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WHAT IF YOU NEVER HAD TO WRESTLE YOUR WAY TO STYLISH LIVING or eating again?
Out to the restaurants, stores or malls? Into the packed parking lots? Down the crowded isles of picked-over fashions or hastily cleared tables or groceries everyone on the planet seems to be looking for at the same time you are — then back out onto a log-jammed busy boulevard on a weekday evening or a Saturday morning?
And all that suffering just because you wanted a decent

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Online services designed to reduce the hassle of buying everything from jewelry to snacks to clothes are catching on.

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Kids say the darndest things in anticipation of Thanksgiving

BY LINDSEY NESMITH

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It’s time again for kids to talk turkey with *Florida Weekly*. This year we visited Osceola Elementary School to find out just how much some youngsters know about Thanksgiving. We adults think it’s a pretty straightforward holiday: We display our gratitude

with a gross display of poultry-led gluttony, some holiday football and a tryptophan overdose after dinner. Kids, however, get some pretty funny ideas about a holiday that actually has very little to do with them. Keep reading and you’ll learn about Amazonian turkeys, practically instantaneous turkeys,

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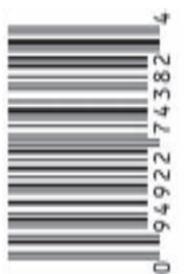
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COMMENTARY

Thanks, but no thanks



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Thanksgiving is about as close to a New England fall as we are ever going to get. A prelude to the holiday of falling leaves, killing frosts and a winter harvest are unfamiliar in South Florida, but we try hard to make up for it. What a pumpkin-scented candle cannot accomplish, we achieve by accessorizing. The holiday in many households is thus exactly as Hallmark imagines it for us.

Our Thanksgiving fete and culinary journey began in 1621 when the pilgrims celebrated the first harvest in the New World. They invited their Native American neighbors to join them. Our national practice of the holiday mirrors these origins, but we often detour from the well-worn pilgrim's path.

We improvise, creating rituals wholly our own, originating in and out of the diverse cultural traditions from which we sprang as immigrants. Only the holiday's historical narrative remains comparatively bland.

It includes an imaginary Instagram of the genesis of this special day. It captures the moment when the pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock, a snapshot of a small group of men and women, their earnest faces etched with the harrows of the journey. Their eyes are uplifted to

heaven, expressing relief and gratitude to God for their safe arrival.

We anticipate their task — to launch the establishment of a colony in an alien landscape fraught with unknowns. The colony they create is destined to become a milestone in the founding of the United States of America. Their gratitude at that moment becomes our own, and we, too, are full of thanksgiving.

It is late in our education when we get the rest of the story, if we get it at all. This is the darker side of the history rarely mentioned in polite company and seldom part of the Thanksgiving story. Colonizers have a historical reputation for bad behaviors as guests in the places they choose to occupy.

You might compare the absence of their social and cultural graces to an adult child who announces at the holiday table what he or she really thinks about their Dad's new wife, or a drunken uncle who downs a Mason jar full of Makers Mark as an aperitif. It just goes downhill from there.

The pilgrims' arrival in the New World was the beginning of an era that historians call the period of colonization in America. The newcomers typically introduced carnage and mayhem among the people indigenous to the places invaded, and then ruled them through political oppression. The wholesale appropriation of land and natural resources proceeded.

The colonizers executed the plunder of commonwealth with astonishing efficiency. Its beneficiaries rarely included

those exploited to achieve its objectives. Colonizers are, by nature, a covetous lot. Their mission assumes displacement of those who have a legitimate claim to the geography they occupy and the natural resources they share.

Florida attracted colonizers as flowers attract bees. Their invasions occurred periodically, mercenaries seeking religious tolerance but also riches to exploit, extending the power and reach of their sovereignties over new domains.

Those laying claim to our tropical paradise included Spain, France, Great Britain, the Confederacy and the U.S.A. The Confederacy's inclusion in this league of nations is rather a stretch. Though historically correct, the substance of its admission to this otherwise exclusive club was a gesture of appeasement to southern pride.

The state Legislature recently made an overdue adjustment to this gratuity by removing the Stars and Bars from the state seal and its display by state government on public grounds.

The spot vacated by the Confederacy is now empty. I propose we add another flag in its place. It would signify the arrival of a new era, the colonization and exploitation by corporations of Florida's land, water and public resources.

Like Florida's former majesties, Gov. Scott's expansionist philosophy invites a bold grab by mercenaries of contested terrain. His purpose is to unleash a new era of unfettered growth and development, over the objections of ordinary Floridians.

The flag symbolic of the governor's ambitions might look like this: a giant dollar sign displayed against a background of corporate logos. Each logo represents the special interests that receive boatloads of public subsidy paid for by you and me. The gifts are the modern equivalent of the land grants made by monarchs to incentivize colonization and appropriation of new territory. It is no longer so complicated. Modern despots just rob the public till and write checks to companies to subsidize their bottom line — corporate welfare, in other words.

The latest giveaway the governor proposes is a \$1 billion tax cut to benefit big business. If the state Legislature approves, it will be at the expense and continued neglect of the needs of our state and its residents.

Monetize our state parks? Sure. We cannot afford them.

There are no pilgrims in this picture, just Floridians being colonized and losing their state to corporate interests intending to exploit this New World for all that it's worth. ■

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— Roger Williams' column will return next week.

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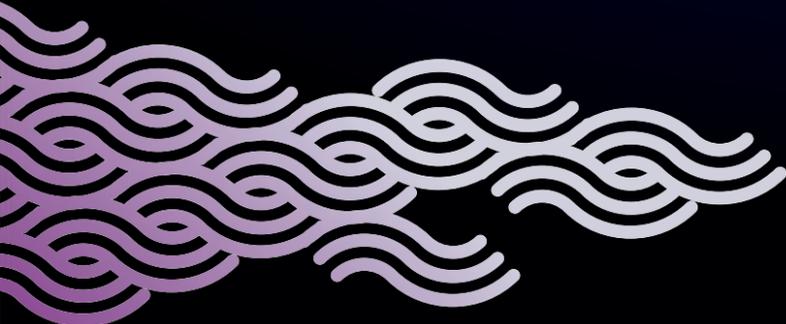
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OPINION

After Paris, empty symbolism



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Special to Florida Weekly

The instant online symbol of global support for Paris after last week's attacks was a roughly rendered peace symbol with an Eiffel Tower in the middle of it. The French designer Jean Jullien sketched it as soon as he heard the news of the atrocity. He called it "Peace for Paris," and it immediately became a sensation on social media.

Its success is a sign of the times. We have become experts at treacly online mourning. We take grotesque atrocities and launder them into trite symbols and slogans that are usually self-congratulatory and, of course, wholly ineffectual. The 19th-century author William Dean Howells once said, "Yes, what the American public wants is a tragedy with a happy ending." On social media, the happy ending is the widely shared and tweeted image or hashtag.

After the slaughter at the offices of the satirical French magazine Charlie Hebdo

earlier this year, it was "Je suis Charlie," or "I am Charlie." It was a well-intentioned expression of solidarity, so long as you overlooked the absurd presumption of it.

You are Charlie? Oh, OK. Then draw a sketch of Muhammad and post it online. Better yet, do it over and over again, until you get constant threats and your office is firebombed, just as a warmup. No, you aren't Charlie (for that matter, Charlie isn't even Charlie anymore — it's given up on mocking Islam for understandable safety reasons).

The "Peace for Paris" image is simple and emotive, if inapt. Paris doesn't need to give peace a chance. It doesn't need to make love, not war. It doesn't need to be more understanding or more hopeful. It needs to be better protected by all those unsentimental means that have been neglected in recent years, or overwhelmed by the growing threat of ISIS.

Paris — and more broadly France and the West — needs more surveillance of suspected terrorists and police raids; a more restrictive immigration policy that doesn't create large, unassimilated Muslim populations, or welcome terrorists as refugees; and a serious, multilayered

campaign to destroy ISIS and deny it the safe havens from which it recruits and trains, and plots against the West.

If someone can come up with a catchy symbol for that, I'll embrace it (although "La Marseillaise" isn't so bad: "To arms citizens/Form your battalions/March, march"). Meanwhile, spare me if I'm unmoved by lighting up world landmarks in red, white and blue, or your putting a tricolor filter on your Facebook profile picture. And please don't tell me, in the words of the designer Jean Jullien, that "in all this horror there's something positive that people are coming together in a sense of unity and peace."

Nothing positive comes from innocents getting shot down in cold blood for the offense of going to a concert on a Friday night. If there aren't going to be more — and worse — attacks in our cities, the path ahead won't be one of unity and peace. It will be the hard, thankless work of protecting civilization from its enemies. ■

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

Florida's dodgy death system needs immediate reform



billCORNWELL

Special to Florida Weekly

Rick Scott, our ferociously inept governor, is not good for much, but when it comes to executing people he's top notch. And he has the numbers to prove it.

On Oct. 29, Jerry Correll, a convicted murderer, received his lethal injection at Florida State Prison. He was the 22nd person to be put to death on Mr. Scott's watch, which is a record for a Florida governor since the death penalty was reinstated in 1979. The runner-up in this ghoulish competition is Jeb Bush, who had 21 executions during his two terms (1999-2007).

The manner in which Florida sentences someone to death and then carries out that punishment is a disaster. The state has a long, tortured history of sending innocents to Death Row and botching executions in extraordinarily gruesome ways. A host of interested parties — from the American Bar Association to legal scholars to advocates for human rights to the Florida Supreme Court — has called on the state, repeatedly, to undertake fundamental reforms to its capital system. Embarrassingly, Amnesty International last year identified Florida (along with Iran and North Korea) as a "major concern" when it comes to the administration of the death penalty. The legislature and Mr. Scott, though, continue to brush aside even modest pleas for change, choosing instead to pander to the state's hardcore "law-and-order" crowd, which exhibits an unseemly blood lust.

In 2006, the American Bar Associa-

tion, which takes no position on capital punishment per se, issued a blistering report on Florida's capital practices. The ABA concluded that the state needed to "improve the fairness and accuracy in the death penalty system." The study noted, among many things, that while it takes a unanimous vote to convict someone of a crime, Florida juries can recommend a death sentence based on a mere majority (7-5) vote. This bizarre legal quirk means that it is more difficult to convict a defendant of even trifling offenses (such as shoplifting, for example) than it is to recommend death.

Florida's dysfunctional capital system was on full display last month during arguments before the U.S. Supreme Court. The justices are considering the case of Timothy Lee Hurst, who seeks to overturn the death sentence he received for a murder committed during the robbery of a fast-food restaurant in Pensacola in 1998. The jury voted 7-5 for his execution.

In Florida, jurors weigh "aggravating" and "mitigating" circumstances when they decide whether to recommend a death sentence to the trial judge, who makes the final decision. The Hurst jury did not make clear to the judge what aggravating factors led to their decision nor were they compelled by state law to do so. Thus, the judge in Mr. Hurst's case — and others like it — had no insight into why the jury sought the ultimate penalty. Florida judges are bound to consider a jury's recommendation, but they are not obliged to accept it. Mr. Hurst's attorneys contend that this bit of legal voodoo coupled with the mere-majority standard violate their client's constitutional rights under the Sixth and Eighth Amendments. Much of their case rests on a 2002 ruling by the Supreme Court (*Ring v. Arizona*) in

which it was held that juries, not judges, should levy death sentences.

"Florida's juries play only an advisory role," lawyers for Mr. Hurst pointed out in a brief filed last May. "The jury recommends a sentence of life or death based on its assessment of aggravating and mitigating circumstances, but that recommendation has no binding effect. Moreover, the jury renders its advisory verdict under procedures that degrade the integrity of the jury's function. Unanimity, and the deliberation often needed to achieve it, is not necessary; only a bare majority vote is required to recommend a death sentence."

Mr. Hurst's position is supported by a friend-of-the-court brief filed by three former justices of the Florida Supreme Court who sounded a chilling note when they wrote that "there is an unacceptable risk that Florida death sentences are erroneously imposed."

The prevailing mood in Florida these days seems to be that if a handful of inmates — who are invariably poor and powerless — is sentenced to death in a careless or haphazard fashion, well, that's just the way it goes. This stands on its head the long-held notion that executing someone not deserving of that fate is the most grievous error a state can make.

The legislature and Mr. Scott, who preposterously is mentioned as a possible Republican vice presidential candidate in 2016, should be shamed by their outright refusal to address the gross shortcomings in the state's capital system; regrettably, they are not.

Equally distressing is that the Floridians who elected these stone-hearted lawmakers apparently don't give a damn, either. ■

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TIF points area students toward careers

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Immokalee Middle School students already are thinking ahead to success in their careers as adults thanks to The Immokalee Foundation's Career Development program, only one of the many effective programs funded by the recent TIF Charity Classic Pro-Am and Charity Classic Celebration.



At the scramble-style golf

tournament earlier this month, amateur golfers played at Bay Colony Golf Club with many of the sport's top professionals. The amateurs then joined hundreds of Naples' most caring philanthropists at the Charity Classic Celebration, featuring a gourmet dinner and auction at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort.

Philanthropists who participate in these and similar events are helping students such as Aida Garcia, an eighth-grader who is in her second year of the after-school career preparatory program. She and 65 other middle school students are looking forward to brighter futures because of the supplementary education offered through TIF's programs.

Aida is 13 and already knows she wants a different kind of life than the difficult one her parents have working in the agricultural fields of

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PROFILES IN PARADISE

Changing lives through education, empowerment



Immokalee is a community of the working poor, many of whom immigrated to find opportunity for themselves and their children. For more than 20 years, The Immokalee Foundation has strengthened the community with programs ranging from early childhood literacy education to college prep and advanced vocational training.

Today, TIF thrives under the deft leadership of Steven Kissinger, who was appointed executive director earlier this year after serving as CFO of the Children's Advocacy Center of Collier County for 15 years.

Steven likes the fact that TIF changes and improves lives through education and empowerment. "We are not offering hand-outs or charity," he says. "The students we serve work for and earn the right to be a part of our programs. They want to better their lives with the opportunities we present."

Prior to joining the Children's Advocacy Center, Steven was a corporate accountant for the NCH Healthcare System. Beginning with his affiliation with NCH, he handled the accounting and grant administration for the Marion Feather Clinic in Immokalee and became interested in the operation of human service organizations as well as the administration and processes of grant administration. It was a natural and compelling transition to the Children's Advocacy Center, whose mission is to improve the lives of Collier County's abused children.

Steven and his older brother, Robert, were raised in St. Louis, Mo., but moved to the Paradise Coast 30 years ago. Robert is now married and lives in Bradenton. Steven attended public schools but transferred in his sophomore year to St. John Neumann High School in Naples, where he graduated in 1991. His favorite subject was history, and he participated in student government activities, the debate team and varsity tennis.

He attended the University of Florida and ultimately graduated from Florida Gulf Coast Uni-

versity with a bachelor's degree in accounting.

A 2005 alumnus of the Leadership Collier, he serves as chair of the current Leadership Collier class and is board chair of the Bonita Springs Assistance Office, a member and board member of the Northside Naples Kiwanis Club and a member of the Bonita Springs Zoning Board. He also serves on the organizing committee of the Farm City BBQ, the annual day-before-Thanksgiving feast that unites Collier County's business and agricultural communities. ■

Talking points with Steven Kissinger

Something your mother was always right about: Most things, as it turns out.

As a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up? An attorney.

First job: I was a busboy at a Mexican restaurant called Kisco's.

Advice for young people today: Cherish and work hard at your education. It is something that cannot be taken away.

Guilty pleasures: Fantasy Football.

More recent vacation: We visited Italy this past summer.

One thing on your bucket list: To go on an African photographic safari.

Skill or talent you wish you had: I'd love to be able to play a musical instrument.

What makes you laugh? Life itself is pretty funny, if you can take a step back from it.

Last book you read: "The Wright Brothers" by David McCullough.

Something you'll never understand: Hate.

Pet peeve: Rudeness.

What are you most proud of? My wife, Stephanie. She always has a positive attitude in spite of adverse circumstances.

What the Paradise Coast really needs: More local restaurants. They are dwindling.

Favorite thing about the Paradise Coast: We have the best beaches in the country.

What do you miss about the Paradise Coast when you go away? The area itself. This is a great place to come home to.



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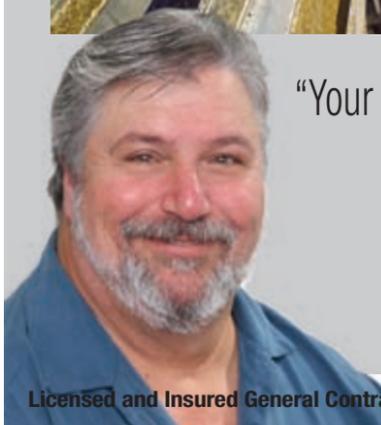
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SHOPPING

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meal or a new outfit, or maybe a basketful of groceries or a special perfume?

For many busy people that might not be the seventh circle, but it comes close, part of the energy-sucking, time-wasting model of acquisition established in the 20th century.

Especially this time of year, all that might force you to question your sanity and your values.

But there's an option now catching on in large numbers, it seems. What if, instead, you had your own stylist, or your own shopper at the instant beck and call of you and your smartphone or a tablet? You'd have to be rich, right?

Well no, not any more.

A host of boutique subscription businesses relying on quickly downloaded apps and staffed by usually faceless professionals who get to know your tastes and styles in clothing or food or beauty products are now taking care of all of this for you — with tremendous efficiency and for prices that, if not basement-bargain cheap, might be attractive enough to make you try a subscription.

Stitch Fix, Trunk Club, Birchbox (beauty products), BarkBox (for dogs), FabFitFun, Naturebox, Instacart, UberEATS, Amazon Prime, Shipt (groceries from Publix). Blue Apron, Bombfell, Le Tote, Culinary Twisted (a Naples start-up for foodies) — these are just some of the services designed to simplify shopping. In most cases, just add a dot.com and you're good to go. Don't forget your credit card.

At first glance, it seems almost impossible — either that or too good to be true.

In the case of clothing, for example, you pay a modest subscription fee, say monthly or just periodically, whenever you order; a box arrives at your door packed with wardrobe items you can either keep or mail back at no cost after trying them out for a few days; and your wardrobe remains vibrant and in touch with contemporary styles — all without you ever having to return to your car two hours later clutching a hard-won new dress only to discover a dent in the door.

Clothing and beauty

"I think I saw it on Facebook — where I get all my important information — and I was very skeptical," says Caryn Clark, a voice-over actress with a perceptive sense of humor about trends, fashions and news who delights in Stitch Fix and uses it to her advantage.

"You pay a \$20 styling fee, and they select five pieces for you on a regular basis. If you keep all five, you get \$20 back and a 25 percent discount," she explains. If you don't, you just ship back (for free) what you don't want. And if you don't like the service you can cancel at any time at no cost.

Other companies — Trunk Fit, for example, which is growing in popularity with the men's market — use a similar approach. Men's clothes may be more expensive than women's in these services, Ms. Clark warns, perhaps because men tend not to buy as many clothes or as often, she theorizes.

And indeed, a look at trunkfit.com showed boxes of 12 or more items ranging in price from about \$160 up, per item (trousers and shirts, mostly).

But before you acquire anything, says Ms. Clark, you fill out a profile describing your height, weight, sizes and — based on photos they send you — tastes.

"You tell them where you feel fatter like, I might wear a small shirt, but I know my arms are bigger than the usual girl's. I sort of told them that. How you prefer your clothes to fit, what you wear in pants, skirts and shirts — what kinds of jeans you like, your shoe sizes, how you characterize your portions. So like, if



Matthew Berman runs Culinary Twisted, a Naples-based food delivery service.

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you're narrow or bigger in your arms, legs or torsos, you tell them."

This is confidential, of course — she's your stylist, not your interrogator.

"Then they say, 'What do you think of these pictures?'"

That's when you start making choices that might inform or affect your future. You can choose one of the following: love it, like it, don't really like it, or, you know, hate it!

And they do that with a variety of styles, says Ms. Clark. "One would be bohemian, one romantic, one edgy, one classic, one probably glam... and they ask your occupation, and if you're a mom, and how often you dress for the following locations: business casual work (not me, I work from home); cocktail (rarely), date night/night out to laid-back casual (me most of the time)."

Lindsey Nesmith, a mom and a Naples-based *Florida Weekly* writer, began her subscription services experience at Birchbox.com (beauty products).

"I did Birchbox for about a year, and it was pretty cool," she says. "That subscription is \$10 a month, and they send five or six beauty samples."

Nancy Newman, in North Palm Beach, uses Birchbox as well.

"When you sign up, you give them an idea of what you like to have, whether mascaras or colognes or lotions and they build the box in samples along those lines," she explains.

"The thing that surprised me — and it shouldn't have — is that these are sample

sizes and relatively small. But I haven't used up anything. And if you like something, you can turn around and buy that product in larger sizes on-line, through Birchbox."

Is she saving money?

"It's hard to say," Ms. Newman concludes. "I get it just for fun. It's like getting a little present for yourself each month."

Or a big present, in the case of Stitch Fix.

After Birchbox, Lindsey Nesmith tried the clothing-company subscription, suspended it (you can stop a subscription at any time with no penalty fee), then jumped back in, again, when it really mattered.

"It was cool when I came back to work after staying home with the kids for a few years, being sloppy," she explains. Because then it was time to shop. Again.

"I hate shopping," she admits. "But I needed to look presentable and avoid the work that went into it. Not having to take a Saturday and go and buy pants is totally worth the \$20 fee to me."

So she worked with a stylist and watched the service become sophisticated.

"My experience with Stitch Fix is that as they got a better idea of the things I was keeping, they sent me better ideas. There is a learning curve for the stylist, and if it takes awhile that \$20 might not feel like a deal."

There are other questions, too — questions that tiptoe along the edge of personality to make a stylist more sophisticated in choices for a shopper. But after all, sometimes style is personality.

"What do you like to flaunt or what do you want to keep covered? They give you choices (of course): 'I love showing it off'; 'sometimes I'll flaunt it'; 'only for special occasions'; or, 'less is more, keep it covered': the arms, back, cleavage, rear legs."

Lest you think this is all about women, Ms. Clark offers another observation, too. "The men's clothes seem more for the metro-sexual guy. There was nothing there my boyfriend would be interested in."

But her boyfriend, Thomas Flynn, was interested in what she wore.

"I filled out the profile myself," Ms.



Thomas Flynn and Caryn Clark



An outfit Caryn Clark got from Stitch Fix



Stitch Fix ships clothes right to your door. You ship back whatever you don't like.

Clark recalls, "and I was getting some cool stuff, and I'd try something on, and he was like, 'I don't like it.'"

"So he went and filled out my profile again. He changed things around. He changed the styles. There were certain things I said maybe I would wear, and he said, 'No.'"

"So we decided, let's up the game. And he upped the price point, too. (Price point, as they say, is how much you're willing to spend. You can tell the company, and they won't go over your budget, they promise.)"

"He changed things like what I like to flaunt... Do I want things to fit tighter in certain areas?"

"So I got the fix and I had a lot of fun. Last time I spent \$220, though, so I cancelled my next fix. Some of my friends might keep all five pieces, even if they don't like them, get the discount, and sell the pieces they don't like."

No wonder — that's just good business. This is America, after all. We do entrepreneurs better than anybody.

We do food pretty well these days, too.

Food for style or necessity

Rand Hoch, a nationally known labor mediation attorney and leader of the Palm Beach County Human Rights Council, is sold on Blue Apron, billed as "a better way to cook: fresh ingredients, great recipes, delivered weekly to your door."

They aren't kidding: the company invites its patrons to meet the businesses or farmers they use, outfits that come equipped with names like Ancient Organics (ghee made in Berkeley, Calif.) or Greenpoint Trading Company (spices from Brooklyn).

"It's idiot proof," says Mr. Hoch, who loves to spend some time in the kitchen of his condo cooking — and to increase his culinary repertoire and knowledge, but

not to increase the time he spends in the aisles of grocery stores.

"They send you whatever you need — if it's two scallions or a teaspoon of butter for a recipe? That's what you get."

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"One box has everything, and it's very well packed with ice and a thermal blanket. I live in a condo so there's nobody at a front desk. So if I'm not there, that's not a problem."

The company offers different meal plans and different price ranges: in Mr. Hoch's case that means one box per week containing three meals for two, for \$59.95.

Food and recipes provided in weekly shipments are never repeated in a given year, the company says, and for Mr. Hoch that means six meals a week.

"I'm picking up some little things to do, too," he adds. "I use a lot of lemon zest now, and I like green apples and I can make a green apple salad. I'm picky about green vegetables, always have been, but now I'm trying vegetables again I haven't had in 60 years."

But some adjustment was required for Mr. Hoch, too.

"At first I was basically eating for two and I gained a lot of weight — that didn't work very well.

"But now I'm inviting over friends. We're socializing, cooking and eating together. So now it's a social event, and I have people lined up for next week."

A local version of specialty food deliveries ordered online is Culinary Twist, which just started in Naples and serves the southwest coast north to Fort Myers.

"Our menus change every two weeks, and it never gets boring," says Matt Burman, co-owner with his brother, Seth Burman, both of Culinary Twisted and Noodles Italian Café and Sushi Bar. — "It's

fresh and healthy, gluten-free, we have eight other meals in addition to our flagship salad-in-a-jar (with dressing included in its own container), and there are six to eight ounces of protein in each meal."

More expensive than food from Blue Apron, Culinary Twist's meals come fully prepared.

"We do a lean pork loin, we have a prime rib this week, chicken and turkey breast, we do tuna, and we always have a vegetarian meal — we use vegan cheese," Mr. Burman says.

"We're doing mahi and salmon this week, a mahi taco with shrimp with pineapple and coconut slaw, and the salmon with gluten-free teriyaki soy marinade, and brown rice."

Variation on a traditional theme

For those stay-at-homes who are more prosaic, perhaps — or more independent, preferring deliveries of food that leave it all to their own imaginations and skills — the new online ordering firm Shipt arrived in Naples and Fort Myers last week, and with quite a splash.

Unlike the traditional grocery delivery firms, the company hires about 300 "shoppers" in a market such as the southwest coast.

Customers place their orders using an app on their phones or computers. Shoppers then pick up orders and deliver groceries often within a few hours, if required, says Anne Adams, a company spokeswoman based in Alabama.

"From Orlando and Tampa south — through all of South Florida — we have tons of demand," she says.

"Our shoppers are independent contractors and they pick their own schedules. They get paid a percentage of each order, plus \$5 per order, and we recently added a tipping feature to our app."

Customer pay slightly more than they



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BarkBox offers doggie treat deliveries.

would if they shopped in a Publix market themselves. "Our customers pay a monthly or a yearly membership fee, and then they an average of \$5 per \$35 order," she says.

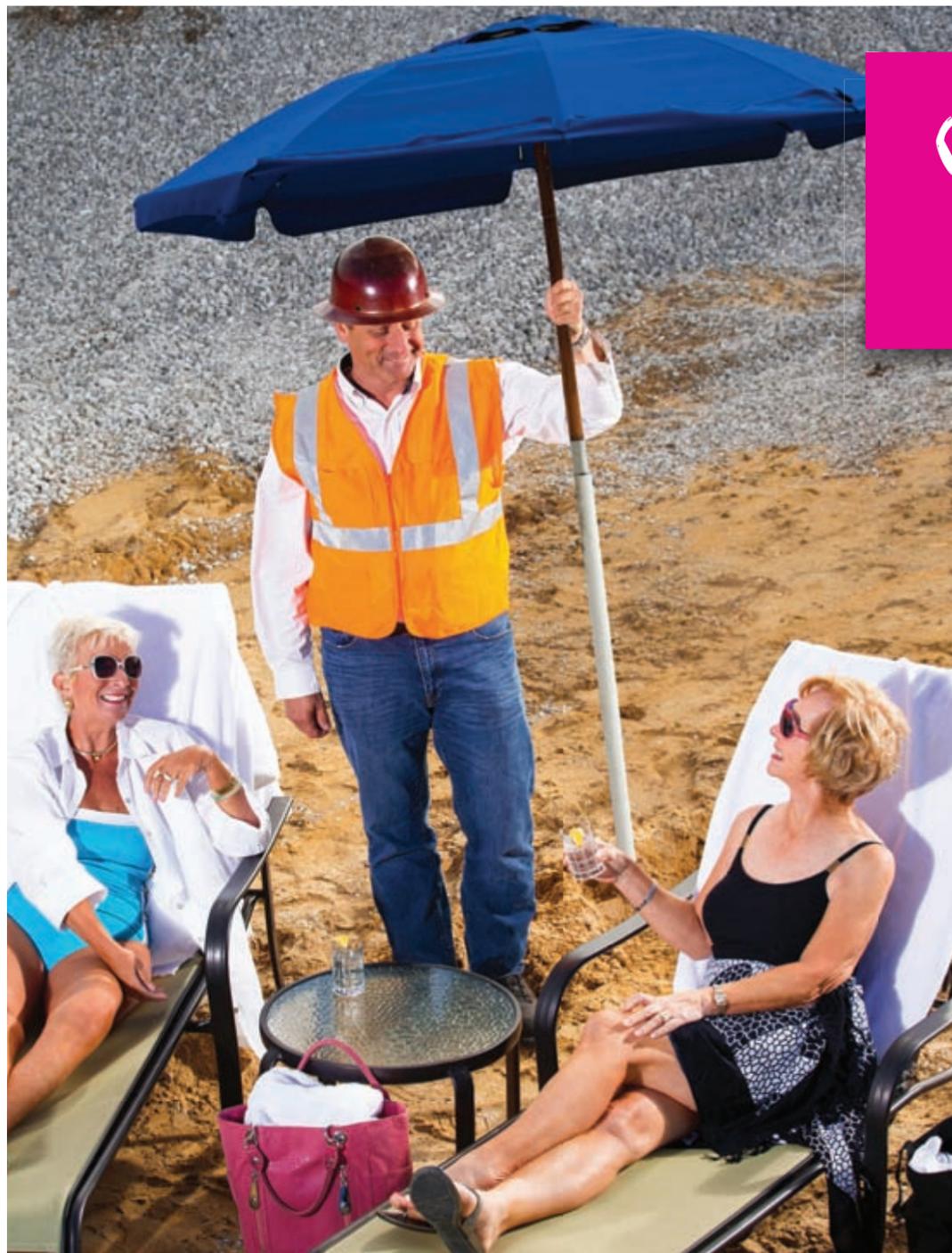
The subscription fee costs \$14 a month or \$99 a year for free delivery of orders over \$35.

For Tricia Sommers, a trained nurse with two children who arrived in the Naples area from Utah last February after her husband was accepted into a graduate nursing program here, the new service was a chance to get work, not groceries.

She's is now an official shopper, picking her own schedule. Last week, after she took an order online, hustled to the Publix at The Shoppes of Pebblebrooke and picked up more than \$200 worth of groceries for an elderly customer, she paused to reflect on the experience.

"You pick your own day and time, so it's very flexible, and I'm a mom with two kids and a husband in grad school, so that works.

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Colliers pledge \$4 million for FGCU scholarships

Barron and Dana Collier, supporters of Florida Gulf Coast University for two decades, have pledged \$4 million to support scholarships for Collier County students. The gift was announced at the 2015 President's Scholarship Luncheon earlier this month.

Mr. Collier said he and his wife were motivated to make the gift because "we wanted to give back to Collier County for being so great to us. We watched the creation of this new university and have seen what went into it ... We need to look at the next generation to be tomorrow's leaders of business. We need to be investing in the best education possible for them."

"We feel blessed to be able to give back in this way and hope others will be motivated to give as well."

The Colliers first endowed a scholarship fund in 1995, two years before FGCU opened its doors. Since then their daughter has attended and graduated from the university. "We were impressed by how personable the faculty and staff members were and how the professors really get to know their students," Mr. Collier said.

