Philanthropy Day celebrates those who give

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Philanthropy in all its forms — corporate, family, professional and next-generation — is the focus of the local celebration of National Philanthropy Day, when the Association of Fundraising Professionals-Everglades Chapter pays tribute to individuals and organizations throughout Collier County that have made a difference through giving.

“Philanthropy is so powerful and inspiring precisely because it is voluntary,” says Paul Seifert, president-elect of the AFP-Everglades Chapter. “All our honorees — through the goodness of their hearts, through their need to connect and through their desire to see a better world — have come together to improve the quality of life for their neighbors.”

The celebration takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. As of press time, limited tickets remained available for $50. This year’s honorees are:

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William “Bill” Koch stood in the front of the Venetian Ballroom at The Breakers before 700 listeners all waiting and wishing to hear him speak about his billions, his brothers Charles and David, convictions he must be right to and all the things he has that only money can buy. The Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce had asked him to talk about energy, but in between his rendering of mankind’s move from wood

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Billionaire Florida resident Bill Koch on his family, his ambitions and his school

Koch Brother

William "Bill" Koch
Once again, we’re ripping through the holidays like a big fullback through the front line. We knocked down Halloween (Oct. 31), we blew past Veterans Day (Nov. 11), and we’re about to butt heads with Thanksgiving and the high holy days of winter.

Although all of it falls smack in the middle of “football season” in America — and Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s Day all have special football games affixed to them, like big rhinestone rings — I’m not sure if my fullback analogy remains accurate. I don’t actually watch a lot of football anymore.

Do they still have fullbacks with thighs like tree-trunks and speed like quick-start duffs and play professional football, unlike all of them used to be kids whose dads were playing too rough. I used to love football — the mere sight of a ball floating toward me across 50 yards of breathed comfort. The smell of green grass and chill air. The speed and 100-yard dash? Half a day, which isn’t half bad.

Now that I have that settled, and instead of tuning in weekends, I go stag—over-stuffed beefcakes, arrogant, swaggering over-stuffed professional players — a bunch of overpaid, were playing too rough. We misunderstood the game, and we made a hell of a lot of money no matter where, like the old man. To turn what was once merely an organized roughhouse into a corporate system viewed as a bunch of overpaid, over-stuffed beefcakes, arrogant, swaggering over-stuffed professional players — a bunch of overpaid, over-stuffed beefcakes, arrogant, swaggering over-stuffed professional players — a bunch of overpaid, over-stuffed beefcakes, arrogant, swaggering over-stuffed professional players — a bunch of overpaid, over-stuffed beefcakes, arrogant, swaggering over-stuffed professional players — a bunch of overpaid, over-stuffed beefcakes, arrogant, swaggering over-stuffed professional players — a bunch of overpaid, over-stuffed beefcakes, arrogant, swaggering.

I remain perversely attracted to its paganism and all of it should mean only one thing: From now on in the United States, no institution or any individual should ever be paid even a single George Washington dollar to support a football program or play the game. And now that I have that settled, and because the Florida State Seminoles still have a shot at making the BCS National Championship game against Alabama — in the Rose Bowl, in Pasadena, on Jan. 6, starting at 8:30 p.m. ET and televised on ESPN — I have to go out and throw my kid a couple of passes. You know, to get fired up. To get prepped for the game. To GET SOME, baby.

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Henry Waxman made a plea at the end of a House hearing grilling Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius. The California Democrat asked Republicans to reach across the aisle to work with Democrats to improve Obam­acare.

Yes, Henry Waxman, who has made a career of ideological witch hunts and smash-mouth partisanship, wants a cease-fire over Obamacare, or so he says. He was picking up a common liberal theme: It’s not fair that Republicans continue to oppose the president’s eponymous health-care law and pick at its failures, deceits and irration­alities. If only they were more reasonable, Obam­acare could be tightened up with a few technocratic fixes and go on to its glor­ious destiny. It’s a little late to get Republican buy­-in, though. That would have required serious compromise back in 2009, when Democrats, at the high tide of their power in the Obama era, saw no reason to make any.

They insisted on this particular law, at this particular time. They own it. They own every canceled policy, every rate increase, every unintended consequence and every unpopular intended conse­quence. It is theirs, lock, stock and two smoking barrels. But they can’t stop whining. They complain that Republicans aren’t as committed as Democrats to a deal in which the Medicare Part D prescription-drug plan had a rocky start. This is absurd. The Part D website could have been experienced what could be accurately described as “glitch­es,” rather than the meltdown of Health­Care.gov. And the health-care law “a clumsy, ugly structure that more or less deals with a problem, but in an inefficient way.” The reason they couldn’t get single-payer, though, is that there weren’t enough Democratic voices.

The White House is loath to give up the falsity about everyone keeping their current insurance. It might be that the White House side of that story is the fact that “nothing in #Obamacare forces people out of their health plans.” Never mind that the entire architecture of the law is based on forcing people in the individual insurance market out of their existing plans and onto the exchanges.

In a health-care speech in Boston, President Barack Obama didn’t say anything about how his prior declara­tions had been misleading. Instead, he repeated a positive spin: “For the fewer than 5 per­cent of Americans who buy insurance today, you will be getting a better deal.” Not if they are forced — as many of them will be — to buy benefits they don’t need at a price they don’t want to pay.

From the beginning, Obamacare has depended on a political ethic of doing and saying whatever is necessary. The falsehood about people keeping their coverage was essential to selling the legislation. So the president repeated it relentlessly.

Yes, Henry Waxman has got his law, and it’s pos­sibly more people will be uninsured in 2014 than if it had never passed. That’s on him, no matter how much he and his supporters want to evade responsibility for their own achievement.

— Rich Lowry is editor of the Nation­al Review.

Election 2013: A grass-roots resurgence

The cable news channels wasted no time before crowding over the landslide-re­election victory of New Jersey Gov. Chris Christ­ie’s primary. According to exit polls, Christie won a majority of both women and Latino voters, traditional Democratic strongholds. The political chatter­ing class is abuzz with Christie as the GOP’s great hope to retake the White House in 2016. But the tally is vitally and growing undercurrent in U.S. politics: grass-roots movements at the local and national level that are way down­ing the establishment, and winning.

Christie was expected to win, but he needed a major landslide to help him launch a 2016 presidential bid. That is where the special election came in. In June, Sen. Frank Lautenberg died at the age of 89. Christie ordered a special election to be held Oct. 16, three weeks later. That election cost the taxpayers of New Jersey an estimated $24 million in extra elec­tion costs. He could have let the voters decide the Senate race on the same day they voted for governor and everyone else, saving taxpayers millions.

Gov. Bobby Jindal was favored to win Lautenberg’s seat. For years, he had been the popular, African-American man with a rising star in the national Democratic Party. The Senate candidates would have been listed on the top of the ballot, since it was a federal office. Booker would likely have inspired a greater Democratic turnout on Election Day, and his position at the top of the ballot would likely have created a tendency for his voters to vote down the ticket all the way through the ballot, hurting Christie. Without Booker on the ballot, Christie garnered a more substantial victory. When chal­lenged about the cost, Christie boast­ed, “I don’t know what the cost is, and I quite frankly don’t care.”

But Christie and his party might care about are the substantial victo­ries posted this election by progres­sive activists. In his own state, voters endorsed an increase in the minimum wage that Christie vetoed, raising it $1 an hour to $8.25, with annual cost-of­living increases.

Across the river in New York City, Bill de Blasio was elected mayor of New York City, the first Democratic mayor there in 20 years. “The challenges we face have been made more difficult by the many problems we set out to address will not be solved overnight,” he said in his victory speech. “But make no mistake, the people of this city have chosen a pro­gressive path.” He supported Occupy Wall Street, got arrested protesting a hospital closure, and vows to raise city taxes on its wealthiest residents. De Blasio will start work as mayor along­side a supportive New York City Coun­cil, in what my “Democracy Now!” colleague Juan Gonzalez has called “perhaps its most progressive govern­ment in the past 50 years.”

Beyond New York and New Jersey, progressive populist movements bore fruit on Election Day. In Colorado, the state’s voters approved a plan to tax the retail sale of recreational mari­juana, which was legalized statewide last November. The voters of Denver, Boulder, and Littleton also approved raising city sales taxes on marijuana sales, further entrenching the shift from the war on drugs to mainstreaming it. Three cities in that state also voted on banning hydraulic fracturing, or frack­ing, (drilling for oil and gas via the hydraulic fracturing process that many believe pollutes groundwater and air, and even causes earthquakes. Voters in Portland, Maine, became the first on the East Coast to approve the legalization of recreational mari­juana. In Washington state, voters approved a sharp increase in the mini­mum wage of most workers at Sea­Tac Airport, and the surrounding hotel industry, to $15 per hour. This is expected to put pressure on the city of Seattle to make a similar increase.

These and similar electoral victo­ries grow from long-term grass-roots movements. As I write this, the movement for New­York City, but history suggests that without constant popular pressure, establishment interests will assert their power.

Election Day should not be the end of people’s campaigns for change. It simply indicates a door has been opened a crack. As to whether it will be kicked wide open or slammed shut, that’s up to grass-roots movements, not the individuals they elect.

— Denis Muylan contributed research to this column.

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Joanne Wyss co-founded First Book-Collier County in 2005 and has served as its chair ever since. She saw the need when she and her husband, Karl, were tutoring pre-K children at Mana-tee Elementary School. They quickly discovered that most of the children had no books at all at home to help them develop their all-important reading skills.

They bought some books as gifts for the children in their classroom but they knew there were thousands more Collier County children in this same situation. To help fill this gap, Joanne and a small group of women launched the Collier County chapter of the award-winning national First Book nonprofit.

They have a single mission: to provide books to children in need, addressing one of the most important factors affecting literacy — access to books.

Over the past eight years, First Book-Collier County has become the lead-ing chapter of First Book nationwide, distributing more than 380,000 books to children living in poverty in Collier County. More than 7,000 local children in pre-K through third grade now have books home to keep — to read and re-read and share with their families.

Teachers note a big increase in the children’s reading skills and their enthusiasm for reading. Parents express heartfelt grati-tude to First Book and report that family reading time has become a cherished nightly tradition.

Habitat for Humanity families now need bookcases to house growing libraries. Joanne says seeing the impact of First Book has been one of the most reward-ing experiences of her life.

She and her younger brother grew up in Long Beach, N.Y., in a close-knit family living just a few blocks from the Atlantic Ocean. “Now I’m so lucky to live near the Gulf of Mexico in the winter and the Lake of Zurich in the summer, with my Swiss husband of 37 years,” she says.

After graduating from the University of Pennsylvania with a major in English and a minor in art history, she moved to New York and went to work as a picture editor at American Heritage Publishing Company. Next she joined Chanticleer Press, a publisher of award-winning illustrated books. Her favorite assign-ment: “Yellowstone: A Century of the Wilderness Idea,” a celebration of the national park’s 100th birthday.

Wanting to have more impact on real-life situations and decisions, she joined the international management consulting firm of McKinsey & Com-pany, starting as an editor in the communications group and rising to become direc-tor of communications. After her 25th anniversary at McKin-siey, she formed her own firm, Communicating for Results, which was commit-ted to helping senior corpo-rate executives and non-profit leaders create power-ful, results-oriented communications to achieve their goals. After she and Karl bought a home in Naples in the early 90s, Joanne wondered whether the communications, strategy and lead-ership skills she had developed could be of use to nonprofits on the Paradise Coast. She was happy to discover that the answer was “yes.”

For her many contributions to the community, Joanne was named a Woman of Initiative by the Community Foundation of Collier County and received Greater Naples Leadership’s highest honor, the Parke Wright III Dis-tinguished Leadership Award.

— Bob Harden is the producer and host of “The Bob Harden Show,” airing from 7-8 a.m. weekdays at www.bobharden.com.

**Talking Points with Joanne Wyss**

**Mentors:** I have learned the most from my parents, who instilled strong values, and from my husband, who inspired me never to give up on a goal I wanted to achieve.

As a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up? A psychologist or a journalist. In my work in communications strategy, I actually found a way to combine the two.

What would you be doing if you weren’t doing this? If I had more talent, I would have made a life in music. I’ve played classical and jazz piano my whole life. I would have loved to be a singer — that’s it, if I could carry a tune.

Guilty pleasure: Coffee ice cream.

One thing on your bucket list: I love traveling and have visited more than 60 countries with my husband. I’m especially interested in Asia. Still on the list: Indochina, Mongolia and the “Stans” (Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, etc.).

Something that’s been on your mind: I’m deeply disturbed about our dysfunctional political system in the U.S.

Something you’ll never understand: Cruelly.

Something people would be surprised to find out about you: I have two tattoos — small and tasteful, of course.

Favorite thing about the Paradise Coast: The beauty of the surroundings.

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Bill Koch describes Oxbridge Academy, the progressive prep school he founded in West Palm Beach, as a place where there’s “no group of cool kids and it’s cool to get good grades.”

“I sometimes get lumped in with my two brothers, ‘the evil Koch brothers,’ and some magazines want to do a profile on me simply because of the familiarity now with the Koch name ... Well, right now I’ve got peaceful coexistence with them. And I’ve got great friendship with my twin brother (David). I’m happy to say it.”

— Bill Koch
joined the freshmen basketball team. “We were lousy,” he says.

MIT recruited basketball coach Jack Barry. Mr. Koch moved up to varsity. The Engineers won one game. But Barry was brewing up fast.

“Our junior year, we won half our games. Our senior year, we had the longest winning streak of any team in the country and the least points scored against us,” Mr. Koch says. “It was amazing because none of us except for my twin brother (David) could have made any other varsity team in the country.”

Even more amazing! Coach Barry taught his team only one play.

“…To give a kid like that a chance is terrific,” Mr. Koch concedes, “but he had some logic behind it because you know, all these guys said, ‘Oh, God. We could learn 10 different plays,’ but then you start thinking about all the plays and you forget to act and forget to perform, you’re just thinking.”

That one play was designed to mini-
mize weakness and maximize strength. Laying the play out on his office table, Mr. Koch taps his table for emphasis: You can’t dribble. You get the rebound. TAP. TAP. You can’t shoot. You make the pick. TAP. TAP. Don’t do anything glamorous. Just do your job. TAP. TAP. TAP.

Coach Barry drilled that play into his players. They made all their mistakes in practice, so they wouldn’t make them during the game. “Then he told us we weren’t losers, ‘cause we were all used to losing. That we could win. It was a mat-
ter of attitude.” Digging up this lesson, Mr. Koch smiles. “If you go into a game thinking you’ll win, at least you have a 50/50 chance of winning. If you go in thinking you’re going to lose, you will lose.

“So to me, that was a remarkable edu-
cation. I learned it by sitting on the damn bench.”

It was lessons like these that Mr. Koch wanted to pass on through his school, or as he says it in his Kansas twang, “Wouldn’t that be great to pass on to kids, see?” He did not want to teach kids how to take tests. “I wanted the school to teach the reality of accomplishment,” he says, with stress on “reality.” He rolls out his thought: “Now, I can’t teach kids, you ought to accomplish, do what I do. No. You ought to do what you do. Do what you love. But you need the tools and you need the understanding of how things get done in the real world.”

Mr. Koch tried to play it off like the real reason he started his school was selfish — he wanted his children to have the best education, he didn’t want to send them away to the best schools, so he built the best school — but somewhere in the midst of sharing Oxbridge stories and inspirations, he remembers a phone call.

“Well, there are some (stories) about kids that are very underprivileged that have done very well there?” Mr. Koch blows his nose. “There’s one kid. He was great. He wanted to get in. He called me up,” Mr. Koch coughs, “saying that the admissions department was going to get back to him, never did. And he was a friend of my son, so I said,” Mr. Koch sneezes and coughs. “Pardon me. I said, sure, and I called Bob (Bob Parsons, president and CEO of the school) and I said, ‘Bob, would you give this kid a chance?’” Cough. Cough. “Pardon me. And Bob gave him a chance. Interviewed him. Found out he’s a terrific football player. He’s a brash kid. And he works very hard at school. Terrific.”

With that “terrific,” Mr. Koch’s voice gets shaky. His face turns red. He squish-es up his face. Squares his lips shut. His eyes puddle. He cries. “Pardon me, I don’t mean to get so emotional about this. To give a kid like that a chance is ter-
rific I think.”


“Terrific.”

The tissue in his hand will not do. Mr. Koch pulls a white handkerchief out of his back pocket, wipes his eyes and his nose with it. “I’ve got the tail end of this damn bronchitis.” Mr. Koch has a month full of honey and lemon. He takes a relief laugh, “Huh-huh.” He might look sick, but his reasons don’t look very self-

ish. Two-thirds of the student body at Oxbridge receives financial aid and most of that aid comes out of Bill Koch’s pocket. “There’s a risk for that,” he says. “If anything happens to me, which it will sometime, they don’t want to be high and dry, so they’ve got to broaden their sup-
port and not make it Bill Koch’s school but make it a community.”

Scott Benarde, director of communica-
tions for the Norton Museum of Art, has a son who’s a junior at Oxbridge. Play-
ing football and basketball together, his son Michael and Bill Koch’s son, Will, became friends.

