SUSAN G. KOMEN REACHES OUT TO RESCUE BREAST CANCER’S VICTIMS

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At bad moments it feels as if even God is conspiring to keep her at arm’s length from survival, said 31-year-old Beatriz Ligas through a translator. Cancer first appeared as a cyst in her breast three years ago, and more recently recurred in her brain. Her husband gleans barely enough income from day labor jobs to pay for necessities, which makes you wonder how she even began to pay for, let alone navigate the red tape-heavy world of meds, tests and doctors that now swamp her. Ms. Ligas considers help received from a nearby family health care provider, funded by a Susan G. Komen of Southwest Florida grant, literally a lifesaver. “Without it, I probably wouldn’t be here,” she admits.

The Komen grants to local organizations bridge gaps in breast health

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NCEF serves up first Lunch Boxes of Love

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

On the heels of the Jan. 29 Naples Winter Wine Festival auction that raised $12 million, the festival’s founding organization — the Naples Children & Education Foundation — is moving swiftly to get much-needed food to underprivileged and at-risk children in Collier County through its Lunch Boxes of Love hunger initiative.

Partnering with the Harry Chapin Food Bank, NCEF funded a specially outfitted and branded mobile food pantry to begin weekly distributions of approximately 16,000 to 18,000 pounds of food — enough to feed about 600 families for several days. This week, the first food distribution took place at the Boys & Girls Club of Collier County, where the recipients were about 750 children, including many sets of brothers and sisters, who attend the club’s after-school program.

“Nearly 90 percent of these children receive full scholarships based on need, and we felt it was a fitting kick off of our hunger initiative to come to the Boys & Girls Club,” says John Scot Mueller, NCEF trustee and vice chair of the foundation’s grant committee.

The Boys & Girls Club of Collier County has received grants from NCEF totaling nearly $10 million since the first wine festival in 2001, making it the No. 1 recipient

Collier K-9s

On duty or off, dogs and their sheriff’s office partners take law enforcement seriously.

Manscaping

Guys are spending more on grooming.

Irish pride

33rd annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade promises music, dancing and more.

Botti beautiful

Grammy Award-winning trumpeter heads this way.
The centennial of Ronald Reagan’s birth has produced a predictable flurry of retrospectives, books, documentaries and nostalgic remembrances. As one might expect, the depictions of our 40th president (usually produced by his admirers) are almost always favorable and many times downright fawning.

Ronald Reagan is to Republicans what John F. Kennedy is to Democrats. Their admirers see both men as mythic figures who occupy special places in the pantheon of American presidents; however, neither man deserves such exalted status. I could go on at length about Mr. Reagan’s shortcomings as both a president and a candidate, but let’s concentrate on the man of the moment.

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The battle of the budgets: New fronts in Afghanistan and Iraq

Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio, Idaho — these are the latest fronts in the battle of budgets, with the larger fight over a potential shutdown of the U.S. government looming. These fights, radiating out from the occupation of the Wisconsin Capitol building, are occurring against the backdrop of the two wars waged by the U.S. in Iraq and Afghanistan. No discussion or debate over budgets, over wages and pensions, over deficits, should happen without a clear presentation of the costs of these wars — and the insurmountable costs that ending them would bring.

First, the cost of war. The U.S. is spending about $2 billion a week in Afghanistan alone. That’s about $804 billion a year — and that is not including Iraq. Compare that with the state budget shortfalls. According to a recent report by the nonpartisan Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, “some 45 states either District of Columbia are projecting budget shortfalls totaling $125 billion for fiscal year 2012.” The math is simple: The money should be poured back into the states, rather than into a war that is a waste of billions of dollars.

Yet, the U.S. continues to pour money and troops into these endless wars. Rolling Stone’s Michael Hastings, whose presentation of the costs of these wars — waged by the U.S. in Iraq and Afghanistan — “concludes that the United States has wasted tens of billions of nearly $200 billion that has been spent on contracts and grants since 2002 to support contractors and subcontractors, and other U.S. operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.”

Which brings us back to those teachers, nurses, police officers and two of our Wisconsin residents in Madison why the unionized firefighters were there, even though their union was represented by a different bargaining unit. “This is about an attack on the middle class.” By shutting down the attacks on the middle class, “This is about an attack on the middle class.” By shutting down the attacks on the middle class.

OPINION

The real “shame” in Wisconsin

No, the most important measure at hand is the governor’s proposal for the state to stop deducting union dues from the paychecks of state workers. This practice essentially widens the taxing power of the government on behalf of the institutional interests of the unions. It makes the government an arm of the public-sector unions. It is a price- less favor.

Wisconsin doesn’t collect dues for Elks lodges or the NRA. What makes these organizations different from public-sector unions is that people freely choose to join them. People freely choose to pay their dues. They are truly voluntary organizations that don’t rely on the power of the state for their well-being. Walker wants to give members of public-sector unions a measure of this same autonomy.

Perhaps some of these members aren’t liberal Democrats, so they don’t want to pay dues — roughly $1,000 annually in the state of teachers. And why should people who depend on union protections want to spend money on their families or other pressing needs. Walker presents Wisconsin will allow more wide-ranging collective bargaining than these states.

When the Wisconsin General Assembly voted to pass Gov. Scott Walker’s budget repair bill, the Democratic legis- lators made themselves indistinguishable from the protesters surrounding the assembly floor.

They were the same pro-union orange T-shirts. They have worn the same obsolete wing, breaking out in a noisy, fin- her-pointing demonstration. They chant ed the same ubiquitous slogan: “Shame”! They might as well have brought guitars onto the floor for a Woody Guthrie sing-along.

The fight in Wisconsin has focused on collective bargaining rights, but that is not the main event. As Daniel Drezner of the City College of New York notes in a Weekly Standard article, 24 states either District of Columbia are bargaining for public workers or permit it for only a segment of workers. Even if Walker prevails in Wisconsin will allow more wide-ranging collective bargaining than these states.

The Washington Post recently report ed that Obama’s counter-insurgency drone program, in which unmanned a er- ial drones are sent over rural Pakistan to assassinate “high-level militants,” has killed at least 581 people, of whom only two were on a U.S. list of people suspected of being “high-level leaders.” Any evidence to the contrary is a result of the drone strikes, which have increased in number dramatically under Obama’s leadership. Kill civilians, not to mention Pakistani civilian support for the United States.

Meanwhile, in Iraq, the democracy that the neocons in Washington expected to deliver through the barrel of a gun with the “clash of civilizations” may be coming finally, not with the help of the U.S., but, rather, inspired by the peaceful, popular demonstrations in Tunisia and Egypt. Human Rights Watch has just reported that as people protest and dissidents are demanding their “right to vote,” Iraqi’s most vul- nerable citizens, especially women and detainees, are routinely violated with impunity.

Protests have erupted in another Tahrir Square, in Baghdad (yes, it means “liberation” in Iraq and Egypt), against corruption and demanding jobs and bet- ter public services. Iraqi government forces fired on protesters overnight and, on the third day, more than 300 people, including human rights workers and journalists, have been rounded up.

Yet, the U.S. continues to pour money and troops into these endless wars. Rolling Stone’s Michael Hastings, whose reporting exposed the crass behavior of Gen. Stanley McChrystal, has just exposed what he calls an illegal opera- tion run by Lt. Gen. William Caldwell in Afghanistan, in which a U.S. Army “psy- ops” operation was mounted against U.S. senators and other visiting dignitaries in order to win support and more funding. One of Hastings’ military sources quoted Caldwell as saying: “How do we get these guys to give us more money? ... What do I have to plant inside their heads?”

— Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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My friend Robert Dellaert has asked me to help scout locations for his seaplane touring business. Today’s mission: check out the barrier islands north of the Caloosahatchee. His amphibious craft has both wheels and floats, so we meet at his Page Field hangar in Fort Myers. We pop off the runway and into a 60-degree bank, headed for the Sanibel Causeway like a shot.

It’s two in the afternoon on a school day, and the beach sprouts a pile o’bun patch of brightly colored umbrellas. Clear blue-green water is a welcome side effect of our dry season. Spotting wildlife is easy from our 500-foot cruising altitude. Dolphins in pairs cruise just off the beach. “Wouldn’t mind coming back as a regular customer,” says Mr. Dellaert. The engine revs along with my pulse. We nose up to hit the waves, and it’s like a series of speed bumps as the craft skips along the surf and settles to a rolling swell.

The water is incredibly translucent and as green as glass. With the doors down, it’s kind of like being in a small open boat. Salt air blasts around us as we drop towards the Gulf. I’ve landed on calm water before, but this is the Gulf.

“We’re going to power into this, standard roughwater landing technique,” says Mr. Dellaert. The engine revs along with my pulse. We nose up to hit the waves, and it’s like a series of speed bumps as the craft skips along the surf and settles to a rolling swell.

The water is incredibly translucent and as green as glass. With the doors down, it’s kind of like being in a small open boat. Salt air blasts around us as we achieve takeoff speed in a splash of white and green to soar and bank over the waving crowds on the beach.

Watching someone at ease with their profession is always cool, and Mr. Dellaert clearly loves the seaplane gig. The plane bobs around a bit, wind blasting over my rear seat position. It’s better than any roller coaster, and you can’t beat the view.

“Anywhere you want to go?” he asks. “We could anchor off Cayo Costa, pick up some shells.”

I’m thinking cheeseburger. Local legend holds the Cabbage Key Inn, perched on a Caloosa shell mound on diminutive Cabbage Key, as the inspiration for Jimmy Buffet’s “Cheeseburger in Paradise.”

Like a lot of locals I’m way past my limit of Par- rothead anthems. I am, however, a big fan of John D. MacDonald’s iconic Travis McGee novels. Everything worth knowing about South Florida (and life) is in those pages. I think of Doc Ford, hero of local writer Randy Wayne White’s equally popular mystery series, as his modern successor. Cabbage Key Inn is one of Doc Ford’s watering holes. My inner fanboy wants to be there.

In minutes we’re circling the tiny key, easily identified by a wooden water tower.

This landing is calm and natural, setting the calm back bay saltwa- ter like the pelican icon of Mr. Dellaert’s Air Expeditions logo. We taxi and landfall on Cabbage Key’s pocket beach with a soft, satisfying crunch. A gopher tortoise checks us out, then returns his attention to mowing the lawn.

The 1930s Cypress structure has weathered countless storms and visitors. There’s not much evidence of Mother Nature’s wrath, but every surface in the bar is covered with currency left by patrons. Mr. Dellaert holds court to the curious at the bar while I snoop around.

After lunch, the shallow drafting plane is easy to turn seaward. I give us a shove as Mr. Dellaert paddles from the bow of the starboard float. Pretty soon, we’re strapping in for the short trip back to Page Field.

We’ve covered the coast from Venice to Estero in three hours. I’ve spent what seems that long in traffic during season. Life is good in a floating, flying time machine.

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Gaps in treatment wasn’t enough. That’s why the race is a tremendous amount of money, but it know we’re not going to be able to fulfill in funding,” Ms. Ross says. “And I spoken program to combat breast cancer in the region, aims to cover a spectrum of care through its grants, doled out a few weeks after the end of the race. It provides means for self-exam education, basic mammography screenings, diagnostic work, and at least the framework for coordinating full-scale treatment, such as Ms. Ligas’s. Grantees requested more funding than will probably be available for next year. What does get funded comes down to Saturday’s Race for the Cure. Last year’s race raised more than $95,000.

“We have great requests for $1 million in funding,” Ms. Ross says. “And I know we’re not going to be able to fulfill all those requests. Last year it was a tremendous amount of money, but it wasn’t enough. That’s why the race is so crucial.”

Gaps in treatment Living in a quiet neighborhood filled last week with the smell of orange blossoms, Ms. Ligas described her life now as “an emotional rollercoaster. One day I feel fine, one day I cry, one day I’m sad.” Few things in her life seem stable.

Friends allowed the family to move into their house when they decided to move out. When her parents call from Mexico to ask how she is, Ms. Ligas tells them she is “good,” even when she is not. She often feels nauseous from her chemotherapy pills, or despondent because her doctors haven’t been able to set a time frame for when her treatment will end. She is usually alone with her thoughts in the borrowed house during the day, until it’s time to pick up her 7-year-old daughter from school.

“The time that they’re working I am by myself alone here thinking,” Ms. Ligas says. “Thinking about getting better, thinking about am I ever going to get better, thinking why this happened to me. When I question, I question God, why me, why I have to get it again, why you have to pick me. My faith is going through a roller coaster as well as my life.”

A nearby nonprofit, Collier Health Services, is her best advocate in getting treatment. CHS received a Komen grant of about $89,500 last year for such purposes. It helps pay for a full time breast health educator and coordinator, Kenia Mejia, to be an advocate for low-income women in Immokalee, such as Ms. Ligas.

Ms. Mejia stresses education to women who come to the facility. “If you take the time to tell them, something will stay with them,” she said.

Many require only a routine mammogram, sometimes a follow up ultrasound and a biopsy, which shows benign tissue. If one of the screenings catches a malignancy, Ms. Mejia can get patients started on a treatment plan right away. “We grab you by your hands and until you’re completely well we don’t let you loose,” Ms. Mejia said. “That’s our job.”

Ms. Mejia helped Ms. Ligas apply and qualify for a $207 per month Medicaid co-pay. Most of her treatment beyond that is paid for, but it’s still a huge bill for the family. Once when Ms. Ligas missed the co-pay, CHS helped her cover the difference so the family could buy necessities. “I had $390 to pay for bills and groceries and used it for that,” Ms. Ligas explained.

She said her husband insists medical bills should come first, even if the family has to tolerate hunger. “Sometimes, my husband says that if we don’t have money for groceries, we don’t have money for groceries,” Ms.
Susan G. Komen of SWFL has awarded about $4.5 million since 2002

Some studies even link a lack of health insurance to breast cancer mortality rates. That seems intuitive: after contracting a deadly disease, a sudden escalation of large bills demanded of people who won’t be able to pay them sounds like the polar opposite of healing.

Susan G. Komen of SWFL found 30 percent of those with breast cancer were uninsured, according to its recent survey of 500 people in the region. The survey also showed the biggest reason patients failed to “enter or follow through with the continuum of care (for breast cancer),” were, in order: “Money, lack of insurance, lack of time, painful exams and worry about radiation.”

“At one woman put it, “It’s a pain in the ass,” a preliminary version of the report reads.

The American Cancer Society compared the number of uninsured women who had a mammogram — considered the single biggest preventive measure along with self-examination — to their counterparts with private insurance. It cited a 2005/2006 study, which showed about 75 percent of women age 40 to 64 with private insurance received a mammogram in the last two years, while only 38 percent of their uninsured counterparts had one.

“At every level of education, individuals with health insurance are twice as likely as those without health insurance to have had mammography,” reads the ACS’s annual report.

In a 1999-2005 study cited by the ACS, about 89 percent of women with private insurance survived breast cancer for at least five years versus 77 percent of those uninsured, and about 75 percent of those insured by Medicare.

Underinsured

Even many patients who do have health insurance find financing a fight against breast cancer too costly to continue, according to Lorrie O’Connell, Impact through the Gift of Hope and Treatment or LIGHT of Southwest Florida. The nonprofit received a Komen grant of almost $35,000 last year. It gets funding and coordinates treatment for people with cancer of all kinds who have insurance but can’t afford co-pays and deductibles.

“A lot of these people lose their battles with cancer and we don’t want them to lose it because they don’t have money,” says LIGHT’s treasurer, Chick Carrusso. She negotiates with the billing departments of insurance companies, medical groups or doctors’ offices to save money. A patient trying to do that on their own would mostly likely get a flat denial, she said. Health care organizations will sometimes split the cost 50/50 if she pleads her case, Ms. Carrusso says, and private doctors are sometimes even more generous.

“It’s amazing how many individual doctors will say, ‘It’s a wash. I’ll eat the whole thing,’” she says. Her rule: If a bill is $101 or more, she will try to negotiate a better price. “I realize the insurance company is a business,” she says. “And we are also, but we think with our hearts first.”

Because of LIGHT, Ms. Bergdall was able to follow through with an outpatient surgery to remove a malignant tumor in her breast. “They really helped us to keep my insurance, it seems,” Berry said. Ms. Bergdall works at Bell Tower Mall, where she’s a hostess at Blue Pointe Oyster Bar & Seafood Grill. When it comes to funding her treatment, she has been more successful in some areas than others.

She and her husband are on early Social Security at 62. Even so, she says, they need help to make monthly payments on lingering medical bills, including a nearly $300 co-pay for an MRI that cost about $4,500. She also contacted Pfizer, the company that makes a drug doctors prescribed to keep her cancer free, which blocks estrogen. Based on her financial situation, the company agreed to pay for her supply of the medication.