In accepting the gift, FGCU President Wilson Bradshaw said, "Not many people have been connected to the university for as long as your family has. We are deeply grateful for your longstanding generosity, which will help Collier County students obtain the education they need to be successful."

The Dana and Barron Collier III Scholarship Endowed Fund awards scholarships to deserving students from



Dana and Barron Collier III

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Collier County. The recent gift comes in the form of a \$4 million life insurance policy.

Barron Collier III was named for his grandfather, an advertising magnate and entrepreneur who founded the company that still bears his name. Collier III, who goes by Barry, serves as the chairman of the board of the Barron Collier Companies, which owns significant amounts of land in Collier County, as well as interests in real estate, mineral management and agriculture.

For more information about the scholarship fund, call Chris Simoneau, vice president for university advancement at FGCU, at 590-1067. ■

Foundation grants assist in all areas of local need

The Community Foundation of Collier County distributed \$2,032,793 in grants to 167 organizations between July 1 and Sept. 30 this year. Grants awarded for the foundation's previous fiscal year — from July 1 through June 30, 2015 — exceeded \$10.3 million.

"These dollars fuel programs that meet local challenges and improve the quality of life in our region," Eileen Connolly-Keesler, foundation president, says. "We track the vital signs and we know how pressing the needs are in terms of homelessness, hunger, health care, the arts, the environment and issues facing women and girls in Collier County."

More than \$800,000 of the first-quarter grant total came from the foundation's donor advised fund, which allow donors to participate in the funding process by suggesting grant recipients. Grants can be made to anywhere in the U.S., however 64 percent of this donor advised grant total was directed locally to Collier County agencies, including the Boys & Girls Club of Collier County, The Shelter for Abused Women & Children, Conservancy of Southwest Florida and David Lawrence Foundation for Mental Health. Here's how the grant distribution breaks down by category:

Art: \$102,942; community impact,

\$63,623; education, \$814,087; environment, \$240,573; health, \$273,454; human services, \$393,329; foreign affairs, \$48,857; religion, \$96,028.

Donor advisors can also name successor advisors to continue grant-making after they pass away.

Jim and Jeanne McTague established their donor advised fund knowing they wanted to support the many nonprofit causes dear to their hearts. When Jeanne died in 2000, Jim continued with their charitable plans with the future in mind. In thinking about a succession plan, his wish was to share the value of giving back with his children and grandchildren. He worked with the foundation to divide his fund into separate funds for his four daughters and their families. Jim hopes that his legacy will be that his family will experience and share in the same rewards of charitable giving that Jeanne and he shared in their lifetime.

About the foundation

Established in 1985 to increase and focus private philanthropy in the area, today the Community Foundation of Collier County manages more than 510 funds, collaborates with more than 400 nonprofits, holds more than \$106 million in assets and has distributed more than \$88 million in grants to nonprofit organizations and community programs. Learn more at cfcollier.org. ■



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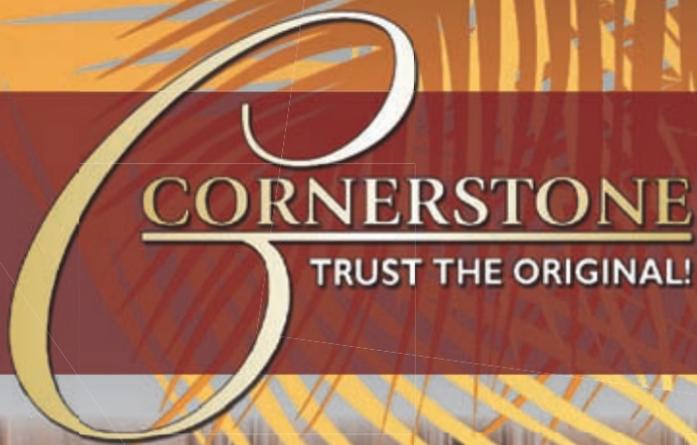
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BEHIND THE WHEEL

The 2016 Genesis is a revolution designed to leave Hyundai behind



Look closely at this sedan. There's only one Hyundai badge on the rear, and everywhere else inside and out only carries large wingspan logos with the Genesis model name. That's because by next year this all-new range-topping Hyundai will be the bread-and-butter of a new luxury brand.

The Genesis name will be applied to a line of luxury vehicles. This will include the replacement for the full-size Hyundai Equus, and likely at least one SUV to follow. When the Genesis model name becomes a standalone brand, the sedan seen here will officially become known as the D80, and the new Equus will be the D90.

On the surface this push into a premium brand looks much like what Toyota, Nissan and Honda accomplished decades ago with Lexus, Infiniti and Acura respectively. But for Hyundai this will be different. It enters into a market that has many more established players, including the Asian trio mentioned above.

That's why this sedan's styling is unapologetically aimed at the premium car buyer leading with a big, bold grille that lies somewhere in between Audi and Aston Martin. The side carries a chiseled line from hood to trunk that almost could

have come from Mercedes. It finishes in a rear end as uncluttered as a Lexus ES.

Hyundai might deny any of these inspirations, but it's certainly aiming for these types of comparisons. That's because the new Genesis brand's big ace in the hole will be value. The lowest cost BMW 5-Series is around \$50,000. That's \$12K more than it takes to get on the lowest rung of the Genesis ladder, and the base 3.8-liter motor in our test car produces 30 percent more power.

The Genesis can be optioned up to the BMW's price level, but then it comes loaded with features like a huge panoramic sunroof, Travel Link touchscreen infotainment stereo system, lane departure warnings, and a nifty heads-up display that even alerts the driver when the

car is driving through a reduced speed school zone.

The company that should fear this competition the most is Acura. The RLX and the future D80 sedan compete in size and horsepower ratings. The Acura comes well equipped at its \$55K base price, but the Genesis offers similar features for thousands less. Plus, the soon-to-be D80 comes standard in rear-wheel drive and offers a powerful V8 option — two things that some luxury buyers want for bragging rights.

But the real reason this is an Acura fighter is from the feeling behind the wheel. Lexus sedans gained status by providing quiet isolation, and BMW builds luxury still worthy of the race-track. Acura has carved out its reputation

for being somewhere in between those two, and now so does this Genesis.

On the road this new sedan is a model for calm luxury right up until the driver indicates it is time to stop being an introvert. The engine only breaks its whisper for a joyful growl when the accelerator is mashed against the floor. The steering wheel remains stiff and rock-steady unless it is moved quickly and aggressively a few inches. Then the whole car goes into a sport mode that takes on the characteristics of a happy puppy. This overall packaging feels well thought out, which translates into value for money.

The new Genesis brand will be given a portion of existing shops for a dealer-within-a-dealer feel. There will obviously be some problems with trying to sell luxury vehicles within earshot of people asking for free floor mats, but Hyundai has already been working on a plan for a few years.

There's already a concierge service in place where everything from test drives to service calls come to the customer. So instead of going to the dealer for maintenance, there is the option of a representative going to a home or business and swapping out the loaner vehicle at an owner's convenience.

This plan has premium customer potential that goes against the traditional ideas of luxury from the dealers. It's a risky proposition, but then again, revolutions often are. It helps that the cornerstone of this upheaval is a well executed sedan worthy of spreading its wings beyond its humble parent. ■

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Overlooked life insurance policies may still be a significant asset for giving

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Sometimes whole or universal life insurance policies that people bought years ago no longer serve their original purpose and become forgotten. For instance, such policies may have once been intended for heirs to pay off estate taxes, but now with estate tax exemptions set at more than \$5 million per person, that isn't needed.

It's not uncommon for people to do nothing, stop paying the premiums and let them lapse in such cases. But looking at the larger picture of estate planning, that is the worst option, said Craig R. Hersch, a board-certified wills, trust and estate attorney and a CPA with Sheppard, Brett, Stewart, Hersch, Kinsey & Hill P.A. in Fort Myers. Instead of letting them turn into a wasting asset, giving them to your kids or a charity can convert them into an asset of significant value.

The strategy wouldn't work with a term life insurance policy because unlike universal and whole life policies, which are a sort of hybrid between investments and insurance, a term policy doesn't build up cash value.

Mr. Hersch outlined four reasons why keeping whole or universal life insurance policies current, or donating them to heirs or charities that may keep them current or convert them to cash, is a better use of such policies:

1. The policy could be used to offset income taxes that heirs still might owe



upon your death, such as those from an IRA or 401(k). When that money is pulled out it's taxed like income, while "insurance is, generally speaking, a tax-free gift," he said.

2. The policy could provide additional liquid (cash) assets along with items such as stocks and bonds to offset illiquid assets such as real estate or a family business that could take months or in some cases years to sell and incur short term costs.

"If my estate is heavy with illiquid

assets insurance is a way to provide liquidity," Mr. Hersch said.

3. A whole life or universal life insurance policy can provide a gift to the charity of your choice such as a hospital, a school, a scholarship, a synagogue, charitable foundation or any other organization.

"The charity now has a policy they can convert to a paid up in full policy and then realize the death benefits one day," he said.

Donors can receive a tax deduction

for the amount of the life settlement sale proceeds, not simply the cash surrender value, which may be less. Say the cash value is \$250,000 on a \$1 million policy when you are 50. Surrendering or cashing out the policy means getting \$250,000 less any surrender charges, which can be significant. By transferring the policy to charity you could take the \$250,000 deduction without any surrender charges.

The charity could also decide: to either continue paying the premiums on your behalf to keep building up the value of the policy or convert it to a paid-up in full policy.

Or, you might negotiate with the insurance company based on your relative health and age. The insurer could say that based on your health and age that whether you die this year or in 30 years, the payoff will be \$500,000.

4. Give the policy to children or heirs and let them decide whether to continue paying premiums or cash it in. Maybe the premium payments are eating into your lifestyle, but your kids would want to continue paying the premiums to build up the value of the policy.

A fifth and worst option, he said, is to take no action, stop paying the policy and create a "wasting asset," the cash value wasting to nothing when not funded by premiums.

"I see a lot of people make that worst choice often because they're not knowledgeable about the choices that they have," he said. ■



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Center for Nonprofit Excellence has two December workshops

The Hodges University Center for Nonprofit Excellence presents two workshops in December. They can be attended on a one-time basis or as part of a series of four workshops required for obtaining a non-credit certificate in governance, operations and management. Here's what's coming up next month:

■ **Social Media is Social Giving:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1 - Attendees will learn how to leverage online efforts by gaining insight on development, tips to showcase vision, and return-on-investment tracking.

Sam Kelly, social media and online services coordinator at the Harry Chapin Food Bank, will share how social media outlets are key to creating awareness for specific issues and for executing campaigns.

This workshop will be held at the Fort Myers campus of Hodges U., 4501 Colonial Blvd.

■ **Board Member Roles in Fund Development:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 10 - CEOs, executive directors and other individuals involved in the board recruitment process, as well as fundraising staff professionals, will

learn how to harness the ideas and energy of the board while motivating, educating and communicating their importance in fund development. Presenter Peggy Calhoun is president and CEO of Miller, Calhoun and Company.

This workshop takes place at the Naples campus, 2647 Professional Way.

Registration is \$35 for each session. For a full list of upcoming workshops and to register, visit Hodges.edu/CNE. For more information, call the Center for Nonprofit Excellence at 598-6284 or email Marian Klink at cne@hodges.edu. ■

Frontpage editor will discuss the religion and politics of Islam

The Jewish Federation of Collier County and the Zionist Organization of America present Jamie Glazov, editor of Frontpage magazine, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Dec. 2, at the Chabad Jewish Center of Naples, 1789 Mandarin Road. In "Islam: A Political Movement Ensnared in a Religion," Mr. Glazov will explain the many trials and tribulations both Jews and Christians alike have faced and are facing today in the Middle East due to Jihad.

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Professional patients now help train would-be doctors, especially in the most delicate and dreaded of exams (gynecological and prostate), where a becalming technique improves outcomes. One “teaching associate” of Eastern Virginia Medical School told *The Washington Post* in September that the helpers act as “enthusiastic surgical dummies” to 65 medical colleges, guiding rookie fingers through the trainer’s

own private parts. The prostate associate might helpfully caution, “No need for speed here,” especially since he will be bending over for as many as nine probings a day. A gynecological teaching associate, mentoring the nervous speculum-wielder, might wittily congratulate pupils on having a front-row sight line the “GTA” will never witness: an up-close view of her own cervix.

Latest religious messages

American Sharia: (1) U.S. parents have a right to home-school their kids, but are subject to varying degrees of regulation, with Texas the most lax, and one El Paso family will have a day before the Texas Supreme Court after one of its kids was reported declining to study because education was useless since he was waiting to be “raptured” (as described in the Bible’s Book of Revelation). (2) U.S. courts increasingly allow customers to sign away state and federal rights by agreeing to con-

tracts providing private arbitration for disputes rather than access to courts — even if the contract explicitly requires only religious resolutions rather than secular, constitutional ones. A November *New York Times* investigation examined contracts ranging from Scientology’s requirement that fraud claims by members be resolved only by Scientologists — to various consumer issues from home repairs to real estate sales limited to dockets of Christian clerics.

Leading economic indicators

■ First-World Spending: According to estimates released by the National Retail Federation in September, 157 million Americans “planned to celebrate” Halloween, spending a total of \$6.9 billion, of which \$2.5 billion would be on costumes, including \$350 million dressing up family pets.

■ At a ceremony in Kabul in November, prominent Afghan developer Khalilullah Frozi signed a \$95 million contract to build an 8,800-unit township and was, according

to a *New York Times* dispatch, toasted for his role in the country’s economic rebirth. However, at nightfall, Mr. Frozi headed back to prison to resume his 15-year sentence for defrauding Kabul Bank of nearly \$1 billion in depositors’ money. Because he remains one of Afghanistan’s elite, arrangements were made for him to work days but spend his nights in prison (in comfortable quarters). Said one Western official, laconically, “(I)f you have stolen enough money, you can get away with it.”

Cultural diversity

Before the terrorist murders gripped Paris, President Francois Hollande and Iran’s President Hassan Rouhani had been trying to arrange a formal dinner during Mr. Rouhani’s planned visit to the city to celebrate the two countries’ role in the recent accord limiting Iran’s nuclear

development. France’s RTL radio news reported that “dinner” is apparently more vexing than “nuclear weaponry” — as Mr. Rouhani demanded an alcohol-free meal, which was nixed by Mr. Hollande, who insisted that the French never dine without wine.

Compelling explanations

■ Skeptics feared it was just a matter of time, anyway, until the “political correctness” movement turned its attention to dignity for thieves. San Francisco’s SFGate.com reported in November on a discussion in an upscale neighborhood about whether someone committing petty, nonviolent theft should be referred to by the “offensive” term “criminal” (rather than as, for example, “the person who stole my bicycle,” since “criminal” implies a harsher level of evil and fails to acknowledge factors that might have caused momentary desperation by a person in severe need).

■ Reginald Gildersleeve, 55 and free on

bond with an extensive rap sheet, was waving a gun as he threatened a clerk and tried to rob a store in Chicago on Halloween night — until a customer (licensed to carry) drew his own gun and, with multiple shots, killed Mr. Gildersleeve. Closer inspection revealed Mr. Gildersleeve’s weapon to be merely a paintball gun, leading the deceased man’s stepson to complain later that “Some people (the licensed shooter) don’t actually know how to use guns. They go to firing ranges, but it’s not the same ... as a bullet going into flesh. ... Someone’s got to answer for that.”

The continuing crisis

■ U.S. and European entrepreneurs offer extreme “games” in which liability-waiving “players” volunteer for hours of kidnapping, pain and death threats, but the cult-like, under-the-radar “McKamey Manor” in Southern California (said to have a waiting list of 27,000) is notable for the starkness of its threats of brutality — and the absence of any “safe word” with which a suddenly reluctant player can beg off. (Only Russ McKamey himself decides if a player has had enough.) The “product” is “100 percent fear,” he said. “We’re good at it,” he told London’s *The Guardian* in an October dispatch from San Diego (whose reporter overheard one of Mr. McKamey’s thugs promise, “I’m

going to tear that girl (player) apart” and “No one is leaving with eyebrows today”).

■ In October, the student newspaper of Toronto’s Ryerson University reported a mighty scandal that upset the student body: The school’s executive offices’ restrooms routinely supply two-ply toilet paper while most other campus buildings offer only one-ply. Following up on the hard-hitting Ryerson Eyeopener’s expose, *The Canadian Press* noted that the universities of Guelph, Ottawa and Toronto comfort all toilet-users’ bottoms the same. Ryerson officials defensively noted that older plumbing in many of their buildings cannot handle two-ply paper. ■



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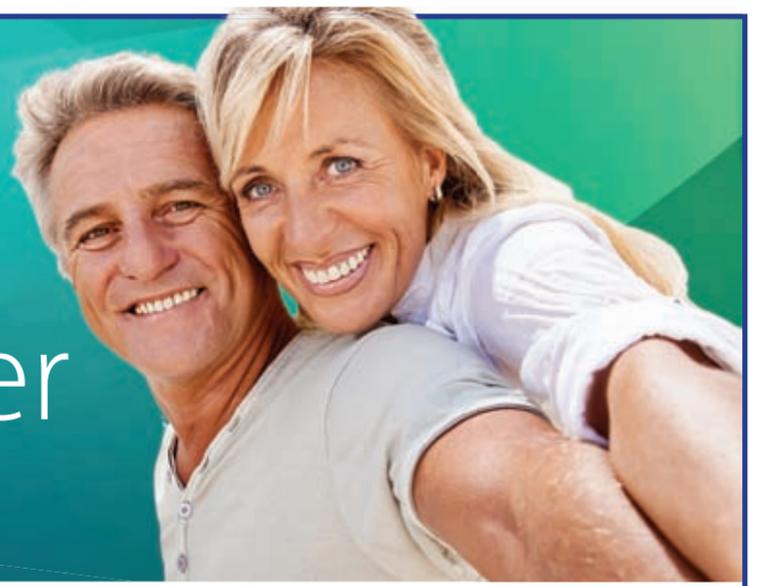
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Dr. Sal Lacagnina, internal medicine

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1 - 5 p.m.

Nutritional Approach to Arthritis

6 - 7 p.m.

Dr. Sebastian Klisiewicz, physiatrist

Tuesday, Dec. 15

Steps to a Healthier Life

1 - 2 p.m.

Sarah Mitchell, health and wellness coordinator

Healthy Heart:

Living Strong with a Weak Heart - Basics of Heart Failure

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Katherine Lalor, RN, congestive heart failure coordinator

Wednesday, Dec. 16

Fit for Golf

1 - 2 p.m.

Neal Trottier, physical therapist

Beating the Holiday Bulge – Tips for Eating Healthy During the Holiday Season

2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Caroline Bloemers, weight loss dietitian

Thursday, Dec. 17

Walking Your Way to Wellness: Are You Reaching Your Potential?

10 – 11 a.m.

Justin Klein, Wellness Center

Living with COPD – Screening and Lecture

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Teresa Summe, program coordinator

Technology to help you Stay your Healthiest - Telehealth and Lifeline Demonstration and Blood Pressure Screening

2 – 5 p.m.

Cathy Brady, RN, program manager

Friday, Dec. 18

Healthy Heart: Tips for Early Heart Attack/Heart Failure Prevention

11 a.m. – 12 noon

Melissa Benson, RN

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1 – 2 p.m.

Sharon Krispinsky, RN, program coordinator

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TIF

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Immokalee. "I want to become a doctor," she says. "I got into the program because I heard they were helping with schoolwork, and I felt like I needed it."

Indeed that is one of the program goals, said Amber Craig, an afterschool specialist with TIF. She explains that Aida participates in the younger version of the Career Development Program for high school students. In Junior CDP, students in sixth, seventh and eighth grades meet with others in their grade level three afternoons a week, with the first 30 minutes spent in homework tutoring.

"Then the next hour is a mini-lesson that focuses on what they are learning in class," Ms. Craig says, adding CDP teachers stay in close touch with classroom teachers to reinforce what the students are learning day by day. Three teachers and seven college-age tutors participate in the Junior CDP, with the main instructional areas being reading, math and leadership skills.

Aida says the reading and language arts instruction was the main reason she signed up. She is of Guatemalan heritage. Her first language is Spanish, which is what she speaks at home with her parents, three brothers and a sister.

For CDP, Aida and other eighth-graders have written essays on topics such as "Should the penny be eliminated?" and "Should people in the United States have to learn at least one other language?" She says the program is teaching her to think about issues as well as improving her language skills.

Another recent lesson was for each student to think about a positive leader in his or her life and write a paragraph about that leader.

Aida can tell her skills are improving. "My grades are going up and when we write essays, they come out good," she

Traffic deputies are on the road

Here's where Collier County Sheriff's Office traffic-enforcement deputies will be the week of Nov. 30-Dec. 4:

- Monday, Nov. 30
 - Golden Gate Parkway and Airport-Pulling Road: Aggressive driving
 - Goodlette-Frank and Vanderbilt Beach roads: Red-light running
 - U.S. 41 North and Pine Ridge Road: Speeding
- Tuesday, Dec. 1
 - Immokalee Road at Gulf Coast High School: Speeding
 - Santa Barbara and Green boulevards: Aggressive driving
 - Collier Boulevard and Golden Gate Parkway: Red-light running
- Wednesday, Dec. 2
 - Titan Lane at Golden Gate High School: Aggressive driving
 - Tropicana Boulevard and 32nd Avenue S.W.: Aggressive driving
 - Naples Boulevard and Airport-Pulling Road: Red-light running
- Thursday, Dec. 3
 - U.S. 41 East and Manatee Road: Speeding
 - Rattlesnake Hammock Road and Saint Andrews Boulevard: Aggressive driving
 - Davis Boulevard and County Barn Road: Speeding
- Friday, Dec. 4
 - Cougar Lane at Barron Collier High School: Aggressive driving
 - Airport-Pulling and Radio roads: Red-light running
 - Livingston and Vanderbilt Beach Roads: Speeding ■



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A typical scene at TIF's Junior Career Development Program at Immokalee Middle School.

says. Her parents are pleased as well. "They think it's a really good idea, and it will help me reach my goals."

In order to participate in the CDP, students must have and maintain a 2.5 GPA. They learn foundational skills — to communicate effectively, commit to the job, learn new tasks, develop leadership skills and maintain a positive work ethic. Students in all TIF programs are required to perform community service.

TIF programs are changing lives for Aida and thousands of other Immokalee students, and the community can help by participating in TIF's annual charity events.

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 6. Alaina Bellamy, David Marcozzi and Calista Honick
 7. Christian Askar, Ray Ridnel and Jamie Trope

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GET OUT FOR A GOOD CAUSE

■ The annual **Gobble Gobble 4-Miler** to benefit St. Matthew's House sets out at 7 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, at The Village on Venetian Bay and will feature four events: the 1-mile walk/run, the competitive chip-timed run, a 4-mile walk/run and a children's dash. For more information or to register, visit gobblegobblefourmiler.com.

■ **Gulf Coast Runners** hosts its third annual Thanksgiving 5K starting at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, at Cambier Park. The route winds through downtown Naples and proceeds benefit St. Matthew's House. Registration is \$15-\$40. For more information, call 404-7007 or visit gcrunner.org.

■ **Fit & Fuel Café** hosts the annual Iron Joe Turkey Ride on Sunday morning, Nov. 29. The event features a 62-mile, 32-mile, and 14-mile bike ride departing from the café on Vanderbilt Beach Road. Lunch from Moe's Southwest Grill, live music, raffles and more follow the ride. Proceeds benefit the Naples Pathways Coalition. Registration is \$40-\$50. For more information or to register, call 777-7718 or visit naplespathways.org.

■ **IMAGINE Children's Health Center** hosts Walk for Imagine for families from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, at Freedom Park. Enjoy a boardwalk, food, games, gifts and more and support the kids walking for other children in need. Free admission. For more information, call 263-3908 or visit imaginehc.com.

■ **Collier County Public Schools** hosts the inaugural CCPS 5K Walk-Run at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, at the district's administrative campus on Osceola

Drive, where a health fair and family yoga class will also be held. Proceeds benefit the district's health and wellness initiatives for students. Registration is \$10-\$50. Call 377-0219 or email morsell@collierschools.com.

■ The **Hardwig Family** hosts the third annual Scramble for Sarah on Sunday, Dec. 13, at Tiburon Golf Club at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. The day begins with lunch followed by a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Proceeds benefit Lighthouse of Collier Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Registration is \$150. For more information, call 430-3934 or visit lighthouseofcollier.org.

■ **Girls on the Run** of Collier County hosts the second annual Reindeer Run 5K starting at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, at Community School of Naples. Holiday attire encouraged. Participants will be greeted with hot cocoa, candy canes and Santa Claus at the finish line. Registration is \$5-\$30. Call 777-3720 or visit gotrcc.org.

■ The seventh annual **Baby Basics Walking Challenge** sets out Saturday morning, Jan. 23, at North Naples Regional Park. Participants can choose routes from 1.5 to 6 miles. Brunch will be served after the walk. Onsite registration starts at 8:30 the day of the event. For more information or to sign up now, call 352-4310 or visit babybasicscollier.org.

■ **Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida** hosts the 2016 WINK News Feeds Families Hunger Walk on Saturday morning, Jan. 16, at



Miromar Outlets. The 2-mile, non-competitive family and pet-friendly walk is the organization's biggest fundraiser to feed children, families, seniors and others through the food bank's network of 150 partner agencies. Supporters are encouraged to form teams to raise money for the cause. Same-day registration is at 8:30 a.m. For more information or to register, call 334-7007 or visit harrychapinfoodbank.org.

■ **TD Bank Naples** hosts the 10th annual Bike, Brunch & Family Festival at 8 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, at Lowdermill Park. The event features several bike rides, a walk down Fifth Avenue South, a dog parade, kids activities and more. Several registration types are available, including a family package that is \$70-85. Registration for rides is \$40-60 and the parade is \$15-\$20. Proceeds ben-

efit the Naples Pathways Coalition. For more information or to register, call 777-7718 or visit naplespathwayscoalition.org.

■ **Make-A-Wish Southern Florida** hosts the sixth annual Walk for Wishes 5K Walk/Run on Saturday, Feb. 27, at Florida Gulf Coast University. The certified, timed 5K will be followed by family activities at 9 a.m. with food, face painting, a rock wall, games, exhibits and more. Pre-registration is \$25 for adults, \$15 for students and \$10 for children 13 years and younger. Event-day registration, which starts at 7:30 a.m., is \$30, \$20 and \$15. For more information or to register, call 992-9474 or visit walkforwishes.net.

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TURKEY

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“burned-up” store-bought pumpkin pie and cat feasts.

Enjoy! And know that we’re grateful for our readers.

Mrs. Vaux’s Second Grade Class

■ REAGAN MCLEAN

Florida Weekly: Who makes your Thanksgiving meal?

Reagan: Um, my dad ... and then sometimes my grandma and my grandpa come over and help him.

FW: What does he make?

Reagan: He makes turkey, roast beef, a fruit salad and a regular salad and he makes ham and raspberry jam and biscuits and he makes his own butter and he makes green beans and mashed potatoes.

FW: That’s a lot of food! What’s your favorite thing to eat?

Reagan: Mashed potatoes.

FW: Do you have a job on Thanksgiving?

Reagan: What I do is I set the table and I make sure my cats get their own food for Thanksgiving. My grandma brings her cats and I feed all the cats.

FW: So you have visiting cats on Thanksgiving?

Reagan: My grandma brings two cats and I already have two of my own cats. We give them their own sort of table thing and they can sit at their little table. They have different sorts of cat food on it.

■ RODRIGO ACEVEDO RAMIREZ

FW: Who makes your Thanksgiving dinner?

Rodrigo: My dad goes and cooks turkey and my mom makes the mashed potatoes. Sometimes we eat green beans.

FW: Do you have a job on Thanksgiving?

Rodrigo: I have to set the table.

FW: How does your dad make the turkey?

Rodrigo: He goes to the store and he brings it back and puts a bit of stuff on it, like a bit of spices, a bit a salt, a bit of some lemons on it. Then he puts it in the oven and when it’s cooked he puts it in the middle of the table and everybody gets a slice.

■ SOFIA STEVENS

FW: Where do you go for Thanksgiving?

Sofia: I go on a plane to Germany because my Nana lives there and I can speak German with her.

FW: I’m a little confused. Do you have Thanksgiving in Germany, or do you

save it for when you get back?

Sofia: I save little pieces when I come back, but usually I eat the whole thing in Germany.

FW: What’s in your meal?

Sofia: We have turkey, we have duck, sometimes we have shrimp and we have salad with tomatoes and salad dressing.

FW: Do you have dessert?

Sofia: We have pumpkin pie.

■ MEGAN SAMPSON

FW: What do you eat with your turkey?

Megan: Mashed potatoes and pasta and stuffing.

FW: What goes in the stuffing?

Megan: Like a little carrots and these like strings with the thing that they scrape. I don’t know what they’re called.

FW: What do you have for dessert?

Megan: Chocolate cake.

FW: Do you help make it?

Megan: Yeah.

FW: What’s your job

Megan: To mix it up and stir it.

FW: What does your mom put in the cake?

Megan: Chocolate and the thing that’s in the bag that’s all white — the sugar.

■ CHRISTOPHER ALVARE

FW: What do you have for Thanksgiving dessert?

Christopher: One time, we had this like cone filled with M&Ms.

FW: Where did you get that?

Christopher: My grandma.

FW: Did she make it or buy it?

Christopher: She just bought cones and then she bought M&Ms and she just put them in the cones.

FW: That sounds fun! Does anybody eat pie?

Christopher: I don’t like pie.

FW: Does anyone like pie? Or is that why you have M&M cones?

Christopher: I don’t think we make pie.

Mrs. Roloff’s First Grade Class

■ FRANKIE BALZANO

FW: How does your family celebrate Thanksgiving?

Frankie: Sometimes we have some of my friends come over to have dinner with us.

FW: Which friends?

Frankie: The friends at my school.

FW: What do you eat?

Frankie: I eat turkey stuffing, chicken and broccoli.

FW: What’s your favorite thing to eat?

Frankie: Stuffing.

FW: Who makes the turkey for you?

Frankie: My mom and my Nana.

FW: How do they do that?

Frankie: They get it from Wal-Mart.

FW: And then what happens?

Frankie: They cook it.

FW: How do they cook it?

Frankie: With the stove.

FW: How long does it take to make dinner?

Frankie: It takes about 32 minutes.

FW: What do you have for dessert?

Frankie: I have ice cream and candy! Cuz it’s right after Halloween and I still have candy. And ice cream.

FW: Does anybody eat pie?

Frankie: No.

■ PALOMA CHAPRNKA

FW: What do you and your family do on Thanksgiving?

Paloma: We make a feast.

FW: What’s in it?

Paloma: Turkey with some olives.

FW: What else do you eat?

Paloma: Mashed potatoes with gravy and some cranberries.

FW: Who cooks it for you?

Paloma: My mom and dad.

FW: What are you doing while they’re cooking?

Paloma: I’m helping set the table.

FW: How long does it take to get the feast ready?

Paloma: One hour.

FW: What goes into the turkey to make it so delicious?

Paloma: Stuffing with olives and gravy and cranberries around it.

FW: What about dessert?

Paloma: We have cheesecake.

FW: Do you have a favorite part of Thanksgiving?

Paloma: Eating the turkey.

■ MAXWELL MCCAIN

FW: Tell me about Thanksgiving in your house.

Maxwell: I have pumpkin pie for dessert!

FW: And you love it?

Maxwell: With whipped cream!

FW: Who makes it?

Maxwell: We don’t make it. We buy it.

FW: From where?

Maxwell: Target.

FW: What else do you eat?

Maxwell: Bread stuffed inside turkey. Sometimes I have a little bit of tomatoes.

FW: What are you doing while your parents are making Thanksgiving?

Maxwell: I make books and it’s only one big book. I haven’t even finished it yet. It has lots of pages.

FW: What’s it about?

Maxwell: Everything.

FW: Does it take a lot bit of time to make Thanksgiving dinner or a little time?

