INSIDE: Etiquette points for owl viewing and photographing. A10

By the Numbers:

- 270 Degrees they can turn their heads
- 10 Inches the owl stands tall
- 1,500 Mice a family of owls can eat in a year

Swfl’s Beloved Burrowing Owl

They’re underground, adorable and quite abundant in our area.

By Lindsey Nesmith
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Last week, Jon Fitzpatrick led yet another sold-out workshop where he took a group to Cape Coral to shoot some birds — with their cameras. Mr. Fitzpatrick’s burrowing owl photowalks, which depart from Naples, have been selling out for four years. It seems

See Owls, A10

Trump puts Palm Beach on the political map again

By Brian E. Crowley
Special to Florida Weekly

On the 1960 British Pathé newsreel, the headline says, “Kennedy talks strategy with Congress leaders.” Palm Beach was used to its Kennedys, but not like this. For the first time, the quiet island whose residents valued privacy as much as wealth, was becoming the center of world attention.

In one of his first post-election meetings, President-elect John F. Kennedy summoned his newly elected vice president, Lyndon Johnson, and congressional leaders to discuss his plans after his inauguration.

It would be the first of many visits by national and world leaders to the Kennedy home on the island of 6,000 residents. The north-end island Kennedy home had become the Winter White House.

Now, more than a half century later, Palm Beach is again a political spectacle. Only this time, the Winter White House could be Donald Trump’s Mar-a-Lago. If JFK was of the “Mad Men” generation, Mr. Trump is a Twitter-boomer. If JFK brought youthful vigor to the island and willingness to blend, Trump stormed the island, deter

See Trump, A24

A big project

Almost 200 people had a part in bringing LGBT stories to the local stage as “The Rauschenberg Project.” C1

Buckeyes in paradise

An evening for Ohio State alum and friends, and more to-dos around town. C23-27

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Ways to reduce anxiety in high-pressure professions. B1

Behind the wheel

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It’s taken me years to figure this out: The only way my family and I can make real money is to go into business for ourselves, like so many other Americans.

So I’ll be joining my sister in her new enterprise (see below).

We are now in business, like Florida Gov. Rick Scott, like the Koch brothers, like Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump. Like almost anybody else who makes more money the more they are left alone to make it, without government regulation, without voter regulation, without anything but congratulations from various chambers of commerce that dot the land like pokeweeds in a cow pasture.

After all, the spirit of gain has pervaded both the state and the country in recent times — not that it hasn’t always existed here in one form or another.

In the good old days it was called other things: manifest destiny, homesteading, free enterprise, capitalism, pulling yourself up by your own bootstraps, entrepreneurship and so on.

Now I think it should be called the Trump l’oeil, affecting a slightly corrupted term-of-art based on the French definition, Trompe l’oeil, describing painting that makes objects appear real even though they aren’t real.


Trompe l’oeil, similarly, is the marketing of illusions.

Bottom line in Trump l’oeil: You sell them something they don’t need by making them certain they do — to be safe, to be comfortable, to be right.

You sell greatness, for example, by proposing that we build walls on the Mexican border, or bomb “the shit” out of some North Africans, or torture prisoners, or beat up peaceful protesters.

Pure bullpucky.

I learned about Trump l’oeil long before Trump became prominent, while working the midnight shift in a 24/7 highway service station on I-70 about five miles east of Lawrence, Kansas, sometime in the late Paleolithic era. By night a grease monkey, by day a pawky college kid.

The shift manager was a British guy getting a graduate degree in marketing at the University of Kansas. One inky night two young women rolled in behind the wheel of an old Ford Falcon, or something. They were headed west toward the Colorado mountains, still more than 500 miles away. While I filled up their tank, checked their oil and washed their windshield, they headed off to the restrooms. The manager sidled out and winked at me. He pulled a little pen-length piece of steel marked by eighth-inch striations out of his shirt pocket, waited until he saw them coming back to the car, then knelt and slipped the measuring device into their tire treads.

They walked up and watched. Bent over, he began shaking his head, ominously. He moved from one tire to another. Finally he straightened his puddling body.

“You might make it,” he said to them, glancing west into a vast darkness punctuated only by the endless stars above and a few small towns below that lay 30, 40, 50 miles apart.

“And you might not.”

It was their tires — they could blow out at any moment, he told them. The treads measured in “the danger range.”

Suddenly death on the dark prairie had become a real possibility. “Oh my god,” one girl said.

“I’ll be inside if you want tires — we can have you out of here in 15 minutes or less, $120,” the manager replied.

Those girls came with many attributes, as I remember it, but money was not one of them. I came with few attributes, on the other hand. But one of them was a father about as straight-laced as Rocky Marciano’s right hand. I still try to act like him.

“You don’t need those tires,” I told them, sheepishly. “He’s kidding you.”

They looked at me for a minute, and one of them suddenly threw a bare arm around my greasy neck, pulled me in close, and kissed me on the cheek.

That was all; if she’d kissed me on the mouth, I’d be right. I wouldn’t be writing this column.

But way leads on to way. These days, that shift manager is a hero, a master of Trump l’oeil. And these days, Donald Trump himself wants to be king, beat up people who protest his rap, create the illusion that he’s right and you are too if you’re “angry.” He’s put his little metal rod with the striations in our tire treads. He’s telling us we’re in the danger range.

So I figure it’s time to go into business with my sister.

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They say a picture is worth a thousand words, but even that falls short of fully expressing the management and particular pictures tell. I am speaking of aerial photographs recently appearing in newsprint and social media across the state. They capture from different perspectives two environmental disasters unfolding in real time on the gulf and the Atlantic coastlines of Florida.

The first photograph is taken from a bird’s eye view. It shows the arrival in the Gulf of Mexico via the Caloosahatchee River of the brown, nasty effluent from Lake Okeechobee to rid it of its overburden of excess runoff and rainfall. It appears in the photograph as a toxic flush from a toxic toilet directly into the gulf.

The polluted water invades the gulf where the barrier islands of Sanibel and Captiva stand guard to the west of Fort Myers across San Carlos Bay. This area is a destination known the world over for its sport fishing, beautiful beaches, the islands, and most especially for the copious variety of shells found on their shores. But the photograph makes clear there is no defense or protection to be had against the path of this man-made disaster. The camera has captured an ecological murder in progress.

The second photograph pictures the Atlantic twin of the Gulf coast disaster. It is equally disturbing, although a difference in the same sorry tale. It, too, is an aerial view, but this time of a massive algae bloom engulfing the Mosquito Lagoon and the Indian River Lagoon system on Florida’s Atlantic Coast.

Dinah Voyles Pulver of the Daytona Beach News-Journal has been covering the story. She writes the lagoon spans two climate zones on Florida’s east coast between Ponce Inlet and Jupiter Inlet and is considered one of the biologically diverse estuaries found anywhere in the world. More than 4,300 species of marine life and plants are documented by scientists to exist in and near its waters.

But the lagoon is now on the brink of collapse, a condition exacerbated by the pumping of the polluted water into the lagoon from Lake O and the regional canal system. Scientists warn the entire breadth of the 156-mile-long lagoon is at risk of being destroyed forever.

Similar algae blooms occurring periodically on Florida’s Gulf Coast are damming up the gulf. The toxicity and breadth of the bacteria released into both the lagoon and estuaries are damaging themselves, but add to this urban and septic tank runoff during heavy rains. They also breed kills sea grasses, ocean beds, all manner of fish and wildlife, and is poisonous to humans, too. The damage from bacteria and pollution are compounded by the sheer production of billions of gallons of freshwater into the estuaries, reducing their brackishness, which is crucial, as different proportions disastrous to marine life, and which interferes with the aquatic food source.

So why is this happening? A record amount of rainfall fills the lake to an alarming level. It is a wall of water held back by an earthen dike authorities are fearful will collapse. The two photographs capture what billions of gallons of toxic water looks like and can do when it is flushed from Lake O into our estuaries for weeks on end. It is default choice negotiated by Florida’s architected environmental ruin. These are the plumbing engineers, developers, political hacks and special interests who, in avoiding and resisting the long-term solutions desperately need to end the practice.

A dirty, rotten shame

Decades of political malfeasance and pay to play have worked against the public’s interests in the state’s achievement of a long-term fix. The failure to act decisively each year produc- es a tiger behind every door of only unthinkable options. The failure is systemic.

Much has been written about these ways the government practices and the complicity of the agencies, special interests and politicians who bear responsibility for the environment and those who havoc the creatures. The principle players are the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the agency that manages the release of the polluted water; the South Florida Water Management District, which它s the biggest of the big players for more of the same; and the lawmakers who owe reciprocity for the hefty political contributions they receive from their very special friends.

As Randy Schultz, the former editorial page editor of The Palm Beach Post, “What we should be doing is building as many storage facilities as possible to hold the polluted water from the lake out of the estuary. Of course, the more permanent solution, the civic education of the people from the lake into the Everglades, but that solution could be decades off.”

It means for now and the foreseeable future, the only solution to protecting the communities south of the lake is pumping the polluted water from Lake O and using the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie rivers as sewer lines to flush the nasty stuff west, into the gulf; and east, to the Atlantic coast. It is a dirty, rotten shame.

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President Barack Obama inadvertently found the perfect photo-prop for his trip to Cuba on Jan. 16. Leslie Lilly snapped this image of Che looking down on Presid- ent Obama, still hangs over Cuba. It makes in human rights abuses, theft and lies an afterthought, or even excusable, for the American left.

After the Cuban missile crisis, Che said that in the event of a U.S. attack, “if the rockets had remained, we would have used them all and directed them against the very heart of the United States, including New York, in our defense against aggression.” It would have been beyond his imagining that so many decades later, with the revolutionaries reviving the cash-strapped and decrepit, the imperialist Goliath would come bearing gifts, and asking for nothing in return—except a key to President Obama’s Wikipedia entry.

— Rich Lowry is editor of the Nation- al Review.

President Obama’s Che Moment

A dirty, rotten shame

President Barack Obama inadvertent- ly found the perfect photo-prop for his first visit to Cuba by an American presi- dent in almost 90 years will be part of Obama’s legacy. The fact that he could make his opening to Cuba, announced in Decem- ber 2014, irreversible. If that means extending credibility and a financial lifeline to a Castro regime that has no intention of reforming, so be it.

The regime made it clear that it would not bother with maintaining even a pretense of relaxing its grip with the arrest of protesters at a march of the Castro regime’s Ladies in White. While President Obama was en route to the country, there is no sign of greater openness in Cuba since President Obama forged his break with long-standing U.S. policy. Political prisoners are still being held. There were more than 8,000 in 2015, four times as many as in 2010. The exodus of des- perate Cubans to the United States has picked up. And the country still ranks below Zimbabwe and Iran on Internet connectivity.

But Obama’s opening has produced a financial windfall for the regime. The Cuban economy has been growing, and the increas- ing heights of the economy and controls the tourism business, which has been thriving with the influx of American tourists. Starwood Hotels and Resorts just got special permission from the U.S. Treasury to operate three hotels in Havana, in a boost, not for the free market, but for the Cuban government.

If Cuba were a repressive, small- minded military dictatorship of the right, Obama’s visit and accommodationist attitude wouldn’t be considered so broad-minded. But a patina of revo- lutionary romance, embodied by that image of Che looking down on Presid- ent Obama, still hangs over Cuba. It makes in human rights abuses, theft and lies an afterthought, or even excusable, for the American left.
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The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, a nonprofit organization of more than 1,900 members, works to strengthen the local economy and promote the business community. At the helm since March 1 as president and CEO is Michael Dalby. He was selected from among 195 applicants who responded to a nationwide search to fill the position.

Michael’s 21 years of chamber experience includes leading chambers of commerce in New Mexico, Texas, Indiana and Ohio. He is also a 12-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force, having served as an intelligence officer, taught at the U.S. Air Force Academy and attained the rank of major.

“Michael demonstrated strong skills in every critical area we identified for the role of our business community’s top advocate,” says Dan Laver- den, chair of the search committee and CEO of Moorings Park Institute Inc. “With his extensive experience and impressive success in team building and community improvement initiatives, we are confident in his ability to lead our chamber to new levels of success.”

Michael has led marketing efforts in tourism communities, directed existing business expansion and retention efforts, worked to expand and improve federal and state infrastructure and assisted in increasing regional education and workforce development opportunities. A certified chamber executive, he holds a bachelor’s degree in international affairs and humanities from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is a board member of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives and holds memberships with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the International Economic Development Council.

“I thrive on change and problem-solving — especially in seeking unique approaches using disparate resources and in taking a strategic, entrepreneurial approach to developing ideas and designing solutions,” he says. Michael grew up with his two older sisters in Stephentown, Texas, and attended public schools. “I loved learning, all subjects,” he says. “And since I grew up in a smaller town, I took part in every sport and every club there was — except music. I have no aptitude for music, although I love listening to it.”

After attending the U.S Air Force Academy and the University of Nebraska, he returned the academy to teach. He took his first chamber job thinking it would provide a nice transition into the private sector, but developed an affinity for working with business, civic and community leaders and helping build great communities.

In his free time, he enjoys hiking, nature and reading. He and his wife, Georgia, have five grown children who live in New York, Texas, Ohio and Indiana.

### Talking points with Michael Dalby

**Something your mother was always right about:** Do and be the best you can today, and tomorrow will take care of itself.

**What was your first job?** It’s high school I worked at The Pizza Place in Stephentown, Texas.

**What would you be doing if you weren’t running the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce?** I think I’d be a college professor.

**Last book read:** “I Am Malala,” a memoir by Malala Yousafzai, the youngest-ever recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize and “The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold in the 1936 Berlin Olympics,” by Daniel James Brown.

**Guilty pleasure:** Fred cattle.

**One thing on your bucket list:** Skydiving.

**Skill or talent you wish you had:** Time warping.

**What makes you laugh?** My kids and their kids.

**Advice for your grandchildren:** Don’t forget to feed your spiritual side.

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As a kid, what did you want to be when you grow up? A military officer and then president of the United States.

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What would you be doing if you weren’t running the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce? I think I’d be a college professor.


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This year’s funds will support a wide variety of programs and organizations that improve the physical, emotional and educational lives of Collier County’s children. NCEF trustees recently hosted the newest grant recipients at the annual award ceremony at Bay Colony Golf Club.

“My heartfelt thanks to all of the festival’s guests and winning bidders who make our work possible,” said Susie McCurry, chair of the 2016 NWFF Grant Committee. From this year’s total, $4.4 million will support four multi-partner, multi-year strategic initiatives that resulted from studies commissioned by NCEF in 2005, 2010 and 2013. The studies identified significant gaps in basic services for the children of Collier County. NCEF convened a coalition of partners to work together in innovative ways to fill those gaps.

This year’s Fund-a-Need, NCEF’s Early Learning Initiative, will receive $1 million. The Children’s Oral Health Initiative will receive $2.9 million. The Children’s Mental Health Initiative will receive $130,000, and the Children’s Out of School Initiative will receive $230,000. Additional funds of $6.6 million awarded to the following:

ABLE Academy, $250,000; Angels Undercover, $23,000; Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast, $93,500; Boys & Girls Club of Collier County, $750,000; Cal Ripken Jr. Foundation, $300,000; Catholic Charities, $145,000; Children’s Advocacy Center, $490,000; Collier Child Care Resources, $100,000; Conservancy of Southwest Florida, $68,000; Early Literacy & Learning Model, $425,000; Friends of Foster Children Forever, $380,000; Fun Time Early Childhood Academy, $135,000; Gargiulo Education Center, $62,000; Golisano Children’s Museum of Naples, $220,000; Grace Place for Children & Families, $80,750; Greater Marco Family YMCA, $165,000; Greater Naples YMCA, $315,000; Guadalupe Center, $60,000; Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida, $43,500; Immaculate Heart Care Center, $95,000; Legal Aid Service of Collier County, $663,000; MusicScore, $45,000; Naples Botanical Garden, $75,000; Naples Equestrian Challenge, $155,000; Redlands Christian Migrant Association, $415,000; Safe & Healthy Children’s Coalition of Collier County, $52,000; Special Olympics, $60,000; St. Matthew’s House, $42,000; The Immaculate Conception, $230,000; The Shelter for Abused

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Fun facts about fun little owls

- Out of 171 species of owls worldwide, the burrowing owl is the only one that lives in burrows.

- Burrowing owls mate for life.

- Adult burrowing owls are about the size of an American robin, standing 9-10 inches high and weighing about 6 ounces. Their wingspan is quite large at about 21 inches.

- A burrowing owl can turn its head about 270 degrees. Their eyes have become so specialized and large that they do not move in their sockets. The owl must turn its head to view an object.

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- focusing on 9-10 inches of avian adorableness is always a treat.
- “They’re so cute and fun to look at,” the Bonita Springs photographer says about this particular subject. “They’re constantly bobbing their head around and they have these gigantic yellow eyes — they’re just fun to photograph.”
- Of all the flora and fauna in Southwest Florida, burrowing owls are the only animal that inspires a level of devotion usually reserved for babies and puppies. The word “charismatic” surfaces again and again when devotees describe them. Tours, festivals, educational programs, state laws and fines define the boundaries of love Southwest Floridians have for this miniature bird and the lengths they are willing to go to protect them. Occasionally, they go a little too far.
- “We actually had one clutch fail because someone told everyone she knew (where to find it), and within a week they had to have a traffic cop there,” says Jean Hall, project manager of the Audubon Society’s Owl Watch program in Collier County, where a large population of the beloved burrowing owls makes Marco Island home. “I’m very hesitant to give out specific spots because everyone shows up at and that scares the owls.”
- And other times, residents take extra care to protect the owls even if they’re a nuisance. Marco Island resident Barbara Markel built a burrow for some displaced owls that were a bit pesty. “I’m very hesitant to give out specific spots because everyone shows up at and that scares the owls.”
- “While burrows dug by other animals suit the Western burrowing owl just fine, the Florida ones like digging their own nests in our naturally loose, sandy soil. Otherwise, distinctions among the subspecies are difficult to identify and mostly boil down to behavioral, rather than biological, differences.”
- “This is exciting for themselves and peaceful and quiet to ensure an experience that is enjoyable,” says Beverly Saltonstall, a volunteer for the birds.
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- “approach slowly and stay low. Approach the owls in a relaxed manner. When you spot an owl, get as close as possible and watch it as it is observing its surroundings.”
- "As soon as you start approaching the owl, it will become aware of your presence and will become more active."
On average, an adult burrowing owl has four or five chicks once a year. Predation and automobiles take a heavy toll on the chicks, and survival rates can be low.

It is very difficult to distinguish male and female burrowing owls. Here in Florida, the males tend to be a little lighter in color and the females darker in color. This is because the male spends more time outside the burrow searching for food, while the female spends more time in the burrow. The sun tends to bleach out the males’ feathers, making them lighter in color. This is not a very reliable way to tell them apart unless they are side-by-side.

— Source: capecoralburrowingowls.com

Looking to attract burrowing owls? Try a starter burrow

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Having burrowing owls on your property can be a lot of fun. As more and more homes are being built, however, there is less habitat for these little birds.

Here’s how to install a starter burrow. There’s no guarantee it will attract an owl, but if your property has suitable conditions, it could happen.

Since hawks are the owls’ primary predator, an open sky is essential. A property with lots of trees and vegetation is not hospitable.

If your property has a swale running parallel to the road for drainage, pick a spot for your starter burrow away from the swale and dig the entrance facing away from the swale to prevent flooding of the burrow during heavy rains. Flat ground and soft, sandy soil is best. If you have the typical Florida grass (St. Augustine or Floratam), you will need to clear a circle of grass about 2 feet in diameter in the location you want to install the burrow. This grass is impossible for the owls to dig through, so you must do it for them.

After clearing the grass, take a small garden shovel and dig a 5- to 6-inch diameter hole at a 45-degree angle as far as you can. Make a mound of the dirt that you are removing in front of the burrow; it will serve as a lookout post for the owls.

Finally, install a perch on the opposite side of the opening about a foot away from the burrow. The bottom piece of the perch can be wolmanized lumber to keep it from rotting in the ground, but the perch where the owl will be standing should be regular wood to prevent the owl from coming in contact with the chemicals in the wolmanized wood. PVC could be used, but again this is very toxic and would have to be sanded to provide a rough surface. Running a length of hemp or manila rope around a PVC pipe works.

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

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It's all about those boats, that seafood and more fun at inaugural Naples Boat Show

The Marine Industries Association of Collier County and its charitable foundation host the inaugural Naples Boat Show Seafood & Music Festival from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily Friday through Sunday, April 1-3, at the Florida Sports Park. "We are thrilled with the talent lineup, seafood vendors and, of course, our amazing members and dealers for this first of what we hope becomes an annual event," says Tiffany Sawyer, event coordinator.

Vendors from across the state will bring in fresh catch for a surf-and-turf dining delight, and boat dealers will have on display the newest products they have to offer.

Here’s the entertainment lineup:

- Friday, April 1
  - 11 a.m. – The Paul Allodi Band
  - 1:30 p.m. – Lazaro Arbos of “American Idol” and 40 Something
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A craft beer fest and kids’ activities will go on throughout the event.

Tickets are available online at naplesboatshow.com or at the gate. Admission ranges from $15 general admission for one day and $40 for general admission all three days to $35 for one-day VIP access and $80 for VIP access all three days; children ages 7 and younger will be admitted free. Parking is available at the Florida Sports Park, with donations for the Lely High School Sports Boosters welcome. Visit the website for more information.

Everyone is invited to pitch in when Collier County and Keep Collier Beautiful host the annual Bay Days Cleanup from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 9. More than 1,000 volunteers are expected to help collect trash and litter from Collier County beaches, bays and canals.

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To reach the 24-hour help line, call the Church of Christ, 5200 Crayton Road. Day of every month at Naples United Chapel. People of all faiths are welcome to pray together without discrimination or stigma and to enjoy a reception afterward.

PFLAG is a parent-based organization that was started by heterosexual parents wanting to understand and confront and overcome its water challenges.

Conservancy staffers will present program

The public is invited to hear from two Conservancy of Southwest Florida staff members about future development in Florida on Monday, April 4, at First Presbyterian Church of Naples. Nicole Johnson, director of growth management and planning, and Jennifer Hecker, director of natural resource policy, will discuss how ensuring the location and timing of natural resource policy can protect our natural resources and how Florida can confront and overcome its water challenges.

Attendance is free. The church is at 250 Sixth St. S. For more information, call 264-3267 or visit pflaginterfaith.com.

Public takes pleasure in helping kick-start Stamp Out Hunger

Publix stores at The Pelican Strand, Riverchase, Naples Walk and Pebblebrook invite shoppers to help Collier Harvest fill the truck with non-perishable food items to kickstart the annual Stamp Out Hunger drive. Collier Harvest trucks will be parked at each of the four stores from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 2. Shoppers will be able to purchase suitable items at the front of the stores to add to the truck. The donations will be the first for this year’s National Association of Letter Carriers spring food drive.

The official Stamp Out Hunger effort is set for Saturday, May 14, when U.S. Postal Service carriers will collect food donations from mailboxes along their regular delivery routes throughout Collier County. Volunteers are needed to follow along behind the mail trucks and also to sort food as donations are delivered to Collier Harvest headquarters. For more information about how to get involved, call 455-3663 or visit collierharvest.org.

One of Naples Botanical Garden’s most famous blooms is flourishing. The massive jade vine, Strongylodon macrobotrys, is prominent in bright turquoise among the purple of the queen’s wreath, Petrea volubilis, in the Kapnick Caribbean Garden. The jade vine, a native of the Philippines, was planted in the Garden in 2009. Its first blooms occurred in 2014, and then with just one small cluster. Last year saw a few more of the showy vines, and this year’s spectacular display is likely to go on for several weeks. The blooming of the jade vine coincides with the final days of “Nature Connects: Art with LEGO Bricks,” an exhibit of 15 giant sculptures made with the iconic building blocks. The exhibit closes Sunday, April 10. The Garden is open every day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (8 a.m. opening every Tuesday). Admission is $14.95 for adults, $9.95 for ages 4-14 and free for ages 3 and younger. Members are always admitted free. For more information, call 463-7275 or visit naplesgarden.org.

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Election forums focus on state, county races

A coalition of civic groups continues its 2016 election forums in April.

Florida legislative races will be featured the afternoon and evening of Thursday, April 7, at Hodges University. From 4-5:30 p.m., Republican candidates for Florida House District 80 (so far, Byron Donalds and Joe Davidow) and for House District 106 (Republicans Lavigne Kirkpatrick and Robert Rommel) will discuss issues and answer questions. From 6:30 p.m., contenders for Florida District 28 (Republicans Kathleen Passidomo and Matt Hudson) will air their views.

On Wednesday, April 13, candidates for Collier County Commission District 3 will come together from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Golden Gate Senior Center. Candidates so far are Democrat Annisa Karim and Republicans Ron Kezeske, Burt Saunders and Russell Tuff and Atom McCree, NPA.

All of the forums will be moderated by retired Naples Daily News editorial page editor Jeff Lytle. Candidates will field questions from the sponsoring organizations and from the audience. Reservations are not required. Seating is on first-come basis.

These and other forums are sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Collier County, Collier Citizens Council, Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, Naples Press Club, Greater Naples Better Government Committee, Collier County Presidents Council, Greater Naples Leadership, Pelican Bay Property Owners Association, East Naples Civic Association, Golden Gate Civic Association and Golden Gate Estates Area Civic Association.

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Parents can enroll pre-K kids now

Through Friday, April 8, parents and guardians of children who are ready for pre-kindergarten can register them for the 2016-17 school year in Collier County Public Schools. Pre-K programs include Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten and Head Start. Children must be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1 to qualify for district Pre-K programs. Registration is a three-step process:

1. Pre-qualify: This is done by calling the district at 377-0590.

2. Gather documents: A list of required documents for enrollment in Head Start and VPK can be found at collierschools.com. Parents MUST have all of these documents in order to complete the registration process for any Pre-K program.

3. Visit the MLK Administrative Center: Parents must bring all required documents to the center, where they will complete an online application. A school district representative will be on hand to assist with applications and will complete the registration process. The center is at 57765 Osceola Trail, Naples.

Renaissance Academy solicits proposals for classes, lectures

The Renaissance Academy at Florida Gulf Coast University seeks new topics and instructors for its lifelong learning program for winter/spring (January-May), summer (June-August) and fall sessions (September-December) at any of the academy’s 12 RA locations in Collier, Lee, and Charlotte counties. Academy programming for adults, seniors and retirees is based on the premise that learning should never cease, that keeping the mind intellectually, creatively and culturally active fundamentally enriches and invigorates lives. Single lectures, short courses, day trips, computer classes, film series, life enrichment and travel abroad are just some of the programs offered. There are no exams or grades, just learning for the joy of learning with friends, neighbors, and peers.

Presenters can offer single lectures and/or short courses in art, business, computer instruction, ecology, environment, government, history, law, life enrichment, literature, music, philosophy, psychology, religion, science, sociology, medicine and U.S. and world affairs. There are no advanced degree requirements for lecturers. Prior lecture experience is required as are PowerPoint or other visual aids.

The academy pays $75 per lecture. Lectures are offered weekdays, evenings and weekends; most are 75-90 minutes long, with time allotted for question-and-answer sessions or discussion.

Anyone interested in lecturing for the FGCU Renaissance Academy can download a course proposal form at fgcu.edu/academy. Forms are also available via mail by calling 425-3272.

For more information, call John Guerra, director of continuing education and the Renaissance Academy, at 434-4838 or email jguerra@fgcu.edu.

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**Cancer Alliance of Naples** holds its third annual Yoga Can event at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 3, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Instructors from Green Monkey will lead the community yoga workout, including a session for children. A silent auction will also be held. To sign up or for more information, call 643-4673 or go to cancerallianceofnaples.com.

**Angels Undercover** hosts its annual Sip & Putt on Tuesday, April 5, at Pelican Marsh Golf Club. Guests will enjoy wine, hors d’oeuvres and music while participating in putting, chipping and long-range golf. Tickets are $100, and all proceeds will purchase school uniforms for Collier County students. For more information or to register, visit angels-undercover.org or email info@angels-undercover.org.

**Naples Philharmonic** hosts the Arts—Naples 10K Run for Music starting at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, April 9. The route begins west of Pelican Bay Boulevard South and U.S. 41 and finishes at Arts—Naples. A 1-mile walk is also included. Proceeds benefit the orchestra and its youth initiatives. Registration is $30-$45 for the 10K, $30-$20 for walk. For more information, call 404-7007 or visit gerunners.org.

**The American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Marco Island** takes place from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 15-16, at Gulfview Middle School and includes a luminaria ceremony, survivors’ dinner, themed tents along the track and more. For more information or to register a team, visit relayforlife.org/naples.

**The American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Marco Island** is set for 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Mackle Park. Caregiver and survivor walks follow the opening ceremony. A luminaria service will take place at sundown and the closing ceremony will be at 9 p.m. For more information or to register a team or an individual, call 642-8800 or email nikki.sandelli@cancer.org.

**Hogdes University** hosts its 15th annual Scholarship Gala and Spring Golf Classic on Friday and Saturday, April 8-9, at The Club at Grandezza. The Friday gala features a gourmet dinner and live auction, followed by Saturday morning golf. Tickets for the gala are $105 per person; golf tournament tickets are $250 per person. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 598-6155 or visit hogdes.edu.

**David Lawrence Center Young Executives and Golf Coast Runners** host the third annual Beach Bum 5K Friday, April 23, at Sugden Regional Park. Children and their favorite superhero for a family run, at 8 a.m. Sunday, April 2, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Guests will enjoy wine, hors d’oeuvres and music while participating in putting, chipping and long-range golf. Tickets are $100, and all proceeds will purchase school uniforms for Collier County students. For more information or to register, visit angels-undercover.org or email info@angels-undercover.org.

**The sixth annual Southwest Florida Walk the Wall for Epilepsy** steps out at 9 a.m. Sunday, April 17, at North Collier Regional Park. Registration begins at 8 a.m. Sponsoring the walk is Epilepsy Foundation Florida and the Epilepsy Resource Center, the race benefits epilepsy medical, social, youth and educational programs. For details about sponsorship opportunities or registration, visit efsof.org.

**The seventh annual golf tournament for Youth Haven** tees off with lunch at 11 a.m. followed by a shotgun start Monday, April 18, at Grey Oaks Country Club. Players will also enjoy a ball drop raffle with the winner receiving half of the day’s proceeds, silent auction, live auction, awards ceremony and closing dinner at the clubhouse. Registration is $300. For more information or to sign up, call 774-2004 or visit youthhaven-sanlargo.org.

**St. Matthew's House** hosts its 19th annual Golf Invitational to benefit children’s education programs of the Mental Health Association of Collier County and the Epilepsy Resource Center, the race benefits epilepsy medical, social, youth and educational programs. For details about sponsorship opportunities or registration, visit lawrencecenter.org.

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**Lipman Produce** hosts a Run for Backpacks 5K and Junior Fun Run at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 23, at Immokalee Region- al Airport to raise money for backpacks giveaway for Immokalee’s elementary and middle school students. The race kicks off the Immokalee Harvest Festival, followed by a parade and family activities. To sign up or for more information, call 657-4421 or visit lipmanproduce.com.

**First Baptist Academy** hosts its 14th annual golf tournament Saturday morn- ing, April 30, at Windstar on Naples Bay. Registration for $150 includes continental breakfast, lunch and awards. To sign up or for more information, call 597-2231 or visit fbafloridionline.org.

**The Immokalee Foundation** hosts the 10th annual Inter-Club Challenge golf tournament Thursday, May 5, at Bonita Bay Club Naples. Fourosomes from the area’s most prestigious golf communities will compete with their respective golf pros. Registration for $229 includes breakfast, driving range practice, lunch and awards ceremony. For more information or to register, call 430-9252 or visit immokaleefounda- tion.org.

**The fourth annual Swing for the Kids** charity invitational to benefit children’s programs of the Mental Health Association of Southwest Florida takes place Friday, May 6, at Grey Oaks Country Club. For information about sponsorship opportuni- ties, call Krista Fraga at 877-6749 or email Krista.fraga@sothebysrealty.com.
CLUB NOTES

The Naples Christian Women's Connection holds its next luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 1, at Quail Creek Country Club, 13000 Valleywood Drive. Guests will enjoy a display of quilts made by Glenda Johnson and will hear from Nancy Nelson about a program called Luvybear/Quilts for Tots. Debbie Bailey will share "An Interesting Cinderella Story," and Carol and Gordon Bleich and The Lower Sisters will be the musical guests. Reservations are required. Call 514-2207 or email cwcnaples@gmail.com.

The Greater Naples Branch of AAUW welcomes members and guests to its next meeting Saturday, April 2, at Hodges University. Recipients of $5,000 in scholarships awarded by the local branch this year will be recognized. For 19 consecutive years, the Greater Naples AAUW Charitable Foundation has awarded tuition assistance to women over 21 years of age who reside in Collier or southern Lee County and are pursuing an associate, bachelor’s or master’s degree at a regionally accredited college or university. Doors open at 9:30 a.m., and the meeting is from 10-11:45 a.m. Breakfast snacks will be served. You need not be a member to attend, and reservations are not necessary. For more information, email Laura Candris at laura_candris@msn.com or visit aauwgnb.org.

Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae of Naples, Marco Island and Bonita Springs are invited to cocktails and conversation by the pool from 6-8 p.m. Monday, April 4, at a member’s home in Quail West. Chapter members meet year round for various activities. For more information, call Linda Shafer at 992-6052 or email lowklowlif@msn.com. The club website is naples.kappalphatheta.org.

Reservations are required by April 5 for the Genealogical Society of Collier County’s 32nd anniversary dinner on Tuesday, April 12, at Faith Lutheran Church, 4150 Goodlette-Frank Road. Guest speaker Joyce Thompson-Hoven will present a program about Civil War music. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Cost is $25. For reservations or more information, call Madonna Crame at 455-7295 or visit thegsc.org.

The Gulf Breeze Button Club meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the Golden Gate Community Center. The next meeting is April 5. All who are interested in collecting and studying antique clothing buttons are welcome. For more information, call 682-6167.

The Yiddish Club of Naples meets at 10 a.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at Temple Shalom, 4630 Pine Ridge Road, and welcomes anyone who enjoys hearing Yiddish spoken, read or sung. The next meeting is April 5. Come schmooze! For more information, email Zare Garfein at zgarfein@gmail.com.

Tech4Good SWFL holds its monthly meeting from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. Staff and volunteers from area nonprofit organizations are invited to come for hands-on social media advice and help using Facebook, Twitter, Tweetdeck, Hootsuite, Bit.ly, Pinterest, Tumblr, Google+ and other social media tools. This month’s focus will be on using digital media as a storytelling tool, to raise brand awareness, to engage current and potential supporters and to highlight the mission and work of a non-profit organization. Meeting admission and membership are free. A light dinner is provided by Nico’s Catering for RSVPs received by April 5 to organizers@tech4goodswfl.org. Walk-ins to attend the meeting only are welcome. Learn more at For more information, visit tech4goodswfl.org.

The Naples chapter of Ikebana International invites members and guests to its next meeting at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 6, at Naples Botanical Garden. After the election and installation of officers for the coming year, member Maeria Norberg will offer instructions on how to write a haiku. Bring pen, paper and “a zen mentality.” For more information, visit ikebananaples.com.

The Naples Doll Club welcomes all who enjoy the beauty of dolls from antique to contemporary to two gatherings in April, both starting at 11:30 a.m. at Mayflower Congregational Church.

A workshop on Wednesday, April 6, will focus on handkerchief dresses, and the meeting on Wednesday, April 20, will be the last regular meeting until fall. The church is at 2900 County Bard Road. For more information, call 558-0300 or email wlm34112@gmail.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 April 6. EAA The Naples EAA chapter is one of approximately 1,200 chapters worldwide. Members are pilots, student pilots, plane builders and aviation enthusiasts. The local association also serves 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 adults 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 April 10. For more information, call 649-6627 or visit eaa10670.com.

Naples alumni of Sigma Chi meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 9, at the Naples Sailing & Yacht Club, 896 River Point Drive. Guest speaker is Pedro Wasmer. Reservations are required by April 7 and can be made by calling 293-5239. Members are also invited to a happy hour gathering from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, at Bokampers in Naples.

— Email club news to Cindy Pierce at cpierce@floridaweekly.com.
Audi jumps ahead to 2017 with the new A4

BEHIND THE WHEEL

Is it really 2017 already? According to Audi it is. As of this publishing, the 2017 A4 sedan has been available at dealers for about a week.

This is a new car with new engines that rides on a new platform. So it might seem a bit odd that the exterior is not a radical departure from its predecessor.

Audi turned the large trapezoidal grille on the A4 into a hexagon back in 2012, and that still dominates the sedan’s face today. As long as the company commits to these big grilles, the style often will be more about evolution rather than revolution. That might not be bad thing.

With the A3 sedan taking over the entry-level executive role, the new A4 feels like it bought a bettered tailored suit with its promotion bonus.

So the 2017 car looks a like its predecessor, but now has progressed into an overall crispness that feels like a more thoughtful design. This is supported by the details like headlights that feature Audi’s first logo and the sequential blinking turn signals.

More thoughtfulness in the details can be felt just by opening the door. The handle releases with a muffled mechanical sound that seems like an engineer spent a week making sure that the release would not sound vulgarly metallic. The same can be said for how the doors close with a dampened “thank.”

