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The abuse of prescription drugs, and the illegal black market that has developed for them, is a spreading epidemic. This is a vastly underreported story. According to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, nearly 7 million Americans are abusing prescription drugs. That's more than the number who abuse heroin, cocaine, Ecstasy and hallucinogens combined.

Loopholes in laws have made it too easy for just about anyone to legally get their hands on prescription pill克liners — from addicts who need a fix, to dealers who turn around and sell them. These include operations calling themselves “pill mills,” which are often run by legitimate doctors or medical doctors and hospitals handle the drugs responsibly. This includes many legitimate pain-reliever clinics operating outside of hospitals.

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Life in Naples is a keeper for Trout Scanlan

BY SUSAN BROWN Special to Florida Weekly

Trout Scanlan. Even his name sounds like a character out of a novel.

Indeed, Mr. Scanlan was labeled “Trout” in part due to a debate with a college literature professor regarding author Kurt Vonnegut’s fictional character, Kilgore Trout. Mr. Scanlan voiced the opinion that Kilgore Trout served as a third-party voice to Mr. Vonnegut’s personal observations; his professor vehemently disagreed, which further entrenched Mr. Scanlan’s position. Coupled with Mr. Scanlan’s fondness for trout fishing, the name stuck. (Ironic, because Mr. Scanlan isn’t the kind of person who finds it necessary to rely upon an alter ego to advance his point of view.)

Despite being born in Dublin, Ireland, Mr. Scanlan spent much of his life in Kansas City, Mo., before settling in Naples 20 years ago. By the time he arrived in Collier County, he possessed a wealth of experience in sales, advertising and the radio broadcast industry.

He says he didn’t set out specifically to come to Naples, but when he arrived, it felt like home. “I’ve always been drawn to the beach. He bought a home and embraced life here in paradise.

He lived within walking distance to the beach. He bought a second home in Everglades City and discovered backwater fishing, which he did nearly every weekend for the next seven years. He opened an ad agency where he revolutionized the local scene; he searched for the local flavor of the people at each stop along the way.

“A Naples was a sleepy little town, with a small town feel,” he remembers. The beauty of the area captivated him, and even old Naples offered affordable housing opportunities in those days. He bought a home and embraced life here in paradise.

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In 2003, he opened a retail business marketing his street rods. He offered “drivers” (reasonably priced, roadworthy cars intended for regular use) as opposed to “trailer queens” (costly collector vehicles often used only for display at car shows). He chuckles as he recalls the definition articulated by one high-end street rod owner: “Owning a trailer queen is like being married to the Playmate of the Year, and sleeping on the couch.”

Although Mr. Scanlan’s cars attracted a great deal of attention, sales were sluggish and the insurance and overhead costs were staggering. He closed his retail location in 2005. Despite being “car rich and cash poor,” he maintains a good sense of humor about it all.

Ms. Traxler says her husband’s sense of humor is one of his best attributes. Mr. Scanlan encountered some life-threatening health issues in 2005; now anytime he goes to see his surgeon, he wears a T-shirt emblazoned with the words, “I’m not dead yet.”

Not even close.

15 MINUTES
Shopper
top demographic.

Retail analysts have expanded the outlet shopper demographic.

The early days of irregular cast-offs and second-hand merchandise.

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an award-winning South Florida reporter who covers welfare, social services and immigration for The News-Press. Also on the panel will be Christine Buckley, a former Los Angeles Times reporter, Paris-based freelance journalist and author of “Slave Hunter,” a non-fiction account of human trafficking.

Ms. Buckley, who has family in Naples, lived in Vietnam from 2003 to 2006 and served as an editor for the daily English language newspaper Vietnam News. During that time, she learned about the country’s many street children and the problems they faced, including slavery. In early 2007, she met American human rights activist Aaron Cohen at an anti-slavery conference in Florida. His often controversial efforts to combat human trafficking became the subject of her book.

Ms. Buckley believes it wasn’t enough to write a book that simply described a problem. “Slave Hunter” concludes with ways that readers can support anti-trafficking efforts.

“Once person does make a difference, and can make a difference, and here’s how,” she says.

Part of that begins with recognizing the role developed countries unwittingly play in cultivating conditions that are right for slavery to flourish. “We’re a big part of the problem,” she says. “If we stop consuming the products and services that slaves make, we can actually put a dent in the problem.”

It’s estimated that 600,000 to 800,000 people are trafficked across international borders each year. Victims end up working in agriculture, sweatshops, domestic service, the hospitality industry and prostitution. The Web site www.HumanTrafficking.org reports that 14,000 to 17,500 people, primarily women and children, are trafficked annually to the United States.

Combating the problem requires education and vigilance, Ms. Theiss says, adding the public needs to recognize the hallmark signs of evidence of physical or psychological control, the inability to leave a job, and fear or depression.

Too often, she says, those who suspect something decide not to contact law enforcement. “They need to know it’s OK to call.”

A recent Florida State University report suggests that trafficking within the hospitality and resort community is on the rise. So, too, is domestic minor sex trafficking, meaning that the victims are born within the United States.

Ms. Theiss’ organization is a finalist for a national grant to create a prevention program that will help American-born girls learn about trafficking from Guatemalan women who are former victims. The hope is that the girls will learn to avoid being victims of domestic trafficking, and that they will also become anti-trafficking spokespersons.

For more information about the event or the Naples Press Club, visit www.naplespressclub.org. For more information about Ms. Theiss’ organization, visit www.humantraffickingawareness.com.

For more information about Ms. Rambacher’s organization, visit www.miracleinaction.org.
William Safire’s “Drinking in America: A History” is not a book on traveling around to soak up the wonders of these great United States, as I thought. It is rather a book about the history of drinking, as in alcohol, a mainstay since the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth.

One of the best known quotes on “the drink” from Mr. Safire’s book is credited to Warren Fuller, governor of Florida from 1949 to 1953: “If you mean the demon drink that poisons the mind, pollutes the body, desecrates family life and inflames sinners, then I’m against it. But if you mean the elixir of Christmas cheer, the shield against winter chill, the taxable revenue from 1949 to 1953, I’m for it. This is my position, and I will not compromise!”

I guess Mr. Fuller learned from history when on Jan. 16, 1920, triumphant temperance supporters clicked their teacups and spilled on the beans about his parents’ frequent cocktails parties. He served at his house, the polite youngster unsuspecting stool pigeon if whiskey was spilled on him by the judge. He told me that back then, a snowbird would say, “in the beginning of Prohibition, it fell short of its goals. While alcohol consumption fell in houses and improve health and hygiene in America. But it fell short of its goals. While alcohol consumption fell in the beginning of Prohibition, it eventually increased and worse, it opened the way for other medicinal sources such as marijuana and opium, which forced its former proponents to argue against the very amendment for which they fought so feverishly.

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Drinking and thinking

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How dry I am — not

It wasn’t until Nov. 7, 1934, that Prohibition was repealed in Collier County by a vote of 212-38. Before that, it was not only the outlaw areas of Chokoloskee and Everglades City whose individuals pushed the envelope of the no drinking law (ran over it was more like it); the refined city of Naples was always only a “gulp” away from lawlessness.

Naples of the gulp

Dr. Early Baum was a regular to Naples and saw with great amusement the “easy running” of rum in and out of the City Pier in plain sight of the Coast Guard cutter. In honor of the duality that Prohibition brought forth to most communities, he paid tribute to the law’s lighter side with a home movie called “Naples on the Gulf” featuring local citizens.

These days you can learn about local lore from local yokels by simply knowing where to look: usually in a corner seat at the end of the bar near a waterfront.

At Bayfront’s Cabana Bar, an old timer told me that back then, a snowbird would put a 10-cent bag of marbles in his drawders (steamer trunk drawers, that is) to hide the sound of $20 bottles of Cuban rum or Canadian Club rolling around. The look of “All I Got Was This Louisy T-Shirt from Florida” when they arrived home was replaced with a sincere voice of thanks.

One of my favorite hooch stories is of 13-year-old John Pulling (as in Airport-Pulling Road), who was fishing around the pier one morning when a Coast Guard captain invited him aboard for a private tour. When the captain asked the unsuspecting stool pigeon if whiskey was served at his house, the polite youngster spilled on the beans about his parents’ frequent cocktails parties.
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P&G hires NYC bathroom bloggers

Procter & Gamble announced in October that it will once again create and host a public restroom for the holiday season in New York City’s Times Square as a promotion for Charmin tissue. Last year’s installation was merely a specially outfitted toilet facilities, but this year P&G will upgrade by hiring five bloggers (“Charmin Ambassadors”) to “interact” with the expected “hundreds of thousands of bathroom guests” and write about their experiences with Charmin tissue on the company’s Web site (and include “family-friendly” photographs). P&G is calling the campaign “Enjoy the Go.”

Compelling explanations

➤ “Therapeutic.” Sec. 01) The U.S. Tax Court ruled in September that William Halby, 78, owes back taxes because he improperly tried to deduct $300,000 over a five-year period for “medical” expenses that were merely purchases of sex toys and pornography and payments to prostitutes. Halby said the activities relieved his “depression,” in that he had no other sexual outlets. The court remanded Halby (a retired New York tax lawyer) that prostitution is illegal. Sec. 02) Judge Denny Chin gave Chiscolm 30 days to better chain his complaint but dismissed it finally on Oct. 23. BBC News reported that the first amount, which is 1/34 followed by 21 zeros, is more money than exists on the planet.)

The litigious society

With lawsuits piling up on Bank of America during the current economic downturn, Dalton Chiscolm found a new angle. In September, he sued the bank in federal court in New York City for inadequate customer service concerning his checks’ routing numbers and asked for damages of “1,784 billion dollars” plus an additional “$200,040,000.” Judge Denny Chin gave Chiscolm 30 days to better chain his complaint but dismissed it finally on Oct. 23. BBC News reported that the first amount, which is 1/34 followed by 21 zeros, is more money than exists on the planet.)

Leadership in action

➤ New Jersey’s Least-Savvy Politician: In a courtroom in October, Atlantic City (N.J.) Councilman (and Baptist minister) Eugene Robinson, 67, explained that he had no intention of having sex that night in November 2006 when a prostitute tricked him into a motel tryst (as a set-up by his political enemies). “I was waiting for God to send me the (woman) that’s (destined) to be my Christian wife,” he said, and since he hadn’t had sex “since 1989,” he said he thought this was the chosen woman. Robinson, now in poor health, did not run for re-election.

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Designers Flea Market will benefit programs for homeless children

Judith Liegeois Designs and Blue Pear Floral Design host the first Designers Flea Market from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, in the parking lot behind Judith Liegeois Designs at 851 Fourth Ave. S. All proceeds will benefit Youth Haven’s homelessness prevention programs for children in Collier County.

Among the participating interior and floral designers, clothing and home accessories merchants who will sell their wares are 50 Fifty Creative Services, Helen Febbo, Holly Manneck, Jan Borchers, Maison Auclair Shellart, Marissa Collections, Naples Wine Shop, Peach Tree Designs, Room Interior Philosophy, Regan Reed/Beautiful Home, The Garden Gallery, Ysabel LeMay and Santa Planet.

Latest statistics show that there are more than 750 homeless children in Collier County. “Our community leaders cannot work to put together solution-based initiatives to address an issue unless they know it exists,” said Anne Dancu of Blue Pear Floral Design. “As a design community, we have come together to give what we have in hopes of raising awareness of the homeless situation that is escalating every year, to the detriment of our community’s most treasured children.”

For more information, contact Anne Dancu at Blue Pear Floral Design, 434-8822, or Bette Foster at Judith Liegeois Designs, 430-6811.

Holiday bazaar happens Saturday

The United Methodist Women’s Group of North Naples United Methodist Church holds its holiday bazaar from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14.

In addition to Thanksgiving and Christmas items and the traditional baked goods, there will be handmade quilts, children’s gifts, “pre-loved” jewelry, a white elephant sale and live entertainment. A tearoom and luncheon are also planned.

All proceeds will benefit area children’s charities. For more information, call Jane Page at 784-5779.

St. Matthew’s House plans Fall Festival and Food Drive

St. Matthew’s House will hold its second annual Fall Festival and Food Drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15, at Fleischmann Park in downtown Naples. Enjoy holiday shopping under the pavilion at the Thrift Store Mobile Boutique, live bluegrass music from Russ Morrison and area musicians, family holiday photography by Brian Gore, food, free games for the kids and much more.

Praise FM will be on hand with chances to spin and win with its prize wheel. The St. Matthew’s House truck will be in the parking lot for donations of non-perishable food to replenish its pantries and for its Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday meal giveaways.

For more information, call Julie Clay at 298-5026.
Kids Rock the Park activities take place from 1:30-3 p.m. on the third Sunday of the month at the Naples Park Area Association building on the 104th Avenue North. Games, arts and crafts, fun learning activities, prize boxes, reading buddies, and holiday parties are designed for elementary school aged children. Parents must accompany their youngsters. Coming up:

- **Nov. 15**: Walt Timony Entertainment will create balloon masterpieces, and Zumba dancer Judy Murphy will teach children a “Thriller” routine. Parents are asked to bring a Thanksgiving appetizer if they can.
- **Dec. 20**: Christmas cookies and ornaments made with shells.
- **Jan. 17**: Bingo for kids and grown-ups.