Even with LIGHT’s help, she barely made deadlines for tests and procedures that leave her with a clean bill of health as of the middle of last year. Around the same time she finished her radiation treatments and surgery, her former insurance company priced her out of a plan, forcing her to scramble to find a different insurer. She was able to get health insurance from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida in the mid $200 range, after her former company quoted her a monthly premium of more than $900.

“That’s their way of saying, ‘We don’t want you,’” Ms. Bergdall says. “I think it would work better, it’s something that hits them right in the face, a diagnosis like that.”

A grandmother of three, Ms. Alexander found a certified nurses assistant, but has no health insurance and lives paycheck to paycheck. She grew up in Jamaica, and lived in Queens, NY, before moving to Florida in the mid-1990s, in part so her children could have a bigger yard.

Even in 2007, they were asking us if we’d had a mammogram, all the ladies that came in, because they said they got a grant for mammograms,” she said. “So I went for a mammogram, and they found something they had to do a biopsy on to make sure that it was nothing, you know? “And when you get this kind of news you’re kind of like, ‘What’s going on? what’s going on’? But I tried to think positive.”

“When the doctor called me back again, I was like, ‘OK, do I want to hear what he has to say, or not?’ But you have to know. He said, ‘Joan, we have good news. And I was like ‘Oh, thank God.’”
Imagine being able to spend 24 hours a day with your best friend, companion and confidant. For the Collier County Sheriff’s Office, K-9 officers are all that — as well as highly trained and valuable partners in enforcing the law and protecting the public.

The CCSO’s nine K-9 officers assist road deputies, sniff out drugs or bombs depending on their training, track fugitives and aid in searches for missing and lost elderly people and children. “The K-9 unit is a vital part of our agency,” says Sheriff Kevin Rambosk. “Whether these dogs and their handlers are tracking a suspect, helping us find a missing person or leading us to the location of illegal narcotics, they are helping us keep Collier County safe.”

In 1999, Det. Dan Muhlhahn donated his chocolate Labrador retriever to the department’s new drug interdiction K-9 unit. Woody was the first K-9 officer dedicated fulltime to the unit, which assists narcotic investigators with search warrants and also assists U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, customs and postal officials in Collier County. Prior to K-9 Woody, CCSO officers sometimes had to call for dogs from off-duty sheriff’s officers and other sources such as the Florida Highway Patrol.

In his first six weeks on the job, Woody seized more than $45,000 in drug money, along with narcotics and vehicles. He remained on duty until June 2006. In that same month, Det. Muhlhahn donated Dewey, Woody’s son, to the CCSO K-9 unit.

Just like his father, Dewey has had a very successful law-enforcement career. One of K-9 Dewey’s first accomplishments was assisting detectives investigating a drug trafficker with ties to a Mexican cartel. Detectives spent hundreds of hours working the case, and put the final piece in place when he alerted investigators to the drug trafficker’s vehicle. In that particular seizure, two kilos of cocaine were found, Det. Muhlhahn says.

Dewey’s actions provided hard evidence needed to convict the drug trafficker to 30 years in prison, he says, adding Dewey continues to assist Collier County detectives and other agencies in drug suppression efforts.

Everyday dangers on duty
The jobs of the K-9 dogs are serious. Everyday dangers on duty
Academy Award-winning actor Louis Gossett Jr. will be the keynote speaker at a community luncheon hosted by Hazelden on Thursday, March 24, at the Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club. The event will honor Collier County Sheriff’s Office Chief of Corrections Scott Salley for his extensive role over the years in the prevention and treatment of substance abuse and addiction.

Tickets for $100 per person are available by calling (651) 213-4429.

Proceeds will benefit patient aid programs and services at Hazelden’s residential treatment facility in Naples.

A national nonprofit organization founded in 1949, Hazelden helps people reclaim their lives from the disease of addiction. Built on decades of knowledge and experience, Hazelden offers a comprehensive approach to addiction that addresses the full range of patient, family and professional needs, including treatment and continuing care for youth and adults, research, higher education, public education and advocacy.

In addition to its Naples location, Hazelden has facilities in Minnesota, Oregon, Illinois and New York.

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K-9 officers and their handlers undergo intense training. The job demands a lot from you. It’s a 24-hour-a-day commitment,” Det. Muhlhan says. “At minimum, you are an instant parent for the dog. You adjust your lifestyle around the dog.”

Kasper is the bomb-sniffing dog belonging to CCSO Cpl. Raul Roman.

“We get called out for bomb threats, suspicious packages as well as VIP and protection details with the Secret Service,” Cpl. Roman says. “We’ve been tasked with protecting dignitaries from several countries as well as Presidents (George W.) Bush, (George H.) Bush, (Jimmy) Carter and (Barack) Obama.”

Officer William Gifford is partnered with Bandit a 5-year-old Dutch shepherd.

Officer William Gifford is partnered with Bandit a 5-year-old Dutch shepherd, on the CCSO K-9 unit. Dutch shepherds are very loyal to their handlers and need to be challenged constantly, Officer Gifford says. “They’re one of the more rare breeds of law enforcement dogs, although their popularity is growing due to their size, health, longevity and demeanor,” he adds.

Det. Muhlhan’s faithful friend and colleague Woody fell ill and was put to sleep in May 18, 2010. He was 13 years old.

“T’d had him since he was 8 weeks old,” the detective says. “He was part of the family first and then a K-9 officer second. We spent every day together, rain or shine, on duty and off duty.”

Dewey has helped fill the void. “He’s very similar to his father, but he’s different in his own way,” Det. Muhlhan says. “He’s filled a big place in my life.”
All eyes are smiling as parade day approaches

The 33rd annual Naples St. Patrick’s Day Parade is set for Saturday, March 12.

The Southwest Florida Harp & Thistle Band, the Champion Supreme Pipe Band of the Southern United States Pipe Band Association, will start the festivities with a performance at the 17th annual flag-raising ceremony at 9:30 a.m. at The Dock at Crayton Cove. The band also leads the way when the parade steps out at 10 a.m. and wends its way along a 1.8-mile route through Old Naples.

Nearly 40,000 people are expected to line the streets for the show. Other parade units include the Lee County Pipes & Drums Band; the Manhattan College Pipes & Drums Band, directly from the campus in the Riverdale section of the Bronx; the Norwood Colonial Boys, a file and drum band from Norwood, Mass.; the Paradise Coastmen Barber SHOP Chorus; the Celtic Spirit School of Irish Dance in Naples and Marco Island; the Tir Na Nog Academy of Irish Dance in Naples; and the Kellyn Celtic Arts Irish Dance Academy in Fort Myers.

Patrick Nolan of Fox4 News is this year’s grand marshal, and Naples resident Jack Dempsey will serve as the parade’s official St. Patrick, as he has done for the past 15 years.

The Naples St. Patrick Foundation funds, organizes and sponsors the parade every year. Several pre-parade fundraisers help raise money to continue the tradition, as does parking for $5 on parade day in the vacant lot at Goodlette Road and Fifth Avenue South.

For more information, visit www.stpatricksparadenaples.com or e-mail James McEvoy, president of the Naples St. Patrick Foundation, at irmusic@embarqmail.com.

The eighth annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade Pub Crawl on March 4 helped raise money to ensure the parade tradition continues.

1. Morgan French, Little Miss Smiling Irish Eyes 2011, with members of the Southwest Florida Harp & Thistle Band
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Free forum examines ‘Quality of Place’ as a factor in community sustainability

Project Innovation, the initiative to execute a plan for economic diversity and sustainability in Collier County, holds its next public event from 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, at The Naples Zoo. The free event will focus on quality of place, one of the six pillars critical to any thriving community.

Quality of place refers to the things in a community that make it desirable as a place to live, work and raise a family. If skilled young professionals, entrepreneurs and investors can go anywhere in the world, why would they choose Collier County? How does our area stack up in terms of air quality, parks and outdoor amenities?

The session will use the Gordon River Greenway to illustrate the importance and interconnectedness of health, nature, water and the environment as elements vital to economic growth and sustainability.

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The Gordon River Greenway is a collection of many community assets:

- Freedom Park, The Naples Zoo, the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, the Naples Municipal Airport and the Bayshore Triangle,” says Lois Bolin, chair of the Project Innovation quality of place committee.

- Biking, walking and canoeing pathways once thought of as mere exercise outlets for personal health now play an essential role in sustaining a community’s economic health.

- Don Upton, president of Fairfield Index Inc., a company dedicated to helping communities, companies and nonprofit organizations become more competitive, will moderate the quality of place discussion among various Collier County community leaders.

- The third in a series of six such events hosted by Project Innovation, the session is open to all Collier County residents, business owners and students. Sign up by calling Carol D’Amico at 263-8989, ext. 103, or by visiting www.projectinnovation.cc.

About Project Innovation

Project Innovation is a community-based initiative endorsed by more than 70 organizations from the public, education and nonprofit sectors. Through action that will power the local economy, Project Innovation has two simple, but critical goals: to create a shared vision and action plan for a strong and innovative economy in Collier County, and to stimulate innovation among businesses, schools, government and the community.

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Clerk of courts holds workshops to help public access information

March 13-19 is Sunshine Week in Collier County, corresponding with the national initiative that underscores the importance of open government and serves as a reminder to all citizens of their right to access public records and public meetings.

As the keeper of public records in Collier County, Clerk of Courts Dwight Brock is committed to making information easily accessible to the public via www.collierclerk.com.

To that end, Mr. Brock is holding free seminars at Collier County libraries to show the public how to look up court records, get a passport or marriage license application, check jury service numbers and search records for mortgages, liens and even homeowner or condominium association documents, all from the convenience of a home computer.

Remaining dates and locations are:
- 3-5 p.m. Monday, March 14: Naples Regional Library, Central Avenue
- 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, March 16: Headquarters Library, Orange Blossom Drive

No registration is required. Seating is limited.

For more information, contact Robert St. Cyr at Robert.stcyr@collierclerk.com.

Buy at Bargain Box and benefit Baby Basics

All sale proceeds from the Bargain Box Thrift Store on Saturday, March 12, will be donated to help Baby Basics purchase diapers for 275 families in Collier and Lee counties. Store hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

At 331 Eighth St. S., the Bargain Box is a mission of Naples United Church of Christ. A similar sales day in January resulted in a donation of $5,000 for Grace Place for Children & Families.

University presidents on panel for EAN

Three Southwest Florida university presidents will be the guest speakers when the European American Network meets at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 15, at the Bonita Bay Club. Mei-Mei Chan, president and publisher of The News-Press, will moderate the discussion about higher education with presidents Wilson Bradshaw of FGCU, Terry McMahan of Hodges University and Jeffery Allbritten of Edison State College-Collier Campus.

Cost is $25 for or EAN members and $35 for guests. Reservations are required and can be made online at www.europe-anamericannetwork.com.

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Golden Gate celebrates Frontier Days

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The fun is from 6 p.m. to midnight Thursday, with unlimited rides for $15 per person. Friday hours are also 6 p.m. to midnight; Saturday, 3 p.m. to midnight; and Sunday, 3-10 p.m.

Friday is Country Night, with live musical entertainment by Night Sounds and DJ Diuvany Flores from 6-11 p.m.

The Golden Gate Frontier Days Parade steps out at 2 p.m. Saturday from St. John Neumann High School and moves east down Golden Gate Parkway to the community center. The midway opens at 3 p.m. Saturday, which is Latin Day. The evening’s entertainment will be by Con Junto Café from 9:30 p.m. and the Azteca Dancers at 9:30 p.m.

Sunday is Family Fun Day, with one-price wristbands for rides and a variety of family activities.

Everglades City has home tours and art show

Nine historic homes and buildings in Everglades City will open their doors to visitors from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, March 12. The Everglades Society for Historic Preservation sponsors the tour.

Tickets for $20 include a booklet with a map and information. The booklet serves as the ticket and allows entry to all nine homes and buildings on the tour at the ticketholder’s pace. Registration is on the circle in McLeod Park, across the street from City Hall.

Also in McLeod Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, local artists will sell their jewelry, paintings, photographs, books and more at Art in the Glades. A bake sale and live music will be part of the fun as well.

Call 695-0333 or 695-2065 or visit www.evergladeshistorical.org for more information.

New Opportunities at Shell Point

The public is invited and many of these events are FREE!

Shell Point’s Life Enrichment Series offers the opportunity to discover new things about yourself and the world you live in.

March Events

Purdue Glee Club
March 15 at 2:15pm and 7:15pm • The Island at Shell Point
Purdue Glee Club will offer afternoon and evening performances under the direction of Dr. Bill Griffel, with one-of-a-kind arrangements that show unparalleled showmanship. Tickets are required and are $10 each. Call (239) 454-2147 for ticket information.

Learn about Special Discounts at Shell Point Tour & Presentation
March 15, 23, and 29 at 10am
Join us for a group presentation about the incredible incentives and discounts currently available at Shell Point followed by a narrated bus tour of the community. Light refreshments. Space is limited. Call (239) 466-1131 to reserve your place.

An Enchanted Garden Fashion Show & Luncheon
March 18 at Noon
The Island at Shell Point
Spring arrives lightly this year and enters through a secret garden brimming with delights. Enjoy a variety of fashions as the annual Shell Point Fashion Show takes place to celebrate the latest trends for spring. Call 454-2152 to purchase tickets for $35.

The Four Freshmen
March 24 at 7:30pm • The Island at Shell Point
The Four Freshmen will take us back to the good old days with a vocal harmony like no other – featuring a splash of swing and a whole lot of fun. These consummate entertainers offer lively blended arrangements combined with audience pleasing charisma and humor.

Tickets are required and are $35 each. Call (239) 454-2067 to purchase tickets.

Sanibel BIG ARTS Band
March 28 at 7pm • The Island at Shell Point
This band features 35-member musicians on flutes, drums, saxophone, clarinets, and tubas. The performance specializes in show tunes, marches, and patriotic pieces; and members are from Sanibel, Cape Coral, and Fort Myers. Tickets are free but limited. Reserve yours by calling (239) 454-2054.

Caregivers and Cupcakes
March 31 at 2pm • The Woodlands at Shell Point
Shell Point Retirement Community is partnering with the Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer’s Resource Center to host a special event for family caregivers. Come enjoy an afternoon of mixing and mingling while enjoying delectable desserts. RSVPs are required, please call 239-437-3007 to reserve your space.

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March Events

The public is invited and many of these events are FREE!
North Naples United Methodist Church hosts its inaugural “Faith For The Future” gala dinner and auction Saturday, March 19, at the Hilton Naples. Soloists Peggy Ryba and Dan Lamey will entertain, and auction items will include fine art, vacations, jewelry, gift baskets and gift certificates for restaurants, spa treatments and golf.

Tickets are $75 per person. For information or reservations, call Kim Friedman at 354-0722.
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Former first lady will inaugurate FGCU President’s Lecture Series

Laura Bush, the former first lady of the United States, will be the guest of honor at the inaugural President’s Lecture Series sponsored by the Florida Gulf Coast University Foundation. Mrs. Bush, whose husband George W. Bush served from 2001-2009, will speak at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, at FGCU’s Alico Arena.

The series is made possible with the generous assistance and support of the Hon. Francis and Kathleen Rooney, according to Wilson Bradshaw, president of the university.

“A few years ago, the University Lecture Series brought Maya Angelou, Mikhail Gorbachev, and Gen. Colin Powell to our community,” Dr. Bradshaw says. “I am pleased that FGCU will again bring national and international leaders to Southwest Florida under the new President’s Lecture Series.”

League of Women Voters hosts panel discussion on civic awareness

Members and guests of the League of Women Voters of Collier County will hear about “The State of Civic Awareness and Participation” at a meeting beginning at 12:30 p.m. Monday, March 14, at the Hilton Naples. Attendance is free; an optional luncheon beginning at 11:45 a.m. is $20 for league members and $25 for others.

Guest speakers are Jeff Allbritten, president of Edison State College-Colleyer Campus; Terry Busson, chair of the Public Affairs Department at FGCU; and Robert Lee, Florida State University graduate faculty member and former Naples city manager.

Luncheon reservations should be made by 5 p.m. March 10 by calling 263-4656 or visiting www.lwvcolliercounty.org.

At Physicians Regional, we’re pleased to welcome James A. Hadley, M.D., board certified otolaryngologist, to our team of specialists.

A former professor with 27 years experience in otolaryngology, Dr. Hadley provides comprehensive diagnosis and care of ear, nose and throat (ENT) disorders, including surgical and non-surgical treatment of sinus, nasal and sleep disorders. In addition, he specializes in pediatric ENT, including ear infections, tonsil and adenoid disorders, sinusitis and allergy problems.