Those who have sat in Audis before, but bought something else, will now be sold on the A4’s first impression.

Gone are the predecessors that boasted about their technology with an overwhelming array of buttons. Instead, the virtual cockpit are part of an additional $3,800 upgrade to the Premium Plus trim level. From there, cool features like a 12.3-inch screen on which you can lay out the road ahead in Google Maps. When fully connected, this is not just a representation of the route, and the driver actually follows a 3D satellite image of the journey.

At launch the A4 is available with a 2.0-liter turbocharged motor, making 252 horsepower. There may be more fuel-efficient offerings in the future, and we fully expect a hotter V6 S4 in a year, but for now this standard engine does a good job of both being quiet and powerful.

The standard configuration is front-wheel drive, but Audi is best known for its optional performance Quattro all-wheel drive that remains poised in all conditions.

As expected with any premium German car, comfort and performance come at a price. The 2017 A4 starts at $37,300. It is a nice luxury sports sedan, but to be eligible for the most advanced technological options, it first requires a $3,800 upgrade to the Premium Plus trim level. From there, cool features like the virtual cockpit are part of an additional $3,250 package that also comes with a premium HD radio, radar sensors and other goodies.

The options list has grown so much that the fully loaded test car on this page — with adaptive cruise control, climate controlled seats, sport suspension and plenty of other luxury items — crests above $50K.

This might seem like the new A4 is reaching into some pretty high-priced territory, especially since its bigger brother A6 starts around $46K and the previous generation S4 is $49K.

Then again, now that the A4 is drink- ing Perrier in the executive lunchroom, it is nice that there’s still a base model that’s not afraid to wear its nice suit to the water cooler.

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Monday, April 4
Coronado Parkway: Speeding
Green and Logan boulevards: Red-light running
Golden Gate and Wilson boulevards: Speeding

Tuesday, April 5
U.S. 41 East and Collier Boulevard: Aggressive driving
Golden Gate Parkway and Sunshine Boulevard: Speeding
Immolakae and Airport-Pulling roads: Speeding

Wednesday, April 6
Titian Way at Golden Gate High School: Aggressive driving
Tropicana Boulevard and 32nd Avenue Southwest: Aggressive driving
Radio Road and Davis Boulevard: Red-light running

Thursday, April 7
Orange Blossom Drive and Livingston Road: Aggressive driving
Vanderbilt Beach and Airport Pulling roads: Red-light running
Immolakae Road and I-75 northbound exit: Red-light running
Friday, April 8
Goodlette-Frank and Vanderbilt Beach roads: Speeding
U.S. 41 North and Pelican Bay Boulevard: Speeding
Pine Ridge and Livingston roads: Red-light running

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:

Thursday, April 14: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Williams Ministry Center, 750 Seagate Drive, Naples; 732-5310.
Thursday, April 21: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Marco Island Lutheran Church, 521 Collier Blvd., Marco Island; (734) 968-3105.
Friday, April 29: 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Golden Gate Senior Center, 4898 Coronado Parkway, Golden Gate; 732-5310.

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mined to bend it to his will. JFK brought glamour, Mr. Trump brought New York attitude and new money glitz. And while old Palm Beach may cringe, Trump is there to stay whether he wins or not.

The Kennedys arrived in Palm Beach when family patriarch Joseph Kennedy bought a home there in 1933. There were 1,700 residents. The island, like much of Florida, was segregated. But it was much more than a division of whites and blacks. It was a division of Jews and Gentiles, the extraordinarily wealthy and the lower classes.

Joe Kennedy was a member of the then notoriously segregated Everglades Club, which excluded minorities, Jews and anyone who simply didn’t measure up to its elite standard.

By the time his second son was elected president, Palm Beach’s population had climbed to more than 6,000. The island remained deeply segregated and attitudes had changed little from when Joe Kennedy first bought a home there 27 years earlier.

JFK made frequent trips to Palm Beach during his presidency. One Kennedy tradition, shows Kennedy playing in the family pool with his very young children Caroline and John Jr. JFK is seen tossing a ball to a pair of dogs running beside the pool.

Palm Beachers still like to see old black and white pictures of the First Couple going to St. Edwards Catholic Church, JFK holding press conferences and the children at play.

Five years before Donald Trump arrived in Palm Beach, attorney Allen DeWeese had been arrested by Palm Beach Police for jogging shirtless. The town council had passed an ordinance declaring jogging shirtless to be indecent exposure. Violators faced up to 60 days in jail or a $500 fine.

In court, the town argued that it had a right “to protect the beholder of unsightly displays.” A judge tossed out the arrest calling the ordinance not only unconstitutional but “silly.”

Palm Beach may have lost the case but not its belief that every aspect of upkeep and declined the gift.

From the height of a resident’s hedges to the types of companies allowed to do business, the town is ever alert for the smallest infractions.

New businesses are suspect. They must prove that most of their customers will be people who live there. Some fought the opening of a Starbucks, fearing that it would attract outsiders.

When Mr. Trump arrived in 1985, islanders soon found out he would have little regard for the town’s many rules and regulations.

That year, Mr. Trump purchased the aging and neglected Mar-a-Lago. It had been the home of cereal heiress Marjorie Merriweather Post, a spectacular 1927 mansion with 58 bedrooms and 33 bathrooms. When she died in 1973, Post willed Mar-a-Lago to the U.S. government, dreaming that it would become a presidential retreat. But the government said it couldn’t afford the upkeep and declined the gift.

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Mar-a-Lago sat empty, haunting the sensibilities of the town until Mr. Trump swooped in and bought it for $10 million. It would be the start of a series of lawsuits and threatened lawsuits, as Mr. Trump demanded zoning and other concessions from the town.

Mr. Trump won repeatedly until he was eventually able to turn Mar-a-Lago into an exclusive club with membership costing $100,000.

One of his most outrageous moments, in the view of the town, was when Mr. Trump decided to fly a used-car-lot-size American flag on a 90-foot pole on Mar-a-Lago’s lawn.

The town said take it down. Mr. Trump sued.

The town backed down in exchange for a slightly smaller flag and pole. Now, the town, which is about 24 Republican and home to conservative stars Rush Limbaugh and Ann Coulter, faces the possibility that the flag will be flying over another Winter White House — Mar-a-Lago.

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Study: At least 75 percent of prediabetic patients not treated by primary care doctors

Less than one-quarter of patients who met the criteria for prediabetes received drug or lifestyle modification treatment from their primary care physician, according to University of Florida researchers, who say the findings indicate physicians are missing opportunities for diabetes prevention.

The study appeared in the Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine.

More than a third of U.S. adults have prediabetes, which is defined as having blood glucose concentrations higher than normal, but not high enough for a diabetes diagnosis. People with prediabetes have a greater risk of vascular problems, kidney disease, and nerve and retinal damage.

“We know that prediabetes is considered one of the biggest risk factors for the development of diabetes, with estimates ranging from 15 to 30 percent of people with prediabetes developing diabetes within five years,” said lead investigator Arch G. Mainous III, Ph.D., chair of the department of health services research, management and policy in the UF College of Public Health and Health Professions, part of UF Health.

“We also know that 90 percent of people who have prediabetes don’t know they have it. So the question becomes where is the doctor in all this? Is the doctor identifying people with prediabetes, telling them about it and providing treatment? That’s what we wanted to find out.”

The UF study analyzed data from the 2012 National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey, a survey of physician office visits that allows for national estimates of U.S. medical care. The researchers studied visits to general, family or internal medicine providers by patients age 45 years and older who had prediabetes, and only 23 percent of patients who met the criteria for prediabetes had a diabetes diagnosis. People with prediabetes have a higher risk of developing diabetes, with estimates ranging from 15 to 30 percent of people with prediabetes developing diabetes within five years.

“With prediabetes in their patients in terms of making a diagnosis or providing some sort of management or treatment,” said Mr. Mainous, the Florida Blue endowed chair of the department of health services research, management and policy in the UF College of Public Health and Health Professions, part of UF Health.

“One of the keys to diabetes prevention is detection and management of people with prediabetes,” Mr. Mainous said. “Identifying people with prediabetes and getting them some sort of treatment has been shown to be effective for slowing the progression to diabetes or stopping it altogether, and that is the goal of prevention. We don’t want to manage half the population with diabetes. What we want to do is keep them from getting diabetes.”

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Hope HealthCare Services presents ‘Capturing Grace’ documentary

In honor of National Parkinson’s Disease Awareness Month in April, Hope HealthCare Services presents a screening of “Capturing Grace” by film-maker and director Dave Iverson at 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 5, at the Woodlands Grand Cypress Room at Shell Point in South Fort Myers.

Parkinson’s is personal for Mr. Iverson: He was the third member of his family to receive the diagnosis. While producing a film about the disease called “My Father, My Brother and Me” for the PBS Frontline series, he learned about the Mark Morris Dance Group’s partnership with the Brooklyn Parkinson Group and the idea for “Capturing Grace” was formed.

“This is a film about rediscovery, the rediscovery of a lighter step and the sweetness of motion,” the filmmaker says. “And it’s a story about a remarkable community of dancers — some professional, some not all coming together to move in space — and in doing so, rediscovering grace. And it is in that rediscovery that each becomes whole.”

Admission is free, but seating is limited. RSVP by calling Michelle Martin at 985-7727 or emailing michelle.martin@hopehcs.org.

Free lectures cover health from head to toe

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The waiting room is equipped with an interactive video display projected onto the floor, where the little ones can use their feet to make various scenarios come alive, ranging from chasing a starfish around the sea to kicking marshmallows into warm cocoa. Adding to the comforting and welcoming ambiance are a fanciful tree to play under and a few little soft critters to crawl through. If you didn’t know this was a pediatric waiting room, you might think you were in a theme park. It’s an ingenious setup.

About 900 visitors attended our open house, including one little guy who was very happy and comfortable in the waiting room but less eager when his mom encouraged him to cross the threshold into the examining area. Not to worry: a nurse was standing by with an offer to see a “lizard” attached high on the exam room wall and an invitation to change the color scheme of the exam room. Within minutes, the lad was exploring the entire facility. No longer would a visit to the ER be so frightening and uncomfortable.

The rear entrance of the pediatric ER allows for Emergency Medical Services to transport directly into a special resuscitation room in the event of a child victim of drowning or another catastrophe. In such cases, Dr. Debra Lopez or a colleague can come down from the MacDonald Seacarium to assist along with the adult ER physicians and staff. Having full-service pediatric capabilities in town has already led to more young lives being saved.

Dr. Myers’ vision for this state-of-the-art facility began five years ago when she came to Southwest Florida to develop our program. From vision to design to execution and fruition, the pediatric ER has exceeded everyone’s expectations. Currently we have pediatric specialties in cardiology, pulmonology, gastroenterology, hematology/oncology, neurology, nephrology and urology, with others anticipated soon.

On a recent afternoon, Dr. Myers diagnosed a child with acute leukemia, treated another with Burkitt’s lymphoma and a third with retinoblastoma, in addition to the usual broken bones, laceration repairs, sports-related concussions, pneumonia and other acute childhood illnesses.

Please share this good news with those you know who have children.

— Dr. Allen Weiss is president and CEO of the NCH Healthcare System.
I'm moved to write about a unique program in Southwest Florida that has quietly been developing since 2005 — a program that offers hope to those dealing with depression and other mental illnesses. Called FloridaSelf-Directed Care, it’s operated by the National Alliance on Mental Illnesses of Collier County to serve people there and in Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties.

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Next, the FloridaSDC program hinges on the belief that individuals are capable of choosing services and making purchases that will help them begin and remain on the road to recovery. This runs counter to the common belief that what services a person needs and how long they need them are decisions best made by experts.

Public mental health dollars are for the most part channeled through community mental health centers, and clients of little means receive their services there. In FloridaSDC, members access the same average amount of dollars and see whatever service provider they choose. Many SDC members use services at community mental health centers, many do not. The point is in FloridaSDC, there is choice.

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PET TALES

Pulling a cart is bred in the bone for some breeds, but almost any dog can learn

BY KIM CAMPBELL THORNTON
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You’ve probably seen vintage photos of dogs pulling carts loaded with milk cans, large cheeses and other goods to market for farmers. Certain breeds specialized in this work, among them Bernese mountain dogs, bouchers des Flandres, great Pyrenees, great Swiss mountain dogs, Leonbergers, Newfoundlands, Rottweilers and Saint Bernards. Dogs were less expensive to purchase and care for than horses and were sometimes referred to as “the poor farmer’s horse.”

Some modern dog owners, inspired by their breeds’ heritage, are eager to teach their dogs to perform their traditional work. They’ve taken up drafting, also known as carting.

Laura Bullock of Charlotte, N.C., has had greater Swiss mountain dogs for nine years. “I really wanted to do all of the things that my breed is meant to do,” she says. “It’s something that is interesting and different and definitely challenging. It may look easy, but it’s not.”

Dogs who can pull a cart or wagon are popular for lots of reasons. They are crowd pleasers in parades, give rides to the kids, haul recycling bins to the recycling center — but depending on the breed, they must be 18 months to 2 years old before they can enter a draft test to earn a title. That’s to ensure that the dog’s bones and joints are fully developed.

DRAFTING ISN’T LIMITED TO LARGE BREEDS.

Any dog of any size can learn to pull for fun, exercise or utility, although a smaller dog’s loads are limited. Breeds and mixes that have learned to pull include papillons, cockapoos, Shetland sheepdogs and collies.

Before getting started, take your dog to the veterinarian. He shouldn’t have any physical problems that could be made worse by the activity.

Before a dog is ever put into a harness to train for carting, he should know and respond readily to basic obedience commands, especially “stay” and “come.”

Before a dog is ever put into a harness or attached to a cart, he becomes accustomed to having a cart brought behind him and learns how it feels to have the shafts of the cart touching his shoulders. Experiencing that sensation is important because as the cart turns, the shafts will touch the dog’s body, so it’s something he needs to be prepared for.

More advanced lessons involve learning to go in circles, back up, pull uphill, control the speed of a cart going downhill and walk across different surfaces. In a draft test, to earn a title, a dog may have to pull his cart over dirt, grass or gravel, as well as over a bridge or through a gate. He needs to learn how it feels and sounds to cross those surfaces and how to make his way through narrow spaces. As he learns, he is rewarded with toys, treats and praise.

Dogs can become accustomed to wearing a harness and being hitched to a cart at any age — the earlier, the better — but depending on the breed, they must be 18 months to 2 years old before they can enter a draft test to earn a title.

To learn more, contact a local Bernese mountain dog breed club. They often have drafting demonstrations and clinics at fun days or specialty shows so people can learn about the sport.

The benefits of carting go beyond earning titles or even doing work with it. Most dogs are more than willing to learn. They can enter a draft test to earn a title. They can learn about the sport. They can learn about the sport. They can learn about the sport. They can learn about the sport. They can learn about the sport. They can learn about the sport. They can learn about the sport. They can learn about the sport...
THE DIVA DIARIES

Relationship advice has been outdated by digital dating

There was a time when I was really good at dispensing dating advice. I prided myself on it. My girlfriends would call me at all hours, night or day, to tell me their relationship stories and ask me to direct them on their next course of action.

I have zero idea why my counsel was sought after; I certainly didn’t have a sparkling track record. After my divorce at the tender young age of 24, I didn’t marry again until 42 — so, that’s almost 20 long years of bad dates and failed relationships. But here’s the bright side: My girlfriends learned from my mistakes; as I always used to tell them: “Do as I say, not as I do.” My rules were pretty standard:

■ If he calls after Wednesday for a weekend date, it’s too late (even if you have no plans, it’s still too late).

■ If your phone rings and you see his caller ID, never pick up on the first ring and, preferably, let the call go to your machine if you can stand to.

■ And, of course, (obviously) never, ever call him.

Archaic, right? Not my rules, of course, but my ridiculously old-fashioned terminology for communication, such as “phone” and “call” and “answering machine.” I might as well be saying, “Never respond to a faxed love letter, only a handwritten one sent via pony express.”

Also, current technology has rendered all my wisdom obsolete. I never knew what to advise my single girlfriends anymore.

They tell me their stories and ask for counsel, but mostly I’m just baffled by what relationships have become in the age of online dating, texting and social media. I truly praise the heavens that my husband and I met back in the olden times of 2004 and were forced to use our cellular flip phones as actual phones.

Back then, Todd and I lived about 30 miles apart from each other and worked different schedules, so when we couldn’t be together, we’d have these great three-hour-long, late-night phone conversations as we got to know each other. Neither of us ever wanted to be the first to say goodnight. Does anyone ever do that anymore?

Here’s an actual conversation that I recently had with a single girlfriend:

Me: “So, how’s it going with that guy you met on Match?”

Her: “I think we might have broken up, actually. I’m not sure. We messaged back and forth on Match for like a week. Then I gave him my number and we were texting a LOT. It got to the point where he was even texting me ‘good morning’ and stuff. That went on for a couple of weeks, but then it just stopped. No more texting. But just yesterday, I posted a sunset picture on my Instagram and he LIKED it. So, maybe we’re back on?”

Me: “Have you ever met him? Or even spoken on the phone?”

Her: “No.”

Me: “Then you never broke up because you were never in a relationship!”

But she begged to differ, and so have plenty of other single friends over similar scenarios. These “texting relationships” are, it seems, actual relationships. And they’re part of the new normal when it comes to dating. I’m not talking about people in their 20s; either, these are friends in their 40s and 50s. Their reports from the love front are harrowing, at least to me.

For instance, I was recently at happy hour, enjoying a glass of wine with a 48-year-old single girlfriend when she got a text. She looked at her phone and her eyes got wide.

“What?” I said. “Well, nothing really.” She responded. “I should be used to it by now.”

She then explained that she had met a fellow online and they started texting a couple of days before. Then she showed me the photo he had sent her. I nearly fell out of my chair at the photo of a VERY private portion of his anatomy. My friend, however, wasn’t terribly surprised. “I get them from guys I meet online all the time,” she said. “But usually they wait until we’ve been texting for at least a week before they send me one of these.”

“Don’t you think you should at least have a lunch date before he sends, um, that?” I asked incredulously. She was nonplussed. “Seriously, it’s very common. How do you think I should respond?”

I wanted to confiscate her phone right then and there, but then I realized that with digital dating, everyone is navigating through some pretty confusing Internet and WiFi mazes where human relationships are squeaking by on emojis and selfies. At this point the best advice I can give is to toss your smart phone and get a landline. Pretend it’s 2004 again.

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

— Rep. Kathleen Passidomo
Florida House of Representatives

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It’s that time of year, and here are deductions you shouldn’t overlook.

If Christmas time is the most wonderful time of the year, the beginning of April is often opposite—time to do your taxes. Not only is it depressing to see just how much of your paycheck went to the government in the past year, the stress of actually either making sure you have all of your paperwork to give to your tax preparer or doing your taxes forms yourself is sometimes overwhelming.

So, I thought I would use this week’s column to throw out a few sometimes overlooked deductions and credits that may put a few extra dollars in your refund check this year, assuming you itemize your deductions. Of course, check with a tax professional or financial advisor if you have any questions about these deductions.

The Earned Income Tax Credit is designed to give money back to low income earners who make between $5,000 and $50,000. The credit can be worth up to $6,200, so if you qualify for it, be sure you claim the money by filing your taxes. The amount you receive is dependent on how much you earned in 2015, marital status, and how many dependent children you have. This credit is often overlooked because low-income individuals don’t file a tax return or historically high earners who have lost a job or took a pay cut don’t know it exists.

As we all know, one of the benefits of living in Florida is that we don’t have a state income tax. This means you don’t have to choose between deducting your state income tax or state sales tax on your taxes; we should always deduct our sales tax paid. This is especially true if you made a large purchase such as a boat or new appliances for the house.

Many people don’t know that moving expenses due to a change in jobs are tax deductible. This includes everything from the obvious expenses like a moving service to move furniture to the not so apparent like 23 cents per mile to drive to your new home. In addition, expenses incurred while looking for a new job are also tax deductible as long as they exceed 2 percent of your gross earnings.

A recent trend in higher education is for older people to take college or vocational courses to move up the corporate ladder. Fortunately, there is an up to $2,000 credit available for school or community college classes that leads to new or improved job skills. Even if you are retired, classes at a vocational school or community college can qualify for this credit. Unfortunately, this credit does phase out for higher earners.

Most people know you can deduct your mortgage expense on your taxes, but many forget that those annoying points that you had to pay when you either closed on your mortgage or refinanced it also are deductible. If you just bought your house, you can deduct the entire amount paid in year one. If you refinanced, you have to spread your deduction over the life of the loan.

I really love the fact that people in Southwest Florida are so charitable and I know most people remember to deduct donations on their taxes. But I bet many people forget to deduct nonmonetary gifts such as food prepared for a fundraiser or miles driven for a charity.

Some expenses to improve the energy efficiency of your home can be deductible. High-efficiency air conditioners and heat pumps as well as “green” windows may qualify. There are different credits for various upgrades so check form 5695 to see if your improvements qualify.

Finally, many investors out there are not completely taking advantage of their tax “shielded” accounts. That may mean not maximizing contributions to a 401K, contributing the highest amount allowed to an IRA or converting an IRA to a Roth IRA. If you are investing for retirement and just putting money in a vanilla brokerage account, you may be paying too much in taxes now or will be in the future. There are many online resources to help you or simply speak with a financial advisor you trust.

— Eric Bretan, the 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.
being away from home for long stretches can often become a drain on family life. Also, pilots are often put between a rock and a hard place, weighing safety risks versus financial ones. If they decide to cancel or delay a flight due to weather or mechanical issues, it can cost tens of thousands of dollars and the company can lose money on the flight. These pressures all culminated to place airline pilots on CareerCast.com’s list of the Most Stressful Jobs of 2016, right alongside some obvious choices, including enlisted military, firefighters and police officers.

The website has been tracking work stress since 2009 based on 11 criteria: travel, deadlines, working in the public eye, competitiveness, physical demands, environmental conditions, hazards encountered, the life of oneself or others as well as oneself are among the top reasons that job stress can become overwhelming says Dr. Don Baracskay, chief medical and operating officer at SalusCare in Fort Myers. “Police officers, for example, don’t have a lot of control. A supervisor says you’re going to patrol here, and it’s very often chaotic. There’s an awful lot of unpredictability. And there’s the expectation — people want (officers) to be perfect. So it’s easy to understand why they’re on that list.”

Crushing anxiety can sometimes lead to lost time on the job or reduced productivity, simultaneously hitting a business’ bottom line while increasing the costs of insurance and treatment for employees. Researchers at the Harvard Business School and Stanford’s Graduate School of Business estimate that workplace stress creates $80 billion in health care costs annually. Scientists are working to understand the nature of stress and how to reduce it. There’s no question that some people are better at handling stress than others. There’s biological research going on trying to find out why that is,” says Dr. Baracskay. Exercise may hold the key to understanding the answer. Preliminary studies show that people who exercise regularly have lower levels of stress and anxiety. According to the American Psychological Association, one current theory being tested is that exercise gets the body’s systems — cardiovascular, muscular, renal, etc. — to communicate and operate together during a controlled stressful situation. Since all these systems are tied to the stress response, they are more efficient at helping the body avoid debilitating anxiety when other uncontrolled stressful situations take place.

**Top 10 most stressful jobs**

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**Venture X poised to expand as a franchise opportunity**

United Franchise Group has begun offering the Venture X franchise, the first co-working space to be franchised in the state of Florida. Founded by CEO David Diamond and COO Britt Diamond and launched in October 2012 with its initial 8,000-square-foot location in the Mercato center in North Naples, Venture X provides private membership office space and a collaborative community to more than 120 companies.

With its vision to expand nationally and then globally, United Franchise Group partnered with Venture X, adding them to the family of brands that includes one of the world’s most successful franchises, with nearly 1,400 locations in more than 80 countries around the world. “The way people work is changing” David Diamond says. “Technology and innovation through mobile devices, cloud computing and social networking allow people the freedom to work from anywhere at any time.”

Venture X members are freelancers, remote workers, startups, entrepreneurs, nonprofits, small companies and teams from large corporations. Members are professionals who want a place that provides a rich work environment where they can focus on work as well as be a part of a larger collaborative community to share and exchange ideas and develop new business and relationships.

Venture X provides a workspace with an inspiring modern design and a boutique hotel atmosphere and experience, with a mixture of private offices and focused workspaces, open seating areas and social gathering spaces where collaboration and networking happen naturally and organically. Amenities include high-tech conference rooms, a hotel-like lobby/lounge, phone booths, two cafes, outdoor terrace seating, high-speed Internet, free coffee and tea, office equipment and supplies and community managers to meet members’ needs.

“We have the systems and people in place to provide location and set-up assistance, training, marketing and on-going support,” says Jared Stresen-Reuter, Venture X brand leader. For more information about franchise opportunities, call (866) 567-8995 or visit venturefranchise.com.
Time on your hands? Consider becoming a SCORE volunteer

Are you newly retired and wondering what to do with your time? Volunteering at SCORE is a way for you to pass on your business knowledge and expertise to the next generation of entrepreneurs in the community.

SCORE volunteers provide confidential business mentoring services, both in person and online, and lead seminars and workshops to help small business owners meet their goals and achieve success. Volunteer counselors also provide subject matter expertise by industries and professional skills.

The Naples chapter of SCORE is looking for volunteers to greet clients and answer the telephone at its headquarters at 900 Goodlette-Frank Road.

Additional duties include sending out letters of introduction to local businesses and following up by telephone, assembling handouts and distributing brochures to area banks, CPA and law firms alerting their clients to the free and confidential business counseling and mentoring SCORE provides.

The Naples chapter has been helping local small businesses succeed for the past 30 years. For more information about becoming involved, call 430-0081 or visit naples.score.org.

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To make sense of a company’s multiple, you might compare it with a reasonable one for its industry and competitive position. For example, if similar companies to MetLife have a 20% growth rate due to financial institution. MetLife has argued the company competitive and allow it to consider MetLife, which recently sported a P/E ratio in the single digits and annual dividend rate of 4%. The company also has a historical yield of 4.5% and enjoys low turnover, which saves the company a hefty dividend — recently yielding 3.4% — that has plenty of room to grow, and its business is likely to grow over time, too.

The Motley Fool Take

Dependable Income

MetLife (NYSE: MET) has seen its share price fall by about 15 percent over the past year. What’s going on? Well, it has been under pressure from US regulators who want to label the company a “systemically important financial institution.” MetLife has argued that it is getting hit by a “regulatory tax” on the company far less competitive due to tougher capital regulations. Meanwhile, investors are worried about weakness in Asia potentially slowing MetLife’s earnings. For example, the company plans to separate into two entities. It would essentially spin off or sell the life insurance underwriting portion of its US business (which also encompasses about 20 percent of its current operating income), and maintain the life services, pension services, and businesses in more than 30 countries and territories. I rate it in $6 billion annually and employ more than 80,000 people, and my stock has grown by an annual average of 12 percent over the past 20 years. Who am I? (Answer: Colgate-Palmolive)

Last week’s trivia answer

I trace my roots back to the 1875 founding of the Aluminum Company, which was owned by DuPont for a while. Today I’m in California, and then was taken over by B6. To make an appointment for Thursday. To make an appointment for Thursday.

In the early days of Apple, I refused to invest in it because I heard that Jobs treated his employees terribly. I didn’t lose money, but I did miss out on $2,000 in revenue. I regret the will. However, I have learned that it’s best to keep out all emotions when investing.

The Fool Responds: When you’re evaluating a company as a possible investment, it’s not crazy to take into account how it treats its employees. Indeed, it’s worth assessing how well it takes care of its employees, customers and shareholders, as companies do well on all three counts are often good investments.

Consider Costco, for example, which pays its workers above-average wages and enjoys low turnover, which saves it money. It also serves customers well by not marking up prices by more than 15 percent, and it rewards shareholders with a dividend and occasional share buybacks. Its stock has averaged 12 percent growth annually over the past 20 years. You can read employee reviews of lots of companies at Glassdoor.com. There are currently more than 1,000 reviews of Apple, for example, giving it an average of four out of five stars. Fully 42 percent of reviewers would let their friends work for the company a friend, and 95 percent approve of the job CEO Tim Cook is doing. (The Motley Fool owns shares of and has recommended Apple and Costco.)

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Imagine that you bought shares of the One-Legged Chair Co. (ticker: OOPS) for $40 each and they’re now trading for $30. If you think the shares are worth $40 or $50 or more, hugging on makes sense. If you think they’re only worth $30, selling might be best. Ignore the fact that you’re down $10 per share. If you bought shares for $12 each, you’d be up $18 per share, but your thinking should be the same — hold on / expect more growth ahead, and sell when you expect the shares to falter.

Never hang on to a stock in which you’ve lost confidence (and dollars) just to try to recoup the loss. It’s better to move what’s left into a stock where you see a much brighter future.

What’s this “closing tick” that’s mentioned on TV sometimes?

T.D., DeSoto, Texas

The closing tick represents the buying vs. selling activity for the last trades of the day. It’s calculated by taking the total value that ended on an uptick (i.e., their last trade occurred at a price higher than the preceding trade), and subtracting the number that ended on a downtick. The positive or negative result reflects the overall market sentiment at the end of the trading day.

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BUSINESS MEETINGS

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Consultants from the Small Business Development Center at Gulf Coast University are available at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce Monday through Thursday. To make an appointment for a free session, call Suzanne Specht at 745-5704.

BNI Downtown Naples Networkers meet at 7:30 a.m. every Thursday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 777 Mooring Line Drive. Call Jamie Bergen at 572-5720 for more information.

Young Professionals of the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce holds its next Wake Up break-fast meeting from 7:30-9:15 a.m. Tuesday, April 5 at DelRomo’s Gourmet Market and Deli in the Promenade in Bonita Bay. For more information, call 992-2943 or visit bonitaspringschamber.com/events.

Orientation for new members of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 5, at chamber headquarters, 2900 Tamiami Trail South. For info about becoming a member, email Jindi Menard at jindi@napleschamber.org.

The Naples Interagency Council invites those in the health-care professions and related human services to the next NIC networking lunch at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 12, at Naples Daily News. All are welcome, RSVPs are requested and can be made at naplesinteragency.org.

The Collier County Lodging & Tourism Alliance meets Wednesday morning, April 20, at Hilton Naples. Doors open at 8 a.m. for networking followed by breakfast and a 9:30 a.m. presentation by the tourism alliance’s Office about “Citizen Response to an Active Shooter.” $10 for CCLTA members, $15 for others. Reservations required. Call 293-5327.

SCORE Naples hosts a panel dis-cussion with five women entrepreneurs and business owners from 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 23, at Pelican Marsh Golf Club. Sue Huff will moder-ate the panel whose members are: Dr. Carolina Rodriguez, Heart and Stroke Center; Chris Wohlrant and Jessi-ca Macera, Business Dynamis Solutions; Michelle Sherrill, founder of Sherrill Alvarez, Purely You Spa. Registration is $20. Sign up at scorenaples.org.

The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce holds its annual dinner on Thursday, April 28, at the Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Individual tickets for $75 and table sponsorships for $2,000 are on sale now. Visit naples-chamber.org/events for reservations or more information.

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National numbers show sales fizzle in February

After increasing to the highest annual rate in six months, existing-home sales tumbled in February amidst unshakably low supply levels and steadfast price growth in several sections of the country, according to the National Association of Realtors.

Led by the Northeast and Midwest, all four major regions experienced sales declines in February. Total existing-home sales (completed transactions that include single-family homes, townhomes, condominiums and co-ops) dropped 7.1 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.08 million in February, down from 5.47 million in January.

Despite last month’s large decline, sales are still 2.2 percent higher than a year ago.

Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, says existing sales disappointed in February and failed to keep pace with what had been a strong start to the year.

The lull in contract signings in January from the large East Coast blizzard, along with the slump in the stock market, might have played a role in February’s lack of closings, he says, but the main issue continues to be a supply and affordability problem.

“Finding the right property at an affordable price is burdening many potential buyers,” he says.

Although job growth continues to hum along at a robust pace, Mr. Yun adds, there appears to be some uneasiness among households that the economy is losing some steam. This was evident in NAR’s most recent HOME survey (Florida Weekly, March 24, page B18), which revealed that fewer respondents believe the economy is improving and a smaller share of renters think now is a good time to buy a home.

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Villa models open at WCI’s Artesia

Homebuyers can tour nine models at Artesia Naples, WCI Communities’ 261-acre master-planned community between Naples and Marco Island off Collier Boulevard.

Two new villa models, designed by CJ Décor of Fort Myers, showcase the flexibility of the home design.

In the Sand Dollar, the stage is set for a neutral palette in the home’s main living areas with large subway tile in tones of taupes, browns and grays. An eclectic blend of furniture complements the home’s design, while modern light fixtures in gold and gunmetal and woven textures evoke a casually earthy feel in the 1,916 air-conditioned square-foot home.

In the Coquina villa, bold tangerine, blueberry and raspberry accessories pop against the home’s design, while architectural materials including glass and metal as well as sand, driftwood and other elements of nature.

Maria Villanueva, WCI Group Marketing Manager, said: “We’ve strategically situated the homes to provide an incredible view and we are confident that Birdie and her step-daughter, part of our model family, will appreciate the 1,593 square-foot home.”

Two new villa models are also available at WCI’s Artesia Naples.

The Coquina villa

- 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 2-Car Garage, 2,356 A/C Square Feet, Two Story
- Signature aesthetic, including a neutral color scheme with metallic accents, a blend of textures and a mixture of architectural materials including glass and metal as well as sand, driftwood and other elements of nature.
- Artesia Naples is planned for 600 multi- and single-family homes, with courts and an event lawn.
- There is also a dog park, pickleball courts and an event lawn.
- Artesia Naples is designed by CJ Décor of Fort Myers.
- The Coquina villa features a 1,593 square-foot home.
- The Coquina villa has a blend of textures and a mixture of architectural materials including glass and metal as well as sand, driftwood and other elements of nature.
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The Sand Dollar villa

- 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 3-Car Garage, 2,534 A/C Square Feet, Single Story
- The oversized corner homesite offers privacy that is enhanced with lush landscaping and views of the lake and fountain.
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Miromar Design Center announces 2016 Dream Rooms favorites

Kira Krümm International Design. Henredon Interior Design Showroom and Poggenpohl received top honors in the 2016 Dream Rooms competition at Miromar Design Center. Participating interior designers and showrooms used furnishings, lighting, linens, art and accessories available at the center to create their ultimate “dream rooms.” Visitors voted for their favorite designs.

The Platinum Award went to Kira Krümm International Design for the living room showcase featuring the firm’s Dune furniture line from the Kira Krümm Coastal Collection. The space highlights key components of Krümm’s signature aesthetic, including a neutral color scheme with metallic accents, a blend of textures and a mixture of architectural materials including glass and metal as well as sand, driftwood and other elements of nature.

The Gold Award was presented to Henredon Interior Design Showroom for Coastal Tranquility, a bedroom vignette featuring a color palette of soft whites and creams lightly accented with pale celadon, as well as a diverse range of textures and finishes. The room showcases home furnishings by Hickory Chair Furniture Co. Henredon’s Vivian Armenti completed the design.

Poggenpohl earned the Silver Award for its P7350–Porsche Kitchen, a modern setting within an aluminum frame; unlike the classic fitted kitchen, elements here do not need to be arranged side by side but can be positioned anywhere within the frame.

The newest Dream Rooms at Miromar Design Center will be in place through the end of the year. The center is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 239-5111 or visit miromardesigncenter.com.
The board of directors at Collier’s Reserve Country Club has assembled the architectural, interior design and construction team for $13.8 million in improvements at the club in North Naples. The plan will be realized by DeAngelis Diamond Construction, Humphrey Rosal Architects and Noller Design Group. Jeff Nunner, a professional engineer and certified building contractor with more than 25 years of experience, will be project manager.

Groundbreaking is set for April 1 for the first phase of the three-year project. Phase one will introduce a new fitness and activities center, two pickleball courts and an auxiliary entrance with parking for golf carts, automobiles and bicycles. Three new tennis courts will also be added for a total of five. The initial phase also includes converting the existing fitness center to a multi-purpose activity room, expanding the women’s locker room lounge area and refurbishing member locker area.

When completed in 2018, the project will include a renovated clubhouse and a new boat house along the Cocohatchee River with informal and alfresco dining.

“We gathered data on trends, and more importantly information from our new members” to develop the master plan, said W. James Fischer, president of the board of directors. “While championship golf is still paramount, members also want shorter-duration activities like bocce and pickleball and are increasingly interested in wellness facilities and informal and alfresco dining.”

The club enhancement plan also includes funds for the future maintenance of the golf course, including replacement of greens, tees and bunkers, and replacement of cart paths.

Membership at Collier’s Reserve Country Club is limited to 300 resident and non-resident memberships. The community of 224 single-family homes is fully sold. For more information, call 254-2842 or visit colliersreserve.com.
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$200,800, up 4.4 percent from Febru-
ary 2015 ($201,900). February’s price
increase marks the 48th consecutive
month of year-over-year gains.

Total housing inventory at the end
of February increased 3.3 percent to
1.88 million existing homes available
for sale, a number that is still 1.1
percent lower than a year ago (1.90 million).