One night after an away game last year, Mr. Benarde remembers his son throw-
ing him his helmet and his shoulder pads, then running on the bus with the rest of the team. “I was walking through the parking lot. I couldn’t find my car. And guess who else just happened to be walking through the parking lot trying to
A kind-hearted man ... He's so generous ... Most people don't see that side. They see him as a businessman, the America's Cup winner, a tough litigator ... He's really a sweet, kind-hearted soul.

Back in his office, composing himself, Bill Koch the sailor starts talking about the America's Cup. A remnant tear, one he didn't wipe away, runs down his left cheek under the frame of his glasses. Bill Koch will never know what it feels like to be dirt poor like his father. Winning the 1992 America's Cup may be the closest he'll ever come to feeling like a self-made man.

Mr. Koch says he learned how to separate perception from reality by sitting in MIT classrooms. Racing in the America's Cup, he lived it.

The perception was you had to hire a great yacht designer to win, but most of the yacht designers were artists, not scientists. A chemical engineer with three degrees from MIT, including a Ph.D., Bill Koch said: "Baloney. I'm going to hire scientists."

His team looked at aerodynamics, hydrodynamics, minimizing resistance and maximizing lift. They fooled the water and surprised the world.

"The other perception was you had to hire a super yacht skipper," Mr. Koch rants. "And let him sail the boat with the great designer and pick the crew and everything, I looked at it and I said bullshit. The crew is a team. Not one guy can win it for you, but one guy can lose it for you ... The team that wins is the one that makes the fewer mistakes ... Our strategy was very simple: Get in front of the other guy and stay in between him and the finish line ...

"Everybody thought I was crazy. They called me a nutty chemist from Kansas and a buffoon ... But and behold, we won."

David Rosow served as the executive director of Bill Koch's America's Cup campaign. Remembering when they won, Mr. Rosow conjures an intoxicating scene: "Bill dove into the water, swam to the dock, 200 yards or more, climbed up it, took the Cup and held it over his head," soaking wet in champagne and saltwater.

The current president of the Palm Beach Town Council, Mr. Rosow met Bill Koch in 1984 at a bar in Nassau on the racing circuit. Straightaway, he could see Bill Koch was a guy who liked to have a little fun. Considering all the sensational news stories and public assumptions, Mr. Rosow says, "People don't know Bill Koch."

He remembers his phone ringing one night. It was Bill. He had reached a settlement with his brothers. He wanted Mr. Rosow and his wife to come over for dinner.

"There were four other people there. I will not disclose who, that's up to Bill, but he was so excited about coming to a conclusion over all of this, his adidasin was so high that during dinner he literally, and this wasn't one of those nights where we were drinking lots of wine, he was so exhausted, once the adrenalin had left him, he fell asleep at dinner," Mr. Rosow says. "He was totally excited and totally exhausted," so pleased to be at peace with his brothers, he fell asleep.

As a young Bill Koch went to watch his brothers fight about like his brothers and cousins were politicians. Think- ing of his husband's achievements, she jokes that when Bill Koch starts a school, it's an instant school: "Just add water." Opening in 2011, Oxbridge will celebrate its first graduating class this year. Ms. Koch loves knowing where young K.K. will go to high school.

"I believe the school will be Bill's legacy. I really do. One of his finest accomplishments," she says. "He's really
a kid with wrinkles. He carries a pocketknife. He wears western snap-up shirts and has a leather case for his cell phone slung on his belt like a holster. His fascination with the West also trails back to his boyhood, when his father Fred was the largest rancher in the United States. Fred owned somewhere between 3 million and 4 million acres of ranchland, so even though Bill grew up across the street from the Wichita Country Club, there would be no gallivanting there. Come summertime, Fred sent his boys to work on his ranches.

Bill spent five summers on a ranch in Montana. He worked 10-hour days, seven days a week and got paid 50 cents an hour. "The only way you got the respect of your working man, your working partner, was you had to work as hard if not harder than he did. I had to work harder because I was the boss's son, so that was terrific for me," Bill says. "I fell in love with the West as a result and I like the old code of the West: Stand your ground and help your neighbor, very simple things ... If you didn't have help from your neighbor, you wouldn't survive." Bill Koch has since built his own Western town on his property in Colorado, staged with five saloons, two brothels, two jailhouses, a church, a schoolhouse and "God, I don't know what else." He says his town will never be complete "til he dies and his kids are sick of spending money on it. What could be more cowboy than building your own town with saloon doors, brothel relics and jailhouse cells? But would a real cowboy riding off in the distance all by his lonesome ever build such a town? Somewhere in between that space, Bill Koch lives.

He has General Custer's rifle, the pistol that killed Jesse James, the breastplate Sitting Bull wore at the battle of Little Bighorn and the only known photograph of Billy the Kid. He says he doesn't have a favorite cowboy, but must admit: "I like Billy. Billy the Kid is an interesting character because a lot of his fighting was done for what he thought was injustice, versus some of these other guys who were just socio-pathic killers." He does have a favorite cowboy painting, one that used to hang in his father's ranch and now hangs in his Palm Beach mansion. The painting shows a cowboy out in the great wide open, stopped on his horse to light his cigarette. When Bill Koch sees the energy tycoon now looks at it in his cowboy room, he's young again. A boy back on his father's ranch.

Bill Koch lives on that Palm Beach stretch of water and status that some call Billionaires' Row. He calls it South Ocean Boulevard. He gives directions to his home like this: "Do you know Trump's Mar-A-Lago? I think we're about 10 houses after his, on the left, going north." Leading a leisurely stroll through his home, he moseys into his dining room. A tall man, he takes big steps, but you don't have to run to keep up with him. He's considerate of smaller striders.

Mr. Koch has decorated his dining room as a nautical ode to the War of 1812. A portrait of his ancestor, Capt. James Lawrence, is decked out with the heads and hides of big game, Mr. Koch shares a story of his mother Mary, a socialite with spunk who had to shoot her own leopard for her leopard coat. Mr. Koch says that was in the days before such action could be so horribly incorrect. But he's going back.

He steps up to his bar and hears a story from his father dated Jan. 22, 1936. He and his brothers found it in his father's safety deposit box after he died. He starts the letter, "My dear boys," and ends with "Be good to your mother." In it, he tells his boys he's going to leave them an exorbitant amount of money. He says they can squander it foolishly, or they can feel the "glorious feeling of accomplishment." Bill Koch framed the letter. His father wrote it before Bill was born and had written it back to change it. The part that speaks to him most says, "A sound body, a good mind don't amount to anything. Schooling is all the heritage a boy needs." When Bill Koch looks to his school, he thinks of his father's words. In that letter it's as if his father gave him a choice. He could do it wrong or he could do it right. Maybe he built his school to fulfill his father's wish. Maybe his greatest perception of self will be believing he followed in the words of his father, that in his purest endeavor, he got it right.
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Imperial Golf Club celebrates 40 years
Sam Snead, Ara Parseghian among early VIP guests

Imperial Golf Club celebrates its 40th anniversary this season by reflecting on its past while looking to the future. In 1969, developer Lloyd Sheehan purchased 1,000 contiguous acres of remote, undeveloped land in North Naples from several area property owners. By 1972, an agreement had been made by Mr. Sheehan, a young businessman by the name of Jim Murphy and a relatively unknown golf course architect named Arthur Hills. (Mr. Hills has since built dozens of courses throughout Naples and is one of the world’s leading golf course architects).

Construction began in January 1973 on what is now known as Imperial’s East Course, and just 14 months after the initial discussion, the course was completed with 18 holes on 160 acres of wooded land. The 20,000-square-foot clubhouse opened shortly thereafter with a dining room with seating for 120, men’s and ladies’ locker rooms, a pro shop, golf bag storage and club offices. A second course was opened in 1976, and clubhouse additions followed that.

A Naples Daily News article from February 1974 reported that Imperial Golf Club’s founding group “read like a Who’s Who snatched from the New York Stock Exchange.” One of the more famous visitors was legendary golfer Sam Snead, who golfed at Imperial at the urging of his former primary assistant, Buddy Cook, who was one of Imperial’s first members. Other notable guests over the years include golf greats Byron Nelson and Lighthorse Harry Cooper, former Notre Dame Football coach Ara Parseghian and LPGA players Jane Blalock, Sandra Palmer and JoAnne Carner.

Today’s Imperial Golf Club is not content to rest on its laurels. Recent improvements include significant renovations to the East Course that added TifEagle greens, nine forward tees and golf-cart GPS systems. The clubhouse recently underwent a comprehensive interior renovation as well.

Club members will begin the 40th anniversary season with a golf tournament and dinner dance Friday, Nov. 15.

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Caring People, Caring for People
A new study released by BMO Private Bank to mark National Philanthropy Day shows that Florida’s affluent residents—those with an investible income of at least $1 million—will donate an average of $6,627 to charities in 2013. The study also found that they will designate 7 percent of their estates to charitable causes in their wills, providing an opportunity for their contributions to impact nonprofit organizations for decades to come.

“Wealthy Neapolitans and Southwest Floridians have long been recognized as very generous, with significant contributions to their favorite charities and nonprofit institutions,” says Scott Hansen, managing director and senior portfolio manager for BMO Private Bank in Naples. “Not only do our clients make regular and substantial donations on an annual basis to a multitude of causes, but many have strategies in place for their support to continue through their estate plans.”

The study is the third in a series by BMO Private Bank examining trends among high-net-worth Americans. Other highlights about Floridians include:

- Most wealthy Floridians (94 percent) expect to make at least one charitable contribution this year.
- Almost one-half (46 percent) are donating more money to charity than they did prior to the onset of the recession five years ago; 34 percent are donating the same amount, and only 20 percent are donating less.
- Thirty-nine percent of the state’s affluent give to political causes—one of the highest percentages in the country.
- Other preferred causes include health programs and disease research (49 percent), religious institutions (46 percent), education (39 percent), children’s charities (37 percent), animal welfare and local community programs (32 percent for each) and the arts (29 percent).

BMO Private Bank

On a national level, the BMO Private Bank survey found:
- Almost all affluent Americans (94 percent) expect to make charitable contributions this year, with an average donation amount of $8,845.
- Half (48 percent) of them are donating more to charities than they did before the 2008 recession; 41 percent reported they are giving the same amount, and 11 percent are donating less.
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The online survey was conducted by Pollara between March 28 and April 11, with a sample of 482 American adults who have $1 million-plus in investable assets (including a sub-sample of 41 Florida residents). The margin of error for a probability sample of this size is 4.5 percent, 19 times out of 20.

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“As a recipient of IberiaBank’s philanthropic work, we have experienced first-hand the impact this company and its employees have on our youth,” says Anne Frazier, president and CEO of Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida. “They truly enjoy making a difference in Southwest Florida, and we are a stronger community because of them.”

■ Louis Traina, Fundraising Executive of the Year — Mr. Traina, foundation executive director of The Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida, is widely known for exceeding fundraising goals. He has led major campaigns at St. Ann School and Edison State College as well as those that brought about the naming of Hodges University’s Kenneth Oscar Johnson School of Business, the Nichols School of Professional Studies, the Fisher School of Technology, the Francis Pew Hayes Center for Lifelong Learning and the Lavern Norris Gaynor President’s Chair.

He has shared his expertise and talent while serving on the boards of the AFP, the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce Leadership Foundation, The Village School of Naples, United Methodist Church and The Forum Club, among many others.

■ Ashleigh Baker, Outstanding Philanthropic Youth – Ashleigh is honored for her immediate, creative and generous response to a pressing need. When her First Baptist Church youth group went to Immokalee, she noticed that many of the children she encountered did not have shoes. She organized a 5K race and asked everyone who participated to pay for their entrance fee by bringing a pair of children’s shoes. The race was such a success that she has made it an annual event.

■ The Smith Family, Outstanding Philanthropists – Jeannie and Christopher Smith, Vicky and David Byron Smith, and Mary and Stephen Byron Smith have been chosen in honor of their work with Naples Botanical Garden, the Naples Historical Society and the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. Each husband-and-wife team and the family collectively have shared their wealth, wisdom and energy to build those nonprofits into organizations that have great meaning and importance in the community.

“The Smith family is a remarkable group of strategic philanthropists. All three Smith brothers and their spouses who reside in Naples care deeply about the causes they invest in,” says Rob Moher, CEO of the Conservancy. “They provide not just financial support, but are generous with their time and in acting as ambassadors for their chosen organizations.”

The Smiths have invested not only in the expansion of these organizations’ facilities, but they have also invested in that essential but often neglected aspect of philanthropy—the day-to-day support, year after year, that keeps the doors open and the lights on.

According to Mr. Seifert of the local AFP chapter, it is estimated that more than $386 billion dollars were donated to philanthropic organizations in 2012 throughout the United States. “This represents enormous generosity, but it is only one piece of the pie,” he says. “The number of hours and dedication by volunteers far surpasses the actual monetary donations.”

“Our honorees understand the larger work of philanthropy, which includes making use of one’s time, talents and treasures.”

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Worth the commute

- Downtown London residences are known to be staggeringly expensive, but media blogger Sam Cookney calculated in October just how much. Cookney said he can live in an upscale apartment in Bar- celona, Spain, and commute almost every weekday to London (750 miles away) for less money than a modest central London rental. (Sixteen commuter days over four weeks a month have been budgeted, with dollar equivalents: $2,420 for a West Hampstead rental, $213 council tax, and $188 transit travel card, totaling $2,740. Barcelona, in euro-dollar equivalents: $938 for a three-bedroom flat with three balconies near transit, no tax, $47 daily round-trip on Rynair, $32 a day in airport transportation, totaling $2,202 – a savings of $528 a month.) Plus, he said, sunny Barcelona is on the Mediterranean. (On the other hand, Cookney luckily can work on the plane, for each flight is two hours lon.)

Least-competent criminals

- Joshua Goverman, 29, was arrested in Glendale, Ariz., in October for allegedly stealing copper wiring from the back of an air-conditioner truck in a driveway. The thief apparently had trouble pulling on the wires, and police found a human-finger at the scene. Despite Mr. Goverman’s excuse (that he cut his finger during a “car repair”), the crime-scene finger’s print matched Mr. Goverman’s other fingers’ prints.

Strange old world

- By spreading the blame.

People with issues

- Lawyers for Radu Dogaru, who is on trial in Romania for stealing masterpieces last year from the Kunsthall museum in Rotterdam, Netherlands, said the heist was also the museum’s fault — for having such unimaginably lax security — and that if the museum did not admit that, Mr. Dogaru would sue. Museum officials said they had not only the requested procedure but on what he called the “Wonder Woman Makeover” — diet, exercise, surgeries, injections, and injections, and by August 2013, report- ed Huffington Post, the sculpted couple were competing in matching bodybuilding contests. (However, Veronica’s daughter Isabella, 9, is not on board, remarking, “Healthy food doesn’t taste good.”)

Can’t possibly be true

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- In July, several foreign news sites publicized the current Guinness Book record held by Jemal Tshelashwili of the Republic of Georgia, who blew up ordinary drugstore hot water bottles to the point where they would explode — using only air from his nose. His record was three within one minute, but per- haps equally impressive, he subsequently dazzled Discovery Channel viewers by reportedly partially nose-inflating a hot water bottle being held down by a small car.

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The new season launches at 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 15, with “The Bear Essentials: Florida’s Black Bears,” facilitated by Kathleen Smith, biologist with the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission.

All programs take place at the CREW Marsh Trails, 4600 County Road 850 in Immokalee. The Strolling Science Seminars series continues as follows:

- 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11: “Strolling Science in a Day,” with Charles Gunnels.
- 9 a.m. to noon Friday, Jan. 31: “Hydrology and Its Impact on Southwest Florida Plant Communities,” with Mike Duverer.
- 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 22: “Paleo-Plants that the Dinosaurs Ate: Ferns of CREW,” with Jack Berninger.

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■ The fifth annual All Species Fishing Tournament to benefit Miracle Limbs-Courage in Motion is set for Saturday, Nov. 16, at Hamilton Harbor Yacht Club. Anglers in the catch-and-release competition will earn points for 19 different species and a mystery fish.
For more information, call Bob Ayers at 591-8393 or Diana Ayers at 300-8156, e-mail Robert@miracdelimbs.org or visit www.miracdelimbs.org.

■ Trinity-by-the-Cove Episcopal Church invites runners and cyclists to “Do the Du for Others” at its first duathlon to benefit the Archangel Fund for Collier County Charities. The adult course consists of a 5-mile run followed by a 12.5-mile bike ride and a 2.6-mile run.
The youth race involves a 2.6-mile bike ride followed by a 3-mile run. Both races set out at 7 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 17, from the church at 553 Galleon Drive. Registration ends at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, at ages 18, $35 for adults ($45 for a team), $20 for youth ($30 for a team).
A post-race reception with refreshments will be held on the front lawn of the church, and “Mass on the Grass” will begin at 9 a.m. for all who want to stay.
For registration or more information, call 262-6581, ext. 201, or visit www.trinitybythecove.org.