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- **Monday-Friday, March 14-18:** Art Class – Learn to draw realistic flowers and plant life using colored pencils and techniques. Instructor Lee Hammond covers a variety of colored pencils and techniques. They’ll get hands-on experience as they study marine life and systems while exploring the pristine mangroves and beaches of Rookery Bay Reserve. The program is sponsored by Fifth Third Bank.

- **Thursday, March 17:** St. Patrick’s Day discount – Wear green and get $1 off regular admission for adults and youth to the Environmental Learning Center. Children can participate in a Green Scavenger Hunt. Presentations at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. will explain how animals use color for camouflage, body temperature regulation and other purposes.

- **Monday, March 28:** Girls in Science Day – Girls in grades six through eight can apply for this one-day program held on a teacher work day (so no one misses school). They’ll get hands-on experience as they study marine life and systems while exploring the pristine mangroves and beaches of Rookery Bay Reserve. The program is sponsored by The Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center.

For reservations for the above programs and more information, call 417-6530 or visit www.rookerybay.org or facebook.com/friendsofrookerybay.
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**5K run will wind through the Garden**

Naples Botanical Garden holds its first 5K race and fun run, part of the “Get Up and Grow Day” of health-focused activities and education Saturday, March 12. Organized with the help of the Gulf Coast Runners, the run will set out at 8 a.m. and will be followed by a 1-mile walk for those who enjoy a more leisurely pace.

Registration in advance is $25 for Garden members and $30 for others; race-day registration is $35. Admission to the Garden for all “Get Up and Grow Day” activities is included. For more information, visit www.naplesgarden.org.

**Cycle for Life will benefit NCH blood center**

The NCH Volunteer Auxiliary holds the inaugural NCH Cycle for Life Charity Fun Ride for ages 14 and older on Sunday morning, March 13. All proceeds will benefit the NCH Community Blood Center. Leaving from North Collier Regional Park, the ride follows courses of 10, 30 and 60 miles. Rest stops are sponsored by Costco and The Bike Route. Lunch and smoothies after the ride are courtesy of Costco and Planet Smoothie.

Register online at www.givebloodcbc.org or sign up on race day beginning at 6:45 a.m.

**Amputee group sets third annual bike ride in motion**

The third annual Miracle Limbs: Courage in Motion bicycle ride is set for Saturday, March 19, at North Collier Regional Park. Events include a two-mile Family Fun Ride as well as competitive rides of 10, 28, 42 and 62 miles. Registration is $35 ($30 for non-riders to enjoy food, raffle and silent auction). Early registrants can pick up rider bags at the Trek store in Naples from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, March 18.

Sign up online at www.active.com or at www.miraclelimbs.org. All proceeds will help Miracle Limbs: Courage in Motion meet the needs of area amputees and their families. At the heart of this year’s event will be pfc. Corey Kent, a 22-year-old Cape Coral soldier who lost both legs above the knee and all fingers on his left hand in Afghanistan.

**Get ready, get set for Marco Island Half-Marathon**

The Marco Island Half-Marathon begins at 7 a.m. Sunday, March 20, at Publix in the Shops of Marco and takes runners along a scenic course through Key Marco and over several bridges. Dedicated to the memory of Marco real estate agent Carole Sbertoli, the race benefits the Greater Marco YMCA, the Marco Island Fire-Rescue Foundation and the Marco Police Foundation.

Registration by March 13 is $40; race-day registration is $50. For more information, e-mail contact@eliteevents.org or visit www.givebloodcbc.org.
SPORTS SHORTS

Run, walk or pedal for Immokalee literacy organization

The Immokalee Run & Ride for Literacy, a benefit for the Jump Start Family Literacy Academy, takes place Saturday and Sunday, April 16-17.

A 5K race and 1-mile fun run are on the agenda for Saturday; bike rides of 15, 30 and 62 miles will set out on Sunday. All events begin and end at the Farm Worker Village in Immokalee.

For registration or more information, call Dee Siemianowski of the Jump Start Family Literacy Academy at 602-2998 or visit www.immokaleerunsandrides.com.

Hit the links for a good cause

Here are some charity golf tournaments coming up around Naples and Collier County:

■ The Children’s Home Society is teeing up for its annual “FORE the Children” Charity Golf Invitational on Friday, April 15, at Quail West Golf & Country Club. For more information, call 658-3029 or e-mail caremobil@collier.org.

■ The Children’s Advocacy Center of Collier County holds its fifth annual golf classic at Bonita Bay East on Saturday, April 16. Breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m. and the scramble start is at 8:30 a.m. An awards luncheon and raffle at the clubhouse follow the competition. Registration is $150 per golfer. Call 263-8383 or visit www.caccollier.org.

■ The MS Center of Southwest Florida holds its 10th annual tournament at Quail West on Saturday, April 16. Golfer registration is $75; luncheon-only guests pay $40. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, call 435-1901 or e-mail mscenter1@earthlink.net. Register online at www.mscenterswfl.org.

■ A tournament to benefit The Passion Foundation-A Melanoma Initiative tees off at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 17, at Glades Country Club, sponsored by Tri-Town Construction, Marine Max, Beasley Broadcasting Group, Estero Bay Chevrolet and the Diamond District. Registration of $75 includes dinner following the competition. Proceeds will help cover playgrounds with shade tents to decrease children’s sun exposure. For registration or more information, call Melissa Haynie at 898-6531 or visit www.tri-townconstruction.com.

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FOOD
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of festival proceeds during NCEF’s yearly grant cycles.

The funding for the new, three-year hunger initiative came from the fes-
tival’s fund-a-need auction lot, which raised $630,000 to help end childhood hunger in Collier County. This latest initiative is part of NCEF’s strategic focus on providing a social safety net for the area’s most at-risk children. Food distribution is one element of that strategy. “We are also working on the infra-
structure for getting food out to the kids in the most efficient and effec-
tive way possible,” Mr. Mueller says. “Collier County is the second largest county in Florida, so transportation is a big issue we are tackling. We are also beefing up food storage.”

The Harry Chapin Food Bank is one of many partners involved in the ini-
tiative, he adds. “Everywhere we can, we are partnering with other orga-
izations, including Collier’s public schools, Catholic Charities and Guada-
lupe Center, just to name a few.”

Other Lunch Boxes of Love food
distribution sites are the Golden Gate Community Center, Tree of Life, Amigos Center, Golden Gate Middle School, Manatee Elementary School, Lely Elementary School and Village Oaks Elementary School.

Behind the NCEF initiative is a well-documented need. In Col-
lier County, 24 percent of households with children have food insecurity — a general anxiety about where their next meals will come from. In addition, 49 percent of the people receiving food assistance in local food banks are chil-
dren, and 58 percent of the children enrolled in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade here are defined as eco-

nomicly needy and receive free or reduced lunch.

On April 10, NCEF will award grants to multiple Collier County children’s charities as well as funding for stra-
tegic initiatives. A check for $630,000 for the Lunch Boxes of Love initiative will be presented along with checks to more than 20 charities. ■

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Was that a tortoise digging a nest in the dunes? Could that be a manatee poking its head out of the water? Both sights are entirely possible at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Easily accessible for humans, the mile-long stretch of white sand beach on a narrow barrier island is home to native wildlife including migratory shorebirds, bald eagles, osprey, owls and loggerhead sea turtles, just to name a few.

Visitors can enjoy the park every day from 8 a.m. until sundown. As the gentle waves lap the shoreline, their quiet, rhythmic motion seems to suggest: “Relax. Leave the stress of the world behind.”

Egrets soar overhead and wade among the mangroves at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. The park is named for Joe Wiggins, a homesteader in the late 1880s who ran an apiary (a place where bees were raised for their honey) and a trading post where he traded goods with other settlers and the Seminole Indians. Collier County eventually acquired the land through the philanthropic generosity of Lester and Dellora Norris, creating the name Delnor. The state purchased the land from Collier County for a state park in 1981.

For more information about the park or to register for an event, call 597-6196 or visit www.delnorwiggins.org.

And don’t miss the boardwalks and the observation tower at parking lot No. 5. The Wiggins Pass Nature Festival

The Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park are a nonprofit citizens support organization that helps out with environmental awareness, education and stewardship activities for the park. The group’s mission is to promote public awareness, use and enjoyment of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park; to assist park management and staff with facility maintenance, resource management, visitor services and recycling; to improve the park through fund raising events; and to learn more about the natural environment of this barrier island and other parks managed by the Florida Park Service.

The Friends help support and organize several events throughout the year. Coming up from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 19, the Friends and the staff of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park will hold the Wiggins Pass Nature Festival. Activities focus on educating youth and adults about Florida’s natural areas and native wildlife. There will be numerous nature and educational exhibits, children’s games and a variety of other activities for all ages. Everything is free with the park entrance fee. The park is named for Joe Wiggins, a homesteader in the late 1880s who ran an apiary (a place where bees were raised for their honey) and a trading post where he traded goods with other settlers and the Seminole Indians. Collier County eventually acquired the land through the philanthropic generosity of Lester and Dellora Norris, creating the name Delnor. The state purchased the land from Collier County for a state park in 1981.

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**HEALTHY LIVING**

**TO YOUR HEALTH**

**Vein Center opens at Physicians Regional**

The Vein Center at Physicians Regional has opened on the Pine Ridge campus of Physicians Regional Healthcare System. The Vein Center treats patients such as Richard Gelb and Julian Javier and vascular surgeon Argyrios Tzilinis. The center has four private suites — two for patient evaluations, consultations and follow-ups, and two for procedures including:
- **Laser and radiofrequency ablation** to seal leaky veins and improve circulation and appearance.
- **Microphlebectomy** to remove varicose veins.
- **Ultrasound-guided sclerotherapy** to inject varicose veins with a liquid solution that causes them to dissolve.
- **Sclerotherapy**, a non-surgical procedure in which a solution is injected into spider veins.

Symptoms of venous insufficiency or venous disease include leg pain, heaviness, tenderness along a vein, burning, numbness, restlessness, night cramps, edema or swelling, skin changes or discoloration and ulcers. For more information about The Vein Center at Physicians Regional-Pine Ridge, call 304-4950.

**Parkinson group has programs**

The Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida provides several regular programs and services for those who have Parkinson’s disease and their caregivers.
- **Free dance classes**: 1 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday at Bentley Village.
- **Support group meetings**: 1 p.m. every Tuesday at Bentley Village; 10:30 a.m. every Thursday at PAFSI headquarters, 2590 Tamiami Trail N. Free and open to the public.

Also coming up:
- **The 13th annual Educational Symposium**: Noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, at Moorings Presbyte- rian Church. Guest speaker is Dr. Rob ert Hauser, professor of neurology at the University of South Florida. Cost is $15. RSVP by March 23.

For more information about any of the above, and to make reservations for the symposium, call 417-3405.

**Cancer alliance has scholarships for local students**

Graduating seniors of Collier County high schools who are cancer survivors or whose parents or siblings with cancer are invited to apply for a scholarship from the Cancer Alliance of Naples and Kidscan, kids helping kids with cancer. Application deadline is March 15. For more information, call 643-4673. To download an application, visit www.cancercallianceofnaples.org and click on KIDSCAN.

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**SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY**

A sweat-drenched treadmill seems a likely haven for germs to set up housekeeping, including the dangerous MRSA staph bug MRSA. This is one of the rea- sons why most fitness centers sanitize equipment and supply members with antibacterial wipes. But these aggressive cleaning poli- cies may not actually be necessary to prevent the spread of the communi- ty-acquired form of *Staphylococcus aureus*, according to a new University of Florida study pub- lished in the American Journal of Infection Control.

“With an increasing incidence of MRSA in the community, and we are looking for the sources of infection,” Dr. Ryan said.

**STRAIGHT TALK**

**NCH bolsters its commitment to serving children**

People might not agree about much these days, but here is a statement on which there is near universal agreement: “It’s all about the children.”

There’s nothing more important to our society than providing a positive future for our children. This message has come through loud and clear to me twice in recent weeks: first, at the 11th annual Naples Winter Wine Festival, which raised $12 million “for the kids,” and then at the 50-year birthday celebration for Fun Time Childhood Academy, which does such a wonderful job with our community’s preschool children. That same message about the impor- tance of serving our children is a con- stant priority at NCH, where we will soon offer dedicated pediatrics ER services to complement our refurbished outpatient Pediatric Rehabilitation Center.

At the most recent Department of Pedi- atrics meeting, chairman Dr. Todd Yedder and Dr. John Lewis, chairman of our Emer- gency Department, jointly introduced Dr. Pia Myers as the first director of our Pedi- atric Emergency Department.

Dr. Myers trained and cares for children at the University of Florida and at Shands Jackson- ville and Wolfson Children’s Hospi- tal, also in Jacksonville. I had the plea- sure of hearing her discuss the ambitious plans to enhance NCH’s pediatric emer- gency capability, so that children and their families in Collier County can enjoy a safer, more comforting experience right here at home.

We currently care for about 110 chil- dren in our Pediatric Rehabilitation Center. Under Karen Judd, rehabilitation director, we have four physical therapists, one assis- tant, three speech therapists, two occupa- tional therapists and one professional each in Immokalee, Bonita, Marco and at the downtown Briggs Center — all for the kids. At a ceremony for the new space for children’s therapy services at Greentree, Dr. Vedder praised “the quality, dedication and commitment of the therapists that staff Greentree, as well as their satellite offices in Immokalee, Bonita and downtown. These are also the therapists who provide inpatient care to our hospitalized children and neonates.”

This fully integrated team helps children like 4-year-old Zane, who has cerebral palsy. Certified speech pathologist Lau- ren Rusnik and physical therapist Debo- rah Flanagan-Thornton work with Zane to help him learn to use his abdominals and ribcage muscles to have longer, louder sen- tences, and use his core more effectively to sit up and support and to reach and walk with greater control and efficiency. Walking, reaching for a crayon or spoon and balancing for muscle coordi- nation to support his body are additional examples of how the team at Greentree works with Zane.

Ms. Rusnik and Ms. Flanagan-Thornton agree that helping a child gain independence is the most rewarding aspect of their work.

Outpatient pediatrics rehab supports this NCH continuum of care.

Occupational therapist Chorns Taylor works in our neonatal ICU. With more than 20 years of experience, she ably and imme- diately treats patients from early diagnoses — be it Down syndrome, developmental delay or oral-motor feeding difficulties — all the way through to outpatient care.

Ms. Taylor says her work is “very fulfilling...to watch a child progress and make an impact in the child’s life and the life of the family is extremely meaningful to me.” She adds that the children she treats “are very much our future and shouldn’t be excluded or overlooked because of any disability or limitations they face.”

I couldn’t have expressed the NCH com- mitment to local children’s health care any more profoundly.

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**HEALTH NEWS**

**MSRA**

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“The assumption was we would find a lot of MRSA on the equipment, and if people have an abrasion on their skin, that contact could lead to infection.”

“This is very surprising.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about 30 percent of people carry Staph bacteria on their bodies, however, only 2 percent have MRSA, which is resistant to many common antibiotics. The community-acquired form of MRSA accounts for about 14 percent of cases, and children and athletes are more likely than most people to become infected, according to the CDC.

The researchers tested 240 samples collected from equipment housed in three area gyms, including a university gym, a community fitness center and a high school gym. They swabbed the equipment at different intervals, capturing samples on places people are more likely to touch, such as handles. They specifically looked at cardio machines, barbells, benches and weight machines.

“People have almost gotten to the point where they don’t want to touch anything anymore. I think we can relax a little. I don’t think we need to feel like everything we touch is some bad thing that is going to give us disease,” Dr. Ryan said. “If (MRSA) had been there we believe we would have found it.”

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While the study provides reassurance that some surfaces and areas may not harbor the high levels of contamination that people imagine, Dr. Aaron Milstone, of Johns Hopkins University, cautions that more sensitive testing measures may reveal lower levels of MRSA contamination on gym surfaces.

“It is another provocative piece of the puzzle in the role the environment plays in the transmission of Staph aureus between people,” said Dr. Milstone, an assistant professor of pediatric infectious diseases and a hospital epidemiologist at Johns Hopkins Children’s Center, who was not associated with the study. The researchers say more testing is needed to confirm the findings, and they are now investigating surfaces in child-care settings to see if they detect MRSA.

**Type O blood in demand**

Community Blood Centers in Collier and southern Lee counties has put out the call for types O-positive and O-negative blood. Donors are urged to visit CBC donation centers or the bloodmobile to help replenish supplies.

In Naples, the blood center is at 311 Ninth Street. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Friday and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday. Call 436-5455.

The Bonita Springs center is at 9070 Bonita Beach Road. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday. Call 499-1138.