Maxwell: (Holds hands out wide) They gotta get a lot of stuff done. They need to get the pumpkin pie in the oven.



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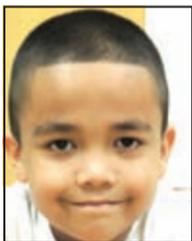
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MILA



OWEN

FW: I thought they didn’t make the pie, though.

Maxwell: The pumpkin pie wasn’t burned up when they bought it, so they have to roast it.

FW: What?

Maxwell: You can still eat it. That’s how I ate it the first time but it’s a lot better when it’s roasted.

FW: That makes sense.

■ MILA ROMERO

FW: Who makes your Thanksgiving feast?

Mila: Me and my mom.

FW: So you’re a team? What do you both do?

Mila: I get the wishbone and I always get the longest piece so I get to make a wish.

FW: How long does it take to cook the turkey?

Mila: Like five minutes.

FW: What does your mom have to do to get it ready?

Mila: Well, sometimes she likes to catch them.

FW: Really? Where does she do that?

Mila: She likes to hunt stuff, so like the forest. And she likes to go to the Amazon because we went camping there, so yeah. Then we like roast them because if we didn’t roast them it would be like flying all over the car.

FW: How do you get them from the Amazon to Naples?

Mila: We have like this basket — it’s for turkeys.

FW: What else do you eat?

Mila: Apples and carrots.

FW: What are you doing while your mom is cooking?

Mila: I get the skin off the carrots. Sometimes there are brown spots, so I get them out.

■ OWEN OWLER

FW: What do you eat for dessert on Thanksgiving?

Owen: Cookies

FW: Do you make them or buy them?

Owen: We make them.

FW: What kind are they?

Owen: Chocolate chip

FW: How do your mom and dad make the turkey?

Owen: They put it in the oven.

FW: How long does it take?

Owen: Two or five minutes.

FW: How long does the rest of the meal take to cook?

Owen: Like 20 minutes.





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The Florida Department of Health encourages everyone to know their status and take a free HIV test.

In 2013, Florida had the highest number of newly diagnosed HIV cases among the 50 states, with 5,377 new reports. In Collier County, more than 1,690 residents are known to be infected, with 1,500 of those residents between the ages of 20 and 59.

The CDC recommends that everyone between the ages of 14 and 64 take an HIV test at least once a year. Whether we realize it or not, HIV/AIDS is in our neighborhoods and affects all of us here.

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What does it take to be a nurse at NCH?

That was the question underlying the “Nurses Care Here (NCH)” presentation delivered recently by Chief Nursing Officer Michele Thoman to many of the 1,100 nurses on our two campuses.

NCH’s professional practice model — what we do every day as we care for patients — has been developed with suggestions coming from front-line nurses, leaders and educators to better capture our culture. We selected 44 words to describe NCH nursing values; these words were then collated for meaning by a council of our colleagues. Finally these seven values were selected to describe the essence of the life-saving work NCH nurses do every day:

■ **Patient- and family-centered:** I develop a plan of care that is tailored to the patient’s unique needs, their anxiety and what is important for them — because the patient is the purpose for me being here.

■ **Collaboration:** I value and actively engage the patient, family, health-care providers, care partners and community to include their perspective, expertise and/or mutual participation in the plan of care for my patient — because achievement of the patient’s goals and outcomes is a shared ownership.

□ **Quality and safety:** I keep safety and quality first in my work by using evidenced-based practice to make high-quality health care more accessible, equitable and affordable — because improving improves outcomes for everyone.

■ **Innovation:** I think out of the box for ways to improve our care by being creative — because new ideas have potential to positively impact the care of my patient.

■ **Shared decision making:** I contribute my knowledge and experience

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Give thanks for some healthy tips to help avoid post-feast guilt

BY FELICIA STOLER

Special to Florida Weekly

Your mouth is probably already watering at the thought of savory casseroles, stuffing and pumpkin pie. It’s time to figure out your game plan to get through Thanksgiving, enjoy your family meal and not have any guilt after the feast.

To that end, registered dietitian nutritionist Felicia Stoler shares her hour-by-hour survival guide:

■ **Get a full night’s sleep** the night before. Thanksgiving Day will likely be stressful, and a lack of sleep will take its toll.

■ **Eat breakfast.** Don’t save up for the big meal. Eating right away in the morning will help get your metabolism moving, and prevent you from overeating later in the day.

■ **Work out.** This is another metabolism booster. It is easier to have the motivation to exercise right when you wake up, rather than after a heavy meal that makes you sleepy. Don’t have time to hit the gym? Don’t worry, household chores and cleaning count.

■ **Drink water** throughout the entire day.

■ **Put on your normal jeans**, not those baggy sweats that are a size or two too large.

■ **Snack.** Choose a low-calorie healthy snack to help prevent overeating at the big meal.

■ **Season dishes with healthy herbs and condiments.** Season dishes with fresh herbs if possible; otherwise, dried herbs are okay. Try making some dishes with a little kick. Spicy foods are harder to eat in excess. Also consider an oil change. Malaysian certified sustainable palm oil is a healthy alternative to corn and canola oils, and also has a higher smoke point.

■ **Wait at least a half hour** between dinner and dessert. Your brain will have to time to get the message to your stomach that you are full, and you won’t eat as much dessert (or any).

■ **Take a post-dinner walk.** If you are still awake and able to move, an after-dinner walk is a great way to speed up digestion. ■

— Felicia Stoler is a registered dietitian nutritionist, exercise physiologist and consultant in nutrition and health-



ful living. She was the host for TLC’s reality show “Honey, We’re Killing the Kids” and is the author of “Living Skinny in Fat Genes: The Healthy Way to Lose Weight and Feel Great” (Pegasus, 2011).



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Food is medicine: the anti-inflammatory diet prescription for arthritis

BY **JL WATSON**
Lee Memorial Health System

Osteoarthritis, a chronic degenerative disorder that causes pain and stiffness of the joints, can affect any joint — the most commonly involved joints are the knees, hips, spine and hands.

Multiple studies have shown that the amount of inflammation found in the body and joints is directly correlated with the amount of pain one experiences, regardless of the severity of joint damage on X-ray.

Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications — ibuprofen and Aleve — are most commonly used to decrease inflammation and treat the symptoms of arthritis, says Lee Physician Group physiatrist Sebastian Klisiewicz, D.O. But these medications have side effects including stomach ulcers, kidney damage and increased risk for heart attack.

There is a better and safer way to treat inflammation, which starts in the stomach, Dr. Klisiewicz says “Every bite we take can either increase or decrease inflammation.”

People who consume a diet high in fat, processed carbohydrates and poor quality protein — the standard American diet — experience inflammation in their bodies and joints that results in more pain. Those who consume a diet high in fruits, vegetables, healthy proteins and fats tend to have less pain and stiffness.

Multiple studies identified several nutrients, including antioxidants, vitamin C, vitamin K and magnesium, as protective against painful arthritis. The common denominator in these studies was that these nutrients came from the same foods: green leafy vegetables, fruits, beans and nuts.

Foods that are high in sugar (such as soda) and foods high in animal protein and fat actually have been shown to increase inflammation.

“Instead of NSAIDs (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs), I recommend an anti-inflammatory diet that includes daily intake of green leafy vegetables, fruits, beans and lentils and healthy fats like those found in avocado, olive oil and small wild-caught fish,” Dr. Klisiewicz says. ■

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to discussions about issues that can change the way I deliver nursing care — because I can answer the question, “How will care be affected?”

■ **Teamwork:** I know that no one is an island. No one is as smart as all of us. We offer and accept assistance — because it makes our care more efficient and effective in a helpful and good-spirited manner.

■ **Professional development:** I am encouraged and supported to pursue ongoing personal growth either through advancement of skills and expertise, continuing education, obtaining my next degree, certification, unit projects and other educational activities — because succeeding helps us help our patients. Over the past six months, we have

added 260 nurses. We have 107 new graduates with a 97 percent retention rate since the beginning of the year, 85 experienced RNs and 72 seasonal nurses to assist with our anticipated busy season. The team is also growing from within, as RNs assume more responsibility. Gina Teegarden is now associate chief nursing officer; Erica Szczepkowski and Kevin Smith became directors; Barb Wegener’s role as a director has expanded; Elizabeth Gutierrez, Marie Hageman, Angela Devaney, Pam Sabin, Hazel Wynter Jones, Christina Carranza, Lisa Fletcher and Elizabeth Barley are now nurse managers; and Millie Sattler is our new magnet coordinator.

Nurses form the core of care at NCH, and we are grateful to have them with us as we all help everyone live a longer, happier and healthier life.

Happy Thanksgiving. ■

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

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PET TALES

Holiday hazards

Festive threats to pets include fatty foods, alcohol and open doors

BY DR. TONY JOHNSON
for Universal Uclick

As I strolled through the grocery store last month, I noticed that the Christmas decor was already up. In my mind, it was still summer, but apparently the good folks at my local fooditorium wanted to ring in the holidays a tad early this year. Some day, I am certain they will start putting up the tinsel in June.

The holiday season is one of togetherness, and pets are increasingly a big part of the holiday festivities. During this otherwise joyous season, a few pet dangers are lurking, though. This info will help keep your pet safe during all the fun and avoid expensive trips to the pet ER.

■ **Food** — The biggest holiday threats to pets come from the same threats to your waistline and chances of you fitting into your skinny jeans — food! The holiday season is all about food (yeah, and love and family and all that other stuff, too), and there's plenty of it to be had: cookies, roast beast, puddings and more cookies. To you, it may just mean another hour on the stair stepper, but to your dog, human food can cause real problems.

Vomiting and diarrhea are common side effects from eating too much people food (the medical term we throw about is "dietary indiscretion"), and in some cases, this can proceed to a more serious condition called pancreatitis. Pancreatitis is inflammation of the pan-



It's OK to share small amounts of holiday foods with pets, but avoid fatty or alcohol-laced goodies.

creas, the gland that makes digestive enzymes as well as insulin. When the pancreas becomes inflamed, it releases these enzymes and begins digesting itself. This can be a serious and painful condition that often requires hospitalization.

It is probably a good idea to either keep pets confined during any holiday parties, or make sure guests (especially kids) know not to give treats to your pets. Dogs and cats have been known to drag an entire turkey off the counter when the owner's back is turned (you know they've gotta be thinking, "SCORE!"), so make sure you stay aware of their whereabouts during meal preparation.

If you do want to include your pet in the meal and fun, stick to a bit of lean turkey and low- or no-fat veggies (no onions, though, as these can cause anemia in dogs and cats), and skip the

gravy, dressing and pecan pie. Sugar-free items that contain xylitol are also toxic to pets.

■ **Booze** — It is true: Don't get your Doberman drunk during the holidays (or any other time), and don't let any lampshade-wearing guests try to give your pug a mug of beer. And no one wants to see a basset with a hangover.

Your dog or cat's liver is not equipped to process alcohol, and even small amounts can be life-threatening. Put boozy party leftovers well out of reach. That includes whisky-soaked fruitcakes, trifles laced with liqueurs and the rum balls that Aunt Martha sends every year.

■ **Open doors** — People come and go much more during the holidays than other times of year, and all that traffic can lead to plenty of opportunities for escape. In the ER, we see many pets who made a break for freedom when Uncle Floyd came a-callin' with his special tuna surprise. Dogs and cats can dart out the door without anyone even noticing, and there's a whole big world of hurt just waiting for them out there. Ensure that pets are safely put away when you are expecting guests, and make a nightly head count to make sure that all the furry family members are accounted for before turning in for your visions of sugar plums.

Here's hoping you have a sane season, and that all family members make it through safely, no matter how many legs they have. ■

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THE DIVA DIARIES

Here's to ringing out 2015 — while there's still some of it left



Wait? What?
It's Thanksgiving?

Well, fine then — let's just go ahead and call it New Year's Eve. We'll get some noisemakers, party hats and bubbly and ring in 2016. We may as well. After all, life is moving at a ridiculous pace.

Soon after my neighbor invited me over for some eggnog last week so that I could admire her Christmas tree, I figured it was as good a time as any to start working on my New Year's resolutions. The list started out with a tone of familiarity:

- Do 30 minutes of cardio a day (you guys, that one has been at the top of the list since 1986).
- Drink only three glasses of wine per week (hahahahaha!).
- No carbs after 12 noon.
- Wake up BEFORE 12 noon.

And the list goes on ... you get the idea, because more than likely you have the same boring, repetitive resolutions.

As I stared at my list and added to it — No more diet soda. Put all the money I'm saving on diet soda and wine into a jar so that I can go on a Caribbean cruise where I don't drink diet soda or wine. — I suddenly realized, with the New Year just five weeks away (yikes!), that life is short. For some,



it's far too short.

So I scrapped my list and started a new one. I'm calling it:

Things to Do BEFORE 2016

- Eat an extra helping of stuffing and

TWO slices of pumpkin pie at Thanksgiving — with whipped cream (on the pie, I mean; not on the stuffing).

- Don't stress the holiday décor. It's a tree, there are some lights. Our living room is not Rockefeller Center in New York City.

■ Get the cardio in, but only if it's fun walks with good friends and it includes laughter and conversation.

- Go to the holiday parties.
- Go to *all* the holiday parties.
- Throw a party!

■ Watch the original versions of "It's A Wonderful Life," "Miracle On 34th Street" and "The Little Drummer Boy."

■ While watching the above movies, drink wine.

■ Buy some really expensive gourmet cheese, because life is too short for cheap cheese.

■ Don't even *think* about sending out Christmas cards. It's never happened, it's not going to happen. Find the peace in *not* sending out Christmas cards.

■ Go on Pinterest and do some tattoo shopping — while drinking wine and eating expensive cheese.

■ See as many plays as I can. There's so much theater happening in our area. Can I see at least five shows before the end of the year? I'm going to try.

■ And last, but not least: Sparkle — Every. Single. Day.

Resolving to make the most of what's left of this year sounds like a lot more fun than a bunch of empty promises for next year. Let's celebrate 2015 while we still have (a wee bit of) time. ■

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

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BY ROGER WILLIAMS

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THIS STORY BEGINS WITH FOUR MEN AND women bearing two names: Trippe and Pender. They had spectacularly successful careers in the insurance industry — they had wonderful houses on barrier islands and good health and unimpeachable security in their retirements — all while the country waged war in Iraq and Afghanistan, where less than 1 percent of the American population served.

But in their retirements, the Trippes and the Penders refused to remain comfortable — not with those young Americans coming home uncomfortable themselves, not only stamped with the label, “Disabled Veteran,” but remaining unemployed in significantly greater percentages than most of the rest of the American workforce.

This story also begins with a group of young men and women bearing various names who may be disabled vets, but who are also talented and willing. The Trippes and the Penders seized on those qualities. Together, they founded a new nonprofit enterprise they called DVIC — Disabled Veterans Insurance Careers.

“We wanted to do some good,” says Gary Trippe, the co-founder of DVIC with his wife, Gay Trippe, and his colleagues and friends, Jim and Kathy Pender.

Beginning in 2011, they began building

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“We wanted to do some good.”

— Gary Trippe, DVIC co-founder



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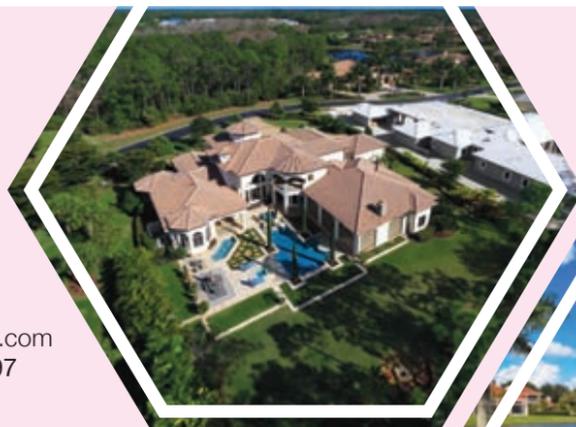
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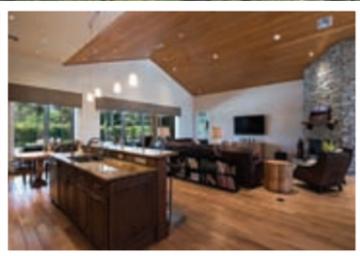
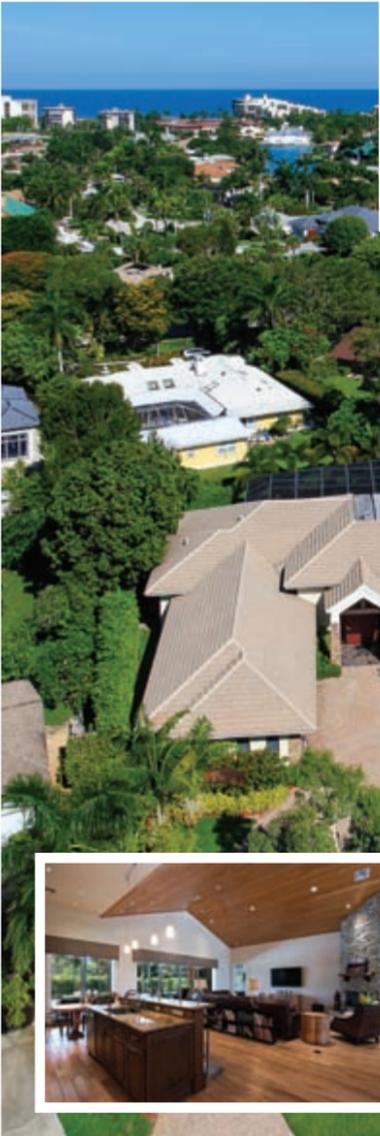
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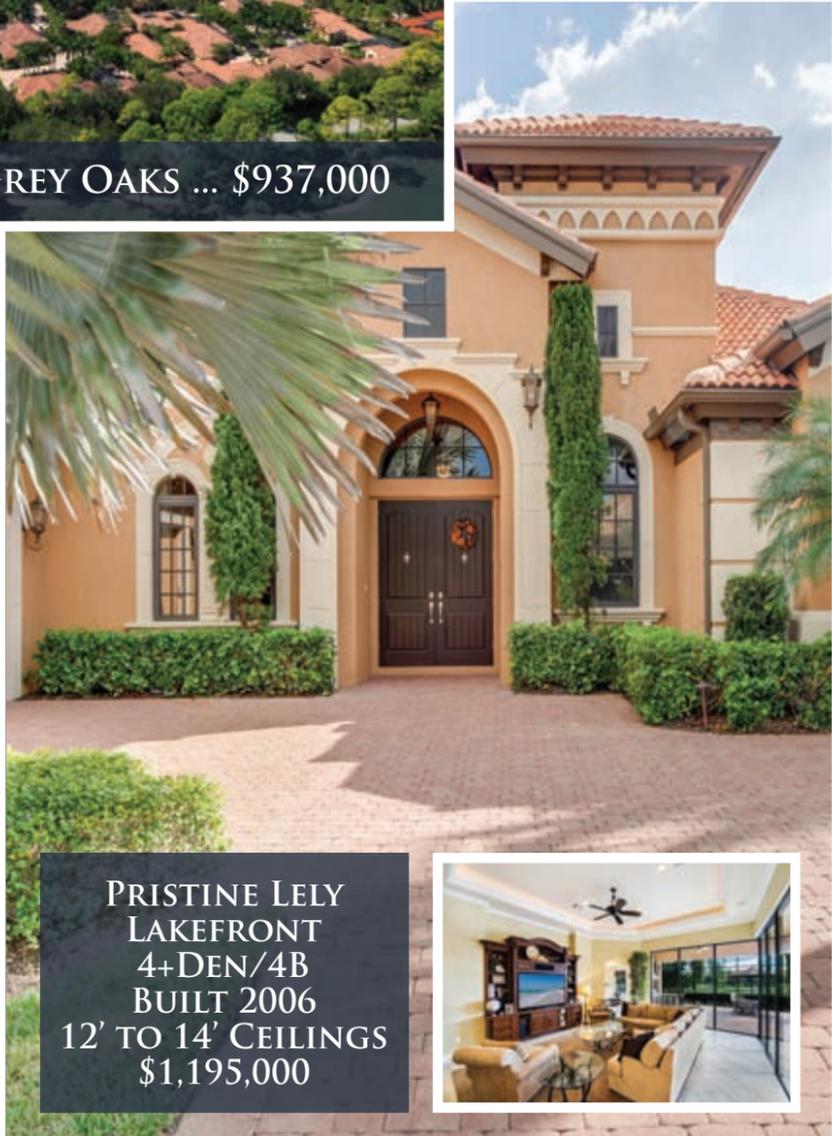
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MONEY & INVESTING

Obesity epidemic sparks investment recommendations



Sometimes in life, you experience something profound in the most unlikely of places. Recently, for me, this occurred on the Carnival Sunshine cruise ship. I was taking my family on an eight day Caribbean cruise and just sat down with my wife on the Lido deck when I looked around and noticed something very disturbing. All around me, almost every single person was either significantly overweight or obese. Same thing at dinner, the majority of guests were obese. Most were in wheelchairs or had walkers or even oxygen tanks to help them breathe. So on the last night of the cruise, after a few cocktails, I asked one of the bartenders if this was the norm. He said that he had been working for Carnival for more than seven years and each year he noticed that guests were more overweight and more sick each year. So why am I bringing this up in a money column? The answer may surprise you.

The definition of obesity is a body mass index of 30 or higher. That means that for an average person who is 5-feet-9-inches, if that individual weighs more

than 203 pounds, he or she is obese. In the U.S., it is estimated that two-thirds of the population is overweight and one-third of those are obese. In many minority populations, that percentage is significantly higher. Even more disturbing, one in three children are also obese. The causes of this phenomenon are well known — lack of exercise, too much sugar/processed foods in our diets and larger portion sizes. But regardless of the cause, the effects are starting to have far-reaching consequences for our society and economy.

It is a fact that obese people are more sick than people of normal weight. Obesity has resulted in 70 percent more diabetes diagnoses in the last 20 years. Heart disease kills more Americans than any other cause and obesity is the leading risk factor. Being significantly overweight dramatically increases risks of cancer, depression and respiratory disease as well. Obviously, health issues are devastating to the people who are affected by them as well as their families. But there are economic consequences as well that impact us all.

Harvard's School of Public Health recently estimated that more than 20 percent of all medical expenses today are a result of obesity. This comes to more than \$190 billion per year. And this doesn't take into account the lost productivity from these individuals not being at work. Even more significantly,

health issues relating to obesity are often long-term problems that require long-term and expensive care. All of these costs are taken into account by insurance companies when determining all of our monthly premiums.

It should therefore be no surprise when the largest insurance company in the U.S., UnitedHealth, announced just last week that it is considering exiting Obamacare. And I believe this is just the first shoe to drop. Up until recently, a big worry people in their 30s and 40s had was that they would not have a retirement in the future because there would not be enough working people compared to those drawing on Social Security and that the fund would dry up because of this. In the future, a much bigger problem will be that there are not enough well people compared to sick people to have any type of affordable health care. This is already starting to happen and many predict a vicious cycle is beginning. As more people require more expensive health care because of obesity, premiums rise. As premiums rise, people who are healthy drop out of insurance plans because they can't afford the premiums and don't feel they need insurance given their good health. As insurance companies have more and more sick people on their rosters, they are forced to raise premiums even more and the cycle continues.

There is clearly no easy solution to our county's obesity problem so I won't even attempt to propose one here. However, as an investor, there are some recommendations I will pass along given this nation's health issues. I've invested heavily (pardon the pun) in health-care stocks and more specifically generic drug companies and medical REITs, both of which have done extremely well over the past several years. I believe they will continue to do well. I am definitely not bullish on insurance company stocks, which I believe will be caught between a rock and hard place between rising costs and political pressures to keep premiums low. I would also not want to invest in companies that make most of their income from processed foods, as I believe either government or society will take action to limit these goods in the future. And finally, if you are reading this column and struggling with obesity, please reach out and get help. Obesity thankfully is a curable disease that can be treated. But you have to take that first step. ■

— Eric Bretan, the co-owner of Rick's Estate & Jewelry Buyers in Punta Gorda (a buyer and seller of estate jewelry and diamonds), was a senior derivatives marketer and investment banker for more than 15 years at several global banks.

ON THE MOVE

Awards & Recognition

Naples auctioneer **Beth Rose**, the founder of Beth Rose Real Estate and Auctions, was 2015 Florida Auctioneer Champion at the 49th annual Florida Auctioneer Association convention held recently in Titusville. Ms. Rose succeeds her daughter, Sara Rose Bytnar, as the titleholder. Beth Rose Real Estate and Auctions has offices in Maumee, Ohio, and Birmingham, Mich., as well as in Naples. Both women will compete for the International Auctioneer Association Champion title in 2016, which will be in Grand Rapids, Mich. Ms. Rose is the 2015 Reserve International Champion and Ms. Bytnar is the 2014 Reserve Champion.

Theodore Soliday, executive director of the Naples Airport Authority since 1994, has been awarded an honorary lifetime membership in the Florida Airports Council in recognition of his service to the NAA and his support and dedication to the council and its education foundation. Mr. Soliday, who also holds the same status with the Washington Airport Management Association, has announced plans to retire in April, ending an aviation career that spans nearly 50 years with experience as a Marine pilot, air traffic controller, educator, planner and manager.



SOLIDAY

Board Appointments

The Naples Area Professional League of Executive Services (N.A.P.L.E.S. Group) announced the following officers for 2016: President, **Nicole Ryan**, Florida Weekly account executive; vice presi-

dent, **Ted Stallone**, owner of Naples Flowers; treasurer, **Maria Hayes**, president of CPA Accounting and Tax Solutions; and secretary, **Leslie Colantonio**, senior special events coordinator for Make A Wish Southern Florida.

Interior Design

Nancy Woodhouse has been promoted vice president of design and business development for Clive Daniel Home. She is responsible for business development as well as guiding the team of nearly 40 interior designers for the firm's residential and builder/developer clients. She also guides commercial projects completed by Clive Daniel Hospitality with offices in Naples and Orlando. Ms. Woodhouse served as vice president of design and product development for the hospitality division for nearly five years, working on resort properties in Florida and the Caribbean. She has been with Clive Daniel Home for 21 years. She is a graduate of Northern Kentucky University.



WOODHOUSE

Health Care

Dr. Denise Dutchak has joined the David Lawrence Center as a staff psychiatrist in children's medical services. Dr. Dutchak is board certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in adult, child and adolescent psychiatry and by the American Academy of Medical



DUTCHAK

Acupuncture in medical acupuncture. She holds a bachelor's degree in zoology from the University of Michigan and a master's in biology from Oakland University. She graduated from Wayne State School of Medicine in Detroit and completed her internship, residency and fellowship training at the University of Michigan Medical Center. Dr. Dutchak most recently worked as a staff psychiatrist at Lee Memorial Hospital in Fort Myers. In addition to inpatient hospital treatment settings, she has experience working in outpatient private practice and community mental health centers. She also previously served as an adjunct professor and teaching assistant. She is a member of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, American Psychiatric Association, American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, and the American Academy of Medical Acupuncture.

Advertising & Marketing

Darren Thomas has been named production and social media advertising director at AdSource. He joined the Naples-based agency in January 2014 as production manager and since that time has received additional education and hands-on experience directing advertising campaigns on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. A graduate of Florida Gulf Coast University, he sits on the board of and is social media coordinator for Young Professionals of Naples.



THOMAS

Nonprofit Organizations

Meredith Barnard has joined Naples Equestrian Challenge as vol-

unteer and programs coordinator. She has spent the last several years developing and leading volunteer programs in Costa Rica, Australia, Fiji and Peru. She earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Miami and a master's degree in marine and environmental affairs from the University of Washington in Seattle.

Robyn Quataert has joined the staff at Naples Equestrian Challenge as development director. She most recently was with United Way of Collier County. She holds a bachelor's degree in public relations from Florida Gulf Coast University.



BARNARD



QUATAERT

Professional Advancement

Edward Wollman, founder of Wollman, Gehrke & Solomon P.A. with primary offices in Naples, has earned the chartered advisor in philanthropy designation from The American College. Fewer than 1,000 professionals have earned the designation since the program began in 2003. Mr. Wollman completed graduate-level courses covering charitable tax, tools and techniques, charitable plans within the context of estate and financial planning, and the management of gift plans in a nonprofit context. ■



WOLLMAN

VETS

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a program that would eventually provide disabled veterans with decent, well-paid careers in the insurance industry by giving them intense training, certification and jobs, at no cost to them.

Donors and benefactors help pay the \$25,000 cost required to put each veteran through the challenging course and enter the industry, says



BRYANT

Gary Bryant, a retired Army lieutenant colonel who manages the program.

“We’re looking for three criteria,” he explains: “a vet with a disability at some level (Mr. Bryant, for example, has a 20 percent disability as rated by

the V.A.); a strong desire to have a career; and he or she has to be able to communicate well in writing and on the phone.”

Business experience? Unnecessary, since the training is both bookish and hands-on, as well as intense.

College degree? Also unnecessary, although most or all of the veterans in the program are studying for degrees or planning to do so.

Who they are

Marine Corps and Afghanistan war veteran Jordan Hess, 24, who will complete the intense six-month program to be a certified insurance professional with now significant prospects in January, describes the purpose of DVIC this way:



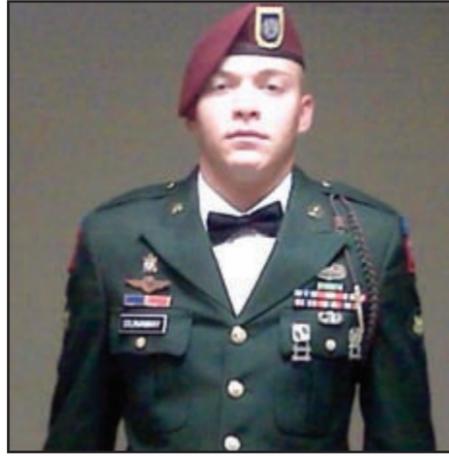
HESS

“This program is for anybody who has been found disabled in any way that’s



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Marine Jordan Hess in Afghanistan.



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Paul Dunaway

service connected, by the Department of Veteran Affairs. The program is trying to take people who have given up their ability to be the same person they were before they joined, and give back to them — to recognize that they gave up these things in service to the country.”

Such people include both Paul Dunaway and Nelson Diaz, currently finishing the program with Mr. Hess.

Both were enlisted Army soldiers when they did long tours in the war zones. Mr. Dunaway, now 28 and a Florida native, has lower lumbar issues, PTSD, hearing loss and chronic migraines. He offers that information matter-of-factly, with no tone of complaint.

So does Mr. Diaz, 30, a native of Puerto Rico who served in the 3rd mechanized infantry division, 164th battalion in 2005, when he was 19.

“It was one hell of an experience, I won’t lie,” he recalls.

His disabilities didn’t force him out of the service, although they may have changed his duty status. Instead, he worried about his mother, a V.A. nurse who knew too well what could happen.

“It was rough for my mom, so I had to make a decision. She’s the only person I have — she’s my family,” Mr. Diaz says.

So he left the Army and found good fortune in the form of DVIC. They all say that.

“I just got real lucky,” Mr. Dunaway admits. “My social worker with the V.A. one day said, ‘I got this email about this program, you might want to check it out.’”

Origins

That was at the end of last year, and it was a long time coming.

Although the do-gooders founded DVIC in 2011, it really started when they stepped out of their many-year vocations two years before that, after selling their company to a big bank prominent in the

eastern United States and Texas.

“Oswald Trippe & Co. (an insurance firm based in Fort Myers and Cleveland) was acquired by BB&T bank in 2009, and Jim Pender was chairman of the Oswald Company out of Cleveland, my partners,” explains Mr. Trippe. They were longtime friends.

“So Jim and his wife, Kathy, and my wife Gay — the four of us were thinking about what we could do of a meaningful nature, post retirement.”

Both Gary and Gay had worked the Florida end of the company together for decades; Jim Pender, in turn, had almost 50 years in the business.