■ The Jolly Be Good 5K run/walk to benefit the Marco Island Parks & Recreation Department sets out Saturday morning, Nov. 23, from Veterans Community Park on Marco and follows a course along Collier Boulevard, across the Jolley Bridge and back. Runners start at 7:30 a.m., walkers at 7:35 a.m.
Registration is $17 by Oct. 19, $20 between Oct. 20-Nov. 22, and $25 on race day; students pay $10.
For more information, call 642-0575 or visit www.cityofmarcoisland.com.

■ The inaugural Gulf Coast Runners Turkey Trot 5K sets out from Cambier Park at 7:30 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 28. The route will wind through downtown Naples and return to the park. Registration is $25 through Oct. 31, $30 through Nov. 27 and $40 on race day ($15 for ages 17 and younger).
Moe’s Southwest Grill has pledged to donate 1 pound of rice or beans to St. Matthew’s House for every registrant. In addition to Moe’s, race sponsors include Arthrex, the Naples Pathways Coalition and Naples Velo. Sign up at www.gcrunner.org.

■ The ninth annual Iron Joe Turkey Ride to benefit the Naples Pathways Coalition and Naples Velo. Sign up at www.gcrunner.org.

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Jupiter’s New Downtown: Waterfront Dining, Entertainment & More

Located on the East Coast equivalent to Naples, Harbourside Place offers a location for retailers, boutiques and restaurants searching for a market that is slated to deliver some of the highest earnings in the state.

DEMOGRAPHIC COMPARISON

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Harbourside Place

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

Located at 1044 Castello Drive, Suite 202, Naples, FL 34103, call 239-263-6003.

Harbourside Place at a Glance:

- 112,840 square-foot Wyndham Grand hotel
- 12,000 square-foot rooftop plaza
- Open-air amphitheater
- 36,500 square feet of restaurant space
- 54,704 square feet of retail space
- 59,126 square feet of office space
- 2,500 square feet designated for cultural use
- 31 marina slips (leasable and transient)
- 929 parking spaces

For more information about Harbourside Place, visit our website at www.harboursideplace.com.
ways Coalition takes place Sunday, Dec. 1. The race sets out from North Collier Regional Park and gives bicyclists the chance to pedal 15, 30 or 62 miles, or to take the 15-mile Crossfit Box Challenge, with the box challenge taking place mid-ride on the beach. The day begins with sunrise yoga from 6:30-7:15 a.m. and includes lunch.

Registration for each of the above is $30 in advance, $35 on the day of. To sign up or for more information, visit www.naplespathways.org or e-mail info@naplespathways.org.

Corporate, small business and in-kind sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, e-mail ruffpathways@gmail.com.

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The Children’s Hospital is Growing.

Golisano Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida

We are honored to introduce Golisano Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida. Scheduled to open in 2017, this lifesaving facility will house 128 beds and provide new and expanded specialty pediatric health care services for children from Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties.

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Jessica Poff has been writing for Florida Weekly since 2011.
City seeks input on Gordon River Park

The master plan for the city of Naples’ Gordon River Park is underway. Naples architect Matthew Kragh has volunteered his services to design the passive park with a focus on providing public access to the Gordon River. City planners and elected officials want to hear from the public with suggestions for what the park should include and for other waterfront parks to consider as inspiration.

Two more public meetings about the park will take place in November at Naples City Hall. Additional meetings are scheduled for December-March.

- 3-6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22: Public input/discussion of initial design concept (design charrette No. 1)
- 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 23: Public input/discussion of initial design concept (design charrette No. 2)

Updates are posted and questions/comments are encouraged on the park’s Facebook page and at www.naplesgordonriverpark.com. E-mail input is also welcome at info@naplesgordonriverpark.com. And for those who want to pick up the phone, the Naples Community Services Department welcomes calls at 213-7120.

Her Mind is Our Concern.

Mental health is a community issue. Fortunately, there’s a community solution.

Velma is among one in four in Collier County who suffer from a mental illness. One in nine of us will experience some form of substance abuse. When a family member, friend or coworker battles a mental health or substance abuse problem, we suffer with them. Thankfully, David Lawrence Center is here for our community.

A not-for-profit organization founded and still governed by community leaders, the David Lawrence Center is the behavioral health component of our community’s healthcare network. A true local resource, it relies on donations, fees and grants to invest in the health, safety and wellbeing of our community.

When you or someone you love needs help, call on the highly compassionate, committed and competent professionals of the David Lawrence Center to inspire you to move beyond the crisis towards life-changing wellness.
In 2011, 1,925 malaria cases were reported in the United States, accord- ing to data published in a supplement of the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report released recently by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This number is the highest since 1971, more than 40 years ago, and represents a 14 percent increase since 2010. Five people in the U.S. died from malaria or associated complications.

Almost all of the malaria cases report- ed in the U.S. were acquired overseas. More than two-thirds (69 percent) of the cases were imported from Africa, and nearly two-thirds (63 percent) of those were acquired in West Africa. For the first time, India was the country from which the most cases were imported. Cases showed seasonal peaks in January and August.

“Malaria isn’t something many doctors see frequently in the United States thanks to successful malaria elimination efforts in the 1940s,” said CDC Director Tom Frieden, M.D., M.P.H. “The increase in malaria cases reminds us that Ameri- cans remain vulnerable and must be vigi- lant against diseases like malaria because our world is so interconnected by travel.”

Malaria is caused by a parasite trans- mitted by the bite of an infective female Anopheles mosquito. In 2010, it caused an estimated 660,000 deaths and 219 mil- lion cases globally. The signs and symp- toms of malaria illness are varied, but the majority of patients have fever. Other common symptoms include headache, back pain, chills, increased sweating, muscle pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and cough. Untreated infections can rapid- ly progress to coma, kidney failure, respiratory distress and death.

“Malaria is preventable. In most cases, these illnesses and deaths could have been avoided by taking recommended precautions,” said Laurence Slutsker, M.D., director of the CDC’s Division of Parasitic Diseases and Malaria. “We have made great strides in preventing and controlling malaria around the world. However, malaria persists in many areas and the use of appropriate prevention measures by travelers is still very import- ant.”

Travelers to areas with malaria trans- mission can prevent the disease by taking steps such as use of antimalarial drugs, insect repellent, insecticide-treated bed nets and protective clothing.

Travelers in the United States should consult a health-care provider prior to international travel to receive needed information, medications, and vaccines.

CDC provides advice on malaria prevention recommendations online (http://www.cdc.gov/malaria/travelers/drugs.htm). If a traveler has symptoms of malaria, such as fever, headaches and other flu-like symptoms, while abroad or on returning home, he or she should immediately seek diagnosis and treat- ment from a health-care provider.

HEALTHY LIVING

Malaria Cases in U.S. reach 40-year high
Free skin cancer screenings offered
Riverchase Dermatology and Cosmetic Surgery offers free skin cancer screenings for new patients from 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Nov. 18, at the practice’s downtown Naples office, 261 Ninth St. S.

“Almost 90 percent of skin cancers are preventable, and if detected early, in many cases these cancers are highly curable. Early detection is the key to proper and successful treatment of most skin cancers,” says Dr. Chethana Gottam, who will conduct the complimentary screenings. Appointments are required and can be made by calling 216-4337.

Addiction treatment in the afternoon
The Hazelden in Naples addiction treatment center offers a new intensive outpatient treatment program especially for older adults facing chemical treatment center offers a new intensive outpatient treatment program or Hazelden’s comprehensive continuum of care, call 659-2340 or visit www.hazelden.org/naples.

It is for those who are not working or who do not like to drive at night. Research shows that alcoholism and the misuse of prescription drugs are becoming a life-threatening epidemic in older people. It is estimated that 70 percent of all hospitalized older persons and up to half of nursing home residents have alcohol-related problems.

Among older people there’s reason for concern about mixing alcohol and drugs. More than 83 percent of people over age 65 take some form of prescription medications, and half of those contain sedatives.

“Older adults have dramatically different needs,” says Heather Burton, clinical director at Hazelden in Naples. “For example, our metabolism changes as we get older, which can affect our tolerance. And complications from diabetes can be arrest from drinking alcohol. There are also gender differences,” she adds. “Older women conceal their addictions better, even though it affects them more.”

For more information about the afternoon intensive outpatient treatment program or Hazelden’s comprehensive continuum of care, call 659-2340 or visit www.hazelden.org/naples.

Musical tells story of a ‘Balancing Act’
As a thank-you to the community for 56 years of support, the Mental Health Association of Southwest Florida invites the public to a free presentation of “Balancing Act: The Musical” at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at Hodges University. Written and performed by Wambui Bahati, the one-woman show tells her true story of a journey that includes mental institutions, Broadway, welfare mom and dining with presidents.

Seating is limited. Reserve yours now by calling Brian Fohweiler at 261-5405 or visiting www.mhaswfl.org.

Aiding those with visual impairment
Lighthouse of Collier Center for Blindness and Vision Loss and the Florida Division of Blind Services offer programs to help blind and visually impaired be independent in Collier. Anyone who has been recently diagnosed with macular degeneration, cataracts, tunnel vision or another eye condition and who need help learning how to socialize, navigate, communicate and feel safe in a sighted world is welcome.

Programs are designed to teach skills for navigation at home, work and in the community; skills to live independently and safely at home, including tactile medication labeling, cooking, money identification, grooming and other daily tasks; and the use of assistive technology, such as large-print displays and Braille, as well as talking PCs for accessing e-mail and the Internet.

The Lighthouse of Collier Center for Blindness and Vision Loss is at 2605 Horsemeshoe Drive. For more information, call 430-3934 or visit www.lighthouseofcollier.org.

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Forty-six teams participated in the 20th Anniversary 2013 RedSnook Catch & Release Charity Tournament that took place November 1-3, generating a record $140,000 net revenue to support the water quality protection and gamefish research conducted by Conservancy of Southwest Florida.

With the leadership and support of our Presenting Sponsor and Co-Chairman, Wayne A. Meland, of Morgan Stanley, and Co-Chairman Rhett Robicheaux, of Naples Yacht Club the event was a success. A big thank you to all who participated in the tournament including sponsors, anglers, guides, donors, patrons and volunteers.

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Deputies hit the road for traffic detail

The Collier County Sheriff’s Office gives drivers a heads-up that traffic enforcement deputies will be posted at the following places the week of Nov. 18-22:

- **Monday, Nov. 18**
  - Orange Blossom Drive and Livingston Road: Red-light running
  - County Barn Road and Davis Boulevard: Red-light running
  - Lely Cultural Parkway at Lely Elementary: Aggressive driving

- **Tuesday, Nov. 19**
  - Vanderbilt Beach Road and U.S. 41 North: Speeding
  - Golden Gate Parkway and Santa Barbara Boulevard: Speeding
  - Airport-Pulling and Immokalee roads: Red-light running

- **Wednesday, Nov. 20**
  - Radio Road and Devonshire Boulevard: Aggressive driving
  - Lakewood and Davis boulevards: Speeding
  - Collier and Fiddlers Creek boulevards: Speeding
  - Coronado Parkway and Hunter Boulevard: Aggressive driving
  - Airport-Pulling and Radio roads: Red-light running

- **Thursday, Nov. 21**
  - Goodlette-Frank Road and Creekside Boulevard: Speeding
  - Immokalee Road and Tarpon Bay Boulevard: Aggressive driving

- **Friday, Nov. 22**
  - Pine Ridge Road and U.S. 41 North: Red-light running
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For more information about the organization and for a link to the eBay auction, visit www.charityforchange.org.
PETS

PET TALES

Holiday hazards

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

DR. TONY JOHNSON
For Universal Uncle

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

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

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

Vomiting and diarrhea are common side effects from eating too much people food (the medical term we throw about "dietary indiscretion"), and in some cases, this can proceed to a more serious condition "overindulgence," which is performed as a result of reimburse within 72 hours of responding to the advertisement for the free, discounted fee or reduced fee service, examination or treatment.

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

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

■ Open doors — People come and go much more during the holidays than other times of year, and that all that traffic can lead to plenty of opportunities for escape. In the ER, we see many pets who made a break for freedom when Uncle Floyd came a-callin' with his special tuna surprise. Dogs and cats can dart out the door without anyone even noticing, and there's a whole big world of hurt just waiting for them out there. Ensure that pets are safely put away when you see a basset with a hangover. Your dog or cat is not equipped to process alcohol, and even small amounts can be life-threatening. Put boozey party leftovers well out of reach. That includes whiskey-soaked fruitcakes, trifles laced with liqueurs and the rum balls that Aunt Martha sends every year.

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

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

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

If you do want to include your pet in the meal and fun, stick to a bit of lean turkey and low- or no-fat veggies (no onions, though, as these can cause anemia in dogs and cats), and skip the gravy, dressing and pecan pie. Sugar-free items that contain xylitol are also toxic to pets.

To adopt a pet

Dogs and cats adopted from Humane Society Naples come with vaccinations, spay-neuter surgery, 60 minutes and 30 days of health insurance. Visit the animals ready for adoption at the main shelter at 3700 Airport Pulling Road (11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday), or at the satellite adoption center at Coastland Center during mall hours. Call 643-1555 or visit HSNaples.org for more information.
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Bright outlook

Tourist season has strong tailwinds

BY EVAN WILLIAMS
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Coming off record hotel-bed tax collections, and strong summer and early fall sales, Southwest Florida tourism bureaus and businesses see no reason the trend won’t continue through the winter.

“It would guess unless something goes terribly amiss with the economy we’re set up with what to us looks like a pretty good season coming our way,” said Capt. Ralph Allen, owner of King Fisher Fleet at Fishermen’s Village in Punta Gorda. Bookings for his holiday cruises in December “are substantially stronger than last year’s pace. And we expect to finish the year out being ahead of 2012.”

So do Lee County hotels. They’re on track to end the year about 8 percent up from last year, based on bed tax numbers, said Tamara Pigott, director of the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau. “I have to say we are always cautiously optimistic,” she said, but adds, “We’ve really had a bang-up three years, to be honest with you.”

In Collier County, “spending related to visitors has been up dramatically,” said...
State and local governments playing with fiscal fire

**MONEY & INVESTING**

While the U.S. federal deficit is a truly horrific financial worry, there are much more critical fiscal deficits that remain in the shadows: the state and local fiscal deficits.

The U.S. government has great capacity to “kick the can down the road” for a lot longer than state and local government entities. That’s why cities and counties, having reached dead ends, are filing bankruptcy. To wit: Detroit, a city that jerry-rigged non-solutions for more than a decade, only to find itself with a proposed reorganization plan that would reduce retirees’ pensions and health-care benefits to 16 cents on the dollar.

The severity of any governmental entity’s financial problems is partly assessed by the size of deficit spending and size of outstanding debts, but also by its capacity to do something to solve the problem, i.e., to reduce its liabilities outside of bankrupt court, either through expenditure decrease or taxation increase.

Our federal debt, some $17 trillion, is comprised of publicly issued government bonds and indebtedness related to government obligations (much for the pensions and health care of government employees, including military). The $17 trillion number is not a present value of future obligations. “The actual liabilities of the federal government — including Social Security, Medicare and federal employees’ future retirement benefits — already exceed $86.8 trillion, or 550 percent of GDP” (WSJ, Nov. 28, 2012, “Cox and Archer: Why $86 Trillion Only Hints at the True U.S. Debt”). It’s worth repeating what I wrote in this space back on Sept. 14, 2012: “The combined debt of state and local governments stands at $3 trillion. Unfunded pension liabilities are another $3 trillion. Those numbers do not include the present value of future payments states will make under Medicaid — clearly several more trillion — and they do not include mounting public pension costs.”

The federal government has a lot more options to deal with its deficits and debt burdens than state and local governments.

- State and local governments cannot print money to pay their bills. Nor do they have a financial institution, such as the Federal Reserve Bank, using unlimited ability to incur liabilities and buy whatever amount of bonds are needed.
- State and local governments can increase taxation, but not to the point where it causes corporate and personal tax payer exodus into another state with lower or no taxation. Federal taxation increases cannot be escaped though change in domicile or state for doing business.
- State and local governments have to absorb increases in some federal social programs that were not of their making. For example, Medicaid was created at the federal level but has seen much of its cost downstream to the states.

State and local governments have already done a lot of cost-cutting as was mandated by the severe drop in property tax revenues from 2009-2012. Government might have reached their limit in cutting basic state and local services. The federal level has not dealt with cost-cutting or efficiencies.

For those reasons, state and local difficulties have potential to be a harbinger long before the U.S. federal deficit reaches an even more alarming status. Again, this is how I explained it in this column more than one year ago: “Once at those (deficit and debt) limits, municipalities then look to lessen creditor cash payments, and the likely candidates are the large, public pension contracts. If negotiations with these and other creditors fail, the municipality might seek legislation mandating reductions in public pension and health-care benefits. If so, the legislation is generally challenged in the courts.”

Detroit’s bankruptcy is likely to be a harbinger of future municipal bankruptcies. All eyes are focused on whether Detroit’s plan to cut public pension and health-care benefits (to be cut to 16 cents on the dollar) will be approved by the court, in anyman’s terms. It’s a biggie.