Unsold inventory is at a 4.4-month sup-
ply at the current sales pace, up from 4
months in January.

All-cash sales were 25 percent of
transactions in February, down from 26
percent both in January and a year ago.

Individual investors, who account for
many cash sales, purchased 18 percent
of homes in February (27 percent in
January), matching the highest share
since April 2014. Sixty-four percent of
investors paid cash in February.

Investor sales have trended surpris-
ingly higher in recent months after fall-
ing to as low as 12 percent of sales in
August 2015, Mr. Yun adds. Now that
there are fewer distressed homes avail-
able, he explains, it appears there has
been a shift toward investors purchasing
lower-priced homes and turning them
into rentals. Already facing affordability
issues, this competition at the entry-
level market only adds to the roadblocks
slowing first-time buyers.”

The share of first-time buyers fell
to 30 percent in February (matching the
lowest share since November 2013) from
32 percent in January, but is up from 29
percent a year ago. First-time buyers in
all of 2015 represented an average of 30
percent.

According to Freddie Mac, the aver-
age commitment rate for a 30-year, con-
ventional, fixed-rate mortgage declined
from 3.87 percent in January to 3.66
percent in February, which is the low-
est since April 2015 at 3.67 percent.
The average commitment rate for all of 2015
was 3.85 percent.

Properties typically stayed on the
market for 59 days in February, a decrease from 64 days in January and
below the 62 days in February 2015.

Short sales were on the market the lon-
gest, at a median of 193 days in February,
while foreclosures and non-distressed
homes each took 57 days. Thirty-five
percent of homes sold in February were
on the market for less than a month.

NAR President Tom Salomone, bro-
er-owner of Real Estate II Inc. in Coral
Springs, says many Realtors are seeing
instances of multiple bids and afford-
able homes going under contract quick-
ly are common in their markets.

Matching the highest share since May
2015, distressed sales foreclosures and
short sales rose slightly to 10 percent in
February, up from 9 percent in January
but down from 11 percent a year ago.

Seven percent of February sales were
foreclosures and 3 percent were short
sales. Foreclosures sold for an average
discount of 17 percent below market
value in February (13 percent in Janu-
ary), while short sales were discounted
16 percent (12 percent in January).

Single-family home sales fell 72 per-
cent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate
of 4.51 million in February from 4.86 mil-
lion in January, but are still 2.0 percent
higher than the 4.42 million pace a year
ago. The median existing single-family
home price was $212,300 in February, up
4.3 percent from February 2015.

I am pleased to announce that I have been selected by the owners of 7051
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Bay. Cross over the arched bridge to a green island of 36 villas, surrounded by the famous
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StorySlam brings tale tellers to the Tobye

BY LINDSEY NESMITH
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Storytellers in the Round, a group associated with Naples Advanced Toastmasters, hosts StorySlam at Sugden Theater: An Evening of Storytelling from 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 4, to showcase the art of spinning a yarn for the enjoyment of an audience.

“I think people are surprised by how enjoyable it is to sit and listen to stories,” says event organizer Dr. Joel Ying. “We’re wired to live by stories, but it’s not something we do much anymore. It’s captivating and engaging to be with a storyteller and enter the world of the story.”

The group has been staging storytelling events over the past year at a few different locations, including Dr. Ying’s medical office and Bramble’s English Tea Room.

The upcoming event expands the show to a larger audience in Sugden Community Theater’s Tobye Studio, which seats about 100 people.

Ten performers will recount a variety of narratives including personal tales, folktales, fractured fairy tales and more.

“A lot of people really appreciate the personal stories because they find a lot of meaning and parallels to their own life,” Dr. Ying says. “With storytelling, there isn’t the fourth wall. It’s a great way to carry people through emotions and build community.”

Performances include “What’s in a Name” by Tashabara Jallad, “Left Behind” by Rhonda Brazina, “Billy the Best Friend” by Dr. Ying and “Martina the Beautiful Cockroach” by Marilyn Graham.

Tickets are $15 and can be purchased at naplesplayers.org or by calling 263-7990.

For more information about Storytellers in the Round, call 267-6480 or visit opendreaming.com/storytellersRT.

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The world premiere of “Marcus Jansen — Examine and Report” has been selected to open the sixth annual Fort Myers Film Festival. The documentary by filmmaker John Scoular features the celebrated Southwest Florida artist whose work has been exhibited on an international scale for the last two decades. It includes interviews with art celebrities and personalities including Steve Lazarides, Lawrence Voreyek, West Michigan, Brooke Lynn McGowan, Noah Becker and Dieter Rampf.

Mr. Jansen’s work will be shown over the next two years as a traveling solo exhibition at major museums.

“I can’t tell you just what this means to our community to be playing the world premiere of this film right here in Fort Myers,” said Eric Raddatz, film festival director and presentation editor for Florida Weekly. “His work continues to be such an international inspiration. One day you will look back on this moment and realize you got to see something truly amazing with this one.”

The film takes a look at Mr. Jansen’s influences, beginning with his childhood years spent in the Bronx and Queens, NY. He was later transplanted to Europe and educated in Moenchengladbach, Germany, in a German-speaking school where he studied commercial painting and graphic design. Mr. Jansen is a Gulf War veteran who started selling his art from street corners between Prince Street and Broadway in New York City as part of the so-called “Prince Street Kings.” His works subsequently moved to international exhibitions and museum collections around the world.

The documentary features one of the artist’s dealers, Mr. Lazarides, as well as art historians, collectors and artist friends who have influenced Mr. Jansen. They dissect his work and motivation for painting and also examine the direction of his socio-political urban influences, which have gained more and more critical attention and acclaim in recent years.

Under the direction of Mr. Scoular, who is best known for “Lunatics, Lovers and Poets,” the documentary about Mr. Jansen was shot in New York, Miami, London and Fort Myers, where the artist lives and works from his studio loft space called Unit A.

Mr. Lazarides is also known as street artist BANKSY’s first agent. Mr. Voreyek was Robert Rauschenberg’s director of art production for more than 30 years. Ms. McGowan is an art historian, writer, curator and worldwide expert on Mr. Jansen’s works. The film also includes interviews with Mr. Jansen and footage of him at work.

The festival’s opening-night Thursday, April 7, at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall will include a red-carpet rollout with the film’s cast and crew, a question-and-answer session about the project and an after-party. Tickets are $19 for general admission and $99 for VIP.

Additional highlights include interviews with art celebrities, art production for more than 30 years. Art historian, writer, curator and worldwide expert on Mr. Jansen’s works. The film also includes interviews with Mr. Jansen and footage of him at work.

Fort Myers Film Festivals opens with world premiere of ‘Marcus Jansen — Examine and Report’

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The Fort Myers Film Festival takes place April 7-10, with more than 70 films from all over the world. Here’s a short conversation with one of the filmmakers.

**Name:** Bob Hercules

**Film:** “Maya Angelou: And Still I Rise”

**Resides:** Chicago

**What inspires you?** The creativity of other artists.

What about your film do you hope people appreciate? I hope that our film can inspire people to overcome their own challenges and adversity. I think seeing how Maya Angelou overcame so many obstacles (sexual abuse, the racism of the Jim Crow South, being a black woman in a white man’s world) serves as a testament to her grit, tenacity and perseverance.

**What is your favorite film and why?** One of my favorite films is “Harlan County, USA,” a cinema-verite film by Barbara Kopple. It’s a riveting story of a coal miner’s strike in Appalachia. It’s probably the reason I got into making documentaries.

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It’s telling stories about how we’re just the same people. We go through the same relationship drama. The things that straight couples experience, gay couples also experience.

But the play also tackles what’s different about those relationships, he adds. “There’s a lot of laughs, a lot of tears.”

It wasn’t initially easy to gather those stories.

Annette Trossbach, founder of the Laboratory Theater of Florida, says she met with suspicion when she first approached the LGBT students at Florida Gulf Coast University’s Gay-Straight Alliance. Many of them weren’t sure if they should trust her (she would be directing the play) and playwright Louise Wigglesworth — even though they were accompanied by two people from Visuality Inc, a local nonprofit that provides services to LGBT young people.

The students’ responses ranged from “Why should I trust them to tell my story?” to “I don’t want my life publicized” to “It’s nobody else’s business.”

Trossbach respected those who didn’t want to participate in the project. “That was their right,” she says. “I understand that they had survived high school and middle school by blending into the shadows and keeping to themselves. It’s understandable that they wouldn’t want to step into the limelight.”

Southwest Florida, after all, isn’t the most welcoming environment for LGBT people. Ms. Trossbach heard numerous stories, and some of them were heartbreaking.

“A lot of kids were told that they’re not welcome back at their church,” she says. “People tried to pray for ‘the devil’ to leave them.” She heard stories from LGBT kids whose parents had thrown them out of the house; they continued to go to high school while living their car, or sleeping on a friend’s couch.

But she and Ms. Wigglesworth did find many at the university GSA and other GSAs who were very open to sharing their stories in hopes of informing the greater community about what’s happening with them and in the process, creating more understanding and acceptance. “The Rauschenberg Project” is the result.

Funding the project

The playwriting project began when Ms. Trossbach discovered the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation was offering grants through the Southwest Florida Community Foundation in the arts, environmental stewardship, education and LGBT rights.

“I realized that I could fulfill three of those categories right off the bat, if I were to work with LBGT young people to create a play based on and around their experiences,” she says.

Lab Theater partnered with Visuality Inc. and applied for a grant. They received $46,350 — “every dollar we asked for,” she says.

The yearlong project began with gathering stories from local LGBT youth and then turning them into a play. The theater then offered free workshops for LGBT kids ages 14-25 in playwriting, acting, music production, lighting design, costing and hair and make-up design.

The idea was to give the kids the acceptance they may not find at school.

The theater, Ms. Trossbach says, is an “open-minded, open-hearted, welcoming place for many people who consider themselves on the fringes of society, who consider themselves different or creative or expressive in a different way than others. So the grant didn’t just teach the kids the skills they need to put on a production; it also welcomed them into a different community, a theatrical family.

Were you raised in a particular church or philosophy? Did that change when you came out? If so, how?

When did you take ownership of who you are and feel comfortable being you?

“I think the show overall is about how people who identify as a different gender or a different sexual orientation are just people, just like everyone else, who feel things and ultimately want to be fulfilled and find happiness and love,” says Dave Chesebro, a 22-year-old who identifies as bisexual.

Mr. Chesebro heard about the project from his girlfriend when he was at Florida SouthWestern State College and decided to take part. Writing a satire he describes as “an infomercial about how to ‘de-gay’ your kids. It’s mocking conversion therapy.”

“It’s a very dark comedy,” he says. “And at the end of it, we contrast it with the harsh, dark reality (how conversion therapy can drive some kids to commit suicide) because they’re not allowed to be themselves.”

Cultural vignettes

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“The scene, of course, is a satire on Kim Davis, the Kentucky county clerk who refused to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples, even when ordered by a federal court. She said to do so would go against her Christian beliefs.

“Even being a straight, Christian woman, I was appalled by Kim Davis,” Ms. Canady, 32, says. “What would I have done? If I felt that strongly about it, I would’ve gotten a different job.”

Ms. Canady was initially a little reluctant to participate in it. “I’m heterosexual,” she explains. “I minister at my church. But I was thinking that the one thing I really wanted to bring to the table is that we are understanding. People think we gay bash. And really, we’re put here to love, so that’s what I’m here for, to love and support them. It’s my job as a Christian to show them the love of God.”

It’s art, all of it. They’re great pieces. I’m here to celebrate the people.”

In all, “The Rauschenberg Project” involved 196 people, from those who shared their stories, to the 10 member ages 17-60 and five backstage people who will bring those stories to life in performances March 31-April 5.

“I think things have gotten better since we started an open dialogue, since we started this project,” Ms. Trossbach says. “They’ve found a forum in which they can express themselves and start discussions on a variety of issues affecting people.”

“They’ve found support. They’ve found a safe place. It’s been heartwarming and tremendous to see.”

In the know

“The Rauschenberg Project”

>> Where: March 31-April 5

>> Where: The Laboratory Theater of Florida, 1634 Woodford Ave., Fort Myers

>> Cost: $20 general admission, $10 for students

>> Info: 239-218-0481 or laboratorytheaterflorida.com

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Director Annette Trossbach, center, with crew members Ina Zeineddine and Kate Dirrigl.

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Islamic terrorism looms large in plot that threatens series’ protagonists


The Matt Royal Mystery series keeps getting better and better. As H. Terrell Griffin continues to develop his major characters, not merely repeat them, they gain shading, complication and significance. Plot complications proliferate, building intrigue, suspense and relevance to contemporary events. And as always, the author renders his settings vividly and scrupulously.

This time around, readers will encounter a despondent and nearly suicidal Jock Algren, a Jihadist cell and major threats to the life of both Matt Royal and his lover, the attractive Det. J. D. Duncan.

Having committed one too many assassinations in the service of his country whose goals involve attacking America and its citizens, he knows as well that there can always be collateral damage and those who suffer losses in the wake of his bullets. He has reached the point where he is ready to lay down his weapons. At the least, he will not attack.

But he is also a man of duty and patriotic gusto. Is he anything at all without a deadly mission? Can he live another life? Will he get his special brand of mojo back. Or whether he should.

He’s already a target for both torture and assassination. Those two boys have grown up and the older one, Youseff, heads a radical Islamic squad whose plans to revenge themselves on Jock also includes wiping out his family — that is, his dearest friends Matt and J.D. Youseff wants Jock to witness their torture and death, just as they had witnessed him destroy their family years ago.

But there’s also something else going on around Longboat Key that threatens Matt and J.D. A present case ID is working on has reopened a cold case from three years back. There seems to be some kind of connection. The dead woman’s brother is found to be on the island, and their investigation heads in his direction. Perhaps he murdered her sister for inheritance and insurance gain, but he seems to have a reasonable argument against this motive. And then he turns up dead.

The fact that J.D. is on the case has put her in jeopardy. And that puts Matt in danger, too. Someone out there has something big to lose if exposed by this investigation. Guilty parties always fear their secrets will be revealed by knowledgeable functionaries or accomplices.

In this novel, it begins to look like a game of all fall down. What, exactly, is at stake that makes so many murders necessary? How does this case connect, if it does, to the terrorists who are pursuing Jock for his actions in Aleppo, Syria? As you might have guessed, I’m not going to tell you. However, I will tell you that it is essentially a follow-the-money kind of case and investigation.

In “Moral Dilemma,” a debate is carried on about the morality of murder. Jock knows that he only assassinates enemies of his country whose goals involve terrorism on aircraft, boats and automobiles, experiencing what they do. From beginning to end, there’s plenty of action — and necessary violence.

No matter what you like in your thrillers, Mr. Griffin, an almost-lifelong Floridian who retired from practicing law in Orlando and now lives on Longboat Key, provides it all: strong characters in dynamic relationships, authentic portrayals of police work, contemporary international events crafted into compelling plot strands, scenery, sensation, suspense and moral sensibility.

— 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.
The curtain falls on The Naples Players’ production of Mel Brooks’ “Young Franklinstein” after the matinee performance on Sunday, April 3, at the Sugden Community Theatre. James Little (center) portrays Dr. Frederick Franklinstein as he picks up his grandfather’s quest to reanimate a corpse. Call 263-7990 or naplesplayers.org.

Art Fest – Trinity-by-the-Cove Episcopal Church hosts the Olde Naples Art & Entertainment Festival from 6-8 p.m. today and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 2, featuring art by children in local nonprofit programs, live entertainment and food from The Butcher’s Son and Parmesan Pete’s. $15-$25. All proceeds benefit the church’s Archangel Fund. 963-6565 or crigridway@yahoo.com.

Exhibit Opening – Florida Artists Group hosts an opening reception for its 66th annual symposium and exhibition from 6-8 p.m. at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. Free. 253-8827 or floridaairstsingroup.org.

Choral Night – The Bay Singers 70-person choral ensemble performs spiritual, patriotic, Broadway and American standards at 7:30 p.m. at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10300 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Spring Concert – Violist J.T. Posada joins the Naples Orchestra and Chorus for a program of works by Puccini, Verdi, Rossini and more at 7 p.m. today and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at Naples High School. $18 in advance, $20 at the door. 298-7911 or naplesorchestrandoctor.com.

Beach Loot – Comb the shoreline with a park ranger and learn about tidal movements, shells and sea creatures of all kinds at 9:30 a.m. at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Free with regular park entry fee. 997-6050 or floridastateparks.org.

Cruise-In – Miromar Outlets hosts a car show from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 948-3766 or mercatoshops.com.
WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

TUESDAY 4.5

Amazing Amadeus – The FGCU Renaissance Academy hosts a lecture about Mozart and his musical genius at 10 a.m. at the university’s Naples campus. $20 for academy members, $25 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Hungry Eyes – The Broadway production of “Dirty Dancing” steps by Arts—Naples today through Sunday, April 10. 597-3900 or artisnaples.org.

Lunch & Learn – Rookery Bay host a lecture about the BP oil spill at noon on the beach provided by Carrabba’s Italian Grill. $10 for Friends of Rookery Bay members, $15 for others. 300 Tower Road. 530-5940 or rookerybay.org.

Opera Dinner – Tenor Livio Ferrari performs at 7 p.m. at Barbatella while guests enjoy a four-course meal. $55. 1290 Third St. S. 263-1955 or barbatellanaples.com.

WEDNESDAY 4.6

Beach Yoga – Head to a morning yoga session on the sand at 9 a.m. at Deltor-Wiggins Pass State Park. $5 plus park entry fee. Registration required. 598-1938 or greenmonkey.com.

Forest Trek – Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary hosts an ancient forest walking tour from 9 a.m. to noon. Free with admission. 348-9151 or corkscrew.audubon.org.

Yard Work – Learn how to incorporate Florida-friendly foliage into your landscape courtesy of Collier County Extension Service from 1-3:30 p.m. at Home Depot. Free. 1651 Airport-Pulling Road. 252-4800 or ifas.ufl.edu.

Wine & Design – Interior designer and HGTV contributor Joanne Palmisano discusses how to incorporate salvage finds into a design scheme from 6-8 p.m. at Home & Salvage. Wine, refreshments and light hors d’oeuvres will be served. $35, with signed book available for an extra $20. 5400 Taylor Road. 653-9218 or homeandsalvage.com.

COMING UP

Sea Cows – Learn all about manatees at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 7, at Deltor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Free with park entry fee. Reservations recommended. 597-6196 or floridastateparks.org.

Music at Mercato – Kraig Kenning performs at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 7, on the lawn at Mercato. Free. 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

Classic Film – The FGCU Renaissance Academy screens “The Quiet Man” (1952) at 2 p.m. Friday, April 8, at the university’s Naples campus. A retired American boxer returns to the village of his birth in Ireland and finds love. $5 for academy members, $7 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Psychic Night – Psychics Allison Hayes and Jill Jackson demonstrate their abilities at 7 p.m. Friday, April 8, at Unity of Naples. 2000 Unity Way. (828) 414-4765 or info@mysticandmedium.com.

Art Show – Naples Artcrafters hosts a fine art and craft show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Cambier Park. naplesartcrafters.com.

Spring Classic – The Spring Classic Swamp Buggy Nights kicks off at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Florida Sports Park. 800-875-774-2703 or swampbuggy.com.

Koreshan State Historic Site celebrates its 16th annual Planet Earth Festival from 1-5 p.m. Saturday with live music, drum circles, organic food, kayaking outings and all kinds of family activities. — floridastateparks.org
Around Town — Naples Philharmonic and the Naples Philharmonic Chorus perform Beethoven’s Mass in C Major at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at First Presbyterian Church of Naples. 597-1900 or artinenaples.org.

Just Like Mama’s — Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts a performance of “Mama Cooks It Up — The Hilarious Italian Musical,” at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Piano Man — Pianist and comedian Jimmy Keys performs at 10 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Barbatella. 835 1290 Third St. S. 263-1955 or barbatellanaples.com.

Nature Flick — The Conservancy of Southwest Florida screens “Mission Blue” (2014) at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 10. A feature documentary about Sylvia Earle, an oceanographer, marine biologist and environmentalist who works to create a global network of marine sanctuaries. 526-0304 or conservancy.org.

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WHERE TO GO

Bluegrass Music - Southern Express Band performs at 7 p.m. Friday, April 22, at The Norris Center. 213-3058 or southernexpressband.com.

Chamber Concert - Young pianist Noah Walden performs with the Kaplan-Chamber Group at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 22, at The David and Cecile Wanger Center. 330-840. 2408 Linwood Ave. 775-2800 or capcenter.org.

Guitar Landscape - Patchouli and Terra Guitarra join forces in concert at 8 p.m. Friday, April 22, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10250 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Magic Carpet Ride - The Naples Philharmonic performs an up-close concert for kids at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 23, 597-1900 or artsinnaples.org.

Highway Birthday - Museum of the Everglades hosts lectures, car shows, live music and more starting at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 23, in celebration of Tamiami Trail’s 8th anniversary and the museum’s 18th birthday. Free. 105 W. Broadway, Everglades City. 695-0008 or the museum’s 18th birthday. Free. 105 W. Broadway, Everglades City. 695-0008 or colliermuseums.com.

Student Recital - Winners of the Naples Music Club’s annual scholarship perform at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. Free. 1235 Piper Blvd. 384-9205 or naplesmusicclub.org.

On Your Mind - Mind reader and entertainer Joshua Seth performs at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at The Norris Center. 253-3058 or naplesgov.com.

Chamber Concert - Members of the Naples Philharmonic perform works by Schulhoff, Adams at Brahms at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 24, at Artis-Naples. 597-1900 or artsinnaples.org.

Stay in May - ArtsNaples World Festival immerses guests in music, food and cultural experiences around the world with a variety of events starting Monday, April 25, and running through May 8. Check website for details. 390-2788 or stayinnap.org.

Sharp Dressed Men - ZZ Top performs at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artsinnaples.org.

Up a Creek - Learn the basics of paddle boarding at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 28, at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Ages 12 and older. $15, reservations required. 431-6989 or floridastateparks.org.

Game Night - Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops pulls out board games and invites the public to play starting at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 30. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Meet the Composers - Lecturer Anne McLean performs in a multimedia presentation about Beethoven from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10250 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Lil’ Bites - Enjoy restaurant samples, chef competitions, demonstrations and family fun at Taste of Collier from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Shoppes of Vanderbilt. $5-410 admission. Tickets required to purchase food. 338-3731 or tastefocollier.com.

Concert - Grammy-winning Christian pop group For King and Country performs at 6 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Germain Arena. $10-$42. 948-7825 or germainarena.com.

Night of Jazz - Bob Zottola and Jazz Simpatico perform works of Louis Armstrong and Miles Davis at 8 p.m. Friday, May 6, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 822-532. 10250 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Mancini Magic - Naples Jazz Orchestra performs the works of Henry Mancini at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 8, at Golden Gate High School. $30, 207-8299 or naplesjazzorchestra.com.

Last Chance - Head over to Crayton Cove for the 40th annual and final Great Dock Canoe Race from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 14, 261-495 or greatdockcanaerace.com.

WHATA? - Comedian Amy Schumer performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 14, at Germain Arena. $49-899. 948-7825 or germainarena.com.

Independence Day - The Israel Advocacy Committee of the Jewish Federation of Collier County celebrates Israel’s 68th anniversary of independence from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 15, at Mercato. Enjoy Israeli dancing, live music, food, art and more. jeffreyramdall@gmail.com. ■

— Email calendar listings and high-resolution photos to Lindsey Nesmith at lnesmith@floridaweekly.com. Please send Word or text documents and jpgs with time, date, location, cost and contact information. No pdfs or photos of life events. Deadline for calendar submissions is noon Monday. No phone calls, please.
The stage in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre in Naples, the play by Melanie Marnich is slight, a trifle. Its comedy is uneven, due partially to the script and partially to the acting. Ms. Lee looks too young to have three degrees from three different Ivy League schools. Her character appears to have boundary issues, but it’s later explained that therapist and patient are childhood friends, having known each other since second grade. (Still, aren’t there rules about not counseling family and friends?)

Under the direction of Jessica Walck, this production of ‘A Sleeping Country’ seems to be in search of its tone, uncertain what is should be.

Ty Landers plays Greg, Julia’s long-suffering, soap-opera writer fiancé. He stays up all night watching TV on the couch, sleep once again evading her. Ms. Knapp is entertaining and funny while dramatically enhancing the night sounds you hear when you can’t sleep: the endless ticking of a clock, a dripping faucet, the sidewalk. The show also contains a funny aural montage of TV ads and scenes and the kernel of a potentially terrific play. Ms. Lee, too, has other roles, as Mrs. Orsini’s daughter, Carlotta, and a gondolier.

‘A Sleeping Country’ is a strange play that hits the mark sometimes and misses other times. There’s a great joke about how ubiquitous the “Law & Order” series is on TV, and another about not only listening to Kenny G didn’t cure insomnia, but Yanni didn’t either. The show also contains a funny aural montage of TV ads and shows heard while Julia channel surfs and, prior to the play’s opening, a wonderful soundscape of New York City, including the ticking of a clock, a dripping faucet, footsteps on the sidewalk. Ms. Walck writes in her director’s notes: “… What if the real problem we were trying to deal with our own problems? That we were unaware of the fears and anxieties that live in our own subconscious. That we were sleeping through life, rather than facing our own truth every day and dealing with it head on.”

The play, though entertaining and clever at times, does not make you feel satisfied or triumphant at the end. It feels more like a one-act work, although it’s presented in two.

The space where it’s performed is also configured strangely, with seats arranged in a way that seems to crowd the stage. The sightlines are horrible; I changed my seat before the show began (it’s general seating) and noticed at least six other people doing so as well in hopes of having a decent view of the stage. The set only one aisle at stage left available by which to reach the seats, rather than the typical aisle up the middle of the theater.

The set by Connor Munion serves as Julia and Greg’s living room, Dr. Midge’s office and Mrs. Orsini’s home. It’s very symmetrical and gray, with three archways on both sides and a catwalk/balcony in the middle. It’s not magical at all. It looks more like an Italian home than a New York City apartment or a therapist’s office.

I wanted to like this play so much more than I did. ‘A Sleeping Country’ does contain some funny lines and scenes and the kernel of a potentially terrific play. But unfortunately, it’s not enough to jar us out of our daily sleepwalking through life.
Puzzle Answers

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Now when you take the diamond finesse, you are on safe ground. If the South dealer wins the trick, both sides vulnerable.

The bidding:

South

1♠  Pass 1♠  Pass

Opening lead — six of spades.

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FILM CAPSULES

**Dough** ★★★

(Jonathan Pryce, Jerome Holder, Ian Hart) An old-school Jewish baker (Mr. Pryce) hires a Muslim teenager (Mr. Holder) to give him a hand, not realizing the teenager also sells marijuana. Naturally, when some of the marijuana gets into the dough, business booms. It’s a funny yet poignant seriocomic that nicely hits its mark. Not Rated: Adult situations.

**Hello, My Name Is Doris** ★★★

(Sally Field, Max Greenfield, Tyne Daly) Sixty-something Doris (Ms. Field) falls for her 20-something co-worker (Mr. Greenfield). Ms. Field makes Doris so endearing and likeable that we easily look past her character's un-thought-out desires. It's a cute movie. Rated R.

**Zootopia** ★★★½

(Voices of Ginnifer Goodwin, Jason Bateman, Idris Elba) From Disney Animation (“Frozen”), a small town bunny (Ms. Goodwin) moves to the big city and teams up with a sly fox (Mr. Bateman) to track down missing mammals. Great visuals, ample funny moments for kids and adults and a slew of memorable furry characters make this an absolute delight. Rated PG.

**How To Be Single** ★★★

(Dakota Johnson, Rebel Wilson, Alison Brie) New York City singles find themselves among friends — not romantic partners — in this smart comedy. Ms. Wilson gets the biggest laughs with Leslie Mann coming in a close second. Best of all, this film allows people to be single and happy, which is a rarity in movies. Rated R.

**Deadpool** ★★★½

(Ryan Reynolds, Morena Baccarin, T.J. Miller) Diagnosed with terminal cancer, bad boy and reluctant hero Wade Wilson (Mr. Reynolds) undergoes treatment that makes him a mutant (the story takes place in the “X-Men” universe). The problem is he’s now deformed, seeking revenge and worried his girlfriend (Ms. Baccarin) will no longer want to be with him. Sex, violence, profanity, great action, lots of laughs — it’s everything a superhero movie should always be and almost never is. Except now. Rated R.

**Blindspotting** ★★★

(Edgar Ramos, Susan Kelechi Watson, Daveed Diggs) In the Bay Area, an act of violence draws together two high-school friends (Mr. Ramos, Ms. Watson). As they seek justice, they come into conflict with police while confronting how their lives were affected by gentrification. Fast-paced and action-packed with a snappy script, it’s a thought-provoking drama. Rated R.

**Sicario: Day of the Soldado** ★★★½

(Emily Blunt, Josh Brolin, Benicio del Toro) Set in Mexico, two agents (Ms. Blunt, Mr. Brolin) are sent to capture a drug lord. As they close in, they trigger an international drug war and become targets of a competing group (Mr. del Toro). Intense, gripping and well-acted, it’s a powerful story about the consequences of war. Rated R.
For example, Gus believes everything in life somehow emanated with the Greeks. “What about Facebook” he’s asked. “Greeks invented Facebook. We call it the telephone.” It’s a silly, nonsensical statement, but Mr. Constantine’s lovable and whacky (yet to Gus, serious) delivery makes us laugh because, well, that’s just crazy old Gus.

You don’t have to see the original film to appreciate the zaniness here, but it will help. The Windes jokes will make more sense, as will the quirky personalities of all involved. Best of all, though, is the realization that you’ve missed these people, at least in part because they remind you of your own dysfunctional family.

Perhaps “My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2” didn’t need to exist, but it does, and when you see it you’ll be glad you did.
Collectible ‘naughties’ are not so nice in price this year

KOVEL: ANTIQUES

BY TERRY KOVEL AND KIM KOVEL

Artists have created pictures of naked women for centuries and many of the paintings and sculptures are now displayed in museums or homes. But some collectors are more interested in “naughties,” a group of 3- to 6-inch-long bisque figurines made from about 1910 to 1940. The women were posed as if lounging on a beach. Some were made with colored bathing suits and slippers, some wore nothing but a removable lace bathing suit. The others were made for a shelf. The women had angelic tinted faces and often mohair wigs and fabric caps. There were even mermaids, which were popular as an underwater feature in a fish tank. They represent the erotica of an earlier period. Most of the “naughty” or “nudies” were made in Germany by Hertwig & Co., Limbach or Galleria & Hoffman. A 3½-inch seated lady with a tulle swimsuit made about 1910 sold at a Theriault’s auction two years ago for $684. Prices are lower in 2016. Unfortunately, the original molds for these figurines still exist, and many reproductions and fantasies have been made.

Q: I have started collecting tin globes that are meant to show the world or are made to use the crayons, but an antique-collecting member of the group said the elf is a “Brownie” and the box may be collectible.

A: Yes, you do have a Brownie. Palmer Cox (1840-1924) wrote and illustrated a series of children’s stories about the Brownies, part of Scottish folklore. The books had pictures with dozens of small Brownies. They have large round eyes, downturned mouths and skinny legs, and like to play harmless tricks. They are dressed for work as firemen, policemen, postmen, children and other characters in the stories. Brownies were so popular they became an identifiable trademark. The Kodak Brownie camera probably is the best known today. They also inspired the name “Brownie” for young Girl Scouts, and many games, dolls, dishes and other collectibles. Your crayons were made by the American Crayon Co. of Sandusky, Ohio, about 1900. If the box and the crayons you own are in very good condition, they are worth about $50 to a collector.

Tips: Be sure the big furniture you buy is small enough to go through the door into your room.

Terry Kovel and Kim Kovel answer questions sent to the column. By sending a letter with a question, you give full permission for use in the column or any other Kovels forum. Names, addresses or email addresses will not be published. We cannot guarantee the return of photographs, but if a stamped envelope is included, we will try. Write to Kovels, Florida Weekly, King Features Syndicate, 300 W. 57th St., New York, NY 10019.
**Look What I Found**

**THE FIND:**

Fenton Aqua Crest serving bowl dating from the 1950s.

**Bought:** Hope Chest, 13821 N. Cleveland Ave., North Fort Myers; 652-1114 or hopehouseofm.org/hopechest/

**Cost:** $15.

**The Skinny:** I have loved Fenton’s ribbon glass, which the company dubbed “Crests” for as long as I can remember. My step-grandmother had a large set of the Silver Crest, that is, white milk glass with a ribbon of crystal glass, and I always admired it.

The Aqua Crest is reminiscent of glass made in the 19th century by the British firm Stevens & Williams. Fenton made variations on the Crest in a rainbow of colors from the 1940s until it closed its traditional glass-making operations in 2011.

This piece also was sold with an underplate for use as a salad serving bowl, and I have dinner plates to match. Now, to find time to set the table.

— Scott Simmons

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**Charity Concert:** The A Cappella Group at 7:15pm. The A Cappella Group, comprised of 23 award-winning students from Cypress Lake High School, recently scored a spot to compete at the International Champions High School A Cappella Finals in New York City. The talented A Cappella Group is fundraising $10,000 to cover travel costs, and you can help! Enjoy this performance by the dynamic singers, held in The Village Church Auditorium at Shell Point. $10 tickets will be available at the door, and every cent directly supports the Southwest Florida students’ bid for international fame. Call (239) 464-2290 for more information.

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**In Dance** at 2pm. In honor of National Parkinson’s Awareness Month, Hope Healthcare and Shell Point Retirement Community are hosting a special screening of the documentary, “Capturing Grace.” The film recounts a remarkable, year-long collaboration between New York’s legendary Mark Morris Dance Group and people with Parkinson’s, and traces the dancers’ preparations for a screening of the documentary, “Capturing Grace.”

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**Apr 15**

**Season of Praise: Tenore, Men’s Trio**

at 6:15pm. Don’t miss Tenore, a four-time Gospel Music Association award-winning men’s trio. Their story is one that has crisscrossed the globe, bringing their inspirational music and joy to fans around the world for the glory of God. The trio has sung to countless audiences, from Uganda to California. The group is known for their powerhouse vocals, charisma, and invitations with audiences everywhere to sing along with them, creating a powerful, inspiring concert experience. Tickets are $10 online at www.shellpoint.org/seasonofpraise, or call (239) 454-2142.

**April 2016**

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**Local Artists**

**Fenton Aqua Crest serving bowl** probably dates from the late 1950s or early ’60s, after the company changed its formula for milk glass from opalescent to dead white.
This is Part 1 of a six-part fiction series from a novel-in-progress by Florida Weekly writer Arits Henderson. The novel’s protagonist, Jesse Lowe, has run away with her father’s best friend, Corbin Tillis. Jesse’s father died when she was 2 and now, 16, she longs to discover more about him. Corbin was just released from prison after serving a sentence on drug charges. He has reluctantly agreed to take Jesse on his travels around the state.

As they drove farther south, Jesse studied Corbin in quick darting stares, trying to decide how he was like her father. Would her father’s eyes have the same creases at the corners? Would the stubble on his chin be coming in gray? Perhaps he would have the same tense look, as if trouble waited just ahead.

“What are you doing?” Corbin asked her.

“Memorizing you,” Jesse said.

“What for?”

“In case you leave.”

Corbin started to say something but squinted at the road instead. A few miles on, he pulled into a gas station north of Everglades City where puddleseddied in the parking lot. Corbin cut the engine and ran a hand through the windshield of his truck. Jesse self-consciously smoothed her hair.

“I got to take a leak. You want any—”

Jesse shook her head, no.

“All right. Stay here. Don’t talk to anybody.”

He climbed out of the truck and walked into the Gas N’ Go. While he was inside, a blue Chevy pickup pulled into the parking lot. The teenage boy driving the truck had skin burned red by the sun. As he drove to the gas pumps, he loosed through the windshield of Corbin’s truck. Jesse self-consciously smoothed her hair.

The boy filled his tank and climbed back in the truck. He drove slowly through the parking lot, and as his Chevy neared he raised two fingers to his mouth in a wide V. He wagged his tongue between them. Dirt had caked under his nails in filthy half moons, and his tongue looked pink and moist. Jesse knew what the gesture meant — she had a vague idea, anyway — and she understood that the boy wanted to be crude. He grinned at her.

“Like that?” he said.

Before she could answer, a voice shouted from the store.

“What the f— are you doing?”

Corbin came at a run. He reached through the Chevy’s open window and grabbed the kid by the throat. The boy’s face went purple all the way to his hairline and his eyes bulged. The skin on Corbin’s knuckles turned white as he squeezed, and the kid spat and strained for air while Jesse looked on, fear pinning her to the seat. Corbin yanked the boy’s neck through the open window so that their faces almost touched.

“Get the hell out of here,” he said.

He released the kid, and the boy draped his hands over the steering wheel and gasped as he mouthed working like a fish. He rubbed the spot on his neck where Corbin’s fingers left red indentations and then he stared at Jesse, wild-eyed. He slammed his truck into gear and raced out of the parking lot. Jesse didn’t speak as Corbin climbed into the truck and cranked the engine. Hot air blew from the dash. He reached for the cigarettes in the front pocket of his shirt and ran a finger around the inside of the pack.

“Sir—,” he said.