Kids Rock the Park is part of an initiative to increase the membership of the Naples Park Area Association with activities for all ages.

Membership is also open to people who live outside Naples Park. The association is seeking donations of good-quality, clean and small, gently used or new toys for its prize box (please, no stuffed animals). For more information, call the Naples Park Area Association at 596-2222 or e-mail Sharon Kurtz at runaways9999@comcast.net.

### ‘Kids Rock the Park’

Would you like to sell your homegrown vegetables or try out your new business idea? North Naples United Methodist Church is accepting applications for vendors for its entrepreneur-friendly Art & Farmers Market featuring local produce, arts, crafts and homemade items.

The weekly market begins Saturday, Nov. 21, and continues through Saturday, April 17. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Marine Corps League poker run

The Marine Corps League of Collier County will hold its first-ever poker run to benefit the 2009 Toys for Tots campaign on Saturday Dec. 5. The run will start at 8:30 a.m. at Naples Harley Davidson on Pine Ridge Road and end at Chris-sy’s Bianchi Restaurant at 3840 Tamiami Trail, across from the Collier County Courthouse, with stops along the way at Fred’s Diner, The Bean at Ave Maria, Iron Rhino Saloon and Homer Heler’s Military Emporium.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. Entry fee is $20 per bike and a new, unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots. There is also a $10 passenger fee.

For more information, call Bob Kemp at 566-2416.

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The 20th annual Naples Bay Christmas Boat Parade is set to launch along a new route at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12. Decorated in a Caribbean theme, the boats will stage in the area of Naples Boat Club and Naples Sailing & Yacht Club and will ply the waters south to the Naples City Dock, where they will pass in review before a committee of judges before continuing down the bay to just north of marker 27 (approximately at the end of Royal Harbor), where they will turn around to head north up the bay to Pincher's Crab Shack at Tin City and the Gordon River Bridge.

Prime viewing spots will be Pincher's Crab Shack, Riverwalk Restaurant, Naples City Dock, Naples Landing, Kelly's Fish House, The Boat House Restaurant and Cove Inn. The new route will not pass Bayview Park.

The Captain's Meeting, a requirement for all who wish to participate, is set for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9, at Pincher's Crab Shack.

The holiday boat parade is sponsored by the Marine Industries Association of Collier County Foundation and MarineMax of Naples to benefit The Ricky King Fund, a foundation that since 1978 has provided financial support for the medical needs of local children. Other sponsors include America Marine Fuel, Sea Tow Naples, Pincher's Crab Shack at Tin City, City of Naples, The Boat House Restaurant, Riverwalk and The Dock Restaurants, Café La Mer & Bistro and Kelly's Fish House.

Frank Perrucci, president of MIACC, is chairman of the parade. Entry forms are available at the MIACC office as well as online at www.miacc.org. For more information, call 261-0882 or e-mail director@miacc.org.

Learn about fascinating Fakahatchee area

The Friends of Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve are holding a Fakahatchee Coastal Cruise complete with a gourmet picnic and talk about the area's rich history on Saturday, Nov. 21. Participants will meet at 1 p.m. at Everglades National Park in Everglades City and will be ferried to Fakahatchee Island by Everglades National Park Boat Tours for a guided walk. The group will return to Everglades City by 6 p.m.

This is a unique opportunity to learn about the outer islands west of Chokoloskee in Fakahatchee Bay and to see the Ten Thousand Islands ecology, which has not changed in more than 50 years. Tickets are $90 per person, and space is limited. For more information and reservations, call 695-2905 or visit www.friendsoffakahatchee.org.
Conservancy’s ‘Mommy and Me’ puppet shows teach kids about Southwest Florida wildlife

Alligator, Manatee, Crow and Vulture are the puppet stars in the all-new environment education program at The Conservancy of Southwest Florida. The puppet series designed for children ages 3-5 begins Tuesday, Nov. 24, in conjunction with the “Mommy and Me” program in the auditorium at the Conservancy Nature Center.

Subsequent programs, all running Tuesdays from 2-3 p.m., are set for Dec. 1, 8 and 15. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost is $12 for mom and child Conservancy members and $4 for each additional child; non-members pay $15 for mom and child and $5 for each additional child.

Fun and factual, each 20-minute show is designed to teach youngsters about animals in Southwest Florida, including what they eat, how they find food and shelter and why they are so important to our environment. Nature activities, games and sometimes a live animal encounter follow each puppet show.

In “Natural Café” on Nov. 24, the chef greets Alligator, Manatee, Crow and Vulture for a special dinner (just for the animals) that explains what wild animals eat and how their diet compares with our own. This show features a live animal.

In “Water, Water Everywhere” on Dec. 1, the audience will learn how and why water is essential for life as they follow Alligator, Manatee, Crow and Vulture on their quest for water. They’ll learn why Southwest Florida’s water habitats are so important and why the animals are counting on people to help preserve them.

“Where’s Wildlife?” is the title of the Dec. 8 show in which Conservancy naturalists will follow Alligator, Manatee, Crow and Vulture to learn what their homes look like, why they are so special and why they need us all to help protect them.

The final show on Dec. 15 is about “Critter Care” in an animal hospital. Alligator, Manatee, Crow and Vulture face many dangers out in the wild and become patients at the Conservancy’s clinic. Children will learn about the most common wildlife injuries and see how animals are cared for as well as what they can do to help.

Registration in advance is required for each program. Sign up online at www.conservancy.org or by calling 262-0304, ext. 266.

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida and Conservancy Nature Center are at 1450 Merrihue Drive off of Goodlette Road.
When it comes to bugs, it’s all about balancing good and bad

BY LOIS BOLIN
Special to Florida Weekly

Calling insects beneficial seems contradictory. Most of us think of insects as “bad bugs.” We buy bug spray and pesticides hoping insects will disappear for good.

Think about the saying, “Be careful what you wish for, you might just get it.” Let’s consider what would happen if all bugs went away.

Only 1 percent of the more than 1 million species of insects worldwide are considered pests; the other 99 percent are vital in our food chain. Insects feed birds, fish and other animals. Bees and butterflies pollinate fruit and vegetables. Insects that burrow aerate soil and break down organic material (such as leaves) that adds nutrients to Florida’s sandy soil.

We use more pesticides here in Florida than any other state except one. Pesticides are poisonous to insects, our environment and to us if we don’t use them carefully. Most pesticides are not selective. They do not differentiate between a beneficial honeybee and an aphid.

There are times when we need pesticides, but we must weigh the hazards against the benefits. Sometimes we use a pesticide when it isn’t needed.

Yellow leaves on hibiscus and gar- denia can be due to nutrient deficiency and soil conditions; no pesticide necessary. White spots on African violet and soil conditions; no pesticide necessary. Yellow leaves on hibiscus and gardenia can be due to nutrient deficiency and soil conditions; no pesticide necessary. White spots on African violet

Just because an insect is on a plant doesn’t mean it’s causing harm. Many of us know lady beetles (bugs) are “good bugs.” There are many species in Florida. Both adults and larvae feed on aphids, mites, immature scales and some insects. I don’t know many people who are fond of spiders, but all spiders eat a wide variety of annoying insects, including mosquitoes.

One of the most beneficial insects is the lacewing. These delicate green insects with golden eyes eat aphids and scale insects. Those pesky earwigs you find around sinks and tubs in your house are also beneficial. They feed onchin bugs and the mole crickets that plague your lawn.

Parasitic wasps help control overabundance of many insects. There are 2,000 kinds of parasitic wasps in Florida. They keep any one insect species from taking over an area.

Sometimes good bugs are mistaken for lookalike bad bugs. One example is the larvae of the lady beetle, which look like the harmful mealy bug. Lady beetle larvae move about by themselves while stinkbugs without spurs might eat your garden. Stinkbugs with spurs on their backs

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Guided trips resume soon
Guided day and moonlight canoe trips and hikes resume for the season in December at Collier-Seminole State Park. The first moonlight trip is Tuesday, Dec. 1; the first day trip is Wednesday, Dec. 2, and the first night hike is Monday, Dec. 14. Call 392-3397 for more information. In the meantime:

Rent a canoe: Paddle down the Blackwater River through a mangrove forest toward the Gulf of Mexico. Rentals available from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily.

Hike 11 miles of trails: Experience pine flatwoods, cypress areas and rare royal palm hammocks. One of three trails is interpretative, another allows for off-road biking, and a third has a remote campsite. Be sure to stop to register at the ranger station for the two longer trails and call ahead to reserve the campsite. Trails are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

The park also offers picnicking, birding, fishing, camping, a boat ramp and a chance to see the historic “walking dredge” that was used to build the Tamiami Trail. Entrance to the park is $20/2020 U.S. 41 East, eight miles east of Highway 951. Park entrance fee is $4 for up to eight people in a car; there is an additional fee for camping.

Thoughts of good bugs and bad bugs can lead us to think of a control needed at all.■
Sawfish sightings are rare in Southwest Florida waters

Fort Myers Capt. Steve Waugh told me recently about fishing in the early ‘90s as a boy and seeing hundreds of sawfish, a funny looking fish that has a bill-like feature that looks like, of course, a saw. These fish are about 2 feet long when they’re born and can grow to 20 feet and 700 pounds.

Fast forward to the early ‘90s, when Capt. Randall Marsh moved here post-college to try his hand as a fishing guide while he figured out what career to pur-

It was an aggressive fish. “I thought it’d be like a shark — you could arch its back and it wouldn’t be able to come all the way around. But it wasn’t like that,” he said.

“The fish felt like sandpaper — a sharkish-sawfishy feel.”

That makes sense. Sawfish swim like sharks but are actually more closely relat-
ed to rays, in part because their gill slits are on the bottom of their bodies like stingrays. They use their saw to disrupt the bottom and stir up prey. They also slash through schools of small fish, stunn-
ing or cutting them before they gobble them up.

That saw is also used for defense against the sawfish’s primary predator: sharks.

The reason for the species’ decline off Florida and U.S. shores is because saw-

fish often were caught as bycatch in commercial and recreational fisheries and because they don’t reproduce very rapidly. They were easily and often unintentionally captured because their saws would become entangled in fishing nets.

Sawfish were often land-
ed in recreational fish-

eries because their saw was a popular trophy item.

So they disappeared.

The three spots where Mr. Marsh has seen sawfish all were within sight of each other where the Caloosahatchee flows into San Carlos Bay.

That’s also where Mr. Waugh recalls seeing hundreds of the comic-book-looking fish in the 50s.

Mr. Marsh, who is on the water 250 days a year, still can’t believe he saw one so close.

He reported the fish to the state and sent in photos. He received three calls back within 24 hours from representative of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conserva-
tion Commission and the National Saw-

fish Encounter Data Base.

“I didn’t read my horoscope that day, but I feel lucky to have caught one, to have a picture with one,” he said.

I imagine the state feels lucky to have those photos and the report, too.

Although scientists are studying sawfish statewide, the federal funding for a research project under way focuses on Southwest Florida.

There’s a general lack of biologi-
cal and ecological information on the fish, so it makes it hard for scientists to deter-
mine how to help the species recover.

Anglers and boaters who sight sawfish are asked to call the hotline at (941) 255-
7403 or e-mail sawfish@myfwc.com.

You can get information about how to proper-
ly handle them at http://research.myfwc.

com/sawfish.

— Betsy Clayton is a freelancer based in Southwest Florida.

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Remarkable things are happening at Kensington Golf & Country Club!

A member-owned and financially-stable club in the heart of Naples, offering Robert Trent Jones Jr.’s "Crown Jewel" championship course, is nearing completion of a $5 Million clubhouse renovation. Kensington’s other "Crown Jewel" is scheduled to reopen in November.

Memberships available starting under $10,000. Catering and Private Event Space available.

For more information on membership opportunities or to talk about hosting a holiday party or wedding at Kensington, please contact Lindsey LaCroix at 239.213.1983 or visit www.kensingtoncc.com.

“Movement in the Elderly: How to Keep Your Muscles Young” is the topic of a program from 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18, at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbor Drive. Health care professionals and the public are welcome to attend. There is no cost.

Dr. Ron Garry, the medical advisor of the Parkinson’s Association of Southwest Florida, will give practical advice on how the elderly can exercise to benefit their bodies and minds. He will discuss the benefits of working with a physician-geriatrician and/or certified personal fitness expert to enhance muscle strength and flexibility and to explain the meaning of movement disorder. Space is limited, and RSVPs are requested. Call 407-3465 no later than Tuesday, Nov. 17.