“It wasn’t something they had to do,” acknowledges Mr. Diaz with a note of admiration

They laid down a plan and a program using the age-old wisdom of compassionate realists: work with what you have, use what you know, and do what you can.

Mr. Trippe admits that it was slow going at first. They had to create a sound business plan; register with the IRS as a 501(c)(3); marshal a reputable and energetic board of directors; hire a highly motivated fireball in president and CEO Gary Bryant; and then fundraise, fundraise, fundraise.

Now, their nonprofit adventure has finally taken off.

Insurance is probably not the first thing most of them imagined when they left the service.

“No one dreams they’re going to go into insurance when they’re a kid,” says Mr. Hess, who enlisted at 18, went to boot camp at Parris Island then served four years with the Second Marine Division, including a tour in Afghanistan and another in Romania.

Now as a veteran, he has damage to both knees and permanent hearing loss.

He’s also the veteran of an experience he loathed — unemployment for a few months.

That adds to his appreciation of the program, he says.

“Every one I know in this program loves it” — even if they never considered insurance before.

“It’s challenging work with no downside, although getting used to sitting at a desk all day when you’ve led a life that isn’t sedentary takes some getting used to. But the work is never boring. It takes mental acuity.”

Mr. Hess — thoughtful and articulate, without an ounce of regret in his tone — grew up in a career Navy family. He intends to earn a college degree online and in evening classes at the same time he begins work, following the completion of his insurance training in January, he says.

Vets can be living anywhere

Four other disabled veterans have been down that road before with DVIC, and are now doing well.

Members of the first class, they com-

in the know

To contribute to DVIC or to learn more about the program, call 433-8523 or visit DVIC.us.

pleted the intensely hands-on training program last year, says Mr. Bryant. The course is designed by the National Alliance for Insurance Education and Research, the industry leader in adult education and continuing education, and it includes work with major companies.

Two of those disabled veterans did the course in Chicago, and two in Fort Myers. Three are now working for companies in Chicago and Wisconsin and one is completing his college degree this fall in Florida, before joining a company.

Mr. Hess describes the course as “really immersive. It tends to make up for the fact that we don’t have experience in the field of insurance by really giving us a complete immersion into it through web-based and live seminars, role-playing exercises, and just agency work. We’re actually doing on-the-job work in an agency, and they’re giving us day-to-day operations experience. They’re showing us how to get into the groove, how to be part of an agency, what to expect when we graduate.”

The first graduates have now taken up not just jobs, says Mr. Bryant, but lucrative careers.

Such an opportunity is an extraordinary gift from people who didn’t have to give in the first place — one that recalls the 19th century English proverb: “Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.”

Both the Trippe family and the Penders had personal experience that informed their choice of post-retirement action, too.

“My older brother had cerebral palsy; he was challenged physically and mentally,” explains Mr. Trippe. “And the Fenders had a son seriously injured in a boating accident — so their family was also touched by a member with disability.”

It led both families to ask this question: “How do we work with individuals with a disability in a great industry like insurance? Because this is what we know,” Mr. Trippe recalls.

As it turned out, a doctor friend working at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., became privy to their passion and suggested disabled veterans — of whom there are many, and many of them struggling to find work.

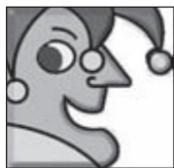
But DVIC hopes to counter that with increasing effect over time.

“We have six vets in our program now — three in Fort Myers, two in Kansas and one in Austin, Texas,” he notes. “So that will be 10 we’ve put through, by January.”

It comes down to this: the more that people pitch in and help, the more that these deserving, disabled veterans can get a leg up. ■

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■ When shopping online, favor trusted, established retailers, and enter personal information on Web pages only where the site's address begins with "https," not just "http."

■ Be smart about passwords. Don't use the same one all over, and avoid passwords that are easy to guess, such as your pet's names, children's names or birth dates. Ideally use a combination of upper- and lowercase letters, numbers and symbols.

■ Shred any documents that have personal or financial info on them, such as your Social Security number (SSN), birth date or account numbers.

■ When asked for your SSN, be sure the requester really needs it. Some other identifying number might suffice. Don't have your SSN printed on your checks. Don't regularly carry your Social Security card or other important papers on you. Ignore any unsolicited calls or emails asking for personal information.

■ Review all monthly statements for signs of transactions you didn't make. (You might even stumble upon some you did make but can stop, such as recurring charges for services you no longer need or use.)

■ Opt out of all pre-approved credit card offers by calling 888-567-8688. Identity thieves may be able to use these to get credit cards in your name. Don't let mail accumulate outside if you're out of town.

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My Smartest Investment

Patience Paid Off

In December 1967, at my father-in-law's suggestion, my wife and I purchased 10 shares of stock in AT&T for \$67 per share, costing us almost \$700. In today's dollars, adjusted for inflation, that would amount to almost \$4,800 — a rather significant sum.

A few months later, my cousin also bought shares. My wife and I kept our shares, putting the dividends we received into savings or into more stock in other blue chip companies. My cousin, however, felt that he was not gaining enough from his investment in AT&T and sold his shares three years later, putting the proceeds into a savings account. I think we did better than he did.

— P.S., Mansfield, Connecticut

The Fool Responds: AT&T has been a solid long-term investment for patient investors, though it has hardly been a stable enterprise. Over the years it got broken up, and following that, there were many mergers between the "Baby Bells," and AT&T ended up largely reassembled. Not standing still, AT&T has recently bought DirecTV.

Interest from savings accounts, over the long run, will pale next to the growth of the stock market and the dividends it often kicks out. Patience is important, though, as the overall market and individual stocks can go through periods of decline or stagnation. ■

Last week's trivia answer

I trace my roots to an 1851 glass company. In 1879 I developed a glass bulb for Thomas Edison's new electric lamp. I introduced Pyrex heat-resistant glass in 1915 and in 1947 invented a process to mass-produce TV picture tubes. I've made massive mirrors for many major telescopes. I'm based in New York and my offerings include damage-resistant cover glass for smartphones and tablets; optical fiber and wireless technologies; products that accelerate drug discovery and manufacturing; and emissions-control products for cars, trucks and off-road vehicles. I rake in about \$10 billion annually and employ some 35,000 people worldwide. Who am I? (Answer: Corning) ■



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Dividend Matters

Q Should I sell some or all of my low-dividend-yield companies and buy more of the high-yield ones?

— E.E., Corn Brook, Indiana

A High yields can be enticing, as they'll generate lots of dollars. But companies with low or no dividend payments can also be solid performers. A company with no dividend may have more pressing uses for its excess cash than paying it out to shareholders, such as if it's investing in further growth by building more factories, hiring more people or buying more advertising.

Meanwhile, among companies that do pay dividends, the dividend growth rate matters a lot. A 2 percent yield can be more attractive than a 3 percent one — if the company has been upping its payouts significantly in recent years. If so, that dividend could quadruple over a decade, while the once-higher dividend, if it grows more slowly, may not even double. Consider that while both Clorox and Boeing recently had yields of 2.5 percent, Clorox's five-year average dividend growth rate was 7 percent, while Boeing's was 17 percent.

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Q What's the tax rate when you sell a stock?

— M.L., Eastover, North Carolina

A The long-term capital gains tax rate, which applies to assets held for more than a year, is currently 15 percent for most people. Short-term gains, from stocks held a year or less, are taxed at your ordinary income tax rate, which can approach 40 percent but is 25 percent for most of us. Patience can clearly pay off for stock investors. ■

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Name That Company

I trace my roots (and my name) back to a Chicago piano company founded in 1857. It was once one of the world's biggest manufacturing operations, with a train line running through it, and was the world's largest piano company as well. The Jasper Corp., which made electronics for organs, bought the piano company in 1959, and later branched out into furniture. Today, based in Jasper, Indiana, I'm



a maker of office and hospitality furnishings, such as desks, cubicle systems, dressers, fabric wall panels, chairs and vanities. I spun off my electronics division in 2014. Who am I?

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

The Motley Fool Take

Biotechnology Promise

With a market value recently near \$65 billion, Biogen (Nasdaq: BIIB) is a biotech giant. Its stock has slumped lately, due to disappointing second-quarter earnings and an overall beat-down of biotech stocks, giving interested investors a cheaper entry price.

Biogen's top seller is its multiple sclerosis (MS) drug Tecfidera, sales of which have been growing briskly, but more slowly than many had expected. Three of Biogen's MS drugs (Avonex, Tysabri and Fampyra) experienced year-over-year sales declines in the second quarter.

On the other hand, Biogen's pipeline features MS drug daclizumab, which could generate billions of dollars for Biogen if approved, and an Alzheimer's drug, aducanumab. Seemingly promising treatments

for Alzheimer's disease have flopped in the past, but if one earns approval, it will likely prove quite profitable. An anti-LINGO drug also has the potential to be a blockbuster because it attacks MS in a different way than current therapies do.

Biogen is also aiming to profit via label expansions for MS drugs Tysabri and Tecfidera and blood cancer drug Gazyva — getting the already approved drugs sanctioned for new treatments. With ample cash, it can also buy other companies' promising drugs.

It takes years for drugs to move through clinical trials, and FDA approval is never guaranteed. Still, there's a lot for patient investors to be hopeful about with Biogen. (The Motley Fool has recommended Biogen.) ■

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 Dec. 1. Call (941) 257-3577 or visit fgrea.com for more information.

■ **The Leadership Collier Foundation Alumni Association** hosts a holiday party from 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, at The Players Club & Spa at Lely Resort. All dues paying graduates of Leadership Collier, Leadership Institute and GAIN are invited. Winners of the Leadership Collier Foundation Scholarship Pin Challenge will be announced. \$40 includes hors d'oeuvres and two drinks. Cash bar will also be available. Sign up at napleschamber.org/events.

■ **The Collier County Bar Association** holds its general membership luncheon from noon to 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at Kensington Country Club. Bruce Blackwell, executive director of the Florida Bar Foundation, will be the guest speaker. Sign up at colliercountybar.org/events.

■ **The Above Board Chamber** holds its next luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 7, at the Hilton Naples. To sign up or for more information, visit aboveboardchamber.com.

■ **Young Professionals of Naples** members and guests meet for Coffee Club at 7 a.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at varying locations. The next meeting is Dec. 8. For more information, email pr@ypnaples.com, visit ypnnaples.com or follow Young Professionals of Naples on Facebook.

■ **The Collier Building Industry Association** holds its holiday diner and installation of 2016 officers and board members from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9, at Olde Cypress Country Club. For reservations or more information, call 436-6100 or visit cbia.net.

■ **The Collier County Lodging and Tourism Association** holds its holiday mixer from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, at the Hilton Naples. \$10 for CCLTA members, \$15 for others. Reservations required by Dec. 4. Email Lisa Carney at lisa.cclta@gmail.com or visit cclta.org.

■ **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its annual holiday party from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, at the Hilton Naples. Guests are asked to bring a new, unwrapped toy for distribution to children by the Greater Naples Fire & Rescue District. Reservations required by noon Monday, Dec. 14. Sign up at napleschamber.org/events. ■

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BONITA SPRINGS
• Turnkey 2 BR+Den, 2 BA Pool Home
• Lake, Golf Course and Sunset Views
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• Custom Built 2008, 4 Bedrooms, Office, 4.5 Baths
• Turnkey by Robb & Stucky Interiors
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• 2 Story w/ 8,300 S.F., 5 BA, 2 Half Baths
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MOORINGS



REGENCY TOWERS
• Views of Gulf & Venetian Bay
• 3 BR, 3 BA with a Total of 2,300 S.F.
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• 1 Car Garage, Updated Master Bath & Custom Shower
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BONITA BAY**TAVIRA**

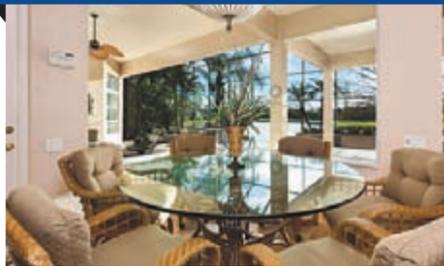
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- Lakefront Executive Home & Cabana
- 5 BR, 5.5 BA + Den, Loft, Pool & Spa
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- 3 BR, 3 BA w/Private Pool
- High-rise Amenities
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- Solar Heated Pool/Spa, Outdoor Kitchen
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- 2 BR +Den, 2 BA, Turnkey Furnished
- Commanding Views of the Gulf
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- Fully Upgraded, Turnkey Furnished 3 BR, 3 BA Condo
- Gorgeous Sunsets from Extended SW Lanai
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- 3 BR, 3.5 BA Waterfront Townhouse
- Investors: Existing One Year Lease at \$3,000/mo.
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- Amazing Views of Lake & Fairways
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- Turnkey Furnished Villa in Gated Community
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- Furnished w/ Many Upgrades
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- Bright, Open Floor Plan, Great Room, 2-Car Garage
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- A Double Lot to Build Your Dream Home
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- 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2nd Floor
- **\$175,000** MLS 215046525

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REAL ESTATE

NABOR numbers indicate a busy season to come

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Broker analysts reviewing the latest market report from the Naples Area Board of Realtors say it displays familiar trends that set the stage for a busy winter season in real estate. NABOR tracks home listings and sales within Collier County (excluding Marco Island).



“The single-family home market is continuing its pattern of stabilization,” Cindy

Carroll of the real estate appraisal and consultancy firm Carroll & Carroll Inc. says. Except for central Naples, where the single-family home inventory decreased 17 percent, inventories in all other geographic areas rose, she adds.

Unlike the condominium market inventory, which dropped 7 percent, inventory in the single-family home market increased 4 percent overall in October, from 2,128 homes in October 2014 to 2,210 in October 2015. In North Naples, the number rose 14 percent, from 571 homes in October 2014 to 650 homes this year.

Single-family home inventory in the \$500,000 to \$1 million price segment rose 20 percent overall, from 531 homes in October 2014 to 637 homes in October 2015.

The report also shows an upswing in activity in the Immokalee/Ave Maria area. Single-family home inventory in this area increased the highest percentage among all the geographic areas NABOR tracks, going up 24 percent, from 17 homes in October 2014 to 21 homes in October 2015. The area also had the highest increase in single-family home median closed price, going up 46 percent, from a median closed price of \$151,000 in the 12 months ending October 2014 to \$220,000 in the 12 months ending October 2015.

Ms. Carroll says the newest numbers don't reflect the typical supply-and-demand scenario. “For example, the median closed price of single-family homes in the \$2 million and above price segment rose 15 percent in the 12 months ending October 2015,” she says, “yet the inventory

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This second-floor garden condominium is in a great location in L'Ambiance in Pelican Bay. Presenting three bedrooms, three full baths and over 2,000 square feet of living area, this light-filled residence is ideal to use as a seasonal retreat or to live in year-round. Stylishly updated and maintained, features include custom tile, paint, millwork, California Closets and more.

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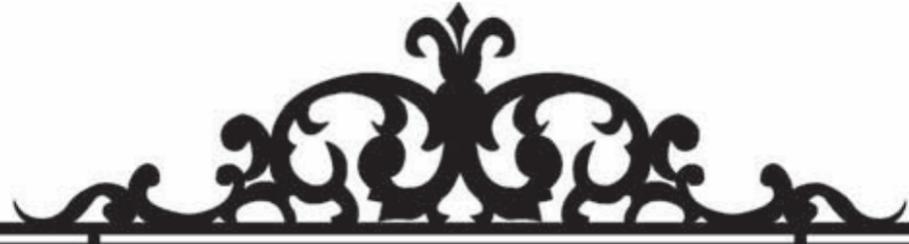
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JAMAICA TOWERS
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REAL ESTATE NEWSMAKERS

Downing-Frye Realty Inc. welcomes the following new sales associates to the agency's Naples office: **Ashley Coburn, Sandy Corina, Judi Finkle, C.J. Finn, Steven Fisher, Jesse Hannon, Sarah Elizabeth Milhailoff** and **Sepp Ronay**. All are members of the Naples Area Board of Realtors.

Fort Myers Beach: Top listing producers team, **Yergens, Miller & Welsh Team**; top listings producer individual, **Troy De Mond**; top sales producers team, **Yergens, Miller & Welsh Team**; and top sales producers individual, **Patti Testa**.

Downing-Frye Realty Inc. announces the following sales and listings leaders for October:

Naples: Sales leader, **Mary Catherine White**; listings leader, **Lauren Fowlkes**. Bonita Springs: Sales leader, **Susan DeShong**; listings leader, **Carol Verdile**.



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Royal Shell Properties announces the following top producers for October:

Naples Park Shore: Top listing producers team, **The Boeglin Team**; top listings producer individual, **Pam Olsen**; top sales producers team, **The Roboci Team**; and top sales producer individual **Kurt Petersen**.

Naples Fifth Avenue: Top listing producers team, **the Vito Bauer Team**; top listings producer individual, **Doug Haughey**; top sales producers team, **The Hiester/Villano Team**; and top sales producers individual, **Star Whiting-Mier**.

Bonita Springs: Top listing producers team, **The Lummis Team**; top listings producer individual, **Sue Ellen Mathers**; top sales producers team, **The Lummis Team**; and top sales producer individual, **Deb Adams-Bateman**.

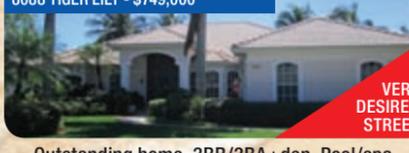
Sanibel-Captiva: Top listing producers team, **McMurray & Nette**; top listings producer individual, **Cindy Sitton**; top sales producers team, **Burns Family Team**; and top sales producers individual, **Andre Arensman**.

Top sales performers in October for WCI Communities throughout Southwest Florida are: **Elise McMahon** in Hampton Park; **Cindy Volk**, Pelican Preserve; **DJ Johnson**, Cypress Bend at Shadow Wood Preserve; **Shoshana Yeager**, Carrara at Talis Park; **Jamie Meisterheim**, Raffia Preserve; **Lisa Potts**, Livingston Lakes; and **Fred Zucarelli**, Artesia Naples.

Shawn Ruhlman has joined WCI Communities as a community representative at Artesia Naples. ■



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in that same price segment rose 17 percent in the same time period.”

Supply and demand in the Coquina Sands, Moorings and Park Shore neighborhoods is nearly balanced if you include new construction, she adds, while the same market sector including new construction in Old Naples is oversupplied.

A balanced market occurs when there is between five to seven months of inventory. A seller's market occurs when there is less than five months of inventory; a buyer's market occurs when there is more than seven months of inventory.

The October report indicates a 4.63-month supply of inventory. Average days on market increased 3 percent, from 71 days in October 2014 to 73 days in October 2015.



Coco Waldenmayer, a managing broker at John R. Wood Properties, says buyers interested in purchasing a single-family home near the beach will experience some challenges in the coming months. “Anyone looking for a single-family home under \$2 million in the Naples beach area will find most of the remaining properties are ready for tear down,” she says. However, she adds, there are condominiums available west of U.S. 41 in a broad range of prices.

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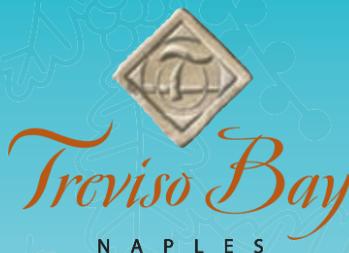
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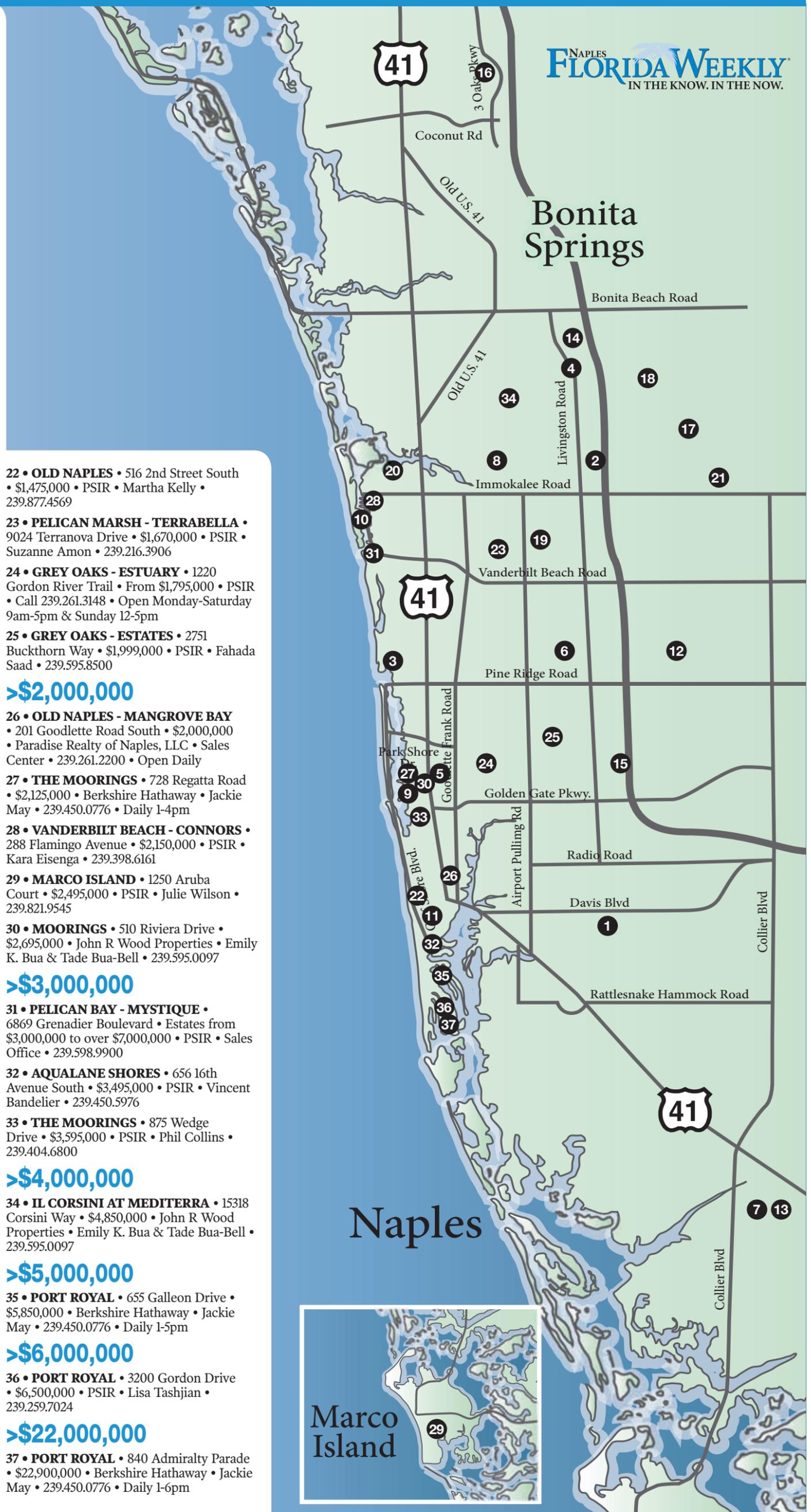
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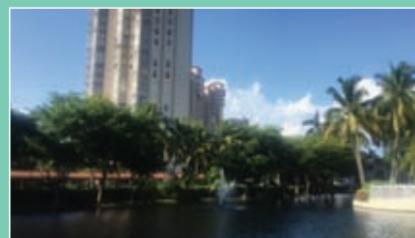
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"I have an 'Are you f**king kidding me?' kind of attitude. So some people think I'm from New York (or) from Boston." — **Kathleen Madigan**, comedian

FROM THE LIP

Kathleen Madigan looks straight ahead with her comedy

BY NANCY STETSON

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WHEN IT COMES TO STAND-UP COMICS, Kathleen Madigan is a superhero.

Disguised in casual clothes — typically jeans and a short leather jacket — her superpower is opening her mouth and totally disarming her listeners with observations and stories that leave them helpless with laughter.

She's been doing this for 25 years, all over the globe; she'll do so at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall on Thursday, Dec. 3.

The Detroit Free Press and PopMatters.com named Ms. Madigan one of

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Kathleen Madigan

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'The Foreigner' promises a world of laughs

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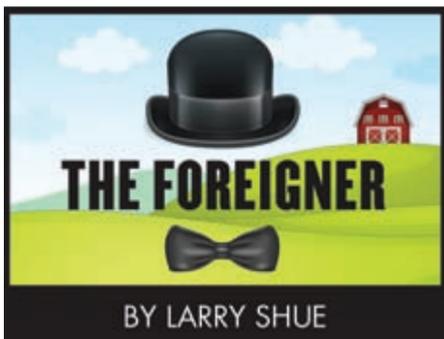
When pathologically shy Charlie joins his friend Froggy for a much-needed getaway, he dreads having to converse with people he doesn't know. The solution? Make everyone think he's from an exotic foreign country and does not

speak English. The result? Deep secrets, diabolical plans and an outrageously wacky comedy.

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SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

Learning how to bare fangs

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My poet friend Miguel says, "In dating, you have to have fangs."

He's always talking like that, in metaphors.

"Fangs," I agreed. "I could use some of those."

People are always telling me I'm too nice. In dating and elsewhere, this softness gets me in trouble. How much better would my life be if I had an intimidating grin? Instead of shrinking from conflicts, I'd bare my teeth. Instead of apologizing, I'd growl. Instead of running away, I'd stand and fight.

"How do you get fangs?" I asked Miguel.

He shrugged enigmatically. "You just have to grow them."

So I started picturing myself with a fine set of pointed incisors. Mine were delicate but deadly, a very ladylike pair. Charming and also threatening. When a date cancelled last minute, I didn't pout and act wounded. I have fangs, I thought. When another date made an offhand comment at dinner — "I'm a hot mess," I said after dropping a green bean in my lap; "Who says you're hot?" he replied — I refused to let his words cut me. I have fangs, I thought.

Of course, some people don't need to invent sharp eyeteeth. They're born



with them. These are the people who make the rest of us cower.

Last week, I pulled into a gas station just as a young man drove into the same row of pumps. He steered his scuffed Impala all the way forward, nose to nose with my Fiat, and scowled at me through

the windshield as if I had driven in the wrong way. I forgot that I had fangs, and I raised my hands in a weak little gesture and mouthed, "What?" with the kind of smile that usually gets me out of trouble. He glared back. His naked aggression socked me, and I slunk to

the pumps and back to my car without looking at him again. I have milk teeth, I thought.

It's not foolproof, this trick, but imagining fangs is a good exercise for someone like me. Because, the truth is, I am afraid of everything. I'm afraid of getting on a plane. I'm afraid of eating dinner by myself. I'm afraid of wearing the wrong shoes.

I'm afraid the best and most beautiful parts of my life have already passed. I'm afraid I'll be an old woman living in this house by myself, suffocated by loneliness, wondering why I never got married again.

I'm afraid of so many things, too many things.

But I am also stubborn. And I refuse to let that fear keep me from trying, again and again and again, to live the kind of life I want. I am soft, it's true, and I am also too nice. I let myself be vulnerable in circumstances where I know better, and I am easily hurt. This is fundamental to who I am, as intractable as the color of my eyes or the freckles on my skin.

But now I have fangs. They don't make me invincible, I'm finding, and they certainly don't make me fearless. But they make me a little more willing to take on the world.

And sometimes that's all we need. ■

— Artis Henderson is the author of "Unremarried Widow" published by Simon and Schuster.

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“9 Funniest Women on the Planet” (a list that included Tina Fey and Amy Poehler), and stand-up comic Lewis Black calls her “the funniest comic in America, bar none.”

She’s continually on the move, doing 300 shows a year. She travels so much that, by her calculation, over the past two and a half decades, she’s never spent more than two consecutive weeks in one place.

The plain-speaking, shoot-from-the-hip comic is a native Missourian, born and raised in a suburb of St. Louis. She now calls Los Angeles home, though she also has a farm in the Midwest.

“I have an ‘Are you f**king kidding me?’ kind of attitude,” she says. “So some people think I’m from New York (or) from Boston.”

Her humorous incredulity has taken her far. Her biography states she’s “performed on nearly every late night show ever made, (with Jay) Leno, (David) Letterman, Conan (O’Brien), (Craig) Ferguson and most recently in 2015 on the new ‘The Nightly Show with Larry Wilmore.’”

She was nominated for a 2014 American Comedy Award for Best Concert Comic, and “Madigan Again,” her hour-long special (her third) was named one of iTunes Best Comedy Albums of 2013. She has released four CDs, two DVDs and has starred in two HBO specials, three Comedy Central specials and five CMT “Salute to the Troops” specials with Ron White.

A top three finalist in Season Two of NBC’s “Last Comic Standing,” Ms. Madigan was the only comedian not challenged by the others. (Comedians would have to say, “I think I’m funnier than ...” and then name one of the other comics in the competition. The most-challenged comic would then pick one of his or her challengers and go head-to-head with them, with the loser leaving the show.)

No one, *no one* challenged Ms. Madigan. Probably because they all knew she was funnier and they would lose.

Though she didn’t win the contest, she did return to “Last Comic Standing” three seasons later — as a judge.

She’s gone on USO tours in Iraq and Afghanistan and headlined at the Mirage in Las Vegas.

Florida and golf

She’s no stranger to Florida. Though her parents live in Missouri, they winter in Florida, Ms. Madigan has revealed in her stand-up: “My parents are in Florida, where all Midwest people over the age of 70 are told to report, in the winter.”

Her parents lived in The Villages, a central Florida retirement place so big it has its own post office and zip code. It is the largest over-55 gated community in the world. Residents use golf carts to get around.

She was in Florida doing some gigs, and planned to visit her parents for a few days. Her mother informed her she couldn’t stay with them, because The Villages has a rule that no one under

the age of 55 can spend the night on the property.

“So, at 47, I am once again going to have a fake ID?” she told an audience, incredulously.

She insisted on staying.

“What’s the worst that’s going to happen?” she asked. “There’s an old guy in a golf cart and a flashlight who does bed checks like ... in ‘Hogan’s Heroes’? I’m not scared. I can kick anyone’s ass there. You know why? Because I still have my real knees.”

But when asked, Ms. Madigan tells *Florida Weekly* her parents “have been freed from The Villages.”

She bought them a condo in Sarasota.

“It all depends on what you’re into,” she says. “It’s very activity-based. I think it bothered my parents that there’s not a lot of kids around. My dad said, ‘I felt like we were out of society, that we were living in this fabricated society with no teens, no little kids.’”

Her parents, who had seven children, have lots of grandchildren. “They’re used to a lot of youth around,” she says.

About The Villages, she adds: “It’s like ‘Cocoon’ there. I played in their Tuesday golf league. It was like a show, like all the actors (from ‘Cocoon’) came out. One hundred or 200 old people bolted to the golf carts. It was like an army of 60-, 70-, 80-somethings, all running to their golf carts.”

She’s not planning on golfing while in Florida this time. (She plays Stuart Dec.

2 and Coral Springs Dec. 4) It’s just too difficult to travel with her clubs, she says, noting that airlines have lost them twice so far this year. They eventually find them, and try to ship them to her, but by then she’s already moved on to a couple other cities, doing shows.

She conducts her comedy career like golf, she says.

“I don’t care what anybody else is doing, what anybody else is shooting,” she says. “I’m going to keep shooting up the middle, and then I’m going to have a score when I’m done. It’s not an interactive sport; it doesn’t matter (what others are doing.) Keep your eyes focused ahead, rather than sideways.”

Point of view

Ms. Madigan tends to write comedy for herself, though on occasion she’s written for others. She’s written and produced for Lewis Black’s “Root of All Evil” on Comedy Central and for Gary Shandling’s Emmy monologues.

“I’ve written for people I like,” she says. “I don’t want to do it for a living. If there’s somebody I like, I hear their voice, they have a very specific voice that I know I can write for.”