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Young and old, people and pets (some animals needing permanent homes) gathered at For Footed Friends to celebrate the store’s third anniversary and to learn about proper nutrition and dietary needs for canines and cats at the annual For Footed Friends Food Fair.
On the move

Simple, safe steps for moving with a cat

BY DR. MARTY BECKER
and GINA SPADAFORE
Special To Florida Weekly

O ne of the most pervasive myths about cats is that they care more about places than people. It’s true that cats are territorial and will seek out familiar places when stressed, which is why they sometimes attempt to return to their old homes when moved. But they’ll be much happier going where you go if you take steps to ease their transition from one home to another.

While you’ll never manage a stress-free move for either yourself or your cat, you can make the best of the situation by keeping your pet secure before, during and after the move, and then by allowing your pet to gradually adapt to his new surroundings.

The best way to move your cat is to confine him to a “safe room” before and after the move, and to transport him from one house to another in a secure manner. Confining your cat also prevents him from slipping outside, which is a danger at both the old and the new home. A frightened cat may be hard to locate on the day of the move if you don’t make sure he’s somewhere that you can put your hands on him.

When you get to your new home, leave the carrier — with its door open — in the safe room. Close the door to the room and leave him be while you unpack. Coaching him out of the carrier with treats and praise is fine, but let him choose when and how much of the safe room he wants to explore. Never drag him out — you’ll upset your cat, and you might get scratched or bitten.

A couple of days after you’ve unpacked and things have settled down, open the door to the safe room so your cat can explore the rest of the house. Even if you plan to let him out-side, keep him in for a couple of weeks. He needs to stay inside to start forming a bond with his new surroundings. Better still, make the most of the opportunity offered by a move and convert your pet to indoor-only status. Your new neighbors will appreciate it, and your cat will live a longer, safer life.

It’s relatively easy to make the conversion to indoor cat when you move to a new home. He’d carry on like crazy in your old home if locked in, but in new surroundings he’ll accept the change with little fuss. Part of the reason cats don’t like to convert to indoor-only is because they’ve marked the outside as part of their territory and have a natural desire to revisit it. A newly moved cat will learn to accept the territory he has been offered by a move. Confinement during the transition is also good for avoiding behavior problems that might pop up with the stress of moving. By limiting your cat’s options to the litter box and the scratching post in his small safe room, he will quickly redevelop the good habits he had in your old home.

While cats don’t like change, they’ll handle a move better if secured away from the activity.

PET TALES

COURTESY PHOTO

Pots of the Week

>> Betty is a 6-month-old pointer and American fox-haired mix. She needs some training but likes people, cats and other dogs.

>> Cinder is about a year old and has bright yellow eyes. She’s a talker who loves to be held and petted.

>> Cole is a handsome 8-month-old guy who’s very friendly and loves to explore and run. Photo: Cole can’t capture his real beauty.

>> Skippy is an approximately 1-year-old Catahoula, affectionate and sweet. He has been neutered, OK with cats and other dogs.

To adopt a pet

Collier County Domestic Animal Services is at 7610 Davis Blvd. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Adoptions begin at 11 a.m. and are processed through closing time. Adoption fees are $40 for cats and $65 for dogs and include spay/neuter surgery, a bag of pet food, pet’s license and a micro-chip ID. Call 252-PETS (7387) or visit www.collierpets.com to search for a lost pet or to find a new pet.
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“Oh dear, oh dear: I shall be too late....”
— White Rabbit, in Lewis Carroll's “Alice’s Adventures In Wonderland

“High in the sky as the moon’s left eye. If you look and she’s not running for you, half close your eyes and you’ll see her,”
— Angelo Branduardi, “The Hare in the Moon”

“First, catch your hare. Cut into little pieces, laid there and there.”
— Hannah Glasse, “Art of Cookery,” 1747

“Three Hares” is a symbol which features three hares running after each other in a circle. Three rabbit ears meet in the center of the circle. Each ear is shared by two rabbits. So each rabbit, when seen individually, seems correctly complete. But when one tries to see more than one rabbit, there is a problem. Clarity evaporates into confusion. It is a strange loop. The three-fold rotational symmetry of this design is amazingly non-secular. The symbol has been used in diverse contexts: Buddhist, Christian, Islamic, Judaic, pagan. The meaning of the image emerges magically, imputed in the glow of shifting musings.

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— Rx is the FloridaWeekly 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.

MUSINGS

Good to the last drop

And if you go chasing rabbits...
— White Rabbit, in Lewis Carroll’s “Alice’s Adventures In Wonderland

Nostradamus, and others regarding the prophecies of the Mayans, the Hopis, and 2011 is the year of the female iron rabbit, generally considered to be the most fortunate of all possible years.

This is in sublime contrast to the singular March hare, who appears in Lewis Carroll’s “Alice’s Adventures In Wonderland.” He has straw on his head, the visual signature of his madly excitable and unpredictable nature. He is foil for, in stark contrast to, White Rabbit, brandisher of watch, logical and straight, always late. Lagomorph manifests in various guises.

In various locations, the moon rabbit can also be seen going deep into earth, down the rabbit hole.

Rabbit hole is an expression used in ARGs — Alternate Reality Games — for the jumbled clues found which brings the player into the play world. This interactive situation uses the real world as a platform to tell a story that is affected by players’ actions and ideas. The game creators, called puppet masters, both aid and frustrate players. The prevailing attitude is one of “TINA,” an acronym for “this is not a game.” The play of clues occurs in the mainstream of everyday life, not separately from it.

We are familiar with the singular March hare who comes on stage before the opening act. You know, like the hack magician who comes on stage before the run-a-way audience settles into looking. And there he is; pulling a rabbit out of a hat. Perhaps it is a lap-earred bunny and a silk top hat. Or maybe it’s a March hare, pulled out of a fez or a beret. Or maybe it’s a white rabbit pulled out of the shadowy moon seas by an imagining audience. Who can know?

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Founded by the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce in 1988, Leadership Collier is designed to develop a network of informed citizens prepared to assume leadership roles in the local community. Its mission is to build a broad-based network of people who enhance their leadership abilities and skills through continuing education, shared perspectives and community involvement, and enable them to work toward solutions in the public interest. The primary objective is to educate local business leaders about the societal and economic challenges facing the community today.

The nine-month program begins in September and includes 10 full-day sessions throughout the class year, beginning with an overnight retreat in September and ending with graduation in the spring. Participants experience one to two full-day sessions each month focusing on human services, government, education, health care, agriculture, growth management, arts, the media, law enforcement, commerce and the environment.

Applicants should have proven leadership skills and decision-making responsibilities in their organization. The Leadership Collier Foundation, established in 2004, encompasses Leadership Collier, GAIN (Growing Associates in Naples), Youth Leadership Collier, the Campaign for Leadership and the Leadership Institute. The foundation governs all Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce leadership programs. Graduates of these programs work to strengthen the community through nonprofit organizations, local government boards and educational institutions.

Interested and qualified candidates should apply by submitting their application no later that April 15. Applications can be obtained online at http://tinyurl.com/lcf2012.

For more information, call Bob Sandy at 298-7926 or e-mail bob@napleschamber.org.

Apply now for Leadership Collier class of 2011-12
Through mid-February, the U.S. equity market had risen, unabated, some 25 percent from August 2010’s lows. It felt like a free lunch.

The international events of the past four weeks have made manifest that we live in a very imperfect world. As strides have been made in personal liberties of formerly repressed countries, the equity and commodity markets have reacted. As of the close on March 4, the S&P 500 at 1321 is down some 2 percent from a recent high of 1344, the equity volatility index has greatly increased, and certain commodities surged higher.

Gold is up 9 percent and silver is up 35 percent, measured from January retraceement lows to the March 4 close. The bull’s case for gold has been tirelessly made in all sorts of financial publications. It is thought to be a safe haven in times of trouble. It is considered to offer inflation protection and has become a form of currency in a worldwide environment where multiple developments are believed to be intentionally devaluing their currency.

So, a sharp rise in the price of gold often means that something not so good is happening in the world. But a rise in precious metals. There are only a few companies that will have profit margins hurt by a rise in precious metals.

But a sharp rise in the price of oil absolutely does cause economic dislocations and certain recessions.

What is sharp? Oil was $75 a barrel in August 2010; it was approximately $90 at year’s end. These were times when there were no supply concerns. But as of March 4, at a time when there are supply concerns in the wake of Middle East political uprisings, the price of oil is $104 —more than double (actually, 2.7 times) its interim low in early 2009, when it traded around $40 a barrel.

The rise in the price of oil is getting attention from many international money managers and economists.

This point is well-described in John Mauldin’s most recent e-mail newsletter from March 5 titled, “Are Booming Economies Good For the Market?” Mr. Mauldin’s newsletter is free online at www.thoughtsonthefrontline.com.

In that article, he quotes research from highly esteemed money manager David Rosenberg, economist for Gluskin Sheff (the Canadian money management firm somewhat noted for correctly forecasting the housing and credit market crises of 2007-2008), wrote an interesting piece on how doubling in the price of oil (if it happens within a narrow time framework such as within a two year period) have historically caused or been correlated with recessions. (March 1, 2011, “Is a Doubling in the Oil Price a Game-Changer?” This, too, is free online at https://ems.gluskinsheff.net.)

Regardless of the cause of the price rise (either a strong demand or uncertain supply causing the rise), “the longer the oil price stays elevated, the more lasting damage it will inflict on the global economy, primarily the countries that are large net importers of energy. Of the five instances cited above, all but one involved a recession for the U.S. economy and that was in 2005 during the height of the credit and housing boom, which acted as a huge offset.”

Mr. Rosenberg’s research shows that four of those oil price doubles were followed by “precipitous” slow downs in the U.S. economy; an average 2.3 percent drop in GDP and a range of .9 percent to 4.4 percent drop. And the recession/slow down came one year after the peak in oil price.

With the U.S. not being on solid footing — with anemic recovery; 9 percent unemployment; and spending at federal and state levels which must be curbed or for which taxes must be raised — having a sharp increase in the price of oil could be significant head wind against the economy and the stock market.

It is timely to have a discussion with your investment adviser about diversification not just in equities or in bonds, but across all asset classes. And if your adviser cannot address your concerns, you might consider initiating dialogue with professionals who can address these portfolio issues.

— Jeannette Rohn Showalter is a Southwest Florida-based chartered financial analyst, considered to be the highest designation for investment professionals.

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1. Instead of simply throwing them away, shred any documents with personal or financial information on them.

2. Use a credit card with a small limit wherever possible, so that even if your number — perhaps with some mail-order or online purchases.

3. If anyone who solicits you over the phone to first send their information by mail, so you can check its legitimacy. Or just hang up.

4. Review your monthly statements. You may find fraudulent charges — or legitimate charges for services you no longer need.

5. Safeguard your family’s important documents in case of a disaster. Keep emergency supplies on hand, with copies of your important documents in sealed plastic bags. Keep valuables in a fireproof safe. Store a set of your important papers in a safety deposit box (perhaps one outside your immediate vicinity). In one or two safe places, keep a copy of your house or bank accounts, and social security numbers and symbols is best.

7. Make sure anyone asking for your Social Security number really needs it. Businesses will accept alternative customer identification numbers if you ask. Don’t print your Social Security number on check stubs.

8. Opt out of all pre-approved credit card offers by calling 888-567-4688.

9. Be vigilant while using the Internet. Independently verify the validity of any requests for personal information before you give out any of your sensitive data.

10. Protect your computer’s security. Use anti-virus software, spyware, firewalls and passwords to guard your privacy.

Name That Company
I trace my history back to Hawaii, where I became the state’s first, I’m now the world’s largest producer of fresh fruit and vegetables, raking in near-$7 billion annually. I also offer the second-largest industry (partly helping turn them into Hawaii’s biggest exporter). I trace my history back to 1945, and my first products were picture cards. In 2014, I bought the island of Lanai. Who am I?

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

The Motley Fool Take
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Last week’s trivia answer
I was born in a California garage in 1945, and my first products were picture cards. Today I’m the world’s biggest distributor and vendor of toys. My brands and licensed names include Matchbox, American Girl, Hello, Radica, Little People, See ‘n Say, Max Steel, View-Master, Scrabble, Octoling Magic 8 Ball, Blokus, Polly Pocket, Outburst, Uno, and more. My Barbie debuted in 1959 and my Hot Wheels in 1968. I bought Fisher-Price in 1993 and Tyco Toys in 1997, and sold The Learning Company in 2000. I’m working with THQ to develop video games based on my toys. Who am I?

(Answer: Mattel)

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➤ 2 p.m. Saturday, March 26: The Top 100 Interior Designers, Alexa Hampton – “Hampton” presentation and book signing – Professional Organizers Association of Southwest Florida founding board members will help attendees find solutions to the organizing problems that drive them crazy during a panel discussion. Each panelist is an expert in various areas including garage and residential spaces, electronics and computers and moving and relocation. Take this opportunity to bring some peace and calm to your life.

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reverse roundtable to address individual questions. Cost including dinner is $26 for members and $30 for others. Register by March 17 at www.abwaneapolitan.org. No walk-ins will be admitted.

➤ The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce holds its next Business After Five from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, at Grandezza Community Club in Estero. Cost is $25. RSVP by calling Sylvia Connor at 495-4172 or visiting www.wcrbonitaestero.com.

➤ The Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce holds its 11th annual Marco Island Business Expo on Thursday, April 21. To reserve a spot as a vendor, contact Vicki Williams at 394-7549 or Vicki@marcoislandchamber.org.

➤ The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce Foundation will host a Kentucky Derby party from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point. A hat contest for men and women will be part of the fun. Tickets are $85. For reservations or more information, visit www.BonispringsChamber.com.

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MANSCAPE

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south Fort Myers, or Gail’s Hairstyling in east Lee County, or the Spago MediSpa in Punta Gorda, owned and operated by plastic surgeon Michael Stampar.

“Times have changed and men have become aware of the other services besides just haircuts or shaves that are available to them to look and feel better,” says Jennifer Alvarez, owner of the Neapolitan Purely You Spa.

“It is now not considered uncommon for men to visit the spa for hair removal, waxing, as well as to get a gentleman’s facial.”

Exactly. “Men will wax their eyebrows, shave their bodies, their haircuts are shorter, they’ll color their hair in the shop, whereas before they would do it at home,” says Gail Day, who owns Gail’s Hairstyling in Lee County.

“Today’s men will go to spas,” she says, eyeing the changing customs from the vantage of 20 years in the business.

Going high-tech

And for men who want to go to the distance with a facial, Dr. Stampar’s own invention at Spago MediSpa, Pellevé, is probably the ultimate manscape.

“Pellevé works by gradually and progressively heating the skin with a warming device to stimulate new collagen production, which results in the appearance of firmer skin,” Dr. Stampar explains. “We raise the temperature of the skin gradually instead of suddenly, so the patient experiences the feeling of a warm facial massage.”

It is treatment tightened deep tissue between skin and fat, he adds, and costs from $500 to $1,200.

Theresa George, a marketer for the Laser Lounge Spa, offers a brief statistica l look at the changes in male grooming habits:

“According to the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, in 2009, men had 9 percent of all cosmetic procedures in the United States. Of nearly 1.28 million laser hair removals, men had 166,035 of them. Overall, since 1997, nonsurgical procedures like laser hair removal and microdermabrasion have increased 290 percent.

“And according to Philips Norelco,” Ms. George adds, “50 percent of men ages 20 to 49 body groom.”

Dedication to follicular elimination

In this business, you won’t hear anybody singing break-out lyrics from the 1979 musical “Hair.”

“Give me a head with hair, long beautiful hair, shining gleaming steaming flaxen waxes. Give me it down to there, hair, shoulder length or longer, here, baby, there, mamma, everywhere, daddy daddy hair! Flow it, show it, long as God can grow it, my hair!”

No, thank you.

Take Tom, a 30-something man who asked that his full name be withheld from the story because “my friends as ‘a real macho guy.’” As an Italian-American, plentiful hair is not a problem for Tom, he says. It grows like wheat in Kansas or grapevines in Siena.

Tom is married with children, he has a lot to do, and he got tired of spending his time shaving twice a day to meet the expectations of employers and colleagues. And Tom’s hair was not just a problem on his face; it was everywhere.

“So I just decided to take care of the problem this way,” he says about opting for laser hair removal from his face, from his arms, chest and back — anywhere where the hair irritated him. Sounds painful, right? Tom thought so, too, but shrugged it off. That was a couple of years ago, however, before the advent of the Laser Lounge Spa.

“People compare this to a rubberband snap to your skin,” Mr. Sigg says. “We use the Candela laser, which is the Cadillac of lasers in dermatology. On the first treatment, if you can leave a little stubble just above the cheekbones, where the hair will raise up higher.

“Waxing of the eyebrows is the least painful, and includes a head, neck, and scalp massage.”

That can’t be all bad.

“As waxing is continued,” Ms. Alvarez continues, “the treatments become less painful, and includes a head, neck, and scalp massage.