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Parkinson’s Association doctor will give free presentation

Avow Hospice community center groundbreaking

Ground has been broken for a new community center on the campus of Avow Hospice. The center will have space for support group meetings, educational programs and staff functions. Construction is expected to be complete in summer 2010. Celebrating at the groundbreaking are, left to right: Phil Krieg, Lori Wegman, George Walters, Brenda O’Connor, Tom Hennings, Jeff Marshalt, Karen Rollins, Keith Wilbur, Jeff Merrill, Jim Krall, Bob Carsetio, Maureen Christiansen and Tammie Nemecck.

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Every 70 seconds, someone in the United States will develop Alzheimer’s disease. Although there is no cure and the disease is fatal, new treatments are on the horizon as a result of accelerating insight into the biology of the disease.

“Research has shown that effective care and support can improve quality of life for individuals and their caregivers over the course of the disease from diagnosis to the end of life,” says Colin Marshall, executive director of Harbor Memory Care of North Collier.

Cruise for a Cure, sponsored by Harbor Memory Care and Cruise Naples, among others, will set sail from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, to raise funds for The Alzheimer’s Association-Florida Gulf Coast Chapter. Boarding will begin at 4:15 p.m. on the M/V Double Sunshine at Tin City. The 100-foot open-air yacht will set out on a 90-minute sunset cruise through Naples Bay, past the waterfront estates of Port Royal. Refreshments onboard will be provided by Catermasters of Naples, and entertainment will be by Jeannie Upton.

The Alzheimer’s Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer care, support and research. Its mission is to eliminate Alzheimer’s disease through the advancement of research and to provide and enhance care and support for those who are affected.

The cost of Cruise for a Cure is $39 per person. Seating is limited, and reservations can be made by calling Mr. Marshall at 540-0300 or e-mail cmarshall@braonline.net.

Volunteers needed to drive cancer patients to treatment

Lack of transportation is one of the biggest challenges many cancer patients face, and the American Cancer Society needs more volunteers willing to help patients get to treatment.

Many patients need daily or weekly cancer care, and some patients don’t have a car or are too sick to drive. That’s where American Cancer Society volunteers come in. The Road to Recovery program connects volunteer drivers with patients in need of a ride to treatment. Volunteers need a valid driver’s license, a safe and reliable vehicle and proof of adequate automobile insurance. They will also undergo a brief training session. The next training session in Naples is coming up Tuesday, Nov. 17.

To find out more about Road to Recovery, or to learn about other volunteer opportunities with the local office of the American Cancer Society, call (800) 227-0300 or e-mail cmarshall@braonline.net.

Salon celebration will benefit American Cancer Society

Carol Ambrosini, the new owner of Salon Delphine, is holding an open house and fundraiser for the American Cancer Society from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15. The salon is at 7700 Tamiami Trail N., and fundraiser for the American Cancer Society from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15. The salon is at 7700 Tamiami Trail N. The public is welcome. For more information, call the salon at 566-9907.

“Mari was a true inspiration to everyone and is also deserving of much appreciation for her business achievements. Because of her, I am very proud to carry on the name of the Salon Delphine,” Ms. Ambrosini says.

The public is welcome. For more information, call the salon at 566-9907.
Tips can help you get through flu season

BY MEREDITH MOSS
Special To Florida Weekly

Your kid is feverish and feeling crummy but you can’t get through to your pediatrician to ask advice.

It’s a scene being repeated around the country as medical offices are inundated with calls from worried moms and dads.

“There is definitely a high level of anxiety in the community but in the overwhelming majority of cases the child can be kept at home and be treated like any other winter flu,” said David Roer, a pediatrician at Pediatric Associates in Dayton, Ohio, area. Dr. Roer said he and his colleagues are now into the fifth week of seeing viral-like illness and influenza, and have extended office hours as a result.

Concerned parents whose children are truly ill, he added, should definitely keep calling. Dr. Roer said many of the current calls, however, relate to the availability of the H1N1 vaccine and those calls are preventing parents with truly ill children from getting through to make an appointment.

“We're seeing a 60 percent increase in patients in the emergency room and our two urgent care centers, and most of these kids coming in could be treated at home,” she said. "I completely understand that parents are nervous, but they should try to treat symptoms at home unless their child has an underlying condition such as asthma, diabetes or heart problems. Then, I would definitely watch your child closely and call the doctor or come into the hospital if there are concerns." Dr. Roer said it is always best to be seen by your child’s own doctor.

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“When you have a high fever your child will appear lethargic,” he explained, “but if you give them Tylenol or Motrin to lower their temperature and the child is less lethargic and becomes more alert, that's not as concerning.”

Dr. Roer said it is always best to be seen by your child’s own doctor.

“You’ll sit in a hospital waiting room for hours and hours, and your physician knows your child’s history and any other complications,” he said.

Betsy Woods, public relations manager for Children’s Medical Center of Dayton, said the hospital is also advising concerned parents to contact their pediatrician or family doctor.

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Phone lines at a doc’s office are busy, Dr. Roer said, for the first two hours after the office opens, so parents are better off trying later in the day.

Mr. Wharton said a child who is not right, have your child seen.”

Meanwhile, NCH continues to meet the relatively low incidence of H1N1 flu. Happily, we have had no ICU admissions at NCH, nor have we had any deaths in Collier County due to flu. On average, we have averaged fewer than 10 admissions per week with flu or complications and about 250 emergen-

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Infectious diseases have been the scourge of mankind since the begin-
ning of time. Unfortunately, the “bugs” are getting smarter and more resilient, which means we must con-
tinue to be vigilant in fighting infec-
tions. (Overall, society's best defense against infectious diseases is the use of effective sanitation — our sewer systems.)

At Naples Community Hospital we are very much on the case to prevent hospital-acquired infections and limit the spread of harmful germs. We use a multitude of “best practices” that we either create, copy and/or share with other leaders in preventing infection. Led by LeAnna Hatcher, R.N., our Infection Control Committee meets regularly to plot strategy and direct execution of these best practices.

One important focus, as simple as it sounds, is hand washing. Ironically, most hospitals have found it difficult to “have everyone wash their hands all the time.”

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mance is measured at the 90th percen-
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— Allen Weiss, M.D., is president and CEO of Naples Community Hospital.

SMART TALK

Naples Community Hospital meets infectious disease challenges
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In celebration of the grand opening of the Naples Botanical Garden, The Living Garden has been performing throughout the area. A reflection of the beauty and elements of the Garden, walking vines and life-sized orchids will welcome the community to the ribbon cutting at the Garden at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14. The celebration continues with music and activities for the entire family from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15.

The Living Garden is an award-winning live performance company produced by 2nd Nature Productions Inc. with offices in Florida and California. Performances have a high visual impact resonating in the realm of beauty and mystery. Movement-based but character-driven, The Living Garden is a unique niche in the entertainment world and has been seen at events across the United States and internationally, including The Grammys, Russell Simmons’s “Art For Life” fundraiser and the “Just For Laughs” festival in Montreal, where they received the Coup de Coeur (People’s Choice Award).

The Living Garden appearance schedule in conjunction with the grand opening of Naples Botanical Garden includes:

➤ Thursday, Nov. 12
  Noon to 1 p.m., Coconut Point Mall
  2-6 p.m., Waterside Shops
➤ Friday, Nov. 13
  6 p.m., outside the restaurants at Mercato
➤ Saturday, Nov. 14
  11 a.m., grand opening at Naples Botanical Garden
➤ Sunday, Nov. 15
  9 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the Garden

The world-class Garden includes cultivated gardens of Brazil, the Caribbean and a hands-on interactive Children’s Garden along with 90 acres of beautifully restored natural habitats. The main components opening this coming weekend are: The Vicky C. and David Byron Smith Children’s Garden, including the Pfeffer-Beach Butterfly House; the Brazilian Garden; the Kapnick Caribbean Garden; the Mary and Stephen Byron Smith River of Grass; and the Preserve, including the Collier Enterprises South Wetlands, James and Linda White Birding Tower and Smith Uplands.

The original concept for Naples Botanical Garden was developed 15 years ago by a small group gathered at the Naples Library. Six years later, with the support of Harvey Kapnick, the Kapnick Foundation and Collier Enterprises, the 170-acre property was purchased and dreams took the important first step toward reality. Construction of this first phase took 17 months. Ellin Goetz, principal of Naples-based Goetz + Stropes Landscape Architects Inc. is the overall coordinating landscape architect of the new Garden. It is anticipated that the remaining gardens, the Marca and L. Bates Lea Asian Garden and Karen and Robert Scott Florida Garden, will open in 2010. The Harvey Kapnick Education and Research Center, a partnership with Florida Gulf Coast University, is also slated to open in 2010.

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Spay/neuter services discounted in honor of National Mutt Day

Calling all mutts. Purebreds need not reply.

In recognition of National Mutt Day coming up Wednesday, Dec. 2, the Collier Spay Neuter Clinic is offering $5 off its already discounted spay/neuter fees for mixed-breed dogs. Neutering will be $60; spaying will be $70.

National Mutt Day is about embracing and celebrating mutts, which make up the largest percentage of dogs euthanized in shelters each year.

Dogs without proof of a current rabies vaccination will be vaccinated at an additional cost of $15 per animal. Other services will be available for animals with scheduled sterilization appointments.

CSNC is Southwest Florida's first high-volume, affordable spay and neuter clinic. Services are available to all residents of Southwest Florida. Since opening in August, the clinic has sterilized more than 1,000 animals.

"Our vision is a community where no companion animal is killed simply for being homeless," Executive Director Pallas Diaz says. "By providing for being homeless," Executive Director Pallas Diaz says. "By providing

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Local kids encouraged to pen scary stories for contest

Collier County Domestic Animal Services holds its annual Howl-A-Day Jubilee Pet Festival from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at Veterans Community Park. The festival raises funds for the DAS shelter trust fund to pay for specialized or emergency medical needs of shelter pets in order to qualify them for adoption.

More than 7,000 pets are homeless in Collier County every year. Howl-A-Day Jubilee activities include a pet costume contest, a canine agility fun course and games, psychic readings and holiday shopping. The schedule of events is:

- 12:00 p.m. – Pet costume competition (any type of pet welcome)
- 2-3 p.m. – Pet and owner games with the chance to win a subscription to a national pet magazine
- 2:20 p.m. – Pet psychic reading (on stage)
- 3:20 p.m. – Best of Everything competition: Biggest, Smallest, Best Kisser and Hugger and more
- 4 p.m. – Raffle winners announced

Vendors will be sell pet goods and services as well as general items for human companions. Anyone interested in being a vendor or a sponsor should call Gerilynn Waterbury at 252-0698.

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For the Very Scary Story Contest, students are asked to write their own scary story set in HorrorLand Amusement Park. "I can't wait to see what terrifying rides and games the kids dream up for HorrorLand, the Scariest Place on Earth," says Mr. Stine. All entries must be submitted electronically by Jan. 10, 2010, to contest@volunteerusafoundation.org. Contest winners and their parents will be Mr. Stine's guests of honor at a breakfast and reading event during Volunteer USA Foundation's Celebration of Reading held Feb. 12, 2010, at the Hyatt Coconut Point in Bonita Springs. The breakfast is part of an annual event hosted by former Gov. Jeb Bush to support family literacy programs.

For more information regarding contest rules, judging guidelines, prizes, classroom activities and more, visit www.VolunteerUSAFoundation.org or call Carolyn Vega-Melendez at (850) 359-2208.

DAS plans jubilee and pet festival

Volunteer USA Foundation and R.L. Stine, author of the renowned Goosebumps series, have teamed up for Very Scary Story Contest for young readers in grades 4-7 throughout Southwest Florida.

"When we know children love reading books filled with mystery, mummies and twisted endings. We get to do now is strap on their magical thinking caps and write their own scary story," says Liza McFadden, president of Volunteer USA Foundation.

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Preparation key to safe air travel for pets

Planning air travel with a pet? Before your pet flies:
- Talk to the airline. You’ll need a reservation, need to know where and when your pet has to be presented, and what papers you’ll need to bring. Airlines charge extra for those pets who fly in a carry-on bag, so ask about fees in advance so you won’t be surprised.
- Be sure your pet is in good health. Air travel isn’t recommended for elderly or ill animals, and is likewise ill-advised for the pug-nosed breeds of dogs and cats. Contrary to popular belief, it’s generally safer for your pet not to be tranquilized before flying. Talk to your veterinarian.

Pets traveling as baggage or cargo need a hard-sided carrier for their protection.

Some airlines offer terminal-to-plane transport in climate-controlled vans. Ask what provisions will be made to protect your pet and when the airplanes will not allow your pet to fly because of weather conditions.
- Choose a direct flight. If that’s not possible, try for a route with a single connection and a short layover. Direct flights eliminate layovers, and short layovers reduce the time on the ground.

Cats shortchanged by many pet owners

- Cats receive only half of the health care protection that dogs do, according to the North American Pet Health Insurance Association. In another study by the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association, pet owners with at least one dog and one cat in their household said they were more attached to the dog than the cat by a 3-to-1 margin. Among pet owners surveyed believe it’s more critical to take a dog than a cat for a wellness exam with their veterinarian, an alarming statistic as cats are less likely to show signs of sickness or pain than dogs.
- One Maltese is now a million-dollar beauty, crowned with a $4.2 million tiara made by her owner, a Thai jewelry designer. The designer wanted to do something special for his 15-year-old dog and had a crown made for her from precious stones handed down to him from his mother. The crown took two months to make and is crafted out of titanium and 250 carats of emeralds and diamonds.

