was quickly snagged by my daughter when she realized she didn't receive one with her hot dog). My lobster gyro was tasty and filling, and there was enough in the pita that by the time I finished it, there was some leftover to be forked off the plate. Highly recommend.

One More Thing: Riverwalk offers Sunday brunch until 2 p.m., complete with a Bloody Mary bar. I cannot ignore a Bloody Mary bar and I didn't. I built mine with Grey Goose vodka, Clamato, Old Bay seasoning and blue cheese olives, of which I snagged a few extra on a napkin for the brine-loving kindergartner I brought with me. ■

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Here are some capsule summaries of previous restaurant reviews:

■ **Alto Live Jazz Kitchen, 492 Bayfront Place, Naples; 261-2586**

Summoning the spirit of Philadelphia's famed jazz supper club Zanzibar Blue, at which he was once chef, Charles Mereday has created a sleek, sophisticated space where there's great attention afforded to food, music and cocktails. There's live jazz on the stage most nights. Enjoy it while dining on a charcuterie plate of artisan meats, cheese and house-pickled veggies, an Asian-style tuna cocktail, steamed buns with tender teriyaki chicken or the caprese salad with heirloom tomatoes and the hearty Alto burger (topped with cheddar and a fried egg, tomatoes and lettuce). A simple but elegant dish was the salmon served with kale, watermelon and feta. For dessert, consider the Alto trio: the harmonious combo of flourless chocolate torte, dark chocolate and orange mouse and white chocolate ice cream. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed September 2014

■ **The Bay House, 799 Walkerbilt Road, Naples; 591-3837**

Seated in the dining room gazing out on the tranquil mangrove-lined Coghatchee River, you'll find it hard to believe U.S. 41 is just yards away. The grand view is matched by superb food and polished service. Executive Chef Andy Hunter and his team have done a masterful job of showcasing fresh

seafood (with a nod to carnivores in the form of steak and one chicken dish). An appetizer called South of Broad features perfectly cooked fried green tomatoes, tangy goat feta, basil puree and tomato jam. A roasted beet and citrus salad, which included a delicious horseradish panna cotta, was an equally good start. The Coastal Pan Roast consisted of golden tilefish, shrimp, a Tampa devil crab, Carolina gold rice, baby vegetables, corn pudding and red wine sauce. Seafood pirlau, a Low Country version of bouillabaisse, contained scallops, shrimp, mussels, and an outstanding house-made seafood sausage in a mild seafood brandade served with seafood fumet on the side. Florida Sunshine — goat cheese cheesecake with pink grapefruit gelee and pools of blood orange and lemon curd, finished with tangy lime granita — was an excellent end to a top-notch meal. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★½
Service: ★★★★★½
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed May 2014

■ **Bokamper's Sports Bar & Grill, 8001 Plaza del Lago Drive (Coconut Point), Estero; 992-7611**

The palm fronds and plantation shutters of Hemingway's Island Grill have given way to myriad TV screens and oversized images of sports figures that are the trappings of Bokamper's. The small chain started in Plantation by a longtime Miami Dolphins player has another location off Vanderbilt Beach Road in North Naples. Not surprisingly, the menu is mostly dedicated to sports-bar fare — appetizers of dips and

fried snacks along with wings, burgers and other sandwiches, flatbreads, sliders and tacos. The majority of the dishes we tried, though not particularly innovative, were nicely executed. The jalapeno crab dip, a bubbling bowl of molten cheddar, sour cream and real blue crabmeat, is a good way to start, as are Southwestern chipotle eggrolls stuffed with tender chicken, corn, black beans, spinach, bell peppers and cheese. Bokamper's burgers achieve a good balance of ingredients. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★½
Service: ★★★★★½
Atmosphere: ★★★
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■ **La Bazenne, 474 Fifth Ave. S., Naples; 682-8623**

Whether it's breakfast, lunch or dinner you fancy, La Bazenne is prepared to serve it to you with proper French style and flair. A cozy little spot on Fifth next to Osteria Tulia, it's operated by Martine and Bernard Giacometti. (His parents have run the original La Bazenne in France for 40 years.) From crepes, salads and burgers early in the day to the more complex and interesting dinner lineup, Chef Andy Hyde's fare is tres magnifique. The octopus salad is outstanding (rendered tender via sous vide preparation) and served with broccoli rabe, cherry tomatoes and lemon verbena pesto. A chevre starter with cherry tomatoes, dried cranberries, pumpkin seeds and mixed greens was also excellent. Entrees of diver scallops with English peas, scallops and pommes fondants were elegant and perfect, as was the crisp lavender duck with

Florida orange glaze, kohlrabi and pommes almond. A cheese plate and aphrodisiaque crepe provided a wondrous ending to a flawless meal. Beer and wine served.

Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed July 2014

■ **Patric's, 2091 Pine Ridge Road, Naples; 596-7708**

Long-time area chef Patric Achilles and his husband, Gary Teater, are back with a breakfast and lunch joint named, not surprisingly, Patric's. The owners are as friendly and charming as ever. There are loads of breakfast and lunch items, including paleo options (proteins, veggies, fruits, roots and nuts), of which the chef is a devotee. Want gluten free? They've got that, too. Those how have no such dietary limitations might tuck into the Brie-stuffed French toast with peaches for a decadent, satisfying start to the day. The pot roast skillet was a hearty blend of home fries, pot roast, gravy, onions, eggs, cheddar cheese and a fresh biscuit. Even if you're full, take home some homemade chocolate-chocolate chip cookies for later.

Food: ★★★★★½
Service: ★★★★★
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■ **Tony Ridgway, chef/owner Ridgway Bar and Grill, Tony's Off Third, Bayside**

Age: 71

Education: Bachelor's degree in history from Kenyon College

From: Born in Dayton, Ohio, and grew up in Chester County, Pa. Moved to Naples in the late 1950s.

Previous restaurants: Truffles, Chef's Garden, Plum's, Villa Pescatore

Q: You have operated successful restaurants for decades. To what do you attribute your longevity?

A: There are a lot of chefs in town with huge capabilities. I'm sure in certain areas they exceed my abilities. Where I'm competitive is that I have dined in as many or more fine dining restaurants around the world and know what the level of expectation is. I've recognized that the importance of food at a restaurant can be overstated when, in reality, how you are treated is most important. Great food cannot overcome mediocre service or environment, but great service can overcome less than perfect food.

Q: Nonetheless, you are known for setting high standards for food quality. How do you do that?

A: Every day we talk about dishes in detail in the kitchen. We make minute changes in the dishes, such as the fried calamari, adding shishito peppers and quickly fried wedges of cured lemon. I don't have the most current menu. I don't have the latest imported pork on my menu, but I do have a great one. I don't have the best dry aged beef like The Continental, but I have a great steak. The fish is as local as we can possibly get. I don't bring in Alaskan salmon in season because I don't think customers want to pay \$10 more than we charge for the Scottish variety. We are comfortable where we are. There's enough cutting edge to the menu that we are there, but not so much that I'm uncomfortable because that's not who I am.

Q: How would you describe your style of cooking?

A: The roots are based in American cuisine with French elements.

Q: Any chefs you admire?



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I would love to have dinner with Anthony Bourdain. But I would stop at two drinks. I'd love to talk with him about line cooks. I love line cooks. They are the ones who do so much of the work. My job is to design the menu so they can produce 450 covers on a Saturday in March. Our food comes out perfectly executed. Our line cooks have all been here an average of six or seven years. I respect them. I seek their input.

Q: How did you figure out you wanted to be a chef?

A: A lot of my culinary foundation came from my early years in Chester County, Pa. My family and friends all loved food. Everyone had a garden. I was raised in an apple orchard and there were cherry and peach orchards nearby. I made my first apple pie at age 8. I still love doing it. During my years at Kenyon College I was always in charge of the party. I went to the bakery, grocery, cooked all day long. It's in my blood.

After college, I joined the Air Force, was in Vietnam for 6 months and came home when my father died. My family had moved to Naples. In a matter of days after arriving in August 1971, I had committed to purchasing a restaurant on (*Naples Daily News* food writer) Doris Reynolds' property on 12th Avenue South, just behind where The Continental is now. It was The Wurst Place. I bought it from a couple who

did Reubens, knockwurst. I kept a lot of what they did, added salads and opened for dinner.

Q: How did you go from sausage to places like the Chef's Garden?