In bankruptcy, the judge has to approve a plan for the debt-laden entity. In the case of Detroit, far beyond just downsizing or creating operational efficiencies, the city needs to reduce its liabilities and it needs to settle with its creditors. Creditors will get a lot less than what they are owed. About half of Detroit’s liabilities are retirement benefits. The city has $3.5 billion involving pensions and $5.7 billion in liabilities for health care and other retirement benefits.

The city’s financial consultant, Ken Buckfire, has made it clear to the bankruptcy judge that Detroit “plans to pay unsecured creditors, including the city’s pensioners, 16 cents on the dollar. There are about 23,500 city retirees.” (“Detroit pension cuts ‘function of mathematics’ investment banker,” Reuters, Oct. 25, 2013).

Investors have been led to believe that there will not be another equity crisis. But can they imagine a municipal bond crisis that spills over into the equity markets? What if Detroit becomes the standard bearer for resolution of municipal financial problems?

If the reality of the problem had been dealt with by the creditors in years prior, there would not likely be such a tragic ending for so many public servants.

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Bank on Wells Fargo

Wells Fargo (NYSE: WFC) is one of America’s biggest banks and its largest mortgage lender. Recently spotting a dividend yield of about 2.9 percent and having liked that payout aggressively in recent years, I bought a share.

Wells Fargo recently posted its third-quarter results, and they featured record net income of $6.4 billion ($0.67 per share, year-to-date), a continuing increase in return on equity, and four businesses growing by double digits: credit cards, personal credit management, retail sales finance and retirement services.

The bank’s credit quality has been improving, too, with total credit losses of $975 million vs. $2.4 billion a year ago. Wells Fargo has been quite successful in cross-selling, getting existing customers to sign up for new products and services. Not everything in its last quarter was rosy, though. Revenue dropped by 4 percent year-over-year. The bank’s top card divisions dropped by 29 percent as interest rates rose. Rising rates have an upside, though, as they can increase a bank’s spread as it charges its borrowers more.

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—D.W., Dunkirk, N.Y.

A It depends. Mutual funds (ideally ones with low fees and talented managers, or low-cost index funds) offer convenience and instant diversification. They can also expose you to industries or regions you don’t know very well, such as the international arena. Car fully selectively indexed stocks, meanwhile, can deliver bigger returns, but that’s far from certain. A nice compromise for many people is to park some or much of a portfolio’s assets in a domestic index fund, and then aim to juice that market-matching return with some managed mutual funds and/or stocks. Healthy and growing dividend-paying companies can be powerful contributors to a portfolio, and dynamic small-caps can come through for you, too.

That’s why the time or interest to study and keep up with individual stocks should probably stick with funds. Learn more at fool.com/ investing and morningstar.com.

Why aren’t there any stock listings in my newspaper on Monday?

—H.K., Palmdale, Calif.

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Jack Wert, director of the Naples, Marco Island, Everglades Convention & Visitors Bureau. “We’ve been recording record months virtually every month this year.”

In Charlotte County, revenue per room at hotels was up 16 percent at the end of the third quarter this year, said Lorah Pigott, director of the Charlotte Harbor Visitor & Convention Bureau.

“That’s usually an indication that the market is becoming a little less rate sensitive,” said Ms. Pigott. “Where else revenue per room going up what you’re seeing is people are loosening their purse strings a little bit.”

While occupancy rates at hotels have climbed steadily in Southwest Florida, that is in part because of a glut of available rooms, especially in Lee County.

“One of the reasons we’re breaking those records is because we had a significant increase in hotel rooms,” Ms. Pigott explained. “I think we built about 2,700 hotel rooms in the middle of the great recession. That’s about a million room nights (times 365 days per year)...”

“The impact of that was pretty significant. You can’t keep a large daily rate drop pretty significantly and we haven’t completely climbed out of that trough yet.”

And while individual leisure travelers have surged in recent years, important convention business has been much slower to come back, indicating companies may still be hesitant to spend money after the recession.

“For the most part (convention business) has not had the same growth as the leisure market had,” said Mr. Wert of the Naples Bureau. “I think probably in the next year that will change more and more. That group market is going to grow. And that group market is very important to us in the shoulder times of year (the summer and early fall) when we need that additional business.”

Charles Mullen, head of the sales department for Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club, said that while convention business is growing more slowly, the overall occupancy rates mean room rates will probably go up sooner rather than later.

“We’re projected to do really well. Our season looks really strong — we have our seasonal visitors, obviously. (And) off-season seems like we’re getting a lot more Europeans, especially this year. You go through the lobby and we have a lot of guests who are German speaking. You can actually hear the difference, so it’s nice.”

International visitors from England, Germany, Canada and other countries are helping drive up tourism numbers and filling hotel rooms.

“Travel is up a bit domestically but the growth you’re seeing for us is more international visitors,” Ms. Pigott said. “Not only do they stay longer, but they spend more per day because of that very favorable exchange rate right now”

Mr. Wert has seen a similar trend. To help promote overseas business, he was in London the first week of November to 2013 and a good start to 2014,” Mr. Wert said. “All the tour operators are already booking more business than they were the year previously.”

Statewide projections

Domestically, the greatest number of visitors to Southwest Florida come from the northeast and midwest United States, especially Boston to Washington D.C., and the greater Chicago area all the way to Milwaukee, Mr. Wert said.

Many of them are snowbirds (part-time residents). Based on heavier traffic and anecdotal evidence, business owners say they’re returning ahead of normal migratory patterns.

“Just my experience being a Southwest Floridian for the past dozen years, it seems like people are back earlier than ever,” said John Brady, a photographer and current operator of Everglades Wonder Gardens in Bonita Springs. “People are on the roads in force already so I’m expecting it to be a really good season.”

Dave Nicely, director of sales and marketing at Sun Harvest Citrus, a citrus retail center and packing house in Fort Myers, said that “It’s definitely evident that a good number of them are back. We can see it in our store and in our sales numbers. If they’re up now in November, barring any unforeseen circumstances, they should hold through the Christmas season and on through the new year.”

Sun Harvest employs about 35 people round, but the staff swells to nearly 100 for the Christmas season, with help needed in the call center, retail store and packing house.

“I certainly look forward to strong end to 2013 and a good start to 2014,” Mr. Nicely said.” We’re going heavy digital,” said Ms. Pigott, with about half the ad budget dedicated to digital media.

For instance, “Awaken” is a five-minute film made for the Lee VCB that came out in October. An artistic combination of time-lapse photography and slow-motion videography highlighting nature, it will be shown in shorter clips on in-demand and streaming services, as well as television and cinema in target markets. Part of the goal is to appeal to a younger market.

Other ads, including print and radio ads, will run in midwestern and eastern newspapers. The Naples Bureau plans to run ads via billboard or video on trains coming in to Manhattan.

“They’re seeing our message when they’re up to their ankles in snow and ice,” Mr. Wert said.

While international business is expected to remain strong, Mr. Wert said the partial government shutdown earlier this fall didn’t help. The closure of national parks during the shutdown in particular was “not a good message to the international market, because closure to them is everything shut down,” he said. “Their perception is, well, the whole place must be closed down.”

But it’s just the opposite as holiday events begin. This Saturday more than a million lights adorning Fishermen’s Village in Punta Gorda will be flipped on for the annual Lighting of the Village from 5 to 9 pm. Around 5000 people are expected at the event, the start of the Village’s Festival of Lights, which lasts through the end of December.

“Our community is very optimistic. We’re gearing up for a very good holiday season,” said Kathy Burnam, the Village’s marketing director.

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**The Bach Ensemble is back for a new season**

**SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY**

Aficionados of European culture won’t want to miss the Bach Ensemble’s first concert of the season, “Highlights of the French Baroque.” Two performances are offered: at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17, at Grace Lutheran Church in Naples, and at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church on Marco Island.

Performed by the Bach Ensemble, soloists and the Bach Ensemble Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Ronald Doiron, the program features six choral and instrumental works from the 16th and 17th centuries. Two young artists judged Outstanding Performers at the recent Bach Festival will also perform.

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SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

Cohabiting in good times and bad

I spent the last three weeks at an artists’ residency, those summer camps for adults of the arty persuasion. There were intense discussions, fortuitous collaborations, and breakthroughs in creative pursuits. There was also a lot of drinking, at least two dance parties, and who knows how many covert relationships.

Of which I, of course, had my own.

All of the residents lived in individual rooms. These rooms lined up dormitory-style, one after the other, like in a motel. The living spaces felt cozy and well-equipped, but the walls between them seemed dangerously thin. So thin that I could hear the man in the room next to me as if no wall existed at all. If he moved in his chair, shuffled his papers, or took a deep breath, I knew it. We were more like roommates than neighbors, and I at first I found myself on my best behavior. When I woke up snoring one night, my initial thought was, I hope he doesn’t hear me.

But as time passed, I relaxed into our daily habits. I sat at my desk, which pressed against his desk on the other side of the wall. I typed on my keyboard and read my stories out loud while he tapped the rhythm to his musical score and sang the notes. I thought of the quote from Joan Didion about life with her husband John Dunne — how their days were filled with the sound of each other’s voices. I had forgotten how nice domestic arrangements can be.

Despite our intimacy, the man’s identity remained a mystery for days. Finally, one afternoon, he happened to be going in while I headed out.

“Hey, neighbor,” I said.

He looked at me in a shy, startled way.

“Hey.”

And that was it. We went on with our daily business, me listening to his orchestration slowly take shape, him overhearing the new lines of the story I was writing. In the public spaces of the residency, we barely said hello. But in the private atmosphere of our adjoining rooms, I felt as if we were collaborators. If only, I thought, he would acknowledge the specialness of our relationship.

At the last dance, I saw my neighbor across the dance floor casting around for a place to sit. He strode across the room and sat on the couch next to me. My heart gave a little pulse. He turned to me and I held my breath.

“These boots are no good for dancing,” he said.

He pulled off his shoes and walked back to the dancing crowd without another word.

That night he came back to his room late, long after I’d already gone to bed, and I could hear him fussing around. I reached for a pair of earplugs, annoyed. The next morning I heard him cough, followed by a long, loud burp. We had beans in the dining hall the night before, and I’ll just say that the morning was melodious — on both sides of the wall.

The sheen had worn off our arrangement, and I suddenly remembered why I like living alone.
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Though there is much energy in the play of light and shadow in Mr. Maltz's work, it is held in check by a prevailing calm, a respectful stillness. This effect comes in part from the artist's preferred working times. Shooting at daybreak or sundown, he can find places that at those times are uncluttered by human activity. This, of course, is less of an issue at an unpopulated place like the Big Cypress Swamp and more of a concern in tightly packed residential and commercial areas.

Mr. Maltz seeks the striking, enhancing moments during which the light is just right in its color, intensity and angle, and the subject is perfectly revealed. This means being alert to seize upon the best opportunities that come along. His “drive – stop – shoot” method depends upon being ready for good luck. It is our good luck that readiness is part of his skill set.

We expect artists to give the familiar a sense of freshness, to change our way of seeing. One way in which Mr. Maltz accomplishes this end is through giving us unexpected perspectives. On occasion, he shoots down from an elevated perspective, as in his spectacular "Fifth Avenue Overview," which allows us to see the iconic neighborhood anew. Another way he changes perspective is by employing the fisheye lens, taking advantage of its hemispherical or concave distortion to create what he calls "otherworldly" images. "Beach Dreams," a Marco Island view, is one such scene.

A major portion of Collier County is represented in "Journey Through Paradise." Settings include our area's major communities and wildlife preserves, but also Immokalee, Chokoloskee, Ochopee, Everglades City, Keewadin Island and Corkscrew Swamp. Scenes of residential and commercial Naples (but with people absent) are abundant, as are such adjacent natural "recreational sites" as Clam Pass, Gordon Pass, and Delnor Wiggins State Park.

Among the glories of this collection are two "books within a book." Clearly two places of beauty that tempted and challenged Mr. Maltz beyond the others are Big Cypress Swamp and Naples Botanical Garden. "Violet is the Night" is a breathtaking panoramic view in Big Cypress — one of many stunning long views and middle range views.

This photographer is also a magi of close-up. "Shades of Blue" brilliantly reveals the coloration of the little blue heron in light-streaked shadow, as well as the color of her eggs. "The Gatekeepers" captures the protective sternness of two Burrowing Owls (discovered on Marco Island). "Nature By Design" celebrates the patterns and hues of a Dutchman's pipe blossom at the Naples Botanical Garden.

While Mr. Maltz is infatuated with the wilderness, he has equal appreciation for the human interaction with nature that creates landscaped treasures and garden planned nature. His homage to the Naples Botanical Garden provides astounding images. These include the breathtaking "Garden of Dreams," a view of the lily pond that links the Brazilian Garden (the photographer's favorite) with the Asian Garden. Planned nature is also captured in his views along Third Street South and other downtown locations.

Lucid, graceful prose

While "Journey Through Paradise" is a dazzling showcase for Mr. Maltz's passion, vision and talent, it gains context and meaning through the accompanying narrative by Karen T. Bartlett. An enthusiastic guide to the places Mr. Maltz visits with his camera, Ms. Bartlett explains how he approaches his opportunities, how he imagines a way of capturing an aspect of a scene that most people will miss. Then his technical mastery of his medium allows him to create not just the reproduction of a scene but an artwork — an experience.

Ms. Bartlett effortlessly enters and translates the creative process that is the master photographer's habit. Her lucid, graceful prose echoes the dance of color and form in Mr. Maltz's compositions. One example is in her commentary on "Mission in the Moonlight," a photo of wood storks in the Ten Thousand Islands: "It appears so effortless, doesn't it? A casual observer might notice a wood stork busily bringing twigs to build the nest. What Alan sees instinctively is the exquisite synchronicity of textures in the birds. He sees the afterglow of sunset at its peak of glory ... a perfectly round moon, slightly obscured by clouds for a fleet- ing moment ... the stork's mate patiently waiting ... the formation of his wings a split second before landing. It happens in the blink of an eye."

About the artists

As a successful photographer and travel writer, Ms. Bartlett was the perfect choice to provide a narrative accompaniment to Mr. Maltz's new collection. Ms. Bartlett has published three collections of her own photographs — "Naples, Florida: A Photographic Portrait," "Rhode Island: A Photographic Portrait," and "In Time Passing," a touch of Old Florida on the Tamiami Trail."

**BOOK**

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"Violet is the Night," a panoramic view captured in Big Cypress Swamp.

**In the know**

Photographers Alan Maltz and writer Karen Bartlett will be at the following:

- **Wednesday, Nov. 20:** Reception and book signing from 5-9 p.m. at the Naples Depot Museum, 1051 Fifth Ave. S. Free. 262-6025.
- **Thursday, Nov. 21:** Book signing at Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops beginning at 11 a.m. Free. 598-6500.
- **Tuesday, Feb. 18:** The Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival luncheon at noon at The Lighthouse Club at Everglades Isle, 603 N. Collier Ave., Everglades City. 695-2600.

**In Time Passing,** a touch of Old Florida on the Tamiami Trail.
Lee County, and media, local government, corporate and has received much acclaim from the Fort Myers, Sanibel & Beyond” (2010) state by presenting “Florida: Beyond the area, her love for its natural beauty and the author of “A Kids Guide to Chicago.”

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Ms. Bartlett’s deep roots in the Naples area, her love for its natural beauty and work as travel editor for Gulfshore Life magazine make her the ideal tour guide through Mr. Maltz’s powerful images of the region she knows so well.

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The Mystery of Irma Vep • Through Nov. 23 by The Naples Players in the Toye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

Blame it on Beckett • Through Nov. 16 by the Island Theater Company at the Marco Island Historical Museum on Marco Island. 394-0080 or www.theateronmarco.com.

Absalom • Through Nov. 24 by The Marco Players at The Marco Players Theatre. 642-2720 or www.themarcoplayers.com.

Social Security • Through Nov. 20 at Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers. 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org.

Collected Stories • Through Dec. 7 by Florida Repertory Theatre in the ArtStage Studio Theatre, Fort Myers. 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org.


CATS • Through Nov. 23 at the Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

How I Became a Pirate • Through Nov. 23 at the Naples Philharmonic at the Heights Barn. 692-8436 or www.fgcu.edu/arts.

Mr. Toad’s Mad Adventure • Gifted by Laboratory Theater of Florida through Nov. 23 in Mercato. www.labtheaterflorida.com.

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Music on the Bay • The Village on Venetian Bay hosts a musical performance by students from the Village School of Naples from 5-8 p.m. 261-6000 or www.venetianvillage.com.

The Contemporaries • Join the Contemporaries of the United Arts Council for a sneak peak of new work from Arturo Samaniego’s “Emergence” series, batiks by Muffy Clark Gill from her “Aqua” series and new works by Mally Khosravanchi from 6-8 p.m. at Samaniego Contemporary Art. Wealth advisor Robin Hamilton of Morgan Stanley will present a short program about investing in art. Free for members of the Contemporaries, $10 donation to the United Arts Council for others. RSVP: 254-8242 or on the UAC Facebook page.