He crumpled the empty cellophane and threw the pack on the floorboard then sat gnawing at his thumbnail while raindrops pelted the windshield. Rain edded in the parking lot, swirling candy wrappers and cigarette butts in the dirty water, and the inside of the car reeked with the smell of Florida in the summer, sweetgrass and swamp muck and all manner of decaying things. The inside of the glass fogged, and with one finger Jesse drew a lopsided smiley face on the window.

“Cut it out,” Corbin said.

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**Gulfshore Opera presents comedic romance ‘Elixir of Love’**

Gulfshore Opera presents the comedic opera "L’elisir d’amore" ("Elixir of Love") in Punta Gorda on April 15 and at Artis—Naples on April 21.

One of Gaetano Donizetti’s most popular works, it is the story of Nemorino, a poor peasant in love with a beautiful landowner, Adina, and tormented by her utter indifference. The upcoming production includes both celebrated and up-and-coming artists from around the world, the Gulfshore Opera Orchestra and Chorus and dancers from Gulfshore Ballet.

Irish tenor Anthony Kearns, South African bass-baritone Musa Ngqungwana and American soprano Danielle Talamantes lead the cast.

Mr. Kearns, who is known around the world for his PBS appearances and has performed locally numerous times, is making his debut in the role of Nemorino.

Mr. Ngqungwana is revisiting the role of the opera’s charlatan medicine man. In addition to being an opera singer, he is an inspirational speaker and author. In 2014 he self-published a memoir about his upbringing in South Africa during and following apartheid, focusing on his path to becoming a singer amidst a system of segregation and an impoverished background.

Baritone Wes Mason, a former classmate of Mr. Ngqungwana at the Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia, sings the role of the pompous Sergeant Belcore.

Ryan McAdam, who is conducting the Gulfshore Opera Orchestra in "Elixir of Love," has conducted the orchestra of Maggio Musicale in Florence three times and made his Eastern European debut with the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields. He has also led the Israel Philharmonic in three performances, one of which was recorded live and released on the Helicon Classics label. A Fulbright scholar, he served as apprentice conductor of the Royal Stockholm Philharmonic and is the first-ever recipient of the Sir George Solti Emerging Conductor Award.

The Gulfshore Opera Orchestra includes professional musicians who regularly perform with the Naples Philharmonic, the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra and the Southwest Florida Symphony.

**The comic opera by Gaetano Donizetti**

**Where:**
- The Charlotte Performing Arts Center, Punta Gorda, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 15; Artis—Naples, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 21

**Tickets:** $25 and up

**Info:** 529-3925 or gulfshoreopera.org

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■ The American Heart Association holds its seventh annual Go Red for Women luncheon from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 29, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa. This year’s theme, “Life is Why and You Are How,” addresses preventing and reversing heart disease with lifestyle changes.

In addition to a heart-healing lunch and keynote speaker Dr. Marc Braman, the event includes sponsored booths with information about heart disease and related resources. For tickets or more information, call Monica Seif at 495-4903 or email monica.seif@heart.org.

■ The ninth annual Boots & Boogie Bash to benefit Friends of Foster Children Forever kicks up its heels Saturday, April 2, at Grey Oaks Country Club. The fun begins with cocktails followed by a Texas-style dinner, silent and live auctions, entertainment by P’zazz and dancing to the Blue Stone Circle Band. Among the eight live auction items is a custom-built Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Tickets for $200 ($350 for patrons, $500 for a table) can be purchased at friendsoffosterchildren.net or by calling 263-9200 or email amy@friendsoffosterchildren.net.

■ The ninth annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes banquet takes place Thursday evening, April 7, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Guest speaker is pastor Darryl Strawberry, well known for his celebrated baseball career and his controversial personal life. Mr. Strawberry has four World Series titles (New York Mets, 1986; and the New York Yankees, 1996, 1998 and 1999) and is an eight-time National League All-Star (1984-91). He was also suspended by MLB three times for substance abuse. Mr. Strawberry, a two-time cancer survivor, and his wife founded and runs Strawberry Ministries and the Darryl Strawberry Foundation. Banquet tickets are $175. For reservations or more information call Gretchen Shelton at 784-3377 or visit swfloridaeac.org.

■ The Naples Art Association holds its 12th annual Goddess Night on Thursday, April 7, at The von Liebig Art Center. A champagne reception and seated dinner are followed by several speaker sessions. This year’s keynote speaker is Chief Stephanie Spell of the community’s TRAP, Neuter, Release program. Guests are encouraged to wear a creative hat and vie for the Best Hat prize. Tickets for $75 include a Mediterranean salad, dessert and glass of wine. For tickets or more information, call 370-2437, email cpamride@comcast.net or visit naplescatalliance.org.

■ United Cerebral Palsy of Southwest Florida presents Celebrate the Stars on Thursday, April 14, in the ballroom at St. John the Evangelist Church in North Naples. A reception starts at 6 p.m. and the awards dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are $50. For reservations or more information, call 643-5338, email cassandraeaver@sunrisegroup.org or visit naples-UCPSWFL.org.

■ Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation hosts its biennial Time to Remember gala, a celebration of those who are surviving and thriving after a cancer diagnosis, Saturday, April 16, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. Proceeds help the foundation assist adult cancer patients with immediate, non-medical living expenses while they are undergoing treatment. The evening includes cocktail hour, dinner, a live auction and a performance by Martha Reeves and The Vandellas. Tickets are $600. For more information, call (941) 677-7181 or visit foundation.flcancer.com/time.

■ The Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida celebrates its 15th anniversary with “Our Triumph” on Wednesday evening, April 13, at the Naples Yacht Club. The evening of festivities will include recognition of the Jack and F.E. Norton Challenge 2016, a night of friendly trivia challenges 2016, a night of friendly trivia competition and an awards reception. For tickets or more information, call 775-4555.

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■ The 10th anniversary celebration of the Naples Music Festival to benefit the Garden of Hope & Courage takes place from 6-10 p.m. Saturday, April 3, at Naples Botanical Garden, with entertainment by Mudbone, jazz singer Nicole Henry and The World Class Rockers (an all-star lineup of musicians from Boston, Journey, Steppenwolf, Lynyrd Skynyrd and Santana). Richard D’Amico of Lucca Catering is designing the evening’s menu. Tickets start at $175. For more information, call 434-6607 or visit gardenofhopeandcourage.org.

■ Taste of Freedom, the inaugural fundraiser for the Southwest Florida Regional Human Trafficking Coalition, takes place from 6-9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9 at Scalon Llexus of Fort Myers. The evening includes a live auction, a raffle for a 24-month lease on a 2016 Lexus, live entertainment and numerous food and wine stations. Tickets for $75 are available at swfl-humantrafficking.org.

■ Hodges University holds its Scholarship Gala and Spring Golf Classic on Friday and Saturday, April 8-9, at The Club at Grandezza in Estero. The events benefit the Hodges University Men in Higher Education Scholarship Fund and the Scholarship Assistance for Veterans Education Fund. Gala tickets are $195. Golf tournament registration for $250 includes luncheon before the tournament and an awards reception afterward. For gala tickets, tournament registration or more information, call April May at 598-6155 or email amay@hodges.edu.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 10 P.M.
Miss Fisher’s Murder Mysteries
Part 2: Murder on the Ballarat
Train
Phryne Fisher, accompanied by her maid Dot, decides to travel to the country by train to collect her new Hispano-Suiza motor car. The charm of rail travel soon evaporates when Phryne unexpectedly has to use her trusty pearl-handled pistol to save a young woman’s life and solve the disappearance of her fellow passenger’s mother.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 9 P.M.
Jazz, Part 1
Gumbo: Beginnings to 1917
Jazz is born in the unique musical and social cadrum of New Orleans at the turn of the 20th century, emerging from such genres as ragtime, marching bands, work songs, spirituals, European classical music, funeral parade music and the blues.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 8 P.M.
As Time Goes By
Get caught up in the chronicles of former lovers, reunited by chance after a 38-year separation, whose awkward courtship eventually leads to marriage.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 8 P.M.
Call the Midwife
Season 5, Part 1
A couple disagrees over the future of their child who was born without arms and legs. Patsy, elated to find Delia fully recovered from her accident, is dismayed to learn that Delia’s mother wants her to move back home to Wales.

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 10 P.M.
1916: The Irish Rebellion, Part 1
Narated by actor Liam Neeson, the series tells the dramatic story of the events that took place in Dublin during Easter of 1916 (Part 2 follows).

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 9 P.M.
Secrets of Saint John Paul
Examine previously unknown correspondence between Pope John Paul II, now a saint, and an American woman. Through hundreds of letters, a deep relationship begins between then-Cardinal Wojtyla and Anna-Teresa Tymieniecka continued after he became pope.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 9 P.M.
Nova: Vikings Unearthed
They were pioneering warriors, expert seafarers and colonists of the North Atlantic realm. The Vikings even claimed in their sagas to have reached America. Now, Sarah Parcak uncovers new clues about their legendary expeditions and settlements.

Q: I love Tobias Menzies of “Outlander.” Can you tell me what else I can see him in?
— Layla F., via email
A: If you’re looking for older stuff, you can see the talented Brit in “Casino Royale,” season three of “Game of Thrones” (a quick IMDb check shows he’ll be in season six as well), “Assenmont” and “Rome.” Currently airing across the pond on the BBC is a TV series called “Night Manager”— a six-part adaptation of John Le Carre’s spy thriller — where Tobias co-stars alongside Tom Hiddleston and Hugh Laurie. AMC grabbed up the rights here in the States, where the miniseries will begin airing on April 10. And, of course, you can catch Tobias in “Outlander” on Starz; season two begins April 9.

Q: Please tell me that my husband heard correctly: Is Harrison Ford reprising his role of Indiana Jones?
— Glenda R., via Facebook
A: He is indeed! Harrison and Steven Spielberg are reteaming to bring us this fifth film in the series, which is expected to be released July 19, 2019. Alan Horn, chairman of the Walt Disney Studios, said in a recent press release: “Indiana Jones is one of the greatest heroes in cinematic history, and we can’t wait to bring him back to the screen in 2019. It’s rare to have such a perfect combination of director, producers, actor, producers, actor and role, and we couldn’t be more excited to embark on this adventure with Harrison and Steven.” And let’s all just forget that fourth movie ever happened.

Q: “Vikings” is one of my favorite dramas. Will it be back for another season?
— Frank H., via email
A: The History channel has renewed the historical drama for a 20-episode fifth season, which is set to air in 2017. Also, Jonathan Rhys Myers has been tapped to join the series, but his role has not yet been revealed. Jonathan plays bad guys so well (“The Tudors,” “The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones” and “Dracula”) that I hope he’ll also play a baddie for this series. After all, that’s how we love him most. In case you’re interested, you can see Jonathan from May 30 through June 2 during the four-night miniseries event of the reboot of Alex Haley’s “Roots,” which will air simultaneously on A&E, History and Lifetime.

Q: Are they really making an updated “MacGyver” TV series?
— Paul T., Atlanta
A: Lucas Till, who just finished filming the role of Hawok in “X-Men: Apocalypse” (in theaters May 27), will star as the resourceful secret agent in the CBS pilot of the “MacGyver” reboot. He’ll play our 20-something hero who’s recruited into a secret organization to help save lives using his special set of skills. Till joins Joshua Boone, who will play his best friend, Gunner, and George Eads (of “CSI” fame), who has been cast as Lincoln.

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Amy Cartwright and Tim Cartwright
Jim Demorest and Karysia Demorest
Barbara Jordan, John Jordan and Linda Richards Malone

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2. Jeanne Beaulieu, Chris Holmes, Jan Beaulieu, Gina Williams, Neil Williams and Amy Carroll
3. John Ban, Jaime Ban, Jodi Hanson and Matt Hanson
4. Renee Brown and James Mucciarone
5. Greg Wetzel and Claudine Wetzel
6. Stu Bobman and Juli Bobman
7. Jack Morgan and Morgan Morgan
8. Trish Hitchcox, Doug Hitchcox and Chris Fitzsimmons

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5. Brian Tinney, Lori Tinney, Jessica Mason, Jeff Mason, Keri Hemrick and Joe Hemrick
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The Naples Buckeyes’ 2016 Signature Event at Quail West

1. Matthew Burke, Sarah Burke and Jane Frendburg
2. Taylor Kachensky, Brett Jameyson, Susan Earl and Chief James Cunningham
3. Christopher Holzer, Kaitlyn Holzer, Jennifer Holzer and Dr. Allen Weiss
4. Mike Mirich and Lynn Rene
5. Brad Jones and Kelly Jones
6. Ben Roth, Arlene Roth, Joanne Adams Gaston and Dmitri Gaston
7. Debbie Stahler, David Stahler and OSU President James Drake
9. Scott Zedeker and Dick Ritchie
10. Jim Scartz and Deb Scartz
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Wanderlust benefit for the FGCU School of Resort and Hospitality Management

1. James Reho and Caristine Reho
2. Kathy Toll and Ron Toll
3. Chandler Secory and Catherine Delapaz
4. Amy West and Jake Townsend
5. Derek Scott, Samantha Scott and Taylor Loethen
6. Karen Peterson, Suzanne Specht, Bill Rice and June Rice
7. Debbie Lemmon, Susan Bauer and Monika Renard
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Saturday’s events will focus on alternative healing modalities and include talks such as “DOM: Using Stem Cell Therapy to Avoid Surgery and Prescription Drugs” by Alfred Cormier, “Protecting and Heightening Your Energetic Frequency in Our Challenging Modern World” by Christopher Macklin, “Mastering Vitality” by Dr. Linell King, “The Metabolic Paradigm: Correct Nutrition for Your Body” by Laura Grammatiko, “Yoga, Amazonian Plant Medicine and the Healing of Our World” by Alan Lowenschuss and “Medical Qigong” by Laura Grammatiko.

Sunday’s talks will focus on food politics and industrialized farming. Topics and presenters include “The High Cost of Cheap Food” by Michael Monteleone, “Seeking Accountability in Our Nation’s Food System” by Carey Gillam and “Back to the Future (organic agriculture) – What Was Once Our Past Must Now Be Our Future” by Marty Meath.

All weekend admission is $20 (free for ages 12 and younger). Proceeds will benefit Florida Organic Growers Association and the Frank Oakes Scholarship for Organic Horticulture at University of Florida. Food & Thought is at 2312 Tamiami Trail N. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 231-2222 or visit foodandthought.com.

Take Note:
- Barbatella hosts a four-course wine dinner at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, featuring selections from Sicilian vintner Donnafugata. $65. 1209 Third St. S. 263-1955 or barbatellanaples.com.
- The Boys & Girls Club of Collier County holds the sixth annual BGCCC Crawfish Boil from 1-6 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at 210 Tupelo Road. Guests will enjoy mountains of Louisiana-style crawfish and cuisine, live entertainment and family activities. Proceeds benefit the organization’s efforts to serve Collier County’s at-risk children and teens. Tickets are $25. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 325-1765 or visit bgccc.org.
- Collier Harvest will facilitate the 2016 National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive on Saturday, May 14, when mail carriers will collect non-perishables donated by postal customers to stock the organization’s food pantry. Seasonal residents who will go north before the collection date can drop donations off at their local post office any time.
- Collier Harvest also needs volunteers to collect the donations from area post offices and sort them upon arrival at Collier Harvest headquarters on the day of the collection drive. For more information, call 455-3653 or visit collierharvest.org.

- Naples Winter Wine Festival’s Friends of the Foundation host The Grape Celebration from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, June 3, at Paradise Wine. Guests will enjoy more than 50 vintages and heavy hors d’oeuvres with proceeds benefiting the festival’s founding organization, the Naples Children & Education Foundation. Tickets are $85 through April and $95 through May. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 325-2978 or visit friendsotfestival.com.
The Dish: Key West Açai Bowl

The Price: $8 for a small size

The Place: The Bowl
1427 Pine Ridge Road

The Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday

The Full Menu: the-bowl.com

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Sometimes, new wines just come out of nowhere, and sometimes, they’re really good. One such is a brand that’s part of the Kendall Jackson empire called Silver Palm. I first encountered it when a friend brought a bottle of their Cabernet Sauvignon to our house for dinner. I swirled, sniffed and sipped, and my eyebrows went up.

There was a lot going on in the glass, and imagine my delight when I found out it was at Costco for around $15. I’m encouraged by the fact that Silver Palm and several other wineries are producing big, tasty, full-bodied Cabernets (as well as other varietals) at value prices.

The wines of Silver Palm are sourced from two areas — the north coast and central coast of California. While it’s kind of Holy Writ in the wine world that the more specific a wine is to a place, the better it is, there’s really nothing wrong with selecting good fruit from the better it is, there’s really nothing wrong with selecting good fruit from anywhere. And it’s where value vineyards spread over a wider area.

The ample north coast area encompasses parts of Napa, Sonoma and Mendocino counties, and benefits from proximity to the Pacific. Cool air. Fog. Wine grapes love it.

The central coast is equally broad, stretching from the San Francisco Bay area down to Santa Barbara County. Even though the area is more inland, and not really along the coast, the cool air and fog still have a significant effect on how the grapes ripen. This is Pinot Noir and Chardonnay land, and if you’ve ever been to “Sidesways” country around Solvang, Buellton and Lompoc, you know that’s true. (Sidebar: During our last trip to the area I discovered that they’re growing all kinds of other (unconventional) grapes. They’re making Sangiovese out there, and some of the Rhône style wines with Grenache and Mourvedre.)

All that being said, I was delighted when I received some review samples of the Silver Palm lineup.

I’m happy to recommend these selections. While I’m not sure who distributes them in our area, I do know that the often show up on the shelves at Costco. In any case, they’re well worth asking for.

Silver Palm Chardonnay 2014 – A blend of grapes from Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino counties, there’s a nose of green apple and pear. The apple aromas pay off on the palate with notes of lemon, and flinty minerality on the finish, a result of the balance of acidity. WW 90. About $15.

Silver Palm Pinot Noir 2014 – Sources from Monterey County and the Santa Maria Valley (that’s “Sideways” country), this Pinot is semi-translucent in the glass and offers aromas of dark cherries and berries. It’s fruit forward, definitely not a Burgundian style, but if you grill up a piece of salmon and open a bottle of this, I don’t think you’ll be disappointed. WW 90. About $18.

Silver Palm Merlot 2013 – A pretty right-down-the-middle example of the Merlot varietal, this wine is what we call “true to type.” It tastes exactly the way Merlot is supposed to. Soft on the palate, with characteristic dark cherry and berry flavors, with a definite note of blueberry. There’s a bit of earthy in the background. WW 89. Around $8.

Silver Palm Cabernet Sauvignon 2013 – The wine laws say that if you put the name of a grape on the label, the bottle must contain at least 75 percent of that grape. This qualifies, with a content of 80 percent Cabernet Sauvignon. But it’s really a Bordeaux blend, with 10% Merlot (to soften the tannins in the Cab) and 2 percent Cabernet Franc...probably for color and perfume. WW 90. Under $20.

Ask the Wine Whisperer

Q. About your last column on oak and wine — I’ve read that American oak is better than French for wine production. Is that true?

— S. Levine, North Fort Myers

A. Oak is to winemaking what seasoning and spices are to cooking. A winemaker chooses American oak, which is loose-grained, to impart pronounced flavors of the wood, vanilla, toffee and other components. Oak fermentation or aging also helps soften tannins in red wines. If you want subtler flavors, you’d choose French oak. The tighter grain means wines won’t absorb those components quite as readily. Note: It’s also possible that the use of new oak promotes histamine levels in wine, which causes headaches in many people.

**VINO**

**Cross my palm with silver, and other stories**

**Jerry Greenfield**

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Despite a booming restaurant scene, Naples for years offered few options for those with a taste for innovative Indian cuisine. Chef Asif Syed, formerly of Hilton Marco Island Beach Resort, has rescued us from a food scene that was very light on the sub-continental basics such as daal or matar paneer and has transported us way past it at 21 Spices, the restaurant where he marries his native cuisine with classical French cooking techniques to create an innovative Indian menu.

Read on to find out what makes this chef tick.

Q: What is your culinary background?
A: I started working in the famous Dum Pukht restaurant as a trainee at Sheraton Hotel in Hyderabad, India, after graduating with a bachelor’s degree in hotel management and catering technology. This is where I learnt the art of Indian cooking with the best chef in India, Imtiaz Qureshi.

Later I moved to Cyprus to do my advanced degree in culinary arts, and while studying I was also working at the famous Shalimar Indian Restaurant in Nicosia. After two years, I came to Marco Island to do my culinary internship at Marriott Marco Island. Two years later, I was hired by Hilton Marco Island as their sous chef. Two more years later I became the executive chef, and that journey lasted for 12 years.

Q: How were you inspired to become a chef?
A: My parents inspired me to be a chef. I learned Mom’s recipes in the kitchen, and Dad encouraged me to go culinary school.

Q: What are your favorite culinary techniques?
A: I have a very old, ancient cookbook that was passed down from my grandfather to my father. Dad has given me that recipe book. It has very old recipes and techniques for blending spices.

Q: What did you do after graduating?
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Q: How did you decide to open an innovative Indian restaurant instead of sticking with traditional preparations and presentations?
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Q: Why do you think your native cuisine had so little presence in Naples for so many years?
A: Part of the problem is people here are not aware of Indian cuisine like they are in big cities. I always had a dream of owning my own restaurant. My love for Indian food made me fill the vacuum we had in Naples restaurants.

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Q: Who or what are your greatest culinary influences?
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Are you ready to move into an unparalleled luxury home at Mangrove Bay?

It's time for you to move into one of the fully decorated, absolutely stunning model homes at Mangrove Bay in Old Naples! The Amelia III and the Sanibel III are available for sale, offering top-of-the-line features, interiors imagined in a "coastal style" décor by the award-winning firm of Freestyle Interiors, guest cottages, a concierge lifestyle, and their own private boat slips.

Mangrove Bay, in Old Naples, is situated along the Gordon River, offering water enthusiasts convenient access to Naples Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. Each of the 53 Old-Florida style single-family residences comes complete with a private boat slip.

Step into the Amelia III single-story Waterfront Residence, and prepare to be utterly charmed. At approximately 3,640 SF under air, this model home evokes a classic seaside cottage, with intricate trim details, a grand beamed, tongue-and-groove ceiling in the great room, and built-in upholstered bench seats which flank the whitewashed brick fireplace.

Its "coastal cottage" décor is finished in watery shades of blues and crisp whites grounded with traditional heart pine wood floors for a comfortable feel. Other key design elements include traditional bead board accents, bench seat reading nooks, cottage-style barn doors, and stacked stone for the second fireplace in the spacious outdoor living area.

The Amelia III offers four bedrooms plus den and four-and-½ baths, with all primary living spaces (including the master suite, two guest suites, and a private den) located on the ground level, a private-entry guest house above the garage with its own spacious deck.

The tranquil "respite reclaimed," beach-themed aesthetic of the Sanibel mixes dark, light, and weathered wood appointments with soft taupes and cream hues, and natural fabrics that perfectly complement its limed oak wood floors, reclaimed wood accents, tongue-and-groove ceiling detail, barn doors, two-story cupola, French doors, transom windows, and custom moldings and cabinetry.

Its ground-floor master suite includes corner-pocketing sliding doors, which open to the lanai surrounded by tropical landscaping, a soaring 1½-story covered outdoor living area with fireplace, outdoor grilling station and a pool and spa with a gently flowing water feature.

There are 19 residence elevations available at Mangrove Bay. All residents will have the benefit of resort-style living with an on-site Concierge Center, an owners-only boat ramp, and their own private boat slip. Complete pool care, landscaping, and dock maintenance are just a few of the services offered.

This exclusive community of just 53 homes is adjacent to the City’s Gordon River Greenway preserve and proposed Baker Park, moments from Fifth Avenue South, and blocks from the Gulf of Mexico.

Touring these model residences is the best way to experience Mangrove Bay and the extensive thought that went into their conception. The homes are designed by MHK Architecture & Planning, built by Lotus Construction, LLC, and exclusively marketed by Paradise Realty of Naples, LLC.

Learn more about Mangrove Bay by contacting the Sales Center (239.261.2200) and arranging a site tour, or visiting www.mangrovebaynaples.com. We look forward to seeing you at Mangrove Bay!
Clubhouse construction underway at Hidden Harbor:
A new furnished model underway & inventory homes are available

Hidden Harbor is taking shape as a beautiful new neighborhood in South Fort Myers with both residential and amenity construction advancing quickly at the 2015 Community of the Year.

Hidden Harbor is an amazing new waterfront and boating community by Stock Development, one of Southwest Florida's most successful developers. Behind its gated entrance are beautifully designed homes and an amazing amenity complex overlooking the Gulf-access harbor.

The company is currently in the middle of construction on the community's 4,484 square foot clubhouse. The interior will include a fitness center with new state-of-the-art equipment, a comfortably furnished lounge area and a club room will be available for social events. Outside will be a resort style pool with a fire pit, a barbeque area and a beautifully furnished sundeck. There will also be a kayak launch and open green space to enjoy the beautiful Southwest Florida weather. It will feature water-front views from two sides.

"This will be a wonderful amenity for all residents to enjoy," said Brian Stock, CEO of Stock Development. "It will feature a stunning interior by SoCo Interiors and is scheduled to debut in May!"

Residential construction is also advancing rapidly at Hidden Harbor. Four furnished models are open - the Biscayne, Sanibel, Amelia and the Useppa, which earned a Sand Dollar Award from the Collier Building Industry Association for Product Design. Two inventory homes are complete and a third is under construction. Four more inventory homes are in permitting and will be under construction soon.

A fifth furnished model, the Anasota, is also under construction. It has 2,93 square feet under air. This three-bedroom, three and one-half bath home has a great room, a formal dining room, and a study. With the covered lanai, two-car garage and single-car garage, the home offers 4,820 total square feet. A total of nine floorplans are offered at Hidden Harbor. These three and four bedroom homes feature from 2,384 to more than 3,000 square feet of living area. They are priced from the $500s and for a limited time Stock Development is offering homebuyers at Hidden Harbor options and upgrades valued at up to $50,000 on select homes.

Among the first homebuyers at Hidden Harbor are James and Lori Shafier. Originally from Chicago, James is retired and Lori is an executive with a clothing retailer.

Hidden Harbor was perfect for us and we fell in love with the community," said James. "I enjoy fishing and we're looking forward to the boating lifestyle. We currently live next door at The Forest and were looking for a new home. This allows us to stay close to our friends, close to the airport and close to US 41."

Hidden Harbor provides access to the Gulf of Mexico by way of the Ten Mile Canal and Estero Bay. Residents may boat, kayak and canoe directly from their personal boat dock. The private harbor is a for manatees and provides access to The Great Calusa Blueway Paddling Trail, a 190-mile marked canoe and kayak trail that meanders through the coastal waters and inland tributaries of Lee County, Florida.

Local fishing expert, Garret Farmer, says residents will be pleased with the fishing.

"The common species we have in the backwaters of Estero Bay and the surrounding creeks include snook, trout, redfish, tarpon, sheepshead, sharks, snapper, jacks and black drum," said Farmer. "The canal from Hidden Harbor ranges anywhere from 2-3 feet to 6-8 feet, depending on the tide and is navigable by pontoon, bay, deck, or flats boat."

Stock has purchased a pontoon so prospective homebuyers can tour the serene waters and experience the fish and wildlife that is part of the Hidden Harbor lifestyle.

Hidden Harbor also offers convenient access to Southwest Florida's finest beaches on Sanibel Island or Fort Myers Beach via road or boat. Nearby are excellent shopping and dining opportunities, as well as several of Southwest Florida's major entertainment venues. Don't miss your chance to live in one of Southwest Florida's final new Gulf-access communities!

The on-site sales center is located at 17200 Hidden Estates Circle. From I-75, use exit 128 and travel west on Alico Road. Turn south on US 41. At the first set of lights (Michael Rippe Parkway) turn west into the Sandy Parrot Plaza, then immediately turn left and follow the flags. Using Mapquest or Google Maps, find 17200 S Tamiami Trail and follow the flags to Hidden Harbor. Visit the Stock Development website at www.stockdevelopment.com or email at info@stockdevelopment.com or call (239) 249-6255.
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Your place in the sun: Mediterra model homes showcase award-winning outdoor living

Spring in Florida tends to lure everyone outdoors with its idyllic temperatures – warm days and comfortable evenings. Enjoying the great outdoors is even better at home in Mediterra, where London Bay Homes has mastered the art of Florida’s sought-after alfresco lifestyle, building luxury private residences and models that live large inside and out. Expansive outdoor spaces are reminiscent of boutique resorts with poolside chaises perfectly posed for optimal sunshine, custom-designed pools with spas and cascading waterfalls, and fire pits and fireplaces beckoning for chats in a rosy glow.

London Bay’s award-winning single-family villa and estate models at Mediterra offer an array of alfresco lifestyles that bring luxury indoor finishes and amenities outside, including kitchens, stainless steel appliances and beautiful furnishings. Multiple gathering areas enhance entertaining and showcase breath-taking vistas from homesites nestled against nature preserves, shimmering lakes and golf course fairways.

The pool in London Bay Homes’ Capriano model makes a splash by placing the spa in the pool and resting against a sun shelf, allowing for easy swim-in access or entry from the deck. The tiled pillars provide the only tell-tale sign. The creative design was recognized by the Collier Building Industry Association as the best pool design during the Sand Dollar awards.

The four-bedroom, four-bath luxury villa in Lucarno, which also won a Sand Dollar for best product design, ensures any party easily flows outside to multiple seating and dining areas, a summer kitchen and an outdoor fireplace – perfect for cool nights under the stars.

The Capriano’s second-floor balcony provides a different perspective and a spectacular sun deck to enjoy warm days and moonlit evenings. The master bedroom of the 4,402-square-foot model opens up to comfortable modular furnishing in front of the fireplace.

Large windows, walls of sliding glass and a mitered window blend interior and alfresco living in the Delfina, a single-family estate model in Serata. Turquoise furnishings and accents in the open great room and kitchen are repeated in the sparkling water of the custom pool and polished stools paired with chaises.

The Delfina’s covered outdoor areas wrap around the back of the four-bedroom home, heightening the indoor-outdoor experience from the family and living rooms and master suite. Designed for alfresco living and entertaining, the 4,329-square-foot model offers a covered verandah and a large outdoor living room with a summer kitchen equipped with stainless steel grill and refrigerator.

The model features several under-roof and under-sun sitting and dining groupings enhanced by a resort ambience of tropical landscaping between a trio of chaises and the custom pool. The raised spa’s multi-tiered spillover creates a white-noise soundtrack and a relaxing environment. A lake in the background enhances the serenity and reflects vivid sunsets.

A large lake with a fountain also provides an idyllic setting from the outdoor areas of the Eloro, a single-family luxury villa in Lucarno. The model’s indoor-outdoor connection is augmented by a wall of 18-foot pocketing sliding doors opening the great room to covered outdoor living and dining areas, a summer kitchen, and a custom pool and spa. The gentle splash of water from a trio of spouts in a wall above the pool adds to the calming atmosphere. The Eloro has three bedrooms and 3,380 square feet of interior living space.

The Belita, also located in Lucarno, showcases picturesque lakefront views throughout the three-bedroom, 3,738-square-foot home. The sliding doors in this model’s living room and nook combine indoor-and-outdoor spaces and showcase sunset views as well as its alfresco living areas and fire-bowl-flanked pool and spa.

Enjoying the outdoors is also the focus of many amenities at Mediterra, a nine-time Community of the Year winner and Naples’ premier luxury golf and beach club. The Club at Mediterra features 36 holes of championship golf; tennis and bocce courts; and the 10,000-square-foot Beach Club with a pool on the Gulf of Mexico.

Mediterra also offers a fitness complex with a pool and spa services, and a 32,000-square-foot clubhouse offering elegant and casual dining and views of the sunset at the popular outdoor tavern. At Mediterra, residents also are immersed in natural beauty. More than 1,000 acres are dedicated to golf, parks and nature preserves that are enjoyed by couples and groups who walk, jog and bike the community’s eight miles of trails or gather at one of three themed parks. The award-winning Parque Celestial pays homage to classic European design with a meditation labyrinth, while the rhythm of fountains in Parterre Garden provides a soothing backdrop for colorful blooms, stately and sculpted gardens. Calusa Play Park delves into the area’s history, offering grassy play hills, a basketball half court, play equipment and a wetland boardwalk.

Home designs in Mediterra include single-family estate homes and maintenance-free villas priced from $1 million to more than $7 million. Find your place in the sun by visiting www.MediterraNaples.com, calling 239-949-8989, or visiting Mediterra, located on Livingston Road, two miles north of Immokalee Road and west of I-75.
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Lely Resort is one of Naples’ most sought after addresses. As sell out of the community nears, Stock Development has unveiled new amenities, even more furnished models and has moved to a New Home Sales Office.

According to Claudine Léger-Wetzel, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Stock Development, the new coach home sales division has opened within the Signature Club where they are showcasing the coach home residences of Cipriani and Signature Club. The single-family new home sales team will continue to work out of the Lakoya neighborhood where they are selling the final phase of new single-family homes.

“Lely Resort is nearing sell-out,” said Léger-Wetzel. “The new arrangement will help streamline sales operations and make them more convenient for home-buyers. It will also allow us to replace the current sales center with new Signature Club coach homes with an amazing location adjacent to the spectacular Players Club & Spa.”

Each coach home building at Signature Club offers four residences. The neighborhood features an array of beautiful lake and nature views and picturesque selection of single-family homes. Inventories coach homes are priced to sell from $490,000.

Stock Development is one of the area’s most successful and innovative developers. One of the keys of its success is constantly assessing the changing needs of its residents and providing them with the best possible amenities. The results are evident at Lely, which has won seven Community of the Year awards from the Collier Building Industry Association.

“Lely Resort is entering its Grand Finale in 2016 with 10 new furnished models and exciting new amenities offerings,” said Brian Stock, CEO of Stock Development, the developer of Lely Resort.

Two of the furnished models, The Napoli, a two-bedroom/plus study/two-bath home, and the San Remo III, made their debut recently in the spectacular Lakoya neighborhood.

The Napoli, a two-bedroom/plus study/two-bath home, has 1,809 square feet of living area in an open and breezy floor plan with plenty of natural light. The master suite is situated at the rear of the home with sliding doors opening to a luxurious pool and spa area with fantastic golf course views.

The San Remo III features an interior design by Robb & Stucky. The single-story great room style home plus den, features two bedrooms, plus a study, two baths and a spacious master suite. It has 1,809 square feet of living area in an open and breezy floor plan with plenty of space to enjoy a casual Florida lifestyle.

The great room opens to a very generous lanai and large pool and spa. The grand two-story foyer is adjacent to the study, which is the perfect place for the home office and quiet reading. The spacious master suite features his and her walk in closets and a luxurious bath with both a shower and a soaking tub.

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The lobby features banquette seating. The Tiki Bar by the resort-style pool has been built, dramatically increasing the number of people who can be accommodated by these extraordinary resort-style amenities at any time.

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Estate models and home sites available at TwinEagles

TwinEagles announced that furnished estate models and estate home sites are available in the North Naples community being developed by The Ronto Group. Six grand estate home sites are available in Sterling Hill and Inverness, two estate home neighborhoods that continue to captivate luxury homebuyers. The sites range from nearly an acre to nearly two-acres and are priced from $632,500 to $875,000. The size of the sites allows construction of grand estate residences by A.R.B.C. Arthur Rutenberg Homes, Divco Custom Homes, and Stock Signature Homes with views of the Talon golf course. A thirty-foot setback provision ensures residences in both neighborhoods will be a minimum of sixty-feet apart.

TwinEagles’ Lake Estates neighborhood showcases 19 south or west-facing lakefront home sites 110-feet wide and 150-feet deep with long-range views of a 34-acre lake. Fourteen of the 19 sites remain available. Lake Estates features minimum 3,500 square feet residences by Stock, Divco, and Rutenberg starting at $1.5 million, including a golf membership. Stock’s furnished Windsor model is completed and available for viewing.

Divco’s Montego model is nearing completion and Rutenberg’s Amalfi model will open this month. Priced at $1,989,990 with furnishings, Stock’s 4,155 square feet Windsor model’s great room plan includes a formal dining room, island kitchen, his and her studies, four bedrooms, four-and-a-half baths, a covered lanai with an outdoor fireplace, summer kitchen, pool and spa, and a three-car garage. The model’s coastal interior design includes a color palette that blends sea salt and spa green with caramel, cream, and champagne tones for contrast. Flooring throughout the living areas, master bathroom, and cabana bedroom is executed in an oversized 18 x 36-inch ceramic tile with a vein cut to create movement. The model’s interior design incorporates natural textures and tones. Set against a palette of light and dark neutrals, oakmeal and linen colors will be accented with bronze and gold. Flooring in the living areas will be a medium-toned wood. The furnished Montego model is priced at $2,045,000.

Rutenberg’s Amalfi model will include 3,903 square feet with a great room that opens to a covered lanai, an open kitchen and dining area that also opens to the outdoors, a club room that opens to the outdoor kitchen and dining area, a study, four bedrooms, four baths, and a three-car garage. The interior design will present a playful style that fosters an atmosphere of understated sophistication layered on a traditional Amalfi coast farmhouse. The color palette will include light background tones with fabrics in creams, chocolate, light aqua, and pops of vibrant red. Flooring in the living areas will be chiseled edge travertine in an Ashlar pattern. The Amalfi model is priced at $2,067,000 with furnishings.

