Controversy separates man and canine best friends

BY LINDSEY NESMITH
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Vietnam veteran Mike Coslet is seeking a new home in either Collier, Lee or Charlotte county that will allow him to be reunited with his large dog, Lucas. The two were separated six weeks ago, after Mr. Coslet’s condominium changed hands and the new landlord decided Lucas would have to be relinquished if Mr. Coslet were to continue living there.

The main complication: The 6-year-old, 100-pound pooch is technically classified as a wolf dog (though local experts disagree with Mr. Coslet about the breed). In addition, Mr. Coslet is disabled and lives on a fixed income, which further complicates his house hunting.

He acquired Lucas from friends in Indiana who bred wolves with large domesticated dogs and believes Lucas to be one of the offspring, though staff at Shy Wolf Sanctuary in Collier County, where the dog is currently housed, don’t see any lupine resemblance in Lucas.

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Sen. Marco Rubio may not be running first in the Republican polls this week — he’s third, in fact — but I now have a hard time believing he won’t be the candidate who takes on the Democrats a year from now.

It’s a stellar rise since his days in the 1990s on the West Miami city council, or his years (2000 to 2009) in the Florida state legislature. And it’s especially impressive so soon after his failed bid to be named a vice president on the Mitt Romney ticket in 2012.

But Rubio for president offers a lot of appeal. For one thing, he’s poised and not quite so absurd-seeming as most of his Republican challengers. Jeb Bush is the exception, but Mr. Bush has now earned a reputation as weak and timid, a hard brand to beat in American politics.

Appealingly too, Sen. Rubio is still young, like John F. Kennedy (43 when elected) or Barack Obama (then 46) — he’ll be 45 on May 28, next year.

He also has marital stability, a huge plus for American politicians even if his personal finances have been a mess.

The senator has been married for about 18 years to a former cheerleader for the Miami Dolphins, Jeanette Dousdebes, whom he shares four children.

That will be a good thing if she shows any poise at all — a woman who has had little encouragement or apparent inclina- tion so far to appear in public on a grand scale.

And finally, the senator looks great in a dark suit.

The son of Cuban immigrant parents, theoretically he could give the Republi- cans the Latino vote, which has grown muscular in California, Texas and Florida. Those three states together include a whopping 109 Electoral College votes, not quite half of the 270 required to win the White House.

For all those reasons, I think Sen. Rubio is now the front-runner in all but the poll numbers. Those will change, especially since the Republicans now leading Sen. Rubio in the polls are ultimately laughing-stocks — Mr. Trump and Dr. Carson.

Republican voters, who may appreci- ate their theater, will prove nowhere near as impractical, as fractured or as foolish as their current leading candidates make them appear, when the time to pick a presidential candidate arrives.

What this means for Floridians, there- fore, let alone for other Americans, could be catastrophic — especially if Sen. Rubio cannot find a way to look beyond the self- serving and very narrow interests of his wealthy friends.

To put it in a nutshell, he has con- sistently supported those with powerful economic ambitions that conflict with the interests of most Americans, and — envi- ronmentally speaking — with most Flor- idians, both Republican and Democrat.

That fact has long been apparent.

In his 2012 memoir, “An American Son,” he recounted an evening in which he allowed Florida’s Fanjul family to court him in lavish style in the wealthy Hamp- tons, near New York City. Cuban immi- grants who own Florida Crystals, Dom- ino Sugar and other companies, along with vast land holdings around Lake Okeechobee, the Fanjuls are strong sup- porters of the senator.

“The Fanjuls suggested I spend Labor Day weekend in the Hamptons, where many of their friends and major Republi- can donors would spend the holiday,” Sen. Rubio wrote. “Jeanette and I stayed in Mark Gerson’s guest house. On Sunday night, Pepe (one of four Fanjul brothers) and Emilia Fanjul hosted a dinner for us on their boat, and they invited former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani. Rudy stayed for the entire dinner, and afterward we talked about my campaign.”

Since dirty water and a terribly consti- pated Everglades system that no longer cleans itself create massive financial bur- dens on communities all over southern Florida, from Sanibel on the west coast to Stuart on the east coast and from Orlando to Everglades City — and since other environmental thorns are now sticking in the sides of all of the state’s 20 million residents, whether they know it or not — such cynicism is a bad sign.

So it is Sen. Rubio’s voting record on environmental matters.

In 43 U.S. Senate votes affecting the environment between 2011 and the end of 2014, he voted against policies that would protect the environment and for powerful corporate interests 39 times, according to the League of Conservation Voters, which tracks U.S. Senators from each party.

He was against clean water protections, against climate change safeguards, against stopping industrial farm clean-water vio- lations, and against finding money for the Gulf Coast Restoration & Land and Water Fund, for example.

(In that case, he voted to hold insur- ance rates for flood zones below market rate, virtually guaranteeing more devel- opment in wetlands, forests and envi- ronments that can help reduce flood damage.)

In 20 votes this year, Sen. Rubio missed 14. But in the six votes he cast, he voted essentially not to worry about toxic tar sands byproducts; he voted to attack clean water provisions; he voted not to acknowledge climate change science; he voted for oil drilling on public lands; he voted not to require tar sands companies to pay for their spills; and he voted not to join in international efforts to limit climate change.

In the 14 votes he missed, he also missed significant opportunities to help his home state.

Those included putting up 10 million solar roofs in Florida and the nation, clean energy tax credits, closing the loopholes in old legislation that absolves companies practicing fracking from protecting clean water, and creating a land and water con- servation fund.

With 12 months to go in an already unpredictable election season, the sena- tor’s environmental record and his ambi- tions will help to clear the waters for corporate interests, and muddy them for a lot of other people.
Named One of the Top 50 Cardiovascular Hospitals in the Nation for 2014.
For the press, the debate about Obamacare is over. There may be a few proverbial Japanese soldiers wandering on isolated islands Yammering on about the failure of Obamacare, but word will eventually filter down to them, too.

This assumption is so deeply embedded that it is impervious to new evidence that Obamacare is an unwieldy contraption that is sputtering badly. Yes, Obamacare has covered more people and has especially benefited those with pre-existing conditions (to that, credit Republican replacement plans have to do these things, as well), but the program is so poorly designed that, surely, even a new Democratic president will want to revisit it to try to make it more workable. Enrollment is falling short. The Obama administration projects that it will have roughly 10 million people on the state and federal exchanges by the end of next year, a staggering climbdown from prior expectations. The Congressional Budget Office had predicted that there would be roughly 20 million enrollees.

Premiums are rising. Not everywhere, especially in some states. Indiana is down 12 percent, but Minnesota is up 50 percent. Health-care expert Robert Laszewski points out that it is in the insurers with the most enrollment and therefore the best information about actual enrollees who have tended to request the biggest increases — a sign that they don’t like what they’re seeing in their data. Relatedly, the economics are shaky. According to a McKinsey & Co. analysis, last year health insurers lost $2.5 billion in the individual market that Obamacare remade. Obamacare co-ops that were supposed to enhance choice and lower costs have been failing, and almost all of them are losing money, a victim of the absurd rules (no industry expertise on their boards, no raising capital in public markets, etc.) imposed on them by the law.

The problem with Obamacare in a nutshell is that on one hand, by imposing motley regulations and mandates, it increases the price of health insurance, and on the other hand, by providing subsidies, it tries to hide the cost — but not enough.

According to an analysis of the health consultancy Avalere, the poor or near-poor have been signing up, but enrollment steeply drops off further up the income scale as the subsidies fall away. It found that three-fourths of uninsured people earning less than 150 percent of the federal poverty level got covered through Medicaid or the exchanges, while a small fraction of the uninsured making more than 250 percent of the federal poverty level have enrolled.

For them, it’s just not a good deal. A study of the Obamacare by researchers at the Wharton School concluded that “even under the most optimistic assumptions, close to half of the formerly uninsured (especially those with higher incomes) experience the higher financial burden and lower estimated welfare.”

As Robert Laszewski points out, on the individual market, Obamacare is essentially a monopsony. It gives money to people to buy its product and then says that individual mandate punishes those who don’t. And yet it is still having trouble making the sale. The soldiers who haven’t given up yet are right — this isn’t over. ■

— Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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Give thanks and show your compassion for youth who are not as fortunate

BY DEBRA MAHR
Special to Florida Weekly

According to the 2015 Council on Homelessness, Florida school districts identified 71,446 children and youth who were homeless or unstably housed. In Collier County, Youth Haven is taking steps to ensure that no child sleeps on the streets. We do so by continuing to grow and expand our services to homeless youth.

Soon we will break ground on a new shelter that will allow us to house up to 24 teens at a time. We are also preparing to implement what we call a “transitional living track” for teens in our homeless and runaway youth program. The focus for participants is on education, career readiness and self-sufficiency, so that when they age out of foster care they will be better prepared for independent living.

The 2015 National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week is Nov. 14-22. The National Homeless Coalition chooses the week before Thanksgiving for this campaign because it is a time for us all to start thinking about what we are thankful for. It is a perfect time to share our compassion with our neighbors who are experiencing homelessness, and to work toward a world where no one has to experience hunger and homelessness.

The vast majority of youth do not become homeless by choice. Many different factors contribute to youth homelessness, such as destructive home environments, including physical and sexual abuse, substance abuse of a family member and parental neglect.

I’m sure we all agree that no child should face a night on the streets or become a victim of human trafficking or sexual exploitation because they lack a safe and stable home.

Youth Haven provides safe housing and supportive services for children ages 9-17 who lack parental or foster care. Intensive case management is a key component of the program and has been effective at improving emotional health, education and career goals. Building a trusting relationship is vital and it allows us to focus on the youth’s strengths and opportunities for growth. The program integrates strategies to reunify youth with their families when safe and possible. We also provide home-based parenting education, mental health and substance abuse prevention classes and counseling.

— Debra Mahr is director of the homeless and runaway youth program at Youth Haven. For more information about Youth Haven’s services and programs, including how you can get involved, visit youthhavenswfl.org, call 677-5651 or email debra.mahr@youthhavenswfl.org.
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IN THE END, THEIR STORIES FLOAT UPWARD LIKE FRAGILE ASH FROM AN OLD FIRE, JOINING OUR COLLECTIVE HISTORY TO LEAVE ONLY THEIR FACES AND THEIR ETERNAL RESOLVE.

HERE WE SHARE THOSE FACES WITH YOU — AN ASSEMBLY OF AMERICAN MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVED THE NATION IN WORLD WAR II, SOUTHWEST FLORIDIANS NOW LIVING QUIETLY AMONG US IN OLD AGE. THESE ARE THE CHAMPIONS OF PEACE ON EARTH.

WHAT THESE FACES HAVE SEEN REMAINS BOTH TRAGIC AND TRiumPHANT. THERE ARE OTHER FACES, TOO; THOSE WE COULDN’T LOCATE, THOSE WHO WISHED FOR ANONYMITY, AND THOSE WHO HAVE NOW SLIPPED INTO ETERNITY. WE SPENT TWO MONTHS SEARCHING FOR VETERANS THROUGHOUT COLLIER COUNTY. WE KNOW WE MISSED A FEW. Nevertheless, we salute them as well and invite them to contact us. A gallery of all 700 veterans that we tracked down throughout the state is available at FloridaWeekly.com.

THIS WEEK, WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II ON THE 70th ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF A CONFLICT THAT KILLED ROUGHLY 60 MILLION HUMANS ON THE PLANET. A MAJORITY OF THE WAR DEAD WERE CIVILIANS. BUT THE COMBATANTS, ALMOST ALL OF THEM YOUTH, ALSO SUFFERED HORRENDOUS LOSSES, A KNOWLEDGE THAT EXISTS IN EACH OF THESE FACES.

MORE THAN 400,000 AMERICANS WERE KILLED IN COMBAT BETWEEN 1941 AND 1945, LEAVING THE SURVIVORS TO SEW THE THREAD OF THEIR EXPERIENCE INTO THE FABRIC OF THE AMERICAN ADVENTURE — INTO OUR OWN CHARACTERS AND THOSE OF OUR CHILDREN.

BOTH LITERALLY AND FIGURATIVELY, THESE ARE OUR PARENTS. THEY CAME FROM A NATION OF GROWING CITIES AND SMALL TOWNS, OF SMALL FARMS AND SMALL BUSINESSES, A NATION OF MANY RELIGIONS AND NO INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS, NO INTERCONTINENTAL PLANE TRAVEL, NO TELEVISION AND ONLY JUST EMERGING FROM THE GREAT DEPRESSION.

THEY CAME FROM SUCH A NATION AND THEY DID THE RIGHT THING. WE REMAIN FOREVER GRATEFUL. — FW
HONORING OUR WWII HEROES

Henry Basil, 89
- Hometown: Minneapolis, Minn.
- Branch of military: Navy
- Rank/position: Ensign
- Stationed: Stateside

Naomi Beckner-Wilson, 96
- Hometown: Clinton, Ind.
- Branch of military: Navy
- Rank/position: Ensign, Nurse
- Stationed: Great Lakes, Ill.

George Beniash, 90
- Hometown: Bridgeport, Conn.
- Branch of military: Navy
- Rank/position: Enlisted, Weatherman
- Stationed: Khabarova, Siberia

David Blake, 94
- Hometown: Princeton, N.J.
- Branch of military: Army Air Corps
- Rank/position: 2nd Lieutenant
- Stationed: Stateside

Roger Broeker, 95
- Hometown: Mineola, N.Y.
- Branch of military: Army Air Corps
- Rank/position: 1st Lieutenant
- Stationed: England

Evelyn Brooks, 93
- Branch of military: Home Front worker

JOE ROSENTHAL / ASSOCIATED PRESS
Celebrating the surrender of Japan, in New York City they threw anything and kissed anybody in Times Square. — Aug. 14, 1945.
“No amphibious attack in history has approached this one in size. Along miles of coastline there were hundreds of vessels and small boats afloat and ant-like files of advancing troops ashore.”

— President Dwight Eisenhower
OUR WWII HEROES

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Albert Lukas, 95
Branch of military: Navy
Rank/position: Lieutenant
Stationed: Alaskan Islands

Charles Holland, 94
Branch: Navy, Air Force
Rank/position: Petty Officer 2nd Class
Stationed: Pacific Theater

Joseph Imrich, 94
Hometown: Czechoslovakia
Branch: 8th Air Force
Rank/position: 1st Lieutenant
Stationed: European Theater

Art Johnson, 98
Hometown: New York City
Branch of military: Navy
Rank/position: Seaman 1st Class
Stationed: Cuba

Jim Johnson, 95
Hometown: Camden, N.J.
Branch of military: Marines
Rank/position: Master Sergeant
Stationed: Guadalcanal

Samuel Kandel, 93
Hometown: Pittsburgh, Pa.
Branch of military: Army
Rank/position: Interrogator, Translator
Stationed: Germany

Bob Kasper, 94
Hometown: Detroit, Mich.
Branch: Army Air Corps
Rank/position: 1st Lieutenant
Stationed: England, Pacific Theater

John Keane, 88
Hometown: New York City
Branch of military: Navy
Rank/position: Aviator
Stationed: New York City

Dr. Gordon Kemp, 91
Hometown: Lebanon, Penn.
Branch: Army and Navy
Rank/position: Lieutenant
Stationed: Preble, Ohio

George Kessel, 90
Hometown: Okinawa, Iwo Jima
Branch of military: Army
Rank/position: PFC
Stationed: Iwo Jima

Robert Klein, 92
Hometown: Highland Park, Ill.
Branch of military: Marine
Rank/position: Sergeant

Robert Knapp, 89
Hometown: Milwaukee, Wis.
Branch of military: Navy
Rank/position: Aviation Machinist Mate, 2nd Class
Stationed: European Theater

Charles Turner Lanham Jr., 88
Hometown: Louisville, Ky.
Branch: Army Air Corps
Rank/position: Captain
Stationed: Philippine Islands

Donald Lindstedt, 95
Hometown: Montebello, Iowa
Branch of military: Army
Rank/position: PFC, Technical Intelligence
Stationed: Philippines, Japan

Ray Linsenmeyer, 84
Hometown: Pittsburgh, Pa.
Branch of military: Navy
Rank/position: Seabees

J. Barry Loughridge, 89
Branch of military: Navy
Rank: Signalman 3rd Class
Stationed: USS New York, South Pacific, Iwo Jima, Okinawa

Albert Lukas, 89
Branch of military: Navy

William Lynch, 92
Hometown: Highland Park, Ill.
Branch of military: Marine
Rank/position: 1st Lieutenant, Flight Instructor

Jim Lytle, 97
Hometown: New York City
Branch of military: Navy
Rank/position: Lieutenant Jg
Stationed: Pacific Theater

Jim MacDonald, 90
Hometown: New York City
Branch of military: Navy
Rank/position: Lieutenant Jg
Stationed: Pacific Theater

Donald Magrane, 89
Hometown: Long Island, N.Y.
Branch: Army Air Force
Rank/position: Private

Robert Maher, 93
Hometown: Chicago
Branch of military: Army
Rank/position: Private
Stationed: European Theater
HONORING OUR WWII HEROES


“I have a letter from Harry Truman.”
— Murray Zucker,

Young and eager to serve

Murray Zucker is “only” 86. That means he was a lad of 16 when World War II ended in 1945. But the young Mr. Zucker was eager to join and serve, so in August 1946, a year after the atom bombs convinced Japan to surrender, he joined the Army. By the time he was 18, he was an infantry platoon sergeant. Yes, the war was over, but he was and is considered part of the wartime military.

“I have a letter from Harry Truman,” he says.

Here is the text of the president’s letter:

“To you who answered the call of your country and served in its Armed Forces to bring about the total defeat of the enemy, I extend the heartfelt thanks of a grateful nation. As one of the Nation’s finest, you undertook the most severe task one can be called upon to perform. Because you demonstrated the fortitude, resourcefulness and calm judgment necessary to carry out that task, we now look to you for leadership and example in further exalting our country in peace.”

— Glenn Miller

UNITED STATES NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Pleased over their victory during the Marshall Islands attack, pilots grin across the tail of an F6F Hellcat on board the USS LEXINGTON, after shooting down 17 out of 20 Japanese planes heading for Tarawa.

— Comdr. Edward Steichen, November 1943.

UNITED STATES NATIONAL ARCHIVES
Placing Nazis in bombsights

More than 70 years ago, Roger Broeker, now 95, was a first lieutenant in what was known as the Eighth Air Force, which was part of the United States Army Air Force. At its peak, about the time Mr. Broeker was assigned to it in England, it could send 2,000 four-engine bombers and 1,000 fighters on a single mission.

Mr. Broeker didn’t go on those missions. As a squadron armaments officer, he had to make sure the planes in his squadron were properly loaded and the top secret Norden bombsights were working on the B-24s he handled.

— Glenn Miller

Looking for secrets

Don Lindstedt is now 95, but when World War II ended in 1945, he was a young Army PFC. He had already served in the Philippines, and with the war over he was assigned to Japan as part of what he calls a “technical intelligence” outfit. Their mission was going to Japanese military bases — “To see what kind of weapons they had that we didn’t know about,” Mr. Lindstedt says. “We didn’t find anything we didn’t already know about,” he adds.

— Donald Lindstedt

▲ Landing on the coast of France under heavy Nazi machine gun fire are these American soldiers, shown just as they left the ramp of a Coast Guard landing boat.

— CPhoM. Robert Sargent, June 6, 1944
William Shanahan, 80  ■  Hometown: Bronx, N.Y.  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank/position: PFC  ■  Stationed: Third Army Band

Dr. Raymond Pfister, 90  ■  Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio  ■  Branch of military: Army Air Force  ■  Stationed: Stalag 17B

Dick Plam, 97  ■  Hometown: Circleville, Ohio  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank/position: Captain  ■  Stationed: European Theater


Frank Provenzano, 86  ■  Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank: Lieutenant Colonel  ■  Stationed: England, Utah Beach, Normandy

Charles Baye, 86  ■  Hometown: Lynn, Mass.  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank/position: Corporal  ■  Stationed: Germany

Stephan Relvas, 91  ■  Hometown: Nashua, N.H.  ■  Branch: Army Air Corps  ■  Rank/position: Corporal  ■  Stationed: Okinawa, Guam

Joseph Richards, 95  ■  Hometown: Sellersburg, Ind.  ■  Branch of military: Army Corps of Engineers  ■  Rank: Technical Sergeant  ■  Stationed: Calif, Burma Road


John Salzer, 93  ■  Hometown: Pittsburgh, Penn.  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank: Staff Sergeant,诸葛长官  ■  Stationed: Normandy, Northern France, Central Europe

Robert Sargeant, 96  ■  Hometown: Sydney, Ohio  ■  Branch of military: Army

Irek Savage, 96  ■  Hometown: Miami  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank/position: Colonel  ■  Stationed: European Theater (Italy)

Robert Scharnoff, 87  ■  Hometown: Duluth, Minn.  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank/position: Engineer 4th Grade  ■  Stationed: Japan

Martha Hutchins Schelling, 96  ■  Hometown: Minneapolis  ■  Branch of military: Navy  ■  Rank/position: Ensign, Nursing Corps  ■  Stationed: Rhode Island, Massachusetts


Leonard Seidl, 95  ■  Hometown: Luxembourg, Wis.  ■  Branch of military: Army Air Corps  ■  Rank/position: Lieutenant  ■  Stationed: Victoria, Calif


William Shanahan, 80  ■  Hometown: Chicago, Ill.  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank/position: Pilot  ■  Stationed: Third Army Band

John Sheldon, 97  ■  Hometown: White Plains, N.Y.  ■  Branch: Army Air Corps  ■  Rank/position: Bird Colonel  ■  Stationed: China

Don Shreve, 88  ■  Hometown:3  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank/position: Sergeant  ■  Stationed: Paris, France

Jim Sims, 93  ■  Hometown: Tiny, Ohio  ■  Branch of military: Navy  ■  Rank/position: Lieutenant  ■  Stationed: Korea

Josiah Smith, 90  ■  Hometown: Minneapolis, Minn.  ■  Branch of military: Army  ■  Rank/position: Surgical Technician  ■  Stationed: European Theater

HONORING OUR WWII HEROS

Honor to the following veterans for their service:

Leo Stiriopoulos, 91
- Branch of military: Air Force
- Rank/position: Corporal

Bette Saunders, 89
- Hometown: Libertyville, Ill.
- Branch: Army WAC
- Rank/position: Enlisted Personnel
- Stationed: Stateside

Glen Sparer, 89
- Hometown: Chicago
- Branch of military: Army
- Rank/position: Staff Sergeant
- Stationed: Pacific Theater

Bob Statzell, 91
- Hometown: Roswell, Iowa
- Branch of military: Navy
- Rank/position: 2nd Lieutenant
- Stationed: Stateside

Don Talton, 90
- Hometown: Trenton, N.J.
- Branch of military: Army
- Rank/position: Corporal
- Stationed: European Theater

Richard Timbers, 88
- Hometown: Cleveland, Ohio
- Branch: Marines
- Rank/position: Corporal, 2nd Infantry Division
- Stationed: Okinawa, Hiroshima

Dr. Joe Trotzig, 91
- Hometown: Vermillion, S.D.
- Branch of military: Army
- Rank/position: Captain
- Stationed: Denver, Colo.

Peter Thomas, 91
- Hometown: Pensacola
- Branch of military: Army, 1st Infantry Division
- Rank/position: Corporal
- Stationed: European Theater

Ralph Wahl, 93
- Hometown: Aberdeen, S.D.
- Branch of military: Army
- Rank/position: Lieutenant Commander
- Stationed: South Pacific

Doris Weber, 93
- Hometown: Long Island, N.Y.
- Branch: Navy Air Corps
- Rank/position: Corporal
- Stationed: Austin

Florence Weinstein, 91
- Hometown: Portsmouth, Ohio
- Branch of military: Women’s Army Corps
- Rank/position: Private
- Stationed: Stateside

Richard “Pappy” Wagner, 90
- Hometown: West Union, Ohio
- Branch: Marine Corps, 2nd Marine Division
- Rank/position: Corporal
- Stationed: Guam, Iwo Jima

Rudolph Walter Jr., 89
- Hometown: Long Island, N.Y.
- Branch: Army Air Corps
- Rank/position: Corporal
- Stationed: Austin

Joseph Welsh, 86
- Hometown: Danville, Ill.
- Branch of military: Navy
- Rank/position: Chief Electrician
- Stationed: Pacific Theater

Robert Worsham, 82
- Hometown: Columbus, Wis.
- Branch: Army Air Force
- Rank/position: 1st Lieutenant
- Stationed: England, France, Germany

* POW for seven months
Purple Heart and Silver Star

Photos of veterans returning from the most recent Collier County Honor Flight, page A20
HONORING OUR WWII HEROS

Robert Wolfsohn, 93
■ Hometown: Buffalo, N.Y.
■ Branch of military: Army
■ Rank: Captain, dentist
■ Stationed: Scotland, France, Belgium, Germany, Czechoslovakia

Richard Zink, 91
■ Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio
■ Branch: Navy
■ Rank/position: Fire Controlman, Petty Officer 2nd Class
■ Stationed: South Pacific

Robert Yoder, 97
■ Hometown: Shaker Heights, Ohio
■ Branch of military: Navy
■ Rank/position: Lieutenant
■ Stationed: San Diego, Calif.