She’s not good at writing generic jokes anyone could deliver, she says, adding that if Mr. Shandling and Mr. Black sat her down and told her to write 10 minutes of golf jokes, she’d have to know who was going to say them.

“To me, that’s the most important part.

in the know

Kathleen Madigan

>> **When:** 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3

>> **Where:** Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers

>> **Cost:** \$36.98 and \$28.50

>> **Info:** 481-4849 or bbmannpah.com

It’s the point of view. Who’s telling this joke? Is it Gary Shandling or Lew? Gary Shandling’s jokes go back on himself, he’s usually the victim. And Lew’s usually go out into the world. Gary will say: I’m screwed up. Lew will say: The world’s screwed up. And I will say: This is all idiotic, everybody is screwed up. It’s the point of view, more than the actual joke.”

She had a chance to write for “The Tonight Show,” she says, “but I don’t want to sit in a writers’ room doing jokes by committee. I know what Jay (Leno) was going to do, a 10-minute monologue on the news. But sometimes I don’t think the news is funny that day.”

She’d rather be up on stage herself, telling audiences her own stories in her own inimitable way.

Mothers and politicians

She jokes about her parents while on stage. She impersonates her mother.

What would it be like with her mother, Kathy Griffin’s mother and Margaret Cho’s mother all in one room?

“Margaret’s mom takes the cake. She might be the worst,” she muses.

“With age, it’s just easier to tease them all. My dad’s good for a good 20 minutes, too. They like it. None of them mind.”

She also talks politics, though with the material current candidates are providing, it’s almost too easy.

“Lew and I were saying that you can just say people’s names onstage, and the audience laughs. It is too easy. I use the analogy of ‘Survivor.’ When (Republican candidate) Bobby Jindal dropped out, I tweeted that he’d been voted off the island.

“There are too many now, it’s too crazy. Once it gets narrowed down, the crazies will fall. They’ll start dropping. You can’t sustain it that long. I used to be mad our election process is that long, but now it’s good, because you’re seeing who’s really serious and who can make it. If you’re authentic and smart, you can make it through the whole process.”

Her strategy as a comedian is to “Let it play out and let it go. It’ll still be easy to make fun of whoever’s left.”

Adding to the absurdity: Fellow comedian Ron White recently announced his candidacy for president.

“He can have my vote, absolutely,” she says.

Any chance of her becoming his running mate?

No, she says, he’s already named comedian Josh Blue, a former winner of “Last Comic Standing,” as his vice president.

“They’d want me to become secretary of state,” she says. “Because Ron’s White and Josh is Blue, and I have red hair, so it’d be Red, White and Blue.”

A comedy trifecta. You can’t get any more patriotic — or silly — than that. ■



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FLORIDA WRITERS

Valiant artist struggles to open U.S. doors for Hitler's prey

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■ **"The Muralist" by B.A. Shapiro.** Algonquin Books. 352 pages. Hardcover, \$26.95.

B.A. Shapiro's "The Muralist" dazzles and excites with its penetrating look at the New York art scene during the Depression, the situation in Europe for Jews seeking to flee Nazi persecution and murder, and the present-time life of a young woman working for a major art auction house. The plot is carefully managed through two alternating time lines: One begins in 1939 and is focused on an obscure Jewish artist, Alizée Benoit; the other follows today's Danielle Abrams, Alizée's great niece. It becomes Danielle's obsession to discover Alizée's fate.



SHAPIRO

Alizée is an American citizen who lived for many years in France, returning to the United States in 1937 at the age of 19 already a well-schooled artist. When readers meet her in 1939, she is part of a circle of young artists who are creating a

great new American art form — Abstract Expressionism. The others include Jackson Pollack, Lee Krasner, Mark Rothko and, on occasion, Dutch-born Willem de Kooning.

These and other artists challenge and inspire one another while living in dire poverty, surviving on commissions received from a special branch of the Works Progress Administration that buys paintings for display in public buildings. But the WPA Federal Art Project favored representational rather than abstract art, handicapping the chances for this group's experimentation being accepted.

When sporadic messages from her relatives describe their deteriorating situation in France and urge her to help, Alizée, who feels a deep and constant responsibility for saving them, becomes a political activist. Her target is Breckinridge Long, the man in charge of administering immigration controls, whose personal mission was to block oppressed Europeans (and especially Jews) from getting the necessary visas. He was only too successful.

Alizée tries to engage Eleanor Roosevelt to assist in this effort, an effort that includes politically charged art that Alizée develops to raise public awareness of the Jewish plight.

Impressed by the power of Picasso's "Guernica," she decides to create a mural for a forthcoming exhibition. With time running out, she enlists her artist cohorts to help her with the project.

Facing many frustrations and with her physical and mental health severely declining, Alizée disappears in 1940.

The 2015 timeline follows Danielle's curiosity about her vanished great aunt. This curiosity is spurred into action by some mysterious paintings, fragments of a larger work, that she finds hidden in envelopes pasted to the back of paintings transmitted to Christie's, the famous and influential auction house where Danielle works.

Interviews, database searches and other research slowly reveal an impression of Alizée's life and artistic mission. Still, Danielle's struggle to establish the "historical" Alizée and to discover if she is alive is frustrated until she makes a last-ditch effort that takes her to France.

The brilliance of the book is in Ms. Shapiro's ability to breathe life into a highly unusual fictional character who struggles under the circumstances of her past, her present situation, her loyalties, her fears and her diminishing capacities. The author also brings to life the actual people who surrounded Alizée in her

Greenwich Village life. Scenes that bring Eleanor Roosevelt and Alizée face to face are amazing and compelling, however improbable.

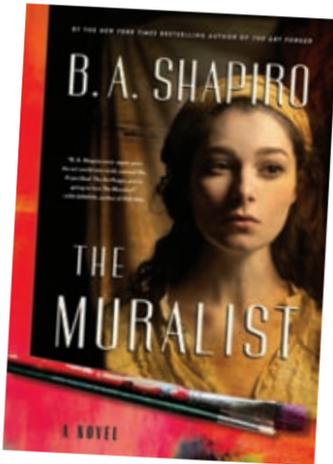
This provocative book includes insights about artistic rebellion and revolution: What does it take to make a major breakthrough in art? How does this work for individuals and for groups? Related issues include the question of art's role as a change agent.

Ms. Shapiro's action scenes describing an artwork being created, accompanied by the artist's thoughts and emotions, have spectacular authenticity.

"The Muralist," a historical novel about two determined women separately fighting against the odds, is a fascinating and suspenseful read from beginning to end.

Though Ms. Shapiro, whose winter home is in Bonita Springs, has had a successful publishing career going back into the 1990s, her big breakthrough with readers and critics came only recently, with "The Art Forger" (2013). She will be part of the local authors session at the inaugural Collier County Jewish Book Festival that takes place Wednesday, Feb. 24, in the Community Room at the Naples Daily News. Find out more at jewishbookfestival.org. ■

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




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Boeing-Boeing – By Gulfshore Playhouse through Nov. 29 at The Norris Center. (866) 811-4111 or gulfshoreplayhouse.org.

The Foreigner – By The Naples Players through Dec. 20 at the Sugden Community Theater. 263-7990 or naplesplayers.org. See story on page C1.

Mr. Burns, The Post Electric Play – By Theatre Conspiracy on select dates through Dec. 12 at the Foulds Theatre at the Alliance for the Arts. \$24. 936-3239 or theatreconspiracy.org.

A Wonderful Life – Nov. 26-Dec. 26 at the Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or broadwaypalm.com.

The Seafarer – By Florida Repertory Theater through Dec. 13 in the ArtStage Studio Theatre, downtown Fort Myers. 332-4488 or floridarep.org. See review on page C10.

Plaid Tidings – Through Dec. 26 at the Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or broadwaypalm.com.

A Christmas Story – By Florida Repertory Theatre Dec. 1-20, downtown Fort Myers. 332-4488 or floridarep.org.

Thoroughly Modern Millie – By students of the Naples Performing Arts Center Dec. 4-6 at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. naplesperformingartscenter.tix.com.

Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol – By Gulfshore Playhouse Dec. 12-20 at The Norris Center. 261-7529 or gulfshoreplayhouse.org.

THURSDAY 11.26



Turkey Trot – Village at Venetian Bay hosts its annual Gobble Gobble 4-Miler at setting out 7 a.m. to benefit St. Matthew's House. gobblegobblefourmiler.

Moveable Feast – Gulf Coast Runners hosts its third annual Thanksgiving 5K stepping out at 7:30 a.m. at Cambier Park. Proceeds benefit St. Matthew's House. 404-7007 or gcrunner.org.

Dogs in the Garden – Naples Botanical Garden is open for regular hours on Thanksgiving and welcomes visitors with their canine companions from 3-5 p.m. Dogs are also welcome from 9-11 a.m. Sundays and 8-11 a.m. Tuesdays. Regular admission applies, plus \$9.95 per pooch.

FRIDAY 11.27

Book Signing – Author Kyle Prue signs copies of "The Sparks" starting at 9 a.m. at Barnes & Noble at Waterside Shops. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Laugh It Up – Steve Salbo takes the stage at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 27-28, at the Old Naples Comedy Club. \$20. 1100 Sixth Ave. S. 455-2844 or room2laugh.com.



A holiday tradition continues at Sugden Community Theatre when KidzAct of The Naples Players KidzAct presents "Nutcracker Goes Pop!" on select dates Wednesday through Sunday, Dec. 2-13. — naplesplayers.org

SATURDAY 11.28

Farmers Market – Take a stroll along one of Naples' celebrated thoroughfares and purchase locally produced fruits and veggies, artisanal products and more at the Third Street South Farmers market from 7:30-11:30 a.m. 434-6533 or thirdstreetsouth.com.

Love Yoga – Essential Yoga Naples hosts a gratitude yoga session with aromatherapy from 3-4:30 p.m. at Love Yoga Center. \$26, registration required. 4949 Tamiami Trail N. (312) 505-9642.

Let it Snow – Flurries fall at the Village on Venetian Bay from 5-8 p.m. each Saturday until Christmas starting tonight. Enjoy a visit with Santa, story time with Mrs. Claus, carolers and more. 261-6100 or venetianvillage.com.

Scarlet Begonia – Grateful Dead cover band Crazy Fingers performs from 8-11:30 p.m. at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. Beer and wine "happiness hour" starts at 7 p.m. \$35, VIP packages available. gratefuljamholidayparty.eventbrite.com.

Holiday Sax – Saxophonist Dave Koz and guests perform at 8 p.m. at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

SUNDAY 11.29

Yoga for All – Caryn Gallagher leads a fusion yoga class from 9-10 a.m. at the Seagate beach access. Bring a beach towel and water. Registration required, donations welcome. (312) 505-9642.

Concert in the Park – The Music Makers Show Band performs at 2 p.m. in the bandshell at Cambier Park. Free. 263-1113 or fifthavenuesouth.com.

MONDAY 11.30

Bingo! – The Jewish Congregation of Marco Island hosts bingo every Monday. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for a hot-dog dinner included with admission. 991 Winterberry Drive. 642-0800.

Films for Film Lovers – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs presents a screening of "My Life Without Me" (Spain, 2003) at 7 p.m. A young woman conceals the fact of her terminal cancer to live her life with a passion she never had before. \$10. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

TUESDAY 12.1

Early Birds – Get a jump on the day with a guided walk through Audubon Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary from 8-11 a.m. \$20 after regular admission (\$12 for adults, \$6 for college students, \$4 for ages 6-18, free for ages 5 and younger). 348-9151 or corkscrew.audubon.org.

Plant-Based Talk – Collier County's IFAS Extension hosts a chat from 9-11 a.m. about plants that do well in Southwest Florida yards. Garden tours and tropical fruit tree demonstration available as well. Free. 14700 Immokalee Road. 252-4800 or iway@ufl.edu.

Writing Workshop – Naples Botanical Garden invites writers to be inspired by the gardens and a prompt at 10 a.m. Free with regular Garden admission (\$14.95 for adults, \$9.95 for ages 4-14, free for ages 3 and younger). 643-7275 or naplesgarden.org.

Game Time – The Naples Italian American Foundation hosts mah jongg, bridge and cards at 11:30 a.m. Free for members, \$3 for others. 7035 Airport-Pulling Road. 597-5210 or niafoundation.org.

Holiday Fun – Bonita Springs hosts its 16th annual Holiday in the Park fun from 4:30-8:30 p.m. at Riverside Park. Activities include tree lighting, a "blizzard" and live entertainment. 10451 Riverside Park. 992-4556 or cityofbonitasprings.org.

Art Opening – Marco Island Historical Museum hosts an opening reception for Clyde Butcher's "Nature's Places of Spiritual Sanctuary" exhibit from 5-7 p.m. The exhibit will hang through Feb. 10. 642-1440 or colliermuseums.com. See story on page C9.

More Bingo – Gets your cards in order for bingo starting at 5:45 p.m. tonight and every Tuesday at the Naples Elks Lodge #2010. \$15. 11250 Tamiami Trail E. 643-0075 or elks.org.

A Choral Christmas – Naples Philharmonic and Naples Philharmonic Chorus perform classical holiday works at 8 p.m. at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

WEDNESDAY 12.2

Local History – Naples Historical Society hosts a walking tour of Old Naples setting out at 9:30 a.m. from Historic Palm Cottage. Reservations required. \$10 members, \$16 non-members. 137 12th Ave. S. 261-8164 or napleshistoricalsociety.org.

Art ALIVE – The 20-plus galleries in the Naples Art District (behind Airport-Pulling and Pine Ridge roads) open to the public from 5-8 p.m. Free. 580-7999.

Tree Lighting – Mercato fires up what's billed as "the largest living tree in Southwest Florida" at 5 p.m. 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

Lifelong Learning – Chris Woods, advancement advisor for the Flora of North American Association, resents a lecture titled "The Spell of Sensuous" from 6-8 p.m. \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. 643-7275 or naplesgaren.com.

COMING UP

Lifelong Learning – Learn about terrariums in a lifelong learning class from 10-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, at Naples Botanical Garden. 643-7273 or naplesgarden.org.

More Lights – Fifth Avenue South lights the tree on Sugden Plaza and kicks off the holiday season with musical and dance performances from 5-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3.

Acoustic Storytellers – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts a behind-the-scenes look at music legends Roy Orbison, the Moody Blues and more at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3. Performances of their work accompany the presentation. \$30-40. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonitasprings.

Holiday Kick-Off – Ave Maria hosts its ninth annual Celebration of Lights from 5-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at Ave Maria Town Center. The evening includes a parade, ice skating and a zip line. \$5-10. 352-3903 or avemaria.com.

Adventure Day – Lovers Key State Park celebrates Great Outdoor Adventure Day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, with food, touch tanks, children's activities, ranger-led tours and more. Free with park entry fee (\$8 per eight person vehicle, \$4 for a single passenger and \$2 for pedestrians and cyclists). 463-4588 or floridastateparks.org.

Flower Arranging – Learn the fundamentals of floral design from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, Dec. 4, at Naples Botanical Garden. \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members. 643-7275 or naplesgarden.org.

Holiday Hot Rods – Mercato hosts a holiday car show featuring more than 125 collector and luxury cars from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

Santa Breakfast – Golisano Children's Museum of Naples hosts breakfast with Santa from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. Meal provided by Bob Evans. \$25 for members, \$30 for non-members. 260-1600 or cmon.org.

Holiday Bazaar – Lely Palms Retirement Community holds its third annual Charms of Christmas holiday bazaar from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. 1000 Lely Palms Drive. 775-7661.

Go East – Several East Naples organizations host the East Naples Food & Music Fest from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, at Florida Sports Park. \$10. 252-2384 or eastnaplesfest.org.

Sugarplum Dreams – Miami City Ballet presents George Ballanchine's "The Nutcracker" at 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 5-6, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Cruise-in – Miromar Outlets hosts a car show from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6. 948-3766 or miromaroutlets.com.

WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

Snacks & Stories – Holocaust Museum of Southwest Florida invites children ages 8-12 to create and illustrate their own storybooks from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6. Free, reservations requested. 263-9200 or holocaust-museumswfl.org.

Meet the Composers – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs presents Anne McLean at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, with her multimedia presentation about Johann Brahms and Clara Schumann. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. \$20-\$25. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Holiday Tango – La Milonguita hosts a Christmas tango dance from 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at the Arthur Miller Dance Center. 3339 Tamiami Trail N. 989-1464.

Mother Superior – Ave Maria University's Canizaro Library displays photographer Marie Constantin's photos of Mother Teresa Dec. 7-Feb. 29. Ms. Constantin was twice commissioned to photograph the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize winner and shot her beatification photo. Exhibit open during library hours. Free. 280-2557 or avemaria.edu.

Tickling the Ivories – Pianist Addiel Pintueles performs at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 7, in the community center at Avow. Free, but donations appreciated. 1095 Whippoorwill Lane. 261-4404 or avow-cares.org.

Choral Concert – Voices of Naples performs a holiday concert at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 7, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Free. 777 Mooring Line Drive. 249-4147 or voicesofnaples.org.

CAPA Concert – Harpist Dickie Fleischer and flautist Leelo Basham perform at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 7, at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. \$10-40. 775-2800 or capacenter.org.

Songwriters Concert – Local musicians Bob Covington, Boyd Baker and Bob Williams play acoustic sets from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, in the gazebo at Lovers Key State Park. Free with park entry fee. 463-4558 or friendsofloversonkey.org.

Christmas Parade – The City of Naples hosts its annual holiday procession down Fifth Avenue South from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8. 213-1000 or naplesgov.com.

Art Talk – Local artist Jose Maria Castillo speaks about how he overcame his fear of failure and gives a demonstration of his work at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, at The von Liebig Center. \$10 for Naples Art Association members, \$15 for non-members. 262-6517 or naplesart.org.

Live and Local – Rick Howard and the Speedbumps take the stage at 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9, for a Live & Local concert in the Daniels Pavilion at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Dinner with Artists – Take in an interactive art experience with Juan Diaz while enjoying Chef Brian Roland's culinary artistry starting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, at The von Liebig Center. \$100. 262-6517 or naplesart.org.

Holiday Pawty – Top Dog Kitchen and BKS Yoga host a toga party for pooches from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10. Free puppy treats and human refreshments. Reservations required. 2900 Tamiami Trail N. 213-9276 or info@bksyogastudio.com.

Masterworks – The Naples Philharmonic performs with guest conductor Joshua Weilerstein at 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 10-11, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.



■ **“Yves St. Laurent + Halston: Fashioning the '70s”** at The Baker Museum offers a unique look at 80 ensembles and 20 accessories from the couture powerhouses who defined disco style. On loan from The Museum at FIT, the exhibit remains at the art museum at Artis—Naples through March 6. — artisnaples.org

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■ Grateful Dead tribute band **Crazy Fingers** performs at 8 p.m. Saturday at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. Enjoy a beer and wine “happiness hour” before the show. — gratefuljamholidayparty.eventbrite.com



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■ **Naples Botanical Garden** is open for regular hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thanksgiving and welcomes visitors with their canine companions from 3-5 p.m. — naplesgarden.org

■ Marco Island Historical Museum hosts an opening reception for Clyde Butcher's **“Nature's Places of Spiritual Sanctuary”** exhibit from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday. The celebrated photographer will discuss his life's work after the reception. Mr. Butcher's “Gator Hook” is shown here. See story on page C9. — colliermuseums.org



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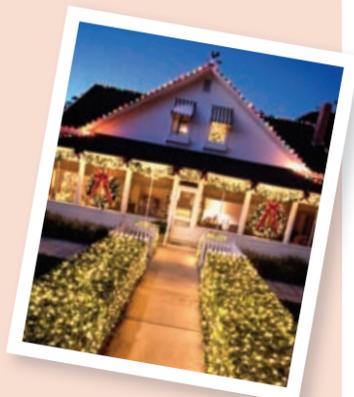


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■ **Daryl Hall and John Oates** perform at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers. — bbmannpah.com

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Kids' Art - Thomas Riley Studio on Fifth Avenue South hosts an opening reception from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, for an exhibit of mixed media art by the children at Youth Haven. Proceeds benefit the shelter's art program. 687-5155 or shelly.long@youthhavenswfl.org.

Opera Evening - Friends of Opera Naples host dinner and a performance by the Opera Naples Children's Choir from 5-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11. Reservations required by Tuesday, Dec. 8. \$75. 4201 Gulfshore Blvd. N. 963-9050 or operanaples.org.

Critic's Choice - Book critic Elaine Newton leads a discussion about Lily King's "Euphoria" at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 12. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Holiday Market - Audubon Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary holds its second annual holiday market from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12. 348-9151 or corkscrew.audubon.org.

Light Show - The Marine Industries Association of Collier County's Christmas Boast Parade sets sail in Naples Bay from 6:15-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12. 682-0900 or miacc.org.

Concert - The Naples Klezmer Band performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$22-32. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Cars on Parade - Naples Big Wheels hosts a car show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, at Florida Sports Park to benefit Bikes for Tykes. See hot rods, vintage autos, muscle cars and more. \$7 or donation of a usable bicycle. Children 12 and under admitted free. (781) 718-1438 or bikesfortykes.org.

Beware the Dark Side - Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts a "Star Wars" movie marathon starting at 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 13. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. \$15. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Klezmer Music & A Movie - The Jewish Congregation of Marco Island presents klezmer music at 1:30 p.m. followed by a screening of "Theodore Bikel: In the Shoes of Sholom Aleichem" on Sunday, Dec. 13, at JCMI. 991 Winterberry Drive. 642-0800.

Calendar Girl - Pianist turned 1960s hit-maker Neil Sedaka takes the stage at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13 at Artis-Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Brass Concert - The Naples Philharmonic Brass Quintet performs at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. 775-2800 or capacenter.org.

Pasta e Pellicola - Naples Italian American Foundation hosts dinner and a movie starting at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, with a pasta buffet and followed by a screening of "Cose Dell' Altro Mondo" (Italy, 2012). An imaginative look at what life would be like without immigrant workers. \$15, \$5 for movie alone. 7035 Airport-Pulling Road. 597-5210 or niafoundation.org.

Tuba Tunes - Naples Concert Band's 20th annual TUBA Christmas takes place from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, at Sugden Plaza. 692-8436 or fifthavenuesouth.com.

Flamenco Puro - Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts master flamenco dancer Clarita Filgueiras at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17. \$30-40. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Holiday Stomp - The Steampunk Stompers perform a holiday concert at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18, at Koreshan State Park. \$15. 992-0311 or floridastateparks.org.

Art Lesson - Local artist Marjorie Pesek leads a class in her layered imagery technique from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, at Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center. \$55. 300 Tower Road. 530-5972 or rookerybay.org.

Comic Opera - Opera Naples and the Naples Philharmonic join forces to present "Die Fledermaus" at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22, at Artis-Naples. 963-9050 or operanaples.org.

Moonlight Ride - Take a guided, nighttime canoe trip through Collier-Seminole State Park setting out at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 25-26. \$35. 20200 Tamiami Trail East. 394-3397 or floridastateparks.org.

Vocal Concert - The Ten Tenors perform works ranging from the Beatles to Bocelli at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 29, at Artis-Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Light Show - City of Naples hosts a New Year's Eve fireworks display on the beach starting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31. 213-1000 or naplesgov.com.

Bluegrass Show - Bluegrass guitarist Jack Lawrence stops by The Norris Center at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 2. \$20. 213-3058 or naplesgov.com.

Lunch & Learn - Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center hosts a talk about its prescribed fire program from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, over a hot lunch from Carraba's Italian Grill. 300 Tower Road. 530-5972 or rookerybay.org.

CAPA Concert - The Yzgreve Quintet performs at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. \$40 for VIP, \$30 for adults, \$10 for students. 2408 Linwood Ave. 775-2800 or capacenter.com.

Starry Night - Country music star Lorrie Morgan performs at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, at Seminole Immokalee Casino. \$40-\$50. (800) 218-0007 or seminoleimmokaleecasino.com.

Book Talk - Book critic Elaine Newton leads a discussion about Emily St. Jean Mandel's "Station Eleven" at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, at Artis-Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Birding Basics - Rookery Bay naturalists teach beginners the basics of bird watching from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 9. 300 Tower Road. 530-5972 or rookerybay.org.

Full of Glee - Chirpy Broadway powerhouse and "Glee" star Kristin Chenoweth takes the stage at 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 10, at Artis-Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Native Yards - The Naples chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society presents a lecture about native landscaping at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12, at Naples Botanical Garden. Free. 597-7222 or bjrochel@comcast.net.

Sinatra at the Sands - The Naples Jazz Orchestra commemorates Frank Sinatra's landmark album with a tribute concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12, at Golden Gate High School. \$30. 207-8299 or naplesjazzorchestra.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, costs and contact information. No pdfs or photos of fliers. Deadline for calendar submissions is noon Monday.



Clyde Butcher at work in the Everglades.

Marco museum prepares to open newest Clyde Butcher photo exhibit

The Marco Island Historical Museum presents “Nature’s Places of Spiritual Sanctuary,” an exhibit of works by celebrated photographer Clyde Butcher, Dec. 1-Feb. 10. The public is invited to an opening reception from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1. Mr. Butcher will discuss the exhibit and his life’s work following the reception. Admission is free for members of the Marco Island Historical Society and \$5 for others.

Mr. Butcher is best known for his stunning photography and contributions to public awareness of the Florida Everglades, showing his deep and personal commitment to preserving endangered landscapes around the world. The images in “Nature’s Places of Spiritual Sanctuary” capture scenes from lands in California, Colorado, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee,

Utah and Washington, as well as Florida.

Through this new exhibition, Mr. Butcher hopes to reorient the way we view nature — not as detached bystanders but an intricate tapestry into which we are equally woven.

Bill Meadows, president of The Wilderness Society, states in the exhibit’s companion book, “He magnifies reality in ways that encourage us to view nature with awe and respect. By demonstrating the unity of all beautiful, natural places, his artwork provides a compelling illustration of why wilderness should be preserved and sustained by linking natural lands together in a unified whole.”

The Marco Island Historical Museum is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Admission is free. For more information, call 642-1440 or visit colliermuseums.com. ■

Winning one-act plays set for readings by ETC ...

ETC ... Readers’ Theatre of The Naples Players announces the 12th annual presentation of one-act plays judged as winners in this year’s New Plays competition will take place Friday and Saturday, Dec. 18-19.

“An Evening of New Plays” will be start at 7:30 p.m. in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre. A reception to honor the winning playwrights will follow Friday’s performance.

The winning plays, their directors and casts have been announced by co-producers Joan Laughlin and Rhona Saunders. Ms. Laughlin also serves as coordinator of the New Plays competition.

■ “The Long Trick” by Faye Ellen Graetz of Fort Myers will be directed by Janina Birtolo. The story of an old, homebound sailor as he gives his sailing buddies a personal send-off and faces his own mortality will be read by Lori Broderick, Michael Troop and Derek Perry.

■ “Undercurrent” by Robert Hilliard of Sanibel will be directed by Claire McKinney and read by Phil Cole, Sid Davis, Bob Hill, Todd Irby, Asia Johnson, Gigi Wietecha and Ron Wietecha. It tells the story of an American pilot shot down in France during WWII as he returns to find what he left behind.

■ “Darker than Tut’s Tomb” by Carole Fenstermacher will be directed by

Anna Segreto and performed by Vic Caroli, Patti Caroli, Val Kuffel and Carla Grieve. This story makes neighbors wonder why the house next door is so dark, even though the snowbird owner is there — without his wife.

Tickets for \$10 are available at the box office or by calling 263-7990. Box office hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

ETC ... Readers’ Theatre offers on-stage opportunities for those with varying degrees of experience. Readings are performed without line memorization, props or blocking, in black costume, with limited rehearsals and script-in-hand presentation. For more information about getting involved as a player, director, producer or committee member, call Becky Troop at 434-7340, ext. 14. ■



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ARTS COMMENTARY

'The Seafarer' stands out as must-see theater

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If you want to give yourself an early Christmas present, buy a ticket to "The Seafarer," now playing at Florida Repertory Theatre's ArtStage Studio Theatre (through Dec. 13).

It's as close to perfection as you can get in theater: a quintet of actors at the height of their game with an ingenious script (by Conor McPherson) and insightful direction (David Edwards).

"The Seafarer" brings you to the heights and depths of emotion and turns you inside out.

Producing artistic director Robert Cacioppo's been wanting to stage this dark comedy for a few years, and after seeing it, I can say that it's been well worth the wait. It's easy to understand why it was nominated for Best Play for both Tony and Olivier Awards. It's humorous and moving, but also haunting.

On the surface, it's about a group of drunken, middle-aged Irishmen playing poker on Christmas Eve. Sharky (James Clarke) has returned home from a chauffeuring job to spend Christmas with his blind brother, Richard (a wonderfully curmudgeonly Graham Smith.) Sharky's newly sober and trying to stay on the wagon.

Best friend Ivan (Craig Bockhorn), a hapless kind of guy who's well-intentioned but seems perpetually befuddled by life, has been checking in on Richard in Sharky's absence. They are long-time friends and drinking buddies. Mr. Bockhorn does such a skillful job portraying Ivan that we instantly like him. When we first meet him, his hair's disheveled, his clothes askew. Dreadfully hungover, he's misplaced his glasses, and he's not too sure where his car is, either. Like the rest of the characters — like all of us — he's stumbling through life, trying his best, but not always quite succeeding.

Sharky and Richard are living in a shambles of a house, with cracks and holes in the wall, easy chairs that have seen better days, and empty bottles everywhere. It's definitely a bachelor's lair. Jordan Moore's designed the set in such a way that we feel we're actually in the room among them, invisible witnesses to what takes place. The kitchen, bathroom and steps to the front door are all in various corners of the space, beyond the audience's chairs.

In an impulse of Christmas cheer, Richard's invited Nicky (William Zielinski) to stop by and play cards.

He does, bringing an unexpected guest with him, Mr. Lockhart (Peter Thomasson).

And, though the others think they're just playing a friendly game of cards, Sharky winds up playing poker with the devil, with his very soul at stake.

Mr. Thomasson is truly terrifying as he exudes evil along with his



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Actors Peter Thomasson and James Clarke star in "The Seafarer" at the Florida Rep.

arrogance and slickness. (Todd O. Wren's lighting greatly assists here too, in setting the tone.) Though unerringly polite on the surface, he torments the others. He knows their weaknesses, their guilt, their self-doubt, and that's where he pokes them, again and again. His eyes are piercing, his very demeanor chilling.

His description of hell is unlike anything you've ever heard preached in a church: a place of complete and total isolation, trapped in a suffocating coffin a thousand miles under the cold, dark sea, forever alone, unable to sleep and unable to die.

Whether you believe in the existence of God and the Devil and Heaven and Hell is immaterial for enjoying "The Seafarer;" they exist in this play, and very convincingly so.

Mr. Clarke is an Everyman, struggling and failing, struggling and failing.

He displays, often without words, his hopes, his regrets, his fear, his resignation. He's accused of "always making a mess of things," and it does seem that he's throwing his life away.

Mr. Zielinski plays his neighbor, Nicky, the man who is now living with Sharky's ex-girlfriend. He's brash, a big-talker with big schemes.

And Mr. Smith's Richard is a complex portrayal. He's disagreeable and argumentative, self-pitying, yet full of cheer and optimistic, even proclaiming at one point, "I believe Sharky has potential, I believe he can change."

"The Seafarer" has been compared to "It's a Wonderful Life" and "A Christmas Carol," though it's certainly not as chipper as the former nor as moralistic as the latter.

It contains more humor than you think it might, though it's not what you'd consider family fare.

And, like all masterful plays, Mr. McPherson's script contains layers upon layers. He skillfully weaves in the themes of light and darkness throughout, and also gives us various kinds of blindness: willful, spiritual and actual physical blindness. (Richard was blinded in an accident, and Nicky dons sunglasses while playing poker — an affectation to be sure, but also a commentary on his sight.)

"The Seafarer" is a great modern Irish fable, both realistic and fantastic.

You leave the theater feeling wrung out, yet hopeful, as though you've been on a long, treacherous journey.