Here’s to Beer • Whole Foods Naples hosts a beer tasting with live music from 6-8 p.m. $5 donation benefits St. Matthew’s House. www.wholefoodsmarket.com/naples.

Piano Tunes • Lynn Carol tickles the ivories at Capers Kitchen & Bar from 6-9 p.m. every Wed., Thurs., and Friday. 2460 Vanderbilt Beach Rd. 431-7138.

Evening on Fifth • Fifth Avenue South hosts Evening on Fifth from 6:30-9:30 p.m. with music by Patchouli, Bill Colletti, Front Page News, Joseph Osment and more. Free. 692-8436 or www.fifthavenuesouth.com.

Music Lecture • The FGCU Bower School of Music presents “Beautiful,” a guest lecture by music educator Robert Duke, at 7:30 p.m. 10501 FGCU Blvd. Free. 590-7290 or www.fgcu.edu/cas/bmu/.

Last Laugh • The Old Naples Comedy Club hosts comedian Carmen Ciricillo at 8:30 p.m. tonight and Nov. 15-16. $15. 1100 Sixth Ave. S. www.oldnaplescomedyclub.com.

Funny Gal • Janet Williams takes the stage tonight through Nov. 17 at the Old Hook Comedy Club, Marco Island. 389-6998 or www.oldhookcomedy.com.

Friday, Nov. 15

Pack Your Bags • The Renaissance Academy of FGCU invites the public to learn about its 2014 adventures abroad during an open house from 2-3:30 p.m. at the FGCU Naples Center. Trips are planned to France, Italy and Peru. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. Register at www.fgcu.edu/racademy.

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Piano Tunes • Larry Moss performs at Capers Kitchen & Bar from 6-9 p.m. 2460 Vanderbilt Beach Rd. 431-7138.

All That Jazz • The Naples Philharmonic Jazz Orchestra performs at 6 p.m. in the Daniels Pavilion at Arts—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artsnaples.org.

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- Art Alliance Naples hosts a weekend of artist demonstrations from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and from 1-4 p.m. Nov. 17 in the North Naples Art District north of Pine Ridge Road and west of Airport-Pulling Road. Free. 382-1661.

**Tango**
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- The Raiford Starke bar bike toasts at the Joe’s Avila/Joes Club Café from 2-5 p.m. today and Nov. 17. 39395 Tamiami Trail E. 695-2682 or www.joaniesbluecrabcake.com.

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**Movie Night**
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**Movie on the Lawn**
- Mercato hosts a free outdoor screening of “Oz the Great and Powerful” starting at 6 p.m. on the lawn across from Naples Flatbread. www.mercatoshop.com.

**Student Recital**
- The FGCU Bower School of Music presents a senior recital by Kirsten Trembley on violin at 3 p.m. Nov. 17 at 1050 FGCU Blvd. S. www.fgcu.org (click on “concerts”).

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- Students of the Naples Performing Arts Center present “The Little Mermaid Jr.” at 7 p.m. tonight and Nov. 16 at Lely High School. $15. 597-2110 or www.thesweetartgallery.com.

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- The Bach Ensemble presents “Highlights of the French Baroque” at 7 p.m. Nov. 21 at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church on Marco Island. 732-1055 or www.thebachensemble.org. See story on page CI.

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

**Wine Bingo**
- Decanted Wines hosts a wine tasting/Bingo event from 5-7 p.m. Reservations required. $15. 434-1814.

**Jazz Jam**
- Jeffy and her jazz friends perform from 6-9 p.m. at Fred’s Diner. 2700 Immokalee Road. 431-7928.

**Movie Night**
- The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents a screening and discussion of “The Italian” beginning at 7 p.m. $9. 2600 Old 41 Road. 495-8089 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

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ARTS COMMENTARY

‘Collected Stories’ a sure best-seller for Fla Rep

Sara Morsey and Deanna Gibson star in “Collected Stories.”

Imagine being at a dinner party, when suddenly everyone grows quiet, listening to a friend of yours.

You slowly realize with horror she’s recounting a personal story you’d told her in confidence — but she’s telling it as if it were her own. She embellishes, getting some of the facts wrong.

It’s your story, your life, yet she’s usurped it for her own purposes.

‘Your private life is being broadcast publically for others’ entertainment and for your friend’s personal gain.

You feel embarrassed, stunned, that someone you considered a friend would betray you in this manner.

‘Talk about identity theft.

Ruth, the short story writer/college writing professor in “Collected Stories,” has an experience that’s similar, but magnified. She tells her student and protégé, Lisa, about a relationship she had with the poet Delmore Schwartz during his last years.

Without permission, Lisa later takes the story and turns it into a thinly disguised novel. She claims she’s paying homage to Ruth, but Ruth feels betrayed.

‘Collected Stories,” which opens the season at the Florida Repertory Theatre’s ArtStage Studio Theatre, is not to be missed, it’s powerful and mesmerizing, food for both the heart and the brain.

The play is a series of snapshots — or interconnected short stories — that take place over a period of six years, during which we see how the relationship between Ruth (Sara Morsey) and Lisa (Deanna Gibson) changes over time.

Ms. Morsey knows how to bring depth to her character. Her Ruth is wry and prickly, full of idiosyncracies. She knows she can be demanding and difficult to get along with, yet there are flashes of tenderness.

Ruth has made a decent reputation for herself as a short story writer; Lisa is in awe when she shows up at Ruth’s Greenwich Village apartment for a tutorial, but Ruth is bemused by the reverence.

Ms. Gibson is like a puppy dog, so full of youthful energy and jangly nerves she’s almost tripping over her own feet. She’s naive and eager to please, yet almost drowning in her own insecurities. She is trying to find her own way in the world, trying to find her own way in the world, drowning in her own insecurities. She is naïve and eager to please, yet almost tripping over her own feet. She’s of youthful energy and jangly nerves she’s of youthful energy and jangly nerves.

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Mr. Margulies’ “Dinner With Friends” did receive a Pulitzer Prize for Drama. (Mr. Margulies also cleverly drops in a mention of “a Janet Malcolm piece in the New Yorker,” though he doesn’t get more specific. (In 1989, Ms. Malcolm wrote a two-paragraph article that eventually was published as her book, “The Journalist and the Murderer.” Her opening sentence: “Every journalist who is not too stupid or too full of himself to notice what is going on knows that what he does is morally indefensible.”)

And while this is a two-person play, each character has a monologue. One of Ms. Morsey’s shining moments is when she recalls her time with her poet lover during her youth, when “Poetry was my love, my romance, my religion.” There’s wistfulness and longing — but pain, too, as she looks back.

In Ms. Gibson’s monologue, when she gives a reading at the 92 Street Y, she somehow manages to convey nervousness, pride and a sense of accomplishment all at once.

The final scene, when everything comes to a head, is an absolute tour de force for Ms. Morsey, a remarkable feat of acting.

Robert Cacioppo’s set realistically conveys a writer’s apartment, with piles of books and stacks of paper on desk, table and top of bookshelf. There are pencils, newspapers and reading glasses in various spots, and an electric typewriter nestled in the bookshelf.

Staging “Collected Stories” in the round gives the play a sense of intimacy and immediacy, but there were some key moments when I found myself staring at a back and wishing I could see the actor’s face instead.

I also wished I’d been able to attend the play with someone 20 years older and someone 20 or so years younger, in order to discuss it afterward, because I suspect reactions might change from generation to generation. Those who have grown up putting their entire lives online with zero self-editing or self-consciousness might wonder why Ruth is so upset about her life being appropriated by someone else. Those who grew up with strict rules about what’s appropriate to say or do might be horrified by Lisa’s actions.

But this is much more than a story about who’s right or who’s wrong. It’s a look at relationships, the families of choice that we build rather than the ones we’re born into. It’s a look into the nature of mentors and protégés, and what happens when the latter outgrow the former.

But it’s also an examination of life and loss, and how whenever there is life, there is also inevitably loss.
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PEOPLE BY THE SOUND

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A new development could snarl travel schedules or other holiday-linked projects. Some flexibility might be called for to deal with the problems before they get too far out of hand.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Relatives seek your advice on a matter you’d rather not be involved in. If so, use that sage Sagittaritan tact to decline the “offer,” so that no one’s feelings are needlessly hurt.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A shift in planning direction might help you speed up your progress toward achieving that long-planned goal. Trusted colleagues are ready to offer some valuable support.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An unexpected demand for settlement of an old loan could create some pre-holiday anxiety. But you might not really owe it. Check your records thoroughly before remitting payment.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It’s a good time to get into the social swim and enjoy some well-earned fun and games with those closest to you before you have to resume more serious activities next week.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A project benefits from your organizational skills that get it up and running. Your success leaves a highly favorable impression. Don’t be surprised if you get some positive feedback soon.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Spend time on practical matters through the end of the week. Then begin shifting your focus to more-artistic pursuits. Resist being overly self-critical. Just allow yourself to feel free to create.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Restarting those creative projects you had set aside for a while will help provide a much-needed soothing balance to your hectic life. Besides, it will be like meeting old friends again.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A change in plans could make it tough to keep a commitment. But stay with it. You’ll get an A-plus for making the effort to do what’s right and not taking the easy way out by running off.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Lion’s enthusiasm for a workplace policy review is admirable. But be sure you know who is really behind the resistance to change before pointing your finger at the wrong person.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You can expect to have to do a lot of work through midweek. Devote the rest of the week to checking your holiday plans in case some need to be adjusted to accommodate changes.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Try to avoid signing on the dotted line in the early part of the week. You need time to study issues that weren’t fully explored. Later in the week might be more favorable for decision-making.

 Born This Week: Your ability to sense the needs of others makes you a wise counselor for those seeking help with their problems.

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By Linda Thistle

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Surely, a movie that purports to offer insight into Diana’s life should take care to divogue more flaws. There’s not a thing wrong with her, and her per-fection becomes grating after a while, especially when we’re asked to feel sorry for little miss queen perfect. This isn’t entirely Ms. Watts’ fault. She takes what the script gives her and does her best. Director Oliver Hirschbiegel (“The Invasion”) and screenwriter Stephen Jeffrey, working from a book by Kate Snell, notably struggle to provide Diana with any sort of dimension to make her interesting. Failure to make (at the time) the most famous woman in the world compelling is inexcusable. It doesn’t help that Ms. Watts and Mr. Andrews have no chemistry. Watch-ing them interact is like observing the first date of an arranged marriage. This is OK for the initial meeting, but not accept-able when they’re alleg-edly in love but look at one another like strang-ers. If the actors don’t believe in the love story, why should we? Surely Diana’s chil-dren, Harry and William, brought her happiness, you’re thinking. Perhaps, but she only passively alludes to them and we never see their faces. In fact, seeing their backs as they walk away from the camera in one scene is the only part of the royal family we see outside of Diana. Why not include some awkward interactions with her estranged husband, which would show and prove to us why she’s so unhappy? “Diana” is a misfire from all angles, an attempt at regal angst that is more like regal anguish for the viewer. If you must see it, at least wait until it’s on video and know that it’s OK if you’re distracted and miss parts of it. Be assured you will not miss much.

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BY TERRY AND KIM KOVEL

The Chinese enameling called cloisonne has been made for centuries. A thin metal wire is bent into shape on a metal vase and soldered into place. Then colored enamels are floated in to fill each space and form the decoration. The word “cloison” is French for “fence” and is the source of the word cloisonne. But there also was another type of enamel-on-metal object made in China by the 17th century. It is called “Peking enamel” or “Canton enamel.” A metal vase was covered with thick enamel, usually white, then fired. Then an artist painted a scene or pattern with colored enamels, and the vase was fired again. These enameled metal pieces were usually made to resemble European designs and most were exported. The quality of the work deteriorated during the next few centuries and this type of enamel is rarely made today. Recognizing cloisonne and its thin metal lines is easy, but Peking enamels closely resemble porcelain. A 5-inch-high Peking enamel teapot that held a single cup of water for tea sold in 2012 for $660. It was painted with a Chinese landscape of clouds over a lake but the painting style was European. No doubt it was made for export to Europe or the United States.

Q: My brother left me his “Brunswick” convertible sofa-billiards table. It was patented in 1910 by Jacob N. McIntire of New York. He assigned the patent to John Moses Brunswick. Is this table and sofa worth anything? A: John Moses Brunswick founded the J.M. Brunswick Manufacturing Co. in Cincinnati in 1845. After a couple of mergers, the company was renamed Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co. in 1884. Today the company, still in business, is named Brunswick Corp. It manufactures a variety of products, including billiards tables and bowling equipment. Your convertible sofa-billiards table was patented in 1910 by Jacob N. McIntire of New York. He assigned the patent to Brunswick, which made your unusual
piece of furniture. It’s advertised in a 1911 Brunswick catalog as “a very popular design especially adapted for use in a den.” It sold then for $150 to $175. If yours is in excellent shape, it could sell today for close to $10,000.

Q: I have two paddles my mother used to card the cotton she used in making quilts. I think she ordered them from Sears Roebuck in the early 1930s. On the back each one reads, “The only Genuine Old Whittemore Patent No. 10, cotton, L.S. Watson & Co., Leicester, Mass.” What are they worth today?

A: Carding untangles wool or cotton fibres so they can be woven into cloth. Amos Whittemore was granted a patent for a machine that made wool cards in 1797. Leicester, Mass., was a textile center in the 19th century. Several factories that made cards for textile machines, hand cards and wire for the cards were located there. L.S. Watson & Co. was the largest manufacturer of cards and also made heddle frames and shuttles. Watson was founded in 1842. After Lory Sprague Watson died in 1898, his son took over the business and it became L.S. Watson Manufacturing Co. Watson was still in business in the 20th century. Your paddles are worth less than $100 a pair.

Q: I inherited six place settings of Normandie pattern Depression glass in iridescent marigold color. While I have always loved them and display them often, I seldom use them. What about using them for my everyday dishes? I have put several pieces through multiple cycles in the dishwasher with no obvious bad effects. I haven’t tested them in the microwave yet and would appreciate any thoughts you have on the safety of that. I’m more concerned about health effects than damage to the luster.

A: Normandie was made from 1933 to 1940 by the Federal Glass Co. of Columbus, Ohio. The pattern was made in amber, pink and crystal, as well as Sunburst, which is the name of your iridescent color. Normandie was the only iridescent Depression glass made during the 1930s and is sometimes mistakenly listed as a Carnival glass pattern called “Bouquet & Lattice.” Iridescent glass is made by spraying a molded glass piece with metallic salts and then re-firing it. Since the first microwave ovens weren’t common until the late 1960s, your dishes weren’t made to be “microwave safe.” The metallic salts in the iridescent glaze might cause “sparkling” in a microwave oven, and that could damage the dishes or the microwave even if it doesn’t affect your health. Washing the dishes in the dishwasher eventually will remove the luster. If you enjoy using the dishes regularly, wash them by hand.

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A Pulitzer Prize finalist, the show is the latest comedy from Obie Award-winner Gina Gionfriddo, a writer/producer of TV’s “Law & Order.” The show originated at the Humana Festival of New American Plays in Louisville, Ky., and won rave reviews when it ran off-Broadway at the Second Stage Theatre.

When Suzanna decides to set her best friend Max up on a blind date with her husband’s mysterious co-worker, Becky Shaw, she sets into motion a series of catalytic events forever changing all of their lives. Mixing sharp wit and humor with the taut suspense of a psychological thriller, “Becky Shaw” is a comedy of romantic errors that keeps audiences at the edge of their seats guessing what will happen next.

Proclaimed by Variety as “some kind of genius,” the playwright graduated from Bard College and completed Brown University’s MFA’s playwriting program. Her previous credits include Off-Broadway’s “After Ashley” (2004) and “Ulysses” (2002). Theatre Conspiracy’s production of “Becky Shaw” runs through Dec. 15. For tickets or more information, call 936-3239 or visit www.theatreconspiracy.org.

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Highlights include a carnival midway and rides, food games, camel rides, a petting zoo and live shows including the Flying Pages Circus, a Grizzly Experience and the Banana Derby, in which monkeys dressed in jockey outfits race trained dogs around a track. All shows are free with fair admission.

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There is $1,500 in professional artist awards. Joe Marks, curator from the University of Michigan’s Alfred Berkowitz Gallery, will judge the event.

Students from ages 5-12 will also compete in a youth art competition with $250 in prizes. Students are encouraged to speak with the professional artists in the show as they are exposed to the entrepreneurship of creating their art work for a living.

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BEACH READING

‘Whatever Happened to Baby Jane?’

By Henry Farrell, with an introduction by Mitch Douglas
(Grand Central Publishing, $15)

REVIEWED BY LARRY COX

In 1959, shortly after published his first novel, “The Hostage,” his wife, Molly, was diagnosed with cancer. Suddenly faced with crushing medical expenses, Mr. Farrell, who had always been plagued with writer’s block, had the additional challenge of creating a commercially successful literary property to solve their financial problems.