Murray Zucker, 86
■ Branch of military: Army
■ Rank/position: Sergeant
■ Stationed: California

A feat of endurance
Robert Klein, now 92, went into combat more than 70 years ago as an Army sergeant in Europe and didn’t come out for 61 days. “I didn’t change clothes,” he recalls of that two-month stretch. He was in combat so long he lost track of time. “I didn’t know it was 61 days,” he says.
When he was finally relieved of duty, Mr. Klein spent months in hospitals recovering from numerous types of infections. “The doctors didn’t think I’d live,” he says. But he did. He fooled the doctors. And he earned a Bronze Star for his heroism and devotion to duty.

“A piece of the airplane went in one side of my leg and out the other.”
— Clybourne “Bud” Crouch

Flying a B-25 over Biak
Clybourne “Bud” Crouch, 92, flew a B-25 in Southeast Asia during World War II. Once, though, his plane wasn’t a friend.
“A piece of the airplane went in one side of my leg and out the other,” he says. At the time, he was a second lieutenant based in Port Moresby, New Guinea. He went on 15 missions for which the small island of Biak was a target. He was injured during a hard landing after one of those missions, when his plane had only two wheels available.
“‘The Army did a good job of putting me back together,’” he says.
— Glenn Miller

Seeing Hiroshima after the Bomb
Richard Timbers was 17 when he dropped out of high school to join the Marines in 1945. He arrived on Okinawa after the fighting. While there, he and other Marines prepared for an invasion of Japan that never happened.
The death toll from such an assault would have been enormous. After President Harry Truman ordered atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the Japanese surrendered.
Mr. Timbers rode a train through Hiroshima shortly after it was devastated.
“I feel so grateful to be alive,” the 88-year-old says.
— Glenn Miller

TBF (Avengers) flying in formation over Norfolk, Va.
— Lt. Comdr. Horace Bristol, September 1942

A U.S. Infantry anti-tank crew fires on Nazis who machine-gunned their vehicle, somewhere in Holland.
— W. F. Stickle, Nov. 4, 1944

“Happy veterans head for harbor of Le Havre, France, the first to be sent home and discharged under the Army’s new point system.”
— Pf. Stedman, May 25, 1945

UNITED STATES NATIONAL ARCHIVES
AIA lectures for the public focus on design, culture and sustainability

The American Institute of Architects-Florida Southwest Chapter continues its fall lecture series with distinguished guest speakers who are nationally recognized in design, culture and sustainability. All who are interested in the built and natural environment are welcome to attend the two programs remaining in the 2015 series.

Both lectures are at Miromar Design Center. Cocktail receptions begin at 6 p.m. and the programs start at 7:30 p.m. Admission is $25 for AIA members, $30 for others and free for students with college or high-school IDs. Cash, check, debit or credit will be accepted at the door but reservations are encouraged and can be made through Eventbrite.

Here’s what’s coming up:

■ Thursday, Nov. 19: “Cuba 2.0” with photographer Anthony Gargano – Cuba was the playground of the Caribbean in the late 1940s and early 1950s. Agriculture and tourism thrived. The architecture was majestic and grand, yet as colorful and playful as the music and culture. The Communist takeover 60 years ago altered the political landscape. It rearranged the priorities of the people but didn’t extinguish their spirit or pride of heritage.

Although neglected, and in some cases decaying, gems of Cuban architecture still survive. The beauty of the past and promise of the future can be seen throughout the city of Havana and the countryside in the built environment and the faces of the population.

Traveling under a U.S. State Department license to the recently thawed relations, professional photographer Anthony Gargano has captured the color and style of the country and the character of its people through his photography.

This lecture coincides with AIA-Florida Southwest Chapter annual member meeting. 2015 AIA Florida President Andy Hayes and AIA Florida Executive Director Vicki Long will be in attendance.

■ Thursday, Dec. 3: “Building Community” with Steve Dumez, principal at Eskew+Dumez+Ripple – Mr. Dumez and his partners received the AIA Architecture Firm of the Year award in 2014. They are a New Orleans-based, multidisciplinary design studio widely known for creating timely architecture, interior and urban spaces. Mr. Dumez will discuss the firm’s commitment to civic life and sustainability regardless of scale, budget, scope or complexity, based on the belief that creating better communities requires more than simply designing good buildings.

This lecture coincides with AIA-Florida Southwest Chapter’s annual design awards and holiday party.
Food bank needs 10,000 Thanksgiving turkeys

The Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida needs to provide about 10,000 turkeys and chickens for families in need this Thanksgiving. The community can help by donating frozen holiday birds or making a financial contribution by Monday, Nov. 20. It costs the food bank about $14 to purchase and distribute each holiday bird through its network partner agencies.

Drop off frozen turkeys or chickens at the food bank warehouse at 2221 Corporate Blvd. from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Financial donations can also be made online at harrychapinfoodbank.org or mailed to 2221 Corporate Blvd., Naples, FL 34109.

The food bank solicits, collects and distributes food to families in need in Collier, Hendry, Charlotte and Glades counties. During fiscal year 2014-15, it provided 18.4 million pounds of food to its partner agencies and programs, equivalent to more than 15 million meals. Organizations that receive the food include soup kitchens, food pantries, children’s food programs, senior programs, residential programs and shelters.

For more information, call 334-7007 or visit the website.

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Action Automatic Door & Gate welcomes simply used cell phones for the Cell Phones for Soldiers program that provides active duty soldiers and veterans with free communication services and emergency funding. This year the company has collected more than 10,000 phones; those that cannot be put into service are sold for recycling, with proceeds benefiting the mission.

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As custodian of public records in Collier County, the Clerk of the Circuit Court makes information easily accessible to citizens on the website collierclerk.com. The office also offers free seminars to familiarize the public with the website. The next workshop takes place from 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18, at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. Dwight Brock, Clerk of the Circuit Court, will show participants how simple it is to:
- Find out if someone has a court record.
- Look up a mortgage, a deed or homeowner association documents.
- Pay a traffic citation.
- File a tenant eviction.
- Apply for a passport or a marriage license.

Although attendance is free, reservations are recommended. Call 262-4130 or visit collierclerk.com. Records search instructions can also be printed from the website.

Here’s where Collier County Sheriff’s Office traffic-enforcement deputies will be the week of Nov. 16-20:

Monday, Nov. 16: Naples Boulevard: Aggressive driving
- U.S. 41 East and Commercial Drive: Red-light running
- Golden Gate Parkway and 44th Street SW: Aggressive driving

Tuesday, Nov. 17: Collier Boulevard and Tuscany Cove Drive: Speeding
- Bayshore Drive and Botanical Place Circle: Speeding
- Immokalee Road and Juliet Boulevard: Red-light running

Wednesday, Nov. 18: Airport-Pulling and Vanderbilt Beach roads: Red-light running
- Pine Ridge Road and Naples Boulevard: Aggressive driving
- White and Weber boulevards: Aggressive Driving

Thursday, Nov. 19: Wilson and Immokalee boulevards: Speeding
- Vanderbilt Beach Road and Island Walk Circle: Speeding
- Davis Boulevard and Market Street: Aggressive driving

Friday, Nov. 20: Golden Gate Parkway and I-75 southbound exit: Red-light running
- Airport-Pulling Road and Glades Boulevard: Red-light running
- Collier Boulevard and U.S. 41 East: Speeding

Watch out for traffic deputies

Tune up your driving skills at AARP class

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

Cost is $15 for AARP members, $20 for others. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the number listed with the session you wish to attend. Here’s what’s coming up where. Unless otherwise noted, classes are from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.:

Monday, Nov. 16: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Barrington Terrace, 3505 Tamiami Trail East; 732-5810.

Tuesday, Nov. 17: Christus Victor Lutheran Church, 1660 Tamiami Trail; 269-6050.

Wednesday, Nov. 18: Germain Toyota, 13111 Tamiami Trail; 269-6050.

Thursday, Nov. 19: Marco Island Lutheran Church, 525 Collier Blvd.; (734) 968-3105.

Friday, Nov. 20: South County Regional Library, 21800 Three Oaks Parkway, Estero; 947-4727.

Because of recent statistics that show older drivers are at higher risk for tickets and accidents, the Florida Highway Patrol, Collier County Sheriff’s Office and the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles are offering a series of free one-day classes to help older drivers refresh their driving skills and reduce their risk for tickets and accidents.

The classes are open to residents over age 55, and will include a presentation on Florida’s traffic laws and new laws affecting older drivers, tips on how to prevent accidents and how to stay safe on Florida’s roads.

All classes begin promptly at 9 a.m., and end by 3:30 p.m. Reservations are required, and can be made by calling the number listed with the session you wish to attend. Unless otherwise noted, classes are from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For a complete list of classes, go to aarp.org/retirement/safety-driving-training, or to fhp.state.fl.us/education/older-driver-safety-classes.

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LUCAS

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“Our assessment is that we don’t see any wolf in him,” says Deanna Deppen, president of the nonprofit sanctuary. “He’s just a big, mixed breed dog. But because he was labeled as a wolf dog, he was referred to us.”

Lucas was barely a month old when Mr. Coslet acquired him. The two were constant companions, the dog becoming increasingly dependent on and protective of the Navy veteran.

“I guess I’ve been the only person he’s ever had,” Mr. Coslet says. “I raised him. We get along really well together because we’re always together. I protect him and he protects me.”

Mr. Coslet says when he was told on Aug. 1 that his canine companion could no longer reside with him in his rented east Fort Myers condo, he approached a number of shelters to take the dog but was refused when he referred to the animal as a wolf dog.

“I took him just about everywhere there was to take him,” he says. He eventually took Lucas to Shy Wolf Sanctuary, which specializes in providing refuge to wolves and wolf dogs.

Ms. Deppen is hoping someone in the community has a home with a fenced yard to offer Mr. Coslet so the pair can be reunited.

Ms. Deppen estimates that expenses for Lucas’ care or who has information about rental property for Mr. Coslet should call the sanctuary at 455-1968 or email info@shywolfsanctuary.com. For more information about captive wildlife permitting, visit myfwc.com.

A Shy Wolf Sanctuary volunteer gets an enthusiastic greeting from Lucas.

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■ The 2015 Walk to End Alzheimer’s sets out at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at Fleischmann Park. Registration is free, but donations are appreciated. Sign up online at act.alz.org or starting at 9 a.m. on the day of the event. For more information, call (800) 272-3900 or visit the website.

■ Naples Alliance for Children hosts its annual Whirl & Twirl hula-hoop contest from 9 a.m. to noon Sunday, Nov. 15, at Cambier Park. To register a team, call 513-7990 or visit napleschild.org.

■ Relay For Life hosts a mini non-competitive walk for dogs and their owners from 1-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15 at Mercato. The event features agility courses, dog contests, people contests, “pup-cakes,” adoptable dogs, demonstrations and vendors. Guests can also register a team for the upcoming 2015 RelayFor Life on Friday, April 15. For more information, email naplesbark@comcast.net or visit relayforlife.org/barknaplesfl.

■ The Immokalee Foundation 2015 Charity Classic Pro-Am golf tournament takes place Monday, Nov. 16, at Bay Colony Golf Club. The tournament begins with a 9:30 a.m. shotgun start after players are paired with one of more than two dozen professionals. Registration starts at $50,000 and includes two tickets to the 2015 Charity Classic Celebration dinner and auction Friday, Nov. 20, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. For more information, call 430-9122 or visit immokaleefoundation.org.

■ The Sunshine Kids Celebrity Golf Classic kicks off at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, at the Bonita Bay Club. Registration is $125 for golf, $25 for lunch and Thursday night gala. For more information, call 659-2429 or visit myab.co.

■ The Rookery Bay Adventure Race sets out at 8 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, and includes a 1K kayak paddle along Henderson Creek and a 4K trail run at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center. New this year is a 5K trail-run-only category. Participants will receive a T-shirt, post-race refreshments. Registration is $20-30. For more information or to register, call 530-9977 or visit rookerybay.org.

■ The annual Gobble Gobble 4-Miler to benefit St. Matthew’s House sets out at 7 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, at The Village on Venetian Bay and will feature four events: the one-mile walk/run, the competitive chip-timed run, a four-mile walk/run and a children’s dash. Registration is $2-$20 and fundraising is encouraged. For more information or to register, visit gobblegobblenaples.com.

■ Gulf Coast Runners hosts its third annual Thanksgiving 5K starting at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, at Cambier Park. The route winds through downtown Naples and features four events: the one-mile walk/run, the competitive chip-timed run, a four-mile walk/run and a children’s dash. Registration is $2-$20 and fundraising is encouraged. For more information, call 404-7007 or visit gcrunner.org.

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

■ Collier County Public Schools hosts the inaugural CCPS 5K Walk-Run at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, at the district’s administrative campus on Osceola Drive, where a health fair and family yoga class will also be held. Proceeds benefit the district’s health and wellness initiatives for students. Registration is $30-$50. Call 377-0299 or email morsell@collierschools.com.

■ The Hardwig Family hosts the third annual Scramble for Sarah at 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, at Tiburon Golf Club at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. The day begins with lunch followed by a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Proceeds benefit Lighthouse of Collier Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Registration is $150. For more information, call 480-3934 or visit lighthouseofcollier.org.

■ Girls on the Run of Collier County hosts the second annual Reindeer Run 5K starting at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, at North Naples Regional Park. Participants can choose routes from 1.5 to 6 miles. Brunch will be served after the walk. Onsite registration starts at 8:30 the day of the event. For more information or to sign up now, call 352-4310 or visit babybascollie.org.

■ Harry Chapin Food Bank of South Florida hosts the 2016 WINK News Feeds Families Hunger Walk on Saturday morning, Jan. 16, at Miromar Outlets. The 2-mile, non-competitive family and pet-friendly walk is the organization’s biggest fundraiser to feed children, families, seniors and others through the food bank’s network of 150 partner agencies. Supporters are encouraged to form teams to raise money for the cause. Same-day registration is at 8:30 a.m. For more information or to register, call 334-7007 or visit harrychapinfoodbank.org.

■ TD Bank Naples hosts the 10th annual Bike, Brunch & Family Festival at 8 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, at Lowdermilk Park. The event features several bike rides, a walk down Fifth Avenue South, a dog parade, kids activities and more. Several registration types are available, including a family package that is $70-85. Registration for rides is $40-60 and the parade is $15-30. Proceeds benefit the Naples Pathways Coalition. For more information or to register, call 777-7718 or visit naplespathwayscoali-
tion.org.

■ Email items to lnesmith@floridasweekly.com.
New exhibit uses picturebooks to introduce the Holocaust story

The newest exhibit at the Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida, “Picturebook History: Telling the Story to Children,” explores how picturebooks help introduce children to the subject of the Holocaust and war. Created in-house, the exhibit features several books that were either written expressly for, or created by, children. Two books show children’s reactions, in their own words and artwork, to the wars being fought around them.

“Picturebook History” also profiles how the featured books came to life, from initial ideation through publication. On display are original, annotated manuscripts, rough illustration sketches and finished artwork.

The museum welcomes the public to several exhibit-related events free of charge. Reservations are required, however, and can be made by calling 263-9200.

“Inspiration and Process” presentations feature authors Ruth Vander Zee and Maggie Gadsby along with illustrator Bill Farnsworth. They discuss their creative processes in working with the sensitive subject of the Holocaust. Presentations are:
- 4:30-6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, with Ms. Vander Zee and Mr. Farnsworth
- 4:30-5:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, with Ms. Gadsby

Created especially with the 8-to-12-year-old audience in mind, “Snacks & Stories” events will encourage budding authors and artists to show off their talents creating and illustrating their own stories. Amy Snyder, executive director of the museum and education center, will direct the activities. Presentations are:
- 12:30-1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15
- 12:30-1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6

For more information about “Picturebook History: Telling the Story to Children” or about other exhibits and programs at the Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida, call 263-9200 or visit holocaustmuseumswfl.org.
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Annals of justice

A 2015 decision of the Georgia Supreme Court has created a puzzle for drunk driver enforcement. In Georgia (and other states), blood alcohol tests are “voluntary” (to bypass the issue of whether drivers can be forced, or even pressured, to endure a test that ultimately helps to convict them), but the Georgia court has ruled, against custom, that a “consenting” driver might be “too” drunk to appreciate the consent — in which case, the test results would be inadmissible in court. Equally awkward, prosecutors would be forced to argue that the drunk driver — too drunk to handle a motor vehicle — was still sober enough to give knowledgeable consent. Atlanta’s WSB-TV reported in October that judges statewide are grappling with the issue.

Recurring themes

- Funerals and burials, in the United States and elsewhere, are no longer always so staid. Most famously, one man was, per his instructions, lowered to the ground inside his beloved Cadillac; dressing-corpse-
es in fanciful outfits (such as the Green Lantern) is not unheard of. In October, after Mr. Omar Ayango Collazo, 23, was killed in a shootout in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the family outfitted his body in his favorite blue tracksuit and propped him up at a table in his mother’s tavern (“playing” dominos and holding a drink and a cou-
donut). His friends and relatives passed by to pay their respects.

- The list of all-time extreme body modifiers would start with the late Den-
nis “Stalking Cat” Arner (who increment-
ally cut, chopped, tattooed, pierced and implan-
ted just about anything into his body to make himself a “human feline”) and the similarly obsessive Erik “Lizardman” Sprague, who at one time touched the ground with the Jim Rose Circus. Newer to the scene is Britain’s Ted Richards, 57, working to become a human parrot. With 110 colorful tattoos, 50 piercings and a split tongue, he currently seeks a surgeon to turn his nose into a beak. Even without the beak, though, Mr. Richards says becoming parrotlike “is the best thing that has hap-
pened to me.” (London’s Daily Telegraph, July 29).

- In October, a 20-year-old man in Macomb Township, Mich., became the most recent alleged drunk driver to reveal himself in the most awkward of ways: by acciden-
tally running into the midst of a sheriff’s deputies’ roadside stop — of another alleged drunk driver. (Coinciden-

tally both arrestees are 20 and registered matching 0.17 blood-alcohol readings.)

- College “Inclusiveness” to the Next Level: “Service” animals (mostly guide-
s) are on the rise, being specially trained to provide help for people with dis-

capabilities, but untrained “comfort” animals are also privileged for those diagnosed with panic attacks or depression. In an October report on college students hop-
ing to keep their pets in no-animal dorms, The New York Times noted that school officials have entertained student requests for the “comfort” of (besides dogs and cats) lizards, potted trees, parrots, turtles, ferrets, guinea pigs, and “sugar gliders” (nocturnal, flying, six-ounce Australian marsupials). Informal Justice Department guidelines rule out only animals that are aggressive or destruc-
tive or that trigger other students’ allergies.

- Raised Right — or Snitch-in-Training? In September, Audrey McCollin, 25, traf-

ci-stoppped in Randolph County, Ind., for driving “erratic(ally),” became the latest parent ratted out by her child. When Mom denied having been drinking, Dad, 27, blurted out, “Yes, you have, Mom.” Ms. McCollin registered 0.237, had nearly hit another officer’s car head-on, and was so hammered that she “urged” a different offi-
cer to “shoot her in the head.”

- A chapter of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals undertook one of its favorite consciousness-raising tactics in August, demanding that Pennsylvania officials erect a roadside grave marker near Lancaster at the spot where a tractor-trailer hauling 80 pigs overturned, killing several of them. The “terrified animals” that suf-
fered traumatic deaths should be memo-

rialized by the community, PETA said. The pigs, course of would, have eventually found their way to a slaughterhouse, and it is possible that the ones euthanized as a result of the accident passed more peace-

fully than the “survivors.”

- In October, The Washington Post and the New York Post separately reported recent episodes of government agencies keeping high-earning employees on the payroll for more than a year, with no job assignment, because the agencies were unable to adjudicate their misconduct cases. Almost 100 federal Homeland Secu-

rity employees turned up in a Washington Post Freedom of Information Act request, and one information technology analyst was a new hire housed 80 pigs overturned, killing several of them. The “terrified animals” that suf-
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James Bond’s largest collection is much closer than you think

As the new James Bond movie hits theaters, it’s hard not to get excited. The timeless allure of the cars, gadgets, and bravado that make up Ian Fleming’s agent 007 has created the longest running film franchise in history. But as “Spectre” gives us a new taste of the British swagger we crave, most of his charm is already parked right in our backyard.

The Miami Auto Museum at the Dezer Collection is the world’s largest privately held display of all things James Bond — genuine movie vehicles, props, memorabilia, etc. Since 2012 it has been the home to everything from the secret agent’s wristwatches to a Russian T-55 tank.

Of course the first vehicle everyone looks for is the iconic 1963 Aston Martin DB5 from the movie “Goldfinger.” Beyond the British dynamics wrapped in a sexy Italian suit, this car was modified by Q Branch to have a rotating license plate, machine gun lights, and even a GPS-like tracking system. But it was when we were introduced to the ejector seat that the man and his car captured worldwide envy.

There was one working gadget car built for “Goldfinger,” and it is not at the Miami museum. In fact, it hasn’t been seen in nearly two decades after disappearing under mysterious circumstances from a Boca Raton airport. Instead, the Miami Auto Museum makes up for this worldwide loss with two DB5s that have interesting pedigrees. One is a gadget-filled car that was driven by one-time James Bond, George Lazenby, in “The Return of the Man from U.N.C.L.E.”

The other was used in the first driving sequence introducing Pierce Brosnan to the 007 role in “Goldeneye.”

While the DB5 is iconic, there is one vehicle that Bond fans will like even more. The first film “Dr. No” was produced on a tight budget. The Chevrolet Bel Air and Sunbeam Alpine that Sean Connery drove on screen were borrowed and have not been seen since. So this leaves the Fairey Huntsman Speedboat in 1963’s “From Russia With Love” as the oldest surviving vehicle that James Bond drove on film. This boat is at the museum, and you can get close enough to even touch it.

One of the most ambitious Bond vehicle projects was utilizing the slippery design of the Lotus Esprit to glide beneath the water in 1977’s “The Spy Who Loved Me.” For Productions, which has made all official Bond movies, has a reputation for actually performing the tricks seen on film. Thus, the production team really turned a Lotus Esprit into a submarine. In fact, approximately eight vehicles were torn down to show the full transformation from road to sea. But there was one car that was left road-ready and intact, and that’s the coupe you’ll see at the Miami Auto Museum.

The full 16,000-square-foot exhibit has at least one vehicle on display that represents each of the previous 23 official James Bond movies, but that’s just the tip of the collection. The memorabilia section showcases nearly everything that ever had the 007 logo on it as well as pieces from the orphan films 1983’s “Never Say Never Again” and the 1967 “Casino Royale” spoof.

There’s also a broader appreciation for Ian Fleming with items from his only non-Bond novel, “Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.” The museum even has one of the iconic original cars from the movie in its Hollywood Cars gallery (part of the other seven exhibit spaces that makeup the full facility).

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IRAs can benefit charity while reducing taxes for heirs

BY EVAN WILLIAMS
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When balancing financial goals for retirement, charitable giving, and what is left to heirs, an Individual Retirement Account is normally set aside to provide additional retirement income and benefit heirs. But in many cases, money managers suggest a different strategy that makes more efficient use of funds by reducing taxes.

A couple, or often a remaining spouse, may have more than he or she could need in an IRA. This is money that was saved and saved and saved but other retirement income and pensions have provided enough.

With a simple swap strategy, an IRA can provide a gift for charity instead of other already tax-free funds, reducing the children's or grandchildren's estate taxes. Why give it to the government? It can be done by changing the beneficiary of an IRA as a charitable bequest.

“They receive more tax-free than they otherwise would if they received all of their inheritance from the IRA,” said Chris A. Gair, executive vice president and senior trust officer for Investors' Security Trust in Fort Myers. “The beauty of leaving an IRA to charity is that it’s tax-free forever.”

This strategy generally only works with a traditional IRA since funds in a Roth IRA, for instance, have already been taxed.

Donors who itemize their tax returns and are older than 70 may also be able to start giving now out of an IRA fund to yield greater tax savings strategies while helping charities. Called a charitable rollover, the gift through an IRA doesn’t appear on your income tax return as income. The IRS has allowed this for the last several years. One problem, though, is that Congress has not made that a permanent possibility. Congress is set to decide yes or no during the last weeks of the year.

“Just scumble if we’re allowed to,” Mr. Gair said, adding that it would benefit everyone if Congress would make up its mind on this type of charitable rollover. “It’s a real source of frustration for us.”

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation is a community trust set up to direct funds toward the charitable organization a donor has in mind. The foundation then invests the funds in perpetuity. The donor tells the foundation how he or she wants the money to benefit community organizations. Philanthropy through IRAs is a sometimes overlooked strategy, said vice president of development and communications Carolyn Rogers.

“I’ve seen people do it for tax reasons and then become these committed philanthropists,” she said. “They see where they can take care of things they care about.”

With children and charity to consider, money is left to one at the expense of another, so there is the question of balancing those intents. Especially in this case, estate planning for such charitable bequests through an IRA is best done with a CPA, attorney, and trust company that manages the money working as a team. Mr. Gair suggested. An attorney can help with a spousal waiver, for instance, since an IRA normally benefits the surviving spouse. And there are numerous ways funds from an IRA can be divided up, whether donating it in full to a single charity, benefiting a private family foundation or broad areas such as animal welfare, healthcare for Florida children, or preservation of lands.