Stock, Divco, and Rutenberg are also offering 2,800 to 5,000 square feet residences priced from $1.2 million on 90 x 160-foot lots in TwinEagles’ Hedgestone neighborhood. Nine buildable home sites and two furnished models remain available in Hedgestone. Stock is also building unfinished, move-in ready Glenmore, Muirfield V, and Regency Manor residences that will be available for occupancy by the end of 2016. Stock’s furnished Ponte Vedra Grande model offers a 3,525 square feet with formal living and dining rooms, a study, four bedrooms, four-and-a-half baths, a double-island kitchen and breakfast nook, and a family room opening to a lanai, summer kitchen and dining area, a conversation area, and a pool and spa. A wet bar is included in the living room. The Ponte Vedra Grande furnished model is offered at $1,931,990. The interior of the model is light and airy with classic overtones and straight clean lines. The design blends light, creamy wood tones with splashes of gold and silver metallics and various white on white on white presentations with subtle colors and numerous textures. The home’s soft color palette includes light taupe, vanilla and cream mixed with pale blush, aqua and blue tones. Neutral toned porcelain tile with an elegant light marble look is used in the living areas while a light taupe tile is found in the study. Stock’s Regency Manor estate model is also available in Hedgestone. The 3,699 square feet model is priced at $1,599,990 with furnishings. The model’s sophisticated interior design incorporates a light neutral palette. Clean-lined furniture and cabinetetry are blended with myriad textures for a refined look enveloped with natural tones. The interior background tones of neutral sand and linen are accented by layers of blue-greys, sea glass, and a mix of pewter and brushed nickel. Flooring throughout the main living areas is a hard-wood with decorative tile inlays.

Divco’s previously sold La Salle model is open for viewing through a leaseback in Hedgestone. The La Salle floor plan offers 3,646 square feet. The great room plan includes a formal dining room, study, an island kitchen with a dinette, four bedrooms, four full-baths and two half-baths, an outdoor living area with a summer kitchen, fireplace, pool and spa, and a three-car garage.

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Kalea Bay’s community amenities popular with buyers
Clubhouse area under construction

If the clubhouse is the social and recreational centerpiece of a community then this fabulous amenity of Kalea Bay will surely be one of the busiest places in the gated, luxury residential high-rise community currently being developed on Vanderbilt Drive in North Naples.

There are several reasons why buyers have decided to purchase at Kalea Bay,” said Inga Wilson, Vice President of Sales & Marketing for Kalea Bay. “The first is the beautifully designed three-bedroom plus den/three-and-a-half-bath and four-bedroom/four-bath tower residences with Gulf views. The other is our spectacular community clubhouse. Not only will it be a dramatic site as residents and visitors drive into the community, but it will also be the envy of every community in the Naples area.”

Kalea Bay’s 88,000-square-foot clubhouse is located on the north side of the large lake at the community’s entrance and is currently under construction.

The clubhouse will feature three individual pools, including a resort pool, an adults-only pool and a children’s pool, plus an expansive pool deck, an open-air bar, an indoor/outdoor restaurant, a snack bar, an Internet cafe and a gifts and sundries shop.

“All three pools will overlook the lake and provide a multitude of recreational options for everyone who lives and visits here,” said Wilson. Expansive sun decks with lounge chairs and native, tropical plants separate each of the three pools for the ultimate in privacy.

If basking in the sun or taking a refreshing dip in the pool isn’t on a resident’s schedule, perhaps meeting friends for lunch, dinner or drinks is.

“We have the perfect place for all three,” said Wilson. “The indoor/outdoor restaurant will serve phenomenal meals throughout the day. And what better way to celebrate the good life in Florida than meeting family and friends for drinks while watching the sun set over the Gulf of Mexico. This is what living in Florida is supposed to be.”

Just a short walk from the clubhouse will be the tennis pavilion with six lighted Har-Tru tennis courts. Nearby are 24 guest suites to accommodate overnight guests and family members.

“Having that number of guest suites is unusual for a luxury high-rise community, but it’s an amenity many of our residents are excited about especially when they have extended family visiting,” said Wilson. “Rather than putting their guests up in hotels throughout the Naples and Bonita Springs area, they can vacation within the community. It’s a real convenience.”

There will also be a shuttle service, originating from the clubhouse, to a designated Gulf beach.

“Three of the best beaches in the country are only minutes away from Kalea Bay,” stated Wilson. Construction on the clubhouse is slated for completion in the summer of next year and will coincide with the anticipated move-in of the residents in the first tower.

The 22-story tower, with 120 residences, will have 20 floors of residences over two floors of parking. At the current time construction crews are working on the tower’s 10th floor, which is helping buyers see the value of purchasing now.

“As of late March, our total sales volume is approaching the $120 million mark,” stated Wilson. “Also, of the 120 residences in the first tower, we are well on our way to over 70% sold, which is well ahead of original projections.”

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

Residents 1 and 6 are 4-bedroom/4-bath plans with 3,758 square feet. Residences 2 and 5, with three-bedroom plus den and three-and-a-half baths, have 3,835 total square feet. Residences 3 and 4 are four-bedroom/four-bath plans with 3,921 total square feet.

Wilson said spectacular views are available to every resident, no matter which floor they live on.

“Spectacular views are available to every single resident at Kalea Bay,” said Wilson. “With all our rooftop amenities including our sky lounge, pool and open-air fitness center, residents can enjoy daily views of the Gulf of Mexico, the nature preserves that surround us and, of course, the beaches.”

Those beaches include Barefoot Beach Preserve Park, which was ranked #2 nationally in 2015, and Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park, which was ranked #5.

For more information regarding Kalea Bay visit the onsite sales center. It is located just north of Wiggins Pass just off Vanderbilt Drive at 13910 Old Coast Road in North Naples. Additional information is available by calling (239) 793-0110 or online at KaleaBay.com.
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Quail West poised to begin amenity enhancements

Quail West announced it is poised to begin the execution of a major member approved and financed capital improvement plan that will significantly enhance the North Naples community’s clubhouse, common areas, and golf operations. Budgeted at a cost of approximately $50 million, the enhancements are designed to meet the needs of Quail West’s growing membership and the changing lifestyle characteristics of the community’s members. The planned enhancements reflect the community’s mission to be the premier private residential country club community in Southwest Florida. Enhancements to one of Quail West’s two golf courses will begin this month. Enhancements to the community’s clubhouse are slated to begin in May. The enhancements will unfold over a 24-month period with minimal disruption to Quail West Golf and Country Clubs daily operations.

“This is a member-driven amenity enhancement plan that reflects our membership’s commitment to excellence that extends to all aspects of the community and its facilities,” said Board President Dr. Craig Smith. “Quail West has long been acknowledged as a club that is inclusive and a great place to live and enjoy life. The enhancements will expand these opportunities by making the clubhouse an even more highly desired destination where our residents and members can enjoy a lifestyle that includes both casual and formal indoor and outdoor dining, a world-class fitness center, a glass-enclosed indoor heated pool, and a salon and spa. The golf course enhancements will further Quail West’s legacy of offering the best golf experience in Southwest Florida. The long-term value of what we’re undertaking cannot be overstated and will be completed with minimal disruptions to our day to day operations.”

Enhancements to the clubhouse will be implemented in two phases. Projected to be completed by the end of 2016, Phase I will include construction of a 12,000 square foot standalone two-story fitness facility with card and weight rooms, a Pilates studio, a spinning room, and TRX equipment. The new fitness center will connect to the existing glass-enclosed indoor heated pool and to the clubhouse.

Phase II will transform the first floor of the existing clubhouse, including an expansion of the second-floor kitchen that will enhance service to the Mahogany Room formal dining room, and provide additional space for 80 people in the adjacent Ballroom, a redesign of the existing Wine Room, card room, and gathering areas that will provide a more open, fluid setting and includes a new and more easily accessible bar area.

A new Pro Shop and golf entrance will be built adjacent to the clubhouse and offer expanded space for displaying the latest in golf equipment and attire. Enhancements to Quail West’s Lakes and Preserve golf courses originally designed by golf course architect Arthur Hills will address enhancements to the irrigation systems, green complexes, adjacent grass areas, and fairways. The emphasis will be on enhancing the playability of the courses. The golf practice area will undergo modifications to improve its utility.

The golf course enhancements will be overseen by Drew Rogers, a past president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects highly regarded for his ability to undertake golf course renovation projects. Rogers is intimately familiar with Quail West’s golf courses, having worked directly with Arthur Hills to design two hole-nine layouts that would later comprise the Lakes Course. Rogers regards the Preserve course as a layout with great natural beauty.

Enhancements to the Preserve course will begin this month and the course will close until the renovations proceed. The Preserve course is expected to re-open by January, 2017. A similar schedule will be implemented for the Lakes Course with working beginning in spring, 2017, and the course re-opening by January, 2018. The golf experience at Quail West is exceptional,” said Smith. “We are positioned to continue that experience even as the individual course enhancements are undertaken, just as we are positioned to ensure our members and residents continue to enjoy a fulfilling experience throughout the club as the overall process unfolds.”

Renovations to Quail West’s golf courses originally designed by Arthur Hills will address enhancements to the irrigation systems, green complexes, adjacent grass areas, and fairways. Enhancements to Quail West’s golf courses will address the following:

- **Lakes Course**
  - New irrigation systems
  - New green complexes

- **Preserve Course**
  - New irrigation systems
  - New green complexes

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Minto announces three new large-scale communities solidifying long-term commitment to Florida while growing existing communities

Minto Communities announces plans for three new communities in Florida, expanding the company into new markets, and totaling 17,900 lots and 4.2 million square feet of commercial space. The new communities are located in Naples, Daytona Beach and Palm Beach.

Minto has a long history in Florida. Over the past 35 years, Minto has built more than 25,000 new homes in 44 communities throughout the state. “Minto is committed to Florida which is evidenced by our long positions,” notes Minto Senior Vice President William Bullock.

Minto Communities and Collier Enterprises recently announced plans for the new Naples area community in eastern Collier County referred to as Rural Lands West that includes 10,000 lots and two million square feet of commercial space. Minto’s first phase of this community will be an age-restricted 55-and-better neighborhood with 4,000 homes, a golf course, parks and a town center with commercial, retail, entertainment and dining. The golf cart friendly community will have miles of trailways and kayakways.

Planning is underway for Minto’s age-restricted 55-and-better community in Daytona Beach, located just west of I-95 off LPGA Boulevard. This new resort-style community will offer 3,400 residences and 215,000 square feet of neighborhood commercial space, along with an array of world-class amenities. The golf cart-friendly community will include a private Beach Club on the Atlantic Ocean for homeowners and guests. With a prime location in Daytona, the community is in close proximity to world-famous beaches, championship golf at LPGA International, Daytona International Speedway, the new Daytona One entertainment, dining and shopping destination, and new Tanger Outlets with more than 80 retailers.

Westlake, Minto’s new community located in western Palm Beach County, is approved for 4,500 homes and two million square feet of commercial space. This innovative 1,800-acre community will feature a town center with shops, restaurants, entertainment, professional offices and recreational amenities. The community includes more than 2,000 acres of lakes, trails and open spaces. Plans call for employment centers, college campus and medical facilities.

Minto also recently completed its third phase of The Isles of Collier Preserve in Naples. “The Isles is off to a great start. With more than 1,300 lots still remaining to be developed we look forward to a great future,” adds Bullock. The Isles of Collier Preserve is located just four miles east of downtown Naples. Based on customer feedback reflecting a desire for larger homes, Minto recently announced Stock Signature Homes as a builder at The Isles of Collier Preserve. Stock will offer home plans on 90-foot wide lots that are in keeping with the contemporary coastal style of the existing community. “We selected Stock to build the larger luxury homes because the company shares Minto’s commitment to integrity, quality and excellent customer service,” notes Bullock.

Another of Minto’s newest communities is LakePark at Tradition in Port St. Lucie. After selling out in the TownPark neighborhood at Tradition, Minto developed LakePark based on customer feedback for an age-restricted 55-and-better Minto community in Tradition. Minto recently held a grand opening for six new furnished models and a new sales office. The LakePark community will feature 644 single-family homes and paired villas.

Founded in 1955, Minto is a family-owned business that has grown over the last 60 years into one of North America’s leading builders, with more than 80,000 homes built. Additional Minto communities throughout Florida include TwinEagles in Naples, Harbour Isle in Bradenton, Sun City Center in Tampa Bay, Laureate Park at Lake Nona and Festival in Orlando, Artesia in Sunrise, and Villas By The Sea in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. For information on Minto Communities throughout the state of Florida, call (888) 707-1251 or visit mintofla.com.
Yes, You Can Have it All.

Custom Homes. North Naples’ Best Location. From mid $600s

Sienna Reserve is an intimate community of just 45 luxury homes in a private, gated community located in North Naples. It’s minutes from shopping and dining at Waterside and Mercato, entertainment at Artis-Naples, and of course, the area’s miles and miles of white-sand beaches.

Custom homes line winding streets accented with brick-paver roundabouts and glistening fountains. Some homes offer stunning lake views, others offer spectacular nature preserve vistas, and no two homes back up to one another for the ultimate in privacy. One- and two-story floor plans, which can be customized to fit your lifestyle, range in size from 2,344 to 4,971 A/C square feet.

And while your new home is under construction, enjoy complimentary temporary privileges to Tiburon Golf Club amenities. All Sienna Reserve homeowners are eligible to become members of the exclusive Tiburon Golf Club.

Whoever said you can’t have it all obviously has never been to Sienna Reserve. Come visit us today.

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Features, colors, designs, dimensions and materials are all subject to availability, and may change or substituted at any time and without notice.
Spring is the perfect time to find your best address in Southwest Florida, and WCI Communities is celebrating the season with spectacular savings on a variety of select home designs in its amenity-rich Fort Myers, Bonita Springs and Naples communities.

Homebuyers ready to spring into action can take advantage of community-specific, limited-time offers, including special pricing on Dream Ready homes, and credits toward design options, closing costs, pools and club memberships.

■ HAVE IT ALL IN FORT MYERS

At Pelican Preserve, WCI’s 55 and better active lifestyle community, the Plaza del Sol town center offers residents nearly every imaginable activity—from indoor fitness and swimming, to art and ceramics studios. The recent expansion introduced new strength-training equipment in the updated fitness center, a 65,000-gallon outdoor lap pool, and “Flip Flops,” the community’s casual resort-style alfresco dining and bar area.

In addition to tennis, pickleball and softball, residents enjoy 27 holes of Chip Powell-designed championship golf. The Golf Club offers members a grill and picnic tables.

■ LUXURY LIVING IN BONITA SPRINGS

Hampton Park offers single-family home designs from 2,053 to 4,457 air-conditioned square feet. Below: Cypress Bend at Shadow Wood Preserve offers an intimate enclave of single-family homes. Cielo residences in The Colony Golf & Bay Club feature a spacious great room and sliding glass doors that allow access to expansive loggias.

Residents enjoy the outdoors close to home with an 18-hole Arthur Hills-designed championship golf course and access to Shadow Wood Preserve’s clubhouse, tennis courts, walking paths, fitness trails, and a canoe and kayak park. Coconut Point’s exciting shopping, entertainment and restaurants are within five miles.

Gateway also features lots of room to roam: multiple parks and miles of walking, biking, jogging and fitness trails meander past golf course fairways, nature preserves and lakes. Four-legged friends are welcome at the fenced, off-leash dog park, while the Gateway Fun Park delivers on its name with a playground, baseball and sand volleyball courts—plus a grill and picnic tables.

Hampton Park offers single-family Classic Series, Executive and Estate home designs offering up to three bedrooms, plan-specific bonus and flex rooms, retreats and dens. Expansive lanais encourage easy alfresco entertaining and enjoyment of the Southwest Florida lifestyle, day and night. Construction will soon be underway on eight new model homes. Homes start from the low $200,000s.

■ SPRING IS THE PERFECT TIME TO...

Located in one of Southwest Florida’s fastest-growing areas just off I-75 between Daniels Parkway and Colonial Boulevard, Hampton Park is convenient to major employers, neighborhood schools, parks and recreational attractions, including JetBlue Park.

Gateway communities offer 1,375 to more than 2,700 square feet of air-conditioned living space, great room designs, spacious owner’s suites, and plan-specific dining rooms, retreats and dens. Expansive lanais encourage easy alfresco entertaining and enjoyment of the Southwest Florida lifestyle, day and night.
Livingston Lakes offers a carefree lifestyle with a selection of Carriage, Coach and Garden homes. The Artesia Naples clubhouse features a resort inspired pool with beach entry and dedicated lap lanes.

Located among an enclave of 12 five-story mid-rises, Cielo’s three-bedroom penthouse-style residences offer more than 2,990 air-conditioned square feet. Spacious great rooms feature two walls of sliding glass doors showcasing expansive Loggia—including some with views of Estero Bay.

The Colony Golf & Bay Club is known for its resort-inspired amenities, including the award-winning Bay Club, a private gourmet dining club with Estero Bay sunsets, and a recently expanded kayak and canoe launch facility. The 28,000-square-foot clubhouse offers members 18 holes of Jerry Pate-designated championship golf, formal and casual dining options, a cocktail lounge, golf pro shop and the Spa & Fitness Center. Outdoor amenities include a sparkling pool and a tennis pavilion with six Har-Tru courts.

Residents have access to Pelican Landing amenities, including a 34-acre private island beach park, canoe park, tennis courts, fitness center and community center.

Cielo Dream Ready residences by bay, preserve or lake views are available for immediate move-in starting at $721,620.

LOCATION AND LIFESTYLE IN NAPLES

WCI Communities’ Livingston Lakes combines a carefree lifestyle with a sought-after Naples location close to Gulf of Mexico beaches and renowned shopping, dining, and arts and cultural venues.

Located on the east side of Livingston Road just south of Immokalee Road, the intimate 46-acre community is only five miles from 20 miles of Gulf of Mexico beaches and recreational activities at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Shopping, restaurant and entertainment opportunities are just as close at Mercato and the upscale Waterside Shops.

Recreational residents activity centers around the 3,343-square-foot lakefront clubhouse, featuring an expansive 2,000-square-foot resort-style pool with ample lounge seating and cabanas and an outdoor fireplace for end-of-day socializing.

Offering views of lakes and nature preserves, Livingston Lakes’ two- and three-bedroom, two-bath Garden Homes, Carriage Homes and Coach Homes, from 1,168 up to 2,352 square feet, start from the $220,000s.

Artesia Naples homebuyers know this intimate 36-acre community offers the right home with the right amenities in the right place—centrally located between warm, sunny Marco Island beaches and the sophisticated charm of Fifth Avenue South in Naples.

Overlooking the community’s 20-acre central lake, the Artesia Naples clubhouse offers a resort-inspired pool with a beach entry and dedicated lap lanes, fitness center and exercise studio. Planned for only 600 single- and multi-family homes, with 11 of its 20 acres set aside for nature preserves and lakes, Artesia Naples borders Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, a regional destination for bird watching, canoeing and kayaking.

Artesia Naples’ 10 home designs were created for today’s lifestyle and feature open great room designs, two and three bedrooms and plan-specific flex rooms and dens in 1,056 up to 3,010 air-conditioned square feet.

Homes overlooking the community’s nature preserves and lakes start from the low-$200,000s.

LaMorada’s Naples’ luxury home designs, coupled with amenities on scale with those of a much larger country club community, make residents feel right at home.

Inspired by the balmy British West Indies, the gracious lakefront Club LaMorada will offer a fitness center and exercise studio for individual workouts and yoga classes, as well as a comfortable clubhouse theater and a culinary arts center for wine tastings and cooking demonstrations. Outdoors, a resort-style pool and spa with a pavilion-covered bar and lit Har-Tru tennis courts await.

Ideal for both the seasonal resident and the busy professional, maintenance-free Carriage Homes offer convenient first-floor living and private second-floor elevator access. Situated to take advantage of morning breezes, evening sunsets, and views of lakes and nature preserves, single-family Grand Villa, Classic Home and Estate homeites allow homebuyers to make the most of Southwest Florida’s fun alfresco lifestyle by selecting custom pools with spas, built-in sun shelves and full summer kitchens. At night, pergolas with outdoor fireplaces provide the perfect stargazing spot.

LaMorada homes, with 1,700 up to 5,065 air-conditioned square feet, are from the mid-$300,000s to $1,000,000.

Planned for only 363 single-family homes, Raffia Reserve recreates a traditional neighborhood within a 184-acre Naples setting of palm trees, nature preserves and lakes. A completed clubhouse—designed with amenities that foster friendships—helps residents get to know their neighbors while splashing in the resort-style pool, working out at the well-equipped 3,400-square-foot fitness center, or relaxing fireside at night. The clubhouse also offers a catering kitchen ideal for community-wide events organized by the activities director as well as private resident-hosted parties.

Raffia Preserve residents enjoy convenient access to the area’s best amenities, including Naples’ 20 miles of beaches, upscale shopping and dining at Mercato and Waterside Shops, and fun and excitement at Golisano Children’s Museum of Naples and Sun-N-Fun Lagoon, Collier County’s only water park.

Raffia Preserve offers 15 one- and two-story Executive Home and Estate designs with an emphasis on outdoor living. Featuring spacious owner’s suites, bonus and flex rooms and 2,053 to 4,478 square feet of living space, select homes have three-car garages and second floors for bedrooms, lofts, media centers and game rooms. Homes are available from the low-$400,000s.

Homebuyers seeking timeless elegance in one of Naples most desirable communities can reserve their home in one of eight three-story mid-rises in Vianna at Talis Park.

WCI Communities’ new luxury Terrace Homes present a great room design that balances living and dining spaces with intimate retreats for owners and guests. A wall of sliding glass doors from the great room extends the living space to the lanai, enhances outdoor views and makes alfresco entertaining effortless.

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Two-story Rosewood model available for purchase

Master retreat is a must-see

Sienna Reserve is an intimate enclave of 45 luxury custom single-family homes being developed by Zuckerman Homes on Livingston Road, between Vanderbilt Beach Road and Immokalee Road in North Naples. Three models are open daily for tours, but only one is still looking for a family to call it “home.”

That model is the incredible Rosewood, the largest of the three models offered at Sienna Reserve. The two-story, five-bedroom plus study/five-and-a-half-bath home boasts 4,971 square feet under air and 5,997 total square feet, including a three-car, side-entry garage.

Every room and every space, with finishes conceived by Zuckerman Homes and the interior design firm of Robb & Stucky, was designed with today’s homebuyer in mind – both inside and out.

The first floor consists of a large leisure room, gourmet kitchen, morning cafe, formal dining room, guest suite, study, wine closet and pool bath.

The chef-inspired kitchen is a major focal point. It features a breakfast bar, an island counter, stainless steel Wolf and SubZero appliances, a walk-in food pantry and a Butler’s pantry.

“The largest room on the first floor is the leisure room which measures approximately 27 by 22 feet. From the leisure room a set of pocketing sliding glass doors lead out to the covered Florida room with summer kitchen and pool which overlooks a preserve.”

The upper floor features the master retreat, three guest bedrooms, two full guest baths, a powder bath, laundry room and a club room with built-in bar.

“At the back of the home is the expansive master retreat, with its own private Stair and Deck that overlooks the pool below and serene nature preserve beyond. The master bedroom also has his and hers walk-in closets, sizes of which are unmatched in homes this size.”

The master bath, with its double door entry, has a long vanity with his and her sinks and her dressing table, a free-standing soaking tub positioned by a picture window that looks onto the nature preserve, a separate oversized shower and a private water closet with bidet.

“From the large leisure room and gourmet kitchen on the first floor, to the club room and incredible master retreat on the second floor, it comes as no surprise to us why this floor plan is grabbing the imagination of the families that have toured it,” stated Andy Zuckerman, President of Zuckerman Homes.

In addition to the Rosewood model, Sienna Reserve has two other models to tour.

The Hibiscus, a single-story, three-bedroom, plus study/three full-bath home with 2,566 square feet under air and 3,378 total square feet, has a very open floor plan and a pool with five-foot high waterfall.

The Magnolia Flex, a two-story, four-bedroom/three full-bath/two half-bath home with 4,004 square feet under air and 4,855 total square feet, has a fun game room and separate media room on the second floor.

“Our model as well as all of our homes have been designed with today’s homebuyer in mind,” said Zuckerman.

Those words hold true considering the number of visitors the community has had since the models grand opening.

“Since mid-February more than 1,200 people have stopped by our sales center to begin their model tour,” said Zuckerman. “As of late March, the community is at the 85 percent sold mark, making Sienna Reserve one of the hottest selling communities in the Naples’ area.”

With all the visitors and recent sales one might get the notion that all the prime homesites are taken. It’s not the case.

“Some of our best homesites are still available. But, time is of the essence considering the high interest in the community and the rapid rate of sales,” stated Zuckerman.

There are many reasons for Sienna Reserve’s sales success. Part of it is due to the fact only 14 of the community’s 30 acres are being developed. The remaining 16 acres comprise a freshwater lake and untouched nature preserve.

Says Zuckerman, “Our research indicates buyers are looking for a more intimate community to call home. A natural setting. A place where neighbor knows neighbor. That’s exactly what we deliver.”

Sienna Reserve also has a dream location.

“The community is close to downtown Naples and its world-renowned shopping districts of Fifth Avenue South and Third Street South, It’s also within minutes of Mercato, one of the most popular upscale shopping, dining and entertainment areas in town,” he said.

But the closest attraction is actually right next door to Sienna Reserve and just a brief walk or drive away.

“North Collier Regional Park, located to our north, is one of the county’s premier parks,” stated Zuckerman.

Also close by is Tiburon Golf Club.

That’s important because Sienna Reserve purchasers are eligible to receive complimentary temporary privileges to all Tiburon Golf Club amenities, and Sienna Reserve homeowners are eligible to become members of the exclusive Tiburon Golf Club.

Prices at Sienna Reserve begin in the mid-$600s. Although eight floor plans are offered, Zuckerman Homes encourages purchasers to customize their home to fit their lifestyle.

“It’s one of the many things that makes Sienna Reserve a unique place to live, play and enjoy all life has to offer,” said Zuckerman.

The Sienna Reserve sales center and models are open Monday – Saturday, 10 am to 5:30 pm, and Sunday, 11 am to 5:30 pm. For more information regarding Sienna Reserve, call (239) 643-4333 or visit SiennaReserve.com.
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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 $495,000, 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!


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BY LINDSEY NESMITH
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LAST WEEK, JOE FITZPATRICK led yet another sold-out workshop where he took a group to Cape Coral to shoot some birds — with their cameras. Mr. Fitzpatrick’s burrowing owl photowalks, which depart from Naples, have been selling out for four years. It seems

SEE OWLS, A10

Trump puts Palm Beach on the political map again

BY BRIAN E. CROWLEY
Special to Florida Weekly

On the 1960 British Pathé newsreel, the headline says, “Kennedy talks strategy with Congress leaders.” Palm Beach was used to its Kennedys, but not like this. For the first time, the quiet island whose residents valued privacy as much as wealth, was becoming the center of world attention.

In one of his first post-election meetings, John F. Kennedy summoned his newly elected vice president, Lyndon Johnson, and congressional leaders to discuss his plans after his inauguration. It would be the first of many visits by national and world leaders to the Kennedy home on the island of 6,000 residents. The north-end island Kennedy home had become the Winter White House.

Now, more than a half century later, Palm Beach is again a political spectacle. Only this time, the Winter White House could be Donald Trump’s Mar-a-Lago. If JFK was of the “Mad Men” generation, Mr. Trump is a Twitter-boomer. If JFK brought youthful vigor to the island and willingness to blend, Trump stormed the island, deter

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Almost 200 people had a part in bringing LGBT stories to the local stage as “The Rauschenberg Project.” C1

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COMMENTARY

Trump l’oeil

It’s taken me years to figure this out: The only way my family and I can make real money is to go into business for ourselves, like so many other Americans. So I’ll be joining my sister in her new enterprise (see below).

We are now in business, like Florida Gov. Rick Scott, like the Koch brothers, like Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump. Like almost anybody else who makes more money the more they are left alone to make it, without government regulation, without voter regulation, without anything but congratulations from various chambers of commerce that dot the land like pokeweeds in a cow pasture.

After all, the spirit of gain has pervaded both the state and the country in recent times — not that it hasn’t always existed here in one form or another.

In the good old days it was called other things: manifest destiny, homesteading, free enterprise, capitalism, pulling your self up by your own bootstraps, entrepreneurship and so on.

Now I think it should be called the Trump l’oeil affect, a slightly corrupted term-of-art based on the French definition, Trompe l’oeil, describing painting that makes objects appear real even though they aren’t real.


Trompe l’oeil, similarly, is the marketing of illusions. Bottom line in Trump l’oeil: You sell them something they don’t need by making them certain they do — to be safe, to be comfortable, to be right.

You sell greatness, for example, by proposing that we build walls on the Mexican border, or bomb “the shit” out of some North Africans, or torture prisoners, or beat up peaceful protesters.

Pure bullpucky.

I learned about Trump l’oeil long before Trump became prominent, while working the midnight shift in a 24/7 highway service station on I-70 about five miles east of Lawrence, Kansas, sometime in the late Paleolithic era. By night a grease monkey, by day a gawky college kid.

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The first photograph is taken from a bird’s eye view. It shows the arrival in the Gulf of Mexico via the Caloosa-hatchee River of the brown, nasty, efflu- ent pumpp of Lake Okeechobee to rip it of its overburden of excess runoff and rainfall. It appears in the photograph as a toxic flush from a toxic toilet directly into the gulf.

The polluted water invades the gulf where the barrier islands of Sanibel and Captiva stand guard to the west of Fort Myers across San Carlos Bay. This area is a destination known the world over as sport fishing, beauti- ful beaches, the islands, and most espe- cially for the copious variety of shells found on their shores. But the photo- graph makes clear there is no defense or protection to be had against the path of this man-made disaster. The camera has captured an ecological murder in progress. The second photograph pictures the Atlantic twin of the Gulf coast disaster. It is equally disturbing, although a differ- ent version of the same sorry tale. It, too, is an aerial view, but this time of a massive algae bloom engulfing the Mosquito Lagoon and the Indian River Lagoon system on Florida’s Atlantic Coast.

Dinah Voyles Pulver of the Daytona Beach News-Journal has been cover- ing the story. She writes the lagoon spans two climate zones on Florida’s east coast between Ponce Inlet and Jupiter Inlet and is considered one of the biologically diverse estuaries found anywhere in the world. More than 4,300 species of marine life and plants are documented by scientists to exist in and near its waters.

But the lagoon is now on the brink of collapse, a condition this year. By the pumping of the polluted water into the lagoon from Lake O and the regional canal system. Scientists warn the entire breadth of the 156-mile-long lagoon is at risk of being destroyed forever.

Similar algae blooms occurring periodically on Florida’s Gulf Coast are also on the go. The toxicity and breadth of the bacteria released into both the lagoon and estuaries are damaging in and of itself. But add to this urban and septic tank runoff during heavy rains. It is not only to kill sea grasses, oyster beds, all manner of fish and wildlife, and is poisonous to humans, too. The damage from bacteria and pollution is compounded by the introduction of billions of gallons of freshwater into the estuaries, reducing their brackishness, their nutritional value. The proportions disastrous to marine life, and which interferes with the aquatic food chain.

So why is this happening? A record amount of winter rainfall raised the lake to an unsustainable level. It is a wall of water held back by an earthen dike structures are fearful with collapse. The two photographs capture what billions of gallons of toxic water looks like and can do when it is flushed from Lake O into our estu- aries for weeks on end. It is default choice negotiated by Florida’s archi- tects of environmental ruin. These are the plumbing engineers, developers, political hacks and special interests in avoiding and resisting the long-term solutions desperately need- ed to end the practice.

Decades of political malfeasance and pay to play have worked against the public’s interests in the state’s achieve- ment of a long-term fix. The failure to act decisively each year produc- es a tiger behind every door of only unthinkable options. The failure is sys- temic. Much has been written about these water management practices and the complicity of the agencies, spe- cial interests and politicians who bear responsibility for the environment, in and near its waters.

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President Barack Obama inadvertently found the perfect photo-op for his trip to Havana. Leslie Lilly, the Colombia president, took a moment at the Jose Marti Memorial in Havana. A news photo at Revolution Square caught Cuba standing together with American and Cuban officials, with an enormous mural of the iconic revolu- tionary Che Guevara looming over his shoulder on the adjacent Ministry of the Interior building.

Che is, of course, ubiquitous on dorm-room walls and T-shirts in the United States, and a hero of the Cuban revolution. He also was a coldblooded- ed killer who set up the Cuban guly and presided over summary executions of political prisoners (trials were, per Che, "an archaic bourgeois detail"). No doubt, he would have been astonished at the Yanqui president coming to Revolu- tion Square to pay his respects — and exceedingly pleased.

President Obama’s trip is self-con- sciously historic. It ensures that the first visit to Cuba by an American presi- dent in almost 90 years will be part of Obama’s legacy, and no week is a better time to make his opening to Cuba, announced in Decem- ber 2014, irreversible. If that means extending credibility and a financial lifeline to a Castro regime that has no intention of reforming, so be it.

The regime made it clear that it would not budge with maintaining even a pretense of relaxing its grip with the arrest of protesters at a march of the group Ladies in White while President Obama was en route to the country. There is no sign of greater openness in Cuba since President Obama forged his break with long-standing U.S. policy. Political prisoners have been released. The last figures were, more than 8,000 in 2015, four times as many as in 2010. The exodus of des- pairs from the island to the United States has picked up. And the country still ranks below Zimbabwe and Iran on Internet connectivity.

But Obama’s opening has produced a financial windfall for the regime. The Cuban currency is the commun- ity’s best money, and Cuba has been thriving with the influx of American tourists. Starwood Hotels and Resorts just got special permission from the U.S. Treasury to operate three hotels in Havana, a boost, not for the free market, but for the Cuban government. If Cuba were a repressive, small- minded military dictatorship of the right, Obama’s visit and accommoda- tionist attitude wouldn’t be considered so broad-minded. But a patina of revo- lutionary romance, embodied by that image of Che looking down on Presi- dent Obama, still hangs over Cuba. It makes in human rights abuses, theft and lies an afterthought, or even excusable, for the American left.

After the Cuban missile crisis, Che said that in the event of a U.S. attack, “if the rockets had remained, we would have shot them all down against the very heart of the United States, including New York, in our defense against aggression.” It would have been beyond his imagining that so many decades later, with the rev- olutionary regime cash-strapped and decrepit, the imperialist Goliath would come bearing gifts, and asking for noth- ing more than the payment of President Obama’s Wikipedia entry.
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Chamber CEO thrives on change, problem solving

Something your mother was always right about: Do and be the best you can today, and tomorrow will take care of itself.

As a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up? A military officer and then president of the United States.

What was your first job? High school I worked at The Pizza Place in Stephenville, Texas.

What would you be doing if you weren’t running the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce? I think I’d be a college professor.


Guilty pleasure: Fried catfish.

One thing on your bucket list: Skydiving.

Skill or talent you wish you had: Time warping.

What makes you laugh? My kids and their kids.

Advice for your grandkids: Don’t forget to feed your spiritual side.

The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, a nonprofit organization of more than 1,900 members, works to strengthen the local economy and promote the business community. At the helm since March 1 as president and CEO is Michael Dalby. He was selected from among 195 applicants who responded to a nationwide search to fill the position.

Michael’s 21 years of chamber experience includes leading chambers of commerce in New Mexico, Texas, Indiana and Ohio. He is also a 12-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force, having served as an intelligence officer, taught at the U.S. Air Force Academy and attained the rank of major.

“Michael demonstrated strong skills in every critical area we identified for the role of our business community’s top advocate,” says Dan Laverne, chair of the search committee and CEO of Moorings Park Institute Inc. “With his extensive experience and impressive success in team building and community improvement initiatives, we are confident in his ability to lead our chamber to new levels of success.”

Michael has led marketing efforts in tourism communities, directed existing business expansion and retention efforts, worked to expand and improve federal and state infrastructure and assisted in increasing regional education and workforce development opportunities. A certified chamber executive, he holds a bachelor’s degree in international affairs and humanities from the U.S. Air Force Academy and earned a master’s degree in English from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is a board member of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives and holds memberships with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the International Economic Development Council.

“I thrive on change and problem-solving — especially in seeking unique approaches using disparate resources and in taking a strategic, entrepreneur-ial approach to developing ideas and designing solutions,” he says. Michael grew up with his two older sisters in Stephenville, Texas, and attended public schools. “I loved learning, all subjects,” he says. “And since I grew up in a smaller town, I took part in every sport and every club there was — except music. I have no aptitude for music, although I love listening to it.”

After attending the U.S Air Force Academy and the University of Nebraska, he returned the academy to teach. He took his first chamber job thinking it would provide a nice transition into the private sector, but developed an affinity for working with business, civic and community leaders and helping build great communities.