It's one of the best things Florida Rep has produced: gripping, powerful and haunting. ■



From left:
Actors Graham Smith, William Zielinski and Craig Bockhorn star in "The Seafarer" at the Florida Rep.



in the know

'The Seafarer'

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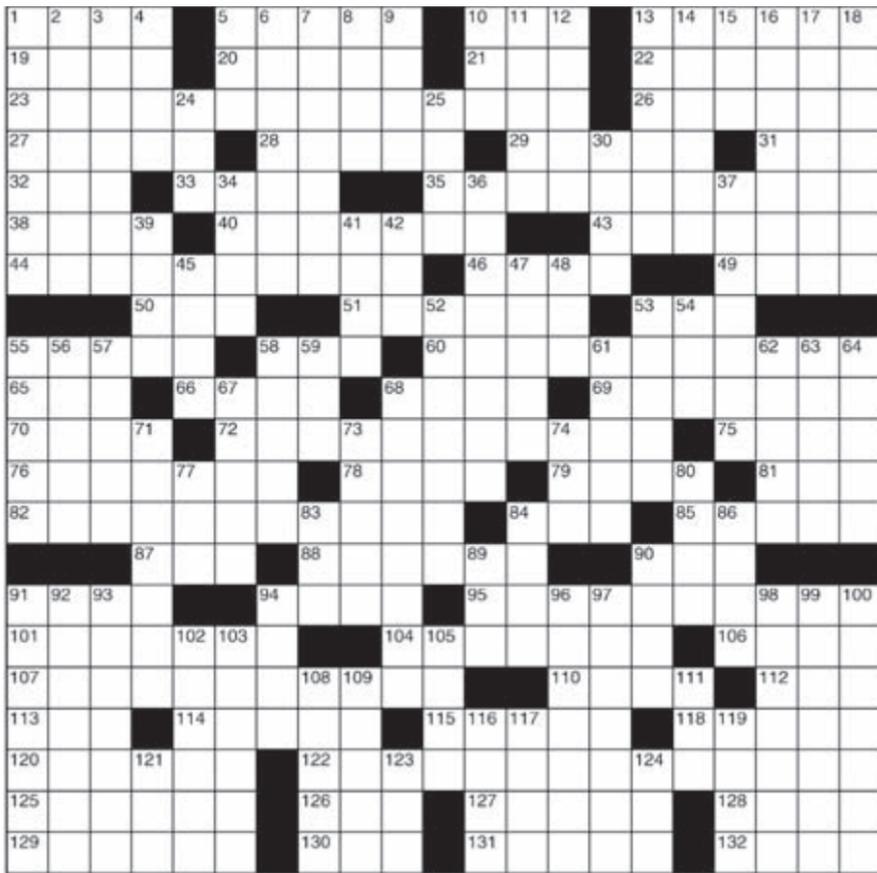
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 - 21 "No —, and's or butts!"
 - 22 Person ogling
 - 23 Escorted one's rival?
 - 26 Lemon-lime soft drink
 - 27 Wipe the slate clean
 - 28 Stand in an art studio
 - 29 Saint — (Caribbean island)
 - 31 Ending for dull or drunk
 - 32 Border
 - 33 Dress in Goa
 - 35 Weekend time spent with pals?
 - 38 Luau strings, for short
 - 40 Large, red apple variety
 - 43 "Be quiet!"
 - 44 Actors in a film featuring church ministers?
 - 46 Position
 - 49 Ticked (off)
 - 50 "— takers?"
 - 51 Nasal partition
 - 53 Moray, say
 - 55 One-named flamenco entertainer
 - 58 Rowdydow
 - 60 Cry to comic
 - 65 With 66-
 - 66 See 65-
 - 68 Army post
 - 69 More audacious
 - 70 "— ask is that ..."
 - 72 Laryngitic pigeon's comment?
 - 75 Positive
 - 76 Sir Walter Scott novel
 - 78 Muhammad and Laila of the ring
 - 79 — cava
 - 81 Soldier of Seoul
 - 82 Situation when a fuel gauge is at 50%?
 - 84 Balking beast
 - 85 "Oro y —" (motto of Montana)
 - 87 Prefix with cyclist
 - 88 Got old due to excess
 - 90 "— always say ..."
 - 91 Address for a lady
 - 94 1976-81 sketch show
 - 95 Watch over a 787?
 - 101 As a group
 - 104 One making an attempt
 - 106 Tech caller
 - 107 Walk with no lights on?
 - 110 Tax doc. whizzes
 - 112 Plains tribe
 - 113 Mouthwash bottle abbr.
 - 114 Did autumn yard work
 - 115 Peter & Gordon's "— Pieces"
 - 118 Loft
 - 120 Species-crossing
 - 122 Things that a drum-playing lush has?
 - 125 Like sweet-hearts
 - 126 Stooze name
 - 127 Like many shiny floors
 - 128 Impressionist
 - 129 Seesaw
 - 130 Quit delaying
 - 131 Veil wearer
 - 132 Contradict
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Turn on, as a PC
 - 2 Unfinished Kafka novel
 - 3 Dubs differently
 - 4 Picnic pests
 - 5 — tai
 - 6 — coated tablet
 - 7 Tourist town on Maui
 - 8 Small pieces
 - 9 Tennis great
 - 10 JPEG alternative
 - 11 Long past
 - 12 False: Prefix
 - 13 Town in central Italy
 - 14 Capital of Minnesota
 - 15 Laugh sound
 - 16 Daughter of King Minos
 - 17 Outline again
 - 18 Chemically colored in advance
 - 24 Actor Studi
 - 25 Exile isle
 - 30 Saclike body growth
 - 34 Out of whack
 - 36 Parvenus
 - 37 Bottom-line red ink
 - 39 With 57-Down, map book for an astronomer
 - 41 Old filling station name
 - 42 Beatified Fr. woman
 - 45 — about (roughly)
 - 47 — del Este, Uruguay
 - 48 Texter's "Holy cow!"
 - 52 In a fake way
 - 53 2001 bankruptcy company
 - 54 Juan's "that"
 - 55 Jenny —
 - 56 Turkish confection
 - 57 See 39-Down
 - 58 Emeril Lagasse's "There's — in My Soup!"
 - 59 Narc hirer
 - 61 Clarinets' kin
 - 62 "Star Trek" lieutenant
 - 63 Politico Ross
 - 64 California city on I-5
 - 67 Garlic mayo
 - 68 Topped
 - 71 Barbaric
 - 73 Bank safe
 - 74 Rite Aid rival
 - 77 — Solo
 - 80 Lhasa —
 - 83 TV watchdog
 - 84 1998 Sarah McLachlan song
 - 86 Stead
 - 89 911 gp.
 - 90 "— -Ca-dabra" (1974 song)
 - 91 Blockbuster
 - 92 Pain reliever
 - 93 Genial
 - 94 Try to find
 - 96 Big Apple cab words
 - 97 Testified under oath, old-style
 - 98 Uranium 235, for one
 - 99 Web habitué
 - 100 Food store
 - 102 Try hard
 - 103 Parasol, e.g.
 - 105 Short parody
 - 108 Skin: Prefix
 - 109 — committee
 - 111 Religious day of rest: Abbr.
 - 116 41st U.S. pres.
 - 117 Actor Epps
 - 119 Frog cousin
 - 121 Go to seed
 - 123 To this point
 - 124 34th U.S. pres.

SEE ANSWERS, C11

HOROSCOPES

■ **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** This is a good time to reinforce relationships -- family, friends, colleagues -- that might have been overlooked in recent years.

■ **CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** Family situations continue to thrive. Business associations also improve. Some holiday plans might have to be shifted a bit. Be flexible.

■ **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** Avoid any influence of negative energy in this week's aspect by not allowing small problems to grow into large ones. Work them out immediately.

■ **PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** A friend might need advice on how to deal with a challenge to his or her moral values. And who better than you to give the honest answer? Good luck.

■ **ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** You might feel that you have all the answers right now. But it might be wise to listen to other ideas before you decide to close the lid on other possibilities.

■ **TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** Bovines give and expect loyalty, so it might not be easy to reconcile with someone you feel let you down. Why not ask a neutral party to set up a clear-the-air meeting?

■ **GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** Anticipating the holidays with family

and friends fuels your must-do Gemini energies. But try to pace yourself so you'll be up for whatever comes along later.

■ **CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** More background information might come through regarding a decision you expect to make. Be sure to check the source carefully before you move.

■ **LEO (July 23 to August 22)** The strong, nurturing nature of the Lion comes through this week as you reach out to family and friends in need of your warm and loving support.

■ **VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** A relationship that has almost totally unraveled could be close to being restored with more effort on your part to be more patient and less judgmental.

■ **LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Your sense of fair play is strong this week, which can cause a problem with a longtime relationship. But in the end, you'll know what decision to make.

■ **SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** You might not know all the facts behind an unwelcome development, so keep that Scorpion temper in check and resist lashing out at anyone.

■ **BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a sense of adventure that inspires others to follow your lead. ■

By Linda Thistle

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The obligatory finesse

BY STEVE BECKER

The obligatory finesse is a play used by declarer to win a trick that he would otherwise surely lose. Because the play is not a favorite to succeed, it is used by declarer more out of desperation than by choice.

Consider the North-South spade holding in this hand. The normal way for declarer to start playing this combination is to lead a low spade toward the queen in dummy. If the queen holds the trick (marking West with the ace), declarer next returns a spade from dummy and plays low after East produces the ten or jack, hoping West started with the doubleton ace.

Observe that it would be wrong for South to cover the jack or ten with the king because the king would lose to the ace and South would eventually have to lose another spade trick. This maneuver is the so-called obligatory finesse, and when the cards are favorably placed for declarer, it gains him a trick.

Occasionally, the defense can invoke a countermeasure to the obligatory finesse, as in the present deal. South is declarer at four spades, and West cashes the K-A of clubs, then continues with the queen.

If South is allowed to go about his business unimpeded, he will, as we have seen, lose only one trump trick and so make the contract.

But if the defense functions perfectly, South can be defeated. When West leads the queen of clubs, East ruffs with the ten, even though it appears routine to

South dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

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

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	2 ♣	2 ♦	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠			

Opening lead — king of clubs.

discard on his partner's high club.

South is helpless against this defense. He is forced to overruff with the king — otherwise, he is down immediately — and lead a trump toward the queen.

This does him no good because West rises with the ace and returns the ten of clubs. Dummy has to follow suit, whereupon East once again trumps his partner's high club — this time with the jack — to secure a one-trick set. ■



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FILM CAPSULES

Spotlight ★★★★★

(Michael Keaton, Mark Ruffalo, Rachel McAdams) Investigative reporters at The Boston Globe uncover shattering truths about local Catholic priests repeatedly committing sexual abuse against minors. The acting is superb, and the drama patiently develops to make this one of the best films of 2015. Rated R.

social points, but flounders when it should thrive. Rated R.

Truth ★★★

(Robert Redford, Cate Blanchett, Topher Grace) CBS news legend Dan Rather (Mr. Redford) and his producer Mary Mapes (Ms. Blanchett) come under fire in 2004 after airing a story based on allegedly false documents that accused then-president George W. Bush of not fulfilling his Texas Air National Guard duties in the 1970s. It's a smart, compelling drama featuring an excellent Ms. Blanchett that also calls into question the merit and needs for journalism today. Rated R.

The 33 ★★ 1/2

(Antonio Banderas, Juliette Binoche, Rodrigo Santoro) Based on real events, 33 miners are trapped underground in Chile for more than two months after a mine collapses. The performances are strong, the comic relief is welcome and the solid film honors the 33 men who endured the unthinkable situation. Rated PG-13.

Rock The Kasbah ★ 1/2

(Bill Murray, Kate Hudson, Leem Lubany) A down-on-his-luck music manager (Mr. Murray) discovers a female Muslim singer (Ms. Lubany) and tries to get her on "Afghan Star," the Afghani version of "American Idol." The story goes in a number of directions, none of them wise. Rated R.

Spectre ★★ 1/2

(Daniel Craig, Christoph Waltz, Monica Bellucci) James Bond (Mr. Craig) learns more about his past and pursues the man (Mr. Waltz) behind all the treachery Bond has faced thus far. It's a downgrade from the last entry, "Skyfall," but is salvaged by a solid ending loosely taken from "The Dark Knight." Rated PG-13.

Crimson Peak ★★

(Jessica Chastain, Tom Hiddleston, Mia Wasikowska) In the early 1900s, Edith (Ms. Wasikowska) is wooed by Thomas (Mr. Hiddleston), seemingly not noticing how close he is to his sister (Ms. Chastain). It's an odd gothic love story with a few ghosts thrown in for good measure, and although it looks slick and stylish, it just doesn't connect. Rated R. ■

Our Brand Is Crisis ★★

(Sandra Bullock, Billy Bob Thornton, Anthony Mackie) Political strategist "Calamity" Jane (Ms. Bullock) travels to Bolivia to assist in a presidential campaign. The story wants to make strong



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'Secret in their Eyes'



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Is it worth \$10? No

A murder 13 years ago. A cold case reopened. Three old friends played by Nicole Kidman, Julia Roberts and Chiwetel Ejiofor entwined in the investigation. A red-hot screenwriter, Billy Ray ("Captain Phillips," "The Hunger Games"), in his third directorial effort, backed by a solid cast and a dark, grimy L.A. backdrop.

Yes, "Secret In Their Eyes" has all the ingredients of a top-notch murder mystery thriller.

And yet it stinks. More than anything, it's dull.

We're supposed to be engrossed in finding the killer of Carolyn Cobb (Zoe Graham), who was district attorney investigator Jess' (Ms. Roberts) teenage daughter. However, the lead investigator, Ray (Mr. Ejiofor), is so convinced that the killer is a guy named Marzan (Joe Cole) that there's no room for mystery. The story becomes a matter of catching Marzan and Marzan only, a process that is delayed by flashbacks to 13 years earlier when Ray, Jess and their colleague Claire (Ms. Kidman) first began the investigation. There's very little in these flashbacks that's of much importance to the present, which has the end effect of bloating the running time to 111 minutes while not making the movie any more interesting.

If you're like me, you'll wait for (and expect) a plot twist that never comes. Maybe the killer is fellow investigator Siefert (Michael Kelly), you'll think, who covers up for Marzan early on. Or maybe it's good guy investigator Bumpy (Dean Norris), whom we don't know much about but is played by a big enough star (Norris was Hank on "Breaking Bad") that it could happen (they wouldn't give

a big reveal to a nobody actor, after all). Or the killer could even be the district attorney (Alfred Molina) who insists on looking the other way with the murder investigation because he deems a possibly Al-Qaeda infested mosque in L.A. to be more important than a dead teenager.

Perhaps you wouldn't spend so much time thinking about possible plot twists if there were more going on in the main storyline, but it's all woefully slow.

If "Secret In Their Eyes" has a fatal mistake, it's this: It takes what could've been a compelling whodunit and ruins any would-be tension by giving us only one person who could've "dunit" and spending the entire movie chasing that one guy. Unless your name is Mad Max, a nearly two-hour chase for anyone is bound to grow tiresome.

The actors do what they can with the material, but with a story like this it's a thankless task. It also doesn't help that Ray is given little motivation regarding his determination to solve the case, that Jess doesn't have much to do besides look angry for most of the movie and that Claire, once a rising young attorney, is relegated to little more than a love interest in the film's second half. So much more

could and should have been done with each character to make them feel essential, not superfluous.

Having seen "Secret In Their Eyes," I'm now thinking of what's worse than a murder mystery without suspense. Probably an action movie that doesn't excite ("Spectre"), a comedy that isn't funny ("Rock The Kasbah") and/or a horror story that's never spooky ("Crimson Peak"). All are major film faux pas that should be unacceptable to consumers demanding quality for their hard-earned dollar. ■



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>> "Secret In Their Eyes" is a remake of the Argentinian mystery thriller "El Secreto de Sus Ojos" (2009), which won the Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film.

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Brett Marston as Charlie, aka The Foreigner, and Sepp Ronay as Froggy LeSueur in "The Foreigner."

FOREIGNER

From page 1

Staff Sergeant Froggy LeSueur. He most recently was seen on the local stage in TNO's "The Mousetrap" and "The Importance of Being Earnest."

Paula Keenan is Betty Meeks, owner and operator of the lodge in rural Georgia where Charlie and Froggy concoct and execute their scheme. Ms. Meeks is a newcomer to the local stage, having recently relocated from the Orlando area. Her most recent performances were in "Arsenic and Old Lace" at the IceHouse Theatre in Mount Dora and "Agnes of God" at the Osceola Center for the Arts in Kissimmee.

Amy Hughes plays the spoiled Southern belle Catherine Simms. She sang in the ensemble for TNP's production of "Oklahoma!" and played the part of Whitney in last summer's "Legally Blonde: The Musical."

James Duggan is Ellard Simms, a simple country boy and brother to Catherine. He appeared with TNP last season

in "Noises Off."

Jason Thomas returns to the stage for the first time in 10 years as Rev. David Marshall Lee. This is his first TNP production. He last starred in "Killing Mr. Watson" at both The Norris Center in Naples and at the historic Smallwood Store and Museum in Chokoloskee.

Adam Shaver plays the part of Owen Musser, the racist county property inspector who would enjoy nothing more than to convert Mrs. Meeks' lodge in to a meeting hall for the Klu Klux Klan. He most recently performed with TNP in "Time Stands Still."

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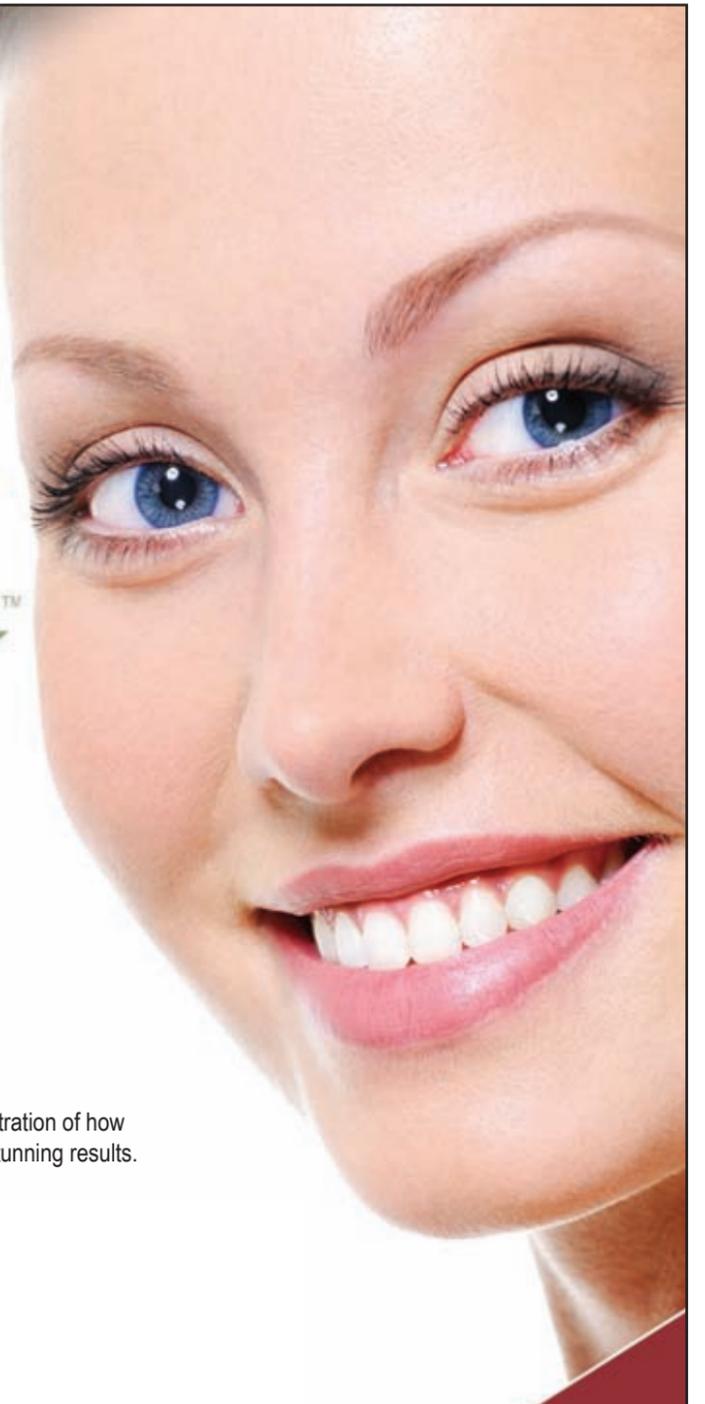
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The tango was introduced in Argentina about 1902, but didn't become the latest dance craze until about 1916. It spread to Paris, the United States and Europe, and remained a favorite until the 1920s. The tango was popular in upper-class dance parlors and has gone in and out of favor. Early tango dances were very daring, and in some countries they were restricted by law. But dancing couples were among the first wind-up tin toys for children in the 1800s. Around 1916, a dancing toy with figures of a man in tails and an elegant woman in a pink dress was made by the German Gunthermann Company (1877-1965). Wind the key hidden under the woman's dress, and the couple dances in random patterns. Although the toy was sold in a box labeled "Tango," it is sometimes called the "Waltzing Couple" or the "Dancing Couple." The toy, in excellent condition with the box, sold at a James Julia auction in Maine in June 2015 for \$3,851. Several other dancing couple toys have been made. In the 1930s, there was a Japanese key wind 6-inch-tall celluloid toy by Masudaya. The woman has a red dress. The toy sells today for about \$40.

In the 1960s, a Japanese company, Tokyo Plaything Shokai, made a dancing toy for Hikari Toy Products. The figures are tin with vinyl heads and the woman has a blue dress. It sells for about \$360 to \$400. The idea continued, and modern dancing toys have modern clothes,

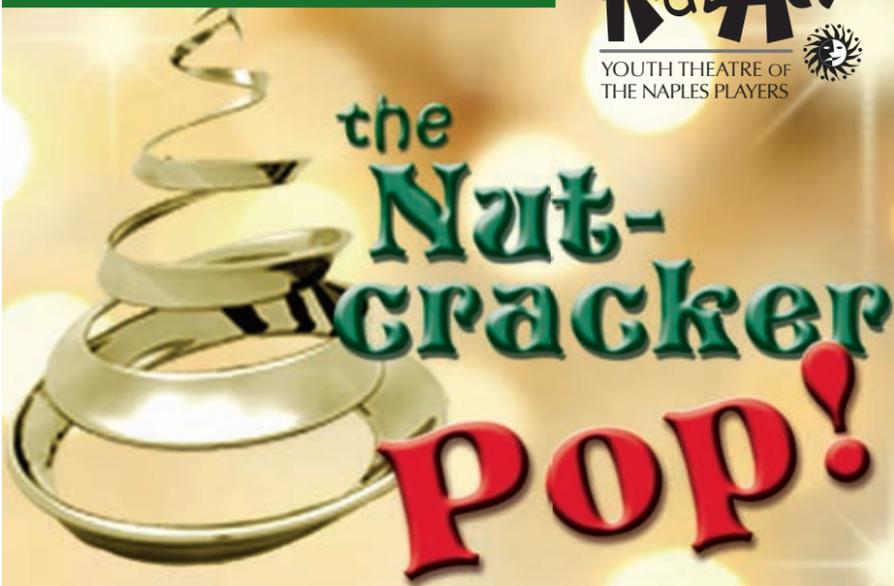
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A: Mud figures are small partially-glazed pottery figures made in China in the 20th century. They originally were made for fish tanks or planters. Most figures are of farmers, scholars, workers or merchants. Other pieces are trees, houses and similar parts of the landscape. The figures have unglazed faces and hands but glazed clothing. They were made by hand, often by members of the village where they were made. Reproductions have been made. There isn't a big market for mud figures. Price depends on size, condition and interest in the design. They sell online and at auctions for about \$10 to over \$100.

Q: I collect memorabilia connected with movie cowboys including Roy Rogers, Gene Autry, Hopalong Cassidy and Tom Mix. A friend who moved here from Australia gave me his childhood collection, a box of Hopalong games and ads. None were items I have seen. Many were made in Australia. Were his movies seen in Australia? When?

A: Hopalong Cassidy was a character in 28 books, starting in 1907. The character was in movies from 1934 to 1948. Sixty-six films were made. In 1948 William Boyd, the most famous star who played

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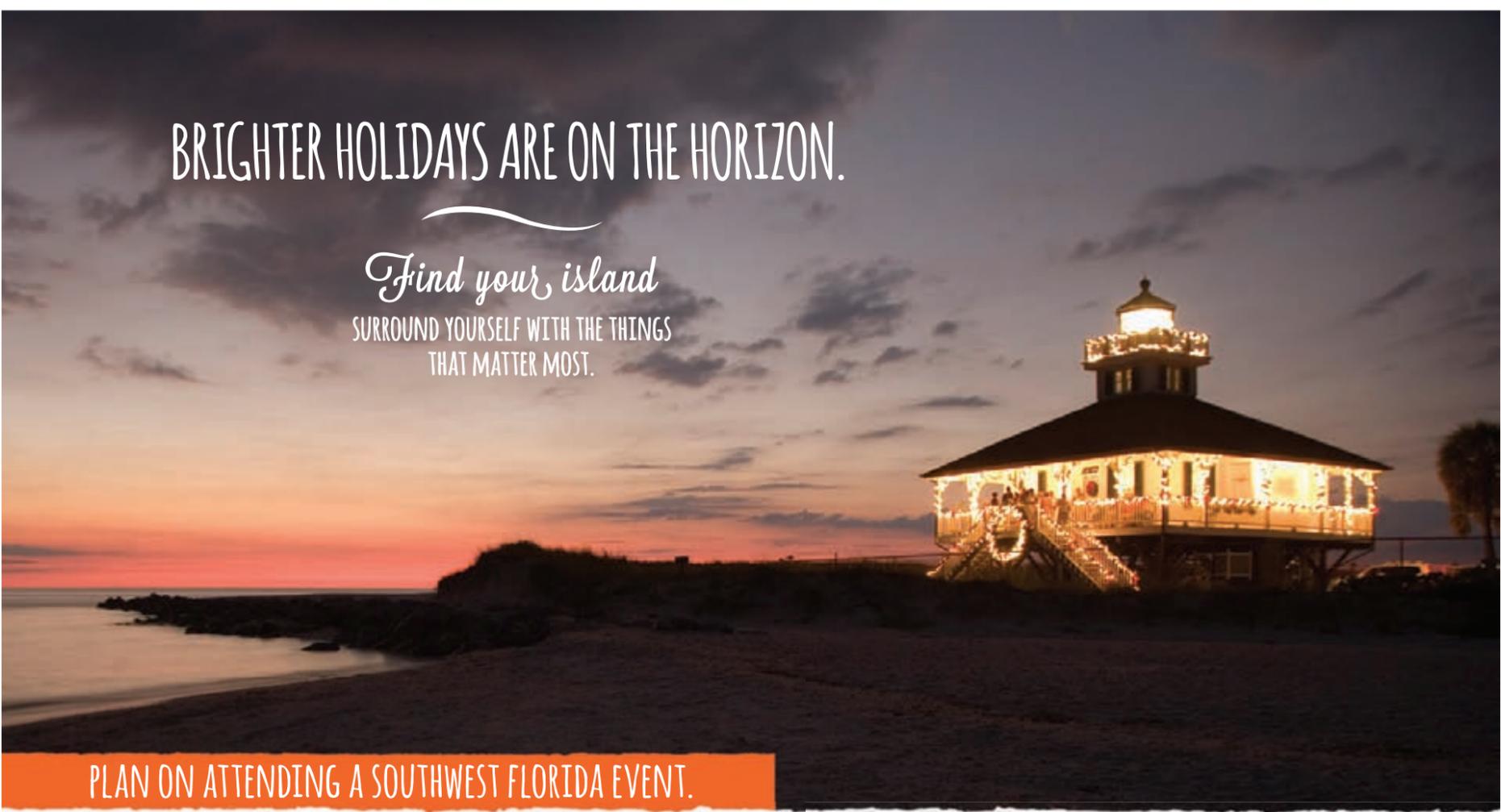


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Hopalong, bought the television rights to the character from the author and the producer of the Hopalong Cassidy films. He later made 52 new TV shows. That gave him the ability to license the name to hundreds of products around the world. He toured Australia in 1954 so it is not surprising that later in the 1950s Australian companies made board games, many types of candy often in collectible boxes or wrappers, Hoppy Cola (a drink), cake decorations, trading cards with pictures of Hoppy, pistols, holsters and other toys. The Hopalong Cassidy craze lasted just a few years after his 1954 tour, and Australian Hopalong items rarely are

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Q: I have about four vertical inches of old credit cards dating back the mid-1960s. What is the best way for me to find their value?

A: Credit cards, metal charge plates, phone cards and other similar collectibles that replace money are now part of the numismatic collecting hobby. The earliest paper or cardboard credit cards were issued by airline and gasoline companies in the 1920s. Early and rare charge plates and credit cards can sell for hundreds of dollars. The book "Kovels' Antiques and Collectibles Price Guide," as well as the free online price guide at Kovels.com, has a credit-card category with prices of credit cards that have actually sold. There also is a club, the Credit Card Collector, that publishes a monthly newsletter and can help with rarity and value information.

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FRIDAY, NOV. 27, 8 P.M.
Great Performances
Andrea Bocelli Cinema

Andrea Bocelli sings a musical tribute to the silver screen in a lush concert of beloved songs from the movies. Joined by Grammy-winning producer David Foster, the renowned tenor performs memorable favorites from blockbuster classics.

SATURDAY, NOV. 28, 8 P.M.
Masterpiece Classic
Downton Abbey, Season 5, Part 3

Mary and Lord Gillingham put their love to the test. Bates also faces a trial. Cora makes a new friend, and Violet is reunited with an old one.

SUNDAY, NOV. 29, 9 P.M.
A Salute to Downton Abbey

Host Hugh Bonneville recalls the high points of the series' storyline and its memorable cast of characters. Includes interviews with Julian Fellowes, Gareth Neame and the cast, clips from previous seasons and previews of season 6.

MONDAY, NOV. 30, 9:30 P.M.
Carpenters: Close to You

This special chronicles the legacy of Karen and Richard Carpenter for the



Great Performances: "Andrea Bocelli Cinema," Nov. 27.

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TUESDAY, DEC. 1, 8 P.M.
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■ The **Cornell Alumni Association of Southwest Florida** welcomes Martha Haynes, the university's Goldwin Smith Professor of Astronomy, as guest speaker at a luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, at Wyndemere Country Club. Ms. Haynes will discuss "Extragalactic Sociology and the Intriguing Lives of Galaxies." Cornell alumni, family, friends and members of the public with an interest in astronomy are welcome.

Cost is \$30 in advance \$35 the day of the event. For reservations or more information, call Jon Peter Vollmer at 250-9414, email jon.vollmer@sothebysrealty.com or visit cornellalumniassociationofsouthwest-florida.com.



ships and community projects. Patron tickets for \$225 include the opportunity to buy five early-bird general admission tickets, first choice of tour times and recognition in the tour booklet, the club's website and at the tour welcome center. General admission tickets for \$125 go on sale at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1. For more information, email tours@naplesgardenclub.org or visit naplesgardenclub.org.

Money raised by Naples Garden Club has supported the preservation, protection and beautification of almost all publicly used institutions in the greater Naples area. In 2015 the club has awarded grants to Avalon Elementary School for its Global Garden, the David Lawrence Center, Jewish Family and Community Service, Naples Botanical Garden and Camp Wekiva.

Grant applications for 2016 are due by 5 p.m. Dec. 16. Visit the website for more information.



■ The **Alliance Francaise de Naples** holds its Fete de Noel holiday dinner on Monday evening, Dec. 14, at Escargot 41 French restaurant. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for socializing and a cash bar before the three-course meal. A gift exchange will be part of the evening. Cost is \$60 for club members, \$65 for others. Menu choices are at afnaples.org.