To adopt a pet

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I remember not being here. I know that I have awakened from this dream. When I let myself, I cherish this wafting merely emergent experience, not graspable even at the periphery let alone in the magnificence of its essentially subtle core. I must have been let out then, in my remembering, like hot gas and vapor escaping from volcanic fumarole, let out like pants rescued from a being too tight. Everyone needs an outlet. Perhaps some find refuge in outlet malls or via media outlets or afloat on the outlet of streams flowing from lakes. Let me be out front: All these possibilities leave me down and out. I search for the out and outer outlet, the outlet not covered by protective cap. The massive metaphysical complexity should be no surprise in a world that sports no less than 13 types of electrical outlet. There are flat prongs and round prongs, in v-shapes and parallel. There are earth connections, male and female, round and flat. And there are outlets without earth connection. There are plugs to match each, hopefully to match, somewhere if not here. It can be a struggle to match even clearly defined physical entities on familiar ground, let alone when not simply being here in this dream. I know I let it all hang out; I let it rip; I let myself go; I let it fly; I vent. Perhaps birds can fly because of their singular vent, their all-purpose cloaca interface. The usual perception of our human anatomical interface is much more complex, let alone the amazing theory of Anne Fausto-Sterling. She defines three sexes more than the usual female and male. Hermas have both testes and ovaries; ferms have ovaries and some aspect of male genitalia; and mermas have male genitals with some aspect of female genitalia. Ms. Fausto-Sterling cites that 17 out of every 1,000 births are intersexed, that is, do not fit the expected sexual anatomy. Who can classify the subtle anatomical differences, let alone the meanings given those differences? And how could all that be spoken? Certain etymological paradoxes suggest how much is not revealed by language, let alone fully comprehended. Let us consider the word “let.” There are two Old English roots of this short and ostensibly simple word. The first, lettan, means to delay or hinder. The other root, laetan, means to permit, to allow. The current meaning of this little word escapes me, like Schrödinger’s cat let out of its bag. The purr of the word never lets up, never lets down. It merely sublets meanings to contexts that use it and then lets bygones be. How can I let up, let alone let on, revealing the secret I do not want to keep from you, let alone from myself. How can I let myself rise from the merely somnolent, let alone from the grasp of Morpheus’ embrace? Perhaps the only vent that avails, that lets this enterprise, is found at the deepest ocean bottom. Hydrothermal vent, fissure in ocean floor near mid-ocean ridge, is outlet for super-heated mineral rich water. In this 176 Fahrenheit degree environ, chemosynthetic bacteria provide food to life forms who let go of the usual reasonable direct reliance on the sun for sustenance. These bacteria create food from sulfur compounds for giant tube worms, clams, limpets, and snails. Sulfur is not toxic here, let alone the usual stuff of fire and brimstone fear. This pirate cannot let alone this outlet context, let alone not see here the feat of primal memory, this fete of imagination, that some see as the hole outlet that let out all earth life in the early time. And then we let on we didn’t mind, we let in we don’t mind, and we let out we do. In emphasizing the improbability of contrasting examples could we simply create mind outlet, let alone let live in and bask in the bliss which is by nature never let alone? How can you let me tell you, one on one, let alone embrace us as the one we are always becoming? — Rx is the Florida Weekly muse who hopes to inspire profound mutiny in all those who care to read. Our Rx may be wearing a pirate cloak of invisibility, but emanating from within this shadow is hope that readers will feel free to respond. Who knows: You may even inspire the muse. Make contact if you dare.
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The hassle-free way to own a boat is to share it

BY EVAN WILLIAMS ewilliams@floridaweekly.com

The high cost and hassles of boat ownership is even more off-putting when you consider the amount of time people find to use their boats. It’s easy to rack up thousands of dollars a year in slip fees and maintenance costs alone, but owners of mid-sized motorboats use their vessels an average of 50 hours a year. Yacht owners enjoy their investment an average of 75 hours per year, according to Boat U.S., a trade organization.

That’s why “fractional ownership” companies are becoming more popular. They generally allow four to eight people to become part-owners of a boat, in effect forming a partnership. Members make a commitment to pay their part of the cost for a period of time and share the boat with the other owners. Their commitment can vary from a month to three years or more, depending on the company they sign up with.

Michael Haney is a fractional owner of a mid-sized motorboat, a 32-foot Regulator, through Signature Yacht Shares. The company started in Destin last year and is in the process of opening a new location at Salty Sam’s Marina on Fort Myers Beach. The purchase price, insurance, storage fees, maintenance — everything but gas and supplies used — is taken care of. Signature Shares keeps the boat clean, stocked and ready to go. All Mr. Haney has to do is schedule a time to use the boat and show up.

“Quite frankly, it is very reassuring that (the boat) is not all mine,” said Mr. Haney, 59. “That’s just a waste of time to use the boat and show up. All Mr. Haney has to do is schedule a time to use the boat and show up.

“Those little costs that creep up on you, make it a hassle to own a boat,” he said.

Like other part owners with Signature, Mr. Haney pays a fixed amount over a three-year period. After that, he can opt out. With Signature, a mid-sized motor yacht costing $200,000 goes for $25,000 per share. A share of Signature’s $5 million, 75-foot Viking yacht goes for $875,000. Larger boats come with a captain and crew. It’s too early to say which boats will be available for fractional ownership at the Salty Sam’s location on Fort Myers Beach, said owner Matt Condon. But it’s the same concept.

“We’ve congested the maintenance, the crew cost, insurance, dockage, maintenance, repairs — all the things that make it a hassle to own a boat,” he said.

For instance, hedge funds are constantly touted as the way to invest and generate high returns in a relatively short time period. After initially refusing to go on camera, Ms. Krueger eventually convinced a few hedge fund managers to explain how hedge funds operate and what their fees really are. What the upcoming show reveals is that enormous fees are charged and that the results of the “super wealthy are really not any better than the market averages we all covered all the crises from the credit, housing and bank crises to the overall fiscal crisis.

Money is always a sensitive subject, but in today’s economy it’s even more so as people worry about jobs, investments and everyday living expenses.

Pam Krueger, creator and co-host of “MoneyTrack,” which airs in Naples at 7 p.m. Wednesdays on PBS, helps the average working person decipher confusing financial jargon and understand the right approach to investing. Ms. Krueger, who will spend a few days in Naples after presenting at the American Public Television’s Fall Marketplace Conference on Sanibel, gave Florida Weekly an inside look at what issues season three of her popular program will tackle.

As she explained, the show is about personal finance, but the emphasis is on investing because of the general confusion and lack of good information that’s out there. “MoneyTrack” gets its message across by featuring real people and real stories. “Our stories reflect what’s going on,” she said, noting that it has covered all the crises from the credit, housing and bank crises to the overall fiscal crisis.

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Weekdays, Mr. McCaw is senior vice president and senior portfolio manager for The McCaw Wealth Management Group of UBS Financial Services in Bonita Springs. During his nearly two-decade career in wealth management, Mr. McCaw has found he is happiest and works most effectively by developing personal relationships with his clients. He and his partners, Bill Clegg and Diane Lepola, share a philosophy of providing complete financial strategies that help clients live their dreams.

Along with similar outlooks on investing and financial planning, the three share a passion for client service and a commitment to their community. Their skills and personalities complement one another, and they work as a team, backed by two senior registered client service associates. The team, which has more than 75 years of financial planning experience, recently spent three days in Boston for UBS training held exclusively for Signature teams, the highest performers among UBS branches.

Mr. McCaw has worked in Bonita Springs since 1994. One of his earliest contacts was Rex Sims, owner of Heaven Scent Flowers, who introduced him to the Rotary Club of Bonita Springs. Since then, Mr. McCaw has served as president, secretary and treasurer of the Rotary Club, chair of the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, chair of the foundations of both Rotary and the chamber, president of the Bonita Springs Assistance Office and coordinator of a variety of projects including shots for Tots and the Maedi Gras Charity Gala & Auction.

Weekends, he exercises a different area of expertise. A USA Swimming official, he is certified to referee both pool and open-water competitions at the highest national levels. He also is one of a handful of Americans certified as an open-water official by the Swiss-based Fédération Internationale de Natation. His refereeing duties have taken him from Guam earlier this year for the Junior PanPacific Swimming Championships to Manhattan during Labor Day weekend to the FINA 10km World Cup Open Water races.

He swam competitively as a youngster, and his interest was renewed when his daughter, Jackie, showed promise as a swimmer when she was 8 years old. While Mr. McCaw enjoyed the swim meets, he remembers spending all day at the pool to watch his three children swim for only a few minutes. Refereeing was a great way to get involved and stay busy at the meets.

The meets can be grueling, particularly during Florida summers; some include 10 sessions held over four or five days. Although a coach or meet director organizes each event, Mr. McCaw is in charge of the actual meet and responsible for logistics, problems and all things unexpected. He’s proud that good sportsmanship is expected, and the rare parental outburst is not tolerated by the competitors or by the crowd.

During his 12 years of officiating—all as a volunteer—he has followed the careers of many youngsters who developed into Olympic competitors. Although his position as an official keeps the relationships somewhat detached, he says he knows many of the swimmers most people watch during important televised meets.

Mr. McCaw and his wife, Karen, love to travel and sometimes use meets as vacation opportunities, staying for a few days to explore event locations. Hunting for great local restaurants is a favorite pastime.

The McCaws have three children: Christina studies nursing at FGCU; Jackie is a freshman at the University of Central Florida; and Richard is a sophomore at Bishop Verot High School. They are also hosting Gui, a Brazilian Rotary exchange student.

How does Mr. McCaw juggle work, civic duties, his refereeing responsibilities and his family? He credits the support of Karen, who was 16 years old when they first met in Lexington, Ky. They married several years later, and Karen worked in banking while he studied business administration, finance and economics at University of Kentucky.

Bullish about the U.S. and global economies, he describes current conditions as a healthy, natural cleansing process—one that the strongest, best companies in the world will survive. He feels that 2009 is not the time to sell. “If you invest money in the market today, five years from now, you’ll be very happy you did,” he says. “The key is not timing the market, but time in the market.”
When you support the airfield-based businesses at Naples Municipal Airport, you’re not only getting great value for yourself, you also become part of the more than $100 million your airport brings in to our local economy.
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In these uncertain times, many investors do not know what to do. The maxim “If you don’t know what to do, it is best to do nothing” has some relevance to money and investing, but frequently “doing nothing” is not an option.

If your portfolio is widely diversified, you might not have to do anything; you can ride out this current economic downturn. But such is not the case for most investors — for a host of reasons.

In the realm of “doing something,” what you do with cash can be critical. Your decisions here can have a large impact on the future of your investments. It’s always better to have more cash than you think you will need, but it can be a liability trap as well.

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If retired, having cash at least equal to two years of living expenses is a widely known solution to that problem. There may be no solution or at least not one that is widely known to the problem. Some losses will surely occur, and the recovery in asset prices has not eradicated all pricing inefficiencies. So investors have concentration in certain asset classes (real estate, equities, privately held equity, a 401(K) concentration in a publicly traded firm, etc.) and if those asset classes have not recovered from the lows of the past 12 months, the investors are inclined to hold cash in atypically greater amounts and percentages. For those closet to retirement or in retirement, the fear of another market decline during the years when cash is needed has resulted in larger cash holdings.

These shifts to cash are not easily unwound. These investors are not necessarily running scared; they are sizing up other the risks in their lives and have determined that cash is a solution until there is greater certainty in other parts of their lives. (Does any adviser really want to say that the U.S. economy is definitively out of the woods?) For these investors, cash is neither king nor a false refuge; it is simply a haven until other life issues are resolved or a path is seen with clarity.

The challenge therein lies in finding higher rates of return on the cash holdings — higher than government T-bill rates or 1.25 percent CD rates BUT not with greater risk or loss of liquidity. There may be no solution or at least not a widely known solution to that problem. And this is the $64,000 investment question: Which investment is going to return the most money to the banks in the next 12 months — cash, equities, foreign equities, gold, bonds, etc.?

If you think the sky will fall again, then cash is king. To the extent that you perceive equities going higher and higher and higher, then course cash is a false refuge. To the extent that you think inflation is about to take off or that the government extension of basically free money to the banks is about to end, well, then cash is king — because, eventually, bonds will be offered at higher rates and CD rates will rise too. If you think we are in a liquidity trap, cash will offer little return but will still be a lot better than asset investing.

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Liquidity trap, eh? It is a situation in monetary economics in which a country’s nominal interest rate has been lowered nearly or equal to zero to avoid a recession, but the liquidity in the market created by these low interest rates does not stimulate the economy. In these situations, borrowers prefer to keep assets in short-term cash bank accounts rather than making long-term investments. This makes a recession even more severe, and can contribute to deflation.