In his free time, he enjoys hiking, nature and reading. He and his wife, Georgia, have five grown children who live in New York, Texas, Ohio and Indiana.
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**FAILURE** to provide care by qualified persons according to each resident’s written plan of care. [Cited on 3/06/2014]

**FAILURE** to make sure each resident has the right to have a choice over activities, their schedules and health care according to his or her interests, assessment, and plan of care. [Cited on 3/06/2014]

**FAILURE** to maintain drug records and properly mark/label drugs and other similar products according to accepted professional standards. [Cited on 1/06/2014]

**FAILURE** to make sure that the nursing home area is safe, easy to use, clean and comfortable for residents, staff and the public. [Cited on 3/06/2014]

**FAILURE** to conduct initial and periodic assessments of each resident’s functional capacity. [Cited on 12/05/2013]

**FAILURE** to keep accurate, complete and organized clinical records on each resident that meet professional standards. [Cited on 12/05/2013]

**FAILURE** to prepare food that is nutritional, appetizing, tasty, attractive, well-cooked, and at the right temperature. [Cited on 1/23/2015]

**FAILURE** to store, cook, and serve food in a safe and clean way. [Cited on 1/23/2015]

**FAILURE** to provide housekeeping and maintenance services. [Cited on 1/23/2015]

**FAILURE** to give residents proper treatment to prevent new bed (pressure) sores or heal existing bed sores. [Cited on 10/05/2012]

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More than 30 of the most effective organizations in Collier County, as well as four long-term strategic initiatives that fill fundamental gaps in children’s services, will receive grants totaling more than $1 million this year from the Naples Children & Education Foundation, founders of the Naples Winter Wine Festival. That brings the total amount granted since the festival’s inception in 2001 to more than $146 million.

This year’s funds will support a wide variety of programs and organizations that improve the physical, emotional and educational lives of Collier County’s children. NCEF trustees recently hosted the newest grant recipients at the annual award ceremony at Bay Colony Golf Club.

“My heartfelt thanks to all of the festival’s guests and winning bidders who make our work possible,” said Susie McCurry, chair of the 2016 NWWF Grant Committee. From this year’s total, $4.4 million will support four multi-partner, multi-year strategic initiatives that resulted from studies commissioned by NCEF in 2005, 2010 and 2013. The studies identified significant gaps in basic services for the children of Collier County. NCEF convened a coalition of partners to work together in innovative ways to fill those gaps.

This year’s Fund-a-Need, NCEF’s Early Learning Initiative, will receive $1 million. The Children’s Mental Health Initiative will receive $2.5 million. The Children’s Oral Health Initiative will receive $260,000, and the Children’s Out of School Initiative will receive $290,000.

An additional $6.6 million in grants was awarded to the following: ABLE Academy, $250,000; Angels Undercover, $23,000; Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast, $93,500; Boys & Girls Club of Collier County, $750,000; Cal Ripken Jr. Foundation, $50,000; Catholic Charities, $145,000; Children’s Advocacy Center, $490,000; Collier Child Care Resources, $100,000; Conservancy of Southwest Florida, $68,000; Early Literacy & Learning Model, $425,000; Friends of Foster Children Forever, $330,000; Fun Time Early Childhood Academy; $135,000; Gargiulo Education Center, $62,000; Golini-S Children’s Museum of Naples, $220,000; Grace Place for Children & Families, $80,750; Greater Marco Family YMCA, $86,000; Greater Naples YMCA, $35,000; Guadalupe Center, $63,750; Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida, $43,500; Immaculate Child Care Center, $195,000; Legal Aid Service of Collier County, $365,000; MusicScores!, $45,000; Naples Botanical Garden, $75,000; Naples Equestrian Challenge, $15,500; Redlands Christian Migrant Association; $415,000; Safe & Healthy Children’s Coalition of Collier County, $52,000; Special Olympics, $60,000; St. Matthew’s House, $42,000; The Immaculate Foundation, $230,000; The Shelter for Abused Women & Children, $240,000; United Arts Council, $49,000.

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On average, an adult burrowing owl has four or five chicks once a year. Predation and automobiles take a heavy toll on the chicks, and survival rates can be low.

It is very difficult to distinguish male and female burrowing owls. Here in Florida, the males tend to be a little lighter in color and the females darker in color. This is because the male spends more time outside the burrow searching for food, while the female spends more time in the burrow. The sun tends to bleach out the males’ feathers, making them lighter in color. This is not a very reliable way to tell them apart unless they are side-by-side.

—Source: capecoralburrowingowls.com

Looking to attract burrowing owls? Try a starter burrow

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Having burrowing owls on your property can be a lot of fun. As more and more homes are being built, however, there is less habitat for these little birds. Here’s how to install a starter burrow.

1. Clear the grass around the burrow. This can be done by mowing or using a weed eater. The burrow should be placed in a location where it is protected from the elements.

2. Install a perch on the opposite side of the burrow. The perch should be placed about 3 feet above the ground and should be made of wood or metal. The perch should be placed away from the entrance to the burrow.

3. Fill the burrow with soil. The burrow should be filled with about 2 feet of soil. The soil should be moist but not soggy.

4. Place the burrow in a location that is protected from the elements. The burrow should be placed in a location that is protected from the wind and rain.

5. Install a fence around the burrow. This can be done by using wire or wood. The fence should be placed around the burrow to keep predators away.

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The owls often stand on their unusually long legs like sentinels outside their burrows, keeping a sharp eye out for any insects, rodents and small reptiles that could be a tasty snack.

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With Cape Coral Friends of Wildlife who occasionally leads tours of the burrows. “They are very protective,” she adds about residents who are fortunate enough to have owls in their yards or next door. “They’ll come out of their house and say, ‘What are you doing? Who are you? Leave my owls alone.’”

Thanks to awareness raised by the annual Burrowing Owl Festival each February as well as to informational websites and tours led by organizations such as CCFW, the city’s population of owls has increased at the same time people from far and wide have been able to enjoy up-close views of their favorite feathered friends.

In Charlotte County

According to bird inventory lists and Thomas Hecker, CEO at the Charlotte Harbor Environmental Center, burrowing owls seem to be deserting Punta Gorda and its otherwise bird-friendly environs. “My biggest concern is that the burrowing owls are getting pushed out,” Mr. Hecker says. “In all honesty, I’ve looked and haven’t found one.”

Residents seem to be confused too, he says, because lots of people give him leads to where they’ve seen burrowing owls in the past, but no one can remember exactly when they last spotted one. “It’s made me start thinking that I’d like to form a Bring Back the Burrowing Owl campaign, because they’re not here,” he says. “People say they are, but as far as I can see, none have been counted.”

A great place to start would be Three Suns Ranch in eastern Charlotte County, which raises bison and has plenty of pasture that would make a great habitat for the owls. The bird’s burrowing cousins in the Midwest cohabit with bison and there’s no reason to think it couldn’t work here, Mr. Hecker says.

Wherever you are in Southwest Florida, if you spot burrowing owls, keep in mind that the birds are a species of special concern and people can be prosecuted for harassing them or destroying their eggs and nests. Fines can be pretty steep, and the state of Florida requires builders and developers to obtain a permit before moving or destroying a burrow, no matter how old and abandoned it is.

PVC pipe works.

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Flat ground and soft, sandy soil is best. If you have the typical Florida grass (St. Augustine or Floratam), you will need to clear a circle of grass about 2 feet in diameter in the location you want to install the burrow. This grass is impossible for the owls to dig through, so you must do it for them.

After clearing the grass, take a small garden shovel and dig a 5- to 6-inch diameter hole at a 45-degree angle as far as you can. Make a mound of the dirt that you are removing in front of the burrow; it will serve as a lookout post for the owls.

Finally, install a perch on the opposite side of the opening about a foot away from the burrow. The bottom piece of the perch can be wolmanized lumber to keep it from rotting in the ground, but the perch where the owl will be standing should be regular wood to prevent the owl from coming in contact with the chemicals in the wolmanized wood. PVC could be used, but again this is very toxic and would have to be sanded to provide a rough surface. Running a length of hemp or manila rope around a PVC pipe works.

— Source: capecoralburrowingowls.com
No Joke

If you're familiar with Austin Powers, the special agent played by Mike Myers in The International Man of Mystery and subsequent movies, you know that the English are largely regarded by Americans as having bad teeth. According to recent research, however, this century-old stereotype is untrue. After examining the teeth of thousands of individuals from both countries, dental teams from Harvard University and University College London found that the average number of missing teeth was higher in the United States (7.31) than the average number in the UK (6.97). Th e report doesn't give anyone on either side of the Atlantic anything to smile about. Tooth decay and tooth loss are almost entirely preventable with good oral care and regular checkups.

Leading economic indicators

People With Too Much Money: Residents on London's swankiest street (Kensington Palace Gardens), stymied in efforts to build upward on their relatively small lots, instead plan elaborate “basements” — extending as far as five stories down, with elevators, swimming pools, gyms, climbing walls, and one even with a “Ferris wheel” for dialing up the resident's daily choice among his several cars. However, embassies are located on the street and have challenged the construction chaos as offending their sovereignty under international law. Recent restrictions limit the basements to one story down, but billion-naire entrepreneur Jon Hunt's five stories are grandfathered in (though his “Ferris wheel” appears to have been shelved).

New world order

■ Mystery fiction has always been a popular genre, but now, readers who prefer that their crimes be solved by cats have several series of brilliant felines to choose from. As The Wall Street Journal reported in February, the major controversy swirling at “cat fiction” conventions is whether the clever kittens should advance the plot by speaking. “We all talk to our pets,” noted one best-selling author, “and most of us imagine the other side of the dialogue.” (Among the sets boasting more than a million copies are the “Joe Grey,” the “Klepto Cats,” the “Cat Shout for Joy” suite, and the recently con-chcluded, 29-volume run of “Cat Who” books, e.g., “The Cat Who Could Read Backwards”)
■ The Glasgow, Scotland, company Osdic Shield announced recently that it had designed for potential sale (for those relaxing, yet secure evenings) a fashionable yet bullet-proof sofa and upholstered chairs sturdy enough to protect against .9 mm hand-guns, shotguns and AK47s — with special marketing to hotels, embassies and government buildings.

■ A Perfect Storm of Vaccumousness: In February, British marketing company Havas Helia tapped the “millennial” generation’s obsessions with craft beer and data-driven knowledge, announcing the development of 0101 — a brew created, it said, by social media messages. The company, “finding” that the generation appeared “optimistic,” analyzed “thousands” of the generation’s messages against 24 human emotions, which it translated to 38 particular emotional states, which were fed into the IBM Watson computer, which selected 10 existing beers, whose recipes were then cribbed to create 0101 (a “cream ale” with honey and two spoken words — of love, imagination, and gentle overtones of excitement”).
It's all about those boats, that seafood and more fun at inaugural Naples Boat Show

The Marine Industries Association of Collier County and its charitable foundation host the annual Bay Days Cleanup from 8-11 a.m. on Saturday, April 9. More than 1,000 volunteers are expected to help collect trash and litter along Collier County beaches, bays and canals.

“The event is the largest of its kind in Southwest Florida with more than 200 volunteers expected at each of the 11 sites. By collaborating with a variety of partners, the Gulfshore Cleanup helps bring together many individuals to protect our waters,” said Tiffany Sawyer, event coordinator.

Collier County and Keep Collier Beautiful host the annual Bay Days Cleanup from 8-11 a.m. on Saturday, April 9. More than 1,000 volunteers are expected to help collect trash and litter along Collier County beaches, bays and canals.

“We are thrilled with the talent lineup, seafood vendors and, of course, our amazing members and dealers for this first of what we hope becomes an annual event,” says Tiffany Sawyer, event coordinator.

Vendors from across the state will bring in fresh catch for a surf-and-turf dining delight, and boat dealers will have on display the newest products they have to offer.

Here’s the entertainment lineup:

- **11 a.m.** – The Paul Allodi Band
- **12:30 p.m.** – Lazaro Arbos of “American Idol” and 40 Something
- **3 p.m.** – Grayson Rogers
- **4 p.m.** – Tim Charron
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A craft beer fest and kids’ activities will go on throughout the event.

Tickets are available online at naples-boatshow.com or at the gate. Admission ranges from $15 general admission for one day and $40 for general admission all three days; children ages 7 and younger will be admitted free. Parking is available at the Florida Sports Park, with donations for the Lely High School Sports Boosters welcome. Visit the website for more information.

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PFLAG welcomes all to interfaith convocation

Servicing to cultivate understanding and cooperation among people of all religious and spiritual faiths, 23 houses of worship will participate in the ninth annual PFLAG interfaith convocation set for 3 p.m. Sunday, April 10, at The Current Ecumenical Center, 975 Imperial Golf Course Blvd. (in Imperial Square Mall between Passage to India and Jack’s Seafood Bar and Grill).

Through music and prayer, attendees will experience how good it is to join together not just by including, but also by celebrating gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered members of the community. People of all faiths are welcome to pray together without discrimination or stigma and to enjoy a reception afterward.

PFLAG is a parent-based organization that was started by heterosexual parents wanting to understand and help their gay children. It serves as a support group and provides a non-judgmental outlet for feelings and questions. The Naples chapter meets from 7-9 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month at Naples United Church of Christ, 5200 Crayton Road. To reach the 24-hour help line, call 963-4670.

For more information about the interfaith convocation, call 206-3267 or visit pflaginterfaith.com.

Publix takes pleasure in helping kick-start Stamp Out Hunger

Publix stores at The Pelican Strand, Riverchase, Naples Walk and Pebblebrooke invite shoppers to help Collier Harvest fill the truck with non-perishable food items to kickstart the annual Stamp Out Hunger drive.

Collier Harvest trucks will be parked at each of the four stores from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 2. Shoppers will be able to purchase suitable items at the front of the stores to add to the truck. The donations will be the first for this year’s National Association of Letter Carriers spring food drive.

The official Stamp Out Hunger effort is set for Saturday, May 14, when U.S. Postal Service carriers will collect food donations from mailboxes along their regular delivery routes throughout Collier County. Volunteers are needed to follow along behind the mail trucks and also to sort food as donations are delivered to Collier Harvest headquarters. For more information about how to get involved, call 455-3663 or visit collierharvest.org.

Conservancy staffers will present program

The public is invited to hear from two Conservancy of Southwest Florida staff members about future development in Florida on Monday morning, April 4, at First Presbyterian Church of Naples. Nicole Johnson, director of growth management and planning, and Jennifer Hecker, director of natural resource policy, will discuss how ensuring the location and timing of future development can protect our natural resources and how Florida can confront and overcome its water challenges.

Attendance is free. The church is at 250 Sixth St. S. For more information, call 262-1311.

One of Naples Botanical Garden’s most famous blooms is blossoming. The massive jade vine, Strongylodon macrobotrys, is prominent in bright turquoise among the purple of the queen’s wreath, Petrea volubilis, in the Kapnick Caribbean Garden. The jade vine, a native of the Philippines, was planted in the Garden in 2009. Its first blooms occurred in 2014, and then with just one small cluster. Last year saw a few more of the showy vines, and this year’s spectacular display is likely to go on for several weeks. The blooming of the jade vine coincides with the final days of “Nature Connects: Art with LEGO Bricks,” an exhibit of 15 giant sculptures made with the iconic building blocks. The exhibit closes Sunday, April 10. The Garden is open every day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (8 a.m. opening every Tuesday). Admission is $14.95 for adults, $9.95 for ages 4-14 and free for ages 3 and younger. Members are always admitted free. For more information, call 643-7275 or visit naplesgarden.org.
Election forums focus on state, county races

A coalition of civic groups continues its 2016 election forums in April.

Florida legislative races will be featured the afternoon and evening of Thursday, April 7, at Hodges University. From 4-5:30 p.m., Republican candidates for Florida House District 80 (so far, Byron Donalds and Joe Davidow) and for House District 106 (Republicans Lavigne Kirkpatrick and Robert Rommel) will discuss issues and answer questions. From 6-7:30 p.m., contenders for Florida District 28 (Republicans Kathleen Passidomo and Matt Hudson) will air their views.

On Wednesday, April 13, candidates for Collier County Commission District 3 will come together from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Golden Gate Senior Center. Candidates so far are Democrat Anissa Karim and Republicans Ron Kezeske, Burt Saunders and Russell Tuff and Atom McCree, NPA.

All of the forums will be moderated by retired Naples Daily News editorial page editor Jeff Lytle. Candidates will field questions from the sponsoring organizations and from the audience. Reservations are not required. Seating is on first-come basis.

These and other forums are sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Collier County, Collier County Citizens Council, Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, Naples Press Club, Greater Naples Better Government Committee, Collier County Presidents Council, Greater Naples Leadership, Pelican Bay Property Owners Association, East Naples Civic Association, Golden Gate Civic Association and Golden Gate Estates Area Civic Association.

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1. Pre-qualify: This is done by calling the district at 377-0590.
2. Gather documents: A list of required documents for enrollment in Head Start and VPK can be found at collierschools.com. Parents MUST have all of these documents in order to complete the registration process for any Pre-K program.
3. Visit the MLK Administrative Center: Parents must bring all required documents to the center, where they will complete an online application. A school district representative will be on hand to assist with applications and will complete the registration process. The center is at 57765 Osceola Trail, Naples.

Renaissance Academy solicits proposals for classes, lectures

The Renaissance Academy at Florida Gulf Coast University seeks new topics and instructors for its lifelong learning program for winter/spring (January-May), summer (June-August) and fall sessions (September-December) at any of the academy’s 12 RA locations in Collier, Lee, and Charlotte counties.

Academy programming for adults, seniors and retirees is based on the premise that learning should never cease, that keeping the mind intellectually, creatively and culturally active fundamentally enriches and invigorates lives. Single lectures, short courses, day trips, computer classes, film series, life enrichment and travel abroad are just some of the programs offered. There are no exams or grades, just learning for the joy of learning with friends, neighbors, and peers.

Presenters can offer single lectures and/or short courses in art, business, computer instruction, ecology, environment, government, history, law, life enrichment, literature, music, philosophy, psychology, religion, science, sociology, medicine and U.S. and world affairs. There are no advanced degree requirements for lecturers. Prior lecture experience is required as are PowerPoint or other visual aids. The academy pays $75 per lecture. Lectures are offered weekdays, evenings and weekends; most are 75-90 minutes long, with time allotted for question-and-answer sessions or discussion. Anyone interested in lecturing for the FGCU Renaissance Academy can download a course proposal form at fgcu.edu/academy. Forms are also available via mail by calling 425-3272. For more information, call John Guerrera, director of continuing education and the Renaissance Academy, at 434-4838 or email jguerra@fgcu.edu.

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Cancer Alliance of Naples holds its third annual Yoga CAN event at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 3, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Instructors from Green Monkey will lead the community yoga workout, including a session for children. A silent auction will also be held. To sign up or for more information, call 643-4673 or go to cancerallianceofnaples.com.

Angels Undercover hosts its annual Sip & Pott on Tuesday evening, April 5, at Pelican Mariner Golf Club. Guests will enjoy wine, hors d’oeuvres and music while participating in putting, chipping and long-range golf. Tickets are $100, and all proceeds will purchase school uniforms for Collier County students. For more information or to register, visit angels-undercover.org or email info@angels-undercover.org.

Naples Philharmonic hosts the Arts—Naples 10K Run for Music starting at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, April 9. The route begins west of Pelican Bay Boulevard South and U.S. 41 and finishes at Arts—Naples. A 1-mile walk is also included. Proceeds benefit the orchestra and its youth initiatives. Registration is $30-$45 for the 10K, $30-$20 for the walk. For more information, call 404-7007 or visit geran.run.org.

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Marco Island is set for 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Marks Park. Caregivers and survivor walks follow the opening ceremony. A luminaria service will take place at sundown and the closing ceremony will be at 9 p.m. For more information or to register, visit relayforlife.org/naples.

The fourth annual Silver King Classic tarpon tournament sponsored by Walk Raisor Foundation for Brain Cancer Research takes place Saturday, April 16, at Walker’s Cove, Key Marina in Goodland. The captain’s meeting is at 6 p.m. Friday, April 15. Prizes totaling $1,000 in the youth division and $3,000 in the recreational division will be awarded. For registration or more information, call Capt. Sean Black at 643-4673 or go to relayforlife.org/naples.

St. Matthew’s House hosts its 10th annual Dean Lind Golf-A-Thon from 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, at Imperial Golf Club. The format is designed to enable unlimited golf; players fundraise by soliciting sponsors per hole or flat rate pledges. Players must raise $1,000 to play. For more information or to register, call 800-0266 or email jodee@stmatthewshouse.org.

Girls on the Run Collier Island holds its Superhero 5K Saturday morning, April 23, at Sugden Regional Park. Participants are encouraged to dress as their favorite superhero for a family run, children’s activities, prizes and an opportunity to meet superheroes. A children’s run starts at 8:35 a.m. and the 5K sets out at 8:40 a.m. Registration is $10-$35. The public school with the largest registered team will share a portion of the event’s proceeds. For more information or to sign up, call 777-3720 or visit gortcc.org.

Lipman Produce hosts a Run for Backpacks 5K and Junior Fun Run at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 23, at Immokalee Regional Airport to raise money for backpacks giveaway for Immokalee’s elementary and middle school students. The race kicks off the Immokalee Wine and Fest followed by a parade and family activities. To sign up or for more information, call 657-4421 or visit lipmanproduce.com.

First Baptist Academy hosts its 14th annual golf tournament Saturday morning, April 30, at Windstar on Naples Bay. Registration for $150 includes continental breakfast, lunch and awards. To sign up or for more information, call 597-2233 or visit fbaiol.org.

The Immokalee Foundation hosts the 10th annual Inter-Church Challenge golf tournament Thursday, May 5, at Bonita Bay Club Naples. Fourosomes from the area’s most prestigious golf communities will compete with their respective golf pros. Registration for $1,280 includes breakfast, driving range practice, lunch and awards ceremony. For more information or to register, call 430-9122 or visit immokaleefoundation.org.

The fourth annual Swing for the Kids charity invitation to benefit children’s programs of the Mental Health Association of Southwest Florida takes place Friday, May 6, at Grey Oaks Country Club. For information about sponsorship opportunities, call Krista Fraga at 877-6978 or email Krista.fraga@sothebysrealty.com.
CLUB NOTES

The Naples Christian Women's Connection holds its next luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 1, at Quail Creek Country Club, 13000 Vandyke Drive. Guest speakers include Luda Johnson and will hear from Nancy Nelson about a program called Luvlybear/Quilts for Tots. Debbie Bailey will share "An Interesting Cinderella Story." For more information, call 514-2207 or email cwcnaples@gmail.com.

The Greater Naples Branch of AAUW welcomes members and guests to its next meeting Saturday, April 2, at Hodges University. Recipients of $55,000 in scholarships awarded by the local branch this year will be recognized. For more information, email Zane Garfein at zagaflein@gmail.com.

Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae of Naples, Marco Island and Bonita Springs are invited to cocktails and conversation by the pool from 6-8 p.m. Monday, April 4, at a member's home in Quail West. Chapter members meet year round for various activities. For more information, call Linda Shafer at 992-6052 or email lwookline@msn.com. The club website is naples.kappathatheta.org.

Reservations are required by April 5 for the Genealogical Society of Collier County's 32nd anniversary dinner on Tuesday, April 12, at Faith Lutheran Church, 4510 Goodlette-Frank Road. Guest speaker Joyce Thompson-Hovey will present a program about Civil War music. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Cost is $25. For reservations or more information, call Madonna Crane at 457-7295 or visit thegscc.org.

The Gulf Breeze Button Club meets at 10 a.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the Golden Gate Community Center. The next meeting is April 5. All who are interested in collecting antique to contemporary to two gatherings will be served. You need not be a member to attend, and reservations are not necessary. For more information, email Laura Cadriss at laura_cadriss@msn.com or visit auugwb.org.

The Yiddish Club of Naples meets at 10 a.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at Temple Shalom, 4630 Pine Ridge Road, and welcomes anyone who enjoys hearing Yiddish spoken, read or sung. The next meeting is April 5. Come schmooze! For more information, email Zane Garfein at zagaflein@gmail.com.

The Naples chapter of Ikebana International invites members and guests to its next meeting at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 6, at Naples Botanical Garden. After the election and installation of officers for the coming year, member Maeria Norberg will offer instructions on how to write a haiku. Bring pen, paper and a "zen mentality." For more information, visit ikebananaples.com.

The Naples Doll Club welcomes all who enjoy the beauty of dolls from antique to contemporary to two gatherings in April, both starting at 11:30 a.m. at Mayflower Congregational Church. A workshop on Wednesday, April 6, will focus on headcoverings, and the meeting on Wednesday, April 20, will be the last regular meeting until fall. The church is at 2900 County Bard Road. For more information, call 550-0030 or email wlm34112@gmail.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 April 6. EAA The Naples EAA chapter is one of approximately 1,000 chapters worldwide. Members are pilots, student pilots, plane builders and aviation enthusiasts. The local association also serves a pancake breakfast from 8-11 a.m. on the second Sunday of each month in the pilots' lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. Admission for $5 includes pancakes, eggs, bacon or sausage and orange juice. All proceeds benefit the EAA Young Eagles program that acquaints youth ages 8-17 with aviation as a career. The next breakfast is April 10. For more information, call 649-6627 or visit eaameets.org.

Naples alumni of Sigma Chi meets for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 9, at the Naples Sailing & Yacht Club, 896 River Point Drive. Guest speaker is Pedro Wasmer. Reservations are required by April 7 and can be made by calling 293-5299. Members are also invited to a happy hour gathering from 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, at Bokampers in Naples.

— Email club news to Cindy Pierce at cpierce@floridaweekly.com.

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Is it really 2017 already? According to Audi it is. As of this publishing, the 2017 A4 sedan has been available at dealers for about a week.

This is a new car with new engines that rides on a new platform. So it might seem a bit odd that the exterior is not a radical departure from its predecessor.

Audi turned the large trapezoidal grille on the A4 into a hexagon back in 2012, and that still dominates the sedan’s face today. As long as the company commits to these big grilles, the style often will be more about evolution rather than revolution. That might not be bad thing.

With the A3 sedan taking over the entry-level executive role, the new A4 feels like it bought a bettered tailored suit with its promotion bonus.

So the 2017 car looks a like its predecessor, but now has progressed into an overall crispness that feels like a more thoughtful design. This is supported by the details like headlights that feature Audi’s first logo and the sequential blinking turn signals.

More thoughtfulness in the details can be felt just by opening the door. The handle releases with a muffled mechanical sound that seems like an engineer spent a week making sure that the release would not sound vulgarly metallic. The same can be said for how the doors close with a dampened “thank.”

Those who have sat in Audis before, but bought something else, will now be sold on the A4’s first impression.

Gone are the predecessors that boasted about their technology with an overwhelming array of buttons. In its place is a more advanced interior with controls that are logically laid out and leave room for handsome design elements like the dashboard’s textured aluminum.

But the real party piece is the steering wheel. It’s a three-spoke unit that feels like the kind we used to get in sports cars before safety regulations made them larger and more uncomfortable.

This one still has the center airbag, but it is so compact, it just feels like a center horn ring and nothing else.

Beyond that are a bright set of gauges controlled seats, sport suspension and climate — with adaptive cruise control, climate controlled seats, sport suspension and plenty of other luxury items — crests that rides on a new platform. So it might seem a bit odd that the exterior is not a radical departure from its predecessor.

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But those who love the latest technology will want to upgrade to the company’s new “virtual cockpit.” This replaces the entire gauge area with a 12.3-inch screen on which you can lay out the road ahead in Google Maps. When fully connected, this is not just a representation of the route, and the driver actually follows a 3D satellite image of the journey.

At launch the A4 is available with a 2.0-liter turbocharged motor, making 252 horsepower. There may be more fuel-efficient offerings in the future, and we fully expect a hotter V6 S4 in a year, but for now this standard engine does a good job of both being quiet and powerful.

The standard configuration is front-wheel drive, but Audi is best known for its optional performance Quattro all-wheel drive that remains poised in all conditions.

As expected with any premium German car, comfort and performance come at a price. The 2017 A4 starts at $37,300. It is a nice luxury sports sedan, but to be eligible for the most advanced technological options, it first requires a $3,800 upgrade to the Premium Plus trim level. From there, cool features like the virtual cockpit are part of an additional $3,250 package that also comes with a premium HD radio, radar sensors and other goodies.

The options list has grown so much that the fully loaded test car on this page — with adaptive cruise control, climate controlled seats, sport suspension and plenty of other luxury items — crests above $50K.

This might seem like the new A4 is reaching into some pretty high-priced territory, especially since its bigger brother A6 starts around $46K and the previous generation S4 is $49K.

Then again, now that the A4 is drinking Perrier in the executive lunchroom, it is nice that there’s still a base model that’s not afraid to wear its nice suit to the water cooler.
Traffic deputies are on the road

Here’s where Collier County Sheriff’s Office traffic-enforcement deputies will be the week of April 4-8:

**Monday, April 4**
Coronado Parkway: Speeding
Green and Logan boulevards: Red-light running

**Tuesday, April 5**
U.S. 41 East and Collier Boulevard: Aggressive driving
Golden Gate Parkway and Sunshine Boulevard: Speeding
Immmokalee and Airport-Pulling roads: Speeding

**Wednesday, April 6**
Titan Way at Golden Gate High School: Aggressive driving
Tropicana Boulevard and 32nd Avenue Southwest: Aggressive driving
Radio Road and Davis Boulevard: Red-light running

**Thursday, April 7**
Orange Blossom Drive and Livingstone Road: Aggressive driving
Vanderbilt Beach and Airport Pulling roads: Red-light running
Immmokalee Road and I-75 northbound exit: Red-light running

**Friday, April 8**
Goodlette-Frank and Vanderbilt Beach roads: Speeding
U.S. 41 North and Pelican Bay Boulevard: Speeding
Pine Ridge and Livingston roads: Red-light running

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:

- **Thursday, April 14:** 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. William’s Ministry Center, 750 Seagate Drive, Naples; 732-5310.
- **Thursday, April 21:** 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Marco Island Lutheran Church, 525 Collier Blvd., Marco Island; (734) 968-3105.
- **Friday, April 29:** 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Golden Gate Senior Center, 4898 Coronado Parkway, Golden Gate; 732-5310.

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mined to bend it to his will. JFK brought glamour. Mr. Trump brought New York attitude and new money glitz. And while old Palm Beach may cringe, Trump is there to stay, whether he wins or not.

The Kennedys arrived in Palm Beach when family patriarch Joseph Kennedy bought a home there in 1933. There were 1,700 residents. The island, like much of Florida, was segregated. But it was much more than a division of whites and blacks. It was a division of Jews and Gentiles, the extraordinarily wealthy and the lower classes.

Joe Kennedy was a member of the then notoriously segregated Everglades Club, which excluded minorities, Jews and anyone who simply didn’t measure up to its elite standard.

By the time his second son was elected president, Palm Beach’s population had climbed to more than 6,000. The island remained deeply segregated and attitudes had changed little from when Joe Kennedy first bought a home there 27 years earlier.

JFK made frequent trips to Palm Beach during his presidency. One Kennedy moment shows Kennedy playing in the family pool with his very young children Caroline and John Jr. JFK is seen tossing a ball to a pair of dogs running beside the pool.

Palm Beachers still like to see old family photos of the First Couple going to St. Edwards Catholic Church, JFK holding press conferences and the children at play.

Five years before Donald Trump arrived in Palm Beach, attorney Allen DeWeese had been arrested by Palm Beach Police for jogging shirtless. The town council had passed an ordinance declaring jogging shirtless to be indecent exposure. Violators faced up to 60 days in jail or a $500 fine.

In court, the town argued that it must prove that most of their custom- ers will be people who live there. Some argued that Mar-a-Lago will attract outsiders.

Now, the town, which is about 2½ Republican and home to conservative stars Rush Limbaugh and Ann Coulter, faces the possibility that the flag will be flying over another Winter White House — Mar-a-Lago.

— Brian E. Crowley spent more than two decades as one of Florida’s leading political writers covering local, state and national politics. A former political editor, metro editor, editorial writer and Tallahassee bureau chief for The Palm Beach Post, Mr. Crowley has reported on every major statewide political race since 1980. Read him online at crowley-politicalreport.com.
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Less than one-quarter of patients who met the criteria for prediabetes received drug or lifestyle modification treatment from their primary care physician, according to University of Florida researchers, who say the findings indicate physicians are missing opportunities for diabetes prevention.

The study appeared in the Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine.

More than a third of U.S. adults have prediabetes, which is defined as having blood glucose concentrations higher than normal, but not high enough for a diabetes diagnosis. People with prediabetes have a greater risk of vascular problems, kidney disease, and nerve and retinal damage.

“We know that prediabetes is considered one of the biggest risk factors for the development of diabetes, with estimates ranging from 15 to 30 percent of people with prediabetes developing diabetes within five years,” said lead investigator Arch G. Mainous, III, Ph.D., chair of the department of health services research, management and policy in the UF College of Public Health and Health Professions, part of UF Health.

“We also know that 90 percent of people who have prediabetes don’t know they have it. So the question becomes where is the doctor in all this? Is the doctor identifying people with prediabetes, telling them about it and providing treatment? That’s what we wanted to find out.”

The UF study analyzed data from the 2012 National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey, a survey of physician office visits that allows for national estimates of U.S. medical care. The researchers studied visits to general, family or internal medicine providers by patients age 45 years and older who had physician-ordered blood tests done within the past 90 days. About 34 percent of the patients had a blood glucose level between 5.7 and 6.4 percent, which the American Medical Association considers prediabetes. Of those patients, very few were told they had prediabetes, and only 23 percent received treatment for the condition, such as lifestyle modification counseling or drug therapy, as indicated in their medical records.

Low rates of prediabetes diagnosis and treatment might be expected when physicians don’t have patients’ blood test results available, Mr. Mainous said, but patients in this study had undergone recent blood tests.

“Even with blood test results in front of them, physicians weren’t detecting prediabetes in their patients in terms of making a diagnosis or providing some sort of management or treatment,” said Mr. Mainous, the Florida Blue endowed chair of health administration.

Mr. Mainous is currently conducting a survey of several thousand family physicians to understand the reasons why patients aren’t receiving prediabetes treatment, whether it is doctors’ lack of knowledge about prediabetes guidelines, some aspect of the patient-provider relationship or a reluctance to overmedicalize a condition that has not yet progressed to a disease.

“One of the keys to diabetes prevention is detection and management of people with prediabetes,” Mr. Mainous said. “Identifying people with prediabetes and getting them some sort of treatment has been shown to be effective for slowing the progression to diabetes or stopping it altogether, and that is the goal of prevention. We don’t want to manage half the population with diabetes. What we want to do is keep them from getting diabetes.”
Hope HealthCare Services presents ‘Capturing Grace’ documentary

In honor of National Parkinson’s Disease Awareness Month in April, Hope HealthCare Services presents a screening of ‘Capturing Grace’ by film-maker and director Dave Iverson at 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 5, at the Woodlands Grand Cypress Room at Shell Point in South Fort Myers.

Parkinson’s is personal for Mr. Iverson. He was the third member of his family to receive the diagnosis. While producing a film about the disease called “My Father, My Brother and Me” for the PBS Frontline series, he learned about the Mark Morris Dance Group’s partnership with the Brooklyn Parkinson Group and the idea for “Capturing Grace” was formed.

“This is a film about rediscovery, the rediscovery of a lighter step and the sweetness of motion,” the filmmaker says. “And it’s a story about a remarkable community of dancers — some professional, some not — all coming together to move in space — and in doing so, rediscovering grace. And it is in that rediscovery that each becomes whole.”

Admission is free, but seating is limited. RSVP by calling Michelle Martin at 985-7727 or emailing michelle.martin@hopebcs.org.

Free lectures cover health from head to toe

Physicians Regional Healthcare System hosts a series of monthly lectures and educational events that are free and open to the public. Unless otherwise noted, sessions are one hour long and reservations can be made by calling 348-4180. Here’s what’s coming up:

■ It Was Just A Sprain, So Why Does My Ankle Still Hurt? – 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 7, at 601 Pine Ridge Road. Dr. Eugene Krynetskiy discusses chronic ankle instability after a sports- or work-related injury as well as the non-surgical, minimally invasive and traditional treatments to help you return to an active lifestyle.

■ Diabetes Education & Support – 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, 19 and 26; 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, April 13, 20 and 27, at 601 Pine Ridge Road. Led by certified diabetes educator Pam Eichler, R.N.

■ Arthritis: What’s New, What Works – 6 p.m. Thursday, April 14, at 601 Pine Ridge Road with Dr. Robert Zehr.

■ American Heart Association classes — lay responders – CPR and AED, 9-11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 16. Emergency first aid, noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 16. Classes are held at 8500 Collier Blvd. To sign up, call 354-6085.

■ Get a Leg Up on Foot and Ankle Pain – 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, at 601 Pine Ridge Road with orthopedic surgeon Chirag Patel.

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The waiting room is equipped with an interactive video display projected onto the floor, where the little ones can use their feet to make various scenarios come alive, ranging from chasing a starfish around the sea to kicking marshmallows into warm cocoa. Adding to the comforting and welcoming ambience are a fanciful tree to play under and a few little soft critters to crawl through. If you didn’t know this was a pediatric waiting room, you might think you were in a theme park. It’s an ingenious setup.

About 900 visitors attended our open house, including one little guy who was very happy and comfortable in the waiting room but less eager when his mom encouraged him to cross the threshold into the examining area. Not to worry: A nurse was standing by with an offer to see a “lizard” attached high on the exam room wall and an invitation to change the color scheme of the exam room. Within minutes, the lad was exploring the entire facility. No longer would a visit to the ER be so frightening and uncomfortable.