Clearly, numbness sets in. Your wallet won’t feel too much of a pinch, either, she says, adding waxing starts out at $25 for eyebrows.

With waxing, of course, nothing is permanent, like love in San Francisco.

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“When it comes to backs,” says Mr. Sigg, “we do a full back. It’s a permanent fix.”

Demand drives affordability

“Don’t worry, guys, there’s still a chance to suffer, and to man up. Sit through a waxing and tell your friends you didn’t scream like a girl.”

“Waxing the chest, back and stomach can be painful,” admits Ms. Alvarez.

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Featured communities include Andalucia, Briarwood, Marbella Lakes and Sacoya Reserve, all of which have designer-decorated models by builders including GL Homes, Stock Construction, Titan Homes and Taylor Morrison.

For details about models, pricing and communities in the 2011 Parade of Homes, visit www.paradeofhomesnaples.com or call the CBIA office at 436-6100.

New designs in Tamworth at Quail West

Florida Lifestyle Homes has unveiled three new designs created for the Tamworth collection at Quail West Golf & Country Club. Although the single-family designs were created for the 95-foot-wide home sites in Tamworth, they meet the architectural specifications for much larger lots, according to Brad Kiraly, director of sales for the homebuilder. The Las Brisas, the San Mateo and the Sarzana II have “all of the luxurious details of our estate homes, with coffered and cove-lighted ceilings, lavish master suites and spectacular outdoor living areas,” Mr. Kiraly says. The same allowances that Florida Lifestyle Homes includes in the price of its estate homes are offered in the three new home, he adds.

“An example, we offer the new owner an $85,000 allowance to design the pool of their dreams.”

The Las Brisas

Las Brisas is a great room plan with four bedrooms plus a study and 4½ baths in 4,148 square feet of air-conditioned space. With three-car garage, lanai and entry, the home has a total of 6,233 square feet. Details include:

• A rotunda formal dining room with a butler's pantry and wet bar;
• An informal dining area with mitered glass overlooking the pool;
• Wall-to-wall bowed windows in the master suite; and
• An outdoor living are with complete outdoor kitchen, bar and fireplace.

Custom builder incorporates choices in plans for Mediterra neighborhood

A s economic trends turn into the new economic reality, smart builders across all segments of the industry are delivering homes that are more livable and more affordable. London Bay Homes’ Lucarno neighborhood at Mediterra is a good case in point, where a maintenance-free lifestyle in an award-winning luxury community is available at prices not seen in years.

“We follow our industry’s trends very closely,” says Mark Wilson, president of the company. “It’s become very clear that most homebuyers today have reassessed their needs and fewer of them are looking for the large, ostentatious homes of five years ago.”

London Bay has responded to this new reality with flexible home designs priced to their clients’ needs. At Lucarno, the company offers five villa home designs that range from about 2,800 square feet under air to more than 3,100 square feet of total area. Buyers can make more than a dozen structural design changes to some of the plans. One of the more striking homes in Lucarno is the 3,703-square-foot Asti model, with arched hallways, wraparound loggias and state-of-the-art cardiovascular and strength training equipment, an aerobics room, massage treatment rooms, steam rooms and a club room for private member functions.

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Redesigned sales center welcomes visitors to Tiburón

W CI Communities has opened the doors of its redesigned sales center at Tiburón. Community representatives Linda Gallo and Mary Zentner are on-site seven days a week to help introduce the Tiburón community to potential homebuyers with tours of the sales center, the new luxury penthouse condominium residences at Marquesa Royale, the Tiburón clubhouse and fitness and health club, and the adjacent Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort, Naples.

Marquesa Royale’s final phase features four buildings, each with six full-floor luxury condominiums that include 2,900 square feet of living space, three bedrooms with a den, private elevator, enclosed garage, designer appliances and wraparound loggias that overlook one of two Greg Norman-designed golf courses. The homes begin at $720,000.

The Tiburón Golf Club boasts a 27,000-square-foot clubhouse with fine dining, private member locker rooms and lounge areas and a golf shop. There are 18-hole golf courses and the Rick Smith Golf Academy. The members-only fitness and health club includes state-of-the-art cardiovascular and strength training equipment, an aerobics room, massage treatment rooms, steam rooms and a club room for private member functions.

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The San Mateo

This two-story design has formal living and dining rooms plus a family room and den, four bedrooms and 4½ baths in 3,898 air-conditioned square feet. With outdoor living areas, balcony, entry and three-car garage, the home has a total of 6,467 square feet. Features include:

- Curved glass windows and a multi-tiered coffered ceiling in the formal living room;
- Stacked sliding glass doors that open an entire corner of the family room to the 1,451-square-foot outdoor living room; and
- A fourth bedroom with full bath and balcony comprising a private suite on the second level. (The San Mateo is also offered as a single-story, three-bedroom plus den, 4½-bath design.)

The Sarzana II

Designed with a three-car motor court, the Sarzana II is a great room plan with five bedrooms and four full baths in 3,912 air-conditioned square feet. With outdoor living areas, second lanai, entry and garage, the home has a total of 5,954 square feet. Details include:

- 10-foot-tall triple sliding glass doors opening from the great room to the lanai;
- A master suite that is its own wing of the home, accessed via double doors opening to a rotunda vestibule; and
- Two guest suites complete with full bathrooms and a private lanai.

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$555,000

OPEN HOUSE 3/13 1-4PM

1818 Senegal Date Dr. 4/3/3
Extra Ordinary! Single story, lakefront lot, heated pool, 12’ ceilings, diagonal tile throughout, crown molding, large rooms, 3 car garage, central vac.

$499,900

OPEN HOUSE 3/13 1-4PM

1675 Triangle Palm Terr. 4/2.5/2
Welcome Home! Custom Cabinets, Stainless Steel Appliances, Diagonal Tile, Spacious Lot, BRAND NEW Carpet and Padding, Southern Exposure, High Hats Throughout.

$334,900

OPEN HOUSE 3/13 1-4PM

A LOT to Love! Executive Home on quiet cul-de-sac with lake views. First Floor master suite, large bedrooms, huge loft, 22’ ceilings in the Living and Dining Room! 3 Car Garage! 4Loft, 3.5/3

$699,000

OPEN HOUSE 3/13 1-4PM

The Prestigious Pink Diamond! Triple Cul-de-Sac lot, second floor balcony, lake view, crown molding, Venetian plaster, plantation shutters and high hats throughout. 5/4/3

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Tommy Bahama Lives Here! Open and Airy layout, Crown Molding throughout, Diagonal Tile, Hardwood Floors in all Bedrooms, Plantation Shutters, Custom features everywhere! 3/2/2

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OPEN HOUSE 3/13 1-4PM

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15429 Milan Way
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• New Kitchen Appliances
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29041 Amabile Court
• New Home
• New Kitchen Appliances
• Screened Lanai
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14809 Bellezza Lane
• New Home
• New Kitchen Appliances
• Screened Lanai
• New Listing

29140 Postano Lane
• New Home
• New Kitchen Appliances
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BEAUTIFUL WATER VIEWS

BAYVIEW AT BONITA BAY
11801 Young Loop
• 2 Bedrooms, 2-Baths
• Beautiful Water Views
• New Listing

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• 2 Bedrooms, 2-Baths
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• New Listing

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The Manor, only 18 of these beauties were built in Village Walk. 4 plus den, 3 1/2 baths, 3 car, with pool. $589,000

3BR, 2.5 Plus Den Very upgraded pool home on wide easement lot on quiet street. Not for the bargain hunter, but rather for the quality seeker. $449,800

3BR, 2.5 BA plus den beauty has the WOW factor for its views. Outstanding Sunset and wide water views from inside and out! Original owners have taken pride in their seasonal home and it shines throughout. $375,000

The unique over-sized lot is only one of the fabulous features this 3BR, 2.5 BA plus den has to offer. Upgraded throughout with tile in living areas, new stainless appliances, granite, private pool with lake view and more! $384,900

Oakmont 3BR, 2.5BA plus den spacious single family home features open floor plan with upgrades including private heated salt pool with lake views! Accordion Hurricane protection for entire home and much more! $377,000

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Incredible deal! This popular Oakmont floor plan offer 3BR, 2BA plus Den and extended interior living space. Totally renovated and not lived since the renovations the home is in pristine condition and shows like new! Priced to sell! $349,900

The Glenwood is a 3 bedroom single family home. Features pool, granite in kitchen and master, 10 ft ceilings, hurricane shutters...more. $269,900

Lovely 2BR, 2BA with open floor plan lives like a single family home. Immaculate home offers tile in living areas, custom heated pool with lake views, hurricane shutters and more! $269,900

Extra clean Oakmont with real wood floors, full hurricane protection–“turn key” package available. $244,900

Capri villa with custom pool, full hurricane protection, and large side yard. Great price $244,500

VILLAGE WALK

Causal Elegance 4BR, 3.5BA, features both formal living and dining, fireplace, custom moldings, and pool w/lake views! Pristine Condition. Furnishings Included! Shows Like New $499,000

ONe OF A KIND MAGNIFICENT CARLYLE 4BR, 3.5 BA, features unparalleled craftsmanship throughout entire home, gourmet kitchen with top of the appliances, designer finishes, genuine hardwood floors, private pool with lake views and much more! A must see home! $569,900

THE MANOR

SHERWOOD

Beautiful lake and preserve views from this 2 plus den, 2 bath condo with 1 car garage. Low condo fees, 1st floor, great location near pool and entrance. Buy it now for $148,000

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Cedar Hammock. Bundled Golf Course living at its finest! 3 plus den with bright Eastern exposure. $529,000

Lovely end unit villa with lake and golf course views offers 2BR, 2BA plus den and 2car attached garage! Prefect for a full time residence or an occasional vacation home. Priced to Sell $164,900

ISLANDWALK VANDERBILT BEACH LOCATION

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HERITAGE GREENS

239-596-2520 3250 VillageWalk Circle, #101, Naples, Florida
PELICAN BAY | 7853 COCOBAY
Three + den pool home with guest cabana in gated neighborhood close to beach tram, tennis & fitness. Aggressively priced for quick sale. $1,445,000

PELICAN MARSH | 9194 TROON LAKES
Three + den pool home in pristine condition. Volume ceilings & numerous upgrades. Gated community with tennis, fitness, community center. $593,500

LITTLE HARBOUR | 286 LITTLE HARBOUR
Four bedroom + den waterfront retreat in gated enclave near Old Naples. 3,800 SF home designed for privacy. $3,000,000

PELICAN BAY | 708 HOLLYBRIAR LANE
Exceptional 6400 SF home with 1st floor master, granite island kitchen, mother-in-law suite and room for all. Privacy abounds. Quiet location minutes to beach, tennis, fitness. $2,395,000

PARK SHORE | THE TROPICS
4560 Golf Shore Blvd. N. #243
Spectacular 3 bedroom bayfront condominium with new kitchen & wood floors. Walk to beach, shops, dining of the Village. $950,000

GOLF & WATER VIEWS - $159,900
Renovated 2 BR, 2 BA first floor unit with fabulous views. New A/C, new kitchen and more! 27 holes championship golf included.

GOLFER’S DELIGHT – $119,900

TASTEFULLY ELEGANT - $314,900
Elegant 3 BR, 2 BA pool home located in Foxfire CC. New roof, newer A/C. Kitchen. Family room off-kitchen. 27 holes championship golf & own your own golf cart.

A REAL GEM - $109,900
Don’t miss this 2 BR 1 BA townhouse with new kitchen (2009), newer A/C (2009), concrete, beautiful pool area. 27 holes golf course across the street.

GREAT VALUE – $124,900
Second floor golf view condos has it all! New A/C, appliances, kitchen counters, tile floor, Hurricane sliders. 27 holes golf included.

JUST FOR YOU - $139,900
Renovated 2 BR, 2 BA, single family home—new granite kitchen & baths. New roof, new A/C. 27 holes golf included.

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   15811 Secoya Reserve Circle
   $579,990 (base price $349,990)

8. San Remo II at Secoya Reserve
   15811 Secoya Reserve Circle
   $459,990 (base price $274,990)

9. Granada at Brianwood
   948 Tivdi Court
   $580,000

10. Ravenna at Secoya Reserve
    15811 Secoya Reserve Circle
    $529,000 (base price $309,000)

11. Devon at Valencia
    2153 Vardin Place
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VINEYARDS - VISTA PINTE

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2 Bedroom, 2BR/2BA condo, heated pool and golf course view. Award winning clubhouse, social membership includes: pool, spa, tennis, clay court, fitness center, social gatherings, and more. $429,000. Kathy Harvitz 659-5216.

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Royal Harbor - 2655 Tampa Rd. Panoramic view of Naples Bay, 4 bedrooms, pool/spa, 970 sq ft of deck with lift, just under 6,000 sq ft of Naples waterfront. For more info Text MMHLG to 77038. 4/4 70555 Michele Harrison, 580-9889 $1,195,000

Pelican Bay - 806 Sath Dr. Ocean-to-inlet home with stunning view of FL, Golfer's Paradise, luxurious floor to ceiling marble, stainless, custom kitchen, pool/spa, dock, lift. 6/6 24218 Michele Harrison, 580-9889 $1,895,000

Calliope’s Retreat, 862 Beach Road - Luxurious home overlooking 800 ft of bay view, 5 bedrooms, 6.5 bathrooms, new Hurricane windows, dock/pool/spa. Open Sun. 3/24 2/4429 The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-4662 $3,290,000

Moorestown, 2290 Gulf Shores Rd N. - Stunning four bedroom home situated on 92 ft of Gulf frontage. Spectacular views from the garage to the 4th floor Master suite, pool/bowling alley, spa, dock/lift, grill, gas fireplace, private elevation. Open Saturday and Sunday 1pm-4pm. 3/24 2/4229 The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-4662 $1,895,000

Old Naples, 555 5th Ave S #4, 3 bedroom designer home on the 5th floor of a 14 story building. Stunning views from the living to the Master suite. 2/24 2/6210 Michele Harrison, 580-9889 $774,900

Pelican Bay - 6001 Pelican Bay Blvd, #1601 - Spectacular 15th floor views from the living and master bedroom. 4 bedrooms, 4.5 bathrooms, kitchen, den, pool/spa, dock/lift, grill. 3/24 2/4229 The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-4662 $1,950,000

Pelican Bay - 6001 Pelican Bay Blvd, #1604 - Beautiful 21st floor views from all rooms. 4 bedrooms, 4.5 bathrooms, pool/spa, dock/lift, grill. 3/24 2/4229 The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-4662 $2,300,000

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“Cuba on My Mind,” a collection of Cuban and Cuban-American art, will be on display March 12 through April 30 at The von Liebig Art Center. The show came about after curator Jack O’Brian of The von Liebig was invited to Cuba last summer to visit several artists in their studios. What he found was a prolific art scene where artists openly expressed symbols of freedom, feelings of loss for loved ones, a longing for travel and even some satire in their work.

The show consists of more than 30 paintings, photographs and mixed media works from private and public collections. Artists who live in Cuba are represented, as are some Cuban-Americans who live in the United States. They include:

- Third-generation painter Eduardo Miguel Abela Terras, who lives in Old Havana and whose poster design was chosen by the Cuban Institute of Art and Commercial Cinematography for the 2010 Cuban Film Festival. Works by Mr. Terras’ father and grandfather will also be in the show.

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If you were looking for a man of character, you would have found one by now. Men of character are, by definition, willing to commit.

The third reason you’re single? You’re giving it away for free.

Hooking up with some guy in a hot tub on a rooftop is fine for the ladies of Jersey Shore — but they’re not trying to get married. You are.

You also might be lying to yourself.

You know a man’s not ready to commit, but you let him get away with bad behavior anyway. He’ll call in the middle of the night just to see what’s up (and can he come over?), but he never takes you out for brunch the next morning.

And another reason you’re not married, at least according to Ms. McMillan: You’re selfish.

Chances are you think a lot about your thighs, your outfits... your career.

A married woman doesn’t spend much time weighing her own problems because, as Ms. McMillan writes, “She has too much s**t to do.”

Come to think of it, isn’t that what every man wants?

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...marriage is just a long-term opportunity to practice loving someone even when they don’t deserve it,” she writes. “Because most of the time, your messy, farting, macaroni-and-cheese eating man will not be doing what you want him to.”

I see her point, but I still think it sounds like a lot of (not very rewarding) work. A lot of cleaning, a lot of cooking and a lot of catering to someone else’s needs. Maybe instead of worrying about why we’re not married, we should worry about why we want to be married in the first place.
Don’t miss our ART STUDIOS every Monday through Saturday from 10:00AM to 3:00PM and every Thursday from 10:00AM to 8:00PM. These days will feature artists creating and exhibiting their art.