Here are some thoughts as to what might be an alternative to cash for some. The U.S. equity market is up big time since March lows and, for the past two weeks, has been going nowhere. Trading significantly above its 200-day moving average has historically suggested some backing and filling or some fall off — not a prediction — just a look at statistical odds. CD and T-bill rates are not very attractive. In between the two are corporate bonds and, while they have not very attractive. In between the two are corporate bonds and, while they have recovered, there are still dislocations that manifest themselves in rather high yields. And this is where an adviser can help ferret out some issues of value that are offering higher yields but not inordinately higher risk. For example, there are REITs that have bought (from hedge funds and institutions which needed to liquidate) secured corporate loans with rather short maturities. Bought at 85 percent on the dollar or lower and tied to floating LIBOR, they are paying 7.5 percent currently; may turn out to have 14-15 percent yields to maturity, and, if inflation returns, the interest rate will rise.

Another example is some partnerships that have bought apartment buildings — at the low end — but high quality units at very cheap prices. How so? Institutions have been forced to rebalance billion dollar portfolios — the fall in equities made real estate disproportionately too great a percentage in certain portfolios.

Another example of an alternative is a REIT or a limited partnership that leases to the U.S. government. Social Security and Homeland Security issues are being built and they are under lease. They offer the same guarantee as U.S. government debt but are paying 7.5 percent currently.

Look again at your whole life policy. If you have a loan at 8 percent and you are planning to keep the policy, you might think of paying it off and or adding to paid-up additions and get paid a statutory 4 percent on cash values.

The financial markets are quite big and the recovery in asset prices has not eradicated all pricing inefficiencies. So think to your adviser, banker, insurance agent, broker, counselor, etc. and see what alternatives there are to traditional cash holdings and if your percentage in cash is disproportionately large.

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Ask the Fool Investing for the Long Term

Q’ved that you should invest in stocks for the long term. Just how long is that?

A Well, for tax purposes, you should aim to hang on for at least a year and a day, so that any gains qualify for the long-term capital gains rate, which is currently 15 percent for most of us. (Short-term gains, from holdings of one year or less, are taxed at your ordinary income rate.)

But that just holds for individual investors. The real story, which is that you should aim to hold on for at least several years, if not many years — as long as the company remains healthy and growing (not just还不错 clubs), and as long as its stock hasn’t gotten way ahead of itself. Many companies have been built by people who invested in various companies for decades.

Where can I find out what a company’s recent stock splits were? I’d like to do a search on a company that shows me when the stock performed after its splits.

A You’re searching for a long list of recent stock splits? Go to finance.yahoo.com, enter the company’s ticker symbol, and click “Get Quotes.” Then choose “Basic Chart” in the blue box on the left. Right under the chart, it shows how many data points you have, and a list of recent splits. For lists of past splits, you can visit stock split chronicles, visit http://biz.yahoo.com/c/s.html.

Just don’t give stock splits unduly importance. Just because a company’s shares are cheaper, it’s not too meaningful. Pre-split, you might have owned 100 shares priced at $50 per share ($5,000 total value). After the split, your 200 shares are worth about $25 each, for a total of ... $5,000. Not much has changed.

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

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BUSINESS MEETINGS

― The Collier County Women’s Bar Association meets at noon on the fourth Wednesday of the month (next meeting venue TBA) at the Northern Trust, 4001 Tamiami Trail N.

― The Zonta Club of Naples holds business luncheon meetings at noon on the first Tuesday of each month (next meeting TBA) at the Myrtle’s Corner, 400 Sixth Ave. Networking begins at 11:30 a.m. For reservations, call Sally Sitta at 262-9920.

For more information, visit www.zonta-naples.org.

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Bonita Bay Group reaches agreements with club members

**SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY**

The Mediterra Members Advisory Board and Bonita Bay Group have agreed that the members of the New Club at Mediterra will purchase club assets for $6.8 million in cash and assume the $15 million Community Development District debt. The agreement received strong support from the residents and members of Mediterra with 95 percent of former members and an additional 150 residents, who were not previously members, joining the New Club.

“We are deeply appreciative of the Mediterra residents and club members who together seized this opportunity to control the destiny of our club and community,” says Richard Schmidt, chairman of the Mediterra Members’ Advisory Board.

The sales agreement includes The Club at Mediterra and its two championship golf courses, an 1,800-square-foot golf learning center, a 25,000-square-foot clubhouse and a sports club with tennis courts, pool, three spa rooms and a fitness center. It also includes the private Mediterra Beach Club on the Gulf of Mexico.

“While this has been an incredibly difficult process for everyone involved, it has created a unity and bond among all the residents and members in Mediterra that sets our community apart as a very special place to live,” Mr. Schmidt says.

The agreement represents “a significant step toward resolving the financial challenges facing our company due to the global economic crisis and the dramatic downturn in the Southwest Florida real estate market,” says David Lucas, chairman of BBG.

Shadow Wood and The Brooks

The Shadow Wood Country Club Member Board, The Brooks Commons Club Transition Team and BBG have an agreement in principle for the members of both clubs to purchase the combined club assets for $8.25 million in cash. The agreement is subject to final documentation and a vote of approval by the combined membership of the clubs.

“This agreement represents a significant step toward resolving the financial challenges facing our company due to the global economic crisis and the dramatic downturn in the Southwest Florida real estate market,” says David English of the SWCC Member Board.

The sales agreement includes Shadow Wood Country Club and its two 18-hole golf courses, the Shadow Wood Preserve club and golf course, and the amenities at The Brooks Commons Club.

The Club at TwinEagles

The Club at TwinEagles membership and BBG have reached an operating agreement whereby the TwinEagles Talon golf course, practice range and clubhouse will reopen on Saturday.

“These agreements are important next steps in our process of reshaping and repositioning the company for the future,” Mr. Lucas says. “In the future, we expect to be a smaller, more nimble development company with the ability to react more quickly to changing market conditions.”

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**Premier Builders**

Premier Builders has completed construction of its Donatello model in the Avellino Isles enclave of the Vineyards. The elevator coach home has three bedrooms, 3½ baths, a study, formal living room, dining room, great room and kitchen with a dining nook and breakfast bar. The luxury home offers 2,864 square feet of living space under air, 4,554 square feet of total space, and is priced starting at $795,500.

Reminiscent of an Italian village, complete with brick-paved driveways, bubbling fountains and Mediterranean artistry, Avellino Isles brings together all the best of the Florida lifestyle, with a private clubhouse for residents that has a vanishing-edge swimming pool overlooking a sparkling lake, six reflecting pools and a cabana equipped with grills for entertaining. The 5,600-square-foot clubhouse includes a library, fitness room, card/TV room, kitchen and a grand salon.

Vineyards is an award-winning 1,375-acre gated residential community with two 18-hole golf courses, 12 Har-Tru tennis courts, a 70,000-square-foot clubhouse and single-family as well as multi-family homes. Full golf memberships to Vineyards Country Club are available for a limited time. For more information, call 353-1500.

To learn more about Premier Builders and the Donatello model, call 353-1020 or visit www.VineyardsNaples.com. The Vineyards Corporate Center and sales offices are at 75 Vineyards Blvd.
South Bay Realty team comes to the rescue in short sales

Lesley Garlock, Lisa Reis and Christine Yeaw are the new Short Sale Rescue Team at South Bay Realty, specializing in assisting property owners in the sale of their properties to avoid foreclosures.

Free of charge to the seller, the team assists with the entire short sale process: all necessary paperwork, communication with lenders, marketing properties extensively and handling full contract negotiation. Thus far in 2009, they have successfully closed more than 25 short sale transactions.

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The home’s decorative wood front doors open to a living area with naturally aged maple wood flooring that extends from the foyer to the living room and dining room. The gourmet kitchen is accented with stainless steel appliances, custom cabinets, a cook-top stove with decorative hood and granite counter tops.

The Da Vinci has brains as well as beauty. It earned the Florida Power & Light Gold level Buildsmart certification for energy efficiency. There is also a complete security system and quick recovery hot water system.

The Wild Orchid single-family neighborhood at Olde Cypress meanders through the heart of the community. There are a number of golf course home sites available on the 15th and 16th fairways of the P.B. Dyke golf course. Custom floor plans by Distinctive Communities are also available.

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is change the name of the boat for each shareholder?"

Other fractional programs offer smaller commitments. Wind Path Sailing at Burnt Store Marina, on Charlotte Harbor, lets a small group of six to eight people buy into a fractional ownership program for one of its two Catalina sailboats. They require only a three-month commitment, costing $500 to $600 per month. That's not bad considering a monthly slip fee might run $400, says Wind Path owner Bob Johnson.

Both companies are based on the idea of hassle-free, cost-effective boat ownership.

“I think a lot of the advantage is you just don’t have to worry about it in the off season or during hurricane season,” Mr. Johnson said.

Most fractional ownership programs allow people to schedule time to use the boat online.

“I think their biggest concern with shared use is will they be able to schedule the time that they want?” said Mr. Condon.

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Growing popularity

In the past, it wasn’t uncommon for friends to split up the cost of a boat. But serious investments can put a strain on friendships when handled casually, which is one reason why fractional programs have become more popular.

“Money and friendship don’t mix too well,” said Caroline Ajootian, consumer affairs director for Boat U.S., the trade organization. “Fractional ownership makes that relationship a lot more formal and sets parameters and rules for how things will be done.”

For boaters, the idea of sharing has become more popular during the recession as they looked for ways to cut costs. “I haven’t seen any studies that show it’s definitely a trend,” said Ms. Ajootian. “But (the increasing popularity of fractional ownership and boat-leasing clubs) is a logical trend considering the state of the economy, the cost of owning a boat and just our general lifestyles these days. All of us have so many things that we do that it makes sense to have access to a boat without bearing the full cost of owning it.”

Freedom Boat Club, with 10 locations in Florida’s west coast, including Naples, Fort Myers and Punta Gorda, doesn’t offer fractional ownership. Instead, boaters simply pay $150 to $200 per month to use whatever boats the club has available and can quit paying any time. It’s less personalized than fractional ownership and doesn’t offer many of the amenities, but it’s far less expensive.

It’s also an example of the growing popularity of boat sharing. The company was founded in Sarasota 20 years ago, but 2008 was the most profitable year in its history, said President Bob Daley. It’s added 38 boats to its fleet of 130 and opened an 11th Florida location in Jacksonville. It also has 46 franchised locations in the southeastern United States.

Fractional ownership companies have also become more sophisticated, with various ownership options and amenities to simulate full ownership.

“There are all kinds of ways to join,” said Mr. Haney, owner in the Signature Shares program. “I chose to pay the most capital up front and the least amount per month. But you pay about one-tenth of what it would cost you to buy that boat and own it yourself. I have access to a very sophisticated offshore boat as long as another member is not using it.”

Like Freedom Boat Club and Wind Path Sailing, Signature Shares offers a training program for inexperienced boaters as part of the membership cost.

“Pride of full ownership is one thing fractional ownership or boat leasing clubs can’t provide.

“When you own a boat yourself, you’re the captain, you’re the general manager,” Mr. Condon said. “For them to relinquish that control, we have to have a lot of credibility.”
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“Pay no attention to the man behind that curtain,” booms the Wizard of Oz, in an effort to keep his clandestine actions from Dorothy and her friends. But that’s not at all the way Mark Danni feels about the G&L Theatre. Mr. Danni, founder and artistic director of TheatreZone, Naples’ Equity professional theatre company, on the campus at Community School of Naples. TheatreZone pulls back the curtain and hosts an open house from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15. During a guided backstage tour, participants will learn about TheatreZone’s production “secrets,” meet professional actors and costumers and enjoy a question-and-answer session with Mr. Danni. No reservations are required. “The open house is really a sneak peek to showcase our upcoming season’s performances while giving guests a unique

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When inexperience is a shame

I recently came across a copy of The Village Voice, the New York City newspaper committed to liberal views and liberal use of the word “f&*#.” The Voice has everything you’d expect — reviews of indie rock bands, ads for escort services — and some things you wouldn’t (an unsettling “Ask a Mexican” column). An advice section toward the back drew my eyes, and it read like a Dear Abby for naughty New Yorkers.

One advice-seeker, in particular, caught my attention. “I’m a straight female in her early 20s, currently engaged to a handsome man three years older,” the poster began. “We’re very happy, and we have a strong, healthy relationship, but lately, I’ve been worried about one question: Considering my limited sexual experience . . . is it possible to have a long, enjoyable sex life with him? I’ve gotten some advice that suggests we are both making mistakes (well-intentioned, I’m sure) advice that considers sacred — her “carnal treasure,” as Tophier Grace calls it in the romantic comedy “Win a Date with Tad Hamilton.” And she was embarrassed about it.

Less than a week later, the second friend confessed to a similar embarrassment. In her soft southern accent, she, too, admitted being inexperienced and she, too, worried her new paramour would soon grow bored.