For those who intend to donate to charity and have no heirs, using the IRA is a no-brainer, Mr. Gair said — the most efficient way to get dollars to a charity.

For those who grow up on a Florida Sheriff’s Youth Ranch and felt he owed his success to them. Married with no children, after his wife passed away he gave 100 percent of an IRA to the organization.

“It is the most tax efficient way in estate planning to get dollars to a charity,” Mr. Gair said.
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Pediatricians can benefit from brief training to identify, treat young patients who have substance abuse, mental health issues

The Greater Naples YMCA, Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida, the Help a Diabetic Child Foundation and Golisano Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida host the inaugural Naples Diabetes Conference from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15, at the Y. The morning begins with a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Weny Charitable Trust Diabetes Education Center at the Y. The conference includes a light brunch and multiple sessions led by leaders in the field of diabetes research, prevention and treatment. Presenters include: Dr. Mark Akinston, the American Diabetes Association Eminent Scholar for Diabetes Research and author of more than 375 articles on Type 1 Diabetes; Dr. Andreas Pfutzner, a researcher working with the Healthcare Network on a groundbreaking early-detection process for diabetes; Dr. Scott Needle of the Healthcare Network; and Dr. Amy Chappell.

The Weny Charitable Trust Diabetes Education Center will be open to the public after Nov. 15.

Conference registration starts at $10 per person, and need-based scholarship is available courtesy of the Y. To sign up or for more information, call 957-3148 or visit diabetesconference.eventbrite.com.

Visually impaired invited to monthly lunch ‘n’ learn

Lighthouse of Collier for Blindness and Vision Loss invites visually impaired people and their caregivers to a brown bag lunch program from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17, at Lighthouse headquarters, 2685 Horsehoe Drive S.

Pauline Hayton, a former probation officer and massage therapist and the author of six books, will discuss her experiences with stem cell treatments for her young patients. However, physicians often face barriers to providing these services, including time constraints and a lack of training in SBIRT.

In a two-year trial that involved nearly 50 pediatricians and about 1900 adolescents, researchers measured SBIRT use among three groups of clinicians.

1. “A ‘pediatrician-only’ group was offered three 60-minute SBIRT training sessions,” Ms. Sterling explains. “In the clinic, this group was then expected to conduct full SBIRT assessments and brief interventions by themselves as needed.”

2. A second group of pediatricians had one 60-minute training session. In the clinic, this group was expected to assess patients and refer them as needed to clinical psychologists who had been “embedded” into the practices to conduct interventions.

3. A “usual care” group of pediatricians served as controls. They had access to the same clinical guidelines and tools, but did not take part in SBIRT training or have embedded clinical psychologists in their practices. The researchers found that following SBIRT training, the pediatrician-only group had a 3 times more likely (60 percent vs. 1.5 percent) to conduct brief inter- ventions than patients deemed at risk, compared with “usual care” pediatricians. In the group of SBIRT-trained pediatricians that worked in tandem with “embedded” clinical psychologists, the brief intervention rate was 24.5 percent, compared with 10 percent in the pediatrician-only group, and 1.5 percent in the usual care group.

“Both intervention arms administered more assessments and brief interventions than those in usual care,” notes the study’s principal investigator, Constance Weisner of Kaiser Permanente Northern California in Oakland and the University of California, San Francisco.

However, Ms. Weinser says, overall pediatrician attention to behavioral health concerns was still low. Embedding non-physician clinicians in primary care could be a cost-effective alternative to pediatricians providing these services, and future analyses of the study data will examine patient outcomes and cost-effectiveness of the two SBIRT modalities, she adds.

About the institute

The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, part of the National Institutes of Health, is the primary U.S. agency for conducting and supporting research on the causes, consequences, prevention and treatment of alcohol abuse, alcoholism and alcohol problems. NIAAA funds the National Consortium on Alcohol and Drug Dependence (NCAAD) to determine the effects of problematic alcohol use on the developing adolescent brain and examine brain characteristics that predict alcohol use disorder. NIAAA also disseminates research findings to general, professional and academic audiences.

Additional research information and publications are available at niaaa.nih.gov.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Two to three brief training sessions can significantly increase pediatricians’ use of techniques for identifying and treating young people with potential alcohol, substance use and mental health problems, according to a new study in a large pediatric primary care clinic. Collectively known as SBIRT (screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment), such techniques could be important tools for preventing and treating these common problems among young people.

The study also found that pediatric practices can improve support for patients who need these services by adding behavioral health clinicians to their teams. A report of the study, which was funded by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, is online in JAMA Pediatrics.

“Research provides valuable new information about strategies that might improve implementation of SBIRT in everyday pediatric practice settings,” says NIAAA Director George Koob, Ph.D.

Unhealthy drinking and drug use, which often coexist with mental health problems, are common and dangerous. Risks of heavy drinking in adolescence, for example, range from injuries and school troubles to long-lasting brain changes and dependence.

Research has shown that primary care physicians who conduct SBIRT with adult patients can reduce heavy drinking, its harmful consequences and related health-care costs. In recent years, mounting evidence has supported the use of SBIRT by primary care pediatricians to prevent substance use problems from starting or escalating in their young patients. However, physicians often face barriers to providing these services, including time constraints and a lack of training in SBIRT.

The new study, led by Stacy Sterling at Kaiser Permanente Northern California in Oakland, compared practical ways to overcome both barriers in a general pediatric care clinic.
Support group starts for those facing medical challenges

The Mental Health Association of Southwest Florida holds a free, bi-monthly support group for people who are struggling with medical challenges. Meetings take place from 7-8 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month at MHASWFL headquarters, 2335 Tamiami Trail N. in Naples. The next sessions are Nov. 17 and Dec. 1 and 15.

Victoria Elkins, a licensed clinical social worker and a member of the NCH Bioethics Committee, will facilitate the sessions.

Being diagnosed with a challenging medical condition can be a scary and confusing time. The goal of the support group is to help members understand and process their treatment options so they will become empowered to voice their decisions with their family and treatment team. Those who take an active role in their treatment often express a higher level of satisfaction with their care and experience less emotional distress, Ms. Elkins explains.

For more information about this or other regular support groups offered by MHASWFL for veterans, those with depression, transgender men and women and more, call 268-5405 or visit mhaswfl.org.
Kidney disease is common in aging cats, but earlier detection and management may help to increase lifespan and quality of life

**BY KIM CAMPBELL THORNTON**

Old cats get kidney disease, and it typically isn’t diagnosed until it is far advanced. But presentations last month by Dr. Jane Robertson, Dr. Dru Forrester and Dr. Margie Scherk at the annual meeting of the American Association of Feline Practitioners offered new research findings on early diagnosis and tips on nutritional management of the disease.

Typically, cats don’t show symptoms in the early stages of chronic kidney disease. Concentrations of kidney waste products such as blood urea nitrogen and creatinine may still be at normal levels. It’s not until the disease progresses significantly that cats begin to develop physical signs, such as weight loss, decreased appetite, dehydration and excessive water consumption and urination.

But a new kidney function test called SDMA, introduced last summer, can identify chronic kidney disease about 17 months sooner in cats, according to a study published last year in the Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine.

Among the cats who may benefit from the test are thin, older cats with muscle wasting. Dr. Scherk says. That’s because those cats may have artificially low levels of creatinine caused by muscle wasting, but SDMA levels aren’t affected by muscle wasting, Dr. Scherk says. That’s because those cats may have artificially low levels of creatinine caused by muscle wasting, but SDMA levels aren’t affected by muscle wasting. The test could also be useful for pets with heart disease who may have early kidney disease that could be worsened by treating the heart disease.

Veterinarians can also make better use of old tools by routinely screening creatinine and urine-specific gravity and looking for trends over time. For instance, if creatinine levels have increased only a tiny amount and are still in the normal range, that may signal the possible presence of CKD.

“Very small changes can be extremely important to pay attention to,” Dr. Forrester said.

Cats with CKD may also have hypertension, or high blood pressure, as well as proteinuria. Both of these conditions can be treated or managed more effectively when diagnosed in early stages.

Even if your aging cat hasn’t been diagnosed with CKD, you can watch for early physical signs such as weight loss and muscle loss. Check your cat’s body condition score monthly to pick up changes early. Ideally, you should be able to feel his ribs beneath a slight covering of fat. Take him to the veterinarian if you notice that he seems thinner than normal.

Kidney disease can’t be cured, but earlier recognition and management may help to slow the rate of progression and increase lifespan. Veterinarians can seek an underlying cause before CKD becomes too advanced and treat it if possible. Early diagnosis also allows them to help avoid further damage to the kidneys by taking precautions when anesthetizing cats and prescribing drugs. If appropriate, they can prescribe a special diet to support kidney function.

“Hydration, nutrition, analgesia and meeting environmental and emotional needs are the four key things to focus on,” Dr. Scherk says.

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“Hi! My name is Stephanie and I’m a fallaholic. I’m addicted to autumn.”

“Hi, Stephanie!”

It started when I was a wee diva growing up in Ohio. The slight drop in temperatures in September meant shopping for school clothes, buying a new book bag and sharpening pencils. It meant placing pumpkins on porch steps, wearing sweaters and socks and watching amazing red sunsets. Have you ever been hugged by Mother Nature? Try leaping into a fresh pile of autumn.

Autumn was Halloween, Thanksgiving and the start of Christmas. Autumn was vivid, smoky, romantic. When I was 11, my family moved to Southwest Florida and fall became just a memory.

Native Floridians will argue and tell me our tropical corner of paradise has more than two seasons (February and summer, as I see it), it’s just that they’re “subtle.” And I get that; I think you see what you want to see. But I could never see fall here. I tried, but I couldn’t. Even as a seventh grader, I would beg my mom to buy me the September issue of Vogue just so I could admire the fashions of fall: boots, sweaters (and sweater vests), jackets and scarves. After looking longingly at a picture of a model romping through the leaves wearing wool trousers and a turtleneck, I could close my eyes and smell a fireplace burning in the distance. I could even taste a caramel apple if I concentrated hard enough.

But after 40 tropical autumns, I stopped buying the September issue of Vogue (it’s expensive, and the clothes simply don’t make sense in this weather). I gave up on fall and convinced myself it would be OK if the humidity would just let up by Thanksgiving. I told myself that a temperature drop from 92 to 84 was a REALLY BIG DEAL, and that low-80s was sweater weather. I adapted, I guess. And then, last month, my husband and I spent a week in North Carolina and Tennessee. I got a taste of that autumn elixir. I think I could have gotten through the withdrawals just fine, however, had I not taken a trip to Ohio last week to see family. Going from fall in Tennessee/the Carolinas to fall in Ohio was like giving a wine drinker a shot of Fireball whiskey. Whoa.

Autumn in Ohio is like fall on crack. The colors are the most vivid. The Indian summer temps are mild and soft. The leaves are like red, orange and purple beds of heaven.

So now I’m hooked. Addicted to fall. I’ve got a problem. I know I’m a couple of months late, but can anyone tell me where I can get the September issue of Vogue? I’m jonesing for some cable knit and suede. Autumn is my jam.

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The traditional career path is dead, says business consultant Pete Gilfillan. With rapidly changing technology and a global economy, the average company and employee in the United States continue to come to terms with the new normal.

Workers aged 50 and older who lost their jobs during the recession were 20 percent less likely to become re-employed than those ages 24-34, according to the Urban Institute. And unemployment doubled for workers 55 and older between December 2007 and March 2012.

“It’s not just factory jobs that have gone, it’s also a wide range of middle-class, white-collar jobs that are letting go of their experienced people,” says Mr. Gilfillan, an entrepreneur who is opening new opportunities for business professionals as

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Imagine yourself at a big-box store about to buy a roll of duct tape. You see two identical rolls in every possible way but one is selling for $5 and one for $4. Which should you buy? Seems obvious to buy the $4 tape, right? But what if I told you that the $5 was made in America and the $4 tape was made in Thailand. I think most people would still buy the $4 tape. But what if I told you that the $4 tape was made by child laborers in Thailand in a factory that was dumping toxic waste into the Pacific Ocean several times a day, killing thousands of baby dolphins each year while using its profits to fund Al-Qaeda? These questions are what make global trade such a hot topic, why there is so much debate around the Trans-Pacific Partnership Trade Deal, and why it is such a hot issue this upcoming election. But what is this deal and is it good for the U.S.?

The TPP is a trade agreement negotiated between the U.S. and 11 mostly Asian countries. The goal of the accord is to promote commerce amongst the signers of the pact. First, it would lower tariffs and duties on everything from agricultural products to cars and manufactured goods. Next it would mandate countries adhere to a common set of rules governing workers rights, intellectual property, environmental regulations and corruption. Finally, the TPP would force governments to discontinue currency manipulation to benefit exports.

Let’s first look at who would benefit from the TPP. The American consumer certainly benefits from cheaper prices on all kinds of goods. Food, electronic goods, cars, household items – everything in between would be less expensive as goods produced in low-wage countries would have easier access to U.S. markets. Developing countries like Malaysia and Vietnam will also benefit as these countries sell significantly more goods in the U.S. and their Gross Domestic Product will increase. Higher paying manufacturing jobs will replace these low-wage jobs in these countries, lifting many out of poverty. Many believe that workers and the environment will also benefit in the countries that sign the agreement, as the document mandates minimum working conditions and environmental standards.

There will also be potential losers if the TPP is enacted. Manufacturing jobs in the U.S. may be lost, for example. Low-skilled jobs could and probably will be done in lower wage countries. Because of this, many unions such as the United Steelworkers Union have already voiced strong opposition to this agreement. Developing countries outside of this agreement, such as in Africa, may also be hurt as manufacturing jobs are created in Pacific countries included in the partnership. There are also many questions that remain unanswered regarding the TPP. One of the primary ways export-driven economies can tip the balance of trade in their favor is to artificially deprecate their currency. Although this can cause inflation within the country, it also makes exports more competitive-positive and will grow all economies involved. In the short run, however, there will be jobs that will be lost and companies that will not survive. Oh, and there is one other group that will extract huge benefits from the TPP – politicians. Both sides of the political aisle will use this agreement to make hay and raise millions of dollars in donations during this election cycle. But as for you and me, it will at least make you think about where that next roll of duct tape you buy really comes from, right?

Eric Bretan, co-owner of Rick’s Estate & Jewelry Buyers in Punta Gorda, was a senior derivatives marketer and investment banker for more than 15 years at several global banks.
a franchise matchmaker, as detailed in his book, “Build Yourself.”

“Gone are the days when you could expect a job out of college to last an entire career. The new normal is, for many, a very cobbled career trajectory,” he says. “Unfortunately, there are many talented, middle-aged professionals who are getting lost in the new shuffle.”

On the bright side, he adds, many of those seasoned professionals are cutting their own new path.

Mr. Gilfillan calls it “entrepreneur lite” — a franchise option that fast-tracks people to business ownership without the requirement of a brilliant idea.

“In franchising, someone has already dreamed the big dream, figured out how to make it work and marketed and sold their way into a well-defined niche,” he says. “Now they’re looking for an investor and partner in building on that success.”

Is the entrepreneur lite career path right for you? There are many things to consider, including Mr. Gilfillan’s Top 5 Cs, which he summarizes as:

■ Capital – Most franchise companies require a minimum level of liquid capital. A number of costs beyond the initial fee need to be considered when you’re investing in a franchise. There will be legal fees, rent, royalty fees and equipment and inventory to purchase, among other costs. Keep in mind that there is a ramp-up period with any business. You need enough money to cover your expenses during this time when more money will be going out than coming in. Meanwhile, the ordinary expenses of life continue.

■ Capacity — You must have a certain level of business acumen. As a business owner, you must understand people and how to motivate, lead and support employees. Experience in sales and operations management is a plus.

It takes strong leadership skills to build a business and develop a reliable staff, and savvy hiring skills will save you from costly mistakes.

■ Cooperation — A franchise will have a detailed plan for you to follow, and they need to know you will embrace that plan in a spirit of cooperation. They want to feel confident that you’ll follow their procedures and systems to create a consistent product and service upon which they can build their brand.

■ Character — Franchisors expect the people with whom they partner to operate with honesty and integrity. As a franchisee, you will be representing the brand, and franchisors will take a close look at how well you will do that. You can expect a company to do a background check on you as a candidate to help the franchisor make an assessment of this quality.

■ Customer satisfaction — Warren Buffett famously said, “It takes 20 years to build a reputation and five minutes to ruin it.” Think about your own shopping and service provider experiences and how those transactions have shaped your opinion of businesses. Everyday transactions can earn your repeat business — or ensure you won’t be back. Do you have the desire and passion to create a superior customer experience?

A franchisee needs to ensure that you will take good care of customers.

About the author

With more than 20 years of experience as a corporate executive and small business owner, Mr. Gilfillan is a matchmaker for entrepreneurs who seek career independence via franchise ownership. As a young man, he worked for 12 years at Ford Motor Company, advancing to general manager and guiding 600 franchise dealerships generating $8 billion in revenue.

He became a franchise owner in 2010 when he purchased a multi-state master license to a junk removal franchise. Since 2011, he has been working as an independent franchise consultant with FranChoice to help potential franchisees gather information, evaluate opportunities and make smart selections in franchise ownership. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

ON THE MOVE

Acquisitions

Lipman, the Immokalee-based tomato grower, has acquired Denver-based Sam’s Produce.

Arts & Entertainment

Gary Kelson has been retained as a sales and marketing consultant for the Cultural and Performing Arts Center for the 2016 season. Mr. Kelson has worked 30 years in nonprofit performing arts with organizations including Opera Naples, La Jolla Playhouse, San Diego Repertory Theatre, Coconut Grove Playhouse and the San Diego Symphony. He is developing an original musical theater project, “Better Than Sinatra,” with co-writer D.W. Jacobs and musical arranger Steve Gunderson.

SHERI AustIn has joined Talent Ventures LLC as an entertainment agent. Ms. Austin has more than 25 years of experience in business management, sales and marketing.

Higher Education

Susan Ellis has joined the Florida SouthWestern State College Foundation as senior director of development. Ms. Ellis most recently was director of community development for Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, overseeing the $1.5 million community contribution sales tax credit program. She has served on the board of directors and executive board of the Florida Southern Gulf Region of the American Red Cross and currently serves on the board of the Southwest Florida Symphony.

Hospitality

Martin Diehr has been named director of food and beverage at LaPlaya Beach & Golf Resort, a Noble House Hotels & Resorts property. As a hospitality management graduate of the Emden State Hospitality School in Emden, Germany, Mr. Diehr first served as supervisor for food

and beverage at the German Air Force in Canada and then at Disney’s All Star Resort in Orlando. He has been restaurant manager at the Tampa Marriott Waterside & Marina and senior restaurant manager at Doral Golf Resort & Spa in Miami and has held several positions at The Ritz-Carlton Resorts in various locations. He most recently was director of food and beverage at the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club.

Nonprofit Organizations

Phyllis Hall has joined the Naples office of the national law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP as a junior level associate in the firm’s labor and employment group. Ms. Esparza earned a bachelor’s degree in political science and Spanish from Central Michigan University and graduated from the University of Florida Levin College of Law.

Ashley Esparza has joined the Naples office of the national law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP as a junior level associate in the firm’s labor and employment group. Ms. Esparza earned a bachelor’s degree in political science and Spanish from Central Michigan University and graduated from the University of Florida Levin College of Law.

Jaysen Roa has been named president and CEO of Avow. Mr. Roa brings more than 10 years of hospice leadership experience, most recently serving as executive director at Good Shepherd Hospice in Lakeland. He has also served in a variety of leadership roles at Hernando Pasco Hospice and has worked at Hospice of Citrus County.
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A Pretty Picture
Shares of action camera company GoPro (Nasdaq: GPRO) have plunged more than 60 percent over the past year, enough to make this growth stock start looking more like a value stock.

Part of the problem has been downgrades by Wall Street analysts who have been spooked by the Hero 4 Session camera’s disappointing sales. Meanwhile, irrational exuberance has led to a doubling in price of global eyewear brands. Those brands include Ray-Ban and Oakley, and I also sell eyewear under the Armani, Burch, Versace and Vogue brand names, as well as many other things. I have about 100,000 workers worldwide and annual sales topping $40 billion. Meanwhile, I'm the leader in lead-acid automotive batteries and batteries for hybrid electric vehicles.

Overseas revenue has recently been growing at a triple-digit rate, with particular strength in China. GoPro launched a premium content licensing portal earlier this year, and plans to debut a drone in 2016. It’s also looking at virtual-reality (VR) headsets and a film studio as other growth opportunities.

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Beriabank and Henry Johnson & Associates, PA, Attorneys at Law, invite condominium and homeowners association board members and management companies to lunch and a lecture from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18, at the bank’s 2350 Goodlette-Frank Road branch.

The free program will focus on budget planning, reserves and collecting unpaid assessments.

A well-planned and successfully managed budget and dues collection procedures are key to the survival and ongoing maintenance of any condominium or homeowners association. The recent economic downturn highlighted for many associations the significant disparity between a budget and the actual collection of assessments and dues.

Attorney Henry Paul Johnson will discuss the importance of building an accurate budget and maintaining adequate reserves. He will also outline the steps required if an association ultimately needs to place lien claims on unit owners who fail to pay assessments in a timely manner.

For more than 30 years, Mr. Johnson has specialized in working with condominium and homeowners associations in Southwest Florida. He is a member of the adjunct faculty at the Lorenzo Walker Institute of Technology, guest lecturer at Florida Gulf Coast University and chairman of the education committee for the Collier Building Industry Association.

The seminar is open to the public. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Call 403-6670.

House Hunting:

727 Starboard Drive

Completed in December 2013, this estate home on a large corner lot in The Moorings has four bedrooms and a den. Details include custom double mahogany front doors, 5-inch hand-scraped hickory hardwood floors, 8-foot solid core doors, a Lutron lighting system, impact windows and doors, double tray ceilings, extensive crown moldings and custom light fixtures and window treatments.

Outdoor living includes a travertine patio, a gas heated pool and spa with a sun deck, a full kitchen and an abundant covered area for both dining and lounging. The large front and side yard make this an ideal home for family or pets. Ownership comes with privileges to the private Moorings beach with parking, picnic areas and restrooms.

Karyn and Rowan Samuel of John R. Wood Properties have the listing for $2,675,000. For more information or to arrange a private showing, call 537-3732, email ksamuel@johnrwood.com or visit realestateinnaplesflorida.net.
BARRYMORE’S BEVERLY HILLS MANSION ON THE MARKET FOR $42,500,000

Steeped in Hollywood history, one of Beverly Hills’ earliest movie star mansions is on the market for $42.5 million. Built in the early 1920s by architect John Byers for film director King Vidor (“War and Peace,” “Ruby Gentry,” “The Fountainhead”), the mansion was eventually sold to actor John Barrymore.

By the time Mr. Barrymore bought the property, he was well on his way to a spectacular career and one of Hollywood’s most prolific entertainers. He added to the house and bought neighboring properties to accommodate his lavish parties and extensive, eccentric collections (including shrunken human heads).

Mr. Barrymore lived in the home until he died in 1942. It was later purchased by Tony Scott, one of the largest grossing directors in Hollywood history (“Top Gun,” “Beverly Hills Cop II,” “Days of Thunder” and “Crimson Tide”). Mr. Scott died three years ago, and now the house is for sale.

The Spanish-style residence on 3.44 acres consists of 6,976 square feet and has seven bedrooms and eight baths. Retained for posterity are the opium den above the master suite and the redwood tree trunk floor in the pub where many of the Hollywood elite were entertained. There are two guest cottages on the grounds and a new two-story guesthouse with two additional bedrooms, two kitchens, and two living rooms.

The listing agent is Stephen Shapiro of Westside Estate Agency in Beverly Hills. For more information, visit top10realestatedeals.com.
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Real estate Newsmakers

Andrea DeBenedictis has joined The Monika DeBenedictis Team at John R. Wood Properties. Ms. DeBenedictis previously worked in the digital advertising industry for 15 years.

Gerald Murphy has joined Downing-Frye Realty Inc. as managing broker for the Bonita Springs office. Mr. Murphy brings more than 35 years of professional experience to Downing-Frye, most recently serving the past five years as managing broker and district manager with Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate, overseeing both the Bonita and Naples markets. Prior to that, he owned and operated a realty firm in Monmouth County, N.J. He also previously was president of Hovnanian Realty Inc. Mr. Murphy also had an extensive commercial banking career.

The Vesci Real Estate Team has joined the John R. Wood Properties family. Broker Mari Vesci has owned Mari Vesci Realtors Inc. on Vanderbilt Beach since 1998 and has been a Realtor in Southwest Florida since 1986. Robert Vesci grew up in Naples and earned a degree in business management and economics from Eckerd College. He earned his broker associate license in 2001 and previously managed the rental department of Mari Vesci Realtors Inc.

Royal Shell Real Estate recently announced the following top producers for September:

Naples Park Shore office – The Roboci Team, Top Listing Producers Team; Pam Olsen, Top Listings Producer Individual; The Roboci Team, Top Sales Producers Team; and Kurt Petersen, Top Sales Producer Individual.

Naples Fifth Avenue office – The Taranto Team, Top Listing Producers Team; Hiester/Villano Team, Top Sales Producers Team; and Katie Brady, Top Sales Producer Individual.