According to his literary agent, Mitch Douglas, Mr. Farrell began pulling together a story involving a former child star known in vaudeville as Baby Jane, and her sister, Blanche, who had become a glamorous movie star during the golden age of Hollywood. Mr. Farrell had no idea that his bizarre tale would introduce a whole new subgenre of gothic horror to the world.

“What Happened to Baby Jane” was published in 1960 to critical acclaim, a book The New York Times called “a shocker,” and indeed it was. A movie quickly followed featuring Joan Crawford and Bette Davis. It, too, became a cult classic.

As Mr. Farrell explained, “I decided on a story that was so outrageous that it couldn’t help but be commercial,” and added that Baby Jane was a blend of other child stars such as Baby Peggy of silent films and vaudeville’s Baby Rose Marie, the singing child wonder who grew up to find an adult career in television.

Even 50 years later, this suspenseful noir classic still packs an emotional punch. The two main characters, Blanche Hudson, who lives in seclusion after a crippling accident, and her sister, Baby Jane, her caregiver, are still intriguing and manage to somehow maneuver the delicate balance between suspense and high camp.

If you have never read this incredible novel, this is the chance to do so. It has just been reissued along with three short stories, including “Whatever Happened to Cousin Charlotte,” the inspiration for the film “Hush ... Hush, Sweet Charlotte.” ■
I felt a little lost — I could relate to that part of the character. But there was a lot about her that I hadn’t seen in characters I’ve played before. I like that she’s in a situation where things are completely out of control, and she’s starting to feel like she’s going completely insane. At the same time, she has to be the sanest character in the film because she’s driving the story. It was definitely a challenge.

Q: Will "The Client List" return for another season, especially now that Jennifer Love Hewitt is pregnant?

A: Lifetime has officially canceled the racy nighttime drama after two seasons. Word has it that Jennifer and the execs were at a standoff over how to handle her real-life pregnancy within the show’s story line.

Q: Is Drew Barrymore expecting again? Didn’t she just have a baby?

A: Drew did indeed give birth to daughter Olive in September 2012, starting at the time that she wanted another baby, and soon. She got her wish, as Drew is now pregnant with baby No. 2, and is due late spring/early summer 2014.

— Write to Cindy at King Features Syndicate, 733 3rd Ave., New York, NY 10017; or e-mail her at letters@cindyelavsky.com.

Q: A few months back, you ran an interview about Scott Wolf, and it got me to wondering what his fellow “Party of Five” alum Lacey Chabert is up to now.

A: Lacey, who played the second youngest of the Salinger children on the hit ’90s nighttime drama, stars in the Lifetime Movie Network original movie “Non-Stop,” which premieres Friday, Nov. 29, at 8 p.m. Lacey plays an executive assistant on a nighttime flight to Zurich who strikes up a romantic encounter with a handsome stranger seated next to her. When she later awakes from a nap, she finds that her bag with her ID, cell phone and laptop are missing — as is the mysterious stranger.

Lacey told me she was delighted to play a different character from what her fans are used to seeing: “My character is at a point in her life when she’s gone through a very devastating breakup. She’s really searching for clarity and just trying to find an anchor in her life again. She’s really looking for clarity and just trying to find an anchor in her life again. And there is also this mysterious side about her job, and throughout the story, you start to find out what that is. ‘I really could empathize with her. I’ve certainly had times in my life where...”
**FRIDAY, NOV. 15, 9 P.M.**
**Great Performances**
Rodgers and Hammerstein’s **Oklahoma**
The rebirth of Rodgers & Hammerstein’s landmark American musical stars Hugh Jackman as Curly. Also featured are original London cast members Josefina Gabrielle as Laurey, Maureen Lipman as Aunt Eller and Tony-winner Shuler Hensley.

**TUESDAY, NOV. 19, 9 P.M.**
**Lincoln @ Gettysburg**
The telegraph — the Internet of the 19th century — gave Abraham Lincoln new powers to reshape leadership and wield personal control across distant battlefields. Learn how he re-invented leadership through the telegraph and how it shaped the Gettysburg Address.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20, 8 P.M.**
**NOVA: At the Edge of Space**
Between the blue sky and the infinite blackness of space lies a frontier full of enigmas that scientists have only just begun to investigate. This program probes the earth-space boundary zone, home to some of nature’s most puzzling and alluring phenomena.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20, 9 P.M.**
**NOVA: Asteroid Doomsday or Payday**
While NASA plans an ambitious mission to return samples from a potentially hazardous asteroid, would-be asteroid miners are dreaming up their own program to scout for potentially profitable asteroids.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20, 10 P.M.**
**Comet Encounter**
Scientists all over the world follow a once-in-a-lifetime event and shoot breathtaking images of the sun-grazer comet. But there is jeopardy, too; the comet could evaporate completely, or the sun’s massive gravity could tear it apart.
The Naples Cat Alliance holds its third annual events to local children with life-threatening medical conditions.

Tickets for $225 can be purchased by calling Lesley Colantonio at 992-9474 or e-mailing lcolantonio@sflawish.org. Sponsorships are also still available starting at $2,500. For more information, visit www.sflawish.org.

The Seven Sisters of Southwest Florida hold their fourth annual networking social from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, at Galerie du Soleil in Old Naples. All donations of Baird, Bryan Maw, Mount Holyoke, Radcliffe, Smith, Vassar and Wellesley colleges are invited to reconnect, renew old friendships and make new ones.

Cost is $20, and reservations are required by Jan. 30. For more information, call Karen Kayser Benson (Mount Holyoke) at 293-0554 or e-mail Hildcoach@comcast.net.

The Women’s Initiative Network of the Community Foundation of Collier County hosts the inaugural Power of the Purse luncheon on Wednesday, Dec. 4, at Grey Oaks Country Club. Guest speaker Connie Rose endured 16 years of childhood sexual abuse, much of it at the hands of her serial sex offender father. She founded Victims2Survivors to raise awareness and provide support for victims and survivors of sexual violence, sex trafficking and domestic violence.

The foundation’s 2014 Women of Initiative honorees will also be formally announced at the luncheon. The award ceremony will be held on March 31 at the Naples Beach & Golf Resort.

Tickets to Power of the Purse are $25 per patron or $2,500 for a patron table. For more information, visit www.wicfl.org.

Humble Society Naples hosts its 15th annual Tea & Fashion Show: “Passport to Paris” on Thursday, Dec. 5, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. For tickets or more information, visit www.humansocietynaples.org.

The third annual Tea at The Ritz to benefit Make-A-Wish Southern Florida set for 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. The afternoon, which includes a silent auction, is a popular holiday treat for men, women and children of all ages.

This year’s chair is Dylan Sanders; tea host and hosts are Craig and Kelly Chason. Tickets for $100 can be purchased by calling Lesley Colantonio at 992-9474 or e-mailing lcolantonio@sflawish.org. Sponsorships are also still available starting at $2,500. For more information, visit www.sflawish.org.

The David Lawrence Center Young Executives host the inaugural Visionaries of the Visual Arts Gallery on Saturday Dec. 7 at the Naples Art and History Museum. The event will begin with cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, a silent auction and live music by Brendon McDonnell.

Tickets for $50 until Nov. 14, $60 until Dec. 6 and $65 thereafter can be purchased by calling 304-3505 or by visiting www.DavidLawrenceCenter.org.

The Harmon-Meek Gallery hosts the inaugural Visionaries of the Visual Arts awards and benefit dinner Tuesday evening, Jan. 14, at the Naples Sailing and Yacht Club. Three individuals will be recognized for their contributions to the visual arts in Southwest Florida. Keynote speaker Charles Shepard is director of the Fort Wayne Museum of Art in Indiana.

Tickets are $125 per person, with proceeds benefiting art programs for children and at-risk youth in the community through the Harmony-Meek Gallery Fund at the Southwest Florida Community Foundation. Co-chairs are Kristine and Juliana Meek. Tickets can be purchased by sending a check made payable to the Southwest Florida Community Foundation to Harmony-Meek Gallery, 599 Ninth St. N., Suite 309, Naples, FL 34102.

For more information, call the gallery at 261-2607.

The David Lawrence Center and Foundation holds its signature destination-themed gala Friday, Jan. 17, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Guests at “Under the Eiffel Tower: A Journey to 20s Paris” will be transported to the City of Lights in an era when soulful jazz played through the evening streets and gas-lit promenades were filled with people dancing, dining and indulging in economic prosperity and social and artistic dynamism of the day. Tickets are $300 per person, $600 per VIP patron and $800 per premier sponsor table of 10. A variety of additional sponsorship opportunities also are available.

For more information or to reserve a ticket, contact Monica Biondo at 304-3505 or visit www.davidlawrencecenter.org.

Charity for Change holds its inaugural signature fundraising event, “The Giver’s Challenge,” from 6-11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, at Vi at Bentley Village. The night of minute-to-win-it fun will include name-that-song and other games relating to the Charity for Change character education program. The safari-themed fund-raiser will include an open bar, appetizers, plated dinner, deejay and silent auction.

Committee members are Kathleen, John Passidomo, honorary chairs, and Beth Amico, Mary Birr, Sara Dewayker, Kathy Feinstein, Marjorie Johnson, Gordon Kel- lam, Joe Keith, Debbie Newman, Amy Owen, Meredith Parsons, Jackie Reesa and Brooke Stone.

The evening’s title sponsor is Vi at Bentley Village, and the auction sponsor is Annette and Donald Pulver. A variety of additional sponsorship opportunities are available.

For more information, call Suzanne Tota at 261-7945 or visit www.charityforchange.org.

The NAACP of Collier County holds its 31st annual Freedom Fund Ban- quet Saturday evening, Feb. 8, at the Hilton Naples. This year’s gala has a “Let the Good Times Roll” Mardi Gras theme and includes a cocktail reception, dinner, silent and live auctions and live music and dancing.

For tickets or more information, visit www.naacpcolliercounty.com or e-mail freemontofhilton@naacpcolliercounty.com.

The Children’s Advocacy Center of Collier County holds its 18th annual Beach Ball on Saturday evening, Feb. 15, at a private beach club in Naples. Leave the gown and tuxedo at home and have a ball on the beach. Tickets are $250 per person. Call 263-8833 or e-mail info@caccollier.org.

“Fête du Cirque,” a circus-themed gala for Ocean Naples, will unfold under a big top starting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, at The Ritz-Carlton Tiburon. Colonial performing arts’ Circus South will help build excitement for the opera company’s staging of “Pagliacci” (Clowns), which will take place under the same tent.
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ment emceed by ringmaster and celebrity auctioneer Scott Robertson.

Ticket options for “Fête du Cirque” include a table of 10 for $5,000 (premium location) or $3,000, and individual tickets for $500 per person (premium) or $300 person. For reservations or more information, visit www.operanaples.org.

■ New Horizons of Southwest Florida holds its sixth annual benefit luncheon on Saturday, March 1, at the Hilton Naples. With a theme of “Oh, the Places You’ll Go,” the afternoon will focus on the doors opened through education.

Tickets for $75 are available by calling Carolyn Herbold at 498-7789 or e-mailing carolynherbold@gmail.com.

■ Conservatory of Southwest Florida celebrates its 50th anniversary at the 10th annual Magic Under the Mangroves on Thursday, March 6, on the grounds at the Conservancy Nature Center. The traditional patron party on Keewaydin Island will be Sunday, Feb. 22. Fly Me to the Moon” takes off at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 22. It’s a night for 300 grown-up guests to let their inner child come out and experience C’mon first-hand. “Casual best” attire is recommended so that guests can enjoy the museum much the way young visitors do. Hors d’oeuvres and cocktails will be by chef Brian Roland of Crave Culinaire. Dancing will be to the music of the Virgin-ia-based Right On band, which has played details how she survived four years of domestic violence in her first marriage before escaping and rebuilding her life. A Harvard graduate with an MBA in market-
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sion to a designer boutique at the hotel, are $350 per person, $1,500 for patrons. Sponsorships are available. For more infor-
mation, call Susan Utz at 775-3862, ext. 261, or e-mail sutz@naplesshelter.org.

■ The 2014 Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest takes place Friday and Sat-

day, Feb. 21-22, at Miromar Lakes Beach & Golf Club. Northern Trust is the title sponsor.

The festival begins with chef/vintner dinners in private homes throughout Southwest Florida on Friday and con-
cludes with a grand tasting and auction at Miromar Lakes on Saturday. Last year’s event netted $2 million. The primary benefi-
ciary is The Children’s Hospital of South-
west Florida. For more information, call 728-3900 or visit www.SFWLWineFest.org.

■ The American Cancer Society’s 2014 Bucket List Bash: “Fly Me to the Moon” takes off at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 1, at the Naples Jet Center. Organizers promise “an out-of-this-world food and wine, entertainment and silent and live auction items. Individual tickets are $450. Patron seats, tables and sponsorship packages are also available. For reservations or more infor-
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tions or more information, call 514-0084, ext. 1714, e-mail rsvp@cmon.org or visit www.cmon.org.

■ The Ohio State Alumni Club of Naples has announced that Buckeye Heis-

tman Trophy recipient Eddie George, who recently joined OSU as an assistant vice president, will serve as honorary chair for the annual Buckeyes in Paradise gala set for Saturday, March 8, at the Hilton Naples. Proceeds from the gala help the club provide scholarships for local students to attend OSU. For more information, visit www.naplesbuckeyes.com.

— E-mail Save the Date items to Cindy Pierce at cpierce@floridaweekly.com.
CLUB NOTES

■ The Naples Woman’s Club holds its annual Valentine Family Scholarship Luncheon beginning at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 15, at Windstar Country Club. Guest speaker Allison Blankenship will present “Lessons of a Life Diva.” Tickets are $50, with all proceeds supporting the scholarship fund and The Shelter for Abused Women & Children. The Valentine family gives $500 a year and the club matches that for a total of $1,000 in scholarships. For reservations, call Anne Palmer at 262-6331 or e-mail napleswomansclub@comcast.net.

■ Scared of public speaking? Learn how to calm the butterflies in your stomach at Toastmaster Academy’s next workshop from 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20, at the Bonita Fire Station, 27701 Bonita Grande Drive, Bonita Springs. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Research shows that public speaking is the No. 1 fear in North America. Wellness specialist Peggy Sealfon of Corporate Productivity Solutions and Stonewater Studio will share tips on how to reduce the stress that ties your tongue. Attendance is free for Toastmaster Academy members and $10 for guests. For more information or to reserve your seat, call Marianne Oehser at 216-3030 or e-mail info@toastmasteracademy.org.

■ Toastmasters International teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meeting locations. Guests are always welcome. Local Toastmasters chapters, meeting times and locations include:

  ■ Bonita Toastmasters Club: 7 p.m. every second and fourth Wednesday at the Bonita Springs Fire Station, 27701 Bonita Grande Drive N. Call Steve Jallad at 776-5398.

  ■ Collier Communique Club: 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at Moorings Professional Building, 2335 Tamiami Trail N., Suite 208. Call Robert Rizzo at (407) 491-8584.

  ■ Marco Island Toastmasters Club: 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Centennial Bank, 645 Elckam Circle, Marco Island. E-mail Chris Pritchard at collorgetownmasters@gmail.com.

■ Naples Sunrise Bay Toastmasters Club: 7:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesday in Moss Hall at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive. Call Steve McCann at 777-8851.

■ Naples Toastmasters Club: 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday at Naples General Aviation Center, 200 Aviation Drive N. Call Steve Jallad at 776-5398.

■ Toast of the Coast Toastmasters Club: Noon on the second and fourth Friday at Stantec (previously Wilson Miller), 3200 Bailey Lane, Naples. Call Green Green glass at 433-6931.

■ Naples Advanced Toastmasters Club: 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday at the North Collier Government Center, 2335 Orange Blossom Drive. Call Linda Valentine at (954) 780-6683. This club has prerequisites for membership.

■ The Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance holds its next meeting and program Thursday evening, Nov. 21, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1255 Piper Blvd. The doors open at 6 p.m. for a one-hour, cash-only sale of orchid plants from private collections, orchid artwork and...
orchid novelty items. A portion of each sale will be donated to the alliance.

At 7 p.m., guest speaker and Everglades photographer John Brady will present “How to Take Great Photos of Orchids.” Mr. Brady first held a camera at the age of 10, after learning he was related to a Civil War photographer. He’s been looking through the lens ever since, focusing on the Everglades in particular for the past 12 years.

Mr. Brady’s images are on exhibit in his gallery at Everglades Wonder Gardens in Bonita Springs. Under his tutelage, the gardens have expanded to include a butterfly garden and an orchid trail. And yes, the flamingoes are still there.

Attendance at GCOA meetings is free. Alliance members are encouraged to bring in their blooming plants for entry into the monthly exhibition judging. Annual membership is $25 for individuals, $45 for joint memberships, free for ages 18 and younger. For more information, call 498-9741 or visit www.GulfCoastOrchidAlliance.com.

The Naples Area Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club invites all Pi Phi alumnae in Naples, Bonita Springs and Marco Island to a mixer from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at at C.J.’s Gazebo in the Esplanade, 740 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island.