Join us on the following Thursdays for live entertainment…
ART & DANCE – March 10 from 5:00PM to 8:00PM
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What to Do, Where to Go

**Weekend Best Bets**

**United Arts Council of Collier County**

- **March 11:** Music Makers Show Band at Cambier Park. 597-3240 or www.musicmakersshowband.org.
- **March 11-13:** Florida Lost Tribes. Marco Island Historical Museum. 642-1440 or www.themihb.org.
- **March 12:** Art After Dark in Crayton Cove. 659-2787 or www.nataliegalleries.com.
- **March 12:** Open Art Studio Show. Bonny Hawley. 649-1398.
- **March 12:** Underground Art Saturday. 821-1061 or www.rosenraku.com.
- **March 12:** Naples Artcrafters Fine Art & Craft Show. 434-0781 or www.naplesartcrafters.com.
- **March 13:** Gulf Coast Big Band at Cambier Park. 597-8954.
- **March 13:** Bill Farnsworth Art. Holocaust Museum of Southwest Florida. 263-9200 or www.hmswfl.org.

**By Theatre Zone**

**‘Blood Brothers’**


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**Naples Players**


**Happy Anniversary**


**Comming for Fall**

- "Coming for Fall – Marisa Collecions features Brunello Cucinelli fall fashions today and Friday at 1167 Third St. S. 687-1418.

**Art Opening**

- Art Opening – KVS Interior Design holds an opening reception for a new exhibit of works by five Southwest Florida artists from 5:30-8 p.m. 3820 Via Portofino Cove. 949-6449 or www.kvsiinteriordesign.com.

**Art Gallery**


**August: Osage County**


**A Second Helping: The Church Basement Ladies Sequel**

- By the Off Broadway Palm Theatre at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers, through March 20. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

**The Unsmilable Molly Brown**

- By the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers, through April 2. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

**Thursday, March 10**

- **Happy Anniversary –** Royalty & Hollywood Jewelry celebrates its first anniversary today and Friday with champagne, Belgium chocolate and appearances by Marilyn Monroe and Audrey Hepburn look-alikes. 663 Fifth Ave. S. 692-9551.

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**Art Gallery –** The Marco Players present Sam Bobrick’s "Baggage" March 16-April 3. 642-7270 or www.themarcoplayers.com.


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**Sunday, March 13**

**Art in Bloom** – A judged flower show takes place today and Sunday at the Marco Island Art League, 1010 Winterberry Drive. The show launches Arts Affaire, a weeklong celebration of the arts on Marco Island. 934-1375 or hfdiebler@embargmail.com.

**More Marco Art** – The second annual Marco Island Art and Fine Crafts Festival runs from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday at Veterans Park.

**Underground Art** – Underground Art Saturday runs from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Pine Ridge Industrial Park.

**Monday, March 14**

**Opera Benefit** – Irish tenor Anthony Kearns performs at 7 p.m. at North Naples United Methodist Church, 6000 Goodlette Rd. N. in a benefit concert for Opera Naples. $35-$85. 514-7464.

**Mamma Mia!** – The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents “Mamma Mia” starring Kristin Binz. $40-$60. 229-0649.

**Tuesday, March 15**

**Meet the Author** – Sunshine Booksellers hosts author Karen Harper from 1-3 p.m. at 677 S. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 393-0353.

**Pop Divas** – “The Pop Divas of the ’40s and ’50s” is presented at 2 p.m. at the South Regional Library, 8065 Lefy Cultural Plwy. 252-7542.

**Dance Show** – Burn the Floor takes the stage today through Sunday at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers. 481-4849 or www.bbmanpah.com.

**Wednesday, March 16**

**Irish Dance** – The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents “Live at the Promenade...Irish Dance” with Kellyn Keltic Arts at 7 p.m. at the Promenade at Bonita Bay, 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

**All About Opera** – The Italian Opera Society presents a lecture and performance on Verismo Opera Caveloria Rustican and Pagliacci at 3:30 p.m. at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. (313) 702-9264 or dinoopera@yahoo.com.

**Partner Yoga** – Wednesday Night Out at the Naples Botanical Garden features partner yoga with Shantil Shanbon from 6-9 p.m. www.naplesgarden.org or 643-7275.

**Dinner & Show** – Fred’s Food, Fun & Spirits presents “Nice Jewish Girls Gone Bad” at 8 p.m., with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. 2700 Immokalee Rd. 431-7928.

**Comming up**

**All’s Fair** – The Collier County Fair runs March 17-27, with rides, entertainment, food and more. www.colliercountyfair.com.

**Concert Series** – The Fifth Third Bank Erich Kunzel Community Concert Series presents the Naples Orchestra and Chorus at Edison State College-Naples Campus at 7 p.m. March 18, 614-9801.

**Bluegrass Tunes** – Avery County Bluegrass performs at 7 p.m. March 18 at Fred’s Food, Fun & Spirits. 2700 Immokalee Road. 431-7928 or www.averycounty.com.

**Dinner Show** – The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents “Live at the Promenade...Joe & Maria’s Comedy Italian Dinner” at 6 p.m. March 18-19 at the Promenade at Bonita Bay, $45-$85. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

**Music Program** – The President’s Concert Series is presented by the Bower School of Music at 7:30 p.m. March 18 in the Music Building at FGCU. 590-7851 or pharkins@fgcu.edu.

**Guitar Duo** – Aztec Two Step performs March 18-19 at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts, 979-9900.

**Ice Show** – The Smucker’s Stars on Ice 25th Anniversary Show starts at 7:30 p.m. March 19 at Germain Arena. 948-7825.

**Jazz It Up** – The Naples Daily News Jazz Band performs from 2-4 p.m. March 20 at the band shell at Cambier Park. 435-3493.


**Uplifting Tunes** – Voices of Naples presents “All Things Bright and Beautiful” at 3 p.m. March 20 at East Naples United Methodist Church. www.voicesofnaples.org.

**Jazz Concert** – The Naples Jazz Orchestra performs from 7-9 p.m. March 21 at the band shell at Cambier Park. 392-9205 or 348-3675.


**Film Fest** – The inaugural Fort Myers Film Festival kicks off at 7 p.m. March 21 at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall. 481-8489.

**Perfect Harmony** – The Paradise Coastmen Barbershop Chorus performs at free concert at 7:30 p.m. March 24 at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1955 Curling Ave. 597-4091.

**Flowers & More** – The Naples Botanical Garden and the Naples Garden Club present the 38th annual Naples Flower Show from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. March 25-26 at the Garden. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

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You might think “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” has worn out its welcome. After all, the current production at the Sugden Community Theatre by The Naples Players is the third time in three seasons that the musical has played here.

Last season it played at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre in Fort Myers, and the season previous to that, the Philharmonic Center for the Arts had the national tour of the show for a week. (And I had the good fortune of seeing it on Broadway just prior to that, so the Naples Players’ performance made it the fourth time for me.)

The good news about “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” is that the show holds up well, even under repeated viewings. And The Naples Players have done an outstanding job with it.

Smart stagegoers know that the Players generally put on two big musicals each year — one during the height of season and one in the summer. Generally, the Players’ artistic director, Dalлас Dunnagan, directs, Matt Flynn is in charge of the sets, Charles Fornera handles the music and Dawn Lebrecht Fornera choreographs. This team is almost always a winning combination.

And “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” is no exception.

Based on the 1988 Michael Caine/Steve Martin movie (which itself is loosely based on the 1964 David Niven/Marlon Brando movie “Bedtime Story”), “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” tells the story of Lawrence (a dapper James Little), a con man living off of women in the French Riviera. In exchange for some romance and lots of attention, the ladies gladly turn over money and jewelry to him. He’s assisted in his cons by Andre (a droll Randy Jones), the chief of police, who gets a cut.

Lawrence is one of the best roles I’ve seen Mr. Little play. The suave and debonair Mr. Freshko is his perfect foil: crass and socially inept. When he performed “How Big the Stuff,” which is more spoken than sung, I thought: oh no, he can’t sing. But then later, in “Nothing Is Too Wonderful,” he opened his mouth and I thought: Where did that gorgeous voice come from?

The score, written by Tony-nominated composer/lyricist David Yazbek (who also wrote the incredible song for “The Full Monty”), has extremely clever lyrics, so I was pleased to see the Players had taken pains with the sound balance, so the singers could be heard clearly.

And they were, until some microphone feedback early in Act I inspired someone to turn down the volume on the two male leads. They then battled the wonderful orchestra for the rest of the evening. And that was a shame, because the lyrics are very, very witty.

There also seemed to be some problems with the lighting. While the set was nicely lit, the attention the audience gave to the sound balance made the vibe not as nice as it could have been. Ms. Needle once again shows off her talents and imaginations.

And “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” is clever, fun and way, way over-the-top. In fact, the “Love is My Legs” duet with Ms. Needle is one of the best scenes of the show. It’s also written by Tony Award-winning lyricist David Yazbek (who also wrote the incredible song for “The Full Monty”).

Mary Ann McAvoy McKerrow pleased the audience with her over-the-top portrayal of Jolene, a dim-witted Oklahoman in cowgirl attire and bright blue overalls. Ms. Zaybek cleverly titles his song “Oklahoma!” with a question mark, probably because the Broadway musical was an enormous hit.

But it’s Debi Guthery who almost runs away with the show in her portrayal of Muriel Eubanks, of Omaha. Lawrence, concentrating on trying to win his bet with Freddie, passes Muriel off to Andre, in hopes of convincing her to leave town. But sparks fly between them, almost despite themselves, and they give some of the best scenes of the musical.

Ms. Guthery knows how to belt out a song, and few in the area can match her at musical comedy. New York’s loss is definitely our gain.

If acting is playing dress-up for adults, the women of the cast must be thrilled. They not only get to wear fancy gowns, but also dress up as nuns, French maids, cowgirls and ugly Americans, thanks to costume designer Dot Auchmoody’s efforts.

Mr. Flynn’s spacious and airy set makes creative use of white shutters and imaginatively lit backdrops. Ms. Fornera’s choreography is sparkling. It’s amazing to see what she does with this troupe of amateurs and how well they dance throughout the show. The Players’ dancing, once an object of derision, is now something to be admired, thanks for Ms. Fornera’s instruction over the years.

And Mr. Fornera’s orchestra is top-notch. Signs at the box office and by the stage doors warn of adult language and situations. And “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” does contain some language and scenes not typical of a classic Broadway musical. (Many scenes seem to appeal to the male sense of humor, especially.)

“Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” is clever, fun and way, way over-the-top. In fact, the “Love is My Legs” duet with Ms. Needle and Mr. Freshko is a send-up of the great overwrought romantic duets often found in musicals.

The night I saw it, the audience seemed a little subdued at first, not getting the jokes, maybe not sure what to make of it. But soon, they were laughing. (But they seemed to miss the Mutual of Omaha umbrella.)

Ms. Dunnagan has done a smash-up job with this, and once again, has a hit on her hands.
GIVING

Community Foundation awards $172,450 in grants to Collier County nonprofits

BY COLLEEN MURPHY SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

The Community Foundation of Collier County is celebrating 25 years of providing services to donors and nonprofits throughout the community.

The celebration continues on Thursday, March 24, when we present checks totaling $172,450 to 23 organizations.

Our grant program has a specific focus based upon the many years of observation and feedback from our community's nonprofits. The findings have shown that in most cases, nonprofits find it easier to raise funds for programs, rather than for internal sustainability. Unfortunately, this can lead to a lack of resources to develop the internal infrastructure that is so vital for any nonprofit.

In response to this, the Community Foundation board of directors has directed that our grant program focus less on program funding and more on grants that strengthen the internal skills, processes and resources that sustain organizations.

Examples of capacity-building grants totaling $172,450 to 23 organizations and the nonprofits that have been funded this year include:

1. Hire a consultant to assess the capacity-building needs of the Foundation for the Developmentally Disabled and then purchase the needed equipment.
2. Fund a comprehensive strategic plan for The Naples Zoo.
3. Fund a consultant to assess the technology needs of the Foundation for the Developmentally Disabled and then purchase the needed equipment.
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A second, but equally important goal is to mobilize community resources by engaging our donors in the grant process and leveraging our dollars to the community. In support of this, 28 civic-minded citizens dedicate hundreds of hours to review grant applications and then conduct interviews and site visits.

Grant committee volunteers reap numerous rewards. When asked why he serves on the health care committee, Don Grandi is quick to reply: “Too often, nonprofits get so focused on their service mission that they fail to build an organization that will allow for continuing service delivery and improving the quality of that service. Our capacity-building focus allows them to improve their internal infrastructure.”

The foundation believes this effort will have a positive effect, but it also requires that nonprofits think strategically and long-term. Our grant committees and foundation staff members all are committed to working with the nonprofit community to ensure best practices, efficient service delivery mechanism and sustainability.

— Colleen Murphy is president and CEO of the Community Foundation of Collier County, which manages more than 450 funds established by charitable individuals and organizations. To learn more about the foundation and its work, call 649-5000 or visit www.cfcoll.com.

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PUZZLE ANSWERS
FLORIDA WEEKLY PUZZLES

ANIMAL ANATOMY

HOROSCOPES

- PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Projecting a positive attitude helps restore calm even when you’re confronting some pretty stormy situations. Stay the course. The outcome will be well worth your efforts.

- ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The week promises a calmer aspect. Although there might be some lingering effects of a recent job problem, things should continue to ease up. Also expect a change in a home-based situation.

- TAURUS (April 30 to May 20) If you feel uneasy about a colleague’s suggestion, it might be that your wise inner Taurean guide is alerting you to a potential problem. Stepping away could turn out to be the right thing to do.

- GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A family get-together opens up new opportunities for renewing ties. It can be especially effective in dealing with disagreements that should have been, but never were, fully resolved.

- CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might be surprised at the response you get to a recent decision. You might be even more surprised by the reasons behind it. In any event, you’ll learn something important.

- LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your aspects favor resolving any tensions left over from a recent incident. You might want to consider having a “clear the air” talk as soon as you can. A call can lead to a change of plans.

- VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Avoid repeating yourself. If your first few efforts fail to connect, maybe it’s because you haven’t found the right way to get your message across. Try changing your approach.

- LIBRA (September 23 to October 20) Good intentions plus a strong resolve to succeed can take you where you want to go. Don’t give up just because someone suggests you might be pursuing an impossible cause.

- SCORPIO (October 21 to November 21) An unexpected setback can be a blessing in disguise. Use it to recheck your facts and how you’ve presented them. Meanwhile, look for ways to expand your contacts.

- CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While you should be close to completing an important matter, you still need to focus on being focused. But things ease up in time for weekend fun with family and friends.

- AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A certain matter might take an unexpected turn. Don’t simply accept it; ask for an explanation. What you learn might be helpful in shifting the situation around to your benefit.

- BORN THIS WEEK: While you enjoy tradition and stability, you also appreciate the good things that change can bring.

By Linda Thistle

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LATEST FILMS

‘The Adjustment Bureau’

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Is it worth $10? Yes

You know when something feels “right,” and everything in your body is telling you it’s the right thing to do? That impulse is at the heart of “The Adjustment Bureau” — with the hook that it’s manipulated by an outside, omniscient source that has no regard for your wants or desires. It’s an intriguing premise for sure, and director George Nolfi pulls it off reasonably well (he also wrote the script, which is based on a Philip K. Dick short story).

The “it” pulling the strings is a god-like figure referred to as the “Chairman,” and the people who worked under the Chairman are members of the titular Adjustment Bureau. Religious devotees might see connections to God, disciples, etc., but before you cry blasphemy know that you’ll be tickled by the identity of the Chairman when it’s revealed. Until then he/she is referred to only as a person who keeps the world on track for the greater good, and is presented as someone we should be grateful for.

Of course, there wouldn’t be a story if everyone were so grateful.

Hotshot aspiring senator David Norris (Matt Damon) has a very bright future according to the Bureau, but it doesn’t include the love of his life, Elise (Emily Blunt), whom he keeps encountering on chance events that the Bureau cannot control.

With the Bureau trying everything it can to keep them apart, David and Elise run and avoid the Bureau in any way they can to keep them together. Damon and Blunt do, thankfully, keep us rooting for their characters throughout. But this is more of a challenge than you might think: David and Elise meet during a brief encounter, which is followed by months apart, then they meet and fall deeper in love only to endure years apart after that. Even after the Bureau tells them they’re not meant to be together they never doubt their love, and because they don’t, neither do we.

Interesting thematic questions come into play here, specifically the idea of destiny vs. fate (which “The Matrix” also presented before making our minds go numb with endless action and two sequels). If nothing else, the film will get you thinking about the forces (if any) that control our lives, and speculating what our futures might hold. Any movie that opens our eyes in such a way is certainly doing something right.