The rear entrance of the pediatric ER allows for Emergency Medical Services to transport directly into a special resuscitation room in the event of a child victim of drowning or another catastrophe. In such cases, Dr. Debra Lopez or a colleague can come down from the McDonald Seacarium to assist along with the adult ER physicians and staff.

Having full-service pediatric capabilities in town has already led to more young lives being saved. Dr. Myers’ vision for this state-of-the-art facility began five years ago when she came to Southwest Florida to develop our program. From vision to design to execution and fruition, the pediatric ER has exceeded everyone’s expectations. Currently we have pediatric specialties in cardiology, pulmonology, gastroenterology, hematology/oncology, neurology, nephrology and urology, with others anticipated soon.

On a recent afternoon, Dr. Myers diagnosed a child with acute leukemia, treated another with Burkitt’s lymphoma and a third with retinoblastoma, in addition to the usual broken bones, laceration repairs, sports-related concussions, pneumonia and other acute childhood illnesses. Please share this good news with those you know who have children. ■

— Dr. Allen Weiss is president and CEO of the NCH Healthcare System.
Self-directed care can mean hope in the struggle for mental health

BY DAVID SARCHET  
Special to Florida Weekly

I'm moved to write about a unique program in Southwest Florida that has quietly been developing since 2005 — a program that offers hope to those dealing with depression and other mental illnesses. Called Florida Self-Directed Care, it’s operated by the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Collier County to serve people there and in Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties.

FloridaSDC is a vehicle for eligible individuals to use public funds to arrange their own mental health care so as to address the disabling aspects of their mental illnesses and begin or return to a productive lifestyle, which is defined as working/volunteering or being able to do either.

FloridaSDC is based on the understanding that recovery from serious mental illnesses is a reality. Recovery is about overcoming the adverse effects of mental illnesses that have hampered the ability to fulfill personal life goals. If hope is thought of as confidence in the ability to fulfill personal life goals, then the point is in FloridaSDC, there is choice.

SDC members also use funds to access alternative or complimentary activities in the community that serve therapeutic purposes. The member and his chosen provider(s) confer about the best strategies to achieve therapy goals.

In a recent satisfaction survey, all program members who used complementary services rated them as having been helpful. Once members arrange their mental health care to their liking, attention is turned to productivity goals. There’s room in the budget for goods and services that help members get back to work, either for pay or as volunteers. This can include training, clothes, work tools, computers or transportation — or many other things — depending on the person’s goals(s) and particular needs.

Basic dental, vision and hearing services also often play a very important role in members’ recovery plans.

Using tax dollars in all these ways may challenge another common, and pretty stubborn, belief: Don’t give money to people in poverty, because they’ll come to depend on it and not use it to better themselves. There’s no denying poverty is a powerful force, and there’s a natural tendency to use any extra money to simply get by. This, after all, eases stress and supports good mental health. In FloridaSDC, responsibility and accountability are core values. Coaches assist members in the technical aspects of establishing goals in specific, measurable, and time-limited terms. They help members learn to work within a budget to identify needed purchases. They then become accountability partners along the way to members’ important and lasting life changes.

Many people with serious mental illnesses are not ready for the responsibility and accountability FloridaSDC demands. For some it is something to work toward, a sort of light at the end of the tunnel on the continuum of mental health services.

Many are ready now, though — and for them, the fact that we have a unique mental health program like this in our own back yard is something to celebrate. The first program of its kind started in Jacksonville in 2002. There are now a handful of similar programs in other states. In addition, a formal research study is underway at Boston College, and self-directed care has become of special interest to the International Initiative for Mental Health Leadership.

If you, or someone you know is interested in finding out more about FloridaSDC, call 936-4318 for more information about the program benefits and eligibility requirements. As one SDC member put it: “Having hope is new to me. Now I’m saying ‘Maybe someday’ instead of ‘Never.’”

David Sarchet is a licensed mental health counselor who is the program director for FloridaSDC serving Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Hendry and Glades counties.

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**PET TALES**

**Pulling a cart is bred in the bone for some breeds, but almost any dog can learn**

**BY KIM CAMPBELL THORNTON**

You've probably seen vintage photos of dogs pulling carts loaded with milk cans, large cheeses and other goods to market for farmers. Certain breeds specialized in this work, among them Bernese mountain dogs, boulivers des Flandres, great Pyrenees, great Swiss mountain dogs, Leonbergers, Newfoundlands, Rottweilers and Saint Bernards. Dogs were less expensive to purchase and care for than horses and were sometimes referred to as "the poor farmer's horse."

Some modern dog owners, inspired by their breeds' heritage, are eager to teach their dogs to perform their traditional work. They've taken up drafting, also known as carting.

Laura Bullock of Charlotte, N.C., has had greater Swiss mountain dogs for nine years. "I really wanted to do all of the things that my breed is meant to do," she says. "It's something that is interesting and different and definitely challenging. It may look easy, but it's not."

Dogs who can pull a cart or wagon are popular for lots of reasons. They are crowd pleasers in parades, give rides to children, are popular for lots of reasons. They are known as carting.

Greater Swiss mountain dogs Dani and Hobbs train with their cart. COURTESY PHOTO

Before a dog is ever put into a harness or attached to a cart, he becomes accustomed to having a cart brought behind him and learns how it feels to have the shafts of the cart touching his shoulders. Experiencing that sensation is important because as the cart turns, the shafts will touch the dog's body, so it's something he needs to be prepared for.

More advanced lessons involve learning to go in circles, back up, pull uphill, turn right and left, to pull his cart over dirt, grass or gravel. A draft test, to earn a title, a dog may have to show how it feels and

sounds to cross those surfaces and how to make his way through narrow spaces. As he learns, he is rewarded with toys, treats and praise.

Dogs can become accustomed to wearing a harness and being hitched to a cart at any age — the earlier, the better — but depending on the breed, they must be 18 months to 2 years old before they can enter a draft test to earn a title. That's to ensure that the dog's bones and joints are fully developed.

Drafting isn't limited to large breeds. Any dog of any size can learn to pull for fun, exercise or utility, although a smaller dog's loads are limited. Breeds and mixes that have learned to pull include papillons, cockapoos, Shetland sheepdogs and collies.

Before getting started, take your dog to the veterinarian. He shouldn't have any physical problems that could be made worse by the activity.

To learn more, contact a local Bernese mountain dog breed club. They often have drafting demonstrations and clinics at fun days or specialty shows so people can learn about the sport.

The benefits of carting go beyond earning titles or even doing work with it, says Kathe Vasquez, co-chair of the draft committee for the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Southern California. "It forms a really special bond between you and your dog. When you have that partnership, that teamwork, it's really a beautiful thing."

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Relationship advice has been outdated by digital dating

There was a time when I was really good at dispensing dating advice. I prided myself on it. My girlfriends would call me at all hours, night or day, to tell me their relationship stories and ask me to direct them on their next course of action.

I have zero idea why my counsel was sought after; I certainly didn’t have a sparkling track record. After my divorce at the tender young age of 24, I didn’t marry again until 42 — so, that’s almost 20 long years of bad dates and failed relationships. But here’s the bright side: My girlfriends learned from my mistakes; as I always used to tell them: “Do as I say, not as I do.” My rules were pretty standard:

■ If he calls after Wednesday for a weekend date, it’s too late (even if you have no plans, it’s still too late).

■ If your phone rings and you see his caller ID, never pick up on the first ring and, preferably, let the call go to your machine if you can stand to.

■ And, of course, (obviously) never, ever call him.

Archaic, right? Not my rules, of course, but my ridiculously old-fashioned terminology for communication, such as “phone” and “call” and “answering machine.” I might as well be saying, “Never respond to a faxed love letter, only a handwritten one sent via pony express.”

Also, current technology has rendered all my wisdom obsolete. I never know what to advise my single girlfriends anymore. They still tell me their stories and ask for counsel, but mostly I’m just baffled by what relationships have become in the age of online dating, texting and social media. I truly praise the heavens that my husband and I met back in the olden times of 2004 and were forced to use our cellular flip phones as actual phones. Back then, Todd and I lived about 30 miles apart from each other and worked different schedules, so when we couldn’t be together, we’d have these great three-hour-long, late-night phone conversations as we got to know each other. Neither of us ever wanted to be the first to say goodnight. Does anyone even do that anymore?

Here’s an actual conversation that I recently had with a single girlfriend:

**Her:** “So, how’s it going with that guy you met on Match?”

**Me:** “*He* is going with that guy you met on Match!”

**Her:** “I think we might have broken up, actually. I’m not sure. We messaged back and forth on Match for like a week. Then I gave him my number and we were texting a LOT. It got to the point where he was even texting me, ‘Good morning’ and stuff. That went on for a couple of weeks, but then it just stopped. No more texting. But just yes- terday, I posted a sunset picture on my Instagram and he LIKED it. So, maybe we’re back on?”

**Me:** “Have you ever met him? Or even spoken on the phone?”

**Her:** “No.”

**Me:** “Then you never broke up because you were never in a relationship!”

But she begged to differ, and so have plenty of other single friends over similar scenarios. These “texting relationships” are, it seems, actual relationships. And they’re part of the new normal when it comes to dating. I’m not talking about people in their 20s, either; these are friends in their 40s and 50s. Their reports from the love front are harrowing, at least to me.

For instance, I was recently at happy hour, enjoying a glass of wine with a 48-year-old single girlfriend when she got a text. She looked at her phone and her eyes got wide.

“What?” I said.

“Nothing really,” she responded. “I should be used to it by now.”

She then explained that she had met a fellow online and they started texting a couple of days before. Then she showed me the photo he had sent her. I nearly fell out of my chair at the photo of a VERY private portion of his anatomy. My friend, however, wasn’t terribly surprised. “I get them from guys I meet online all the time,” she said. “But usually they wait until we’ve been texting for at least a week before they send me one of these.”

“Don’t you think you should at least have had a lunch date before he sends, um, that?” I asked incredulously.

She was nonplussed. “Seriously, it’s very common. How do you think I should respond?”

I wanted to confiscate her phone right then and there, but then I realized that with digital dating, everyone is navigating through some pretty confusing Internet and WiFi mazes where human relationships are squeaking by on emojis and selfies. At this point the best advice I can give is to toss your smartphone and get a landline. Pretend it’s 2004 again.

_Ciao for now, my lovelies! Stay tuned for another divalicious diary entry next week..._
Ways to reduce anxiety in high-pressure professions

BY OSVALDO PADILLA
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**Nonprofit News**

Erika Kiah has joined the staff at Soukup Strategic Solutions as a junior associate providing project support to the company’s nonprofit clients. Ms. Kiah has extensive experience in both nonprofit and for-profit sectors with a specialization in program management. She earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration with a major in marketing from the University of Pittsburgh and an MBA with a concentration in strategy and organizational behavior and a certificate in organizational leadership from the University Of Pittsburgh Katz Graduate School of Business.

**Travel**

Neapolitan Lori Peters has been named public relations coordinator at Miromar Development Corp. Mr. Peters was a senior derivatives marketer and trader at several global banks.

**Public Relations**

Naples native Logan Peters has been named public relations coordinator at Miromar Development Corp., to coordinate media relations and internal communications for Miromar Lakes Golf & Country Club, Miromar Outlets and Miromar Design Center. Mr. Peters earned a bachelor’s degree in linguistics from the University of Florida. He has lived in Prague, Czech Republic, and speaks Czech, German and Spanish. He is a member of the Southwest Florida chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association.

**MONEY & INVESTING**

Erica Brettan, the 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.

**ON THE MOVE**

Held assumes the role of COO responsible for financial planning, budget management and cost-benefit analysis of strategic initiatives. As COO, Mr. Wacker continues further development of the company’s proprietary workflow software.

**Printing & Direct Mail**

Rodney Held and Dale Haddad have joined founder David Wacker on the executive team at InTech Printing & Direct Mail Inc. Mr. Held assumes the role of CEO responsible for all sales and marketing, working in tandem with Sue Lampitt. Mr. Haddad joins the team as CFO with responsibility for financial planning, budget management and cost-benefit analysis of strategic initiatives. As COO, Mr. Wacker continues further development of the company’s proprietary workflow software.

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being away from home for long stretches can often become a drain on family life. Also, pilots are often put between a rock and a hard place, weighing safety risks versus financial ones. If they decide to cancel or delay a flight due to weather or mechanical issues, it can cost tens of thousands of dollars and the company can lose money on the flight.

These pressures all culminated to place airline pilots on CareerCast.com’s list of the Most Stressful Jobs of 2016, right alongside some obvious choices, including enlisted military, firefighters and police officers.

The website has been tracking work stress since 2009 based on 11 criteria: travel, deadlines, working in the public eye, competitiveness, physical demands, environmental conditions, hazards encountered, the life of oneself or others at risk, meeting and interacting with customers and/or the public and the potential for job growth.

Surprisingly, the level of pay had little to do with the amount of stress. While enlisted make a median income of less than $30,000 a year, pilots and corporate executives, who were also on the list, often make more than $100,000 per year.

### Causes and costs

Job predictability, immediate and long-term safety and the expectations of others as well as oneself are among the top reasons that job stress can become overwhelming says Dr. Don Baracskay, chief medical and operating officer at SalusCare in Fort Myers. “Police officers, for example, don’t have a lot of control. A supervisor says you’re going to patrol here, and it’s often very chaotic. There’s an awful lot of unpredictability. And there’s the expectation — people want (officers) to be perfect. So it’s easy to understand why they’re on that list.”

Crushing anxiety can sometimes lead to lost time on the job or reduced productivity, simultaneously hitting a business’ bottom line while increasing the costs of insurance and treatment for employees. Researchers at the Harvard Business School and Stanford’s Graduate School of Business estimate that workplace stress creates $80 billion in health care costs annually.

Scientists are working to understand the nature of stress and how to reduce it. “There’s no question that some people are better at handling stress than others. There’s biological research going on trying to find out why that is,” says Dr. Baracskay. Exercise may help deal with stress. Baracskay holds the key to understanding the answer. Preliminary studies show that people who exercise regularly have lower levels of stress and anxiety. According to the American Psychological Association, one current theory being tested is that exercise gets the body’s systems — cardiovascular, muscular, renal, etc. — to communicate and operate together during a controlled stressful situation. Since all these systems are tied to the stress response, they are more efficient at helping the body avoid debilitating anxiety when other uncontrolled stressful situations take place.

### Suceptible jobs

Event coordinators placed fifth on the list of most stressful jobs. “Finally, people don’t think we have the fluffy job anymore,” Trina Chaney-Hooch chuckles. “It’s fun but yes, it can be stressful.” The owner of The Planning Company in West Palm Beach readily talks about how demanding it can be to make sure that a half-million dollar wedding or a corporate conference goes off seamlessly.

“Event weeks, the hours are grueling. There’s no start and end time, it just depends on what needs to be done. You could be looking at 20-hour days for three days straight. And you need to look cute while you’re doing this.”

To help them get through the tough days, her staff carries “emergency survival kits” that include numbing cream for their feet, coffee shots, pain medicine, antacids, bandages, energy drinks, snacks, and flats so that female workers can take a break off of their high heels. She also makes sure to take her staff out for occasional fun days at the spa or restaurants, and she manages their schedules so they can get sleep before and after big events.

The American Psychological Association suggests tracking one’s stress at work and figuring out what activities trigger the most anxiety. “If someone is starting to notice that their job is very anxiety promoting, that’s the time to get help rather than waiting until it’s a crushing sensation,” says Dr. Baracskay.

Talking to supervisors and co-workers can also help to identify and manage stress. Support from friends, family and mental health professionals can also help alleviate the problem and improve focus and productivity.

### Venture X poised to expand as a franchise opportunity

**SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY**

United Franchise Group has begun offering the Venture X franchise, the first co-working space to be franchised in the state of Florida. Founded by CEO David Diamond and COO Brett Diamond and launched in October 2012 with its initial 8,000-square-foot location in the Mercato center in North Naples, Venture X provides private membership office space and a collaborative community for more than 120 companies.

With its vision to expand nationally and then globally, United Franchise Group partnered with Venture X, adding them to the family of brands that includes some of the world’s most successful franchises, with nearly 1,400 locations in more than 80 countries around the world. “The way people work is changing” David Diamond says. “Technology and innovation through mobile devices, cloud computing and social networking allow people the freedom to work from anywhere at any time. Venture X members are freelancers, remote workers, startups, entrepreneurs, nonprofits, small companies and teams from large corporations. Members are professionals who want a place that provides a rich work environment where they can focus on work as well as be a part of a larger collaborative community to share and exchange ideas and develop new business and relationships.

Venture X provides a workspace with an inspiring modern design and a boutique hotel atmosphere and experience, with a mixture of private offices and focused workspaces, open seating areas and social gathering spaces where collaboration and networking happen naturally and organically. Amenities include high-tech conference rooms, a hotel-like lobby/lounge, phone booths, two cafés, outdoor terrace seating, high-speed Internet, free coffee and tea, office equipment and supplies and community managers to meet members’ needs.

“We have the systems and people in place to provide location and setup assistance, training, marketing and on-going support,” says Jared Streesen-B4 | BUSINESS | WEEK OF MARCH 31-APRIL 6, 2016 | www.FloridaWeekly.com | NAPLES FLORIDA WEEKLY

## JOBS

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Time on your hands? Consider becoming a SCORE volunteer

Are you newly retired and wondering what to do with your time? Volunteering at SCORE is a way for you to pass on your business knowledge and expertise to the next generation of entrepreneurs in the community.

SCORE volunteers provide confidential business mentoring services, both in person and online, and lead seminars and workshops to help small business owners meet their goals and achieve success. Volunteer counselors also provide subject matter expertise by industries and professional skills.

The Naples chapter of SCORE is looking for volunteers to greet clients and answer the telephone at its headquarters at 900 Goodlette-Frank Road.

Additional duties include sending out letters of introduction to local businesses and following up by telephone, assembling handouts and distributing brochures to area banks, CPA and law firms alerting their clients to the free and confidential business counseling and mentoring SCORE provides.

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Learning the concept of price multiples can help you find stocks whose various stocks are undervalued or overvalued. It's a tool that investors use in on the ones most likely to increase in value. The term “multiple” usually refers to a company’s price-to-earnings, or P/E, ratio, which is its current stock price divided by its earnings per share (EPS). A company trading at $50 per share with an EPS of $2 has a P/E of 25. Thus, it’s trading at “25 times earnings” or “at a multiple of 25.”

To make sense of a company’s multiple, you might compare it with a reasonable one for its industry and competitive position. For example, if similar companies to Mortgage Insurance (ticker: HEDSU) all have multiples in the high 20s, while its own multiple is in the mid-teens, it will seem relatively undervalued. Of course, sometimes low multiples simply reflect companies whose stock prices have fallen because of some risk. A relatively high multiple can suggest an overvalued stock, but rapid growth can sometimes justify it. Companies and industries with fast-growing earnings will typically have higher multiples, while capital-intensive businesses often have lower ones. In general, for example, carmakers tend to have low multiples, while consumer goods companies often have higher ones.

When you find a company whose industries and multiple are likely to grow, that’s a particularly promising situation. Imagine, for example, a stock trading at $40 per share — 10 times its EPS. $4. As earnings grow, the stock price will likely increase, maintaining that multiple.

For example, when earnings are $6 per share, the stock price should be near $60 if the multiple remains the same — growing perhaps because the company’s prospects improve. Investors grow more bullish about it — the price is likely to increase even more. If a reasonable multiple for the company is 15, the earnings are $6 per share, the stock should eventually approach $90 per share.

MetLife (NYSE: MET) has seen its shares fall in value by around 16 percent over the past year. What’s going on? Well, it has been under pressure from US regulators who want to label the company a “systemically important financial institution.” MetLife has argued that it’s not a bank holding company, and the company far less competitive due to tougher capital regulations. Meanwhile, investors are worried about weakness in Asia potentially slowing MetLife’s overseas growth.

For investors, there are also strong growth opportunities for MetLife that make its stock look like an exceptional value. For example, the company plans to separate its life insurance services, pension services, and gas exploration and production company. It plans to separate its life insurance services, pension services, and gas exploration and production company.

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NETWORKING

Collier Building Industry Association Parade of Homes awards breakfast

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National numbers show sales fizzle in February

After increasing to the highest annual rate in six months, existing-home sales tumbled in February amidst unsustainably low supply levels and steadfast price growth in several sections of the country, according to the National Association of Realtors.

Led by the Northeast and Midwest, all four major regions experienced sales declines in February.

Total existing-home sales (completed transactions that include single-family homes, townhomes, condominiums and co-ops) dropped 7.1 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.08 million in February, down from 5.47 million in January.

Despite last month’s large decline, sales are still 2.2 percent higher than a year ago.

Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, says existing sales disappointed in February and failed to keep pace with what had been a strong start to the year.

The lull in contract signings in January from the large East Coast blizzard, along with the slump in the stock market, might have played a role in February’s lack of closings, he says, but the main issue continues to be a supply and affordability problem. “Finding the right property at an affordable price is burdening many potential buyers,” he says.

Although job growth continues to hum along at a robust pace, Mr. Yun adds, there appears to be some uneasiness among households that the economy is losing some steam. This was evident in NAR’s most recent HOME survey (Florida Weekly, March 24, page B8), which revealed that fewer respondents believe the economy is improving and a smaller share of renters think now is a good time to buy a home.

The median existing-home price for all housing types in February was

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REAL ESTATE

House Hunting:

4913 Berkeley Drive, Queens Park

Special features abound in this three-bedroom, three-bathroom home nestled on a quiet street in Queens Park. A vaulted cathedral ceiling accentuates the spacious feel of the home as skylights, French doors and bay windows allow for a bright and breezy environment. The great room has a built-in entertainment center with bookshelves. Owners will enjoy their private suite complete with a Roman tub. The inviting outdoor living area boasts a huge custom pool, spa and convenient summer kitchen. The neighborhood is just minutes away from Sugden Regional Park and downtown Naples’ active social scene, dining and shopping.

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Villa models open at WCI’s Artesia

Homebuyers can tour nine models at Artesia Naples. WCI Communities’ 261-acre master-planned community between Naples and Marco Island off Collier Boulevard.

Two new villa models, designed by CJ Décor of Fort Myers, showcase the flexibility of the home design.

In the Sand Dollar, the stage is set for a neutral palette in the home’s main living areas with large subway tile in tones of taupes, browns and grays. An eclectic blend of furniture complements the home’s design, while modern light fixtures in gold and gunmetal and woven textiles evoke a casually earthy feel in the 1,916 air-conditioned square-foot home.

In the Coquina villa, bold tangerine, blueberry and rasp-erry accessories pop against tangerine, blueberry and rasp-berriy and metallic accents.

In the Coquina, a fitness center with aerobic studio, as well as a theater, clubroom, billiards table and craft and card rooms. There is also a dog park, pickleball courts and an event lawn.

Artesia Naples is planned for 600 multi- and single-family homes, with 111 of its 261 acres set aside for nature preserves and lakes. The community borders Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve. For more information, visit the sales center, call 444-3499 or go to artesianaples.com.

Miromar Design Center announces 2016 Dream Rooms favorites

Kira Krümm International Design, Henredon Interior Design Showroom and Poggenpohl received top honors in the 2016 Dream Rooms competition at Miromar Design Center. Participating interior designers and showrooms used furnishings, lighting, linens, art and accessories available at the center to create their ultimate “dream rooms.” Visitors voted for their favorite designs.

The Gold Award was presented to Henredon Interior Design Showroom for its P’7350-Porsche Kitchen, a bedroom vignette featuring a color palette of soft whites and creams lightly accented with pale celadon, as well as a diverse range of textures and finishes. The room showcases home furnishings by Hickory Chair Furniture Co. Henredon’s Vivian Armenti completed the design.

The Silver Award-winning Porsche Kitchen by Poggenpohl through the end of the year. The center is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 390-5111 or visit miromardesign-center.com.

Three bedroom, two-bath villas in Artesia Naples include a 20-acre central lake, a pool with a beach entry and dedicated lap lanes, a fitness center with aerobic studio, as well as a theater, clubroom, billiards table and craft and card rooms.

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A rendering of the new activities center at Collier’s Reserve Country Club, which is planned for completion in October 2016.

Improvements set to get underway at Collier’s Reserve Country Club

The board of directors at Collier’s Reserve Country Club has assembled the architectural, interior design and construction team for $13.8 million in improvements at the club in North Naples. The plan will be realized by DeAngelis Diamond Construction, Humphrey Rosal Architects and Noller Design Group. Jeff Nunner, a professional engineer and certified building contractor with more than 25 years of experience, will be project manager.

Groundbreaking is set for April 1 for the first phase of the three-year project. Phase one will introduce a new fitness and activities center, two pickleball courts and an auxiliary entrance with parking for golf carts, automobiles and bicycles. Three new tennis courts will also be added for a total of five. The initial phase also includes converting the existing fitness center to a multi-purpose activity room, expanding the women’s locker room lounge area and refurbishing member locker area rooms.

When completed in 2018, the project will include a renovated clubhouse and a new boathouse along the Cocohatchee River with informal and alfresco dining. “We gathered data on trends, and more importantly information from our new members” to develop the master plan, said W. James Fischer, president of the board of directors. “While championship golf is still paramount, members also want shorter-duration activities like bocce and pickleball and are increasingly interested in wellness facilities and informal and alfresco dining.”

The club enhancement plan also includes funds for the future maintenance of the golf course, including replacement of greens, tees and bunkers, and replacement of cart paths.

Membership at Collier’s Reserve Country Club is limited to 300 resident and non-resident memberships. The community of 224 single-family homes is fully sold. For more information, call 254-2842 or visit colliersreserve.com.
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$20,800, up 4.4 percent from Febru-
ary 2015 ($201,900). February’s price
increase marks the 48th consecutive
month of year-over-year gains.

Total housing inventory at the end of
February increased 3.3 percent to
1.88 million existing homes available for
sale, a number that is still 5.1 percent
lower than a year ago (1.90 million).
Unsold inventory is at a 4.4-month sup-
ply at the current sales pace, up from 4
months in January.

All-cash sales were 25 percent of
transactions in February, down from 26
percent both in January and a year ago.
Individual investors, who account for
many cash sales, purchased 18 percent
of homes in February (47 percent in
January), matching the highest share
since April 2014. Sixty-four percent of
investors paid cash in February.

Investor sales have trended surpris-
ingly higher in recent months after fall-
ing to as low as 12 percent of sales in
August 2015. Mr. Yun adds. Now that
there are fewer distressed homes avail-
able, he explains, it appears there has
been a shift toward investors purchasing
lower-priced homes and turning them
into rentals. Already facing affordability
issues, this competition at the entry-
level market only adds to the roadblocks
slowing first-time buyers.”

The share of first-time buyers fell to
30 percent in February (matching the
lowest share since November 2013) from
32 percent in January, but is up from 29
percent a year ago. First-time buyers in
all of 2015 represented an average of 30
percent.

According to Freddie Mac, the aver-
age commitment rate for a 30-year, con-
ventional, fixed-rate mortgage declined
from 3.87 percent in January to 3.66
percent in February, which is the low-
est since April 2015 at 3.67 percent.
The average commitment rate for all of
2015 was 3.85 percent.

Properties typically stayed on the
market for 59 days in February, a
decrease from 64 days in January and
below the 62 days in February 2015.
Short sales were on the market the lon-
gest at a median of 126 days in February,
while foreclosures and non-distressed
homes each took 57 days. Thirty-five
percent of homes sold in February were
on the market for less than a month.

NAR President Tom Salomone, bro-
ker-owner of Real Estate II Inc. in Coral
Springs, says many Realtors are saying
instances of multiple bids and afford-
able homes going under contract quick-
ly are common in their markets.

Matching the highest share since May
2015, distressed sales foreclosures and
short sales rose slightly to 10 percent in
February, up from 9 percent in January
but down from 11 percent a year ago.
Seven percent of February sales were
foreclosures and 3 percent were short
sales. Foreclosures sold for an average
discount of 17 percent below market
value in February (13 percent in Janu-
ary), while short sales were discounted
16 percent (12 percent in January).

Single-family home sales fell .7 per-
cent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate
of 4.5 million in February from 4.86 mil-
lion in January, but are still 2.0 percent
higher than the 4.42 million pace a year
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home price was $212,300 in February, up
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Existing condominium and co-op sales decreased 6.6 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 570,000 units in February from 630,000 in January, but are still 3.6 percent above February 2015 (550,000 units). The median existing condo price was $298,900 in February, which is 5.1 percent above a year ago.

Regional breakdown
February existing-home sales in the Northeast descended 1.7 percent to an annual rate of 630,000, but are still 5 percent above a year ago. The median price in the Northeast was $329,700, which is 0.8 percent below February 2015.

In the Midwest, existing-home sales sank 13.8 percent to an annual rate of 1.13 million in February, which is unchanged from February 2015. The median price in the Midwest was $262,700, up 6.2 percent from a year ago.

Existing-home sales in the South decreased 3.8 percent to an annual rate of 2.20 million in February, but are still 3.3 percent above February 2015. The median price in the South was $286,400, up 5 percent from a year ago.

Existing-home sales in the West declined 3.6 percent to an annual rate of 1.13 million in February, but are still 0.9 percent higher than a year ago. The median price in the West was $308,800, which is 7.0 percent above February 2015.

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Four models open in Greyhawk at Golf Club of the Everglades

Pulte Homes invites the public to tour four luxury models at Greyhawk at Golf Club of the Everglades. The community is off Vanderbilt Beach Road two miles east of Collier Boulevard. The Abbeville, Summerwood, Pinnacle and Stonewater models are open daily.

New luxury homes at Greyhawk at Golf Club of the Everglades are available in eight floor plans ranging in size from 1,671 square feet of living space in four luxury models at Greyhawk at Golf Club of the Everglades. The community is off Vanderbilt Beach Road two miles east of Collier Boulevard. The Abbeville, Summerwood, Pinnacle and Stonewater models are open daily.

New luxury homes at Greyhawk at Golf Club of the Everglades are available in eight floor plans ranging in size from 1,671 square feet of living space to more than 3,000 square feet. Pricing starts from $200,000.

Greyhawk residents have the opportunity to join the recently renovated Golf Club of the Everglades with its 18-hole championship course designed by Rees Jones and will have access to a multi-million dollar amenity center scheduled to open next year.

At build out, Greyhawk at Golf Club at the Everglades will include approximately 550 homes. For more information, call Josh Graeve, vice president of sales for the PulteGroup Southwest Florida, at 495-4882 or email josh.graeve@pultegroup.com.
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StorySlam brings tale tellers to the Tobye

BY LINDSEY NESMITH
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Storytellers in the Round, a group associated with Naples Advanced Toastmasters, hosts StorySlam at Sugden Theater: An Evening of Storytelling from 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 4, to showcase the art of spinning a yarn for the enjoyment of an audience.

“I think people are surprised by how enjoyable it is to sit and listen to stories,” says event organizer Dr. Joel Ying. “We’re hardwired to live by stories, but it’s not something we do much anymore. It’s captivating and engaging to be with a storyteller and enter the world of the story.”

The group has been staging smaller storytelling events over the past year at a few different locations, including Dr. Ying’s medical office and Bramble’s English Tea Room.

The upcoming event expands the show to a larger audience in Sugden Community Theater’s Tobye Studio, which seats about 100 people.

Ten performers will recount a variety of narratives including personal tales, folktales, fractured fairy tales and more.

“A lot of people really appreciate the personal stories because they find a lot of meaning and parallels to their own life,” Dr. Ying says. “With storytelling, there isn’t the fourth wall. It’s a great way to carry people through emotions and build community.”

Performances include “What’s in a Name” by Tasahara Jallad, “Left Behind” by Rhonda Brazena, “Billy the Best Friend” by Dr. Ying and “Martina the Beautiful Cockroach” by Marilyn Graham.

Tickets are $15 and can be purchased at naplesplayers.org or by calling 263-7990.

For more information about Storytellers in the Round, call 267-6480 or visit opendreaming.com/storytellersRT. ■

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—Dr. Joel Ying, event organizer

Lab Theater tells the stories of LGBT youth in Southwest Florida

BY NANCY STETSON
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“The Rauschenberg Project,” which explores the stories of local LGBT youth, will open at Lab Theater on Saturday, April 2.


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“There’s so much more to a queer person’s life than the moment they decide to tell someone they’re gay,” says Ben Lamoureux (whose drag persona is Bella Lemay.) “These are those stories.”

When he was a student at North Fort Myers High School, Mr. Lamoureux co-founded the school’s Gay-Straight Alliance. Now 20 years old, he’s performing in Laboratory Theater of Florida’s original play, “The Rauschenberg Project.”

Gathered from the real-life experiences of local lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgendered youth, the stories in the play are about “life as a gay person,” he says, “not life as a gay person in relation to how a straight person reacts.”

—Ben Lamoureux, co-founder of the North Fort Myers High School Gay-Straight Alliance

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“Since it’s here

Film critic Dan Hudak says you’ll be glad you saw this sequel.

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Fort Myers Film Festival opens with world premiere of ‘Marcus Jansen — Examine and Report’

The world premiere of “Marcus Jansen — Examine and Report” has been selected to open the sixth annual Fort Myers Film Festival. The documentary by filmmaker John Scootal features the celebrated Southwest Florida artist whose work has been exhibited on an international scale for the last two decades. It includes interviews with art celebrities and personalities including Steve LaRidies, Lawrence Voteyk, West Rabinstein, Brooke Lynn McGowan, Noah Becker and Dieter Rampi.

Mr. Jansen’s work will be shown over the next two years as a traveling solo exhibition at major museums.

“I can’t tell you just what this means to our community to be playing the world premiere of this film right here in Fort Myers,” said Eric Raddatz, film festival director and presentation editor for Florida Weekly. “His work continues to be such an international inspiration. One day you will look back on this moment and realize you got to see something truly amazing with this one.”

Mr. Jansen’s works. The film also includes interviews with Mr. Jansen and footage of him at work. The festival’s opening-night Thursday, April 7, at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall will include a red-carpet rollout with the film’s cast and crew, a question-and-answer session about the project and an after-party. Tickets are $19 for general admission and $99 for VIP.

Additional highlights

“Maya Angelou and Still I Rise,” a film about the poet and activist for gender non-confirming clients. It explores how notions of fashion, appearance and identity can be profoundly transformative for gender non-confirming clients. It shows how what happens, fashion, appearance and identity can be profoundly transformative for gender non-confirming clients.

“Love All The Things Climate Can’t Destroy,” a documentary about the environmentalist and film director Josh Fox, who investigates climate change in his deeply personal story. After traveling to 12 countries on six continents, the filmmaker acknowledges that it might be too late to stop some of the worst consequences and asks, “Is it too late to stop some of the worst consequences?”

“Embrace of the Serpent,” a film about Oscar-nominated director Josh Fox (“GASLAND”) investigates climate change in his deeply personal story. After traveling to 12 countries on six continents, the filmmaker acknowledges that it might be too late to stop some of the worst consequences and asks, “Is it too late to stop some of the worst consequences?”

“Suited” follows a handful of patrons of Bindle and Keep, a Brooklyn clothier that specializes inbespoke suits for gender non-confirming clients. It explores how what happens, fashion, appearance and identity can be profoundly transformative for gender non-confirming clients.

Amazon helps a sick German explorer (Jan Bijvoet) and his guide (Miguel Moreno) on a perilous journey to find a mysterious object deep in the Amazon rainforest.

In the Know

Fort Myers Film Festival

>> What: Fort Myers Film Festival
>> When: April 7-10
>> Where: Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, Broadway Palm Theatre, the Alliance for the Arts, downtown Fort Myers Library, Heights Foundation and Regal Bell Tower 20 at the Bell Tower Shops
>> Tickets: Admission is $10 per film or film block (some sessions involve multiple shorts shown one after the next). The closing-day awards ceremony is $25. Opening night admission is $19 for general admission and $99 for VIP.
>> Info: For a complete list of films, times, venues and tickets, see fortmyersfilmfestival.com. Also see facebook.com/fortmyers-filmfestival.
MEET THE FILMMAKER

The Fort Myers Film Festival takes place April 7-10, with more than 70 films from all over the world. Here’s a short conversation with one of the filmmakers.

**Name:** Bob Hercules  
**Film:** “Maya Angelou: And Still I Rise”  
**Resides:** Chicago  
**What inspires you?** The creativity of other artists.

What about your film do you hope people appreciate?
I hope that our film can inspire people to overcome their own challenges and adversity. I think seeing how Maya Angelou overcame so many obstacles (sexual abuse, the racism of the Jim Crow South, being a black woman in a white man’s world) serves as a testament to her grit, tenacity and perseverance.

What is your favorite film and why? One of my favorite films is “Harlan County, USA,” a cinema-verite film by Barbara Kopple. It’s a riveting story of a coal miner’s strike in Appalachia. It’s probably the reason I got into making documentaries.

— For more on films, locations and times, see fortmyersfilmfestival.com.

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It's telling stories about how we're just the same people. We go through the same relationship drama. The things that straight couples experience, gay couples also experience.

But the play also tackles what's different about those relationships, he adds. "There's a lot of laughs, a lot of tears."

It wasn't initially easy to gather those stories.