Reservations and payment must be mailed to P.O. Box 110075, Naples, FL 34108 to be received by Dec. 11. For more information, call Denyse Jenkins at 592-0447.

■ **Naples Garden Club's 2016 House & Garden Tour** is set for Saturday, Feb. 6. For more than 60 years, the perennially sold-out event has showcased unique homes and inspiring gardens in Naples while raising funds that support scholar-

■ The **Gulf Breeze Button Club** meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the Golden Gate Community Center. The next meeting is Dec. 1. All who are interested in collecting and studying antique clothing buttons are welcome. For more information, call 682-6117.

■ **Tech4Good SWFL** holds its monthly meeting from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. Staff and volunteers from area nonprofit organizations are invited to come for hands-on

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■ The **Naples chapter of Ikebana International** meets at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, in the FGCU Research Center at Naples Botanical Garden. All are welcome. Admission is free. There will be a full ginza or marketplace with ikebana materials. Non-members are asked to email ikebananaples@gmail.com to RSVP. For more information about the organization, visit ikebananaples.com.

■ The **Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 10670-Naples** meets at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Naples Municipal Airport. The next meeting is Dec. 2.

EAA The Naples EAA chapter is one of approximately 1,700 chapters worldwide. Members are pilots, student pilots, plane builders and aviation enthusiasts.

Members also serve a pancake breakfast from 8-11 a.m. on the second Sunday of each month in the pilots' lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. Admission for \$5 includes pancakes, eggs, bacon or sausage and orange juice. All proceeds benefit the EAA Young Eagles program that acquaints youth ages 8-17 with aviation as a career. The next breakfast is Dec. 13. For more information, call 649-6627 or visit eal067.com.

■ The **Naples Orchid Society** celebrates the holiday season with a potluck

dinner for members starting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Thursday, Dec. 3, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Attendees are asked to bring a dish to share as well as a non-perishable food item for donation to Collier Harvest. A representative from Broward Orchid Supply will have orchids and related items for sale. The society's regular meetings and orchid culture classes will resume in January. For details, visit naplesorchidsociety.org.

■ The **Naples Christian Women's Connection** hosts a luncheon starting at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at Quail Creek Country Club. Guest speaker and former B&B owner Penny Jordan will present "How to Show Hospitality to Friends and Strangers." Pianist Lisa Valezquez, harpist Laurar Lou Roth and the Shirelles will entertain with Christmas music. Cost is \$28. Call 514-2207 or email cwcnaples@gmail.com to make a reservation.

■ **Naples Ship Modelers** is an informal group dedicated to the hobby of building wooden ship models. Members meet at 9:30 a.m. on the first and third Saturdays of every month at the Landmark Naples community in North Naples. The next meetings are Dec. 5 and 19. For more information, call Dick Ritchie at 594-0868 or email dcritchie@comcast.net.

■ The **Naples Music Club** holds its annual holiday party starting at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at the Bonita Bay Club in Bonita Springs. A performance by student musician scholarship winners will follow cocktails and dinner. Tickets are \$50. For reservations or more information, call 384-9205 or visit naplesmusicclub.org.

■ The **Florida Poetry Club** invites writers and admirers of poetry to its open mic programs from 4-5 p.m. at The Norris Center on the following Mondays: Dec. 7, Jan. 11, Feb. 8 and March 14. Poets should bring three to five of their original poems. After the session, all are welcome to join the group for dinner at a restaurant within walking distance of the center. For more information, call (440) 554-1144 or email formulawriting@hotmail.com.

■ The **Genealogical Society of Collier County** meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, at Moorings Presbyterian Church for a presentation of "In the Shadows of Glory," a one-woman play about Mary Todd Lincoln, written and presented by local actress Janina Birtolo. Through her extensive research, Ms. Birtolo has crafted a story that highlights the First Lady's achievements, her stumbles and her challenge to society's view of how a female ought to behave. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free, and all are welcome. For reservations or more information, call Madonna Crame at 455-7295 or visit thegscc.org.

■ The **Naples Chapter, Florida Society, Sons of the American Revolution** holds a lunch meeting on the second Thursday of the month at the Club at Longshore Lake, 1139 Phoenix Way. The program for Dec. 10 will be about the U.S. Constitution. Doors open at 11:30 and the meeting starts at noon. Spouses and guests are always welcome. For more information, call Tom Woodruff at 732-0602, email naplesSAR@gmail.com or visit naplessar.org.

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Here's an update on Jill Hennessy

BY CINDY ELAVSKY

Q: What has Jill Hennessy been up to?
— *Kenny R., via email*



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Jill Hennessy

A: The multi-talented performer appeared in three episodes of "Madam Secretary" this fall playing Jane Fellows, the new Defense Intelligence Agency handler of Tim Daly's character, Henry McCord. She also wrote and recorded

an album called "I Do." Ms. Hennessy got her start busking in the streets of Toronto when she was 17 and says music is her first love.

Q: One of my favorite actors is Jeffrey Dean Morgan. Can you tell me what he has in the works?

— *Linda F., via email*

A: Word has it that Jeffrey has just been cast for the season-six finale of "The Walking Dead" as (slight spoiler alert!) Negan. His role will continue into the seventh season, which AMC has already greenlighted. If you keep up with "TWD" graphic-novel/comic series, then you know that the character of Negan appears in No. 100, and he's a frightening, foul-mouthed, barbed-wire-wielding murderer. There is no word yet on how he'll be portrayed in the TV series, but I'm thinking that Mr. Morgan has the goods to scare us plenty, even if he can't be quite as potty-mouthed as his literary counterpart.

Q: I am going through some serious "Outlander" withdrawal, and I need any bit of news you can give me.

— *Nina H., via email*

A: I've got a little something to tide you over: Oscar Kennedy has been cast to play young William Grey, who if you've read the books (SPOILER ALERT), you know grows up to be Lord John Grey, lifelong friend and confidante of Jamie and Claire. The 16-year-old Nottingham, England, native was featured in Starz's "The White Queen" and a BBC series called "Hunted." ■

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A Planned Parenthood leader and activist for decades, Ms. Zdravecky will update guests on Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida in light of an eventful summer, one that included not only media challenges but also the merger of three affiliates into one advocate for reproductive health.

Tickets for \$55 can be purchased through Dec. 8 online at ppswcf.org/events or by calling (941) 365-3913, ext. 1167.

Planned Parenthood of Collier County, Planned Parenthood of Greater Orlando and Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida merged into a single affiliate July 1. Now covering 22 counties and operating 12 health centers — including centers in Naples, Immokalee and Fort Myers — the affiliate serves 39,000 patients annually. For information or appointments, visit myplannedparenthood.org.

■ The second annual **Rose Ball** celebrating young women who serve the homeless community takes place the evening of Saturday, Nov. 28, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort. More than three dozen Rose Girls will be presented before the dinner and dancing begin. The gala benefits St. Matthew's House, Providence House, Sunlight Home and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Call Amy Howard at (860) 372-8748 or email amyhoward421@gmail.com for more information.

■ The **David Lawrence Center Young Executives** invite fellow philanthropists and professionals to their sixth annual Holiday Bash (formerly the Gulf Ball) Friday, Dec. 4. Enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres in an island getaway atmosphere at this year's new location, Jack's River Bar at Naples Harbour Marina. The upscale but casual social event from 7-10 p.m. will feature the Giving Tree along with live entertainment and music by Jack Dillman.

Tickets are \$50 if purchased by Nov. 23 and \$60 thereafter. For reservations or more information, visit davidlawrence-center.org.

■ The fifth annual **Tea at the Ritz** to benefit Make-A-Wish Southern Florida takes place from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. High tea service will include finger sandwiches, scones, delectable desserts and treats, champagne and a variety of teas. A silent auction will be part of the afternoon. The tea is appropriate for all ages, children and grandparents alike. Tickets for \$125 are available by calling Lesley Colantonio at 992-9474, ext. 22, or emailing lcolantonio@sflawish.org.

■ The **National Alliance on Mental Illness of Collier County** holds its annual Hope Shines! luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, at a private club in Naples. Keynote speaker Victoria Maxwell is the creator of "Crazy for Life," a one-woman show about how she has learned to live with bipolar disorder. As the creative director of Crazy for Life Co., Ms. Maxwell travels the world sharing her story and dismantling the stigma attached to psychiatric illness. Luncheon tickets are

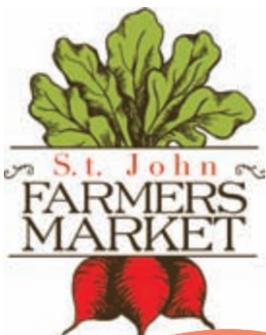
\$250, and sponsorship packages begin at \$1,000. For more information, contact Jacquelyn Sly at NAMI by calling 260-7300 or emailing Jacquelyn@namicollier.org.

■ A "**Breakfast at Tiffany's**" brunch to benefit the Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida takes place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. For ticket information, call Amy Snyder at 263-9200 or email amy@holocaustmuseumswfl.org.

■ The **Immokalee Child Care Center** holds its annual Diamond Ball from 6-10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, at Club Pelican Bay. The White Party affair features dinner, a live auction by Scott Robertson Auctioneers and dancing to the Robert Williamson Band. For more information, call Bruce Barone Jr. at 261-1774 or email bruce@immokaleechildcarecenter.org.

■ The **Community Foundation of Collier County** hosts its third annual Power of the Purse luncheon Friday, Dec. 11, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort. The event will feature a keynote speaker, drawings for 25 designer handbags and the announcement of the 2016 Women of Initiative honorees. The event is co-chaired by Jackie Pierce and Betty Aymar. For more information, call 649-5000 or visit cfcollier.org.

■ Jewish Family & Community Services of Southwest Florida and the Naples Senior Center host An Evening for Better Tomorrows on Saturday, Jan. 9, at the Naples Sailing & Yacht Club. For more information, call 325-4444 or visit jfcswfl.org.



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

■ The **Shelter for Abused Women & Children** holds its 16th annual Mending Broken Hearts with Hope luncheon Friday, Jan. 15, at the Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Tickets are \$350. For more information, contact Susan Utz by calling 775-3862, ext. 261, or emailing sutz@naplesshelter.org.

■ The **Jewish Federation of Collier County** hosts its annual Power of Community dinner and show Saturday, Jan. 16, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Comedian Freddie Roman will headline "A Return to the Catskill Mountains." Tickets are \$150. For more information, call Jeffrey Feld at 263-4205 or email jfeld@jewishnaples.org.

■ **Hope for Haiti's 2016 gala**, "Back to Our Roots," takes place Saturday, Jan. 16, at the Naples Sailing & Yacht Club. Guests will enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres while watching the sunset over Naples Bay. Dinner and dancing to live music by Paradise will follow. The 2016 JoAnne M. Kuehner Heart of Gold Award will be presented to Arthrex in recognition of its tremendous and storied support of Hope for Haiti over the years.

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■ The sixth annual **Home, Hope & Healing luncheon** to benefit Youth Haven takes place Wednesday, Jan. 20, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Guest speaker is Jeanette Walls, whose memoir "The Glass Castle" has been a *New York Times* best-seller for more than six years. Lionsgate has purchased the rights to Ms. Walls' story and has cast Jennifer Lawrence to star in the movie.

Luncheon chairs are Jill and Steve Miller. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, contact Shelly Long at Youth Haven by calling 687-5155 or emailing shelly.long@youthhavenswfl.org.

■ The **David Lawrence Center** hosts "Live Life in Color!" on Saturday, Jan. 23, at Naples Botanical Garden. Rather than transporting guests to a faraway land, as has been the gala's signature tradition for many years, the 2016 fundraiser focuses on life right here in paradise. William and Pat Barton are honorary co-chairs; Polly Keller and William and Kathleen O'Neill are co-chairs. Performance artist, entertainer and speaker Michael Israel will paint to live music, with the resulting artwork to be auctioned off after dinner.

Tickets are \$500 (\$1,200 for VIP privileges). For more information, visit david-lawrencecenter.org.

■ The second annual **EyeBall Soiree** to benefit the Bonita Springs Lions Eye Clinic takes place from 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, at The Club at Mediterra. BMO Harris Bank is the title sponsor. With the theme "I Only Have Eyes For You," the evening includes cocktail hours and dinner, live

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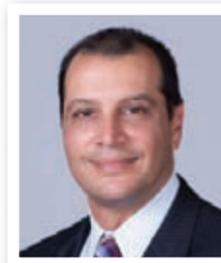
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■ Literacy Volunteers of Collier County hosts "Between the Covers with Elaine Newton: How to be Your Own Book Critic," a luncheon and program Thursday, Jan. 28, at Stonebridge Country Club. Tickets are \$75. For more information, call 262-4448, ext. 301.

■ The 2016 Naples Winter Wine Festival: "Great Expectations" takes place Jan. 29-31. Ticket packages are limited to 580 guests and start at \$10,000 per couple. A \$25,000 package includes reserved seating for a party of four at a vintner dinner and under the grand auction tent. To inquire about tickets, contact Barrett Farmer by calling 514-2239 or email barrett@napleswinefestival.com.

■ The United Arts Council of Collier County hosts the 10th annual Stars in the Arts luncheon and awards presentation Wednesday, Feb. 17, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. Mally Khorasantchi and Jane Borders are co-chairs. Nominations for the awards are being accepted through Oct. 1. For more information, call 254-8242 or visit collierarts.com.

■ The 2016 Avow Butterfly Ball takes flight Saturday, Feb. 20, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort. The event is organized by members of the Avow Founding Women's Board. Tickets are \$300, with all proceeds benefitting the hospice, palliative care and grief support programs offered by Avow. Sponsorship, underwriting and in-kind donation opportunities are available. For more information call 261-4404.

■ The eighth annual Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest takes place Friday and Saturday, Feb. 26-27, 2016, in private homes from Naples to Captiva Island and at Miramar Lakes Beach & Golf Club. Pitbladdo Holdings LLC is the title sponsor for the festival that benefits Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida as well as the pediatric nursing program at Florida SouthWestern State College and the music therapy program at Florida Gulf Coast University. The 2015 event raised more than \$3.3 million. For ticket information, call 513-7990 or visit swflwinefest.org.

■ Magic Under the Mangroves, the signature annual gala to benefit the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, takes place Thursday, March 3, at the Conservancy. Details about tickets and reservations are TBA and will be posted at www.conservancy.org/magic.

■ The 2016 Imagination Ball to benefit the American Cancer Society on Marco Island takes place Saturday, March 5, at the Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort. Dick and Debra Shanahan are chairing the gala, themed "Wash Away Cancer" this year, for the fourth year. BMO Private Bank is the presenting sponsor. The evening includes a cocktail reception, dinner, dancing and silent and live auctions in a pavilion on the beach. Bill and Karen Young will be presented with the Grado Award in honor of their many years of leadership and service to ACS. For information about tickets or sponsorships, call Nikkie Sardelli at 642-8800, ext. 3894, or email nikkie.sardelli@cancer.org.

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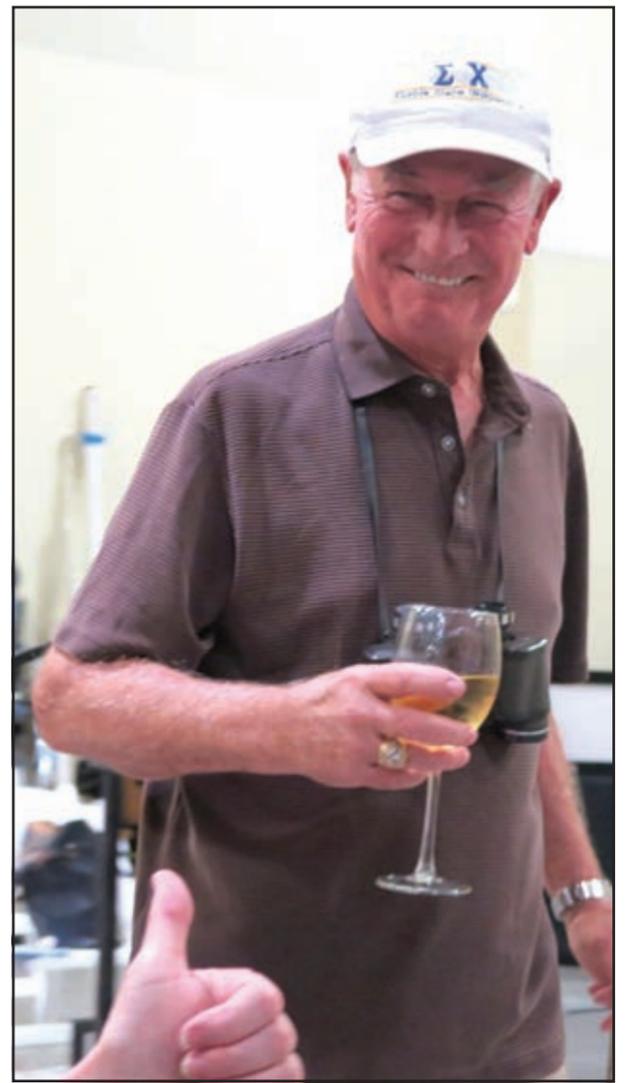
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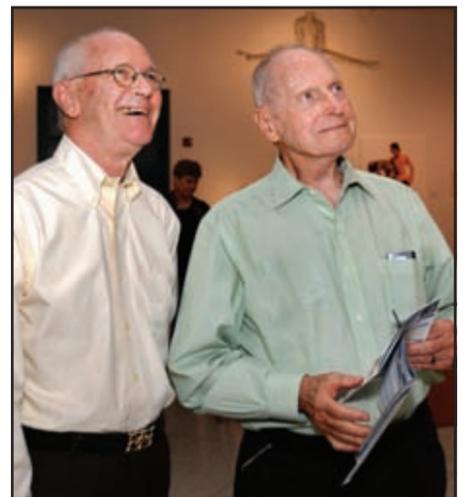
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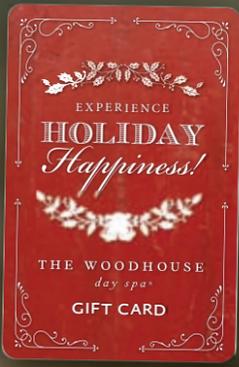
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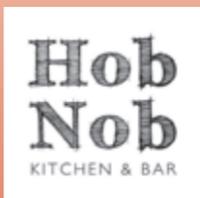
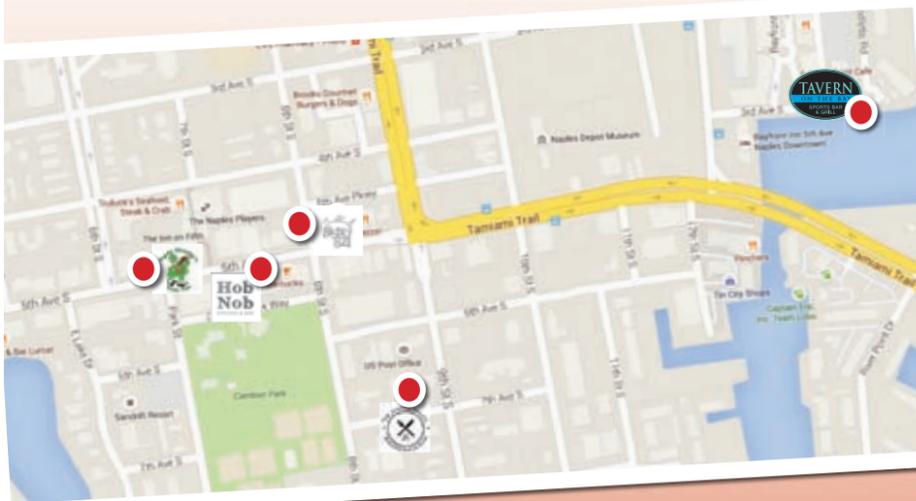
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Black Friday Scotch Tasting: Sip a single-malt while learning about the history and production of the fabled drink from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27. \$40.

Year-End Craft Cocktail Tasting: Take away cocktail ideas for a New Year's Eve bash in a class starting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17. \$40.

For reservations or more information, call 513-0103 or visit naples.vomfass.com.

■ **Avenues** hosts a whiskey tasting from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, featuring distinguished distillers including Macallan, Glenmorangie, and Ardbeg. Guests will enjoy a special plate of bites to accompany their drinks while distillery speakers share their expertise. Reservations required. \$50. Email Cathy Christopher at cathyc@innonfifth.com to snag a spot.

■ **Dagny's Spirits** hosts a free wine and liquor tasting from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3. On Saturday, Dec. 5, the shop will have live entertainment by guitarist Gary Goldman from 6-8 p.m.

■ The quarterly gift certificate sale by **Naples Originals**, a group of independent, locally owned and operated restaurants, starts Thursday, Dec. 3. Participating restaurants offer 30 percent discounts on \$50, \$25 and \$15 gift certificates; Crave Culinaire offers a 30 percent discount on \$200 gift certificates for catering.

Diners purchase gift certificates online

at naplesoriginals.com. The gift certificates are immediately emailed to diners for printing and redeeming.

In other news, Naples Originals welcomes Fish Restaurant, Kitchen 41, Komoon Thai Sushi & Ceviche and Miramare Ristorante as its newest members. For the complete list of member restaurants, visit the website.

■ **Wynn's Market** has joined Whole Foods Market as a Blue Zones Project-approved grocery store, having demonstrated its commitment to community health and wellness. For more information about the project and local participants, call 624-2312 or visit bluezonesproject.com.

■ Want to work on your skills in the kitchen? Here are some **cooking classes** on the front burner:

The Good Life of Naples, 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road; 514-4663 or goodlifenas.com - Florida Seafood: Wednesday, Dec. 2 (\$65); Eastern Mediterranean Cuisine: Friday, Dec. 11 (\$65); Herbs & Spices: Thursday, Dec. 17.

Sur La Table, 9501 Strada Place, Mercato; 598-1463 or surlatable.com - Learn to Cut Like a Pro: Friday, Nov. 27 (\$59); Holiday Tamales: Saturday, Nov. 28 (\$69); Family Fun Homemade Holiday Gifts: Sunday, Nov. 29 (\$45); Holiday Entertaining with Bon Appetit Magazine: Monday, Nov. 30 (\$69); Handmade Ravioli Workshop: Tuesday, Dec. 1 (\$69); Amazing One-Pot Meals: Wednesday, Dec. 2 (\$69). ■

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The Details: One could argue that traditional biscuits and gravy is a dish that is easy to execute: Fry up some breakfast sausage, make a white sauce from the drippings, and voila! A greasy-spoon favorite ready for eating. Truth be told, it takes an authentic diner that specializes in home cooking to really

nail the texture in an item that can easily become a salty, gloppy mess. Nana's perfectly executes this dish in a way that delivers a velvety, peppery sauce over fluffy biscuits for a mouth feel sensation — not to mention that it's mighty tasty. A half order of two biscuits was more than enough. I left satisfied that I had fulfilled my daily caloric intake before 10 a.m. with an item I felt happy to have eaten.

One More Thing: Nana's specializes in homey favorites and is quite an institution among those in the know. Where else in Naples' rarified restaurant scene can you find old-fashioned liver and onions? ■

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Wines go in and out of style. One day everybody's going mad over malbec, and three months later they're crazy for chenin blanc. Recently, petite sirah has enjoyed a well-deserved upsurge in popularity.

Known as durif in other parts of the world, it was planted in California as early as 1884, and was popular during Prohibition, because it has a very thick skin, which allowed the fruit to hold up well when shipped across the country to "home winemakers." Traditionally, it has been used as a blending grape, because it imparts rich color and tannic structure. While many vintners are bottling it as a single varietal, it's not uncommon for them to add a bit of white wine to calm it down. Today, there are about 6,000 acres of petite sirah planted in California, with dozens of winemakers trying their hand at the varietal.

As mentioned, you can expect this wine to offer deep, opaque coloration and rich, bold flavors. Typically, you'll find dark berry and plum fruit, black pepper and similar spices. While it's not one of the "noble" varietals like cabernet sauvignon or pinot noir, this wine can be delicious... especially if you like big, rich wines. If you're collecting,



Pauline and Chris Tilley make Madrone Petite Sirah.

you can probably put this in your cellar for several years because of the bold structure.

Recently, we sampled through several producers' interpretations of this rich, interesting wine, and here's what we discovered.

• **Frank Family Petite Sirah Napa Valley 2012** - As expected, this wine is a deep reddish-purple in the glass with a nose of rich black fruit. The tannins are

very soft, and the flavors of dark plum and sweet blackberry really stand out. There's excellent balance on the nice long finish. WW 91 \$31.

• **Earthquake Petite Sirah 2013** - Another example of the purple-black color of this varietal. Mixed black fruit on the palate with surprisingly round and soft tannins. WW 89 \$20.

• **Michael David Pettit Petite 2013** - Interestingly, this wine is a blend of 85

percent petite sirah and 15 percent petite verdot, which is a normal blending partner in Bordeaux wines. Inky black, with a smoky rose aroma, the flavors are rich and extracted, offering black fruit and cedar with a long, round finish. WW 91-92. An absolute steal at \$14.

Our other recent discoveries include:

• **V Madrone Petite Sirah** - This family winery is owned by Chris Tilley, who actually grew up in Napa Valley, and his wife Pauline. They bought a so-called "ghost winery" about 15 years ago, and now produce cabernet sauvignon, zinfandel and a killer chardonnay. Look them up at vmadrone.com. WW 96.

Ask the Wine Whisperer

How many grapes does it take to make a bottle of wine?

— Tony B., Miami

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— Jerry Greenfield is *The Wine Whisperer*. He is creative director of Greenfield Advertising Group and his book, "Secrets of the Wine Whisperer," is available through his website or on Amazon. Read his other writings at winewhisperer.com.

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CUISINE

The American Gastropub amps up familiar dishes



From left: east, south and west versions of TAG's deviled eggs.

DREW STERWALD / FLORIDA WEEKLY

The term “gastropub” has not really caught on in these parts, even though the concept has. That could change if more places like The American Gastropub, or TAG, embrace the nomenclature.

TAG opened in the Coconut Point mall in Estero in the space recently occupied by Mereday's Brasserie (which itself was sort of a French gastropub, serving food that was rustic but refined).

The American Gastropub offers this definition on its website: “Gastropubs are local eating and drinking establishments that provide good food, good drinks and good company. ... We serve local craft beers, handcrafted cocktails, boutique wines and culinary delights at a reasonable price.”

Not everything we tried on a recent visit was a “culinary delight,” but for the most part TAG is serving distinctive, amped-up pub food in a casual but stylish setting. The décor doesn't exactly have a theme, but the Warholesque prints of farm animals lend an artsy air to contrast the polished wood and contemporary fabrics.

We were seated in a spacious and nicely cushioned crescent-shaped booth across from the bar, which was busy serving drinks through the open windows to the patio tables. Indoors was sparsely occupied at 6 p.m. on a week-night, but it nevertheless took extra time for our drinks to find their way to the table. Desserts were slow to arrive, too. Many of the reviews I saw online mentioned service issues.

The bar was out of the namesake George Dickle Tennessee Whiskey called for in the Re-Dickle-Ous cocktail (\$12), so another brand was substituted. With orange simple syrup and orange bitters, it had a fruity flair and was not skimping on the liquor. From a brief list of a half-dozen reds and half-dozen whites, I enjoyed a glass of 2013 Raymond Fabre Cuvee Pinot Noir (\$7), a drier but typically French take on the varietal.

Appetizers are a mix of familiar and new ideas, from chicken wings and steamed shrimp to chicken-and-waffle sliders and the slightly scary sounding

Buffalo-style grouper cheeks with blue cheese aioli (an odd treatment for such a delicacy).

Deviled eggs are everywhere these days, with over-the-top toppings putting a modern spin on the cocktail-party classic. We sampled three of the four versions TAG names after the compass points, and the results were mixed. South — a pickled egg topped with arugula and chicken skin — was surprisingly bland despite its cute pink hue; east was crowned with miniscule strips of raw tuna, yuzu and micro wasabi; the most flavorful was the west, which paired succulent bison with smoky chipotle and sweet roasted corn salsa. Overall, the garnishes were just too subtle (and “micro”) to achieve the wow factor that can elevate these homey classics in the right hands. And at \$2 per piece — that's half an egg — we've had better for less.

We were more impressed with the Prince Edward Island mussels (\$13), which can be ordered four ways. The #TAG treatment (they like to use hashtags on the menu) was beer broth seasoned with oranges and coriander and with ground and sliced chorizo tossed in. The combination of sweet fruit and warm spices worked well with the abundant shellfish, and we sopped up the sauce with toasted bread. Even a non-mussel lover in our trio was impressed by how tender they were.

Although the delivery of dishes occasionally lagged, the removal of used plates and bowls by several servers was timely and consistent. You might say the staff TAG-teamed the table.

There are small and big plates to consider when it comes to the main course. An intriguing twist on pasta carbonara had pork belly instead of pancetta and a poached egg in place of the traditional whisked egg sauce. A cheeky fascination with jowls, from grouper to porker, is evident in several dishes. And then there are, of course, the ubiquitous flatbreads.

From the sandwich menu we opted for the #TAG burger (\$14), a “custom blend of beef” — surprisingly vague at a time when many a gastropub brags about the pedigree of its proteins. Regardless, it was perfectly cooked medium with a noticeable crust and a juicy, pink center. The toppings were nicely balanced so you could still taste the beef, and the bacon jam added a delectable smoky-salty sweetness. Skin-on fries on the side were obviously hand cut and nicely, evenly cooked.

The Ketchikan rubbed salmon (\$19) showed that the kitchen can handle a more delicate protein. The brown-sugar-crust fillet was just barely cooked through, sort of medium-rare, so it retained its natural juices. A succotash of corn, green beans, asparagus and zucchini showcased the fresh, crisp

vegetables in their best light. But why so skimpy with the smear of delicious celery root purée on the plate? It left me wanting more.

Not so the Charles Elmer short ribs (\$20), which were so hearty I could barely finish them. Apparently named after the root beer baron Charles Elmer Hires, the boneless ribs were braised low and slow in the soda. The beef was melt-in-your-mouth tender, with sweet, licorice-like hints of the sassafras root the drink is made from. Sautéed broccoli rabe brought a contrasting and welcome note of bitterness. The only disappointment with this dish: The johnnycakes served beneath the short ribs were tough, dry and mealy.

A similar toughness appeared in the crust of the deconstructed apple pie (\$9) stuffed into a pint-size canning jar. The cinnamon ice cream was the best part of this dessert. Maybe they should stick with a constructed pie. On the other hand, I wouldn't change a thing about the perfect lemon panna cotta (\$9) garnished with strips of candied zest.

The American Gastropub still has some rough spots to work out, but we liked the vibe and left curious to try more of the food. #WeWillBeBack. ■

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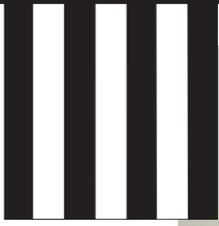
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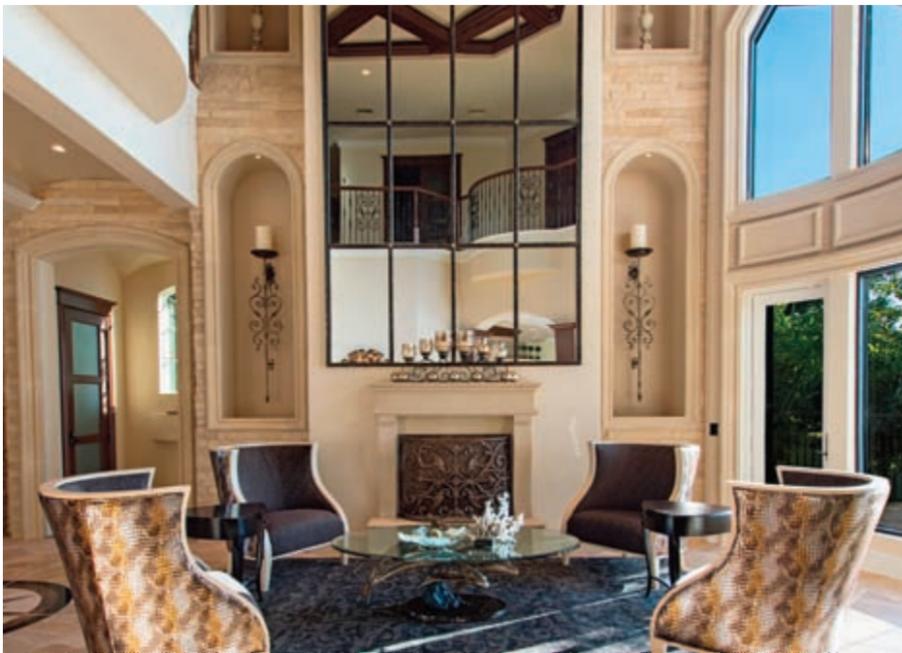
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Over \$100 million in sales recorded at Kalea Bay



The construction site is extremely busy at Kalea Bay, the high-rise community being developed by Soave Real Estate on Vanderbilt Drive in North Naples. The onsite sales center is also very active as potential buyers discover what the gated, resort-lifestyle high-rise community has to offer.