The chapter also welcomes all Pi Phi alumnae to a Christmas potluck dinner from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, in the clubhouse at Marbella Lakes, 6678 Marbella Lane, Naples. Spouses and significant others are welcome. Cost is $5 per person, plus a dish for 10-12 to share. For reservations to the holiday dinner or more information about either of the above events, call Donna Issenmann at 431-6524 or e-mail donna@marketthisinc.com.
The Naples Press Club meets at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at the Hilton Naples. Guest speaker K.C. Schulberg has enjoyed a prolific career in the family business. His grandfather, B.P. Schulberg, produced "Wings," the first film to win the Best Picture Oscar, in 1927. His grandmother, Ade-line Schulberg, was Hollywood's first female talent agent. His father, Stuart Schulberg, was an independent producer/director and executive producer of "The Today Show" for 10 years. His uncle, Budd Schulberg, was the Oscar-winning screenwriter of "On the Waterfront" starring Marlon Brando.

Prior to forming his own production company in 1998, Mr. Schulberg served as worldwide production supervisor and then senior vice president of worldwide marketing for Hallmark Entertainment.

A childhood visit to the set of the 1958 film "Wind Across the Everglades," written by his uncle and produced by his father, set in motion Mr. Schulberg's lifelong affection for Southwest Florida. As a relatively new resident of Naples, he hopes to bring his personal cinematic vision to life by produc-ing several films in the area. His first project, "A Dream Last Night" based on a short story by Budd Schulberg, is scheduled to begin shooting locally next spring.

Reservation deadline is Nov. 17. Cost is $25 for members and $30 (plus a processing fee) for the general public. A donation of $25 for members and $30 (plus a processing fee) is requested for non-members. For more information, visit www.naplespressclub.org.

The Greater Naples Branch of AAUW holds its next meeting beginning from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, in the Science & Technology Building at Hodges University. Guest speaker Eileen Keesler-Connolly, president and CEO of the Community Foundation of Collier County, will present "An Insight Into the Community Foundation."

The Naples Music Club invites members and guests to a holiday party beginning at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at Quail Creek Country Club. Award-winning singer Eileen will present a short recital after dinner. Admission is $30. Reservations are required and can be made at www.naplesmusicsclub.org.

The Naples Newcomers helps those who are new to the area make new friends and join various social activities. Members meet to share a variety of interests and activities, including couples and singles groups, bridge, mahjong, crafts, gourmet cooking, coffee, movies, card games and book discussions. Membership is for women who have been permanent residents of Naples for no more than five years.

Luncheon meetings are on the second Saturday of each month at Naples area country clubs. An orientation coffee for prospective members takes place on the first Thursday of each month. The next meeting takes place on the first Thursday of each month at Naples area country clubs. An orientation coffee for prospective members takes place on the first Thursday of each month. The next meeting begins at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 21. Call 513-4568 for location.

The Naples chapter of PFLAG, Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, a support, education and advocacy group for families with gay or transgen-der members, meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting is Nov. 21. Call 513-4568 for location.

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Moorings Park is on the east side of Goodlette-Frank Road just south of Pine Ridge Road. Stop at the entrance gate for directions to the Chess Club meeting. For more information, call Wade Keller at 389-2525.

The Naples Woman’s Club is cooking up its second annual Naples Kitchen Tour showcasing kitchens in Port Royal area homes where prominent Naples restaurant chefs will offer their finest gourmet samplings. Each home will also have musicians, floral designs, gift boutiques and prize drawings.

The date is Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2014, with tours setting out from the Naples Woman’s Club at either 10 a.m. or noon. Tickets are $100 for general admission, $150 for patron level. Proceeds will benefit Friends of Foster Children, the David Lawrence Center, Youth Haven and the Naples Woman’s Club philanthropic efforts.

To purchase a ticket, call the club at 262-6331 or send a check made payable to the club to Naples Woman’s Club, 570 Park St., Naples, FL 34102. Email club news to Cindy Pierce at cpierce@floridaweekly.com.

Mayor John Sorey proclaimed Nov. 3-9 Naples Garden Club Week in recognition of the club’s 60 years of contributions to the beauty of Naples and Collier County and its support of numerous local institutions and educational efforts. Shown here with the mayor are Arlette Bradley, Naples Garden Club recording secretary; Pat McNamara, assistant treasurer; and Linda LaRue Brown, president.

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An All-American afternoon at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club
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Waterside Shops hosts appreciation brunch for Naples Winter Wine Festival volunteers

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Thanksgiving is all about balance: the family dynamics (next to impossible to control), the many elements of the meal (somewhat more manageable) and, of course, the wine (doable with planning).

I’m not qualified to render advice on the first two components, but I do have some suggestions on how to select wines that will complement, rather than dominate, the occasion.

Here are the factors to consider when picking wine for a Thanksgiving gathering:

- Choose those that are lower in weight and alcohol, since it likely will be a protracted affair.
- For the meal itself, select a wine that matches well with the many flavors.
- For reds, cabernets are generally too tart and high in tannins to match well with turkey, so choose a fruitier red, such as a pinot noir, syrah/shiraz or zinfandel, whose berry flavors will pair well with dinner.

Give thanks for these wines

If you were coming to my house for Thanksgiving, you might find one or more of the following wines served:

- **D’Arenberg Shiraz** ($20): Floral and spice on the nose, with cherries and blueberries on the palate. The balanced finish is elegant and long.
- **Two Hands Bella’s Garden Shiraz Barossa Valley 2011** ($70): Aromas of plum and dark fruits mix on the palate with dense, juicy, dark cherry and raspberry flavors, leading to a long elegant finish.
- **Carneros Hyde Vineyard 2010** ($60): Rich dark red in color, with floral scents that mix with cherries and blueberries on the nose and follow on the palate with blackberry and spice. Elegant and well balanced with a lingering finish.
- **Paul Blanck Riesling Alsace 2012** ($20): Floral and spice on the nose, with crisp minerality and flavors of pear, apricot and citrus on its clean finish.
- **Schramsberg Brut Blanc de Blanc North Coast 2010** ($35): Made from 100 percent chardonnay, it is dry and crisp with fresh aromas and flavors of pear and apple with a citrus tinge. Small elegant bubbles linger in the glass throughout the well-balanced finish.
- **The Prisoner Napa Valley 2011** ($40): From winemaker David Phinney, this zinfandel is fruit forward and jammy, dark and rich in color. Aromas of Bing cherry with a touch of vanilla, bursting with flavors of ripe raspberry and wild berry fruit that lingers in the mouth, followed with an integrated smooth finish.
- **Turley Zinfandel Napa Valley Turley Estate 2011** ($40): Powerful ripe aromas of black cherry and vanilla, with wild berry and spice on the palate. The balanced finish is elegant and long. You won’t be disappointed — if you can find it or any of the Turley zinfandels.

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Those who eschew Mexican food because they view it as an uninteresting cuisine in which fried objects are served beneath blankets of cheese, tomato sauce and refried beans should make haste to Manzanillo’s, where they will quickly discover just how flawed that notion is.

What they’ve likely encountered is a commercially produced Tex-Mex approach that, although it incorporated some Mexican ingredients, was surely not authentic Mexican fare.

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Let’s start with margaritas, which contained nothing but freshly squeezed lime juice, agave nectar and Patron Reposado tequila, a sufficient amount of ice cubes and a salt-rimmed rim. There are several variations available — as well as a tequila mojito that caught my eye — but this pure and simple Margarita was refreshing and delicious.

Manzanillo’s takes its guacamole ($) seriously, too, preparing it tableside so that customers can customize it. Our server brought ripe avocadoes and little bowls containing chopped onion, tomato, seeded jalapeno, salt and cilantro as well as lime wedges. When we said we’d like it all, she promptly scooped the avocado from its skin and deftly mixed up a tasty blend that we quickly dispatched with the bounty of tortilla chips served with it.

We also tried the ceviche ($8), a mix of fish and shrimp blended with lime, cilantro, avocadoes, tomatoes and onion. This, too, was served with lots of tortilla chips. While everything tasted fresh, the dish could have used some jalapeno to liven it up.

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Florida Weekly Correspondent

THIS MONTH, LUXE LIVING QUERIED A very special person for our designer Q&A: celebrity party planner Colin Cowie. Who better to share his secrets for a dazzling holiday table than the party planner to the stars?

Mr. Cowie has designed tables for Oprah Winfrey, Jennifer Aniston, Tom Cruise and Jennifer Lopez, among others. While we had his attention between his trips jetting off to design a wedding or important occasion in some exotic locale, we asked Mr. Cowie our trademark Luxe design questions. Here’s the skinny on his best tabletop tips, favorite colors and even his own dream designer (Hint: he’s based in Florida!).

Florida Weekly: What are some of your favorite materials for holiday tables this coming season?

Colin Cowie: I like mirror runners made from back-of-door mirrors or mirror tiles from the hardware store. They add sparkle, glamor and pizazz. I love candles in all forms, votives together with pillars and elegant tapers. There’s no such thing as too many.

FW: Please share with our readers your favorite holiday theme.

CC: My favorite time to entertain and decorate is Thanksgiving, followed by Christmas.

FW: As the party planner to the stars, which is your favorite holiday party or tabletop?

CC: It’s always the next one. That is where my heart and creative juices are. This year, I am planning on doing a white winter wonderland using an incredible snowy-white, laser-flocked tree, garland and wreath I created for HSN.com. It’s so chic and sets the tone. I have never done a party in Naples, but I could be there in a flash!

FW: If you had an unlimited budget, where in the world would you most like to set up a holiday party?

CC: Without a doubt, the very talented and fabulous Florida-based designer, Charles Allem.

FW: What are you reading right now?

CC: My favorite author is Wilbur Smith. I am reading his newest, “Vicious Circle,” and I am totally captivated.

FW: What projects or decor theme do you most relish having in your home?

CC: I’ve never come across a shade of green I don’t like. At the moment, I am most partial to the intensity of emerald green. I love mixing it with rich navy blue and accents of matte gold. I have gone from stainless steel and poured cement with shades of gray. My apartment before was in rich shades of copper, burnt orange, cognac and deep green — very French 1940s. Currently, it’s very modern and extremely glamorous on three floors.

FW: What was the most difficult project you’ve ever designed, and why?

CC: Probably a royal wedding in the Middle East for a monarch for 2,000 guests. We only had four months to create one of the most-talked-about weddings in the Middle East. Needless to say, it came across flawlessly, or as they would say, “inshallah.”

— Colin Cowie

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Cooking stresses me, especially when I have to feed more than the number of people who live in my house, which at this point is two. Several times a year, though, Kevin and I host upwards of 40 for dinner. Three of those occasions are coming up soon, and in rapid succession: our annual Practice Thanksgiving, real Turkey Day and Christmas Eve.

I can follow one recipe at a time, from start to finish, with ease (almost always). But add an appetizer or two, salad, side dishes, dessert and coffee, and the necessary multitasking sends me fleeing from the kitchen, upon strings unfurling.

Early on in our marriage (probably not long after our first dinner party), we came into agreement that when we entertained, Kevin would do the cooking and I would be the shopper, the cleaner-upper and the "creator of ambiance" (my words). The system has served us well ever since. I love the grocery store, and I don't mind cleaning duty (plus, with gatherings as large as we have, more than a few helping hands always pitch in for that part).

But I especially love the set-up.

A few days before a big party, I get out the cutlery, a wonderful mix of sterling and silver-plate that's part family heirlooms, part wedding presents gifted 26 years ago and part eBay yard sale finds (an elegant English silver-plate service for 12, with multiple serving pieces, still in the wooden silver chest and bearing the initial "C" for my maiden name — so it could be a treasured heirloom, at least in the novel anyway — all for $20, haggled down from $30). I sort the silverware into manageable piles and bring out the commercial size tub of Wright's Silver Cream, don a pair of rubber gloves and commence polishing. It can take two or three sessions, but by about a couple of hours before the party, the cutlery is gleaming and sorted on a couple of puffy platters to await rolling into cloth napkins (no paper products allowed in my ambiance).

Next up on the to-do list: dishes. And, boy, do I have dishes. A couple hundred, with the same mixed provenance as my trove of silver.

I have my late mother's Coalport service for 12, complete with bouillon cups and saucers. White with thick gold scalloped edges, it was a wedding gift to her from her parents. And I have the Wedgwood Columbia Enameled service for 12 that Mom found for me in the classifieds ("A steal for $600!" she proclaimed) the very first time I was engaged to be married. I had my late father's plate that's part sterling and silver-plate that's part family heirlooms, part wedding presents gifted 26 years ago and part eBay yard sale finds (an elegant English silver-plate service for 12, with multiple serving pieces, still in the wooden silver chest and bearing the initial "C" for my maiden name — so it could be a treasured heirloom, at least in the novel anyway — all for $20, haggled down from $30). I sort the silverware into manageable piles and bring out the commercial size tub of Wright's Silver Cream, don a pair of rubber gloves and commence polishing. It can take two or three sessions, but by about a couple of hours before the party, the cutlery is gleaming and sorted on a couple of puffy platters to await rolling into cloth napkins (no paper products allowed in my ambiance).

I didn't even look at the Columbia Enameled again until almost nine years later, when Kevin and I were to be wed. Mom had died a couple of years before, and Dad offered to send me the box of china that had been put away in the crawl space off my bedroom back in Raleigh.

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I could go on and on about the details of setting up to feed the masses — and about returning everything to its place after it's all washed and dried. Suffice it to say these rituals are some of my favorite things this busy time of year. I hope you're looking forward to your own favorite things involving family and friends as the holidays draw near. Just remember: Paper plates and plastic utensils are perfectly acceptable if it lets you enjoy the people more.

— Cindy Pierce is the editor of Naples Florida Weekly.
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Author and florist Edle Catharina Norman details how homeowners can use several materials and flowers to put together more than 50 home projects, including festive garlands to table decorations.

Publishers Weekly says “Beautiful Winter” acknowledges warm weather regions and pays homage to “Christmas tree decor options such as hyacinth bulbs and ‘tiny’ poinsettias for the Tannenbaum.” One craft project in particular — the candlesticks made of apples — could bring out anyone’s inner decorator.

The photos are beautiful as well, and inspire a little holiday winter decorating even when the sun is glistening off the Gulf.

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Sitting pretty
What feels richer than a wing chair? It’s the marriage of style and comfort, and this one with clean lines and bold black-and-white repeat pattern is for the contemporary homeowner. It’s the Protégé accent chair from Z Gallerie. Come Christmas, it’d look great with a bright red throw pillow.

A different light
This is the floor lamp for people who hate floor lamps. Let it shed new light on a special spot in your house for the holidays. From Z Gallerie, the Orvino floor lamp is a curvilinear column with a square base and aged champagne finish. The shade is a 17-inch white fabric with nickel harp and spider.

Calm before the storm
Hurricane lanterns come in handy at the holidays and also throughout storm season here in Southwest Florida. We found a wide selection at Norris Home Furnishings and especially took a shine to the ones that reflect soft hues of gold and candlelight in the quatrefoil-inspired design. Made of glass and finished in gold and antique silver, they come in two sizes and hold a standard 3-inch pillar candle.

Centerpiece of attention
The Maitland Smith rock crystal bowl from Norris Home Furnishings is a unique centerpiece and falls under the contemporary-classic description. The bowl is secured atop a double-square base with gold accents — all of which reflect light beautifully, especially atop a holiday table.

Ogle this ottoman
You’ll need to put your feet up after a hearty Thanksgiving dinner, won’t you? Santa might be tempted to do the same before heading back up the chimney if he spies this sophisticated ottoman near the tree on Christmas Eve. The hourglass figure works well in small spaces. It’s upholstered in an emerald (one of the season’s most popular colors) and white geometric pattern with polished gold nail heads. And as a bonus, it opens up to store a blanket. We added it to our list at Z Gallerie.
When Carol and Don Bryant asked interior designer Wilfredo Emmanuel to design a holiday table in their new Naples home using family heirlooms and treasured decorations, it was a dreamy request for the fashion-forward Clive Daniel Home designer.

Mr. Emmanuel has a penchant for marrying fashion and design, and the Bryants’ Rosenthal Christmas china was designed by Gianni Versace himself. Mrs. Bryant’s heirlooms include a stunning collection of birds her mother sculpted and painted over many years.

Mr. Emmanuel used these and other family holiday decorations to transform the couple’s formal dining room. He includes in his forte taking an inventory of a customer’s decorations before shopping for new items.

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— Wilfredo Emmanuel, interior designer

From sumptuous reds and golds to teal and white seascapes, Naples tables brim with festive spirit.

Cover Story

Wilfredo Emmanuel pauses for a moment by the table he designed for Carol and Don Bryant.
Homeowner Kathy Kittredge with designers Amanda Atkins and Bruni Darwin in front of Mrs. Kittredge’s seascape holiday table.