A: In 1972, a couple from Cleveland who had a building on Fifth Avenue asked me to open a restaurant there. That was the original Chef's Garden. I went to Italy and France and London and spent weeks in the kitchens watching. I was in the bakeries at 3 in the morning. I was with the fishmongers as they boned the fish and spent time with butchers as they boned the chickens. It was an extraordinary experience. I took what I learned there and applied it.

The Chef's Garden was the first of its kind in Naples. We moved from fish with paprika to broiled pompano, interesting vegetables, great sauces and accompaniments. It was a fabulous time in my life. Four years later, we opened the Chef's Garden on Third (where Ridgway Bar and Grill is now) and then Truffles.

Q: Why did you change it to the Ridgway concept?

A: Chef's Garden became a place to go for a special night out. Ridgway can be a special night out or just a place to go and have dinner.

Q: What are your favorite dishes?

A: I love the pan-roasted shrimp and

the lamb with cassoulet — a wonderful combination of taste and texture. And I love the Tuscan bean soup. Whenever it's on the menu, I have some. Guests love the clam chowder and crispy fish. The burger, which is hand-packed and griddled, not grilled, is great on a fresh brioche roll.

Q: Where do you dine on a night off?

A: I enjoy KC's American Bistro, Café Lurcat, Fuse. We like to try them all.

Q: How do you keep yourself excited about food?

A: My wife and I take off a fair amount of time, spending September in Vermont and late July and early August in Eugene, Ore., where the produce is almost indescribable. Mornings are cool and the humidity is low, so there's almost no mildew or mold so the sugars develop perfectly. We harvest red blackberries that are sweet. The tomatoes are small to enormous. We love it out there.

Q: Any plans to retire?

A: I had a triple bypass in December. I feel 15 years younger. I'm working out for the first time in my life. I have a trainer at the gym. I work muscles I didn't even know I had. But I feel good. I'm still having fun. I love being in the kitchen, especially when it comes to baking. As long as there are tomorrows, I'm going to keep on doing it. ■

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No expense has been spared from the \$38 per sq ft Italian tiled flooring, Brookwood kitchen cabinets, granite counters.
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BOKEELIA



Bokeelia 2/2 Ranch Style Home
Almost 1/2 acre, impact resistant windows, extra insulation, 2 car attached garage and separate detached 35x25 garage.
\$188,000
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PUNTA GORDA



Beauty at its Best!! 3 Bed in Deep Creek Community
Come see this exciting home boasts 2277 of living space with formal living & dining, family room, eat-in kitchen .
\$185,000
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CAPE CORAL



Large 3 Bedroom Home Just Renovated
Has extra room for 2nd den or office and loft in addition to 3 bedrooms and 2 1/2 Baths. New tile and new carpet.
\$184,000
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LEHIGH ACRES



3/2/2 w/Den & Pool on 1/2 Acre in S Lehigh Acres
Beautifully maintained 3/2/2 and screened in pool all on a 1/2 acre. Large back yard w/4 gardens & lots of fruit trees.
\$180,000
1-866-657-2300 800LE034486.

CAPE CORAL



Direct Gulf Access Cottage
Perfect hideaway for the fisherman or boater. Located in the Gold Coast area of Cape Coral. Great Price.
\$179,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC035688.

CAPE CORAL



Split Bedroom, Pool, Brick Paver Patio
3 bed/2 bath/2 car garage/living and family rooms/all assessments paid located off Del Prado across from Walmart.
\$179,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC029486.

NORTH PORT



Pristine North Port Estates Pool Home
3/2/2 with beautiful landscaping, great room, cathedral ceilings, hurricane shutters. Scenic & peaceful!
\$179,900
1-866-657-2300 800BS017957.

CAPE CORAL



Home Features Open Floor Plan Cathedral Ceilings
This home features an open floor plan with cathedral ceilings, tile floor throughout the home except the bedrooms.
\$179,000
1-866-657-2300 800SS035527.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Turnkey Furnished - Oversized Pool Home
3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. New septic, appliances and roof. Comes with Home Warranty.
\$178,800
1-866-657-2300 800CH210675.

LEHIGH ACRES



Awesome 3/2 in Gated Community
Beautifully maintained & updated 3 bed/2 bath in a gated community w/low HOA fees. 1 year home warranty from Home Tech incl.
\$174,900
1-866-657-2300 800LE031501.

FORT MYERS



Just New On The Market... Beautifully Maintained
This home offers many features! Great location close to I-75, airport, FGCU. Enjoy the outdoors from the extended lanai.
\$174,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC027151.