What saddens me about these two young women — and the third from The Village Voice — is not their lack of experience. It’s how mortified they seem. I wonder when we stopped honoring our chaste women and started making them feel ashamed of their virginity.

In his reply to the poster in The Village Voice, writer Dan Savage gave a wise response. “Are you happy? Is she happy? That’s all that matters,” Mr. Savage said. “And there are plenty of men and women out there in miserable, sexually dysfunctional marriages who met after both had plenty of experience.”

...we define our love lives by the quality — and not the quantity — of our romantic experiences. We would do well to keep that in mind, even as we seek the next notch in the bedpost."

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evening of Led Zeppelin music, complete with a five-piece rock band, on Wednesday, Nov. 18, at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts.

It’s not the typical symphonic repertoire, but then, this orchestra is known for its musical versatility. “Our orchestra plays ballet, they play chamber music, they play jazz, they play blues, they play pops,” says Phil CEO and founder Myra Janco Daniels. “And now they’ll play Led Zeppelin. I’m terribly proud of their flexibility and high professionalism.”

Her favorite Led Zeppelin songs, Mrs. Daniels adds, are “Stairway to Heaven” and “Heartbreaker.”

Unique harmonic structures
Guest conductor Brent Havens, grew up on the Led Zeppelin music he has since arranged for performance by an orchestra. “Stairway to Heaven” and “Whole Lotta Love” were all over the radio then,” he says about his teen years in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Led Zeppelin was one of the first bands to use orchestration. “The Doors did, too,” Mr. Havens says. “They have strings and some brass in a number of their tunes... a lot of the classic rock groups in the ‘70s did.”

Think Moody Blues. The Eagles. Pink Floyd. And, of course, Led Zep. Kazmier,” from the band’s “Physical Graffiti” album, has a full brass section performing. Mr. Havens arranged the song to include woodwinds and percussion.

One of the things that put Led Zep on the cutting edge in the ‘70s was that they experimented with different harmonic structures, placing one on top of the other — something that was rarely done in rock music, Mr. Havens says. “What made Zeppelin stand out was that they used open tunings on their guitar, which allowed for multi-harmonic structures, a chord on top of a chord, which was really unusual.”

He can transcribe their music by computer now, but in the early ‘90s, the technology wasn’t as sophisticated. “I had to listen over and over. What was the key? What are they playing? It’s chords on top of chords.”

The also used “a lot of licks, rhythmic patterns. Like in ‘Black Dog’, there’s a rhythmic and melodic pattern — no harmony — going on in the background.

“To play that with just a guitar and a bass player is great. But when you have 50 musicians on stage playing that line — the flutes and the oboes and trumpets and cellos and violins — it’s a massive sound... You don’t get to hear that kind of stuff anywhere else.”

— Guest conductor Brent Havens

Mr. Jackson’s favorite Led Zep song to listen to is “The Rain Song,” but his favorite one to perform is “Since I’ve Been Loving You.”

“It gives you chills when you hear it,” he says. “It’s a slow blues song, with the orchestra just soaring behind the band.”

Mr. Jackson is not a Robert Plant impersonator, he hastens to add. “I don’t have his tone,” he says. “I hit the notes, I try to do it justice. I’m not out there with a wig that impersonators would wear.”

“It’s (Randy’s) voice, and not Robert Plant,” Mr. Havens stresses. “But man, he sure kills it! He has that sound, the emotion... he’s got the whole package.”

Mr. Havens’ favorite Led Zep song is “The Ocean,” because “the meter changes every bar for the first 16 bars,” he says... “Hand that to someone who’s an average musician and say ‘Write that out!’”

Mr. Havens, Mr. Jackson and the band have a repertoire of 18 Led Zeppelin songs. The Nov. 18 audience at the Phil should expect to hear “The Immigrant Song,” “Kashmir,” “Whole Lotta Love” and “The Ocean.” (For some strange reason, their repertoire doesn’t include the classic “Rock and Roll,” the song with which Led Zep opened its shows in the early ‘70s, and then used as an encore at the close of the decade.)

A change in careers
As a teen, Mr. Havens planned to become a lawyer. He loved music, he says, but he never saw it as a career. “I was a jazz guy,” he says. A big fan of Maynard Ferguson, he’d buy the trumpeter’s albums, listen to them and transcribe all the tunes. He’d then take the transcriptions to school for his high school band to band. But they couldn’t. The music was too complex.

His stage band director talked to his symphony band director, who pulled him aside and said, “You might want to consider going into music. This isn’t a normal thing to do.”

“Had that band director never said anything to me, I’d be a lawyer now,” Mr. Havens says. When he recently guest conducted the Cincinnati Symphony, he looked up his high school stage band director and symphony band director. They both remembered him, he says, and he took them to lunch to thank them for their encouragement all those years ago that changed his career path.

Orchestras get hip
Mr. Havens has been getting orchestras to play classic rock since the fall of 1995. “Back then, very, very few orchestras were willing to take a chance on something so different,” he says. “We didn’t do a whole lot of concerts, not until the early 2000s. I think orchestras at that point began looking to bring different audiences in.”

Someone attending a Led Zep orchestral show might return to see another performance, venues reason. They performed in Louisville, Ky., recently, with the Louisville Orchestra playing the music of “The Eagles. Prior to the concert, an announcement was made that anyone holding a ticket wouldn’t have to pay to see the orchestra perform a more traditional program the following night.

Out of a crowd of 2,100 people, they expected maybe five or 10 people might show up, Mr. Havens says. “But 120 people showed up. It introduced them to a whole different genre, which was great.”

The orchestras get into the shows, too. “A lot of the musicians came up to me, and say, ‘I listened to this tune way back then, and now I know what it looks like on paper, and it’s a cool thing,’” he says.

“They recognize, too, that it’s something that’s going to draw an audience. The audience freaks out and goes nuts. It’s cool for their orchestra to be hip. They’re not stick-in-the-muds.”

Although no members of Led Zeppelin have come to their concerts, although guitarist Jimmy Page heard their music when he had to approve it for radio play, to advertise the shows, Mr. Havens says. And the daughter of the late John Bonham, the group’s drummer, came to a show in Los Angeles and brought friends.

“She loved it,” Mr. Havens says. “Audiences love it,” Mr. Jackson says. “It’s hard to find someone who didn’t like it.”

“The audience is there to celebrate Led Zeppelin, and we’re just there to help them.”

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Artist Cottages – Mark your calendars for 5-8 p.m. the second Friday of the month and visit Riverside Park on Firefighters Avenue South. Call 263-9333 to make a reservation.

Christmas at Palm Cottage, home of the North Naples Firefighter Local 2297. It starts at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14. Admission is free. Big Cypress Marketplace is on U.S. 41 East/Tamiami Trail, four miles east of Collier Boulevard. Call 262-3210 or 774-1690 or visit www.BigCypressMarketplace.com.

Saturday, Nov. 14

C’Mon at Waterside – The Children’s Museum off Naples presents an art gallery and clay sculpture studio for kids from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the pavilion at Waterside Shops. 514-0084.

Garden Grand Opening – Naples Botanical Garden celebrates its official ribbon-cutting and grand opening at 11 a.m. 463-7245.

Art at Coconut Point – Howard Alan Events presents the Coconut Point Fall Art Fair today and Sunday at Coconut Point. Admission is free.

Arts and Crafts – A Fine Art and Craft Show takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Cambier Park. 262-6573, ext. 109.

Holiday Bazaar – North Naples Garden Club hosts its annual holiday bazaar from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Chess anyone? – The South Florida Chess Club invites players of all ages and abilities to gather at Bonita Bay, 1001 First Street, 265-9686.

Ad Libbing – The Art League of Bonita Springs presents Naples City
WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

Monday, Nov. 16

- Barefoot Beachcombing  Join a park ranger and learn about beachcombing and shell fishing beginning at 10 a.m. at the learning center at Barefoot Beach Preserve. The program is free, but there is an entrance fee into the park for those who do not have a Collier County park permit.

- Chefs in the House  Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida holds its first Chefs in the House at 6:30 p.m. at the Ronald McDonald House in Fort Myers. The three-course wine dinner will feature chefs James E. Hudson and Karen Schaeffer. Admission is $50; reservations required: 437-0202.

- Don't Sweat the Small Stuff  Take part in Trivia Night beginning at 7:30 p.m. at The Pub at Mercato. 594-9400.

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- Story Time  Barnes & Noble at Waterside Shops invites moms and tots for story time with Miss Jessica and Miss Felicia beginning at 10 a.m. 594-9521 or www.NaplesConcertBand.org.

- Team Trivia  Gather your smartest friends and show up for Team Trivia at 9 p.m. at Boston Beer Garden. 239-6 Immokalee Rd. 992-2397.

- Send calendar listings to events@floridaweekly.com.

- Improv at 7:30 p.m. at the Promenade at Bonita Bay, 26811 S. Bay Drive. $20 for league members, $25 for non-members. 495-8989.

- Sunday, Nov. 15

- Marco Motorcycle Madness  Marco Island Parks and Recreation presents a poker run to raise funds for a new community center at Frank E. Mackle Jr. Community Park. Registration begins at 9 a.m. $20 per person, $50 for additional riders, $10 for festival entrance only at Veterans Community Park. 394-9357.

- Patriotic Concert  The Naples Concert Band presents its annual patriotic concert at 2 p.m. in the Cambier Park band shell. Free admission; donations welcome. 263-9521 or www.NaplesConcertBand.org.

- Taste of Bonita  The 16th annual Taste of Bonita takes place from 1-5 p.m. at Riverside Park on Old 41 in Bonita Springs. 972-2707.

- Book Signing  Dan Roth and James Ledbetter will discuss “The Great Depression: A Diary” at 2:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops. Free. 597-2040.

- Films on Fifth  “The Edge of Heaven” (Germany) begins at 7 p.m. at Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

- Iron Chefs Marco Island  The Marco Island Chamber of Commerce and Marco Island Restaurant Association present two teams of chefs preparing four dishes from 6-10:30 p.m. at Bistro Solel at the Olde Marco Island Inn and Suites. $85 per person. 394-7549.

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No egos, just writers learning and laughing at Sanibel conference

The annual Sanibel Island Writers Conference has developed a reputation for being a writers conference without an ego. A Florida Gulf Coast University event, it attracts not only students but professional and aspiring writers from all across the country.

This year, approximately 140 people attended. In years to come, it might become known as the conference that persuaded FGCU President Bradshaw that the university “needs to have a major in creative writing,” as he announced this past weekend, just before keynote speaker Carl Hiaasen spoke to the near-capacity auditorium at BIG Arts.

Dr. Bradshaw’s promise of starting a creative writing major at FGCU was met with enthusiastic response; some leaping to their feet and cheering as if their favorite team had won a championship.

Conference director and FGCU instructor Tom DeMarchi, who followed the president at the podium, was visually stunned and uncharacteristically at a loss for words. Finally finding his voice, he said, “Something just happened that I didn’t expect to happen, so I just want to capture my reaction.”

When he held a camera at arm’s length and took a photo of himself looking stunned, the audience broke into laughter.

And the laughs kept coming throughout the night, when Julianna Baggott read selections from her novels as well as when Mr. Hiaasen took the podium. (Mr. DeMarchi introduced him as “a man who is making environmental sustainability sexy”)

Mr. Hiaasen spoke to the crowd about journalism and writing books. He confessed that he speaks, rather than gives readings, because when he read his books, especially his older titles, he’s tempted to edit them as he reads, seeing ways he could improve his sentences and dialogue.

He also said that when initially approached by a publisher to write a young-adult novel, he didn’t think much of the idea. His agent, however, thought it would be a good thing. Although Mr. Hiaasen didn’t think anything would come of it, “Hoot” wound up winning a Newbery Award and being made into a movie. It also gave Mr. Hiaasen a much younger reading audience.

The idea was just to write one kid’s book, but Mr. Hiaasen has recently published his third. Set in Southwest Florida, “Scat” is about the Florida panther, an endangered species.

In his young-adult novels, the author leaves out cursing, drug references and sex, but his humor is still the same. “The voice is authentic,” he said. “It’s how I speak, rather than give my speeches as a writer.”

He had his training as a journalist with the Miami Herald helped enormously in writing fiction. It gave him both the discipline and the tools to write.

“It’s all storytelling; you have to know how to tell a story,” he said.

Carl Hiaasen chats with a young admirer at last weekend’s Sanibel Island Writers Conference.

The conference included two singer/songwriters this year. Willy Vlautin, lead singer and songwriter of the group Richmond Fontaine and author of “The Motel Life” and “Northline,” taught a class in fiction. And Dan Bern, who composed music for the soundtrack of “Walk Hard: The Dewey Cox Story” and seems to be the lovechild of Bob Dylan and Tom Lehrer, taught a class in songwriting.

One evening, the two gave a concert. Though each accompanied himself on acoustic guitar, the two were a study in contrasts. Mr. Vlautin’s music is dark, moody, and sparse, while Mr. Bern’s lyrics are often hysterically absurd.