Bonita Springs office – The Fagan Team, Top Listing Producers Team; Sue Ellen Mathers, Top Listings Producer Individual; The Lummis Team, Top Sales Producers Team; and Beth James, Top Sales Producer Individual.

Sanibel-Captiva office – McMurray & Nette, Top Listing Producers Team; Cindy Sitton, Top Listings Producer Individual; Yergens, Miller & Welsh, Top Sales Producers Team; and Cindy Sitton, Top Sales Producer Individual.

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out Southwest Florida: Elise McMan- 
non, Hampton Park; Cindy Volk, Poli-
can Preserve; DJ Johnson, Cypress 
Bend at Shadow Wood Preserve; 
Shoshana Yeager, Carrara at Talis 
Park; Jamie Meisterheim, Raffia Pre-
serve; Lisa Potts, Livingston Lakes; 
and Fred Zuccarelli, Artesia Naples.

KW Property Management and 
Consulting has recently signed Naro-
a at The Colony in Bonita Springs and 
High Point Place in downtown Fort 
Myers. Started in Naples in 2004 with 
the Napoli (formerly apartments and 
now luxury condominiums), KWPMC 
now has 70,000 homes, including 90 
high rises under management from 
New York to the Bahamas. The compa-
y’s Bonita Springs office is managed by 
Zuly Marilonna and Roy Hyman.

The Women’s Council of Real-
tre-Naples on the Gulf hosts its 25th 
annual Dessert Auction beginning 
at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20, at Kenneth 
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Lost & Found

‘The Seafarer’ finds his way in Florida Rep’s holiday play

BY NANCY STETSON
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At first glance, it sounds like an odd premise for a Christmas play: five drunk middle-aged Irish guys sitting around on Christmas Eve playing poker, cursing and gambling.

But David Edwards, director of “The Seafarer” at Florida Repertory Theatre, compares the play to “A Christmas Carol” and “It’s A Wonderful Life.”

“It’s thematically a very similar thing, but the treatment is different,” he says. “It has moments of great darkness and is very uplifting. It’s also a very funny play. It has dark humor, but is also driven by love.”

SEE LOST, C4 ➤

Rookery Bay welcomes bronze sea turtle

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Turtles on the Town announces that the Kathy Spalding original bronze sea turtle that goes up for auction at the TOTT gala in March will be on display at the opening reception of the annual Southwest Florida Juried Painting Exhibit at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19.

“Showcasing the piece at Rookery Bay gallery is fitting since Kathy donated the ‘Rookery Bay Continuum’ painted image for use in the main entrance to the facility and has had other pieces on exhibit at the gallery over the years,” says Ken McCubbins, Ms. Spalding’s widower. The bronze sculpture is similar to, but not the same as, the one used as a model for the TOTT project, he adds. One several Ms. Spalding created during her career, it is the first piece to be donated since she died in September 2004.

Rookery Bay’s 2015 Southwest Florida Juried Painting Exhibit is juried by Barbara Hill, a well-known curator and advisor to the arts community in Southwest Florida. Open to painters from Collier, Charlotte, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties, it consists of 29 pieces by 21 artists. Prizes totaling $1,600 will be announced at the opening reception. Admission is free for Friends of Rookery Bay and members of the United Arts Council of Collier County and $3 for others.

SEE BRONZE, C26 ➤

Bon appétit!

Food critic Karen Feldman savors every bite at Tartine & Tartelette. C39 ➤

Past and present

Book critic Phil Jason finds “The Oracle” is a perfect intersection.

From left: James Clarke, Graham Smith, William Zielinski, Craig Bockhorn and Peter Thomasson star in “The Seafarer” at Florida Rep. (COURTESY PHOTO)

SUFFRAGETTE

Phil Jason declares “Suffragette” an unfortunate misfire. C15 ➤

Insufferable

Film critic Dan Hudak finds “Suffragette” a perfect intersection.
This Halloween, I went with an understated costume. So understated, in fact, that I just looked overdressed for dinner. “I love your hat,” a woman said in the bathroom of a restaurant downtown, pointing to the black pillbox perched on my head. “I used to wear one just like it.” “Thank you,” I said. “This is actually my Halloween costume.”

She looked at me with her eyebrows raised. “Oh?”

“I’m Simone de Beauvoir,” I said. “My friend is Jean-Paul Sartre.”

The woman blinked at me. “You know, French existentialists?”

She tossed her paper towel in the trash can and gave me a kind smile. “That’s nice.”

When I got back to my table and told my date the story, he laughed. Maybe we’d gone too high-brow. Perhaps French intellectualism hasn’t made quite the inroads in this part of the world that we’d hoped.

“To tell you the truth,” I confessed, “I had to Google Simone de Beauvoir to get my facts straight.”

My date smiled. “I did, too.”

“Did you see the part about her relationship with Sartre?” I asked.

He nodded. “I hope people don’t think we’re making a statement on polyamory.”

As it turns out, Ms. de Beauvoir and Mr. Sartre were engaged in what we’d call today an “open relationship.” Though they were engaged in each other, after a fashion, they also brought other people into the mix.

Ms. de Beauvoir, it seems, had a penchant for seducing her female students. One of these students, Olga Kosakiewicz, and her sister, Wanda Kosakiewicz, shared a liaison with Ms. de Beauvoir and Mr. Sartre that lasted for years.

I suppose they could get away with it, being French and existentialist and living in a post-war world where the guiding norms of society had largely fallen away. Plus, they were in Paris and wore a lot of black, which lets you do pretty much whatever you want (trust me, I know).

Still, as I read the wiki history on Ms. de Beauvoir, the we-do-what-we-want, free-love narrative snagged on a brief mention that Olga eventually ran off and married another of Ms. de Beauvoir’s lovers.

“That had to sting,” I thought. In fact, this little nugget of information got me to thinking about her entire relationship with Mr. Sartre, the careful lack of parameters, the way she strove to make a statement about personal freedoms. But I had to wonder: Was it really as grandiose as all that? Or was she simply afraid of the ravages of love?

As someone who has been ravaged plenty, I can understand the inclination. Love, if we’re doing it right, can hurt. Wouldn’t it be easier to say we are attached to no one, that our lovers come and go, that we don’t get tangled up with the heartache that lies with true commitment? At times, I think so.

But I recognize that this is an impossible task. Our hearts are built to be vulnerable; the human experience revolves around love. None of us can escape it. Even French existentialists.

— Artis Henderson is the author of “Unremarried Widow” published by Simon and Schuster.
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the exquisite writing of these characters.

The play contains certain elements of the supernatural, but is rooted in the Irish tradition of Catholicism, he adds. “But you don’t have to be a believer to get the point. That’s what’s amazing about it.

“Our hero (Sharky), is at odds with the devil for his life, or his immortality, and you don’t have to be a believer in heaven and hell to get the drama of this.

Though the other characters don’t realize it, Sharky is playing poker with the devil, with his very soul and eternal future at stake. He’s fighting for his life, for his will to live and his appreciation of what he has here on earth, which is the same thing that happens to Scrooge in “A Christmas Carol” and to George Bailey in “It’s a Wonderful Life,” Mr. Edwards adds.

James Clarke, the actor who plays Sharky, describes his character as “a guy who’s had a lot happen in his life.” Even though Sharky is a middle-aged man, “He’s had a very difficult life and is trying to find a better way for himself. He’s suffered through a lot in his life. He’s in a lot of denial about what he’s doing in his life.”

Mr. Clarke thinks that’s true of everyone. “A lot of people are in denial their whole life about what’s important to them,” he says. “So many people just let life pass them by and don’t want to think about the choices they’ve made. I think that’s what alcoholism is about, drug addiction, gambling — addiction, work addiction. People don’t want to deal with what’s going on in their life and what’s important to them.

“Most people are very content to watch television and not think about things. I think that’s another addiction: television. People don’t want to examine their own lives and understand why they’re in the situation they’re in.”

Like Sharky, Mr. Clarke has peered into the abyss. He experienced a serious health issue in the past few years, though he shies away from talking about it. “I’ve had to re-examine things, and I have,” he says. “I’m happy to be here.”

He’d rather concentrate on the play itself, which he says may very well be the best play he’s read in 20 years. “Sharky’s being confronted with his mortality. He’s gambling, he’s playing for his life. That’s part of the redemption of the play: Life has gone by. He’s done things he has a hard time living with, and he’s confronted with that.

“And he realizes that he can move on with his life and can forgive himself. He realizes how precious life is. We all take it for granted... People don’t realize how incredible life is.”

Mr. Edwards says he could see how strongly Mr. Clarke related to his character when the cast first got together to read through the play. “We are blessed to have his experience in this play, how deeply he appreciates a second chance,” the director says. “That’s a gift, that’s a gift to us all. I’m grateful he’s willing to go there, and use that on stage and open up to us all.”

James Clarke as “Sharky”

Director David Edwards

Five juicy parts!

Not only is “The Seafarer” an amazing piece of writing, Mr. Edwards says, but all five characters are middle-aged men. “In our culture, we write for young people. You’re disposable after a certain age,” he says. “I’ve had to re-examine this play. They’re all vital people, five juicy parts. It’s a lot to bite on for the actors.”

As for audience members, he says, “You can enjoy it on different levels. You can laugh at it, but it sends you home with something to think about. There’s a wonderful sense of a journey and redemption at the end, and hopefulness. “It’s a play about a time in your life when you realize how much time has already passed, but you’re still young enough to say, ‘There’s so much more I can do, if I changed my ways.’

“When you’re young, you feel you’ll live forever. And then you have your first health issue or have someone you love pass away. Then things become so much more vibrant and important to you, and you tend to lose your patience with people who consider throwing it all away.”

The backstory

Written in 2006 by Conor McPherson, “The Seafarer” first played in London. Directed by Mr. McPherson, it was nominated for an Olivier Award for Best Play. It opened on Broadway the following year, again under Mr. McPherson’s direction, and received multiple Tony Award nominations in 2008, including one for Best Play. It then went on to play in Dublin, Ireland, where the play is set.

Three years ago, Producing Artistic Director Robert Cacioppo put the play on Florida Rep’s calendar. At first, he intended it for a mainstage production, but then he decided it would be better in the company’s smaller ArtStage Studio Theatre next door.

“There’s a certain amount of intimacy (to the ArtStage space),” says Mr. Clarke. “The way our set is constructed, it almost feels as if the audience is right in the room with the actors. There’s a sense of inclusion. You’re sitting in a room with these people rather than observing them (from afar).”

“I love “The Seafarer,” says Mr. Cacioppo, putting it in the company of other Irish plays such as “The Beauty Queen of Leenane,” “The Lieutenant of Inishmore,” “The Pillowman” and “The Weir.”

“This is right in there,” he says. “Over the last three years, some of the very best plays are from Irish playwrights. I love them all. I’m glad I’m finally doing one.”

Our mission is to do a wide variety of work, and this being a very popular genre on Broadway and in London, all over the world, I think our audience should have one.”

He notes that the play contains a lot of dark humor. “This really is a comedy... People are not going to leave the theater saying this is depressing. They’ll feel joyous about the holidays.”

“The Irish just know how to tell a great story.”

The actor Mr. Clarke says Mr. McPherson is “one of the great playwrights alive today, and he has built a ship that’s going straight into the waves. He takes it all on as it’s going into a storm, and the ending is just spectacular.”

“It’s kind of a perfect little play.”

“You are alive today, and it’s pretty damn good — especially if you’re healthy and not in pain. Life is pretty miraculous.”
FLORENCE WRIGHTS

Past and present perfectly intersect in a stunning archaeological thriller


The third installment of the Sarah Weston Chronicles finds Sarah, a British archaeologist, in Thebes. She and anthropologist Daniel Madigan, her professional partner and love interest, are working together (and also apart) helping to investigate the theft of Greek antiquities from a local museum. This theft, however, is not merely the usual pillage for profit. It is more like pillage for prophet.

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The goal of the race between the conflicting forces is to find and obtain the omphalos stone, which, according to legend, was thought to be the “navel of the world” from which life on earth originated. Moreover, this unique and precious stone was believed to allow direct communication with the gods. It bears markings that point to events anticipating the Minoan Empire’s collapse.

The value of the omphalos stone to the evildoers is their belief that it will help them actualize their horrifying terrorist mechanism. The location of the stone is the key to their calculations.

For long stretches of “The Oracle,” Sarah and Daniel are separated, their relationship threatened and thus their better selves threatened as well. Daniel especially becomes damaged goods physically, psychically and even morally. We discover that he has made poor choices — poor bargains — that threaten not only his being but also the values that define him.

Ms. Niko's well-paced narrative raises intriguing questions and holds off the full answers while revealing bits and pieces of information to tease the reader along. It is a splendid addition to the increasingly popular archaeological thriller genre.

— Phil Jason, Ph.D., United States Naval Academy professor emeritus of English, is a poet, critic and freelance writer with 20 books to his credit, including several studies of war literature and a creative writing text.
MONDAY 11.16

Historical Lecture – The FGCU Renaissance Academy presents a lecture about the excavations at Pompeii and surrounding cities starting at 11:30 a.m. at the university’s Naples Center. $20 for members, $25 for non-members. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Pasta e Pellicola – Naples Italian American Foundation hosts dinner and a screening of “A Summer in Goulette” (1996) at 5:30 p.m. This tender comedy takes a provocative look at sex, religion and tradition in tense and changing times. $15 for dinner and the movie, $5 for film alone. 397-5210 or niafoundation.org.

Films for Film Lovers – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs screens “The Hairdresser’s Husband” (France, 1990) at 7 p.m. Twelve-year-old Antoine falls profoundly in love with a voluptuous but suicidal hairdresser, a formative experience he never forgets. $10. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8089 or artcenterbonitaita.org.

Around Town – Naples Philharmonic chamber groups perform at 7:30 p.m. in the U. Tobe Recital Hall at Florida Gulf Coast University. 597-9000 or artisnps.org.

TUESDAY 11.17

Walk On – Take a 90-minute guided stroll along the shaded, 2.25-mile boardwalk at Audubon Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary starting at 9:30 a.m. Free with regular admission ($12 for adults, $6 for college students, $4 for ages 6-18, $3 for ages 5 and younger). Tours are offered every Monday, Tuesday and Friday. 348-9151 or corkscrew.audubon.org.

Game Time – The Naples Italian American Foundation hosts mah jongg, bridge and cards at 11:30 a.m. Free for members, $3 for others. 7035 Airport-Pulling Road. 397-5210 or niafoundation.org.

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

Off to See the Wizard – Bring the family for an outdoor screening of “The Wizard of Oz” starting at 5:45 p.m. on the lawn at Mercato. Free. 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

WEDNESDAY 11.18

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

Local History – Naples Historical Society hosts a walking tour of Old Naples setting out at 9:30 a.m. from Historic Palm Cottage. Reservations required. $10 members, $15 non-members. 137 12th Ave. S. 261-8164 or napleshistoricalsociety.org.

Art Lecture – Bone up on the art and architecture of Sicily with FGCU’s Renaissance Academy at 11:30 a.m. $20 for members, $25 for non-members. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

General Disposition – Learn about the contrasting personalities of George Patton and Omar Bradley at 11:30 at the Renaissance Academy’s Naples campus. $20 for members, $25 for non-members. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

# SEE IT

It’s already Christmas at Palm Cottage, home of the Naples Historic Society. The oldest house is Naples is decked out in holiday lights and finery for all to enjoy through New Year’s Eve. — napleshistoricalsociety.org

# DON’T MISS

Naples’ own Casey Weston of “The Voice” fame entertains at the annual Farm City BBQ taking place from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, at Camp Discovery. — farmcitybbq.com

FIDC Eaglepalooza with Big Sean starts at 8 p.m. at Germain Arena. 11000 Everblades Pkwy. — 948-7825

Janet Williams, affectionately known as “The Tennessee Tramp,” takes the stage at Off the Hook Comedy Club Thursday through Sunday. — ofthhookcomedy.com

# SWFL TOP PICKS

11.12

The Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs presents a “Night Train 1950s Rock ‘n’ Roll Sock Hop” at 8 p.m. at the Center for Performing Arts Tamarac Auditorium. Enjoy a night of dancing to the hits of the ’50s with Vic Tommarchi and the Night Train Band. $22-$32. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. — artcenter bonita.org

11.14

Fill up on bacon-inspired treats of all kinds at Baconfest from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Naples Municipal Airport. — baconfestnaples.com
COMING UP

**Day Trippin’** – The FGCU Renais-
sance Academy hosts a trip to The Dali
Museum in St. Petersburg, leaving at 8
a.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, from the FGCU
Naples Center. Participants will enjoy
a private tour of the Spanish master’s
work, as well as the museum’s new exhi-
biton, “Escher at the Dali,” featuring the
work of artistic illusionist M.C. Escher.
$80 for RA members, $100 for others.
1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or
gcu.edu.

**Art Reception** – Rookery Bay and
the United Arts Council host a recep-
tion for the 10th annual juried painting
exhibition from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19.
The exhibit features the work of
Southwest Florida artists. $3. 530-9940
or rookerybay.org. See story on page CI

**Third Thursday** – Third Street South
hosts music by The Color of Sound
in the Fleischmann Courtyard from
6-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19. 434-6533 or
thirdstreetsouth.com.

**Meet & Greet** – Harmon-Mecc Gal-
lery invites the public to meet artists
Philip Faibesberger and Anita Huffington
from 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19. 599
Tamiami Trail N. 261-2677 or
harmon-mecck.com.

**Comedy Show** – Donnell Rawlings
(“Chappelle’s Show” and “Guy Court”) per-
forms Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 19-
22, at Off the Hook Comedy Club. Check
website for show times and ticket
prices.

**Season Opening** – Opera Naples
celebrates a new season with “A Nea-
politan Evening” at 8 p.m. Thursday,
Nov. 19, at the David And Cecile Wag
Opera Center. The program features
performers Leah Summers, Francesco
Valpa, Ramon Tebar and Michael Chiol-
di. $49-$99. 2408 Linwood Ave. 963-9050
or operanaples.org.

**Miromar Music –** The Fakahatchee
Bands performs Friday, 7-9 p.m. Friday,
Nov. 20, at Miromar Outlets. 948-3766 or
miromar.com.

**Animal Art** – Naples Zoo hosts an
art auction featuring masterpieces painted
by their zoo animals from 7-10 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 20. Dinner, drinks and live
music included with ticket. $25, limited to
100 guests. 994-9949 or
hoofohandthorn2309@gmail.com.

**For the Birds** – The FGCU Renais-
sance Academy hosts a birding excurs-
ion at Eagle Lakes Park from 8:30-11:30
a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. $39 for members,
$49 for others. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

**Tree Sale** – Collier Music Club
hosts its annual tree sale from 9 a.m.
to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at Free-
dom Park. 1515 Golden Gate Parkway.
269-7440 or collierorchestra.org.

**Favorite Tunes** – Naples Music Club
performs musical favorites at 7 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 21, at Vanderbilt Pres-
byterian Church. Free. 1225 Piper Blvd.
384-9215 or napollemusicclub.org.

**Laugh It Up** – Comedian Eric DaSilva
performs at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21,
at Nana’s Diner. 818-455-2844 or
room2laugh.com.

**Art Show** – Miromar Design Center
hosts an Estero Fine Art Show from
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday,
Nov. 21-22. 984-5766 or miromar.com.

**Book Fair** – The Carlisle Naples hosts
a book and gift sale from 10 a.m. to 2
p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. Customers can receive up to 70 percent off retail prices.
6945 Carlisle Court. 992-2582 or
bookfairnaples.org.

**Art Alive** – More than 20 art galler-
ies and studios open their doors to the
public in Naples Art District 11 a.m. to 4
p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 and 1-4 p.m. Sun-
day, Nov. 22. 580-7999.

**Sing Along** – Join the choir at Voices of
Naples’ 13th annual sing-along of
Handel’s Messiah at 3 p.m. Sunday,
Nov. 22, at Naples United Church of Christ.
$15 in advance, $20 at the door. 5200
Crayton Road. 455-2582 or voicesofna-
ples.org.

**Christmas on Third** – Third Street’s
annual holiday celebration kicks off
from 5-9:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23, with
a tree lighting, a fairy snow mother, Santa
Claus, performances at more. 434-6533
or thirdstreetsouth.com.

**Films for Film Lovers –** Centers for
the Arts Bonita Springs screens “Tokyo
Godfathers” (Japan, 2003) at 7 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 23. On Christmas Eve, three homeless people living on the
streets of Tokyo find a newborn baby
among the trash and set out to find its
parents. $10. 10510 Bonita Beach Road.
495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

**BBQ PDQ** – Buy your veggie bag now for the Farm City BBQ from 11:30
a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25,
at Camp Discovery. Collier County’s annual event celebrates the relationship
between the area’s agricultural and
urban business communities with fresh
vegetables and Shula’s steak. There’s a
performance by “The Voice” contes-
tant Casey Weston. Proceeds benefit local youth leadership organizations
$20. 8409 Rattlesnake Hammock Road.
Farcmybbq.com.

**More Comedy** – Steve Salbo takes
the stage at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday,
Nov. 27-28, at the Old Naples Com-
edy Club. $20. 1000 Sixth Ave. S. 455-2844 or
room2laugh.com.

**Holiday on the Bay** – The Vil-
lage on Venetian Bay hosts a snow
show from 5-8 p.m. each Saturday until
Christmas starting Nov. 27. Enjoy a visit
with Santa, story time with Mrs. Claus,
Christmas carolers and more. 261-6100 or venetian-
village.com.

**Holiday Sax** – Saxophonist Dave Koz
performs with special guests at 8 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 28, at Arts—Naples, 597-
1900 or artisnaples.org.

**Films for Film Lovers –** Centers for
the Arts Bonita Springs screens “My
Life Without Me” (Canada, 2003) at 7
p.m. Monday, Nov. 30. A young woman
conceals the fact of her terminal cancer
to live her life with a passion she never
had before. $10. 10510 Bonita Beach Road.
495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

**Art Reception** – Marco Island His-
torical Museum hosts an opening recep-
tion for Clyde Butcher’s “Nature’s Plac-
es of Spiritual Sanctuary” exhibit from
5-7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1. The exhibit will be
displayed until Wednesday, Feb. 10.
642-1440 or colliermuseums.com.

A Choral Christmas – The Naples
Philharmonic and Naples Philharmonic
Chorus perform classical holiday works
at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, at Arts—
Naples, 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.
WHERE TO GO

Art ALIVE – The 20-plus galleries in the Naples Art District (behind Airport-Pulling and Pine Ridge roads) open to the public from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3. Free. 508-7979.

Tree Lighting – Mercato fires up the largest living tree in Southwest Florida at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2. 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

Adventure Day – Lovers Key State Park celebrates Great Outdoor Adventure Day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, with food, touch tanks, children’s activities, ranger-led tours and more. Free with park entry fee. (727) 718-1438 or bikesfortykes.org.

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

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

Stand-Up Guys – Comedians Ben Hague and Larry Venturino perform at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12 at Nana’s Diner. $15. 5555 Golden Gate Parkway. 455-2844 or room2laugh.com.

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

Comedic Show – Comedians Preacher Lawson and Mark Viola perform at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, at Nana’s Diner. $15. 5555 Golden Gate Parkway. 455-2844 or room2laugh.com.

Car Show – Naples Big Wheels hosts a car show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13 at Florida Sports Park to benefit Bikes for Tykes. See hot rods, antique, muscle, race and sport cars and enjoy food, music, auctions and more. $7 or donation of a usable bicycle. Children 12 and under are free. (727) 718-1438 or bikesfortykes.org.

Winter Festival – The Naples Philharmonic joins forces to present Johan Strauss Jr.’s “Die Fledermaus” at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22, at Arts—Naples. 963-9050 or operanaples.org.

Moonlight Ride – Take a guided, nighttime canoe trip through Collier-Seminole State Park at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 25-26. $15. 20200 Tamiami Trail East. 394-3397 or floridastateparks.org.

More Jokes – Comedian Steve Laslow performs at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26, at Nana’s Diner. $15. 5555 Golden Gate Parkway. 455-2844 or room2laugh.com.

Vocal Concert – The Ten Tenors perform works ranging from the Beatles to Bocelli at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 29, at Arts—Naples. 963-9050 or operanaples.org.

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

Sinatra at the Sands – The Naples Jazz Orchestra commemorates Frank Sinatra’s landmark album with a tribute concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12, at Golden Gate High School. $30. 207-8299 or naplesjazzorchestra.com.

Flea Market – Friends of Lovers Key hold a nautical flea market and boat show from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 19. $5. loverskeynauticalmarket.com.

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

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A big kiss for Lab Theater’s ‘Stage Kiss’

“Stage Kiss” is full of great back- stage scenes and shows audiences how plays are stitched together, sometimes despite the director’s incompetence or lack of experience. Ms. Trossbach’s character, jittery and insecure as she auditions after a 10-year hiatus, has a wonderful little bit where She can’t quite decide if she wants to stand or sit while delivering her lines. And also early on, Mr. Graffy has a compelling moment when He realizes his former lover has been cast as a lead with him. Not wanting to even look at her, He doesn’t say anything as He slowly realizes who She is. The play is full of little moments like these; neither actor lets an opportunity slip by. And while they provided many laughs throughout the evening, they also evoked tears with a particularly tender yet heartbreaking scene.