BONITA SPRINGS



Move in Ready 3/2 Condo!
Newer appliances, breakfast bar and cathedral ceilings. Great community with nice amenities. One car garage. Wow!
\$169,900
1-866-657-2300 800BS032107.

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Casual & Comfortable
Is the feeling you receive as you enter this roomy 3 bed ~ 2 bath ~ 2 car garage Whiskey Creek villa. **\$169,900**
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FORT MYERS



Conveniently Located - The Forum
Walk to the clubhouse from your townhome & enjoy the pool, fitness center, playground and tennis. **\$168,000**
1-866-657-2300 800FM004638.

FORT MYERS



Premium Unit in Gulf Harbor Yacht Club
This is a must see! Spacious, 3/2 second floor condo w/vaulted ceilings and a view of the golf course. Many amenities. **\$167,900**
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FORT MYERS



Second Floor Golf Course Condo in Kelly Greens
Turnkey condo with upgraded appliances in a Championship golf community 3.5 miles from Fort Myers Beach. **\$167,500**
1-866-657-2300 800FM016096.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Gorgeous Community Pool
Excellent community area, 2/2 In Port Charlotte the Heritage Oak Park. **\$166,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CH053782.

NAPLES



Motivated Seller
Enjoy beautiful pool views from this 2/2 condo in a secure building with 2 master suites. **\$159,900**
1-866-657-2300 800NA029961.

CAPE CORAL



2nd Floor Condo - Gated
Gated community. 3/2 second floor condo with many amenities. 1 car garage, area pool, and more! Come see it today! **\$152,900**
1-866-657-2300 800SS016927.

FORT MYERS



Investment Duplex in Fort Myers Shores
Great investment, units rented. Each is 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 car attached garage. Good location close to shopping. **\$145,000**
1-866-657-2300 800FM005570.

FORT MYERS



Expansive-Affordable-Immaculate-Whiskey Creek Villa
Desirable Section 2 WC Village Green with low low LOW \$270/mo condo fees!! Discover real value here. **\$144,900**
1-866-657-2300 800FM013897.

FORT MYERS



Adorable-Affordable-Whiskey Creek Villa
2 bed/2 bath/with one-car garage. Roomy 1567 sq. ft. under air w/enclosed lanai. Great views. **\$143,000**
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MOORE HAVEN



5 Plex located Downtown Moore Haven
The unit is a 5 Plex w/each unit having 1B & overall unit being approx. 616 sq ft under air. Each unit has a porch. **\$142,500**
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CAPE CORAL



Furnished Spacious 1st Floor Unit in Van Loon Commons
Furnished, large and spacious 1st floor unit in Van Loon Commons. Large living room, formal dining room, eat-in kitchen. **\$139,500**
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ST. JAMES CITY



Pine Island Cove Gulf Access Waterfront!!!
2/2 home with gulf access via lift, low HOA fees on only \$65.00 per month, community pool, spa, boat ramp, storage. **\$137,000**
1-866-657-2300 800P1009164.

CAPE CORAL



Large 3/2/2 in NE Cape
You will love the space. Soaring ceilings, full home RO system (\$4,000 value). Screened in lanai. Den or office too! **\$135,000**
1-866-657-2300 800FM016005.

IMMOKALEE



Community Living in a Country Setting
3/2/2 in a gated community of Jubilation. In Immokalee close to Seminole Casino & Alligator Alley. **\$131,000**
1-866-657-2300 800LE012998.

LEHIGH ACRES



Great Home in Lehigh
Nice 3 bed/2 bath home located in Lehigh. Large great room open to the kitchen w/sliders leading to the backyard. Tile floors. **\$129,000**
1-866-657-2300 800LE014140.

FORT MYERS



Triplex Fully Rented
Triplex fully rented. Concrete block with stucco siding and tiled roof. Separate meters for each unit. **\$119,000**
1-866-657-2300 800BS057962.

CAPE CORAL



Check Out This Beautiful 1 Bed, 1 Bath With A Loft
Located in the quiet neighborhood of Concordia. This unit features granite counter-tops in the kitchen and bathroom. **\$117,700**
1-866-657-2300 800CC066117.

CAPE CORAL



Great Starter Home on an Oversized Lot
3/2 centrally located in Cape Coral. Across the street from soccer field w/children's play area. New roof in '07. **\$115,000**
1-866-657-2300 800SS031254.