• In his songwriting class, Mr. Bern led his students (I was one of them) in writing jingles and gave them an assignment to eavesdrop on people in public places as a means of finding song lyrics. He then had us write a group song, with three verses and a chorus.

As an exercise, Mr. Bern challenged us to write a song about a sport, using “Take Me Out to the Ballgame” as a model and melody. People wrote songs about tiddlywinks, bridge, curling and the board game Clue. Of I remember correctly, for the Clue song, the “Roast, root, root for the home team” line was something like “And it’s kill Kill Kill Mr. Mustard.”

Though I attended the class out of curiosity, I wound up writing a song about synchronized swimming for that assignment. I don’t know if that’s a sport or not, but I live in Florida now, and that’s what came to mind.

My first two lines were: “Oh sweet synchronized swimming/Wonderful ballet of pools.”

There’s just something so kitschy about synchronized swimming.

“We’re singing all the time when we speak, because we don’t speak like robots (with equal inflection on each word),” Mr. Bern told us. “We’re singing creatures.”

In word or song, we’re singing creatures.
Beware the Barracuda,” by Donald Robert Wilson, Trafford Publishing. 348 pages.

Naples resident Donald Robert Wilson has fashioned a richly detailed political thriller set in and around Washington, D.C., as well as in Naples.

“Beware the Barracuda” follows a conspiracy among enormous conglomerates whose leaders have been plotting for 20 years to swallow up smaller companies and eventually merge into one huge economic force that will control and thereby replace elected government. Along the way, these monstrous companies avoid doing business with one another, keeping their relationships undetected as they individually gain influence by takeovers, bribery of officials, and a range of other legal and illegal activities.

What began as a mixture of ostensible patriotism (expecting to do a better job of running the country than the government) and obvious greed turns into a series of rivalries and cross-purposes as the plot advances.

“Beware the Barracuda” develops by shifting points of view. Sometimes we follow the adventures of Sophie Woznicki, the effective and resourceful aide to Senator Hamilton, as she works on his behalf to investigate rumors and gather evidence of such a conspiracy. One person has already been killed after publishing an article about how “unscrupulous business leaders” could “usurp economic control of the country.”

Ms. Woznicki’s initial task is to persuade academic turned business executive Dr. Brad James of the plot, and then to enlist his help in thwarting it.

Mr. Wilson is equally adept at handling his other settings, particularly the nation’s capitol, its neighborhoods and suburban surroundings.

For his first novel, “The Bucket Flower” (2006), he received praise for his convincing portrayal of a determined and talented young woman as his central figure and controlling consciousness. He does it again in “Beware the Barracuda.” Readers will wish to encounter Ms. Woznicki in a follow-up novel.

There are romantic elements as well, as Ms. Woznicki and Dr. James fall under one another’s spell. And there is just enough violence.

The key questions that promote suspense have to do with the genuine threat of the conspiracy, its potential implosion in rivalry and discord, and the intensifying threats to Ms. Woznicki as she begins to penetrate the conspirators’ secrets.

The plot makes Naples a central location, as many of the fictional business titans keep residences in this slice of paradise.

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SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A recent act of kindness is beginning to show some unexpected (but very welcome) results. On another note, expect to hear more about a possible move to another locale.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The good news is that the sure-footed Goat can rely on his or her skill to get around obstacles in the workplace. The not-so-good news is that new impediments could turn up later.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A change of pace is welcome but also confusing. Before you make decisions one way or another, be sure you know precisely what it is you're being asked to do.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Don't fret if you don't get the gratitude you think you're owed for doing a nice thing for someone. There might be a good reason for that. In any event, what's important is that you did it.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) While it seems that chaos is taking over, you get everything back to normal, even if it means being more than a little assertive with some people. Expect to hear more job-related news soon.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Expect to be able to move ahead with your workplace plans now that you have a good idea of what you might have to face. You also can anticipate a welcome change on the home front.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A quieter period settles in, giving you a chance to catch your breath, as well as allowing for more time to handle some important family matters. The arts dominate this weekend. Enjoy them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The frustrations of last week have pretty much played themselves out. You should find things going more smoothly, especially with those all-important personal matters.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Once again, you find a creative way to resolve a pesky problem in short order. However, a matter involving a possible breach of confidence might need a bit more time to check out.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Reuniting with an old friend could lead to the sharing of some great new experiences. But be careful you don't find yourself once again being super-critical or overly judgmental.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You should be seeing some positive results following your move toward repairing that unraveling relationship. There might be some setbacks, but staying with it ultimately pays off.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of making the sort of wise decisions that lead to shedding new light on dark situations.
**LATEST FILMS**

**‘A Christmas Carol’**

There’s nothing like being thrust into the Christmas spirit a week after Halloween and a full three weeks before Thanksgiving. And while the sentiment favorited “A Christmas Carol” is always reason for good cheer, this animated version is dark and lacks heart. It’s supposed to make you feel good, but it leaves you full of humbug.

Based on the Charles Dickens novel “A Christmas Carol,” the story begins with elderly miser Scrooge (Jim Carrey) hating everything about Christmas. He’s awful to his nephew (Colin Firth), who invites him to a Christmas dinner, refers to his helper a ghostly Carol (Gary Oldman) to the day off on Christmas.

On Christmas Eve, things change. The ghost of Scrooge’s late partner, Jacob Marley (Oldman again), appears and warns Scrooge that he has been there before. Scrooge, who has never visited during the night. The spirits — the ghosts of Christmas past, present and yet to come (all played by Carrey) — force Scrooge to reconsider his ways.

The reason the story is so detached is the performance-capture animation, which writer/director Robert Zemeckis has been previously used to great effect in “The Polar Express” and “Beowulf.” Briefly, the process involves actors wearing digitized suits as a camera captures their performances. The digital images are then animated in a computer using the facial expressions and mannerisms of the actors, which is why Scrooge looks like Carrey, Crachit looks like Oldman, etc.

The 3-D in “A Christmas Carol” is exceptional. There are too many sequences of Scrooge flying through Victorian London and not enough of him as an actual human being with real emotions. We need to hate Scrooge, then want him to change as we see his troubled past, painful present and awful future. But all we get are a series of action sequences followed by uninspired personal moments that fall to register.

Worse, some scenes are quite dark and scary. The later third of the film, as Scrooge is seeing his future, features a nighttime chase through the streets of London with two large black horses with red eyes pulling a chariot. The chase ends in a graveyard, and Scrooge is sucked into his grave. The movie is rated PG, but parents should use caution if children are younger than 8 years old.

These scary sequences may be authentic to the book (as much of the movie is), but that doesn’t mean they’re good for the movie. Still, the spirit of the story — giving to others, unselfishness — is relevant in these tough economic times, so hopefully “A Christmas Carol” will inspire an old grouch somewhere to give to the needy this holiday season. But there are too many other, better versions of this story (including animated ones — “Mickey’s Christmas Carol” is delightful) to run off to this one.

— Dan Hudak is the chairman of the Florida Film Critics Circle and a nationally syndicated film critic. You can e-mail him at dan@hudakohollywood.com and read more of his work at www.hudakohollywood.com.

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**REVIEWS BY DAN HUDAK**

**Yoo-Hoo, Mrs. Goldberg**

(Rob Reiner. Ginsberg, Edward Asner, Norman Lear) Before Lucy, there was Gertrude Berg, a radio and television star who created the modern sit-com as we know it. This documentary by Aviva Kempner explores her career as a writer and actor, and looks at why we’ve never heard of her. The story also goes in some interesting directions when it discusses Blacklisting and Ms. Berg’s fight to break into the film industry. Not Rated.

**Gotta Dance**

(Joe Bianco, Jachin Sabot, Peta Pope) The first year (2007) of the NET-Sationals, a senior dance team that performs during home games for the NBA’s New Jersey Nets, is chronicled in this inspiring documentary. Writer/director Dorisdocumentary. Writer/director Doris instein flirts issues of staying fit as we age and the pressure put on the team of 60-plus seniors, but the joy of the film shines through as the squad embraces hip-hop music and dancing. Not Rated.

**Zombieland**

(Jesse Eisenberg, Woody Harrelson, Emma Stone) With earth overrun by zombies after a virus wipes out most of humanity, the survivors (Eisenberg, Harrelson, Stone and Abigail Breslin) work together to stay alive. You’ll expect the playful violence, but the laugh-out-loud humor may take many by surprise. In fact, this is the best horror-comedy since “Shaun of the Dead” in 2004, which was also about zombies. Rated R.

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Naples International Film Festival award winners announced

The Naples International Film Festival announces the winners of the inaugural event that took place Nov. 5-8. From the more than 300 films submitted, the winning selections fell into the categories of features, documentaries, shorts, “strictly local” and short animations for children.

The award for Best Comedy went to “The Bacher,” a romance about a hit man who tries to quit and falls in love with a veterinarian.

Best Short was “Sun Sessions,” about a teenage Elvis fanatic who wins the heart of his girlfriend.

Best Drama was “That Evening Sun,” in which Hal Holbrook delivered a powerful performance as an aging Tennessee farmer who returns to his homestead and must confront a family betrayal, the reappearance of an old enemy and the loss of his farm.

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Naples resident and voiceover artist Peter Thomas will narrate the emotional “Liberty Fanfare” by John Williams. Baritone Ken Beaty will sing “We the People,” a new composition written by Helen Pestuka and arranged by Melvin Maxwell. Other selections on the program will include “They Called It U.S.A.,” “We the People,” John Phillip Sousa’s “Semper Fidelis March” and “A Chesapeake Bay Adventure.” The vocal group HeartSong will join the band for several selections, including the grand finale, “Armed Forces: The Pride of America.” Uniformed representatives from each branch of the United States Armed Forces will participate in the finale.

Guests are encouraged to arrive early with lawn chairs and blankets for seating. Admission is free, with donations appreciated. Donations received at each concert go toward scholarships for student member of the band.

The Naples Concert Band is a non-profit organization dedicated to entertaining the community with old-fashioned concerts in the park. The all-volunteer ensemble is in its 38th year offering free concerts to the Southwest Florida community. In addition to the Nov. 15 performance, 2009-2010 concert dates are: Dec. 6, Jan. 10 and 31, Feb. 28, March 21 and April 16.

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‘Crimes of the Heart’ coming up next from The Naples Players

Continuing a season of love and laughter with The Naples Players, “Crimes of the Heart” opens at Sugden Community Theatre on Wednesday, Nov 25. Beth Henley penned the Pulitzer and Tony award-winning comedy/drama in 1978. It has been performed on and off Broadway and was made into a feature film starring Diane Keaton, Jessica Lange and Sissy Spacek.

Described by The Chicago Sun Times as “a deep, abiding comic affection,” the story portrays three sisters in a warminghearted tale full of Southern good humor. The characters navigate through the sometimes frayed edges of sisterly bonds, with troubles grave yet somehow, deeply funny. You’ll be awash with infectious high spirits in this true and touching play.

Annie Rosemond directs The Naples Players’ production of “Crimes of the Heart.” The set has been designed by New York set designer Todd Potter.

“Almost, Maine,” Jan. 13-Feb. 6 – A whimsical comedy about the joys and perils of romance, told in a sometimes surreal, but always moving way.

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look at what’s involved in producing professional theater,” Mr. Dannis says. Subscriptions and individual tickets to the season’s shows will also be available at the open house.

The 2009-2010 season begins with “Man of La Mancha,” Dec. 3-13. A play-within-a-play based on Cervantes’ “Don Quixote,” this is a poignant story of a dying man whose impossible dream takes over his mind. His dream is Everyman’s dream. His tilting at windmills is Everyman’s great adventure.

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Here are some highlights from what’s coming up in the weeks ahead at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts (for a complete schedule of performances, lectures and other events, visit www.thephil.org):

By the book

Elaine Newton, professor emeritus of humanities at York University in Toronto, begins the 20th season of her Critic’s Choice book discussions as part of the Lifelong Learning program at the Phil at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, and Saturday, Nov. 14.


Single tickets are $30; subscriptions are $180. The Phil’s Lifelong Learning program presents more than 120 adult education classes, each season featuring world-renowned teachers and experts in music, dance, art history, painting, opera, photography and more.

Coffee with the curator

Join Michael Culver, director and chief curator of the Patty & Jay Baker Naples Museum of Art, for Coffee with the Curator on select Saturday mornings this season. The first coffee klatch is set for 10 a.m. Nov. 14.

Let Mr. Culver be your guide through the exciting exhibitions marking the museum’s 10th anniversary season. Afterward, adjourn to the Dome for coffee and conversation, during which you may ask questions and chat with Dr. Culver. Coffee with the Curator will begin at 10 a.m. on Nov. 14, Dec. 12, Jan. 9, Feb. 13, March 13, April 10, May 8 and June 12. The discussions are free with your admission to the Naples Museum of Art.