Director Lois Kuehne does a deft job with this difficult play. Neither farce nor slapstick, the playwright’s humor borders more on the absurd. But some scenes, particularly in Act II, seem to be searching for the right tone. And Mr. DeNoncour’s depiction of a pimp in the second act seems more cartoonish and not at tune with the tenor of the play. (The over-the-top costume doesn’t help, and just seems to be going for an easy laugh.)

But Ms. Kuehne makes the best use of the small stage for multiple scenes: an audition space, a stage, He’s studio apartment. And she cleverly has the real-life stage manager and crew come out to change the set onstage while the action is still going on. There are so many layers to “Stage Kiss,” it’s almost like watching a juggler add more items to her act; not only is she juggling plates, but she adds feathers and then chainsaws to the mix—and manages to keep it all up in the air.

LAB Theater’s production of “Stage Kiss” is the Florida premiere of the play. It would be a shame if you missed it.

In the know ▶

‘Stage Kiss’

> Where: Through Nov. 21
> Where: Laboratory Theater of Florida, Fort Myers
> Cost: $25 ($12 for students)
> Info: 239-481-0818 or laboratorytheaterflorida.com

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**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Time is getting too short to allow a spat to taint the holiday season. Restart your relationship and reschedule holiday fun times.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Seeking advice is laudable. You might learn far more than you thought you could. Stay with it.

**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** That new situation needs a lot of attention, but it’s worth it. This is a very good time for you to involve the arts in what you do.

**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** That new situation needs a lot of attention, but it’s worth it. This is a very good time for you to involve the arts in what you do.

**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** It might be a good idea to slow your hectic holiday pace so that you don’t rush past what -- or who -- you’re hoping to rush toward.

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** This year, instead of jumping into the whole holiday prep scene, move in a little at a time. You’ll appreciate the sense of control you’re more likely to enjoy.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** The separation between the Bovine’s head and heart is never as far apart as it seems. Both senses work best when they come out of logic and honesty.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** The best way to keep those pre-holiday pressures under control is to just say no to taking on new tasks while you’re still trying to work with a heap of others.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** News means a change might be on its way, but what does it hold? Don’t just ask questions; make sure you get answers you can trust.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Old friends and new have one thing in common: Both your longevity and newly minted pals have much wisdom to impart.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** With time running out, this is a good time for you to show ‘em all what those Virgo super-organizational skills can do.

**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Librans and holidays are made for each other, especially if children and animals are going to be part of your joyous season.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Others pick up on your confidence in yourself, which inspires them to believe in you and your special gifts.

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**PUZZLES**

**BIRD WATCHING**

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CONTRACT BRIDGE

Good old-fashioned TLC
BY STEVE BECKER

A play that caters to an unlikely distribution of the adverse cards without jeopardizing the contract is clearly meritorious, whether that distribution proves to exist or not. And when the play does turn out to have been necessary, it is doubly satisfying.

Take this case where South must be on his toes to make four hearts. West leads the six of spades, and East cashes the K-A before returning a spade to declarer’s queen. If South gets careless and plays a low trump to the king, East takes the ace and leads his last spade. Whether declarer ruffs high or low, he must lose a second trump trick for down one.

Similarly, South fails if he leads the queen instead of a low trump at trick four. East wins and returns a spade, and West’s eight of trumps again becomes a factor in establishing the setting trick.

Declarer’s safest method of play is to lead a diamond to dummy’s king at trick four, discard two diamonds on the A-K of clubs and play a low trump toward his hand. He has no idea who has the ace of trumps, but he does place East with the outstanding spade, and that’s why he tackles the trumps in this fashion.

When East follows low and the queen wins, declarer next plays the jack! East wins with the ace but is powerless. He can do no better than lead a spade at this point, but South ruffs in his hand, plays a trump to the king to draw the missing trump and scores the rest of the tricks. Note that even if West had the missing trump when the fourth spade was led and overuffed after South trumped, declarer could simply overruff with dummy’s king.

The hand is an excellent example of good technique, for it shows that even such a mundane trump holding as South’s needs to be handled with tender, loving care for the best result to be achieved.
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FILM CAPSULES

Spectre ★★ 1/2
(Daniel Craig, Christoph Waltz, Monica Bellucci) James Bond (Mr. Craig) learns more about his past and pursues the man (Mr. Waltz) behind all the treachery Bond has faced thus far. It’s a downgrade from the last entry, “Skyfall,” but is salvaged by a solid ending loosely taken from “The Dark Knight.” Rated PG-13.

Our Brand Is Crisis ★★★
(Sandra Bullock, Billy Bob Thornton, Anthony Mackie) Political strategist “Calamity” Jane (Ms. Bullock) travels to Bolivia to assist in a presidential campaign. The story wants to make strong social points, but flounders when it should thrive. Rated R.

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

Rock The Kasbah ★ 1/2
(Bill Murray, Kate Hudson, Leem Lubany) A down-on-his-luck music manager (Mr. Murray) discovers a female Muslim singer (Ms. Lubany) and tries to get her on “Afghan Star,” the Afghan version of “American Idol.” The story goes in a number of directions, none of them wise. Rated R.

Crimson Peak ★★★
(Jessica Chastain, Tom Hiddleston, Mia Wasikowska) In the early 1920s, Edith (Ms. Wasikowska) is wooed by Thomas (Mr. Hiddleston), seemingly not noticing how close he is to his sister (Ms. Chastain). It’s an odd gothic love story with a few ghosts thrown in for good measure, and although it looks slick and stylish, it just doesn’t connect. Rated R.

Bridge of Spies ★★★
(Tom Hanks, Alan Alda, Mark Rylance) A Brooklyn lawyer (Mr. Hanks) defends an accused Russian spy (Mr. Rylance) and later tries to negotiate the spy’s release in exchange for an American soldier (Austin Stowell) held by the Russians. It’s 20 minutes too long, and the two-act story structure is tedious and never invites emotional investment. This is a misfire for Mr. Hanks and for director Steven Spielberg. Rated PG-13.

Freeheld ★★★
(Julianne Moore, Ellen Page, Michael Shannon) Happy gay couple Laurel (Ms. Moore) and Stacie (Ms. Page) fight to have Laurel’s pension given to Stacie after Laurel is diagnosed with terminal cancer. It’s an emotional gut punch of a movie that’s a bit clumsy at times but overall very effective. Rated PG-13.
“Suffragette”

But think about this objectively: They’re an organization of women who believe in a cause and, eventually, will be rewarded for their actions. This sends a message to future groups — whether we agree with them or not — to commit violent acts of protest, because if it worked for one cause it can/should work for another. It’s a dangerous precedent to set.

That said, Maud is the biggest issue of all in “Suffragette.” There’s nothing about her personality early on that suggests she’s a fighter. Accordingly, she hesitates to become a suffragette, even after going to a few meetings. She’s clearly not that into it. Yet she keeps going, and the more she goes the more she loses both personally and professionally. We’re supposed to sympathize with her situation, but as bad things keep happening we can’t help but question why she continues doing something she’s not that interested in to begin with.

How could director Sarah Gavron and screenwriter Abi Morgan (“The Iron Lady”) not give their main character a motive? At one point Maud says she wants equal rights and mentions not receiving equal pay, which is much more ambitious than just the right to vote. She never mentions these things again. Speaking of which: If you’re going to make a movie about women wanting the right to vote, allow at least one woman to express why the right to vote is important to her. This should be obvious.

If these characters are sacrificing their families, jobs and livelihood for this cause, a smidge of character development explaining why they give a damn about it is in order.

What a misfire “Suffragette” is. The women who sacrificed everything in order to get pig-headed men to view them as intelligent and worthwhile human beings deserve much better.
The Rock Pack concert at Germain Arena on Thursday night, Nov. 19, will have drawing power simply because of the performers featured in the show.

Six lead singers from classic rock bands will grace the stage: John Payne from Asia, Robin Zander of Cheap Trick, Mickey Thomas of Starship, Fee Waybill of the Tubes, Steve Walsh (formerly of Kansas) and Bobby Kimball (formerly of Toto).

But fans won’t just see these singers perform hit songs by their groups. They’ll be witnessing a bit of rock history.

“No one’s ever done anything like this before,” says Mr. Payne, who originated the concept of the show and serves as musical director. “This is based just on the vocalists. That’s what the focus is on. Also, having a slight theatrical bent to it also makes it very different.”

The theatrical element comes from Mr. Payne’s role in the show. In addition to performing Asia hits such as “Heat of the Moment” and “Only Time Will Tell,” he will conduct brief chats with each of the other singers.

The Rock Pack show is the first concert to be promoted by KDIM Entertainment, a firm formed by Punta Gorda businessman Kevin Demers and Las Vegas-based manager/promoter Iggy Magana.

The Rock Pack — a play on the famous Rat Pack name — started to come together in 2014 after Mr. Payne was fired from “Raiding the Rock Vault.” (He sued, claiming breach of contract and has reached a settlement.) He came up with the concept for bringing together classic rock singers under a single concert bill. He and Mr. Demers saw Florida as a good launching place for the effort largely because of the state’s large baby boomer population that grew up with classic rock.

The Rock Pack brings together classic rock hit makers

BY ALAN SCULLEY
Florida Weekly Correspondent

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BY TERRY AND KIM KOVEL

Antique napkin rings are used today as part of the new “green” movement. The cloth napkin used at dinner, if almost clean, can be carefully folded, rolled up and saved in the napkin ring. It saves soap, water and the energy needed to launder it after each meal. The idea is not new. It probably started in 19th-century France. Plain wood, porcelain or metal rings were used in the 1800s, but the figural napkin ring was the height of fashion from 1869 to about 1900. At first, porcelain rings were decorated with colored glazes or the silver was engraved with a name or design. But technology made it possible to plate a pewter-like metal and make an inexpensive napkin ring that looked like expensive sterling silver examples. Today, it is the silver-plated figural ring that attracts the collector and the high prices. Hundreds of designs were made silver-plate manufacturers in America. They are like small sculptures. Realistic figures of people, animals, birds, plants or mythological and literary characters often in scenes with familiar objects held the rings. Kate Greenaway-type boys and girls are among the favorites. Sometimes a horse or donkey was designed to pull the napkin ring in a cart. Some figural rings also included a bud vase to hold flowers or a local store that sell old toys and other antiques. A: Joseph Originals was started by Muriel Joseph Georges, who began designing and making ceramic figurines in the basement of her home in California in 1945. When Muriel ordered labels for her figurines they came back with “Joseph” misspelled as “Josef,” and that became part of the company name. Production moved to Japan in 1962. The company was sold in 1983. The new owner continued to make Josef Originals figurines designed by Muriel until 1985, when the company was sold again. The figurines are no longer being made. Those made in California are worth more that the later ones made in Japan. The value of your figurines: $15 to $55.

Q: I found some old tin toys in my grandfather’s attic. There is a trolley that reads “City Passenger Car” on the side. It’s pulled by two tin horses that need some repair. I always asked to see it when I was a child, and “see” was all that was allowed! Are these worth anything? A: Old tin toys sell for high prices. A horse-drawn City Passenger Car trolley attributed to Hull and Stafford, a Connecticut company in business from the 1860s to the 1880s, sold at auction recently for over $3,000. Your trolley will be worth less because it needs repair, but can still sell for several hundred dollars or more. If you plan to sell them, contact one of the major auction houses that specialize in toys or a local store that sell old toys and other antiques.

Q: I have a George Zee cabinet that’s missing the metal tag on the back. Does this affect the value? What do you think it’s worth? A: George Zee & Co. was in business in Hong Kong from the 1960s until 1997. The company used different metal tags to label its furniture. One of the tags lists the company as “Kiln Dried Art Carved Manufacturers.” The company made heavily carved teak and camphor wood furniture. Later, furniture made by other manufacturers was sold under the George Zee name. A George Zee heavily carved cocktail cabinet with lift top sold at auction for $500 a few months ago. Other cabinets have sold for only about $100. The quality and intricacy of the carving affect the price but an original metal name tag would give extra provenance and add to value.

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When I was a kid the art of customization was epitomized in a hamburger commercial. I dare you to think about a Whopper and not sing the “Have it Your Way” jingle. If you don’t know what I am talking about Google it with caution as you’ll be singing it for weeks.

For decades the art of customization has evolved in all aspects of our culture. We are always looking for better ways to suit our personal tastes and desires. We want to have it our way.

I think every gift of time or money represents a donor’s customized desire to make things better in our world. I want our team to be just like the baristas at the local Starbucks who are committed to getting the perfect creation started for every customer every time they visit. Like Starbucks orders, there are endless possibilities in philanthropy. You just need a Foundation willing to perfect your order. You need a partner that knows the community and creative ways to design solutions and customize your giving.

In this report you will see some of the projects the Foundation team launched this year in response to community research and insights from gathering stakeholders to discuss opportunities to strengthen our region.

On the financial side of our world, the numbers reflect increased giving and granting and measurable results from our work. As our assets grow so does investment in the community.

You will also read about some of your Southwest Florida neighbors who have taken their individual passions and turned them into customized giving stories. In every case, the Foundation team worked with them to create just the right plan to realize their dreams.

No two stories are alike. Thank goodness, as that is the beauty of our made-to-order world and of the tapestry of giving we create together.

If you have been part of our story this year, we thank you for your willingness to join us at the giving counter.

“What can we get started for you?” It’s a simple question posed by every Starbucks barista who’s ready to brew up your favorite beverage – from plain black coffee to one of the longest and tongue-twisting orders on record: a double ristretto venti half-soy nonfat decaf organic chocolate brownie iced vanilla double-shot gingerbread Frappuccino extra hot with foam and whipped cream upside down double blended. Of course, a choice of syrups, toppings, milks, and coffee provide another 170,000 options to customize your drink, according to a company spokesperson.

“The high level of personalization available allows customers to enjoy a unique Starbucks experience and tailor their drink to match their own personal taste preferences,” says the representative. Being able to customize a product or service makes it more personal to you. It’s the same with philanthropy. The Southwest Florida Community Foundation offers customized giving, dedicated to helping every donor find the right opportunity for them, whether it’s a one-time contribution or an endowment that lives on in perpetuity, a family fund or foundation dedicated to a specific cause, or jumpstarting a new idea to fill a community need. 
What we started

2015 was a year of major milestones in the Southwest Florida Community Foundation’s work as active change-makers

- The FutureMakers Coalition launched in March with the backing of Lumina Foundation to improve the quality of Southwest Florida’s workforce (please see infographic here for the coalition goal). The Community Foundation is engaging local business and education leaders, government officials, nonprofit organizations and community stakeholders in ongoing dialogue and cradle-to-career strategies to achieve this goal.

- A collaborative effort with the Lee County Board of Commissioners resulted in transferring the completed Lee community sustainability plan to the Community Foundation in 2015. Over time the infrastructure established during the four-year planning process along with more than 80 organizations and hundreds of individual stakeholders will lead to a regional map that guides the foundation’s commitment to ensuring a high quality of life and change for the common good through an established collective impact model.

“The components of the plan address Community Foundation causes and the nationally-recognized pillars of community sustainability,” says Tessa LeSage, director of social innovation and sustainability. “The plan provides measurable outcomes to show the foundation and our partners how we are making an impact in the areas that lead to the long-term success and desirability of a community. Ultimately it makes our region a better place to live, work, play and learn.”

- We welcomed our first Florida Fellows from the University of Florida this summer, thanks to the Al and Nancy Burnett Charitable Foundation. The four public interest communications students worked in three local nonprofits that received grants from the Community Foundation. They helped the nonprofits enhance communication and effective storytelling.

- The Community Foundation also partnered with the city of Fort Myers to identify opportunities to create greater efficiencies among some of its non-profit organizations, with a focus on the Imaginarium and the Southwest Florida Museum of History. The year-long effort allowed the foundation to contribute to developing plans aimed at establishing a state-of-the-art regional science and history museum and a merged board of directors that would better serve the two organizations and support many of the city’s larger strategic goals. This public-private partnership will improve taxpayers’ return on investment and potentially serve as a catalyst for redevelopment along the Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard corridor.

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Investments:
$70,647,535

Fixed income 30.0%
Alternative investments 8.4%
Domestic equities 36.8%
International equities 22.1%
Cash equivalents 2.7%

Your Money at Work: Record Investments, Record Assets

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation hit two major milestones during the 2014-15 fiscal year: We reached $93.5 million in total assets and a record $70.6 million in investments as of June 30, 2015. Our total assets increased 13 percent from the previous fiscal year while investments rose 14 percent. The increases are a result of new funds, additional contributions and investment returns.

Since its inception 39 years ago, your community foundation has received $380 million in contributions and distributed $63 million in direct support to the community.

In addition to overseeing the foundation’s assets and investments, the Board of Trustees’ Finance Committee also reviews quarterly results presented in our financial statements and annually recommends the budget to the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees’ Audit Committee oversees accounting and financial reporting policies and practices, the foundation’s internal controls and the independent audit of financial statements. The Audit Committee is also responsible for reviewing IRS Form 990 prior to filing the foundation’s tax return and reporting to the Board of Trustees.

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Contributions made to Foundation
2015 $11 million
2014 $8.1 million

2015 Number of Contributions > 918
2014 Number of Contributions > 759

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SOUTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION’S
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We are GROWING

\[ \text{Assets} \]

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\[ \text{13\% increase} \]

\[ \text{Future Funds} \]

These are documented irrevocable promises from donors who plan to create a fund upon their death through their will or estate

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\[ \text{28\% increase} \]

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TOGETHER We Are Cultivating Regional Change

Through Strengthening Nonprofits

- Community Impact Grants
- Community Impact Grant (CIJ) Tribe
- Robert Rauschenberg Fund Tribe
- University of Florida Training
- Field Trip to Tangelo Park

Through Research

- Nonprofit Program Evaluation
- Regional Results Road Trip to nonprofit grantees

Through Launching Ideas

- Impact Forum
  Launched one new nonprofit organization through Florida Next Foundation using Cause to Fund

- RESEARCH REPORTS
  - Water Report
  - Inaugural FutureMakers Report
  - Women’s Legacy Fund Participatory Research Report

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We are GRANTING

\[ \text{Grants to Nonprofit Organizations} \]

\[ \text{2015} : \$2.9m \]

\[ \text{21\% increase} \]

\[ \text{Scholarships Awarded} \]

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These are documented irrevocable promises from donors who plan to create a fund upon their death through their will or estate

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As concierges of philanthropy in Southwest Florida, the foundation offers blank check to the standard donor advised fund. Or we can add whipped cream and a sprinkle of cinnamon, like a future fund from a donor’s estate with specific causes to be addressed upon their death — all to suit donors’ tastes and preferences.

“Our flexibility, combined with a comprehensive understanding of community needs, attracted more than 150 new contributors and donors during the 2015 fiscal year — people committed to getting things done while envisioning future needs,” said Immediate Past Board Chairman Joe Mazurkiewicz.

The foundation specializes in finding the right funding vehicle or combinations to fulfill donors’ charitable wishes. Here are examples of a few on their menu:

Legacy Donors

Aspire to Provide Education

Shevach would have never attended college if not for a full scholarship earned in medical degree with out-of-pocket tuition and scholarship aid by school officials upon learning about his father's death in his junior year. As legacy donors, the retired Fort Myers OR-GYN and his wife Liz have established a fund that will annually award several scholarships to Lee County students and residents attending medical school. “I was successful here and this is my payback for the support of the community and my college deans,” said Dr. Shevach.

A New Idea to Help Children and Spouses

Divorce with Less: Angela Melvin said her and Valerie’s House on a whim, stepping up to the mic during last year’s Community Foundation co-sponsored Sing For Us, to share the need for a program supporting children and spouses mourning the loss of a parent or partner. “I lost my mother when I was 10 and there were no programs to help me and my sister,” said Ms. Melvin. One of three ideas chosen that night for on-crowd pitching, she is now making the off-the-moment new nonprofit a reality. Valerie’s House has raised $15,000, was given a new name, and plans to open strategically to a community that my college deans,” said Dr. Shevach.

Private Foundation Benefits from Our Knowledge

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WILLIAMS

Corporation Giving Enhances the Community Foundation's Work: Wells Fargo Foundation was one of the founding supporters of the community foundation project that became the FutureMakers Cõnne project to build a nationally significant new nonprofit a real- worth $250,000 to six local organizations in April.

“We were very happy to partner with organizations to help Pine Island children and families in April,” said Mr. Robertshaw, who has served on the foundation’s board of directors and grants committee. “We can open a donor advised fund and the Community Foundation’s guidance gives us the confidence to give back strategically to a community that has been so good to us.

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– RANDY

Professional golfers join Kids Helping Kids Festival

Two professional golfers will put on clinics at the third annual Kids Helping Kids Festival on Saturday, Nov. 14, at Alico Family Golf in South Fort Myers. Emily Talley and Solnee Henderson will be attending the day-long event and putting on golf clinics.

Ms. Henderson was runner up on the Golf Channel’s “Big Break Atlantis” and was voted as Fan Favorite. She competed in five full seasons on the LPGA Symmetry Tour with a T2 best finish.

McTalley has been on the Symetra Tour since 2013, when she finished in 39th. She has earned more than $60,000 on the tour.

The festival takes place from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at Alico Family Golf, 16300 Lee Road, and will include entertainment, a rock wall, Bubble Soccer, bounce houses, live music, games, live animals and food vendors. The cost is $80 for unlimited activities. Admission is free for kids under 5.

Sponsored by Alliance Financial Group and Alico Family Golf, the festival is an opportunity for kids to learn they can make a difference and for families to have fun while raising money for children’s charities in Southwest Florida. For more information, contact Kathy Bongiorno at Alliance Financial Group at 561-2900 or info@kidshelpingkiddswfl.org.
HELPFUL TIP: Always verify the accuracy of the information before making plans.

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**Pilot Club of Naples’ Pilot Foundation**

meets at 6 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month at Perkins on Pine Ridge Road. The next meeting is Nov. 19. Admission is free for all, and guests are always welcome.

**Members of the Old Naples Association**

hold their annual fall social from 4-6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15, at 7th Avenue Social, 849 Seventh Ave. S. Cost is $20 for association members, $20 for others. For more information and to make a reservation, visit oldnaplesassociation.com.

**The Naples base of the U.S. Submarine Veterans (USVV)**

meets at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of every month at the VFW Post 772, 800 Neffs Way in Naples. The next meeting is Nov. 16. Membership is open to active duty and retired submariners who have earned the Qualified in Submarines designation. The local USVV base commander is Jack Hogan of Naples. For more information, visit usvva.org/base/naples.aip.

**The Naples chapter of the Massachusetts Maritime Association**

meets on the third Thursday of each month at the Residence Inn by Marriott, 6490 Pine Ridge Road. The next meeting is Nov. 19. For more information, call 963-4670 or visit pflagnaples.org.

**PFLAG**

is an information and support group dedicated to the healthy development of all sexual orientations. The organization meets at 7 p.m. on the third Saturdays of every month at the Landmark Naples community in North Naples. The next meeting is Nov. 21 and Dec. 5. For more information, call Dick Ritchie at 594-0868 or email dcritchie@comcast.net.

**Naples Ship Modelers**

is an informal group dedicated to the hobby of building wooden ship models. Members meet at 9:30 a.m. on the third Saturdays of every month at the Landmark Naples community in North Naples. The next meeting is Nov. 21. For more information, call 963-4670 or visit pflagnaples.org.

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The Naples Civic Club holds a business meeting at 6 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at Perkins on Pine Ridge Road and on varying days and locations during the third week of the month for educational and social gatherings. For more information, call 774-2623 or email naplescivitan@aol.com.

The Marco Island Civic Club meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. The next meetings are Nov. 24 and Dec. 8.

For locations, call Anthony DeLucia at 285-6785 or email marcoislandcivitanclub2014@yahoo.com.

The international service club focuses on assisting people with developmental disabilities, including autism, Alzheimer’s disease and Down syndrome.

The Gulf Breeze Button Club meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at Perkins on Pine Ridge Road and on varying days and locations during the third week of the month in the pilots’ lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. Admission of each month in the pilots’ lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. Admission is free. There will be a full ginza or marketplace with ikebana materials. Non-members are asked to email ikebananaples@gmail.com to RSVP. For more information about the organization, visit ikebananaples.com.

The Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 10670—Naples meets at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Naples Municipal Airport. The next meeting is Dec. 2. EAA The Naples EAA chapter is one of approximately 1,700 chapters worldwide. Members are pilots, student pilots, plane builders and aviation enthusiasts. Members also serve a pancake breakfast from 8-11 a.m. on the second Sunday of each month in the pilots’ lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. Admission for $8 includes pancakes, eggs, bacon or sausage and orange juice. All proceeds benefit the EAA Young Eagles program that acquaints youth ages 8-17 with aviation as a career. The next breakfast is Dec. 13. For more information, call 649-6627 or visit eaal1067.com.

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

The Florida Poetry Club invites writers and admirers of poetry to its open mic programs from 4:5 p.m. at The Norris Center on the following Mondays: Dec. 7, Jan. 11, Feb. 8 and March 14. Poets should bring three to five of their original poems. After the session, all are welcome to join the group for dinner at a restaurant within walking distance of the center. For more information, call (440) 554-1144 or email formulawriting@hotmail.com.