That’s not to say it gets everything right: Mr. Nolfi also gives us some unimpressive action sequences, and you’ll leave with unanswered questions. Also, the last third of the movie all but derails the intrigue that has come before it — but not entirely, which is why “The Adjustment Bureau” warrants a marginal recommendation.

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Rango ★★

(Voices of Johnny Depp, Isla Fisher, Ned Beatty) A lizard (Mr. Depp) who pretends to be a hero happens upon a small western town that’s depleted of water, leaving him forced to save the day for real. There’s an interesting political allegory in play if you read into the story, but on the surface this is a “Chinatown” knock-off that struggles for laughs. Rated PG.

Take Me Home Tonight ★★★

(Topher Grace, Anna Faris, Teresa Palmer) In this throwback to ’80s comedies, aimless college grad Matt (Mr. Grace) has one last chance to score with high-school crush Tori (Ms. Palmer) while his sister (Ms. Faris) and best friend (Dan Fogler) also deal with moving into adulthood. It has a great ’80s soundtrack and some amusing moments, but the story is too off-kilter and far-fetched to really click. Rated R.

Beastly ★★★

(Alex Pettyfer, Vanessa Hudgens, Mary-Kate Olsen) This modern tale on “Beauty and the Beast” follows an arrogant high schooler (Mr. Pettyfer) consumed with appearance as he’s cursed by a witch (Ms. Olsen) and forced to find love based on who he is. The teenage girl target demo will find much to cheer about, and for everyone else this one is surprisingly tolerable. Rated PG-13.

NAPLES FLORIDA WEEKLY | WEEK OF MARCH 10-16, 2011 C11
Take in the artistic ambience of Crayton Cove after dark

Friendly and historic Crayton Cove adds art and entertainment to its evening ambiance during the monthly Art After Dark. Galleries and working artists’ studios in the waterfront district stay open late with wine, hors d’oeuvres and live entertainment for visitors to enjoy as they stroll the picturesque Old Naples area.

The next event takes place from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, March 12. Participating galleries, many artist-owned and operated, are:
- Art Gallery Old Naples
- Chloe’s Tye-Dye
- Earth & Fire
- Golkar Gallery
- Guess-Fisher Gallery
- Nora Butler Designs

Located at Crayton Cove, the monthly event kicks off with a rooftop view of the action, followed by a way-down-in-the-waterfront breeze.

The next Art After Dark event is March 12, 6-9 p.m., followed by April 9 and May 14, before the season goes on hiatus for the summer. For more information, call Natalie Guess at Guess-Fisher Gallery, 659-2787 or e-mail guessfisher@comcast.net.

Bird Of Paradise, Natalie Fisher, Guess-Fisher Gallery

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The Marco Island Foundation for the Arts presents a screening of Bizet’s “Carmen” at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 16, at Marco Movies, 599 S. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. The performance was recorded live at The Metropolitan Opera in 1989. Tickets are $10. For more information, call 389-9463.

Lyric tenor Anthony Kearns, known to millions as one of The Irish Tenors, will give a benefit concert for Opera Naples at 7 p.m. Monday, March 14, at North Naples United Methodist Church.

Opera Naples fans will remember Mr. Kearns as Edgardo in “Lucia di Lammermoor” earlier this year and as Romeo in last season’s “Romeo and Juliet.” For his upcoming performance, he will be accompanied by fellow Irishman Patrick Healy at the piano in a program of favorites from the Emerald Isle to Broadway. The Opera Naples children’s chorus will step up to the stage to join them for two numbers.

A veteran of numerous opera productions and performances with orchestras around the world, Mr. Kearns has also appeared with The Irish Tenors in celebrated venues including Carnegie Hall, Radio City Music Hall, Madison Square Garden, the Hollywood Bowl and on the grounds of the Capitol on the Fourth of July.

Mr. Healy has toured as an accompanist for more than 50 years and spent 12 years with the National Opera in London. Considered a preeminent authority on Gilbert and Sullivan, he is also noted for his performances and recordings of Irish folk music.

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The Met at the movies
Local cinemas screen ‘Lucia di Lammermoor’

The Metropolitan Opera presents Donizetti’s “Lucia di Lammermoor,” live in high-definition in select movie theaters around the world, at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 19.

Southwest Florida opera aficionados can see the broadcast, part of the company’s Peabody and Emmy award-winning series “The Met: Live in HD,” at Hollywood Stadium-20 in Naples, Hollywood Coconut Point-16 in Estero and the Bell Tower-20 in Fort Myers. Expected running time is four hours. An encore performance will be broadcast at all three theaters beginning at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 6.

Natalie Dessay triumphed as the fragile heroine of Donizetti’s masterpiece on opening night of the 2007-08 season in Mary Zimmerman’s hit production. Now she returns to the role of the innocent young woman driven to madness, opposite Joseph Calleja, who sings her lover Edgardo.

Up next at local cinemas in “The Met: Live in HD” series is a new production of Rossini’s “Le Comte Ory,” showing at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 9, with an encore screening 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 27. Expected running time is three hours.

Tickets range from $18 to $24. For more information, visit www.metopera.org/hdlive.
Acclaimed Italian pianist returns

The Italian Cultural Society of Naples presents internationally acclaimed concert pianist Cristiana Pegoraro performing a new repertoire at 5 p.m. Monday, March 14, at the Moorings Presbyterian Church.

Ms. Pegoraro performed to a sold-out audience in 2010. This year’s program will feature works by the great Italian composer Domenico Scarlatti, as well as Chopin, Beethoven and two compositions by Ms. Pegoraro, a lullaby and a tango.

Ms. Pegoraro has won acclaim for her interpretations of Cuban and South American compositions. In 2007 she was given the President of Italy Award in recognition of her performances around the world. Several samples of her performances are available on YouTube, and her full biography can be found at www.cristianapegoraro.com.

The Italian Cultural Society will host a wine reception and hors d’oeuvres following the performance. Tickets for $49 are available by calling 434-3323.

Purdue Glee Club performs at Shell Point

The Village Church at Shell Point Retirement Community on the way to Sanibel Island presents the Purdue Varsity Glee Club from Purdue University at 2:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 15.

Founded in 1893, this select ensemble has entertained on behalf of Purdue University for campus, community, state, national and international events, averaging between 50-60 appearances each year. Embodying the spirit of service above self, the men of the Purdue Varsity Glee Club represent different backgrounds and hometowns across the country and consistently maintain a high level of academic excellence with majors ranging from engineering and education to management and biological sciences.

Tickets are $10 each. For more information, call 454-247 or visit www.shellpoint.org.
Bonita gets the Blues

Two-day festival happens this weekend

The fifth annual Bonita Blues Festival takes place Friday and Saturday, March 11-12 at Riversoide Park in downtown Bonita Springs. Gates open at 2 p.m. Friday and at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Both days will feature top-notch blues music and a wide variety of food and other vendors. Friday will include happy hour prices on beer and wine from 2-5 p.m.


Proceeds of the Bonita Blues Festival will benefit the Bonita Springs Assistance Office’s Music for Minors Foundation, which provides musical instruments to local youth, and The Wounded Warriors Project to benefit local war veterans.

Tickets at the gate are $15 on Friday and $20 on Saturday. For $30, you can get a weekend pass. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.bonitalblues.com.
“Blood Brothers,” the powerful and rags-to-riches tragedy that had the courage to tackle the urban blight of Margaret Thatcher’s Great Britain, runs March 10-20 at the G&L Theatre at Community School of Naples, home of the equity company TheatreZone.

Willy Russell’s haunting musical is the story of twin brothers whose mother was forced to give one of them away at birth. The show ran for two years on Broadway and garnered seven Tony Award nominations. The London production opened in 1983 and won the Olivier Award for Best New Musical and Best Actress in its first year. It transferred to the Phoenix Theatre in London’s West End in 1991 and remains there today.

For the TheatreZone production, Artistic Director Mark Danni has cast Broadway actress Andrea McArdle in the lead role as the mother, Mrs. Johnstone. Ms. McArdle’s real-life daughter, New York actress Alexis Kahlhoff, plays Linda, the young woman who finds herself as the rope in a game of tug-of-war between the brothers.

Show time for “Blood Brothers” at the G&L Theatre is 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and 2 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $43 and $48. Group rates are available for parties of 10 or more.

TheatreZone’s sixth season concludes in May with “Beehive: The ’60s Musical!” starring Naples’ own Paige Miles of “American Idol” fame.

For tickets or more information, call (888) 966-3352 or visit www.theatrezone-florida.com. Tickets can also be purchased at the box office between noon and 2 p.m. Wednesdays.
Studio time: Sneak a peek into seven artists’ spaces

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

The 16th annual Artists’ Studio Tour, presented by the Friends of Art at the Patty and Jay Baker Naples Museum of Art, takes place from 11:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 13, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, March 14. Guests will be able to meet seven local artists and purchase works directly from them at their studios. The artists are:

• Gabrielle Nappo, a ceramic and textile artist whose work often conveys her affinity for the sea and the natural world;
• Nando Ortegón, whose most recent works are three-dimensional construction sculptures using recycled components from computers, printers and telephones;
• Genie Kell, who combines a variety of elements, such as fabrics, jewelry, beads and toys, to create effects that range from the lyrical to the comical;
• Yongguan Guo, who uses long-lasting ink on homemade rice paper and also paints oil on canvas;
• Anne Shreve, whose joyful canvases celebrate color, light and the relationships of her subjects to their environment;
• Barrett Edwards, who creates representational oil paintings infused with color, warmth, light and emotion; and
• Ted de Clercq, a sculptor who is also known for his photorealistic paintings.

Tickets for the Artists’ Studio Tour are $40 for Sunday (includes refreshments) and $55 for Monday (includes lunch). Patron tickets for either day are $100 and include special recognition. Carpooling is encouraged, as are comfortable walking shoes. Call the Philharmonic Center for the Arts at 597-1900 or 254-2776.

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Here’s some of what’s ahead on the program at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts. For more information about or tickets to any of these performances, call 597-1900 or visit www.thephil.org.

■ The one and only Sauce Boss returns at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 11-12. The inventor of gastronomical boogie woogie sings the blues. He plays guitar. He cooks the gumbo. He makes his very own hot sauce. He cooks up a pot of gumbo right on stage during the show, and at the end everybody eats. Tickets start at $42.

■ Elaine Newton, professor emeritus of humanities at York University in Toronto, will discuss “The Imperfectionists” by Tom Rachman as part of her Critic’s Choice series at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 12. Tickets are $32.

■ M-pact, hailed as “one of the best pop-jazz vocal groups in the world” by the San Francisco Chronicle, brings its six voices to the Philharmonic for shows at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, March 14-15. Using only their voices, the group produces the smooth soul sounds of Stevie Wonder, the percussive power of Stomp, the funk and drive of Earth, Wind, & Fire, the hip licks of Take 6 and the brass bite of the Harry Connick Jr. Big Band. They’ve performed with Sheryl Crow, Boyz II Men, Liza Minnelli, Ray Charles, Natalie Cole, Bobby McFerrin, the Woody Herman Orchestra and the Maynard Ferguson Big Band, among others. Over the
last dozen years, their signature sound has been used in both TV themes and animated Disney feature films, and is enjoyed on syndicated radio worldwide. Tickets start at $39.

- Award-winning singer and actress Louise Pitre, who wowed audiences in her “From Piaf to Broadway” cabaret show last season, returns at 6 and 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, March 16-17. One of Canada’s leading performers, Ms. Pitre catapaulted to fame in the early 1990s in three separate productions of “Piaf” and has won accolades for her work in various other plays, musicals and celebrated concert shows. Tickets start at $42.

- Aztec Two-Step performs at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 18-19, as part of the Cabaret Series. The folk-rock duo wins accolades and impresses audiences with intelligent, poetic songwriting, beautiful acoustic guitar playing and inspiring harmonies. Tickets start at $42.

- Jazz singer, songwriter and performer Steve March Tormé, son of legendary singer Mel Tormé, performs at 8 p.m. Sunday, March 20. Praised by Downbeat magazine for his “sweetly seductive” voice and by The Chicago Tribune for his “nearly infallible sense of pitch,” the younger Mr. Tormé catapaulted to fame in 2007 in this return engagement, he’ll also pay tribute to his famous father and also perform classic standards and original songs.

- As part of his North American “Truth of Touch” tour, composer/pianist Yanni performs at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 19. Recorded in the Grammy Award-winning artist’s Florida studio, “Truth of Touch” is his first instrumental release of original compositions in more than eight years. Tickets were sold out at press time. Call the box office about cancellations and last-minute availability.

- Sir Tom Jones returns to the Phil for one performance at 8 p.m. Monday, April 25. Celebrated for hits over the past four decades including “It’s Not Unusual,” “Delilah” and “She’s a Lady,” Mr. Jones sings every form of popular music — rock, pop, show tunes, dance, techno, country — in his own inimitable style. Tickets start at $79.

- Sir James Galway performs at 8 p.m. Monday, March 21. Through his extensive touring, more than 30 million albums sold and frequent television appearances, Sir Galway has endeared himself to millions of people worldwide. As Newsday said of him: “James Galway is more than a flute player, he is the world’s only flute personality.” Tickets start at $60.

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**Christian women will connect for ‘A Grande Affair’**

Naples Christian Women’s Connection hosts “A Grande Affair,” its annual fashion show and luncheon, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday, March 25, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort.

Fashions will be by boutiques in Water- side Shops. Inspirational speaker will be Jan Mothers, and entertainment will be by Billie Dean & Dawn as well as dancers from the Fred Astaire Studio in Naples.

Tickets are $50. For reservations, call 597-8798.

NCWC is open to all women. The group is part of Stonecroft Ministries.

**Naples ikebana chapter plans annual show**

“Heart of the Flower” is the theme for the 2011 Ikebana International Naples chapter exhibit coming up from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 18-19, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. More than 70 live flower arrangements in the Japanese tradition will be on display, and demonstrations will be ongoing from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Admission is $5 for adults, free for children. Parking is free. For more information, visit www.ikebananaples.com.
Zontians have designs on fashion
The Zonta Club of Naples will hold its sixth annual Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon beginning at 11 a.m. Friday, March 25, at The Strand. Proceeds will benefit the club’s Sally Sitta Awards, Naples and Immokalee teen age parent ing programs and Zonta International scholarships and awards.
Tickets are $80 per person. For reservations and more information, call Honey Gardiner, club president, at 598-9058.

Get acquainted with newcomers
The Naples Newcomers Club welcomes women who have been permanent residents of Naples for no more than five years and who want to meet others who are new to the area.
The club meets for a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of each month, year-round. In addition, groups within the club plan outings and dates to share varied interests, such as mah-jongg and duplicate bridge, gourmet cooking and discussions about philosophy.
Prospective members are invited to coffee at 10 a.m. on the first Thursday of each month. For meeting locations and more information, call 298-4083 or visit www.naplesnewcomers.com.

The Bonita Springs Newcomers Club welcomes women who have lived in Bonita for less than three years. Luncheons are held at area country clubs on the third Thursday of every month (December meeting is on the second Thursday).
Members must attend five luncheons a year and pay annual dues of $40. A wide variety of other club activities are organized and directed by an all-volunteer board of directors. A monthly newsletter keeps members informed of programs and activities.
For more information, e-mail bonitasnewcomers@gmail.com or visit www.bonitaspringsnewcomersclub.com.

Scrabble Club meets Mondays
The Naples Scrabble Club meets from 5:30-8:30 p.m. every Monday at Wendy's on the corner of Airport Pulling and Immokalee road. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 304-5444.

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REVIEWED BY EALISH WADDELL
Special to Florida Weekly

The gator-wrasslin’ Bigtree family made Swamplandia! a fun, kitschy destination for generations of Florida tourists. But now the park’s glory days are over. With the death of its star performer, Swamplandia! lost the tourists that were its livelihood. But the Bigtrees also lost their beloved wife and mother, and without her, they are coming apart at the seams.

Father Chief Bigtree (in reality a miner’s son from West Virginia) has concocted grandiose plans for the future that involve him disappearing for a while. Desperate to earn some money; brother Kiwi defects to the mainland to work at a nearby high-tech theme park that’s hellish in every possible way.

Back on the island, dreamy sister Ossie is dating a guy who might be a ghost — that’s the best-case scenario — while 13-year-old Ava just wants to grow up already so she can win a gator-wrestling championship and save the park single-handedly.

When Ossie suddenly elopes with her phantom paramour, Ava must set off into the wilderness after her, accompanied by a mysterious feather-cloaked Bird Man and a baby alligator the color of rubies. Her quest will pull her beyond the familiar fictions of Swamplandia! and into the perilous, half-glimpsed truths that reside in the heart of the real swamp.