FORT MYERS



In the Much Desired Terraverde Community
Boat, golf, tennis, and more! Beautiful turnkey 2nd floor unit. **\$114,995**
1-866-657-2300 800CC024740.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Turnkey Furnished Pool Home
2/2/1 just a few minutes to Murdock, Town Center Mall, restaurants & shopping. Enjoy the FLA lifestyle in this pool home! **\$114,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CH209781.

FORT MYERS



This Turnkey Condo Won't Last
Great investment property, second home or primary residence. 1st floor unit, fully furnished, sleeps up to four. **\$99,500**
1-866-657-2300 800SS023211.

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Two bed/two bath, large two car garage, close to all shopping, walking distance to everything.
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PORT CHARLOTTE



Well Appointed 3 Bed, 1.5 Bath Home
Located on one of the most peaceful streets in all of Port Charlotte. Open floor plan.
\$79,900
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FORT MYERS



2 Bed 2 Bath Condo Low HOA Fees
Completely remodeled 2 bed 2 bath condo overlooking pool and lush landscaping.
\$75,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM035656.

FORT MYERS



Condo in the Heart of Fort Myers
Don't miss this spacious 3/2 condo in the heart of Fort Myers! Live the FL lifestyle in this quiet, second floor retreat.
\$75,000
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FORT MYERS



2/2 In Polynesian Condo Community At Hawaiian South!
Enjoy the best view of the community from the screened lanai overlooking the clubhouse and pool!
\$74,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC022590.

CAPE CORAL



OPEN SUN 1-4PM

Ground Floor Condo
Remodeled. This super spacious 1/1 condo is in a perfect location. Fully furnished! A great winter home.
\$64,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC021232.

LEHIGH ACRES



Nice 2 Bed/2 Bath Villa Home
Take time to come & see this nice 2 bed/2 bath home. Relax & enjoy the beautiful sunsets great buy will go fast.
\$59,500
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FORT MYERS



Attention To Detail in Palmetto Point
Striking Mediterranean design combines with classic southern charm in this gorgeous gulf access salt water pool home.
\$1,995,000
1-866-657-2300 800CC013951.

NORTH FORT MYERS



Key West Style Riverfront Estate
Custom built home. Boasts crown molding, wood trim, wainscoting plantation shutters and more. 2nd floor master.
\$1,699,000
1-866-657-2300 800CC058253.

CAPE CORAL



Recently Constructed, Turn-key Luxury Home!
4/4. 3000+ sq/ft. Home office, infinity caged pool w/spa, in pool bar, outdoor kitchen, lift/dock, and much, more! Wow.
\$1,100,000
1-866-657-2300 800CC017294.

CAPE CORAL



Riverfront
Boat lift and dock - heated pool - spa - 2 story - 3 bed/2 bath/2 car garage.
\$1,095,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM068880.

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Island Estate
Island Estate, horse ranch, botanical garden...it's large enough to do all of this and more. 22 beautiful fenced acres.
\$880,000
1-866-657-2300 800PI046750.

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Views of Sanibel, the Sound, and Intracoastal
Only 5 minutes to open water at the southernmost tip of Pine Island across from Sanibel Island. Totally remodeled. WOW!
\$749,000
1-866-657-2300 800SS025152.

CAPE CORAL



Drop Dead Gorgeous
5 bedroom/4 bath/3 car garage/river front/infinity pool/spa/boat dock home w/ 3760 sq. ft.
\$745,000
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Key West Style Home
With 3 docks/lifts. Located on an intersecting canal. Direct sailboat access and minutes to the river.
\$649,900
1-866-657-2300 800FM056158.

BOKEELIA



Pine Island Dream Home
Five acre French country like estate in Bokeelia. 4 bedroom, 4 bath, fireplace, guest house, gorgeous kitchen, pool.
\$610,000
1-866-657-2300 800PI066581.

CAPE CORAL



OPEN SUN 1-4PM

Stunning Gulf Access Pool Home
Gorgeous entry way leading to large great room with 15' high ceiling's, crown molding, tile floors, solar tinted windows
\$569,000
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FORT MYERS



Live on the Golf Course...
Spectacular views of the golf course and sunsets! Large island kitchen with wood cabinets, granite counter tops & more.
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1-866-657-2300 800CC023340.

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