Alumnae of Gamma Phi Beta in the Naples area meet for lunch and conversation on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is Dec. 14. For more information, call at 594-8420 or email bhc9514@gmail.com. Craig at 908-7301, email bhc9514@gmail.com. Invited to attend the alumnae club’s year-round activities. For more information, call Barbara Craig at 908-7301, email bhc9514@gmail.com or visit pdbetafl.org/naples.

Pi Beta Phi alumnae in Naples, Bonita Springs and Marco Island are invited to attend the alumnae club’s year-round activities. For more information on luncheons and evening meetings, social mixers and interest groups, and/or joining the group, call Barbara Craig at 908-7301. email bhc9514@gmail.com or visit pdbetafl.org/naples.
Ms. Spalding bronze sea turtle will remain on display at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center through November. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Admission is $5.

TOTT is a community-wide arts project featuring 50 artisan-designed loggerhead sea turtle sculptures displayed throughout Collier County through February. The TOTT gala takes place March 9 at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. TOTT proceeds will benefit the Conservancy, the United Arts Council and the Community Foundation of Collier County.

For more information, call 250-1688 or visit turtlesonthetown.com.

To learn more about Ms. Spalding’s work and gallery, visit kspalding.com.

NOTE: See photos from a VIP sneak peek at Turtles on the Town sculptures on page C35.
Catch Kip Moore on the verge of his next hit

BY ALAN SCULLEY
Florida Weekly Correspondent

Kip Moore has gone two years without having a hit single, an eternity for many artists in the competitive, radio-driven country music genre — especially someone like Mr. Moore who is trying to regain the commercial momentum he enjoyed with his first album, “Up All Night.”

That 2012 release sold some 400,000 copies, produced a pair of top five country singles, “Something About a Truck” and “Hey Pretty Girl,” and got Mr. Moore touted as one of country music’s breakout stars.

Mr. Moore knows he needs another hit and he’s hoping his second single from his new album, “Wild Ones,” will do the trick. It’s a full-bodied ballad with a big chorus called “Running For You,” and Mr. Moore has had the song at the ready just for this sort of moment.

“I feel really strong about this song,” Mr. Moore said in a late-October phone interview. “I always felt like this song was special. I almost gave the song away a couple of different times to really big artists back when I needed money as a writer, back when I was barely getting by and people wanted the song. But I always kept it in my back pocket because I felt like I always knew where I was going as an artist and I felt like I was going to need it one day.”

Mr. Moore will perform his new songs along with his hits this Saturday, Nov. 14, at The Ranch in Fort Myers.

“Our live show has been our bread and butter, to where I feel like once people actually come to a show, I think they always leave a fan,” Mr. Moore said. “That’s been the key to this whole thing, for it to be able to sustain when we haven’t had success necessarily over the last couple of years on radio. We’ve been able to continue to sell out shows. But it’s still very important to have radio on your side, too.”

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This locally produced documentary explores how Coach Karl Smesko’s Eagles defied the odds and earned their own national reputation well before Dunk City put Florida Gulf Coast University on the map.

FRIDAY, NOV. 13, 9 P.M.
Live from Lincoln Center
Act One
Lincoln Center Theater’s presentation of James Lapine’s vivid play about playwright Moss Hart, re-imagined from Mr. Hart’s memoir, stars Tony Shalhoub, Andrea Martin and Santino Fontana star.

SUNDAY, NOV. 15, 10 P.M.
Murder on the Home Front
When young women are found murdered amid the chaos of the London Blitz of WWII, pathologist Dr. Lennox Collins, on his first murder case, and his assistant Molly Cooper use groundbreaking forensic techniques, in an effort to save a seemingly innocent man from the gallows.

MONDAY, NOV. 16, 10 P.M.
Iwo Jima: From Combat to Comrades (Stories of Service)
Follow survivors of perhaps the fiercest battle of WWII as they return to Iwo Jima for a Reunion of Honor on the only battlefield where former enemies come together in shared remembrance.

TUESDAY, NOV. 17, 9 P.M.
American Experience
American Comandante
Meet William Morgan, the larger-than-life American who rose to power in Cuba during the revolution. His life had it all: adventure and romance, mobsters, spies and a cast of characters including J. Edgar Hoover, Che Guevara and Fidel Castro.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18, 9 P.M.
Nova
Making North America Human, Part 3
From Ice Age to oil boom, discover the challenges faced and the wealth uncovered as humans took over the continent. How did we turn rocks into riches? And what catastrophic natural disasters could threaten the civilization we’ve built?

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One random submission from the remaining non-winning entries will win a free vacation! This four-day, three-night stay at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa includes a guided kayaking tour for two adults and a beach day at Lovers Key State Park, courtesy of Lovers Key Adventures.
CELEBRITY EXTRA

‘Agent X’ features Russian not-so-secret weapon

BY CINDY ELAVSKY

Q: I’m glad to see that “Agent X” is finally on TNT. I’ve been looking forward to seeing Sharon Stone in this. She is wonderful, of course, but I’m also impressed with the actress who plays Olga.

What can you tell me about her?

Jonathan T. via email

A: Olga Fonda, whom you might remember from “The Vampire Diaries” and “Real Steel,” is the gorgeous actress who plays Olga Petrovka. She was born in Russia and came to the U.S. when she was 14 as a foreign exchange student. She was thrilled to come to America, which is, in her words: “a land of opportunities and dreams. So, when I got the opportunity to go to the United States, I happily grabbed it. I always wanted to get an experience of living in different countries, studying in different countries, learning the different cultures, and, of course, having better opportunities.”

Q: Can you tell me what the actress who plays Marcy on “Arrested Development” has been doing lately?

— Linda R. in Virginia

A: Alia Shawkat stars in a new TBS dark-comedy series of her own, which is currently in development. It’s called “Search Party,” and it co-stars John Early, John Reynolds and Meredith Hagner. The show follows a group of four self-absorbed 20-somethings who come together when a former college acquaintance mysteriously disappears. The series will debut sometime in 2016.

Q: My wife heard that there is going to be a new “Star Trek” series. Is that true?

Paul T. via email

A: A new “Star Trek” series has indeed been greenlighted at CBS, with an expected debut in January 2017. Pro- lific writer and producer Alex Kurtzman (producer of the “Star Trek” feature-film reboots) is developing. According to The Hollywood Reporter, “The new ‘Star Trek’ will introduce new characters seeking imaginative new worlds and new civilizations, while exploring the dramatic contemporary themes that have been a signature of the franchise since its inception in 1966.” The latest in the “Star Trek” feature films won’t premiere until 2019, but die-hard Trekkies will have plenty to tide them over until then.

— Write to Cindy at King Features Weekly Service, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803; or email her at letters@cindyelavsky.com.

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SAVE THE DATE

- Hope for Haiti’s 2016 gala, “Back to Our Roots,” takes place Saturday, Jan. 16, at the Naples Sailing & Yacht Club. Tickets will enjoy cocktails and hors d’oeuvres while watching the sun set over Naples Bay. Dinner and dancing to live music by Paradise will follow. The 2016 JoAnne M. Kuehner Heart of Gold Award will be presented to Arthrex in recognition of its tremendous and storied support of Hope for Haiti over the years.

- Tickets are $250, and sponsorship opportunities are available. For reservations or more information, call 434-7183, ext. 203.

- The sixth annual Home, Hope & Healing Luncheon to benefit Youth Haven takes place Wednesday, Jan. 20, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Guest speaker will be Jeanette Walls, whose memoir “The Glass Castle” has been a New York Times bestseller for more than a decade. Tickets are $1,020 ($450 for VIP privileges). For more information, visit havenswfl.org.

- The David Lawrence Center hosts “The Glass Castle” salon on Saturday, Jan. 23, at Naples Botanical Garden. Rather than transporting guests to a faraway land, as has been the gala’s signature tradition for many years, the 2016 fundraiser focuses on life right here in paradise. William and Pat Barton are honorary co-chairs; Polly Keller and William and Kathleen O’Neill are co-chairs. Performance artist and speaker Michael Israel will paint to live music, with the resulting artwork to be auctioned off after dinner. Tickets are $500 ($3,200 for VIP privileges). For more information, visit davidlawrencecenter.org.

- The second annual Eyeball Soiree to benefit the Bonita Springs Lions Eye Clinic takes place from 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23, at The Club at Mediterra. With the theme “I Only Have Eyes For You,” the evening includes cocktail hours and dinner, live entertainment, mystery and live auctions and awards to two doctors who donate their time to the clinic. For tickets or sponsorship information, call Trish Leonard at 261-4404 or visit trish@trishleonard.com or view eyeballsoiree.com.

- Literacy Volunteers of Collier County hosts Between the Covers with Elaine Newton: How to be Your Own Book Critic, a luncheon and program Thursday, Jan. 28, at Stonebridge Country Club. Tickets are $75. For more information, call 262-4448, ext. 301.

- The 2016 Naples Winter Wine Festival “Great Expectations” takes place Jan. 29-31. Ticket packages are limited to 850 guests and start at $10,000 per couple. A $25,000 package includes reserved seating for a party of four at a vintner dinner and under the grand auction tent. To inquire about tickets, contact Barrett Farmer by calling 514-2239 or email Barrett@napleswinefestival.com.

- The United Arts Council of Collier County hosts the 10th annual Stars in the Arts luncheon and awards presentation Wednesday, Feb. 17, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. Mally Khorasani and Jane Borders are co-chairs. For more information, call 254-8242 or visit collierarts.com.

- The Avow Butterfly Ball takes flight Saturday, Feb. 20, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort. The evening marries elements from the company’s signature annual gala to benefit the American Cancer Society and the pediatric nursing program at Gulf Coast University. The 2015 event raised more than $3.3 million. For ticket information, call 514-2239 or visit butterflyball.org.

- Magic Under the Mangroves, the signature annual gala to benefit the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, takes place Thursday, March 5, at the Conservancy. Details about tickets and reservations are at www.conservancy.org/magic.

- The 2016 Imagination Ball to benefit the American Cancer Society on Marco Island takes place Saturday, March 5, at the Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort. Dick and Debra Shannah are chairing the gala, themed “Wash Away Cancer” this year, for the fourth time. BMO Private Bank is the presenting sponsor. The evening includes a cocktail reception, dinner, dancing and silent and live auctions in a pavilion on the beach. Bill and Karen Young will be presented with the Grado Award in honor of their many years of leadership and service to ACS. For more information, call Nikki Sardelli at 642-8800, ext. 3894, or email nikkis@sardelli.org.
SOCIETY

Plundering pirates and more fun at Ooh La La Jewels Du Jour

Carol Emerson and Sudamy Tamayo
Allison Buckham, Judi Carr and Amy Turner
Ruth Stockinger and Kathy Randolph

Carol Bose and Jerry Bose
Trudy Potre and Diane Martin
Marsha Dittmer and Pam Light
Rose Potteiger and Susan Martta

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Tricks and treats at Waterside Shops for the annual Boo Bash

Sabrina Cerrazza and Emilia
Alyssa Tassie and Amy Jures
The Ahmad and Richardson families

The Williamses: Hamish, Kai and Sarah
Sabrina Pooler, Kristine Morgan and Holly Pooler
The Andersens: James, Jimmy and Jamie

Janey Cook, Louisa Cadiou, Addie Jenkinson and Taylor Marini
Paul Anderson and Teresa Stuhls
George Henry and Brenda Stelzer

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The 17th annual Immokalee Children’s Fair and Peace March sponsored by The Shelter for Abused Women & Children

Participants of all ages parade from the Immokalee Sports Complex to downtown Immokalee and back.

Avan Ruiz and Jesus Garcia hug Sonny

Sisters Aniah (front) and Aliyana Posada

Sisters Isabel (front) and Natalie Parra

Divante Davis

Immokalee Community School Dragons dance team and Coach Isabel Castro rally prior to their performance.

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Turtles on the Town sculptures ‘hatched’ for VIP viewing

Jenny Foegen and Bryan Geleta
Ginny Cabal, Jim Henderson, Sharon Hood and Adria Starkey
Van Williams, Paul Seifert and Eileen Connolly-Keesler
Cheryl Ashenbrener, Ann Hughes and Ellie Krier
Katie Schweikhardt
Nikkie Dvorchak and Jeanne Bolds
Lynn Mount and Sea Shelley

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Joining this year's bumper crop of new restaurants, Moura Bistro hopes to set itself apart as the area's only authentic Lebanese restaurant when it opens sometime in December. With a dearth of near and Middle Eastern food in Collier County, owner Nabil Bassil plans to fill the void with dishes such as shawarma, kebab balls and fattoush salad.

“We are all Lebanese and we are bringing authenticity to the food,” Mr. Bassil says. Specific spicing, techniques and marinating processes separate Lebanese food from other Mediterranean cuisines, he adds. “It’s just a different taste.”

Mr. Bassil moved to the area about six years ago and craved the flavors from his home, but came up short every time he visited a restaurant that specialized in Mediterranean food. While Greek, Israeli and Syrian foods have similar characteristics to Lebanese, he longed for the details that distinguish shawarma from a Greek gyro, for example.

“When I moved to Southwest Florida, I was trying to find a Lebanese or Mediterranean restaurant that served the food I grew up on,” he said. “Since I didn’t find that, my decision was made to open the restaurant.”

Lebanese cuisine, one considered a lighter variation on the region's popular foods, uses fresh herbs like mint, parsley, lemon or spices to enhance food instead of olive oil or animal products. Dishes are heavily reliant on fresh vegetables and bread for nourishment, though lamb and chicken are the predominant meats. Other distinguishing elements are the use of orange flower water, sumac, za’tar spice mixture, and a yogurt condiment called labneh.

Moura Bistro will be at 3369 Pine Ridge Road. For more information, visit mourabistro.com.

Take note:

■ Whole Foods Market in Mercato has become Florida’s first Blue Zones Project-approved grocery store. To become Blue Zones approved, the store implemented Blue Zones signage throughout the store, displays healthy snacks in checkout lanes and offers cooking classes highlighting nutritious meals using Blue Zones-inspired recipes.

“Grocery stores are essential advocates for health and well-being,” says David Longfield-Smith of the Blue Zones Project. “We applaud Whole Foods Market for helping us to make healthy choices easier.”

■ Kiwanis Club of Pelican Bay’s second annual Baconfest sizzles from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at Naples Municipal Airport. More than 30 vendors will provide bacon snacks and another 20 will provide complementary tastes of things such as Naples Beach Brewery’s Baconfest Bacon Beer. Bring the kids for face painting, rock walls, live animals and more. $10 in advance, $15 at the door, VIP tickets available. For more information, call 682-0942 or visit baconfestnaples.com.

■ Naples Grape Escape takes place from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, along Fifth Avenue South with dozens of wine and craft beer vendors providing samples of their libations. Food tents and live entertainment will be part of the festivities, and guests can bid on wine trips to California, Italy, Greece, France and China.

■ Florida Weekly wine columnist Jerry Greenfield presents “Boost Your Wine IQ” covering the basics of wine and wine tasting starting at 5 p.m. Tickets range from $30-$250, napleswine.org.

■ The sixth annual Sip & Sample to benefit Friends of Foster Children Forever takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, at The Village on Venetian Bay. Merchants will offer special promotions and raffles for those who purchase “passports” entitling them to sip and sample wines and appetizers provided by the Village restaurants. New this year is a holiday tree with ornaments containing wishes that guests will be able to fulfill for foster children. Tickets are $40 in advance, $50 on the night of the event. Rain date is Friday, Nov. 20. For tickets or more information, visit friendsoffosterchildren.net.

■ The Local hosts a Perfect Pairing Wine Tasting from 4-6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20. Guests will sample three wines paired with appetizers. $10. 596-3276 or therelocalnaples.com.

■ Paradise Wine holds its inaugural wine and food festival from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. Shoppers will be able to try more than 100 wine, beer, liquor and cheese samples. From 6-8 p.m., guests can enjoy live music, Verve Clicquot champagne and 50 percent off selected cocktails at the bar. Chef Brian Roland of Crave Culinaire will be providing live cooking demonstrations throughout the day. All cases of wine will be discounted ten percent. For more information, call 697-335 or visit paradisewinelc.com.

— Email food and dining news to Lindsey Nesmith at lnesmith@floridaweekly.com.
THE DISH

The Dish: Fresh Berry Blintzes
The Price: $13
The Place: Jane's Garden Café
1209 Third St. S.
The Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily
The Full Menu: janesnaples.com

The Details: I have a terrible weakness for sweetened cheese and I often perpetrate my delinquency on the town's poor, unsuspecting blintzes on the rare occasions I'm out for breakfast. I arrived for lunch at Jane's fully prepared to go for an Elaine Benes-sized big salad when a menu listing for blintzes — directly beneath a notification that they serve breakfast all day — caught my eye.

All day? I can have ricotta, mascarpone and fresh berries (good berries, not pale strawberries picked out of a sad bowl of mixed fruit from the supermarket) wrapped in a whole-wheat crepe in the middle of the afternoon? Sign me up!

It arrived beautifully folded and dressed with raspberry syrup and dusted with confectioners’ sugar. I might have annihilated my calorie allowance for the day, but afternoon blintzes wait for no man — and they certainly don’t wait for me.

— Lindsey Nesmith
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VINO

Fizzes, flutes and holiday wines

By Jerry Greenfield

Every year, I get flooded with questions about what kinds of wine to serve with traditional holiday repasts. Holiday meals contain such a wide range of flavors and textures that pairing becomes a real problem.

My choice has always been sparkling whites — especially Champagne. For me, this particular wine goes with everything, and it doesn’t have to be expensive.

Champagnes offer a very wide range of choices. Legally, the wine must come from the designated Champagne region of France. However, sparkling whites from other places might say “méthode traditionnelle” or “méthode champenoise,” which means that they’re made according to the procedure used in Champagne. It is very complex, involving the blending of up to 40 separate still wines (chardonnay, pinot noir and pinot meunier) to achieve a house style, then fermenting them a second time in the bottle so that the released carbon dioxide goes into the liquid and makes the bubbles. There’s lots more to this particular wine than meets the eye and it doesn’t have to be expensive.

Champagne people use white wine glasses. During a recent private tasting in New York, Cyril Brun, the chef de cave at the world famous Charles Heidsieck house, explained it to us thusly: “Flutes tend to emphasize the bubbles, while a chardonnay glass emphasizes the aromas and flavors.”

So Champagne it is. Here are our favorite choices for quaffing from now until well into the New Year. Cheers!

• Cyril Brun – A pale blend of mostly chardonnay with 37 percent pinot and 8 percent “other” red wines, with aromas of strawberry, cinnamon and honey. On the palate, you’ll sense pastry, pine nuts, blackberry, cherry and fig. WW 94. Under $60.

• Palmer & Co. Brut Réserve – Offers a burst of lemon, toast and green apple on the nose, with very fine bubbles in the glass and flavors of zingy green apple. Very well balanced. A favorite at our sampling. WW 95 Around $49 and worth every cent.

• Laurent-Perrier Brut – Rich yellow color with a nose of vanilla and spice. Flavors of toast and vanilla with fruit notes in the background. WW 94-92. A bargain at around $32.

• Laurent-Perrier Cuvee Rose – This wine is made with the saignée method, which involves leaving the juice on the red pinot noir skins until it achieves just a blush of color and very delicate flavors. It needs a bit of time to deliver its aromas and flavors of subtle toast and raspberry. WW 90. Under $65.

Ask the Wine Whisperer

I’ve heard that grapevines get wiped out by a disease called phylloxera. What is it?

— Ross B., Fort Lauderdale

Phylloxera isn’t a disease — it’s an insect. Specifically, a microscopic louse that infests the roots of grapevines and kills them. When it first struck the world in the 19th century, nobody could figure out why the vines were dying in droves, because the bug is nearly invisible. It turns out that American rootstock is very resistant, so European vineyards were completely uprooted and replanted with the American variety. The phylloxera louse is still a problem, but at least now winegrowers know what to look for and how to deal with it.

— Jerry Greenfield is The Wine Whisperer. He is creative director of Greenfield Advertising Group, and his new book, “Secrets of the Wine Whisperer,” is now available through his website or on Amazon. Read his other writings on his website, winewhisperer.com.
Table talk about an embarrassment of riches. Excellent French cuisine abounds in Naples — in stark contrast to its northern neighbors in Lee County, where there is but a single French restaurant, Blue Rendez-vous on Sanibel.

I can easily name at least seven excellent French establishments that are sprinkled throughout the city and its environs. And now there’s Mr. Bechu, a masterful touch in North Naples: Tartine & Tartelette.

The cozy little restaurant opened Oct. 12 in the space formerly occupied by the Newsstand Café, set back into a small strip center just across Goodlette-Frank Road from NCH on Immokalee Road. At first blush it might seem an unlikely spot for a serious French restaurant, but we found it to be a choice location. With no other businesses open at night, there’s plenty of parking and it’s easy to get in and out of the lot.

The owners, Asselle and Jean Bechu, have done a masterful job of transforming the space into a modern yet traditionally charming place for lunch and dinner. It’s decorated in soothing tones of silver-gray and white, with lovely white cutout ban- ners gracing the windows and sleek gray pendant lamps giving the room a warm glow without glare (as well as sufficient light to read the menu).

I’m happy to report that they have paid as much attention to the food as they have to the room’s appointments. Mr. Bechu runs the kitchen while his hospital- able spouse oversees the front of the house. During a visit just a few weeks after the opening, it was clear that the owners are seasoned pros. According to their website, they previously operated a restaurant in France for several years. It shows.

The lunch menu features many of the usual suspects: quiches, croquettes, soups, salads and the ubiquitous tartines. At dinner, Mr. Bechu allows his imagination to soar, offering creative dishes such as homemade foie gras with onion soup ($7) and coq au vin ($24.50). How-

courtesy photo

The millefeuille of smoked salmon and apple was as beautiful as it was delicious.

doubtedly not the dishes we ordered. She brought lending a hand — was warm and helpful.

I love when chefs are able to surprise me with new flavor combinations. After 18 years of reviewing restaurants, I’ve had my share of the usual as well as bizarre con- coctions whose names take longer to say than it takes to eat the dish.

At Tartine & Tartelette, the chef inno- vates with style and good taste. The scallops with grapefruit butter were exception- ally good, the shellfish tender and fresh, with bits of pink grapefruit scattered about, adding little bursts of flavor. They were served over rice (all the better to soak up the butter) and more of those terrific roast- ed tomatoes. This dish delivered a treat for the eyes and the palate.

A warm apple tart with vanilla ice cream ($8.50) was garnished with silvery almonds and an array of fresh berries, including a tart yellow gooseberry still with dried leaves. Like the vol au vent, the pastry was perfect, topped with thinly sliced apples. This was a traditional dish done well.

Our server — the only one in the room that night, although Mrs. Bechu was lending a hand — was warm and helpful. When we inquired about one of the wines on the list, she said it was on the sweet side, a good pairing for the foie gras but proba- bly not the dishes we ordered. She brought us a taste of it, which was indeed too sweet for our dinner. Instead, we enjoyed a well-chilled bottle of Entredeux sauvignon blanc Cote de Marogne, which was well- balanced and fruity.

Tartine & Tartelette: another gem in city’s collection of French jewels
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Construction begins on Kalea Bay high-rise

Construction has begun on the first of five residential high-rises planned for Kalea Bay, a gated, resort-style community being developed by Soave Real Estate on Vanderbilt Drive, north of Wiggins Pass Road, in North Naples.

It’s been a long time since construction began on a major residential high-rise building in Southwest Florida. Eight years to be exact.

But with Kalea Bay that’s all changed as construction cranes, cement trucks and other pieces of heavy-duty equipment are onsite and – along with the construction crews – working hard to make history.

The 22-story tower, with 120 residences, has 20 floors of residences over two floors of parking.

According to Inga Wilson, Kalea Bay’s Vice President of Sales & Marketing, sales have been phenomenal. “Not only have we had tremendous initial interest on the project, but we have exceeded our sales projections for the summer,” she said.

“Due to our sales velocity, we recently started vertical construction on the first tower,” Wilson added. “It’s mid-November and already our future residents and passers-by are able to see evidence of our first floor. Because we’re gearing up for the start of construction on our clubhouse and related amenities, our residents will be able to enjoy the complete Kalea Bay lifestyle upon move in.”

Six floor plans are available at Kalea Bay with prices starting at $1.3 million.

Residences 1 and 6 are four-bedroom/4-bath plans with 3,280 square feet under air and 3,835 total square feet. Residences 2 and 5 are three-bedroom/3-and-a-half bath plans with 3,280 square feet under air and 3,755 total square feet. Residences 3 and 4 are four-bedroom/four-bath plans with 3,280 square feet under air and 3,921 total square feet.

With 20 stories of living available at Kalea Bay and the area’s first rooftop pool and amenity center, residents will revel in spectacular gulf views, open floor plans, a private elevator leading directly into the condominium, nine-foot high ceilings and wood floors throughout.

The custom kitchens feature Wolf and Subzero appliances, a natural gas range, Downsview luxury cabinetry, quartz countertops, a Butler’s pantry and counter-height oversized island.

The master bedroom has an oversized walk-in closet and the master bath has his and hers vanities, quartz countertops, a soaking tub and separate glass-enclosed shower. Additional features include floor-to-ceiling windows and doors, high-tech wiring, fully-equipped laundry rooms and wide lanais with transparent glass rails.