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Downsizing delightfully

The Bryants, whose home is in Riverstone in the Olde Cypress community, have been in Naples for just four months and met Mr. Emmanuel when he helped them place furnishings from their 10,000-square-foot Punta Gorda home into their smaller space in Naples. They easily qualify as one of Naples’ most gracious couples — they owned the Rose Manor in Pennsylvania, which was included in the book “Tea Time at the Inn,” before relocating to Punta Gorda. They’ve hosted many Christmas events (where Mrs. Bryant’s holiday trifle is a main attraction) and, of course, too many high teas to count. During the holidays, they keep seasonal music playing and invite everyone who stops by to partake of traditional tea and homemade chocolate biscuits.

The family’s English history is reflected in the decorations. Mr. Bryant is from London — his father was stationed there and met his mother at Windsor Castle. The table itself was inspired by the Knights of the Roundtable and designed by Oscar de la Renta.

“I love entertaining,” says Mrs. Bryant. “We must have turkey for Christmas dinner with stuffing and all the trimmings. It’s fun to have an occasion to have a holiday table.” This year, they have nine guests coming for Christmas dinner.

To complete the tablescape, Mr. Emmanuel used what seems like miles of red and gold ribbon, black napkins in rich red napkin holders and an abundance of ornaments. Gold fabrics and roses in a serving bowl add drama to the table, while candelabras with garland, bows and holly add height. This, he says, is a technique any homeowner can emulate using their own materials.

“Sometimes it’s just a matter of moving things around and adding a few details, then you can put those final touches with a few exquisite pieces like I did for Carol and Don,” he says of the delicate porcelain birds that Mrs. Bryant’s mother sculpted and painted over many years.

“Modest beginnings

Although Mr. Emmanuel is accustomed to decorating large spaces (he recently won the Collier Building Industry Association Sand Dollar award for Best Interior Design of the Year in the $3.5 million category for Clive Daniel Homes), he fondly remembers decorating his small apartment when he was a student, using red, green, velvet, gold and crystal accents — the hallmarks of small space holiday décor. “I always remember the classic designerers say less is better in a small space, but I encourage people to have a Christmas tree no matter what, because it changes your mood when you open the door,” says Mr. Emmanuel, who recently completed one of Old Naples’ most celebrated model homes for Clive Daniel Home. “Christmas is a season that gives you goose bumps, and creating a holiday table helps erase the hardness of a job, problems of life and changes your reality.”

Have yourself a seascape Christmas

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See Tables, 14+
Designer Jim Shafer used jovial greens and reds to accent this table at Norris Home Furnishings.

Her colleague, Ms. Bruni, has a long and storied history of holiday tables. She was a tabletop designer for Rosenthal china in Europe. Her favorite theme is a German Christmas, with red and green and snow, but like all good designers, she works within the space.

The Kittredge home on Marco has blue walls and white trim, which inspired the beach theme the designers used for the holiday table.

“We loved using the shell theme to get a beach look,” Ms. Bruni says. “We found a wreath that had shells the same colors as the table and used the flowers and crystals to get the Christmas feel.”

She advises homeowners to look at their own china first before going out and buying more. Put it on the table, she says, and match up the colors tone on tone.

“For the beach house, silver and gold, depending on what you have in your house, will help you achieve that Christmas on the beach that is not traditional, but is that classic Florida-style influenced from Key West,” she says.

Mrs. Kittredge trusted Ms. Atkins and Ms. Darwin with the design from start to finish, and she loves the resulting holiday table.

“Amanda can almost look at my face and know what I like and don’t like,” she says. “And she knows Christmas is my favorite holiday. But you could put a burger on one of these plates (instead of turkey and all the trimmings) and feel like you’re at The Ritz-Carlton,” she adds.

Having a decorated holiday table makes her want to host a dinner party.

“I already called my builder and his wife over just to see the table, and I plan to have them back for dinner,” she says. “I just want to share it with everyone.”

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Christmas flash and flair

Z Gallerie in Mercato is the DIY holiday-decorating headquarters. The store is known for sparkling accents throughout the year, but during the holidays, it really takes off.

Z Gallerie’s Nate BeMiller has a few suggestions for making the home sparkle and shine.

“Rich metallics in gold and silver are given a modern interpretation with bold Greek key and quatrefoil graphics, and this year we have many emerald items, which ground a Christmas setting perfectly,” Mr. BeMiller says. “Plus, we love to ring in the New Year with an abundance of glittering gold and silver accessories.”

He suggests employing layers of texture, color and thematic interest, including vases and candle accessories, to add depth to dinner-table settings.

Just south of Z Gallerie, at Norris Home Furnishings, interior designer Jim Shafer loves working with vibrant colors and interesting compositions for his holiday table.

“I used classic Christmas colors of red, green and gold in various shades to create pop and sparkle along with handblown crystal candelabras,” Mr. Shafer says. “I like to share some past treasured items with family or friends, to share our past and future, and build new collections of beautiful, meaningful pieces, one gift at a time.”

To create a unique holiday table, Mr. Shafer suggests mixing a variety of items to allow for a fresh, new look. He used the Maitland Smith rock crystal bowl for the centerpiece and chartreuse greens to give an old Christmas-classic color scheme a new crispness.

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Above and right: Z Gallerie is known for the sparkle and shine, especially gold and silver accents, on its holiday tables.
Diane Torrisi, one of Naples’ busiest holiday table designers, says as much as she loves Thanksgiving, she long anticipates Christmastime. She shopped for one-of-a-kind table accessories at local antique stores and this year has designed and unveiled a table of royal proportions.

Ms. Torrisi’s table is a nod to the days when Fabergé eggs, lots of rich, red velvet and golden accents adorned the holiday table — when Russian Tsars gathered their families and friends for lavish meals.

“One of the first movies I saw as a child was ‘Dr. Zhivago’ starring Omar Sharif, and I still vividly remember the sumptuous fabrics and deep jewelry colors of Imperial Russia,” she says. When Luxe Living asked her to design a table for our holiday story, she says, “I immediately imagined a table draped in red velvet, an abundance of crystal and gold that represents opulence, sumptuousness and luxury.”

Everything Ms. Torrisi collected and purchased is from a local shop. Her friends at Trimmers let her wander through their warehouses and pick and choose pieces she used for the centerpiece.

“I was able to find the perfect vintage china, crystal and silverware pieces at my ‘corner’ antique shop, Tucker’s Station, and had my seamstress sew the round tablecloth once I found the perfect red velvet,” she says of the table she plans to auction off to benefit her favorite charity, Humane Society of Naples.

Ms. Torrisi’s dream would be to return to Europe, where her dream client would be the Royal Family of Luxembourg.

“It would be the ultimate honor to design and execute a winter wonderland family Christmas Eve for them in their Chateau of Colmar Berg,” she says. “Christmas is a magical time to appreciate the world around us and our loved ones.”

Christmas is a dual holiday for Ms. Torrisi in that the family celebrates on Christmas Day but, as part of her European upbringing, they exchange gifts on Christmas Eve, which lends a magical glow to holiday tables and festivities.

“Candles flicker and reflect their glow in the silver and crystal, making women look more beautiful,” she says. In some cases, she adds, each meal dictates a different table setting.

“I grew up living with traditions of Old World charm and history combined with New World exuberance and color, so I can help clients decorate with either style or a mix of both,” she suggests.

Diane Torrisi’s table tips

>>> Don’t save your good china, crystal and silverware for only the most special of occasions. “Use it!” Ms. Torrisi urges. “Life is too short. Even orange juice tastes better out of a crystal goblet. This also allows your children and grandchildren to grow up appreciating the finer things in life.”

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Find holiday decorating inspiration at the Hamilton by Stock in Quail West

Stock Development invites the community to “Begin This Holiday Season with HOPE” by visiting the festively decorated Stock Signature Homes Hamilton model in Quail West from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 15-16, and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17. A $5 admission charge per family will be donated to HOPE Clubhouse, a community resource for people living with mental illness in Southwest Florida.

In the Tamworth neighborhood of Quail West, the Hamilton encompasses 3,800 square feet under air conditioning with mental illness in Southwest Florida.

Soco Interiors. A cool color palette of French gray, sea glass blue and creams is married to a blend of traditional metallic and stained wood pieces. In particular, the master suite features this mix of tranquil colors blended with clean-lined furnishings and just the right amount of traditional silk fabrics and a glamorous chandelier to anchor the space. An arched wall of windows lines the back of the home, where the open concept spills onto the lanai running the length of the exterior — a wonderland ready for outdoor Florida living, especially during the holiday season.

The interior of the Hamilton model was designed and executed by Jill Cotton, a principal at Winter Park-based Cotton Interiors. Cotton is the recipient of three national interior design awards.

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Holidays on high at ASID Showhouse in Tavira at Bonita Bay

Premier designers from the American Society of Interior Design-Florida South will create luxurious holiday-themed interiors designed to delight and inspire visitors at the 2013 ASID Holiday Showhouse. Open to the public, the event takes place from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at Tavira at Bonita Bay. In the spirit of giving, guests are asked to bring an unwrapped toy to be gifted to area children this holiday season.

With input from nearly a dozen of the area’s top interior designers, the Tavira penthouse “skyhome” will be transformed into a winter wonderland. The holiday tablapse on the dining room buffet will be by Denise Ward and Lori Christy of Denise Ward Interior Design; Christmas decorations in the kitchen will be by Aniko Brittingham of Aniko Designs and Mickey Dickson of Elliot Interiors. Pam Durkin of Pamela Durkin Designs will display creative ways to wrap gifts.

The recently debuted model designed by Barbara Roach Interior Environment will incorporate an 8-foot hand-welded metal Christmas tree sculpture by local artisans Janis Hopkins, Whitman Designs and Beverly’s Tropical Glass. The tree will complement the model’s rich lacquered exotic rosewoods, shiny metal accents and furnishings provided by International Design Source of Naples.

“We are thrilled to demonstrate the exciting possibilities of holiday interior design within the spectacular residences at Tavira,” says Emilio Sadez, owner of International Design Source, who helped organize ASID Holiday Showhouse at Tavira. “We hope visitors will find inspiration that will translate into their own homes this holiday season and beyond.”

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FRAMtiques releases new pieces in Vintage Beach House Collection

Naples-based FRAMtiques has expanded its Vintage Beach House Collection with seven new pieces.

Created by Julie Margaret, FRAMtiques’ bespoke framed British antique silverware collections combine elements of the beach with antique British flatware in a unique mix of nature and craftsmanship. The silverware ranges in age from the Georgian and Victorian eras of the 1700s and 1800s to the Edwardian era of the 1900s.

Displays can be custom tailored to any taste and color scheme and can also incorporate the customer’s own silverware. Prices begin at $350.

The new collection is available at Vintage Charm, 360 12th Ave. S. in Naples. For more information, visit www.FRAMtiques.com.

Local history repeats itself for Christmas at Palm Cottage

’Tis the season for “Christmas at Palm Cottage,” the time of year when the Naples Historical Society decorates its historic headquarters in an old-fashioned holiday theme. The decorations are in place and will remain for visitors to enjoy through 4 p.m. New Year’s Eve.

Thousands of twinkling lights illuminate Naples oldest house inside and out. This year’s event features docent-guided tours rather than an unattended walk-through, as well as a special exhibit of “seasonal” American cut glass representing Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. The pieces are on loan from the private collection of Barbara and Bill Meek.

“Christmas at Palm Cottage” hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays and 1-8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday. The house will be closed on Thanksgiving; on Friday, Dec. 6, for the NHS gala; and on Christmas.

Historic Palm Cottage and The Norris Gardens are at 137 12th Ave. S., at Gulfshore Boulevard one block east of the Naples Pier. Admission is $10 (free for NHS members and children younger than 10).

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A multi-million dollar sale in Estuary at Grey Oaks

The Savannah model home by Covelli Development Group in Estuary at Grey Oaks recently sold. The home at 1433 Nighthawk Pointe has six bedrooms, 7½ baths, a theater, wine room, a wood-paneled library and a five-care garage. Listing price was $6.995 million, furnished.

Interior designers Rebecca Errett-Pikosky and Charlie Hansen of Clive Daniel Home completed the interior of the 9,300-square-foot Savannah to reflect its West Indies-inspired architecture.

Covelli Development Group is one of the preferred custom-home builders at Estuary at Grey Oaks. The community is a joint venture between The Lutgert Companies and Barron Collier Companies. Premier Sotheby’s International Realty, the real estate division of The Lutgert Companies, is the exclusive sales and marketing representative of Estuary at Grey Oaks.

Model homes in Estuary at Grey Oaks are open daily. For more information, visit the sales center at 1220 Gordon River Trail, just west of Airport-Pulling Road, call 261-3484 or visit www.estuary-atgreyoaks.com.

Celebrity drummer’s contemporary Marco hideaway on the market

The Marco Island beach home of Tony Zarrella, the former drummer of Wicked Lester and original member of the band that became KISS, is on the market for $4.495 million. Yochi Melnick of Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate has the listing.

Mr. Zarrella, who became an architect after his musical career, designed the three-story, 4,600-square-foot residence.

“It has been a pleasure working with someone as creative and humble as Tony,” Ms. Melnick says. “Through his minimalistic and contemporary style designs, Tony has managed to create one of the most unique homes on Marco Island.”

A Zen-like design inspired by Frank Lloyd Wright, the house has four bedrooms, three bathrooms, heated pool and spa, private lanai and an observation deck offering a spectacular view of the Gulf of Mexico. Mr. Zarrella selected the site for its tranquil setting in Hideaway Beach.

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WCI Communities has opened two new furnished models in Terzetto at The Colony Golf & Bay Club. The neighborhood has low-rise buildings with golf and lake views.

With interior design by award-winning Beasley & Henley Interior Design of Naples and Winter Park, the new models represent the two floor plans that are available in Terzetto. Each with three bedrooms and 2½ baths, one of the designs has 2,100 square feet of living area and the other 2,624 square feet of living area. Each home occupies a single floor and offers an attached two-car garage, private elevator and staircase entries. Luxury features and finishes include granite kitchen countertops and tray ceilings, as well as wet bars in the second- and third-floor residences.

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For homeowners who want a makeover of this extent, Ms. Sladick adheres to three tried-and-true tips that she shares with her clients as they are about to begin renovations.

It begins with exploring all of the options. “By working with a design professional prior to remodeling, and by being honest about your budget, you can get the very best value for the dollar spent,” she advises. “Let your style be reflected in the project and make sure that you make choices you are comfortable with.”

It’s also important to trust the design/construction team you choose. “Remodeling can be a long and potentially stressful project, so it’s important to begin with people you have confidence in,” she says, adding personal references are a great way to begin.

She also stresses that homeowners should not be afraid to mix new and old together in the same space. As happens with every makeover, this project presented some challenges. Because it was in a much older building, the electric, plumbing and HVAC fixtures all had to be brought up to current standards — even in areas that were not touched by the remodel.

“This added to the length of time for permitting and inspections, and it also added to costs,” she says. “But in the long run, it gave the homeowners a safe and completely updated home.”

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Robotic/laparoscopic surgery is also used for gallbladder and colon resection, adenomyoma (adenosal gland resection), hernia repair, anti-reflux (GERD), appendectomy, and ventral and inguinal hernia repair.

As with any surgery, these benefits cannot be guaranteed since surgery is specific to each patient, condition and procedure. It is important to talk to your doctor about all treatment options, including the risks and benefits. This information can help you make the best decision for your situation.

**GERD treatments can be easy on the stomach**

GERD is a chronic digestive disease that occurs when stomach acid or, occasionally, bile flows back (refluxes) into your food pipe (esophagus). The backwash of acid irritates the lining of your esophagus and causes GERD signs and symptoms.

According to Dr. Domingo E. Galliano, “Some people are born with a naturally weak sphincter (LES). For others, however, fatty and spicy foods, certain types of medication, tight clothing, smoking, drinking alcohol, vigorous exercise or changes in body position (bending over or lying down) may cause the LES to relax, causing reflux. A hiatal hernia (a common term for GERD) may be present in many patients who suffer from GERD, but may not cause symptoms of heartburn.”

Signs and symptoms of GERD include acid reflux and heartburn. Both are common digestive conditions that most people experience from time to time.

When these signs and symptoms occur more than twice each week or interfere with your daily life, doctors term this GERD, says Dr. Galliano. In addition, most people can manage the discomfort of heartburn with lifestyle changes and over-the-counter medications. But for people with GERD, these remedies may offer only temporary relief.

Patients who do not respond well to lifestyle changes or medications, or those who continually require medications to control their symptoms, will have to live with their condition or may undergo a surgical procedure. Surgery is very effective in treating GERD.

Laparoscopic anti-reflux surgery (commonly referred to as laparoscopic Nissen fundoplication) involves reinforcing the “valve” between the esophagus and the stomach by wrapping the upper portion of the stomach around the lowest portion of the esophagus — much the way a bun wraps around a hot dog.

According to Dr. Galliano, “in a laparoscopic procedure, surgeons use small incisions (1/4 to 1/2 inch) to enter the abdomen through cannulas (narrow tube-like instruments). The laparoscope, which is connected to a tiny video camera, is inserted through the small incision, giving the surgeon a magnified view of the patient’s internal organs on a television screen. The entire operation is performed “inside” after the abdomen is expanded by inflating gas into it.”

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