Ms. Russell’s dreamlike evocation of the Florida landscape, its history and its denizens is masterful, measured yet resonant. But both its gothic mysticism and its persistent quirkiness are tinged throughout by the unsettling sense of real-world melancholy and foreboding that permeates the book. Each Bigtree kid is a unique mixture of toughness, smarts and heart-breaking naivete. It’s not easy to imagine what their lives would have been like coming of age outside the unique cauldron of the swamp, the theme park and its hundred toothy residents.

For kids used to wrestling real live monsters, the metaphorical ones can be the real horrors.
A tale of high tension in today’s Turkey

“Snow on the Golden Horn,”

by Walt Breede


While asking readers to accept more than the usual amount of improbabilities and questions of motive, first-time novelist Walt Breede has fashioned a rousing story of international intrigue and mayhem. What’s unusual and charming is the ruminations on the ups and downs of military life and the amusing asides on work and finding time away from his family, Alan accepts the assignment.

In alternate chapters narrated in the third person, Mr. Breede allows readers to follow Andrea’s situation. We witness her abduction to Istanbul, where she is essentially imprisoned in luxury and offered a great opportunity that she can’t refuse (literally). A major art dealership with wealthy clients wants her to create original artworks to order. Their customers will pay astounding prices. In addition, Andrea is asked to make copies of other artists’ works which she is assured will be sold as copies and not forgeries. Hmmm. Where can it go from here? Andrea is worried.

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In these chapters set in Istanbul and elsewhere in Turkey, Mr. Breede lovingly draws the delights of the Turkish landscape and culture. Whenever Alan is back home in Chesertown, Va., or on a trip to a sports meet, readers see his dedication to that part of the American dream captured by the joy, fellowship and discipline of athletic competition. These chapters also lower the temperature of the tension thermometer, allowing it to be raised even higher when we return to Andrea’s plight and, in the latter portion of the book, to Alan’s strenuous efforts to find and rescue her.

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Mr. Breede’s protagonist Alan Llewellyn narrates the chapters in which he appears. Like the author, Alan is a retired Marine officer who’s enjoying his life as a high school mathematics teacher and coach. As a sideline, he hires out as a mathematics consultant. So Alan’s family life is enviable, and his professional life is satisfying. His military background, including years stationed in Southeast Asia to Oklahoma to Japan to Washington, D. C. to Turkey... "Snow on the Golden Horn" is his first novel, but not his last."
Glass-ensconced labels loved by collectors

Bottles can be labeled with paper labels, painted (pyro) labels, embossed lettering or most unusual of all, labels under glass. Bottles used “for show,” like the fancy bottles used in a Victorian barbershop to hold Bay Rum or other hair tonic, were made in distinctive shapes and colors. A few have a multicolored paper label that includes a picture of an attractive woman. The label was sealed under a thin piece of glass. The top of the bottle was made with a screw cap and a long neck with a spout to pour out the hair product. Apothecary stores used a different kind of label under glass that listed the contents in black lettering, often in Latin. The edge of the label was usually painted gold to form a frame and camouflage the extra glass. Bottle collectors and others like these bottles because they are attractive and use a technique for labeling that is not often seen today.

Q: I own a bronze sculpture that a dealer would like to buy from me. I don’t know what it’s worth. It’s titled “Reaper” and is signed “H. Muller” on the base. The sculpture is 15 1/2 inches tall. Your sculpture is from a series of “Farmers” sculptures by Heinz Muller (1872-1937) of Dusseldorf, Germany. Original bronzes from the series sell individually for prices ranging from $750 to $1,500. Prices of many bronzes are listed free at Kovels.com/priceguide.

Q: A: I have a Northwood bowl in the Rose Show pattern, and I can’t find any information about it because it’s opaque glass, not carnival glass. The color at the base is clear blue and the opalescence extends up toward the ruffled edge. When held up to the sun, the opalescence shows amber colors, so I’m not sure what color to call it. I’m a novice, and your help would be appreciated.

A: Harry Northwood founded his glass company, H. Northwood Co., in Wheeling, W.Va., in 1901. Rose Show pattern was made in several different colors of carnival glass, including aqua opalescent and lime-green opalescent. The pattern was pictured in a 1910 catalog. Northwood pieces made between 1905 and 1915 may be marked with an embossed underlined “N” trademark. Hold the bowl up to the light and look for the mark in the center of the bowl. Harry Northwood died in 1919, and the plant closed in 1925. Opalescent Rose Show bowls are rarer than clear carnival glass colors. The value of your Rose Show bowl is more than $750.

Q: I am 91 years old and have a purse that was given to me 80 years ago. It has never been taken out of the box. It’s eggshell color with an orange and green print and 1-inch fringe. The card in the bag says “Color Vision Bag” and “Mandalian Originals.” The inside of the purse is marked “Mandalian Mfg. Co.” on the frame. What is the value of the purse?

A: Mesh bags became popular in the 19th century. Mandalian Manufacturing Co. was founded by Sahatiel Gabrabed Mandalian in North Attleboro, Mass. Sahatiel emigrated from Turkey in 1889 and began making jewelry and novelties in the United States. In 1906 he formed a partnership with Eugene A. Hawkings and started producing mesh bags under the name Mandalian & Hawkins. In 1915 the company name was changed to Mandalian Manufacturing Co. Many of the designs used on the bags look like Turkish carpets. The company was sold to Whiting & Davis in 1944. Early mesh bags were expensive because the mesh was made by hand. After an

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COURTESY PHOTO
This powder blue milk glass barber’s bottle was offered for sale in a 2010 online auction by Glass Works Auctions of East Greenwich, R.I. It was made in about 1910, is 10 3/4 inches tall and has its original glass neck band and screw cap. Its estimated value is $500 to $700.

automatic mesh-making machine was invented in 1912, bags became more affordable. Mandalian bags in good condition sell for more than $200.

Q: I have a plate decorated with a picture of a Colonial couple and a gentleman in the center and a wide gold rim. The back is marked “Crest O Gold, Sabin, Warranted 22K” inside a partly rounded shape with lines through it. The name “W.S. George” also is on the back of the plate. Can you tell me anything about it?

A: Your plate was made by W.S. George Pottery Co. of East Palestine, Ohio, and was decorated by Sabin. Dishes decorated with decals of Colonial people were made in the 1950s by many companies. Plates like yours retail for about $15.

Q: I have a miner’s lamp marked with the words “Justrite Made in U.S.A.” It is marked with the patent dates May 7, 1912, Oct. 28, 1913, and Nov. 28, 1913, and also says “Others pending.” What is it worth?

A: Justrite Manufacturing Co. was founded in Chicago in 1906. The company made machinery and tools. Justrite began making carbide miner’s lamps in 1911 and was the major producer of carbide lamps in the early 20th century. Justrite lamps were popular until the company began making plastic lamps in the 1970s. The plastic cracked and melted, and the lamps were never used by miners. Early Justrite lamps sold for a dollar. Lamps like yours sell for about $10 to $30.

Tip: To find a small crack in porcelain or glass, try this: Put the piece on a table. Tap it with your fingernail. A cracked piece gives off a dull thud; a perfect piece will “ring.” Learn to recognize the sound by practicing on some pieces you know are broken.

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**Hodges U. honors Naples philanthropists**

Hodges University honors Dolph and Sharon von Arx at the 2011 Humanitarian of the Year award luncheon Tuesday, March 29, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. The 15th annual award recognizes those who have nudged society forward through their philanthropic actions and who have touched the lives of many in the community.

Tickets are $25 per person. For more information, call Hodges University at 598-6159 or visit www.hodges.edu.

**Go ‘Incognito’ and take home a piece of art**

The Friends of Art at the Patty and Jay Baker Naples Museum of Art present “Incognito” at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, at the museum.

For the first-time fundraiser, 300 international, national and local artists are painting 300 original 8-by-10-inch works of art for the cause. Everyone in attendance will go home with a work of art, which will be distributed by raffle (as tickets are drawn, the ticket-holders will select the painting of their choice).

Incognito also will have music, cocktails and hors d’oeuvres, and many of the artists will be in attendance. Only 300 tickets will be sold. Proceeds will help the Naples Museum of Art transport Collier County schoolchildren to the museum and underwrite gallery exhibitions and lectures.

Tickets are $300 for one raffle ticket, $500 for patrons (includes one raffle ticket and $200 tax deduction) or $1,000 for sponsors (includes two raffle tickets and $400 tax deduction). Patrons and Sponsors will be invited to a mimosa party and preview of the paintings between 11 a.m. to noon on the day of the event.

For tickets, call 597-9900. For more information about the event, call the Friends of Art office at 254-2777.

**Philharmonic League steps out in style**

The Naples Philharmonic League presents “Stepping in Style,” a luncheon and fashion show as part of its Parties of Note fundraising program on Friday, March 18, at Quail Creek Country Club. Proceeds benefit the Naples Philharmonic Orchestra and its youth music education programs.

Springs fashions from shops in the Village on Venetian Bay, The Promenade, N' Escapade, N' Mercato will be presented by Trish Williams Productions. Music will be by Naples Philharmonic Orchestra musicians Ellen Tomasiewicz and Tracy Leonard.

Tickets are $90 per person ($45 tax deductible) and can be purchased by calling the Naples Philharmonic League office at 254-2777.
Guadalupe Center will benefit from ’60s supper club fun

“239MEN,” a new fundraiser for the Guadalupe Center, makes its debut at M Waterfront Grille on Thursday, May 5. For that night, the restaurant in the Village on Venetian Bay will revert back to the supper-club nights of the ’60s, complete with gin martinis and Rob Roys, Steak Diane, Seafood Newburg and tableside Bananas Foster.

Tickets are $125 per person. For tickets, visit www.guadalupecenter.org/239MEN. For information about sponsorship opportunities, e-mail Craig Flamert at 239men@gmail.com.

Make sure the ‘Bucket List Bash’ is on your list

The American Cancer Society presents the first “Bucket List Bash” to help raise funds and awareness beginning at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. High bidders on an array of creative auction items designed to celebrate life will be able to cross off incredible experiences on their bucket lists.

For reservations or more information, contact Kim Azar-Anderson at the American Cancer Society, 261-0337.

Go wild at Rookery Bay’s ‘Batfish Bash’

The second annual Batfish Bash presented by Friends of Rookery Bay is coming up Saturday, March 12, at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center. The evening features a cocktail hour, “wild” silent auction, Old Florida fare and dancing to the Raiford Starke Band.

Tickets are $150. Proceeds will benefit Rookery Bay’s youth science education, environmental research activities and community outreach programs. For tickets or more information, call 262-0750, visit www.rookerybay.org/batfishbash or e-mail friends@rookerybay.org.

Wishmakers Ball set for March 18

The fifth annual Wishmakers Ball to benefit Make-A-Wish of Southwest Florida takes place Friday, March 18, at The Club at the Strand. British entertainer Jimmy Keys will delight guests with his signature mix of music and comedy.

Individual tickets are $175 and sponsorships start at $2,000. For reservations or more information, call Pam LaFrance at 992-9474 or visit www.wishmakersball.net.

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Bid on fabulous travel, culinary and sports packages including a seven-night voyage aboard The World, a three-day spa interlude for two, and trips to London, Paris, Aruba, Hawaii, New York, Naples and Key West at Wanderlust 2011 on Saturday, April 2, at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Hosted by Southwest Florida’s major resorts, private clubs, restaurants and tourism partners, Wanderlust raises funds for FGCU’s Resort & Hospitality Management program. The 22nd annual auction will bring together more than a dozen Southwest Florida chefs to showcase Herbert J. Sugden Hall, the state-of-the-art home of the FGCU program.

Tickets are $250 per person. Corporate sponsorships are available. Call 277-3963 or e-mail abell@gravinasmith.com.

From ‘Memphis’ to Naples for NCH Magnolia Ball

A true southern spirit will grace the Magnolia Ball 2011 when Chad Kimball from Broadway’s “Memphis” greets guests at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort on Saturday, April 9. The evening includes a champagne pre-party, live music and dancing to raise awareness and money for the health and well being of NCH cancer patients.

Since 2001, the event has raised more than $5 million to help the NCH Healthcare Foundation provide equipment, facilities, treatment and caring support for Naples area cancer patients and their families. For reservations or more information, contact Cynthia Bennett at 436-4511 or visit www.nchmd.org/magnoliaball.

Wine Tasters planning a ‘Decanted Evening’

The Wine Tasters of Naples are planning the group’s second annual charity event, “Some Decanted Evening,” beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at The Players Club at Lely Resort. The island-inspired evening will include a wine tasting, dinner, live music and silent auction.

Admission is $85 per person. Checks can be made payable to The Community Foundation of Collier County and mailed to Dan Leaman, Wine Tasters president, 5657 Whisperwood Blvd. #601, Naples, FL 34110.

Last year’s event sold out and raised more than $42,000 for Youth Haven, St. Matthew’s House and the Shelter for Abused Women and Children. The three charities have also been named beneficiaries of this year’s fundraiser.

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3. Kirsten Ferrara
4. Lou Ann Hansen and Karen Blackwell
5. Janice Gatti and Muffy Basile
6. Maureen O’Gorman, Carol Dinardo, Elaine Cole and Terry Rayburn
7. Joan Shipman and Sue Krumholz
8. Lacey King, Sandi Moran and Thelma Negley
9. Harriet Schley and Carole Musgrave
10. Eve May, Lynn Sherr and Jutta Parsons
11. Angela Murro, Shirley Anderson and Ellie Kendrick

Alumna Lynn Sherr at lunch with Neapolitan Wellesley grads

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HSH Prince Albert of Monaco comes to town

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Having a Beach Ball for the Children’s Advocacy Center of Collier County

1. Tom Conrecode
2. Tina Streeter and Shawn Beams
3. Jessica Mesches, Melissa Saltz, Ellen McGlain and Celine Saget
4. Matt and Megan Greene
5. Suzanne Fox, Peggy Munson, Veronica Andis and James Roberts

Lighthouse of Collier’s second annual Eye for Art
Artist Val McGann helps raise $7,000 to benefit the visually impaired

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Here are some capsule summaries of previous reviews:

➤ Fernandez the Bull, 1201 Piper Blvd, Naples: 254-9855

This restaurant has thrived for years at its 1265 Airport Road location. Now, with its sleek second location, even more people can enjoy the authentic Cuban cuisine served up by the hospitable Fernandez family and staff. I can recommend the Cuban nachos, an inventive mix of thinly sliced fried plantains, savory chicken, cheese sauce, capers and parsley (perfect for sharing); calamari in a lively tomato sauce with peppers and onions, a refreshing departure from fried calamari; ropa vieja, a lively tomato sauce with pepper and tarragon; t（笑）telle, this was an exceptionally good meal. Mark and Mary Cheng bring an elegant new restaurant to the heart of downtown Naples; 254-9855

Food: ★★★★★ Service: ★★★★★ Atmosphere: ★★★★★½ Reviewed July 2010

➤ Old 41 Restaurant, 25091 Bernwood Drive, Bonita Springs: 948-4423

Dinner lovers – especially those who love the Philadelphia-style version of 41 – will rejoice at finding Old 41, which doesn’t have the chrome-covered exterior, but possesses the heart and soul of a true diner, complete with hoagies, Philly cheese steaks and scrapple. I can attest that the cheese steak is a winner — consisting of thinly sliced steak, melted American cheese and grilled onions contained in a sturdy Amoroso Bakery roll. The fries that accompanied it were golden, crisp and devoid of grease. My companion’s spinach, feta and onion omelet was well balanced, properly cooked and accompanied by just-right home fries. The boardwalk waffle cone sundae – featuring a Carbon’s malted chocolate sundae, whipped cream and a cherry — was perfect for sharing. Service was great from start to finish. Beer and wine served.

Food: ★★★★★½ Service: ★★★★★ Atmosphere: ★★★★★½ Reviewed March 2010

➤ Loving Hut, 975 Pine Ridge Road, Naples: 254-9490

Vegans will rejoice and even die-hard carnivores are likely to reconsider their anti-vegetarian stance after a meal at Loving Hut. Simply put: the food tastes great and the types of protein used make it seem as if there’s meat in all of the vegan fare served here. Using the lively flavor palette of Asia, the restaurant serves dishes such as crispy golden rolls (eggrolls minus the meat), papaya salad, tamarind-laced Thai hot and sour soup, zesty Vietnamese pho and Dancing Mushroom, a delicious blend of mushrooms, soy protein, bell pepper, onion and garlic served on a sizzling plate, which presumably makes the mushrooms “dance.” Even the cheese-free cheesecake was delicious. Soft drinks served.

Food: ★★★★★ Service: ★★★★★ Atmosphere: ★★★★★½ Reviewed March 2010

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT CRUISES

Tuesday, March 1

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Sautéed salmon is dressed up with mushroom, artichoke hearts, tomatoes and a garlic white wine sauce.

Osso buco, a nightly special, features a veal shank braised to extreme tenderness, topped with creamy risotto.

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