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“The main amenity area is located on the north side of the large lake at the communi-
y's entrance,” said Wilson. “It will include a clubhouse with three individual pools, a pool deck bar, an indoor/outdoor restau-
rant, a snack bar and an Internet cafe.”

But that’s not all. Nearby will be the tennis pavilion with six lighted tennis courts and 24 guest suites. There will also be a shuttle service, originating from the club-
house area, to a designated Gulf beach.

For more information regarding Kalea Bay visit the award-winning, onsite sales center. It is located at 13910 Old Coast Road in North Naples. Additional infor-
mation is available by calling (239) 793-0110 or online at kaleabay.com. ■
Three Mangrove Bay models now open!

Timed perfectly to coincide with the start of the season, Mangrove Bay has opened its three gorgeously decorated model homes. This highly anticipated grand opening is exceeding every expectation!

The Amelia III, Keewaydin II, and Sanibel III are all absolutely stunning, and the epitome of the laid-back elegance of the Mangrove Bay lifestyle along the Gordon River, where every home comes with its own private boat slip.

The new Sales Center will be located within the Amelia III Waterfront Residence design (Lot 23), a four-bedroom + den, four-and-½ bath home that includes a private-entry guest house. With approximately 3,640 SF under air, this model will evoke a classic seaside cottage with authentic hard pine floors, traditional bead board accents, beamed ceilings, bench seat reading nooks, and stacked stone for its two fireplaces. An attractive leaseback program is available.

Situated along the riverfront is the Keewaydin II (Lot 39). This soaring two-story residence offers a four-bedroom, four-and-½ bath floor plan including second-floor loft and private-entry guest house, with approximately 3,730 SF under air, its open two-story great room with a unique nickel gap wood ceiling has a fireplace at one end, and a built-in bar at the opposite end. The master suite offers an oversized sitting area with corner-pocket sliding doors that open to the private pool and spa.

The Sanibel III Courtyard Residence (Lot 24), is a four-bedroom + den, four-and-½ bath residence that includes a private-entry guest house at approximately 3,331 SF under air. The Sanibel III offers a reimagined beach aesthetic that includes limed oak wood floors, reclaimed wood accents, tongue-and-groove ceiling detail, barn doors, and a master suite with corner-pocketing doors that open to the private pool and spa. An attractive leaseback program is available.

Mangrove Bay offers a variety of floorplans to suit every taste: Courtyard Residences, Waterfront Residences, and the soon-to-be-released Cove Residences, several of which will feature a unique private bouchouse garage and spectacular views of the Gordon River. In total, there are 24 different single-family home floorplans available at Mangrove Bay, each emphasizing the lush outdoor-living paradise of Old Naples.

Every home at Mangrove Bay is thoughtfully designed to create the perfect balance between indoor and outdoor living with spacious and open interior floorplans that flow gracefully into elegant outdoor living areas. Whether entertaining or simply relaxing in Southwest Florida’s balmy evening air, the designs have your every comfort and convenience in mind, and naturally bring people together.

Several of the exceptional construction features and luxury appointments that characterize all homes at Mangrove Bay include concrete block construction for the first and second levels, solid standing-seam aluminum roofing, natural gas feed, private custom-designed pool area with grilling station, stone paver pool patios and deck areas, custom-crafted Ruffino cabinetry, and Wolf/Subzero appliance package – and every home at Mangrove Bay comes with its own private boat slip.

This hidden gem set along the Gordon River is centered between the gorgeously preserved natural setting of the Gordon River Greenway and the vibrant social setting along famed Fifth Avenue South, and mere blocks from the Gulf of Mexico. Mangrove Bay offers a lushly landscaped neighborhood, world-class concierge amenities and comprehensive property management services (including, but not limited to, lawn care, pool care, and dock maintenance).

These are homes you must experience first-hand in order to feel the careful thought that went into their design. Mangrove Bay’s Old Naples cottage-style residences are designed by MHK Architecture & Planning, built by Lotus Construction, LLC, exclusively marketed by Paradise Realty of Naples, LLC, and the models are most artfully appointed by Freestyle Interiors.

Be one of the first to tour these stunning models by contacting Mangrove Bay’s Sales Center at 239.261.2200. Learn more about Mangrove Bay at www.mangrove-baynaples.com.
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Mediterra brings resort amenities home

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menities that rival five-star resorts make every day at Mediterra an extraordinary experience.

While some members welcome the day immersed in natural splendor during a challenging round of golf, others surround themselves in sun, sand and surf, lounging beachside at Mediterra's Gulf of Mexico Beach Club. Come evening, many gather at the expansive clubhouse, savoring epicurean fare in the newly renovated Grille Room, joining friends for cocktails on alfresco terraces under the stars, or watching the game in the popular Tavern on 18. Life in Naples' nine-time Community of the Year provides a blank canvas ready to be painted with limitless possibilities – perhaps a soothing spa treatment close to home, an invigorating workout, or a friendly game of bocce or tennis.

Mediterra's award-winning amenities promote engagement, enjoyment and exceptional living woven into 1,700 acres of nature preserves, lakes, rolling golf fairways, and neighborhood parks connected by sidewalks, jogging paths and trails.

At the heart of the community's coveted lifestyle is the 32,000-square-foot Club at Mediterra. The epicenter of member activities, the club defines the social experience, offering formal and casual dining and favorite gathering places for members who enjoy the culinary creations of Chef Tyler Field, a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America.

The Grille Room conveys a relaxed, coastal chic ambiance – jeans permitted – and embodies the community's emphasis on casual luxury. Members congregate throughout the clubhouse and the outdoor tavern, which offers brick-oven pizzas, seasonal salads and grilled specialties, plus flat-screen TVs and multi-tiered patios overlooking the finishing hole of Mediterra's South Course.

The Club at Mediterra hosts wine tastings and mixers plus themed supper club nights for members. Ranked among the top 4 percent of clubs in the world – earning the Club Leaders Forum's designation – the Club at Mediterra was the only Naples club included in the country club category.

Dozens of activities provide opportunities for residents to expand their circle of friends as part of the financially strong, member-owned club. Residents participate in mahjong, book and other special interest clubs; creative staff members stage holiday events, children's movie nights, and concerts in the park for all ages.

At the neighboring Sports Club, members take advantage of the faculty's health and wellness programs and amenities, including seven Har-Tru tennis courts, a fitness center with the latest equipment, a smoothie bar, and a full schedule of classes from A to Z – aerobics to Zumba. A professional fitness staff offers personal training and consultation, working with members to achieve a healthy lifestyle. The club pool caters to both active and leisurely pursuits: Members swim laps or lounge on the decks. A full menu of spa treatments calls for a day of pampering and relaxation.

Adjacent bocce courts host open play nights and a competitive season of league play for one of the community's most popular and fastest-growing social activities.

Mediterra's active golf club offers league and tournament play, including bragging rights for the Mediterra Cup.

Weekly class instruction is available for newcomers to the game.

Mediterra's two Tom Fazio-designed courses offer 36 holes of championship golf created to blend in and harmonize with the community's natural surroundings and provide the backdrop for luxury villas, single-family estates and custom homes. The North and South courses appeal to every playing ability, with a variety of tee positions and strategies. By limiting the number of golf memberships – only 225 per 18 holes – Mediterra has enhanced the exclusive golf experience.

And it just keeps getting better: The Club at Mediterra is halfway through a two-year, $6.1 million project to replace the irrigation system, bunker, cart paths and turf on the South Course. The North Course also recently completed work on the installation of a new irrigation system. Additional improvements to the North Course's driving range will be completed in fall 2016.

Members also can hone their game during private lessons and programs offered by a staff of certified PGA golf professionals. Mediterra's Golf Learning Center offers an enclosed hitting station with video equipment and launch monitor, plus expanded hitting stations to practice long shots. The 2.5-acre short-game practice area features three greens that replicate shots on both courses.

The exclusive 10,000-square-foot Mediterra Beach Club on the shore of the Gulf of Mexico stretches along nearly 200 feet of white-sand beach. The two-story club facility creates the ultimate beach experience, catering to members' every whim with on-site parking, a second-story Gulf-view pool, and concierge service ready to deliver towels, food and beverages right to members' poolside or beachfront perches. The club is a favorite destination for nightly sunsets and features casual dining inside and out. Weekly entertainment and special events include luau and lobster bakes.

Nature is also a star amenity throughout Mediterra, connecting residents with eight miles of trails and boardwalks and three themed parks, including the award-winning Parque Celestial, which pays homage to classic European design with a meditation labyrinth. Nearby, the Parterre Gardens' colorful blooms, statuary and sculpted gardens lend an inspiring backdrop to the rhythmic pulse of fountains.

More than 1,000 acres in Mediterra is dedicated to golf, parks and nature preserves.

Life in Mediterra is enhanced by its luxury single-family estate homes and maintenance-free villas designed by London Bay Homes, a leader in the Naples luxury home market for 25 years. Several model homes are now open for viewing and under construction.

Although the community is 95 percent sold, it’s never too late to experience Mediterra’s award-winning lifestyle. Available home designs are priced from $1 million to more than $7 million. For more information about Mediterra’s luxury homes and amenities, visit www.MediterraNaples.com, call 239-949-8989, or visit Mediterra, located on Livingston Road, two miles north of Immokalee Road and west of I-75. The Mediterra Sales Gallery is open daily.
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Mangrove Bay offers 24 distinctive floor plans with multiple elevation options, including the newly designed Cove Residences with several homes featuring their own boathouse garages. Open your Old Florida cottage-style home to coastal breezes, and enjoy perfect sunrises, brilliant sunsets, and everything in between.

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Talis Park named Community of the Year

Potinson & Partners’ Talis Park community in North Naples was named recipient of the Lee Building Industry Association’s Pinnacle Award for the 2015 Community of the Year in the 1,500 acre category, one of three 2015 Pinnacle Awards presented to Talis Park. The community also received three 2015 Sand Dollar Awards presented by the Collier Building Industry Association, including the Sand Dollar for Best Landscaping. The appeal of the community is reflected in its record setting sales performance in 2015. Kitson reported land sales worth $297,303,000 and new construction contracts valued at $88,435,000 have been processed at Talis Park through the first ten months of this year, a total of $487,668,000.

With the completion of Phase II of the Vyne House clubhouse and an approximately three-acre Sports Complex, Kitson has completed an array of amenities designed and constructed to enhance Talis Park’s health- and fitness-oriented lifestyle that has redefined the Naples country club experience. In addition to the formal and casual indoor and outdoor dining, fitness facilities, resort-style pool, and spa at Vyne House, Casa Cortese offers an outdoor dining and lounge experience overlook- ing the Talis Park Golf Club’s pristine driving range.

Acknowledged for its physical beauty and playability, the golf course at Talis Park is a local legend and regarded as one of the nation’s premier golf experiences. One of just two Greg Norman-Pete Dye designed courses in the world, Talis Park has been ranked #11 in Golfweek’s 2014 Best Residen- tial Courses and is consistently ranked among the top 20 courses in Flor- ida. Pete Dye agrees with that assessment. After touring his creation, Dye acknowledged the meticulous care the course receives by remarking, “I haven’t seen a golf course like this anywhere in the world in as good of shape and condition as this one. Ever. I mean anywhere. Really. And Park City’s a few.” The golf experience at Talis Park is, above all else, about the course’s Sea Dwarf® Paspalum turf. The course includes 133 acres of rye grassed turf. Everything, the tees, fairways, roughs and greens is 100% Paspalum mowed to different heights. Talis Park Golf Course Superintendent Kevin Shields understands the turf, and maintains the course in a way that is remarkable.

Talis Park’s selection of luxury resi- dences includes penthouse-style con- dominiums, resort-style coach homes, single family homes, estate, and grand estate residences priced from the $700’s into the millions. The community offers the possibility of living in a park-like setting surrounded by gently undulating terrain, nature preserves and glit- tering lakes, or in a maintenance-free environ- ment within walking distance of the community’s amenity core. This “In the Park” or “In the Village” approach provides luxury homeowners with a broad range of home and lifestyle choices.

Kitson has expanded its in selection of In the Village residences. Designed on the premise that location, choice, style, and exceptional service matter, The Resi- dences at Vyne House showcases fourteen luxury condominium residences adjacent to Vyne House and the Great Lawn. Eleven floor plans ranging from 2,563 to 5,648 square feet are priced from $1,350,000 to $3,575,000. The innovative offering puts a select group of homeowners within steps of Vyne Court, the formal and casual dining options, fit- ness and spa facilities, wine room, resort style pool, and golf pro shop included at Vyne House. A 24-hour, seven days a week concierge will be available to owners. Thirteen of the Residences at Vyne House remain available.

Kitson recently introduced Corsica, Talis Park’s newest In the Park neighbor- hood that will include 64 south-facing resort-style coach homes and 24 north-facing single family homes at build-out. The Coach Homes at Corsica by FrontDoor Communities will feature 6-story two-story buildings with four residences per build- ing. Residences in the first two buildings have been released for sale. Construction of the two buildings will begin this month.

Above: Developer Kitson & Partners’ innovative Residences at Vyne House offer a unique lifestyle in the Naples lifestyle. Bottom: Scheduled for completion in January, McGarvey Custom Homes’ Astaire residence in one of four furnished Showcase Estate Residences currently under construction in Talis Park’s Prato estate neighborhood.

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New Models nearing completion in Cortland at Quail West

Quail West announced that Stock Signature Homes is nearing completion of new furnished model residences in Cortland, an exquisite enclave of nineteen choice, 95-foot home sites that showcase the North Naples community’s heralded golf course and water views. Three of the residences will be included in the joint, single-site CBIA-LBIA Parade of Homes that will be held at Quail West for the fourth consecutive year. A total of 13 furnished model residences will be featured. The 2016 Parade of Homes will be held Friday, January 29 through Sunday, January 31, and Friday, February 5 through Sunday, February 7.

Their luxurious four-bedroom plus study Cortland floor plans range from 3,504 to 4,239 square feet under air and are base-priced from $1,019,990 to $1,199,990. These magnificent residences are designed to provide the elegant yet relaxed open living spaces that today’s homebuyers prefer. The plans offer spacious outdoor living areas and pools overlooking captivating long-range views. Optional outdoor kitchens and outdoor fireplaces are available. Grand island kitchens will satisfy even the most particular gourmet cook while providing a comfortable gathering place while entertaining. Exquisite master suites will provide a beautifully appointed, finely detailed private retreat. Twelve of the floor plans include three-car garages while one offers a four-car garage. Cortland’s 3,591 square feet under air Glenmore model will feature an interior design by Clive Daniel Home. Base-priced at $1,019,990, the model’s entry will open to a large outdoor living area that includes a summer kitchen and large dining area, a conversation area with a fireplace, and a covered lanai. Base priced at $1,039,990, the floor plan also features a wet bar in the great room, four bedroom suites, a study, and a three-car garage. The master suite offers two walk-in closets as well as a sitting area in the bedroom that opens to a private covered lanai. The Glenmore furnished model is offered at $1,054,080.

Normandy Exterior: The elegant Normandy II furnished model is scheduled for completion by late April in Cortland at Quail West and will showcase an interior design by Clive Daniel Home.

The four-bedroom plus study, four-and-a-half bath, 3,504 square feet under air Avondale model in Cortland will present an interior by Clive Daniel Home. The model’s entry will open to a foyer and gallery hallway that offer a see-through view of a spacious living room that opens to a large outdoor living area with a conversation area and fireplace, an outdoor dining area, a summer kitchen with a walk-up island bar, and a custom designed pool and spa. The floor plan is base-priced at $1,016,990 and includes a formal dining room, a large island kitchen and breakfast nook, and a three-car garage. The furnished Avondale model is priced at $1,032,530.

The Avondale interior’s fresh interpretation of the classic traditional look will juxtapose light and dark furniture against a background wall color of gray khaki with splashes of white and accents of traditional mahogany. The flooring throughout the main living areas, study, and bedrooms will be executed in a white-washed oak hardwood with tile in the bathrooms, powder room and laundry room.

KVS Interior Design is creating the interior for the elegant 3,525 square feet Ponte Vedra Grande model in Cortland. Base-priced at $1,168,605, the home’s thoughtfully designed floor plan includes a formal living room and a huge family room, both of which fully open to an outdoor living area with a large conversation area, a summer kitchen with a walk-up island bar and dining area, and a custom designed pool and spa. The floor plan also features a formal dining room, a study, four bedrooms, four-and-a-half baths, and a three-car garage. The master bedroom opens to a private covered lanai. The furnished Ponte Vedra Grande model is priced at $1,168,605.

Cortland’s elegant Normandy II model will showcase an interior design by Clive Daniel Home. Base-priced at $1,185,990, the 4,124 square feet under air open concept floor plan includes four bedrooms, four-and-a-half baths, and a study. A massive living area includes a great room, dining area, a wet bar, a double-island gourmet kitchen with a walk-in pantry, and an entertainment bar overlooking the outdoor living area. One of the guest bedrooms has been designed as a cabana suite that opens to the outdoor space. The great room also opens to the outdoors where two covered lanais, a summer kitchen, fireplace, and a custom designed pool and spa await. A three-car garage is also included. Completion of the furnished Normandy II model is expected in late April.

The Normandy II’s interior will present a classic, timeless design replete with glossy elegance and fresh charm. The subtle monochromatic color palette of light greens, grays, blue greens, ivories and white will be offset by contrasting dark woods, smoky tones and organic elements. Setting the refined foundation, the flooring in the living areas will be executed in light over-scaled porcelain tile.

Quail West is located east of Interstate 75, one mile south of Bonita Beach Road. Take Exit 116 (Bonita Beach Road) east. Turn right on Bonita Grande Drive and follow the signs to the sales center. Call 239.592.1010. Visit Quail West online at www.QuailWest.com.
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The Ronto Group announced it has broken ground on the construction of 73 Phase II residences at Naples Square in downtown Naples. With binding and pending sales contracts worth $32.5 million already processed, Phase II is nearly 50% sold. Nine floor plans, three of which are currently sold out, are included in Phase II. Naples Square is being developed by Ronto at 5th Avenue South and Goodlette-Frank Road. The community will connect 5th Avenue South to Bayfront with access on 10th Street via 3rd Avenue South within Naples Square.

Naples Square’s walkable lifestyle and the availability of one and two-story, two and three bedroom plus den floor plans from over 1,200 to over 3,800 square feet under air with open-concept living areas and open-air terraces priced from the $600’s continue to attract homebuyers. Seventy-three Phase I residences are scheduled for completion by the end of November. Seventy Phase I sales contracts worth $87 million have been processed and three Phase I residences remain available. Three previously sold Phase I models are expected to open this month.

The Phase II residences will present luxurious standard finishes, including porcelain tile flooring up to 24” x 24” in the living areas, kitchens and baths, 8-foot solid core interior doors, 8-foot exterior and sliding glass doors, contemporary, lever-style door hardware, 8-inch clean-lined baseboards, 7-inch crown molding per plan, ventilated wood shelving in the bedroom, linen and pantry closets, and separate laundry rooms with a Whirlpool Duet front load washer and dryer and a utility sink in most plans. The kitchens include KitchenAid Architect Series II stainless steel appliances, European frameless construction, full-overlay cabinetry with a variety of door profiles, finish selections and hardware, a stainless steel, under-mount sink with a pull-out spray faucet, and multiple granite and quartz countertop options that are three centimeters thick. The master bath features marble-topped vanities with dual sinks, large showers with bench seats and glass enclosures, soaking tubs with most floor plans, and a separate water closet. Base-priced at $515,000, the Phase II Alton great room plan features 1,208 square feet of living space plus a 285 square-feet balcony. The Alton includes two bedrooms and two full baths. The great room and owner’s bedroom open to the balcony. The kitchen’s bar and food preparation area includes a double stainless steel sink, dishwasher and seating. The plan’s open feeling continues with a large balcony that merges with the great room’s seating area. The plan includes a walk-in closet in the owner’s bedroom, and a separate laundry room.

The two-bedroom plus den, two-bath Phase II Ballard plan offers 1,529 square feet of living space plus a 203 square-feet balcony and is base-priced at $700,000. The great room, master bedroom, and guest bedroom open to the balcony. An optional pocketing door is available to provide ensuite guest quarters. An island in the kitchen offers seating, a stainless steel sink, dishwasher and a food preparation area.

Now base-priced at $785,000, the Phase II Chelsea two-bedroom plus den, two-and-a-half bath plan includes 1,843 square feet of living space and a 238 square-feet balcony. The great room, master bedroom, and guest bedroom open to the balcony. The plan features a kitchen with a但在 closet and food preparation area with a double sink and dishwasher. The owner’s suite includes walk-in closets and a bathroom with a glass-enclosed shower and tub and separate vanities. With its private oversized one-car garage accessed from the residence and a walk-out 227 square feet balcony adjoining the home’s entry on the ground floor, the Phase II Dartmouth plan lives like a townhome. Base-priced at $750,000, the plan features 2,275 square feet with three bedrooms, a den, three baths, a family room, dining room, and an island kitchen with bar seating. The owner’s suite includes walk-in closets, a bath with separate vanities, a soaking tub, and a glass-enclosed shower.

Naples Square’s Phase II Denison plan offers 2,264 square feet and a 290 square feet balcony. Based priced at $975,000, the plan features three bedrooms, a den, three baths, a family room and dining room, an island kitchen with bar seating, and a wraparound balcony. The owner’s suite includes a bedroom with a private balcony, walk-in closets, and a bathroom with a soaking tub, glass-enclosed shower, and a separate water closet. A penthouse Denison residence on Phase II’s top floor is base-priced at $1,075 million.

The Phase II Essex floor plan provides 2,470 square feet with a spacious living room, dining room, and an island kitchen with bar seating. The re-designed plan includes 602 square feet of balcony space with balconies located on both sides of the residence, one accessed by the great room, owner’s bedroom, and a guest bedroom, the other by an enlarged den and a second guest bedroom. The Phase II Essex plan is base-priced at $1,175 million.

The two-story Phase II Franklin plan offers 2,819 square feet with three bedrooms, three-and-a-half baths, a living room with a two-story ceiling and double-stacked windows, a dining room, an island kitchen, and a second floor with a 330 square feet flex room, the owner’s suite, a guest suite, and a laundry room. An optional elevator is available. The Phase II Franklin features a private oversized one-car garage accessed from the residence and is base-priced at $1,325 million. The Naples Square Sales Gallery at 100 South Goodlette-Frank Road in downtown Naples is open daily. Call 239.228.5800 or visit NaplesSquare.com. Connect with the Naples Square on Facebook and LinkedIn.
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The final phase of offerings is about to take center stage at Lely Resort, the 2015 Community of the Year.

Stock Development has transformed Lely Resort into Naples’ most successful country club community with world-class championship golf courses, sensational clubhouses and Naples’ widest selection of luxurious homes, many of which are move-in ready.

Brian Stock, CEO of Stock Development, the developer of Lely Resort, reports the finishing touches are underway on a sensational series of ten new furnished models and Stock has added move-in ready residences so homebuyers can settle in before the winter season.

“Our final season will be our most spectacular, with choice opportunities and gorgeous models now open,” said Stock.

Homebuyers may choose from prime residences in the last two new neighborhoods to be built at Lely Resort, Cipriani and Signature Club, both of which offer luxury coach homes that live like single-family homes, or move-in ready homes available in our popular Olé and Lakoya neighborhoods.”

Signature Club and Cipriani are situated on two superb sites. Signature Club is adjacent to the award-winning Players Club & Spa, while Cipriani is within The Classics, a stunning gated enclave along one of Lely’s three championship golf courses.

Each coach home building at Signature Club offers four residences. The new neighborhood features an selection of stunning lake and golf course views across The Classics Championship Golf Course. The finishing for these stunning coach homes begin in the mid $400’s.

Cipriani also features an array of beautiful lake and nature views along The Classics Championship Golf Course. Each coach home building at Cipriani offers four luxurious residences with the spacious feel of single-family homes. Coach homes prices begin in the mid-$300s.

Beautiful inventory homes are also available at Olé. Flats and townhomes are found in floor plans ranging in sizes from 1,227 to 2,084 square feet and priced from just the $280s.

Olé is built around some of Naples’ most spectacular amenities. The 20,000 square foot Village Center north amenities include a full-service concierge, a bistro, an art ice cream parlor, a pub, an internet café, a coffeehouse, a business center, library and a 90-seat movie theatre with a projection room and comfortable elevated seating.

In Lakoya, Stock offers a wide variety of single-family homes. This exclusive 242-acre enclave has a private guarded and gated entrance, sculptured landscapes, classical gardens, spectacularly choreographed fountains and elegant paved walking paths. Beautifully furnished models are open in the neighborhood and these floor plans have exceptional standard features packages.

Lakoya is surrounded by subtropical woodlands and The Classics 18-hole championship golf course, which features gentle undulations and tree-lined fairways. An elaborate series of lakes have been crafted throughout the neighborhood, giving the homes a spectacular array of water, golf course and nature preserve views.

“This fall, Lely Resort was named Community of the Year by the Collier Building Industry Association, the seventh time it has won that honor. Its stellar amenities package is unmatched by any other golf community with a community and industry experts alike.

“Lely Resort residents have access to the most comprehensive amenities package in Naples,” said Stock, CEO of Stock Development, the developer of Lely Resort.