According to Inga Wilson, Kalea Bay's Vice President of Sales & Marketing, sales have been phenomenal.

"In just a 10-day period in early November we sold 5 residences," said Wilson. "That brings our total sales volume at Kalea Bay to over \$100 million."

Construction on the first of five towers began earlier this summer with land clearing, followed by test pilings and then the drilling of the permanent pilings. As of late November, the tower's first floor is visible from Vanderbilt Drive with crews currently working on the second floor, the lobby level.

"I'm also happy to report construction is ahead of schedule," stated Wilson. "That means the first tower at Kalea Bay is slated to be completed in the Summer of 2017."

Kalea Bay is an impressive chapter in the real estate history of Southwest Flor-

ida. The exquisitely designed 22-story tower, with 120 luxury residences, will have 20 floors of residences over two floors of parking.

Six floor plans are available at Kalea Bay with prices currently starting at \$1.3 million. On December 1st there will be a price increase.

Residences 1 and 6 are 4-bedroom/4-bath plans with 3,280 square feet under air and 3,755 total square feet.

Residences 2 and 5 are three-bedroom plus den/three-and-a-half bath plans with 3,280 square feet under air and 3,835 total square feet.

Residences 3 and 4 are four-bedroom/four-bath plans with 3,280 square feet under air and 3,921 total square feet.

All residents of Kalea Bay will revel in spectacular gulf views, open floor plans, a private elevator leading directly into the condominium, nine-foot high ceilings and wood floors throughout

The custom kitchens feature Wolf and Subzero appliances, a natural gas range, Downsview luxury cabinetry, quartz countertops, a Butler's pantry and counter-height oversized island.

The master bedroom has an oversized walk-in closet and the master bath has his and hers vanities, quartz counter-



Above: Kalea Bay's first tower was designed with rooftop amenities, including a pool and fitness center. The 22-story tower, with 120 residences, has 20 floors of residences over two floors of parking. **Below:** Kalea Bay residences have open floor plans with 9-foot high ceilings.

tops, Downsview luxury cabinetry, a soaking tub and separate glass-enclosed shower.

Additional features include floor-to-ceiling windows and doors, high-tech wiring, fully-equipped laundry rooms and wide lanais with transparent glass rails.

"Residents, no matter which floor they choose, will be able to enjoy views of the Gulf of Mexico and nature preserve," said Wilson. "That's because the building's amenities are located on the roof. They include an open-air fitness center, sky lounge and incredible rooftop pool."

The residents and their guests will have quite a view from the tower's roof. Not only will they see the Gulf of Mexico, but two of the best beaches in the country. They include, Barefoot Beach Preserve Park, which was ranked #2, and Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park, which is ranked #9.

In addition to the first tower's rooftop amenities, Kalea Bay will also have a first-class clubhouse area which surely will be the recreational and social center of the community.

"The main amenity area is located on

the north side of the large lake at the community's entrance," said Wilson. "It will include a clubhouse with three individual pools, a pool deck bar, an indoor/outdoor restaurant, a snack bar and an Internet cafe."

But that's not all. Nearby will be the tennis pavilion with six lighted tennis courts and 24 guest suites. There will also be a shuttle service, originating from the clubhouse area, to a designated Gulf beach.

"In addition to our first tower construction has also started at the site of the community's clubhouse," said Wilson. "The first order of business was excavating the locations of the three pools."

According to Wilson, Kalea Bay's main amenity area will be ready for the community's first residents to enjoy immediately upon them moving into their new homes.

For more information regarding Kalea Bay visit the award-winning, onsite sales center. It is located at 13910 Old Coast Road in North Naples. Additional information is available by calling (239) 793-0110 or online at kaleabay.com. ■



Luxury homebuyers attracted by Seaglass at Bonita Bay's exceptional value

As evidenced by the nearly \$70 million in sales processed to date, luxury homebuyers continue to be attracted by the exceptional value offered at the new Seaglass at Bonita Bay high-rise tower to be built by The Ronto Group within the Bonita Bay community in Bonita Springs. Seaglass is redefining the high-rise living experience. Situated nearly 250 feet from its closest neighboring building, the 26-floor, 120-unit tower will feature fully-completed, ready for occupancy residences with designer-selected premium finishes, including flooring, paint, and trim. Each residence will come with two protected access under-building parking spaces. Private enclosed two-car garages will be available.

Ginger Lickley of Premier Sotheby's International Realty has sold five penthouse residences at Seaglass. One penthouse remains available for purchase.

"Seaglass simply offers an exceptional value," she said. "The view corridors overlooking Estero Bay and the Gulf are exquisite. The residences are designed with the tall ceilings and open floor plans that today's homebuyers prefer. From a pure cost standpoint, the Seaglass residences are priced substantially lower than the high rise residences in Pelican Bay, Parkshore Beach, and other locations in the area. When they take into consideration the views, the fact that it is new construction with current designs, the price point, and Bonita Bay's award-winning lifestyle, homebuyers recognize that Seaglass provides outstanding value."

Three luxurious tower residence great room floor plans ranging from 3,353 to 3,946 total square feet are priced from just over \$1 million. The spacious tower residences will include private elevator foyers, large island kitchens, three bedrooms and three-and-a-half baths, or three bedrooms plus a den or fourth bedroom and three-and-a-half baths, walk-in closets throughout the residence, and multiple outdoor spaces that include a gas grill. Ten-foot ceiling heights are included per plan.

The spectacular penthouse residences at Seaglass are priced from \$2.5 million and offer 5,158 to 5,570 total square feet with a private elevator foyer, a large great room, spacious gourmet kitchen, three bedrooms plus a den or fourth bedroom and three-and-a-half baths, or four bedrooms plus a den and four-and-a-half baths. Ceiling heights of 10-foot eight-inches or 11-foot four-inches are included per plan. Several of the penthouse residences feature especially inviting expanded outdoor spaces with exceptionally large terraces with gas grills, including two private rooftop terraces that will be enjoyed by the residents of the penthouses on the building's uppermost floor.

Even given the spacious, inviting designs of the residences and their spectacular views, there is more to the unique Seaglass value proposition than the building itself. Located in close proximity to the beach, the shopping and dining venues at the Promenade and Coconut Point Mall, the Bonita Bay community offers a lifestyle that holds an appeal of its own.

"For homebuyers, the appeal of Seaglass extends beyond the building," said Lickley. "Bonita Bay is a mature community that conveys a fresh look and is acknowledged for the beauty of its natural setting, its hiking and biking trails, the full-service marina, and the private beach park on Little Hickory Island. When you add the amenities available through membership in the Bonita Bay Club, such as the five golf courses, the clubhouse and dining venues, the tennis facility, and the new Lifestyle Center,



Above: The spectacular penthouse residences at Seaglass are priced from \$2.5 million and offer 5,158 to 5,570 total square feet under air. One penthouse residence remains available for purchase. Left: Luxury homebuyers continue to be attracted by the exceptional value offered at the new Seaglass at Bonita Bay high-rise tower to be built by The Ronto Group within the Bonita Bay community in Bonita Springs. Below: The Bonita Bay Club has completed a 60,000 square foot Lifestyle Center that contributed to Bonita Bay being recognized as one of the ten healthiest clubs in America.

The nearly 20,000 square-foot second floor is dedicated to a Fitness Center and Fitness Café. The Fitness Center's Technogym equipment features cardiovascular, strength, functional fitness, and kinesis machines. The Fitness Center includes dedicated rooms for group fitness, spin, Pilates, and Gyrotonics, and a dedicated golf training studio. The Fitness Café serves healthy fast food, freshly made juices, and smooth-

buyers appreciate how much living in a building like Seaglass within a community like Bonita Bay can offer."

The Seaglass tower will connect to a complex with an array of amenities already in place, including a theater, guest suites, card and club rooms, a fitness facility featuring men's and women's spas with steam and massage rooms, a resort-style walk-in pool, and a deck with a covered cabana that includes a bar and grill. Preliminary plans for Seaglass include a rooftop amenity deck for entertaining and enjoying Gulf views and sunsets.

Attractions within Bonita Bay and available through the Bonita Bay Club will contribute to the amenity-rich Seaglass lifestyle. Casual and fine dining, tennis, a fitness center, spa, private beach park, and five championship golf courses are all part of life at Bonita Bay. The full-service Bonita Bay Marina provides access to the Gulf of Mexico. Nature and fitness enthusiasts enjoy Bonita Bay's twelve-mile network of biking and hiking paths. A kayaking and canoeing lodge offers additional recreational possibilities.

After renovating its 50,000 square-foot clubhouse, the Club has completed a



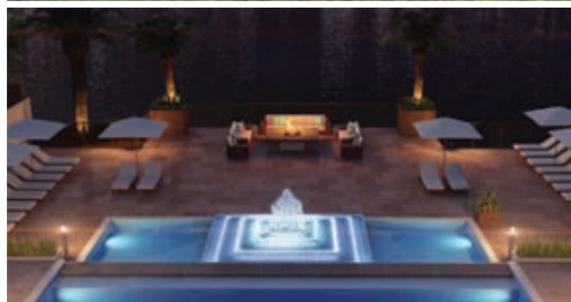
60,000 square foot Lifestyle Center in the Promenade adjacent to Bonita Bay. The Lifestyle Center contributed to Bonita Bay being recognized as one of the ten healthiest clubs in America by Prevo Health Solutions. The Lifestyle Center's 9,000 square foot spa and salon features seven treatment rooms, including a couple's treatment room, men's and ladies' locker rooms and wet areas with dedicated steam, sauna, and whirlpool rooms, relaxation rooms, a coed hair styling area, and a dedicated barber shop.

ies. Menu selections include salads, rice bowls, pressed sandwiches and wraps, and protein selections such as salmon, steamed chicken, grilled lean beef, and protein alternatives for vegetarians.

Visit the Seaglass Sales Center from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and Sundays from noon to 5:00 p.m. The Sales Center is located at 26951 Country Club Drive within Bonita Bay. Connect with Seaglass on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SeaglassAtBonitaBay. ■



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Andalucia: Naples' most sought-after address

FrontDoor Communities has some exciting news to share with potential buyers: its Andalucia community located in the heart of Naples has six beautiful inventory homes available for purchase. At Andalucia, buyers will find the perfect location and amazing amenities all in one. Add in the fact that these are some of the final homes remaining in Andalucia, and that they have an incredible price point not found elsewhere in Naples, and these six homes won't be on the market long.

The available inventory homes at Andalucia have everything today's home buyers desire, including an affordable price. FrontDoor Communities' beautiful homes are priced from the low \$400,000s through the \$500,000s. However, that affordable price doesn't mean that buyers will have to sacrifice luxury finishes or sought-after features.

"We've worked very hard to offer new home buyers a quality-built but affordable home here at Andalucia," said Mike Taylor, division vice president for FrontDoor Communities. "We've been able to incorporate all of the great features our buyers are looking for, as well as fantastic resort-style amenities, into this community. Plus, it's in the perfect location near everything that makes Naples such a desirable place to live. With all of that combined, plus homes that start at \$419,000, we can offer something no other builder in Naples offers."

Showcasing three different floor plans, including the award-winning Seville and Cordoba plans, the inventory homes range from 1,850 to more than 3,900 square feet, and feature one- or two-story layouts complete with two-car garages. In addition, the inventory

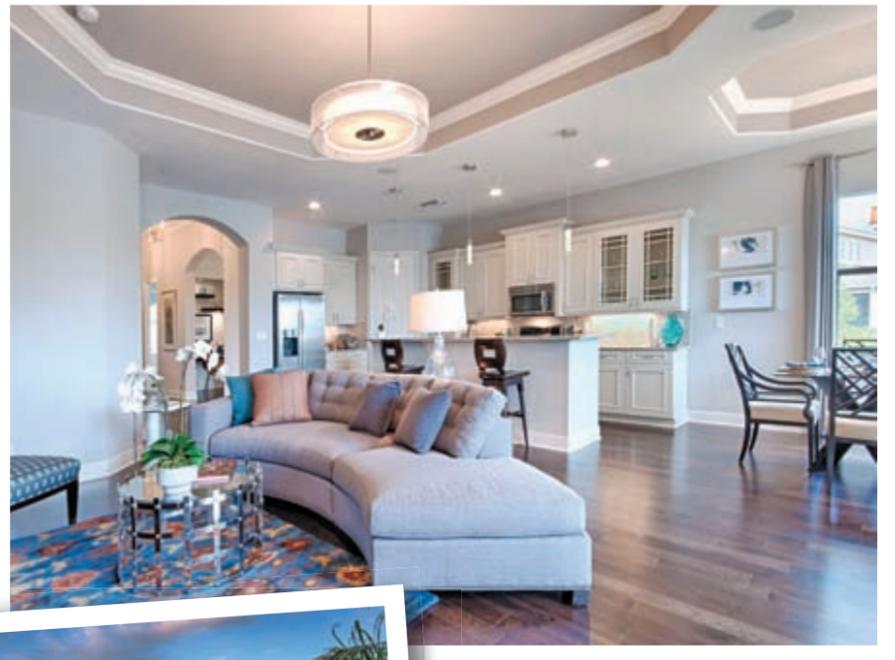
homes offer the choice of a lake or preserve view home site.

The exterior architecture is absolutely breathtaking at Andalucia. Reminiscent of Spanish missions, the homes include tiled roofs, ornamental detail, stucco finishes and arched windows and doorways. The interior features are also impressive and include tile floors, granite countertops, tile backsplashes, stainless steel appliances, beautiful master suites, screened lanais, second story bonus rooms or first story flex space (per plan) and much more.

Andalucia is in the center of it all, just minutes from boutiques and shopping, top beaches, and several of the top golf courses in Florida. Plus, the community is included in the excellent Collier County School District. However, homeowners aren't required to leave home to enjoy fantastic amenities and recreation opportunities. Amenities found within Andalucia include a fitness center with state-of-the-art equipment, a heated lap pool and a whirlpool spa. In addition, the community has a resident's clubhouse with an open gathering room, game room and kitchen, as well as a children's playground with basketball court.

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Meet Mediterra's super models: the award-winning Girona and Capriano

The Girona and Capriano are more than luxury model homes at Mediterra: they're super models.

The two single-family maintenance-free villa homes, built by London Bay Homes and featuring interior design by Romanza Interior Design, received top honors during the Collier Building Industry Association's annual Sand Dollar Awards program. The two floor plans also rank among the most popular in Naples' nine-time Community of the Year.

Mediterra's sixth Girona model owned the "runway," claiming Interior Design of the Year in its price category. The three-bedroom home in the Cortile neighborhood features a bold modern design combining a gray and ivory palette accented with papaya and white, wood, glass, metallic and woven furniture finishes throughout its 3,526 square feet of living space.

The four-bedroom, four-bath Capriano, designed with an open floor plan, an emphasis on outdoor living and a raised spa floating in the middle of the pool, earned Sand Dollar awards for product and pool design.

"These two floor plans are among our most popular because they really capture the spirit of living in Southwest Florida," said Mark Wilson, president and CEO of London Bay Homes. "Although the outdoor lifestyle has been important since we started building luxury homes 25 years ago, today there's even more importance on that connection and approaching outdoor living areas as an extension of the interior."

During the past two years, the majority of the homebuilder's models in Mediterra have sold quickly. Both the Capriano and Girona sold before completion to homeowners who opted to buy on leaseback, which provides visitors an extended opportunity to explore them.

"There's been a sense of urgency to buy our model homes," said Wilson. "Buyers are concerned if they wait, it will be too late. They opt to buy now and benefit from letting their home remain open as a model through our leaseback program. They might not be ready to move in today but don't want to miss out on buying into Mediterra, which is now more than 95 percent sold."

The Girona, featuring interior design by Romanza's Michael Scott, was purchased during framing and is open for viewing through Dec. 15.

The buyers have said they jumped at the opportunity to buy the home and were thrilled with the planned interior design, which features shellstone flooring, furniture with modern silhouettes, a touch of zebra pattern, and box-beamed and tongue-and-groove ceilings.

The Girona offers a formal dining room, study, breakfast nook and an open great room accented with modern design elements. It also connects indoor and outdoor spaces through floor-to-ceiling windows and sliding glass doors, and showcases the home's pool, raised spa and nature preserves.

Designed for outdoor living, the Girona offers a fully equipped summer kitchen and open-air and under-roof seating areas. Its sleek jet-black finished pool is accented with black glass mosaic tiles and two fire bowls flanked by reflecting pools and low-profile cobalt-finished planters.

The model also has a three-car garage, private courtyard and fountain located inside a low wall at the front of the home.

Kim and Jim Gosnell bought the Capriano model shortly after it was



under roof. They walked room by room with their sales representative who showed them on her iPad the planned furniture placement and the coastal-inspired interior design.

"A lot of the furniture and fabrics were what we wanted," said Kim Gosnell. "The designer and I really clicked. The professionals at Romanza were an awesome team to work with. It was perfect. It was the easiest way to look for a new home without having to work from scratch."

The Gosnells also selected the leaseback option. The Capriano is open through April 2016.

Located in Lucarno, a neighborhood reminiscent of a European village, the model offers a library, wine room, a home office adjacent to the kitchen, and a second floor with a lounge and TV area, a guest suite, full bath and morning kitchen/wet bar.

It has 4,402 square feet of living space and an open great room floor plan flowing to a large outdoor living area. Alfresco spaces recall an upscale resort, with multiple seating and dining groups, a summer kitchen, outdoor fireplace, and a large second-floor balcony and sundeck.

The Capriano was designed by Romanza's Jennifer Stevens who conveyed the coastal aesthetic with wood flooring, a vibrant palette of bright blues, indigos, greens and yellows with hints of aqua and tangerine, and weathered wood tones blended with metal, mirrored and silver finishes.

Stevens' design of a previous Capriano model earned a 2014 Aurora Award, recognizing it among the best in the Southeastern U.S.



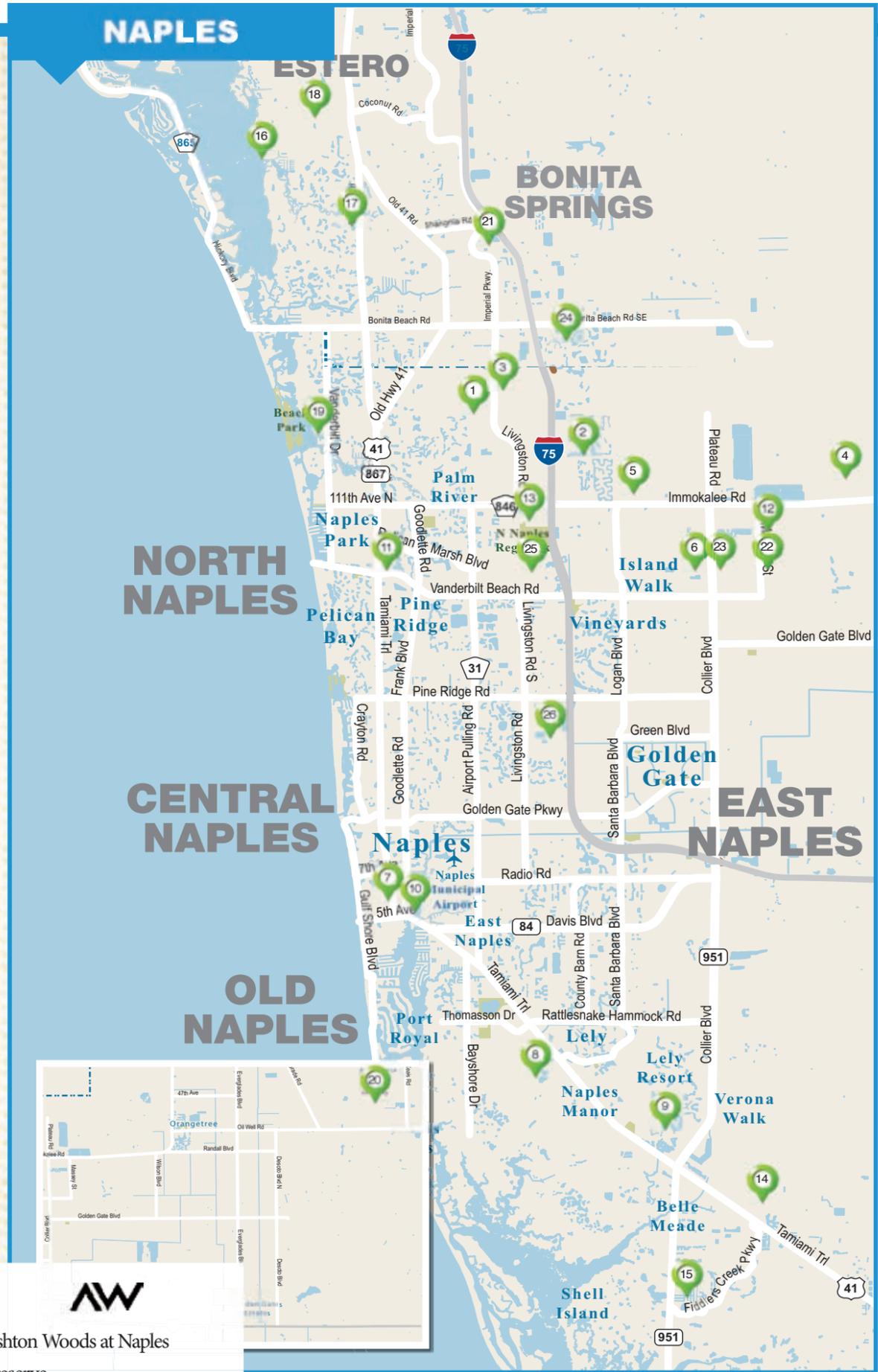
London Bay is currently building two more Capriano models in Mediterra.

"For many buyers there is no substitute for walking through and experiencing a model home," said Wilson, noting several additional luxury models are currently open within the 1,700-acre golf and beach club community. Other models are in various stages of construction and are slated for completion as early as January 2016.

"Our model homes really resonate

with visitors, inspiring and exciting their imaginations," he said. "Buyers get to experience how a floor plan really lives."

For more information about Mediterra's luxury model homes, its amenities and available home designs priced from \$1 million to more than \$7 million, visit www.MediterraNaples.com, call 239-949-8989, or visit Mediterra, located on Livingston Road, two miles north of Immokalee Road and west of I-75. ■



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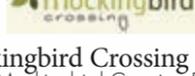
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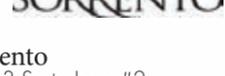
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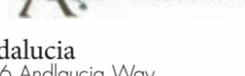
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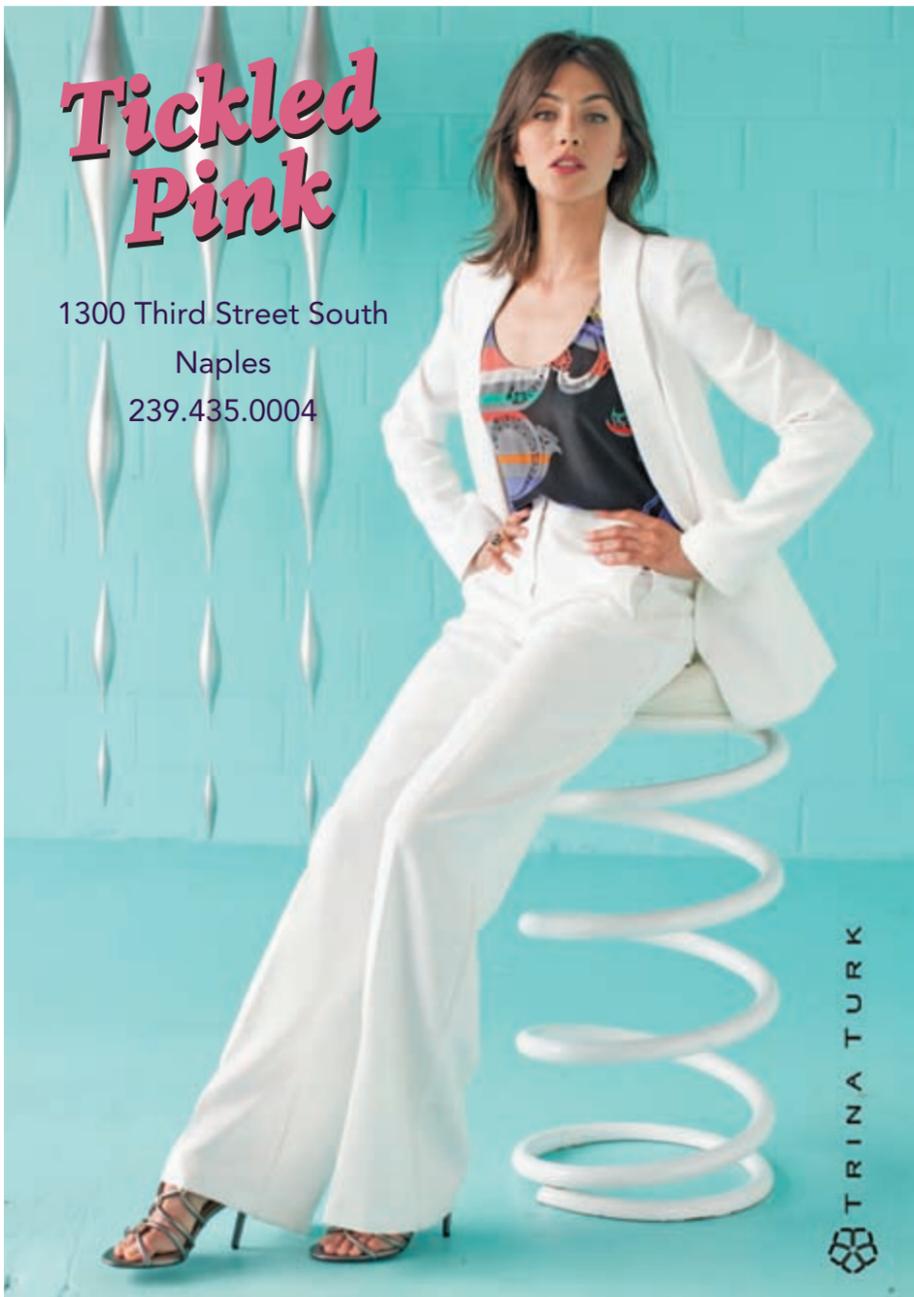
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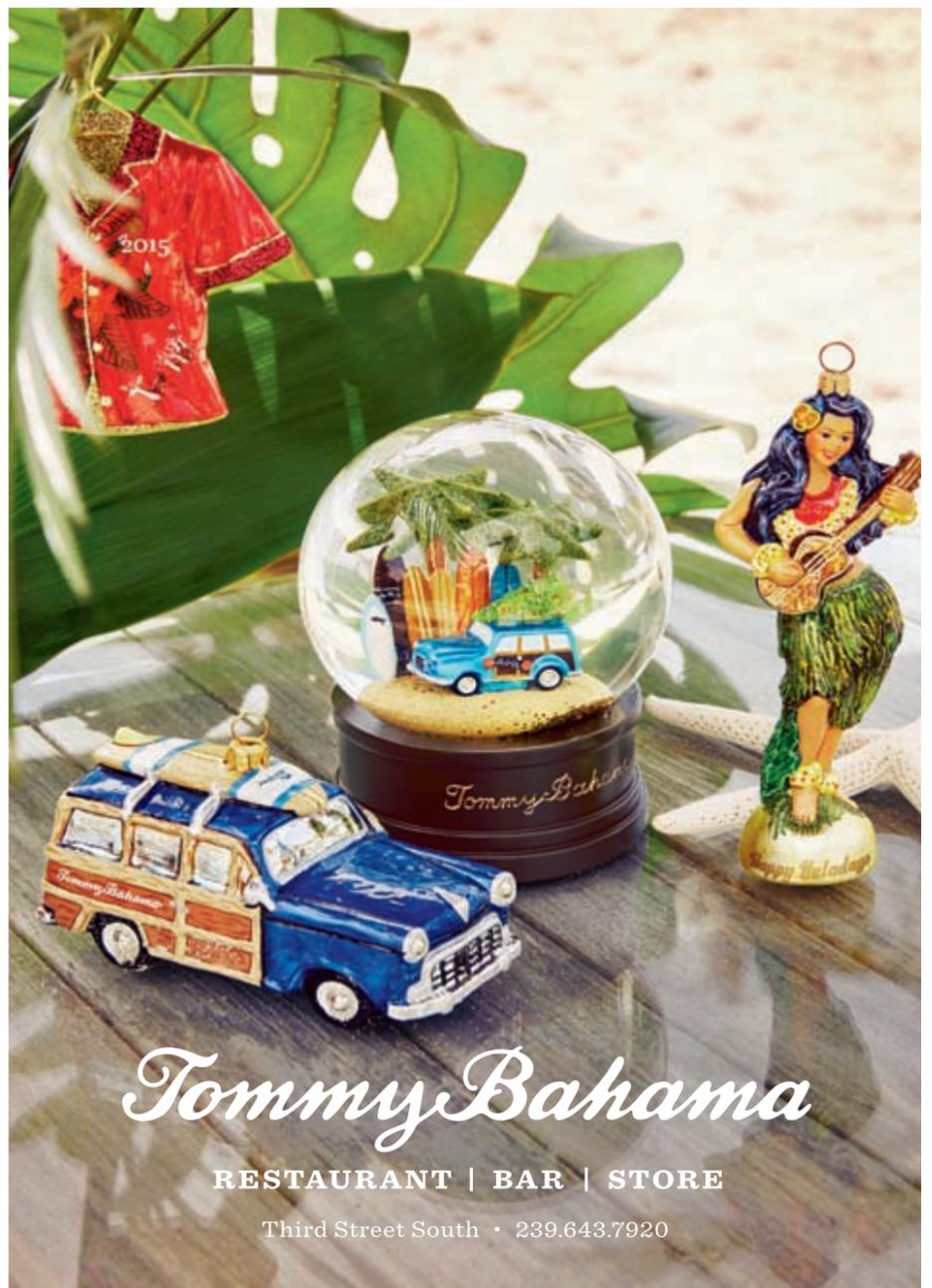
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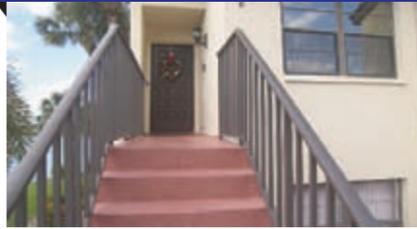
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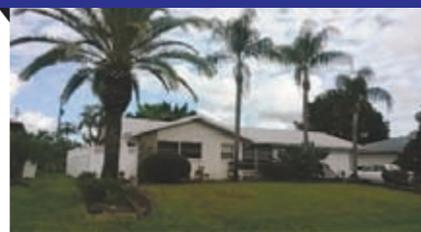
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