The Smothers Brothers

Dick and Tom Smothers present “The Smothers Brothers Show,” with special guest The Yo Yo Man, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1. Over the past four decades, the Smothers Brothers have been entertaining audiences all over the world with their unique blend of music, comedy, and storytelling.
irresponsible Smothers Brothers have made sibling rivalry an art form, which has been embraced by diverse generations of fans. Tickets are $52.

‘A Smooth Jazz Christmas’

Dave Koz and Friends: “A Smooth Jazz Christmas” begins at 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 30. In celebration of the tour’s 12th anniversary, this year’s show features a reunion of the original cast. Saxophonist Mr. Koz is joined by Rick Braun, David Benoit, Peter White and Brenda Russell performing from their respective catalogs and joining together on a variety of holiday favorites. Tickets are $69.

‘The Color Purple’

The first North American touring production of ‘The Color Purple’ arrives at the Phil for eight performances Dec. 8-13. Nominiated for 11 Tony Awards, “The Color Purple” is based on the classic Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Alice Walker and the film by Steven Spielberg. As on Broadway, the touring production is directed by Gary Griffith. The libretto is by Pulitzer Prize-winner Marsha Norman, music and lyrics are by Grammy Award-winning composers/lyricists Brenda Russell, Allee Willis and Stephen Bray, and choreography by Donald Byrd. Tickets are $79.

A holiday tradition

Miami City Ballet and the Naples Philharmonic Orchestra, led by conductor Juan Francisco La Manna, will present George Balanchine’s “The Nutcracker” at 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, and at 2 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29. Featuring more than 100 dancers, dazzling sets and costumes, brilliant choreography and the famous Tchaikovsky score, this holiday season event is perfect for the whole family. Among the classic selections in this timeless show: “Waltz of the Flowers,” “Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy,” “Arabian Dance” and “Russian Dance.” While you’re there, don’t miss the Nutcracker Boutique, featuring a variety of holiday items for decorating and gift-giving. Visitors can also view more than 25 beautifully decorated Christmas trees in the dome at the Naples Museum of Art. The Nutcracker Boutique and Christmas tree display are free and open to the public. Tickets for “The Nutcracker” are $59 for adults and $25 for students.

The Philharmonic Center for the Arts and the Naples Museum of Art are at 5833 Pelican Bay Blvd. The Naples Museum of Art is sponsored in part by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs and the Florida Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts. The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is $8 for adults and $4 for students. For more information or to order tickets for programs at the Phil, call 597-1900 or visit www.thephil.org.
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ORCHESTRA NOTES

Here’s what’s on the schedule for the Naples Philharmonic Orchestra (concerts take place at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts):
• 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 12-14: The orchestra’s Classical Series opens with Tchaikovsky’s Fifth, under the baton of Maestro Jorge Mester. The Conductor’s Prelude begins one hour before the concert. In addition to Tchaikovsky’s Fifth, the program will feature Haydn’s Sinfonia concertante and Debussy’s “Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun.” Tickets are $64 for adults and $25 for students.
• 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15: Musicians from the Philharmonic Youth Orchestra play by themselves and members of the professional orchestra in the first Major/Minor concert of the season. Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition winners will be featured. Christopher Confesor will conduct. Tickets are $85 for adults and $10 for students.
• 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18: Bridging the gap between rock ‘n’ roll and classical music, the orchestra performs “The Music of Led Zeppelin.” Tickets are $55 for adults and $35 for students. See story on page CI.
• 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20: Led by New York City Opera Conductor Joe Mechavich, the orchestra joins Mozart Festival Opera to present Mozart’s “Don Giovanni.” Considered by many the greatest of all operas, “Don Giovanni” is based on the escapades of Don Juan of Seville, the seductive, devious and dangerous rake who lived in the 1600s. Performed in Italian with English supertitles. Tickets are $75.
• 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3-5: The orchestra presents “From Beethoven to Bernstein,” the second program in the season’s Classical Series, led by Maestro Jorge Mester. The Conductor’s Prelude begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are $64 for adults and $25 for students.

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Naples Winter Wine Festival
auction lots set new standard

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The Naples Winter Wine Festival begins on Friday, Jan. 29, with a tour of children’s charities that benefit from festival proceeds and lunch and a wine tasting guided by outstanding U.S. vintners. That evening, private vintner dinners take place in 15 homes. The live auction happens Saturday, Jan. 30, on the grand lawn of the Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort and includes a culinary showcase and wine tasting. The day ends with a “wine”-down party. The festival’s final event is a Sunday celebration brunch, which includes a raffle of a new Lexus IS convertible.

Festival ticket packages are $7,500 per couple; $20,000 for reserved seatings at the same vintner dinner for two couples. For a schedule of 2010 festivities, a complete listing of auction lots and more information about the Naples Winter Wine Festival, visit www.napleswinefestival.com or call the winery office at (888) 837-4919.

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ART NEWS

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Mr. Parker studied art at Parsons School of Design and worked in New York City for 22 years as an artist, illustrator and creative director. He moved to Naples in 2003 and started Art2D. NONA Gallery and Studio is at 2079 J&C Blvd., North Naples. For more information, call 572-3386.

Holiday trunk shows planned at the Collection
Six local artisans will hold their first holiday trunk show from 1-6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13, at the Collection at Vanderbilt. Subsequent shows are planned for 4-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, all in the center’s community hall, Suite 126. For more information, call Christi Lavoy at 566-3459.

Also open for the holiday season at Collection at Vanderbilt is the Deck the Halls Christmas Shoppe with holiday trees and home décor. Saturday workshops are now being planned that include gift wrapping and crafts. Visitors to the center can also enjoy the North Naples Green Market from...
Volunteer opportunities

The Naples Art Association and The von Liebig Art Center need more than a few good volunteers to help with four major art festival the NAA is producing this season. From parking and ticket sales to set-up and clean-up, there’s a four-hour shift for those of all ages and abilities.

NAA art festivals support the association’s many youth activities and outreach programs for underserved children. The season’s art festivals are:

- The Naples Renaissance Fall Art Festival – Nov. 28-29 on 10th Street and U.S. 41
- The Naples National – Listed as one of the top 10 art festivals in the country, Feb. 20-21, 2010, in Cambier Park
- The Mercato Fine Arts Festival – The newest in the lineup, March 6-7, 2010, at Mercato
- The Downtown Naples Festival of the Arts – March 27-28, 2010, on Fifth Avenue South

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Furnishings for the house were important, and everything — from large oil paintings to floor-standing vases to huge carved pieces of furniture — was carefully shipped back to the United States. Many pieces were copies of earlier works: Greek vases, marble statues, Egyptian relics and more. Gold and precious-gem jewelry was popular, and so was souvenir jewelry, carved lava set in bracelets, agate or shell cameos and micro-mosaic pins and necklaces.

Auction houses and shops today often advertise an item as a “Grand Tour” piece. That means it was collected in Europe between 1880 and 1900, and probably is of good quality and expensive. Copies of Greek vases and Roman carvings are popular today because of their size, quality and decorative appeal. Originals are almost impossible to buy, so an accurate old reproduction is a good substitute. A Grand Tour carved lava and gold bracelet recently sold for $300, a replica Greek vase for $1,500 and a replica Roman statue for $5,000.

Q: I recently inherited a Hoosier cabinet from my mother’s estate. I know she bought it sometime ago, but I can’t find any information about it. A paper flavoring guide inside the cabinet says “Hygena Cabinet Co., Ltd., Liverpool.” Can you tell me its age and history?

A: Hoosier cabinets were popular from the turn of the 20th century until the 1930s, when built-in cabinets became popular. A Hoosier cabinet had a work surface and shelves and drawers that were fitted with a flour sifter, coffee and tea canisters, crack-er jars and other kitchen items. Hoosier Manufacturing Co. of New Castle, Ind., made the multipurpose free-standing kitchen cabinets from c. 1900 until 1940. Other companies, including Hygena, made Hoosier-type cabinets. Hygena Cabinets Ltd. was founded by George Nunn and Len Cooldin in Liver-pool, England, in 1925. Hygena was...
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reorganized with a new owner in 1938 and was bought by MFI in the 1980s. A 1930s wooden cabinet is worth about $1,500, but there is little demand.

Q: I own a 34-by-28-inch advertising poster celebrating the 75th anniversary of Pratt & Lambert Paints. It’s advertising the company’s “Effecto Auto Finishes” and pictures an old automobile with a 1923 New York license plate. The name “Adolph Treidler” is printed in the top left corner. Would this hold any appeal for auto buffs?

A: Your poster, if original, would appeal to auto buffs, advertising collectors and fans of Adolph Treidler’s work. Treidler (1886-1981) had a long and lucrative career creating illustrations for travel posters, ads, magazines and the U.S. government. Today his original posters sell for about $200 to more than $1,000, depending on subject and condition.

Tip: Don’t store a leather purse or jacket in a damp place. Leather can become moldy. Keep anything leather in a spot with fresh, dry air. If you store a leather purse in a plastic bag, be sure to punch holes in the bag for air circulation.

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- Rookwood pitcher, standard glaze with flower and leaf design, “1887” mark, 8 inches, $490.
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My early experiences with British food were memorable for the wrong reasons. During my teens and 20s, my gastronomic experiences in London and this thereabouts involved plate after plate of relatively tasteless, mostly grayish-brown substances of dubious origin. But that was well before the advent of gastro pubs — establishments that serve comfort food but with a more gourmet flair than standard pub grub. That’s a fairly broad definition, but I’ve yet to find a definitive source that can narrow it down further.

A relative newcomer to the Naples scene, The Pub at Mercato certainly fulfills the gastro pub concept in that it looks, feels and sounds like a pub yet offers a far more enticing array of menu items.

While striving to provide a neighborhood bar atmosphere, it fits in well with the Mercato mystique in that it’s exceedingly well appointed. There’s gleaming wood throughout, particularly on the massive oak bar that dominates the room. A huge Union Jack adorns the ceiling over the bar, servers wear tartan kilts. The place looks as if it were treated our predecessors this well, we treated our predecessors this well, we

Open since last spring, The Pub has become a popular hangout for all sorts of people, ranging from singles at the bar to large groups clinking beer mugs around big tables. There’s a lot of energy — and a lot of noise. With all that wood, sounds seem to bounce endlessly about, making conversation difficult indoors even when the place is less than half full.

The high volume would be my only complaint, and it didn’t appear to be a problem for most of the revelers gathered there Thursday night during happy hour (5-7 p.m.), our attentive and well-trained server explains, drinks were $1 off while appetizers were $3.95 and served in half portions. As it turned out, the portions were closer to full size. The chips were crisp, golden steak fries accompanied by red and yellow curry sauces, both of which possessed some bite as well as aromatic palettes of Indian spices.

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For those who disdain beer — and I confess I belong to this group — there are lots of gins, bourbons and single-malt whiskies, dipping our fries in the cider malt pub mustard drizzled over the plate added some zip.

We moved on to more substantive fare, including a Young’s Double Choco-

We tried the Belhaven Twisted Thistle, an amber-orange brew from Scotland with notes of heather, jasmine and lemon zest. My beer-loving companion liked it so much she ordered a second one. I tried a Bombay Sapphire martini, straight up with olives. It arrived icy cold and perfectly dry.

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The fish and chips were even better. A large piece of pollock had been perfectly fried and placed atop a mound of steak fries. The fish was tender and moist. A house-made tartar sauce had great fresh flavor, and a squirt of lemon finished the fish off nicely.

We also liked the condiment selections, dipping our fries in the cider malt vinegar and in a brown sauce that contained molasses, tamarind and vinegar.

The Pub brings an appealing taste of Great Britain to Naples. If the British had

The menu devotes as much attention to the drinks as it does to the drinks.

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If you go •

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Thursday, Nov. 12, 4 p.m., For Sunshine Soke: Free lecture on mood and memory; 9180 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs; 992-5838.

Thursday, Nov. 12, 6-8 p.m., Artichoke & Company: Sample a variety of Tuscan wines accompanied by imported meats, cheeses and pastas; $34.50, The Village on Venetian Bay, Gulfshore Blvd. and Parkshore Drive; 263-6979. Reservations required.

Friday, Nov. 13, 6 p.m., Whole Foods Market: Thanksgiving 101, a great intro course for beginners and a refresher for everyone else on how to make turkey, home-made cranberry sauce, stuffing and gravy; $10, Mercato, 90th Strada Place; 552-5000.

Saturday, Nov. 14, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., The Good Life of Naples: Jump-start your holiday baking with Bobbie Thompson, author of “Bobbie’s Best Recipes.” She’ll sign copies of the book and offer samples of her desserts; 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road; 514-4663. Reservations required.

Saturday, Nov. 14, 4 noon-2 p.m., Alexander’s Restaurant: Chef Alexander Bernard leads his “Let’s Talk Turkey and Cook Duck” class with samples, recipes and wine; $45, 4077 Tamiami Trail; 262-4999. Reservations required.

Saturday, Nov. 14, 17 p.m., Robb & Stucky KitchenAid Culinary Center: Chef Martin Murphy conjures up a multi-course meal featuring fresh ingredients and complementary wines; $65, 26501 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs; (866) 206-3840.

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