“Our amenities include The Player’s Club & Spa, The Olé Village Center, three championship golf courses designed by legends of the game Robert Trent Jones, Gary Player and Lee Trevino, as well as two golf clubhouses within the community.”

The Player’s Club & Spa is a stunningly beautiful 30,000 square foot club that is both elegant and highly functional for its members. It has earned a Sand Dollar Award for best clubhouse and features an opulent new dining wing that has been enlarged with seating for over 200 guests.

The 6,000 square foot Fitness Center now includes a spectacular second exercise room with state-of-the-art equipment, a huge aerobics studio that has nearly tripled in size and a “spin” room. Personal training is available, as is onsite physical therapy treatment.

The beautiful Spa Wing includes four treatment rooms, a relaxation room, a manicure and pedicure salon, facial and skin care treatment rooms, as well as openssl shower and changing rooms.

Outside, a second free-form pool has been built, dramatically increasing the number of people who can be accommodated by these extraordinary resort-style amenities at any time.

The tennis facility’s thirteen state-of-the-art tennis courts are open for play on a spacious 4-acre site that includes an outdoor café.

Lely Resort offers five distinctive neighborhoods, priced from the $280s, and inventory homes are available in several styles of multi-family and single-family designs. These move-in ready homes and the past two cold, snowy winters up north have fueled incredible sales numbers in the community and new home opportunities will not last forever.

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Andalucia: Naples’ most sought-after address

FrontDoor Communities has some exciting news to share with potential buyers: its Andalucia community located in the heart of Naples has six beautiful inventory homes available for purchase. At Andalucia, buyers will find the perfect location and amazing amenities all in one. Add in the fact that these are some of the final homes remaining in Andalucia, and that they have an incredible price point not found elsewhere in Naples, and these six homes won’t be on the market long.

The available inventory homes at Andalucia have everything today’s home buyers desire, including an affordable price. FrontDoor Communities’ beautiful homes are priced from the low $400,000s through the $500,000s. However, that affordable price doesn’t mean that buyers will have to sacrifice luxury finishes or sought-after features.

“We’ve worked very hard to offer new home buyers a quality-built but affordable home here at Andalucia,” said Mike Taylor, division vice president for FrontDoor Communities. “We’ve been able to incorporate all of the great features our buyers are looking for, as well as fantastic resort-style amenities, into this community. Plus, it’s in the perfect location near everything that makes Naples such a desirable place to live. With all of that combined, plus homes that start at $419,000, we can offer something no other builder in Naples offers.”

Showcasing three different floor plans, including the award-winning Seville and Cordoba plans, the inventory homes range from 1,850 to more than 3,900 square feet, and feature one- or two-story layouts complete with two-car garages. In addition, the inventory homes offer the choice of a lake or preserve view home site.

The exterior architecture is absolutely breathtaking at Andalucia. Reminiscent of Spanish missions, the homes include tiled roofs, ornamental detail, stucco finishes and arched windows and doorways. The interior features are also impressive and include tile floors, granite countertops, tile backslashes, stainless steel appliances, beautiful master suites, screened lanais, second story bonus rooms or first story flex space (per plan) and much more.

Andalucia is in the center of it all, just minutes from boutiques and shopping, top beaches, and several of the top golf courses in Florida. Plus, the community is included in the excellent Collier County School District. However, homeowners aren’t required to leave home to enjoy fantastic amenities and recreation opportunities. Amenities found within Andalucia include a fitness center with state-of-the-art equipment, a heated lap pool and a whirlpool spa. In addition, the community has a resident’s clubhouse with an open gathering room, game room and kitchen, as well as a children’s playground with basketball court.

Andalucia offers everything buyers need, from a convenient location to an affordable price point. With limited opportunities remaining, now is the time to buy!
Limited opportunities remain at Moorings Park at Grey Oaks

With limited opportunities to enjoy a newly constructed residence at Moorings Park at Grey Oaks remaining, the Continuing Care Retirement Community now under construction at the corner of Airport-Pulling Road and Golden Gate Parkway in Naples is moving in its first residents into Phase I of the project.

Moorings Park at Grey Oaks presents an opportunity to enjoy a holistic approach to living well. Beautifully designed and spacious residences, a continuum of care provided by the area’s greatest concentration of geriatrics clinical expertise, lifestyle programs to suit a variety of interests, and a landscaped setting with water features are all part of the life at Moorings Park at Grey Oaks.

As planned, the amenities and activities available through a Sports Membership at Grey Oaks Country Club will be included with every residence.

The first three phases of construction, now well underway, include 96 residences in 12 buildings. Phase IV, also under construction, features an additional 13 penthouse-style residences.

In Phase I, four residential buildings have been completed. Phase II remains on schedule for completion in first quarter 2016. Completion of Phase III is expected in second quarter 2016, while Phase IV should be completed in first quarter 2017.

A limited number of garden home residences remain in the first three phases. The two-bedroom plus den, two-and-a-half bath garden home floor plans provide a carefree, maintenance-free lifestyle. The Indigo floor plan, with 3,007 sq. ft., is designed for those who love to entertain and includes a gallery hallway, formal dining room, island kitchen with island bar seating, and a covered lanai with conversation and dining areas as well as an outdoor kitchen. The 2,373 square feet Verde floor plan includes a gallery hallway, dining and breakfast areas, an island kitchen with island bar seating, and a covered lanai with conversation and dining areas, as well as an outdoor kitchen.

Just a few penthouse-style residences remain in Phase IV. Known as the Residences at Grand Place, this features two-bedroom plus den, two-and-a-half bath penthouse-style residences and are expected to range from 1,858 to 2,696 square feet. Situated on the top floors of the clubhouse, these homes provide a level of elegance and convenience as the clubhouse will be just a private elevator ride away.

The 13 unique Residences at Grand Place floor plans offer open living environments with volume ceilings, recessed double-door entries, gallery hallways, spacious great rooms, kitchens with generous counter-height islands, comfortable dining areas, wet bars, master suites with two walk-in closets, master baths with oversized showers and large double or separate his and her vanities, covered terraces, and multiple Juliette balconies.

Prices for the remaining residences start at $1.1 million.

In addition to the clubhouse, Grand Place will include the Center for Healthy Living, and Oakstone, an Assisted Living and Memory Care Center.

Moorings Park at Grey Oaks’ amenity-rich lifestyle fosters a rich sense of community. The Grand Place clubhouse, built to LEED Certification standards, will include a comfortable lounge, casual and formal dining spaces, a private dining room, a creative arts studio, fitness center, salon and spa, covered terraces, rooftop gardens, a resort-style pool, a poolside Bistro, and a spa, covered terraces, rooftop gardens, a rooftop terrace, a variety of indoor and outdoor spaces, and a ballroom for large gatherings.

It lies adjacent to Oakstone, the community’s Assisted Living and Memory Care Center. A Premier Senior Health Care Program and physical therapy services will be provided at the nearby 6,000-square foot Center for Healthy Living.

Off-season golf, year-round tennis, additional dining options and fitness facilities, and year-round activities are available through the Sports Membership at Grey Oaks Country Club.

Moorings Park at Grey Oaks residents have the additional benefit of access to the Center for Healthy Living that includes additional fitness, theatre, spa and salon services, dining at the elegant Trio restaurant, and includes an invitation to the Bower Chapel Concert Series and worship services.

Moorings Park is a nationally accredited, nonprofit, Medicare certified community and the only A+ S & P and Fitch rated Continuing Care Retirement Community in the area. Moorings Park has been repeatedly acknowledged as Southwest Florida’s premier retirement community for more than 30 years and is the only Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC) located in the City of Naples. Moorings Park’s holistic approach to living well and continuum of care are provided at a predictable and affordable cost with no increase in monthly fees if a change in the level of care is required.

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With Thanksgiving just around the corner, it’s only natural to think of family gathering around the table and fellowshipping with loved ones. In addition to spending time together during the holidays, some Naples designers have the additional blessing of working with their most beloved family members.

This month’s featured designer, Minka McDonald, is the daughter of Jinx McDonald, whose reputation for excellence in design is well deserved. The mother-daughter team is respected throughout Naples for many reasons. Minka took some time to share what it’s like to work with her mom and some of her own design secrets.

Q: Of all your design accomplishments, of which are you most proud?

I am so proud of our company, Jinx McDonald Interior Designs. My mom started the business years ago, and we are in this great groove right now. We have an amazing team of talented professionals who all get along and love what they do. We just won five Sand Dollar awards.

Q: How is it working with family? Do you and your mom share design preferences or are they completely different?

It’s really neat to work with mom and I feel very fortunate to have such a strong mentor in my personal and professional life. She is an incredibly unique person who is fun, bold and hilarious. There is never a dull moment in our office. We are both very passionate and high-energy, with strong wills, so we are pretty intense. Sometimes we’re laughing, sometimes we’re arguing, so it’s entertaining, to say the least. To have a fun and happy work environment where I feel safe to make mistakes while being creative, I have to thank my mom for that.

Q: What’s the most over-the-top luxury space you ever saw or developed?

We were hired a few years ago to update a $42 million home on the beach on Gordon Drive in Port Royal. The house was beyond impressive and huge. Every detail was ultra-luxurious. It was jaw-dropping. Every day on site, I had to pinch myself.

Q: What was the most difficult project or home you’ve ever done, and what were some challenges you overcame?

The project I mentioned above was the most difficult I’ve ever done because of the size of the scope of works, the sheer size of the house, and the nearly impossible time frame we were given. I’ve never worked so hard in my life. But we met our timeline and the end result was beyond beautiful. It was tremendously challenging to develop a light, bright, current aesthetic while honoring the architecture of this enormous Mediterranean house. Just the scale of furnishings was an issue because we needed massive pieces that wouldn’t look dwarfed in the space, but we didn’t want the design to feel heavy or too traditional.
Q: Please share any advice you have for a homeowner embarking on new-home construction.

Hire your interior designer at the very beginning. They will save you time and money by working with your construction team from day one to ensure that your plan is cohesive from all angles. They will make sure all your backgrounds go together and are the best selections for various reasons, and can tell you, based on their furniture plan, where floor outlets should be placed. You can figure out the best lighting plan from the beginning so that you aren’t just making do with an inadequate plan because it’s too late to change it.

Q: What’s your favorite home design trend right now?

I love the coastal design trend. It’s perfect for our climate and location in Naples. Why not celebrate the reasons we are here and the nature we all love?

Q: What trends are you glad have gone by the wayside?

Dark colors and the heavy Mediterranean style.

Q: Which architecture and design/build books do you recommend?

I used to read a lot more, but now it’s mainly just Coastal Living. I occasionally seek out a specific book relating to a topic or style that I’m researching. I would recommend that people just grab what catches their eye and speaks to them. Don’t try to follow rules or trends. Do what excites you and don’t worry about what others think.

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Bulbs that glisten
Artist’s unique glass ornaments emote holiday warmth

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CHRISTMAS SEASON IS UPON US, AND people are becoming excited to decorate. One local woman is creating glass ornaments that are like delicate pieces of art. Christine Otis, an artist, writer and creative designer, has produced her own exclusive glass Christmas ornaments utilizing a handcrafted process. It incorporates acrylic ink or nail enamel and nail lacquer on clear or frosted glass bulbs. “I manipulate the inks, enamel or lacquer with purposeful thought, turning the bulbs to coat the insides with colors, which is how I make my patterns,” she says. “The process is time-consuming, with some bulbs taking close to a year to create.”

Ms. Otis emphasizes that the drying time enhances the product design. The end result is a distinctive and chic bulb, with no two pieces alike. “Each ink has its own property, which is why the drying time is so important, plus the color has to be added at a certain point in the process, which affects the design, so that has to be considered when creating the ornaments,” Ms. Otis says. “I wanted a bulb that had a more personal creative touch, which I couldn’t find out there, and these reflect what I see in nature, which I mimic in my creations.”

To achieve the Christmas feel, Ms. Otis creates designs that feel like winter and uses iridescent colors to mimic glistening snow. Each handmade ornament is inspired by environmental textures such as ice floes, icicles, frost and other naturally occurring elements. Some of the ornaments have a translucent quality so when they are backlit by Christmas lights, a festive ambience emerges. She has created teardrop bulbs, disc-shaped, cubes and round bulbs ranging in size from 2.25 to 4 inches.

“Each ornament is adorned with a silver or gold cap, and the finishing touch is an offray or wired ribbon,” she says. “While they are Christmas bulbs, people use them on all sorts of occasions to add ambience to weddings, anniversary celebrations, birthday parties and special gifts.”

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Couple cuts corners, but no style or beauty in DIY remodel

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YOU HEAR ABOUT THEM ALL THE TIME. They're on YouTube and home and garden TV channels. They're peering out from magazine covers. You know: that adorable young couple, posing proudly and happily in front of the house they just remodeled.

What you don't hear about all the time is the incredible amount of courage, time and work ethic that went into those daunting overhauls.

Deborah and Matt Cull are one of those cover-worthy couples who bravely achieved what has driven so many others to call it quits. By all rights, they had every reason to give up — transforming a nondescript, 1970s-style house into a charming cottage home is a challenge by any measure.

“It was under construction for something like two years straight, and we didn't have a kitchen for a year,” Mrs. Cull says of the undertaking. “The contractors we could afford I didn't trust, so we were like, maybe we'll just do it ourselves. And because I worked in the design industry for a little while, I knew we would have to take it one step at a time and do each piece the way we wanted to do it.”

The couple knew that what they wanted would require ripping out and redoing just about everything. They collected pictures of places they loved. There were certain things they didn't want to tear out, so they had to ponder how they could turn those features into workable décor.

“We could have gone super-modern,” Mrs. Cull says, “but we wanted elements of a Southern cottage — without going too folksy.”

Among their many decisions: going with Shaker trim. “We didn’t want flat-paneled trim because we didn’t want it to be too intricate, but we had to balance that with the budget,” she explains. They measured everything and designed a floor plan.

Both homeowners work at engineering...
firms, and Mrs. Cull is an accomplished wedding photographer, so they had a skillset that married beautiful surroundings with functionality and structure. Their design was based partially on budget and partially on the desire to do whatever it took to make something work. “That took a lot of planning — so much that they moved into the house in August and it was five months before they made the first hole in the drywall,” Mrs. Cull says. They agreed that the hardest part of the whole-house project was the flooring.

“We inherited a floor damaged by flood, and there was asbestos in the tile, so we had to tear out all the tile,” Mrs. Cull says. They wanted to install bamboo, but even doing it themselves would have cost more than $5,000. “So we said, ‘Why don’t we stain the concrete?’”

Under the tile, the floor had a thick layer of 35-year-old glue. They lived with it until March, all the while researching their alternatives. Finally, they rented a concrete grinder to remove most of the glue.

Dust from that effort covered every inch of the 1,500-square-foot house. They then rented an industrial shop vacuum to suck it up.

Plus, there were problems with the corn-ers. “You can’t get (the concrete grinder) to the walls because the buffer is round,” Mr. Cull says. “We had to get a power sander with diamond sandpaper and do each part by hand.”

The next step was to stain the cleaned concrete with coffee brown acid. They then had to neutralize it with baking soda and clean all of that up. But even that wasn’t the biggest problem. The next step, sealing it, was challenging.

“The floors are so porous, after 10 gallons it still soaked in,” Mrs. Cull says. “So we called the company and they said put 10 more gallons on it. The floors are so porous, after 10 gallons it still soaked in,” Mrs. Cull says. “So we called the company and they said put 10 more gallons on it.

“The third time we did it, it finally took, but it was a three-week process. Then we had to wax it. And then we could move in.”

“We kept thinking it would be a temporary solution, but we love it. We’re not going to put anything over it because it turned out better than we ever expected,” Mrs. Cull says. Both Culls say the floor was definitely a learning experience, but they would do it again because it looks so beautiful and is very easy to care for.

“The imperfections in it are what makes it special to us,” she says. “In new construction, they don’t want those to be seen. But we like those little things, especially since it is the original concrete.” For example, the imprints of a pine needle and a bit of rebar are visible, and there are a few divots and holes.

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Elsewhere in the house, the Culls didn’t have to knock down walls, but they did have to enlarge doorways. They had a picture in mind of a fireplace in the middle of the house and the flat brick space stuck out 30 to 40 inches, a creative solution in order.

“To save money, we kept the kitchen where it was and put built-ins next to the fireplace, but the biggest decision on that was how deep to make the cabinets,” Mrs. Cull says. “Then we did all of the framing around it and remodeled it to code. With the eight-foot ceilings and how the fireplace stuck out, we were somewhat limited in our design options, but that was good because we were able to get creative.”

They wired the fireplace for a TV, but at the last minute decided not to move forward with that idea. All of the art in the house is original art — except for what hangs above the fireplace. For that, Mrs. Cull paid $30 at HomeGoods.

Most of the decor is hand-me-down or secondhand, including a pair of canoe paddles that Mrs. Cull stained. Much of the furniture is from parents, eBay or Craigslist.

A lot of research went into planning the kitchen makeover.

“It was apparent with the shape of the kitchen at a 45-degree angle that we would have to get super custom,” Mrs. Cull says. They found a company called Barker Cabinets that would let them go completely custom to the 1/4-inch. To stay within their budget, they ordered the cabinets without paint, which led to another learning experience.

Mr. Cull once worked at a high-end detailing company and had a lot of experience with car paint, so he knew how hard it would be to paint the massive cabinets. Even so, nothing could have prepared them for the task.

“We ended up with this expensive, automotive-grade paint sprayer, and that was still cheaper than ordering them painted,” he says, adding, “The cabinet company was great, probably our biggest find, and we could afford it,” Mr. Cull says.

They painted everything, trim included, the same color as the cabinets something that couldn’t have happened had the cabinet company painted the cabinets.

“Nobody makes that size of trim-specific width and thickness to match the Shaker doors, like cutting off the end to make it square. We used hundreds of linear feet of baseboard and had to cut...
it down to the right size," Mr. Cull says. "We learned don’t spray at night because bugs get stuck in the paint. And you can’t paint when it rains. We learned those the hard way."

In the office, the couple incorporated a day bed so the room can double as a guest room. They printed out a world map on a huge piece of paper, traced it and used wood stain, along with some decorative pillows, to give it some depth.

They used a grandparents’ chair as the focal point in their bedroom, designing the room around the orange upholstery that pops against the blue walls. “It just goes to show even one pillow can tie a whole room together,” says Mrs. Cull, who has started a blog she hopes to publish soon.

A big part of the ultimate success of this major remodel, she says, is the fact that time was in their favor. Because they were both busy working, and because Mr. Cull was also in school working on a second degree, they couldn’t possibly rush anything house-related. “We had time for trial and error,” she says.

He says his favorite aspects of the project were finding the right vendors and making décor choices. And they didn’t end up with a man cave on one end and frills on the other, because they share similar interests — chief among them a love of the outdoors — that helped keep it simple.

Mr. Cull’s insights offered for anyone beginning a remodel project:

■ It takes longer than you think.
■ It costs more than you think.
■ Spend time on design and research to make sure everything will fit.
■ Allow time for things you wouldn’t have thought when you were first looking at the design.
■ Don’t be afraid to make small modifications.
■ Take time to let things sit and to think about things you might have missed.
■ Incorporate breaks away from the work. If something is just not going well, you can come back to it.
■ Make sure you have space and room to spread out, whether it is a big garage or covered area.
■ Measure to make sure it will all go together before gluing it down.
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IT SEEMS LIKE EVERY DESIGNER IN NAPLES has at one point or another been tasked with updating the typical Old World-style, heavy-Mediterranean residence. Few do it as well as Lana Knapp of Collins DuPont. Recently, she completed an entire house remodel from a traditional Spanish Caribbean-inspired home that desperately needed an update to coastal chic.

Ms. Knapp’s background helped. A graduate of Florida State University with a bachelor of science degree, Ms. Knapp’s history with fashion and interior design married two skillsets that would be important in inspiring creative solutions to a host of problems in the heavy home. Areas she remodeled included the foyer, hallway, kitchen, dining room, great room, master bedroom, master bath and lanai.

“This home in Mediterra had dated decor that needed revamping, and what the client wanted was a chic coastal look while maintaining the laid-back, carefree lifestyle to which they were accustomed,” she says. “Existing arched niches, heavy corbels, Mexican tile and outdated cabinetry were all challenges to overcome in this remodeling project, but the first obstacle was removing the Mexican tile and creating a new foundation for the space.”

Ms. Knapp also had to take two very important members of the family into consideration; two dogs who have the run of the house. When selecting the floor, she chose a wire-brushed, whitewashed oak hardwood floor to lay the foundation for a coastal look, while at the same time having the durability to hold up to any scratching from children and pets.

“In the foyer and hallway, arches and corbels and doorways were illuminated for a clean, simplified look,” says Ms. Knapp. “A new Huniford chandelier was chosen, which brought the space up to date.”

In the kitchen, a gray and white marble backsplash and backsplash tiles, paired with white cabinets, created a crisp, coastal look. A pair of white marble ovens and a new Quoizel light fixture created a focal point in the space. The kitchen also included a separate pass-through from the lanai, where the family enjoys their outdoor cooking and entertaining.

In the great room, a new custom sofa brought a modern vibe to the space. A pair of modern lampshades, a glass coffee table and a pair of side tables with unique lampshades created a focal point in the room. A new upholstered chair and a new custom ottoman were also added to the space.

The master bedroom included a new upholstered headboard, a new upholstered bench at the foot of the bed, and a new upholstered bed. A new Quoizel light fixture and a new mirror were also added to the space.

In the master bath, a new custom vanity and a new custom mirror were added to the space. A new sink and a new mirror were also added to the space.

In the lanai, a new custom sofa and a new custom coffee table were added to the space. A new Quoizel light fixture and a new mirror were also added to the space.

“I wanted to create a space that was both functional and beautiful,” says Ms. Knapp. “The homeowner is now able to enjoy their new space with their two dogs, two cats and two children.”

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entire home was repainted to brighten the space," she says. "The large area in the hallway originally had a dark faux treatment that created heavy shadows, but it was updated with a fresh, contemporary blue faux finish."

The kitchen was almost like a whole-house remodel in itself. Ms. Knapp morphed the original maple cabinetry into a refinished masterpiece with vanilla paint and glaze. She used white subway tiles, updated appliances and crisp, white countertops for an overall French-inspired look.

Then there was the dining room. "Originally, the dining room was truly a non-event," Ms. Knapp says. "The table appeared small against the overwhelming and uninteresting blank wall, so to give the space presence and life, we created a feature wall with white panel molding contrasting against sky-blue paint and a crystal chandelier to add sparkle and interest."

Next, Ms. Knapp transformed the great room with transitional furniture selections that featured textured fabrics such as cotton and linen in line with the laid-back coastal look. She used a large turquoise coffee table to anchor the room and play off the blue feature wall in the dining area.

"Originally, the built-in was an overwhelming mass of drywall so we replaced it with a much slimmer clean-line cabinetry, while a crisp, white, painted finish is the perfect backdrop to display a collection of unique and colorful accessories," she says. "In the master bedroom, dark, shadowy bow finishes and heavy, dark-green drapes were eliminated, and the room was updated with a cheerful color scheme and tailored window treatment. And a window seat was constructed so the clients’ dogs would have a sunny place to rest."

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Cabin fever:
Architecture in step with nature

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J ust the appearance of the woods is known to induce relaxation. It’s nature’s way of saying, “Calm down. Take a deep breath.”

The woods have the ability to absorb stress. That’s why so many Neapolitans flood the North Carolina mountains and Yadkin Valley during the autumn months. Taking a country mountain vacation is the polar opposite of 700 identical stucco homes and a mailbox full of homeowners’ association meeting minutes.

Advantages derived from a cozy respite are numerous. Time just has a different measure in a cabin because wood has the pace of endless years. Wood has its own soul. And surrounded by that warm material, you can’t help but take that deep breath and let your heartbeat slow down. Rustic getaways make time stop, especially with the first layer of crisp temperatures and fallen leaves around. When it feels like the world is going too fast, in a woodsy cabin, pressing thoughts seem a little less heavy.

Here are a few places where nature gives architecture an enthusiast two thumbs-up.

Annie’s charming cabin
Cabin retreats are all about the local culture, and few areas have as much to offer as Western North Carolina, where Asheville has become the crown jewel of mountain vacations. Aside from places such as Navitat, which offers what some have called America’s most beautiful zip-line tours, Asheville has hundreds of rental cabins near and far from this hipster headquarters. Culinary adventures in Asheville and so is stunning mountain architecture. Adjacent to the Asheville area, one of North Carolina’s loveliest retreats is Annie’s Cozy Cabin in nearby Fairview.

Annie’s Cabin is for seclusion-hunters craving privacy. Wood beams cradle the cabin in warmth while views of the Blue Ridge Mountains from the porch make you feel far, far away from the hustle of civilization. People who stay here claim to sleep better and feel a sense of peace when they get there. The remoteness means instead of hearing traffic, you hear katydids and crickets and see lightening bugs. Recent updates to the cabin include new bathrooms, and guests say the renovation means instead of hearing the buzz of civilization. People who stay here claim to sleep better and feel a sense of peace when they get there.

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2. Click on “Hospitals/ Ambulatory Surgery Centers/Physicians” link (right hand side)
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