Annette Trossbach, founder of the Laboratory Theater of Florida, says she met with suspicion when she first approached the LGBT students at Florida Gulf Coast University's Gay-Straight Alliance. Many of them weren't sure if they should trust her (she would be directing the project) and playwright Louise Wigglesworth — even though they were accompanied by two people from Visuality Inc., a local nonprofit that provides services to LGBT young people.

The students' responses ranged from "Why should I trust them to tell my story?" to "I don't want my life publicized" to "It's nobody else's business."

Trossbach respected those who didn't want to participate in the project. "That was their right," she says. "I understand that they had survived high school and middle school by blending into the shadows and keeping to themselves. It's understandable that they wouldn't want to step into the limelight."

Southwest Florida, after all, isn't the most welcoming environment for LGBT people, Ms. Trossbach heard numerous stories, and some of them were heartbreakingly

"A lot of kids were told that they're not welcome back at their church," she says. "People tried to pray for 'the devil' to leave them." She heard several stories from LGBT kids whose parents had thrown them out of the house; they continued to go to high school while living their car, or sleeping on a friend's couch.

But she and Ms. Wigglesworth did find many at the university GSA and other GSA's who were very open to sharing their stories in hopes of informing the greater community about what's happening with them and in the process, creating more understanding and acceptance. "The Rauschenberg Project" is the result.

Funding the project

The playwriting project began when Ms. Trossbach discovered the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation was offering grants through the Southwest Florida Community Foundation in the arts, environmental stewardship, education and LGBT rights.

"I realized that I could fulfill three of those categories right off the bat, if I were to work with LBGT young people to create a play based on and around their experiences," she says.

Lab Theater partnered with Visuality Inc. and applied for a grant.

They received $46,300 — "every dollar we asked for," she says.

The yearlong project began with gathering stories from local LGBT youth and then turning them into a play. The theater then offered free workshops for LGBT kids ages 14-25 in playwriting, acting, music production, lighting design, costume design, and make-up design.

The idea was to give the kids the acceptance they may not find at school.

The theater, Ms. Trossbach says, is an "open-minded, open-hearted, welcoming place for many people who consider themselves on the fringes of society, who consider themselves different or creative or expressive in a different way than others. So the grant didn't just teach the kids the skills they need to put on a production; it also welcomed them into a different community, a theatrical family.

"It provides these kids tangible skills that they can leave the theater with and use for the rest of their lives: teamwork, electrical wiring, organizational skills, sewing costumes, writing a play, interviewing, just to name a few."

The project title is a tribute to the late Mr. Rauschenberg and the funds that came from his foundation. It's also a nod to "The Laramie Project," a play in which Moisés Kaufman and the Tectonic Theater Project went to Laramie, Wyo., and interviewed various townspeople about the 1998 murder of University of Wyoming gay student Matthew Shepard.

A collection of scenes, monologues and songs that run the gamut from serious to comedic, "The Rauschenberg Project" is structured around various questions:

When did you know? How did you feel?

What is the biggest misconception people have about your lifestyle?

Were you raised in a particular church or philosophy? Did that change when you came out? If so, how?

When did you take ownership of who you are and feel comfortable being you?

"I think the show overall is about how people who identify as a different gender or a different sexual orientation are just people, just like everyone else, who feel things and ultimately want to be fulfilled and find happiness and love," says Mr. Chesebro, a 22-year-old who identifies as bisexual.

Mr. Chesebro heard about the project from his girlfriend when he was at Florida SouthWestern State College and decided to take part, writing a satire he describes as "an infomercial about how to 'de-gay' your kids. It's mocking conversion therapy."

"It's a very dark comedy," he says. "And at the end of it, we contrast it with the harsh, dark reality. (How conversion therapy can drive some kids to commit suicide) because they're not allowed to be themselves."

Cultural vignettes

In another vignette, Cantrella Canady, portrays Kim Davis, a Christian woman whose beliefs prevent her from doing her job selling tickets to Broadway shows. If she feels the show has subject matter she disagrees with, she refuses to sell the tickets.

The scene, of course, is a satire on Kim Davis, the Kentucky county clerk who refused to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples, even when ordered by a federal court. She said to do so would go against her Christian beliefs. "Even being a straight Christian woman, I was appalled by Kim Davis," Ms. Canady, 32, says. "What would I have done? If I felt that strongly about it, I would've gotten a different job.

Ms. Canady was initially a little reluctant to participate in it. "I'm heterosexual," she explains. "I minister at my church. But I was thinking that the one thing I really wanted to bring to the table is that we are understanding. People think we gay bash. And really, we're put here to love, so that's what I'm here for, to love and support them. It's my job as a Christian to show them the love of God.

God's grace is amazing. It's limitless, no matter who you are, what you go through, what you're doing. It's always there. God's grace above is endless, and it's there for everybody."

Participating in the project has been a big learning experience for her.

"Just a deeper look into the culture I've been eye-opening," she says. "It's a great project," she says. "Just to be a part of the birthing process is amazing. It's art, all of it. They're great pieces. I'm here to celebrate the people."

In all, "The Rauschenberg Project" involved 106 people, from those who shared their stories with the 130 mem-

ber ages 17-60 and five backstage people who will bring those stories to life in performances March 31-April 5.

"I think things have gotten better since we started an open dialogue, since we started this project," Ms. Trossbach says. "They've found a forum in which they can express themselves and start discussions on a variety of issues affecting people."

"They've found support. They've found a safe place. It's been heartwarming and tremendous to see."
Islamic terrorism looms large in plot that threatens series’ protagonists

**“Mortal Dilemma” by H. Terrell Griffin. Oceanview Publishing. 400 pages. Hardcover, $27.95.**

The Matt Royal Mystery series keeps getting better and better. As H. Terrell Griffin continues to develop his major characters, not merely repeat them, they gain shading, complication and significance. Plot complications proliferate, building intrigue, suspense and relevance to contemporary events. And as always, the author renders his settings vividly and scrupulously.

This time around, readers will encounter a despondent and nearly suicidal Jock Algren, a Jihadist cell and major threats to the life of both Matt Royal and his lover, the attractive Det. J. D. Duncan.

Having committed one too many assassinations in the service of his country whose goals involve attacking America and its citizens, Jock knows that he only assassinates enemies of his country whose goals involve attacking America and its citizens. He has reached the point where he is ready to lay down his weapons. At the least, he will not attack. But he is also a man of duty and patriotic gusto. Is he anything at all without a deadly mission? Can he live another life?

The investigation takes us to Key West and other of the keys, the Orlando area and the Panhandle. Each location is masterfully etched, as are the scenes of transit from one place to another. Readers will enjoy going along on the protagonists on aircraft, boats and automobiles, experiencing what they do. From beginning to end, there's plenty of action — and necessary violence.

No matter what you like in your thrillers, Mr. Griffin, an almost-lifelong Floridian who retired from practicing law in Orlando and now lives on Longboat Key, provides it all: strong characters in dynamic relationships, authentic portrayals of police work, contemporary international events crafted into compelling plot strands, scenery, sensation, suspense and moral sensibility. The fact that J.D. is on the case has put Matt in jeopardy. And that puts Matt in danger, too. Someone out there has something big to lose if exposed by this investigation. Guilty parties always fear their secrets will be revealed by knowledgeable functionaries or accomplices. In this novel, it begins to look like a game of all fall down.

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**FLORIDA WRITERS**
**THEATER**

**Young Frankenstein** – By The Naples Players through April 3 at the Sugden Community Theater. 263-7990 or naplesplayers.org.

**The Saga of Roaring Gulch** – By Island Theater Company through April 3 at the Marco Island Historical Museum. 180 S. Heathwood Drive, Marco Island. 394-0080 or theateironmarco.com.

**2 Across** – By The Marco Players through April 3 at The Marco Players Theater. 1089 N. Collier Blvd. 642-7270 or themarcomplayers.org.

**A Sleeping Country** – By The Naples Players through April 16 in the Toby Studio at the Sugden Community Theater. 263-7990 or naplesplayers.org. See review on page C10.

**An Enemy of the People** – By Gulfshore Playhouse through April 17 at the Marco Island Historical Museum. 1061 Trade Center Dr., Marco Island. 231-7990 or gulfshoreplayhouse.com.

**Becky's New Car** – By Florida Repertory Theatre through April 6. 2268 Gulfshore Dr., Naples. 434-4372 or fsfrep.org.

**Two across** – By The Naples Players through April 16 in the Toby Studio at the Sugden Community Theater. James Little (center) portrays Dr. Frederick Frankenstein as he picks up his grandfather’s quest to reanimate a corpse. Call 263-7990 or naplesplayers.org.

**Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Center**. letsputonashowproductions.com.

**Art Lecture –**

**Trinity-by-the-Cove Episcopal Church hosts the Olde Naples Art & Entertainment Festival from 6-8 p.m. tonight and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 2, featuring art by children in local nonprofit programs, live entertainment and food from The Butcher’s Son and Parmesan Pete’s. $15-$25. All proceeds benefit the church’s Archangel Fund. 963-6565 or cgrdwyx@yahoo.com.

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**Spring Concert** – Violist J.T. Posada joins the Naples Orchestra and Chorus for a program of works by Puccini, Verdi, Rossini and more at 7 p.m tonight and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at Naples High School. $18 in advance, $20 at the door. 298-7911 or naplesorchestrando-chorus.org.

**SUNDAY 4.3**

**Beach Loot –**

**Comb the shore with a park ranger and learn about tidal movements, shells and sea creatures of all kinds at 9:30 a.m. at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Free with regular park entry fee. 597-6060 or floridastateparks.org.

**Cruise-In – Miromar Outlets hosts a car show from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 948-3766 or miromaroutlets.com.

**Spring Flying –**

**Bring family and friends to Mercato starting at 11 a.m. for an old-fashioned fun-filled festival including live music by Patchoul and The Good Bad Kids and food from the center’s restaurants. 254-1010 or mercatooutlets.com.

**Meet the Composer –**

**Artist and lecturer Anne McLean performs in a multimedia presentation about Rach- maninoff starting at 3 p.m. at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 820-825. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

**MONDAY 4.4**

**Garden Meditation –**

**Naples Botanical Garden hosts a walking meditation session from 9:30-10:30 a.m. 434-4737 or naplesgarden.org.

**Baseball Legends –**

**The FGCU Renaissance Academy presents a lecture about baseball greats Sandy Koufax and Ted Williams starting at 10 a.m. at the university’s Naples campus. $30 for academy members, $35 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

**Sunset Oom –**

**Join a sunset yoga session starting at 6:45 p.m. at Delnor- Wiggins Pass State Park. $5 plus park entry fee. Registration required. 598- 1938 or greenmonkey.com.

**Tail Tales –**

**Storytellers in the Round host 10 local storytellers as they spin yarns at StorySlam from 7:9 p.m. at Sug- den Community Theater. 263-7990 or naplesgarden.org. See story on page C11.

**Films for Film Lovers –**

**Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs screens “Princess” (Spain) at 7 p.m. Love and friendship in the world of Spanish prostitution. $10. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

**Opera Night –**

**Naples Opera Society presents an evening of American opera selections at 7:30 p.m. at The Nor- ris Center. $10. 898-5079 or naplesopera- society.org.

**Naples Depot Museum’s newest photo exhibit, “Rest in Peace: Cemeteries of Collier County,” debuts Saturday, April 2, and runs through September. The show examines how burial sites serve as historical records of the community. The Museum at 1051 Fifth Ave. 5. is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Call 262-6530 or visit museums@colliergee.net.

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WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

TUESDAY 4.5

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Hungry Eyes – The Broadway production of “Dirty Dancing” steps by Arts—Naples today through Sunday, April 10. 597-2900 or artisnaples.org.

Lunch & Learn – Rookery Bay hosts a lecture about the BP oil spill at noon on with lunch provided by Carrabba’s Italian Grill. $10 for Friends of Rookery Bay members, $15 for others. 300 Tower Road. 530-9940 or rookerybay.org.

Opera Dinner – Tenor Livio Ferrari performs at 7 p.m. at Barbatella while guests enjoy a four-course meal. $55. 1290 Third St. S. 263-1955 or barbatellanaples.com.

WEDNESDAY 4.6

Beach Yoga – Head to a morning yoga session on the sand at 9 a.m. at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. $5 plus park entry fee. Registration required. 598-1938 or greenmonkey.com.

Forest Trek – Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary hosts an ancient forest walking tour from 9 a.m. to noon. Free with admission. 348-9151 or corkscrew.audubon.org.

Yard Work – Learn how to incorporate Florida-friendly foliage into your landscape courtesy of Collier County Extension Service from 1-3 p.m. at Home Depot. Free. 1651 Airport-Pulling Road. 252-4800 or ifas.ufl.edu.

Art at Mercato – Kraig Kenning performs at 5 p.m. Thursday, April 7, on the lawn at Mercato. Free. 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

Classic Film – The FGCU Renaissance Academy screens “The Quiet Man” (1952) at 2 p.m. Friday, April 8, at the university’s Naples campus. A retired American boxer returns to the village of his birth in Ireland and finds love. $5 for academy members, $7 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Psychic Night – Psychics Allison Hayes and Jill Jackson demonstrate their abilities at 7 p.m. Friday, April 8, at Unity of Naples. (828) 414-4765 or info@mysticandmedium.com.

Art Show – Naples Artcrafters hosts a fine art and craft show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Cambier Park. naplesartcrafters.com.

Spring Classic – The Spring Classic Swamp Buggy Nights kicks off at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Florida Sports Park. $30-$85. 774-2701 or swampbuggy.com.

COMING UP

Sea Cows – Learn all about manatees at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 7, at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Free with park entry fee. Reservations recommended. 597-6096 or floridastateparks.org.

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Join us Friday April 22nd 7:30pm

Trent Brown conducts the FGCU Chamber and University Choirs in recital Thursday and Friday, April 7-8. The April 7 performance is at 7:30 p.m. in the university’s U. Tobe Recital Hall; the April 8 concert is at 7 p.m. at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church in Bonita Springs. Visit fgcu.edu for more information.

Nature Fest – The Conservancy of Southwest Florida celebrates Earth Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 16, with speakers, educational exhibits, crafts, live animals and more. 262-0304 or conservancy.org.

Family Yoga – Miromar Outlets hosts a beginning yoga class for families with children of all ages at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 16, at Mercato, 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

Camp Fair – Meet local summer camp providers and learn about their programs at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 17, at Mercato, 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.

Meet & Greet – Stuart Woods, author of the Stone Barrington series, signs copies of “Family Jewels,” the newest installment in the series, from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, April 17, at Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Free Concert – Gulf Coast Big Band performs at 2 p.m. in the bandshell at Cambier Park; 877-6090 or gulfcostbigband.com.

That ZaZaZa – Opera Naples hosts an evening of Spanish Zarzuela featuring Martin Nusspaumer and Marinel Cruz at 8 p.m. Monday, April 18, at The David and Cécile Wang Opera Center, 2408 Linwood Ave. 963-9050 or operanaples.org.

American Standards – The Naples Jazz Orchestra performs influential American songs and jazz standards from the early 20th century at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, at Golden Gate High School. $30. 207-8299 or naplesjazzorchestra.com.

Free Movie – Mercato screens “Monty Python” at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, 254-1080 or mercatoshops.com.


Third Thursday – Alan Darcy and Splement perform outdoors on Third Street South at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 301 Third St. S. 262-8936 or events@neapent.com.

opera Night – Gulfshore Opera presents Donizetti’s “Elisir of Love” featuring Irish tenor Anthony Kearns at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 21, at Artis—Naples. 529-3925 or gulfshoreopera.org.
WHERE TO GO

Bluegrass Music – Southern Express Band performs at 7 p.m. Friday, April 22, at The Norris Center. 213-3058 or southernexpressband.com.

Chamber Concert – Young pianist Noah Waldcliff performs with the Kepl- la Chamber Group at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 22, at The David and Cecile Wang Center. 305-840. 2408 Liswood Ave. 775-2800 or capcenter.org.

Guitar Landscape – Patchouli and Terra Guitarr join forces in concert at 8 p.m. Friday, April 22, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10250 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Magic Carpet Ride – The Naples Philharmonic performs an up-close concert for kids at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 23, 597-1900 or artsinnaples.org.

Highway Birthday – Museum of the Everglades hosts lectures, car shows, live music and more starting at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 23, in celebration of Tamiami Trail’s 80th anniversary and the museum’s 18th birthday. Free. 105 W. Bridge Ave., Everglades City. 695-0008 or colliermuseums.com.

Student Recital – Winners of the Naples Music Club’s annual scholarship perform at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. Free. 1235 Piper Blvd. 384-9205 or naplesmusicclub.org.

On Your Mind – Mindreader and entertainer Joshua Seth performs at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at The Norris Center. 225. 213-3058 or naplesgov.com.

Chamber Concert – Members of the Naples Philharmonic perform works by Schulhoff, Adams at Brahms at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 24, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artsinnaples.org.

Stay in May – ArtsNaples World Fest-ival immerses guests in music, food and cultural experiences around the world with a variety of events starting Mon- day, April 25, and running through May 8. Check website for details. 390-2788 or stayinnap.com.

Sharp Dressed Men – ZZ Top performs at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artsinnaples.org.

Up a Creek – Learn the basics of paddle boarding at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 28, at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. Ages 12 and older. $12, reservations required. 431-6958 or floridastateparks.org.

Game Night – Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops pulls out board games and invites the public to play starting at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 30. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Meet the Composers – Lecturer Anne McLean performs in a multimedia presentation about Beethoven from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10250 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

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Concert – Grammy-winning Christian pop group For King and Country performs at 6 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Germain Arena. $19-$42. 948-7825 or germainarena.com.

Night of Jazz – Bob Zottola and Jazz Simpatico perform works of Louis Arm- strong and Miles Davis at 8 p.m. Friday, May 6, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. $22-$32. 10250 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Mancini Magic – Naples Jazz Orchestra performs the works of Henry Mancini at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 8, at Golden Gate High School. $30. 207-8299 or naplesjazzorchestra.com.

Last Chance – Head over to Crayton Cove for the 40th annual and final Great Dock Canoe Race from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 14, 261-4191 or greatdockcanoerace.com.

WHATT? – Comedian Amy Schumer performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 14, at Germain Arena. $49-899. 948-7825 or germainarena.com.

Independence Day – The Israel Advocacy Committee of the Jewish Fed- eration of Collier County celebrates Israel’s 68th anniversary of indepen- dence from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 15, at Mercato. Enjoy Israeli dancing, live music, food, art and more. jeffreyman- dall@gmail.com.

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There's nothing like falling into a comfy bed at the end of the day and sinking into a sweet, delicious, deep sleep.

But for Julia (Cheyenne De Barros) in “A Sleeping Country,” sleep has been elusive. When we first meet her, she’s writhing on the living room couch, sleep once again evading her for another night. The Naples Players sound designer Bradley Van Houten works his magic here, amplifying the night sounds you hear when you can’t sleep: the endless ticking of a clock, a dripping faucet, a neighbor’s barking dog, a car alarm set off.

Julia sees a psychiatrist, Dr. Midge (Alyssa Lee) for her insomnia, but the doctor is in even worse shape: She’s narcissistic, misuses prescription drugs and alcohol, sleeps around indiscriminately and is a gambling addict with such high debts she’s banned from Atlantic City.

On stage in the Tobyye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre in Naples, the play by Melanie Marnich is slight, a trifle. Its comedy is uneven, due partially to the script and partially to the acting. Ms. Lee looks too young to have three degrees from three different Ivy League schools. Her character appears to have boundary issues, but it’s later explained that therapist and patient are childhood friends, having known each other since second grade. (Still, aren’t there rules about not counseling family and friends?)

Under the direction of Jessica Knapp, this production of “A Sleeping Country” is not quite the wake-up call it could be.

Julia finally learns about something called Fatal Familial Insomnia, a genetic disease of one particular Orsini family in Italy. She wonders if her own insomnia is related, as her grandmother’s maiden name was Orsini.

So, she goes to Italy to see if she has the same DNA, even though doing so won’t bring her any closer to a cure. She travels with a suitcase stuffed with various prescription drugs from her therapist. (“Pill ‘em all. That’s what we’re trained to do,” says Dr. Midge.)

If she can’t find a cure her insomnia, Julia plans on downing all the pills.

The play livens up considerably when Isabella Orsini (Bonnie Knapp) along with Franco (Ty Landers) look on as Carlotta (Alyssa Lee) has no trouble sleeping.

Right: Midge, the sexy psychiatrist (Alyssa Lee) embraces her insomnia-ridden friend Julia (Cheyenne De Barros)

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But unfortunately, it’s not enough to jar us out of our daily sleepwalking through life.

“A Sleeping Country” does contain some funny lines and scenes and the potential for a terrific play that hits the mark sometimes and misses other times.

There’s a great joke about how ubiquitous the “Law & Order” series is on TV, and another about not only listening to Kenny G didn’t cure insomnia, but Yanni didn’t either.

The show also contains a funny aural montage of TV ads and shows heard while Julia channel surfs and, in addition to Julia’s boyfriend, Mr. Landers also plays Franco, Isabella’s manservant, and Carlo, her fi tty son. (He’s especially great as the noble Franco, who anticipates his employer’s every need.)

Ms. Lee, too, has other roles, as Mrs. Orsini’s daughter, Carlotta, and a gondolier.

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One interesting section of the play occurs when Mrs. Orsini and Julia create a “list of frights,” things in today’s world that frighten them.

Ms. Walck writes in her director’s notes: “...What if the real problem was we didn’t know how to deal with our own problems? That we were unaware of the fears and anxieties that live in our own subconscious? That we were sleeping through life, rather than facing our own truth every day and dealing with it head on?”

The play, though entertaining and clever at times, does not make you feel satisfied or triumphant at the end. It feels more like a one-act work, although it’s presented in two.

The space where it’s performed is also configured strangely, with seats arranged in a way that seems to crowd the audience. The sightlines are horrible; I changed my seat before the show began (it’s general seating) and now noticed at least six other people doing so as well in hopes of having a decent view of the stage.

There’s also only one aisle at stage left available by which to reach the seats, rather than the typical aisle up the middle of the rows.

The set by Connor Munion serves as Julia and Greg’s living room, Dr. Midge’s office and Mrs. Orsini’s home. It’s very symmetrical and gray, with three archways on both sides and a catwalk/balcony in the middle. It’s not magical at all. It looks more like an Italian home than a New York City apartment or a therapist’s office.

I wanted to like this play so much more than I did.

“A Sleeping Country” does contain some funny lines and scenes and the kernel of a potentially terrific play. But unfortunately, it’s not enough to jar us out of our daily sleepwalking through life.

“A Sleeping Country”

>> Info:
  >> When: Through April 16
  >> Where: The Studio Theatre at the Sugden Community Theatre, Naples
  >> Cost: $30 adult admission, $10 for students 21 and younger
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The week favors moderation, especially if a health problem is involved. Resist the impulse to do more than might be good for you at this time. You can catch up later.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
You could feel more than a mite upset by someone or some people who might be creating problems for you. Find out why they won’t change their ways. Their reasons might surprise you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You know how to inspire others to do their best by setting a persuasive example of your own.

By Linda Thistle

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contract Bridge
Reducing the element of risk
by Steve Becker

If someone aims a gun at your head, it is a good idea — as a matter of self-preservation — to disarm him if you can.

An analogous situation sometimes occurs at the bridge table when a particular opponent threatens your chance of making the contract. In that case, you try, if possible, to eliminate the threat.

Let’s say you’re declarer at three no trump in today’s deal. West leads a spade — presumably fourth-best — and you win East’s ten with the queen. You see that the contract can easily be made if West has the king of diamonds. In that case, repeated finesses would in all likelihood yield five diamond tricks, after which you can drive out the ace of hearts to assure ll or 12 tricks.

If the diamond finesse loses, however, East will return a spade to establish West’s suit. Then, if West started with more than four spades and also the ace of hearts, you will go down.

Once you reach this point in your considerations, you might see the advantage of leading the queen (or jack) of hearts at trick two instead of taking an immediate diamond finesse. Indeed, this play should virtually assure the contract.

West is the dangerous opponent, but he can be disarmed by leading the queen of hearts before you do anything else. If he has the ace and takes it, you intend to duck the spade return and win the next spade.

Now when you take the diamond finesse, you are on safe ground. If the finesse loses, either East will not have a spade to return (because he started with only three of them), or East will lead a spade (because he started with four of them), in which case the contract is safe.

Of course, if West does not take the first heart, you can then try the diamond finesse with impunity and finish with at least nine tricks. Either way, the contract is assured by leading a heart first.

south dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

North
• 7 3
• K 7 5 3
• A Q 10 9 5
• K 6

East
• K 9 6 4
• 10 8 2
• A 8 4
• 10 9 6
• 7 2
• K 6
• J 9 2

South
• A Q 5
• Q J 2
• J 8 3
• A 10 8 4

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
1 NT Pass 3 NT
Opening lead — six of spades.

If the next spade finesse loses, either East will not have a spade to return (because he started with only three of them), or East will lead a spade (because he started with four of them), in which case the contract is safe.

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**Film Capsules**

**Dough** ★★★

(Jonathan Pryce, Jerome Holder, Ian Hart) An old-school Jewish baker (Mr. Pryce) hires a Muslim teenager (Mr. Holder) to give him a hand, not realizing the teenager also sells marijuana. Naturally, when some of the marijuana gets into the dough, business booms. It’s a funny yet poignant seriocomic that nicely hits its mark. Not Rated: Adult situations.

**Hello, My Name Is Doris** ★★★

(Sally Field, Max Greenfield, Tyne Daly) Sixty-something Doris (Ms. Field) falls for her 20-something co-worker (Mr. Greenfield). Ms. Field makes Doris so endearing and likeable that we easily look past her character’s un-thought-out desires. It’s a cute movie. Rated R.

**Zootopia** ★★★½

(Voices of Ginnifer Goodwin, Jason Bateman, Idris Elba) From Disney Animation (“Frozen”), a small town bunny (Ms. Goodwin) moves to the big city and teams up with a sly fox (Mr. Bateman) to track down missing mammals. Great visuals, ample funny moments for kids and adults and a slew of memorable furry characters make this an absolute delight. Rated PG.

**Whiskey Tango Foxtrot** ★★★

(Tina Fey, Martin Freeman, Morena Baccarin, T.J. Miller) Diagnosed with terminal cancer, bad boy and reluctant hero Wade Wilson (Mr. Reynolds) undergoes treatment that makes him a mutant (the story takes place in the “X-Men” universe). The problem is he’s now deformed, seeking revenge and worried his girlfriend (Ms. Baccarin) will no longer want to be with him. Sex, violence, profanity, great action, lots of laughs — it’s everything a superhero movie should always be and almost never is. Except now. Rated R.

**How To Be Single** ★★★

(Dakota Johnson, Rebel Wilson, Alison Brie) New York City singles find themselves among friends — not romantic partners — in this smart comedy. Ms. Wilson gets the biggest laughs with Leslie Mann coming in a close second. Best of all, this film allows people to be single and happy, which is a rarity in movies. Rated R.

**The Witch** ★★

(Anya Taylor-Joy, Ralph Ineson, Kate Dickie) In Puritan New England circa 1630, a family that lives on its own in the woods is tormented by witchcraft. It’s minimalist and moody, though not altogether enticing. Shocks come, but there are too few Rated R.
**LATEST FILMS**

‘My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2’

For example, Gus believes everything in life somehow emanated with the Greeks. “What about Facebook?” he’s asked. “Greeks invented Facebook. We call it the telephone.” It’s a silly, nonsensical statement, but Mr. Constantine’s lovable and whacky (yet to Gus, serious) delivery makes us laugh because, well, that’s just crazy old Gus. You don’t have to see the original film to appreciate the zaniness here, but it will help. The Windes jokes will make more sense, as will the quirky personalities of all involved. Best of all, though, is the realization that you’ve missed these people, at least in part because they remind you of your own dysfunctional family.

Perhaps “My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2” didn’t need to exist, but it does, and when you see it you’ll be glad you did.
KOVEL: ANTIQUES

Collectible ‘naughties’ are not so nice in price this year

BY TERRY KOVEL AND KIM KOVEL

Artists have created pictures of naked women for centuries and many of the paintings and sculptures are now displayed in museums or homes. But some collectors are more interested in “naughties,” a group of 3- to 6-inch-long bisque figurines made from about 1910 to 1940. The women were posed as if lounging on a beach. Some were made with colored bathing suits and slippers, some wore nothing but a removable lace bathing suit. The others were made for a shelf. The women had angelic tinted faces and often mohair wigs and fabric caps. There were even mermaids, which were popular as an underwater feature in a fish tank. They represent the erotica of an earlier period. Most of the “naughties” or “nudies” were made in Germany by Hertwig & Co., Limbach or Galluba & Hoffman. A 3½-inch seated lady with a tulle swimsuit made about 1910 sold at a Theriault’s auction two years ago for $684. Prices are lower in 2016. Unfortunately, the original molds for these figurines still exist, and many reproductions and fantasies have been made.

Q: I have started collecting tin globes and many reproductions and fantasies have appeared. What is the difference between Hummel and Goebel figurines?
A: Hummels are figurines made between 1935 and 2008 are by Hummel, 1909-1946) and got permission to model porcelain figures based on her artwork. The first Hummel figurines were born in 1935. Goebel made Hummels until 2008, and another company now makes them. But Goebel is still in business and makes many types of porcelain figurines and giftwares. Bottom line: Hummel figurines made between 1935 and 2008 are by Goebel, but not all items marked Goebel are Hummels.

Q: When was the furniture company Coppes, Zook and Mutschler Co.? A: Coppes, Zook and Mutschler Co. was incorporated in 1902 and operated under that name until 1941. It was started by brothers Frank, John and Samuel Coppes, brother-in-law Daniel Zook, and brothers Albert and Charles Mutschler. All of the men were related by birth or by marriage. The Mutschler Brothers left the business to set up their own company after Zook died in 1913. The new company, Coppes Brothers & Zook, specialized in making kitchen cabinets.

Q: What is the difference between Hummel and Goebel figurines?
A: In 1871 Franz Detlef Goebel and his son, William, founded F. & W. Goebel in Oeslau (now Rodental), Germany, to make slates, slate pencils and toy marbles. By the early 1900s, Franz had retired. William was in charge, the company was called W. Goebel Porzellanfabrik, and the factory was making quality porcelain tableware and figurines. In 1934, grandson Franz Goebel saw the drawings of Sister Maria Innocentia Hummel (Berta Hummel, 1909-1946) and got permission to model porcelain figures based on her artwork. The first Hummel figurines were born in 1935. Goebel made Hummels until 2008, and another company now makes them. But Goebel is still in business and makes many types of porcelain figurines and giftwares. Bottom line: Hummel figurines made between 1935 and 2008 are by Goebel, but not all items marked Goebel are Hummels.

Q: I just discovered a black box of Brownie Crayons. There is a small picture of an elf on the front. I have joined a new group of adults who meet once a week to crayon or paint in elaborate adult coloring books, which are now bestsellers at bookstores. I was thinking of giving the crayons, but an antique-collecting member of the group said the elf is a “Brownie” and the box may be collectible.
A: Yes, you do have a Brownie. Palmer Cox (1840-1924) wrote and illustrated a series of children’s stories about the Brownies, part of Scottish folklore. The books had pictures with dozens of small Brownies. They have large round eyes, downturned mouths and skinny legs, and like to play harmless tricks. They are dressed for work as firemen, policemen, postmen, children and other characters in the stories. Brownies were so popular they became an identifiable trademark. The Kodak Brownie camera probably is the best known today. They also inspired the name “Brownie” for young Girl Scouts, and many games, dolls, dishes and other collectibles. Your crayons were made by the American Crayon Co. of Sandusky, Ohio, about 1900. If the box and the crayons you own are in very good condition, they are worth about $50 to a collector.

Tips: Be sure the big furniture you buy is small enough to go through the door into your room.

Terry Kovel and Kim Kovel answer questions sent to the column. By sending a letter with a question, you give full permission for use in the column or any other Kovel forum. Names, addresses or email addresses will not be published. We cannot guarantee the return of photographs, but if a stamped envelope is included, we will try. Write to Koves, Florida Weekly, King Features Syndicate, 300 W. 57th St., New York, NY 10019.
THE FIND: Fenton Aqua Crest serving bowl dating from the 1950s.

Bought: Hope Chest, 13821 N. Cleveland Ave., North Fort Myers; 652-1118 or hopeschopice.org/hopeshop/ Cost: $15.

The Skinny: I have loved Fenton’s ribbon glass, which the company dubbed “Creasts” for so long I can remember. My step-grandmother had a large set of the Silver Crest, that is, white milk glass with a ribbon of crystal glass, and I always admired it.

The Aqua Crest is reminiscent of glass made in the 19th century by the British firm Stevens & Williams. Fenton made variations on the Creasts in a rainbow of colors from the 1940s until it closed its traditional glass-making operations in 2011. This piece also was sold with an underplate for use as a salad serving bowl, and I have dinner plates to match.

Now, to find time to set the table.

— Scott Simmons

This Fenton Aqua Crest salad serving bowl probably dates from the late 1950s or early ’60s, after the company changed its formula for milk glass from opalescent to dead white.
This is Part 1 of a six-part fiction series from a novel-in-progress by Florida Weekly writer Artis Henderson. The novel’s protagonist, Jesse Lowe, has run away with her father’s best friend, Corbin Tillis. Jesse’s father died when she was 2 and now, 16, she longs to discover more about him. Corbin was just released from prison after serving a sentence on drug charges. He has reluctantly agreed to take Jesse on his travels around the state.

As they drove farther south, Jesse studied Corbin in quick darting stares, trying to decide how he was like her father. Would her father’s eyes have the same laziness at the corners? Would the stubble on his chin be coming in gray? Perhaps he would have the same tense look, as if trouble waited just ahead.

“What are you doing?” Corbin asked her.

“Memorizing you,” Jesse said.

“What for?”

“In case you need.”

Corbin started to say something but squinted at the road instead. A few miles on, he pulled into a gas station north of Everglades City where puddles of rainwater stood in the parking lot. Corbin cut the engine and ran a hand through his hair.

“I got to take a leak. You want anything?”

Jesse shook her head, no.

“All right. Stay here. Don’t talk to anybody.”

He climbed out of the truck and walked into the Gas N’ Go. While he was inside, a blue Chevy pickup pulled into the parking lot. The teenage boy driving the truck had skin burned red by the sun. As he drove to the gas pumps, he looked through the windshield of Corbin’s truck. Jesse self-consciously smoothed her hair.

The boy filled the tank and climbed back in the truck. He drove slowly through the parking lot, and as his Chevy neared he raised two fingers to his mouth in a wide V. He wagged his tongue between their dirt. Had caked under his nails in filthy half moons, and his tongue looked pink and moist. Jesse knew what the gesture meant—she had a vague idea, anyway—and she understood that the boy wanted to be crude. He grinned at her.

“Like that?” he said.

Before she could answer, a voice shouted from the store.

“What the f— are you doing?” Corbin came at a run. He reached through the Chevy’s open window and grabbed the kid by the throat. The boy’s face went purple all the way to his hair. He choked at the smell of Florida in the summer, air blew from the dash. He reached for the cigarettes in the front pocket of his shirt and ran a finger around the inside of the pack.

“S—,” he said.

He crumpled the empty cellophane and threw the pack on the floorboard then sat gnawing at his thumbnail while raindrops pelted the windshield. Rain edded in the parking lot, swirling candy wrappers and cigarette butts in the dirty water, and the inside of the cab filled — Artis Henderson is the author of Unmarried Widow, Simon & Schuster, 2014.
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Gulfshore Opera presents comedic romance ‘Elixir of Love’

Gulfshore Opera presents the comedic opera “L’elisir d’amore” (“Elixir of Love”) in Punta Gorda on April 15 and at Artis—Naples on April 21.

One of Gaetano Donizetti’s most popular works, it is the story of Nemorino, a poor peasant in love with a beautiful landowner, Adina, and tormented by her utter indifference. The upcoming production includes both celebrated and up-and-coming artists from around the world, the Gulfshore Opera Orchestra and Chorus and dancers from Gulfshore Ballet.

Irish tenor Anthony Kearns, South African bass-baritone Musa Ngqungwana and American soprano Danielle Talamantes lead the cast.

Mr. Kearns, who is known around the world for his PBS appearances and has performed locally numerous times, is making his debut in the role of Nemorino.

Mr. Nqungwana is revisiting the role of the opera’s charlatan medicine man. In addition to being an opera singer, he is an inspirational speaker and author. In 2014 he self-published a memoir about his upbringing in South Africa during and following apartheid, focusing on his path to becoming a singer amidst a system of segregation and an impoverished background.

Baritone Wes Mason, a former classmate of Mr. Nqungwana at the Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia, sings the role of the pompous Sergeant Belcore.

Ryan McAdam, who is conducting the Gulfshore Opera Orchestra in “Elixir of Love,” has conducted the orchestra of Maggio Musicale in Florence three times and made his Eastern European debut with the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields. He has also led the Israel Philharmonic in three performances, one of which was recorded live and released on the Helicon Classics label.

A Fulbright scholar, he served as apprentice conductor of the Royal Stockholm Philharmonic and is the first-ever recipient of the Sir George Solti Emerging Conductor Award.

The Gulfshore Opera Orchestra includes professional musicians who regularly perform with the Naples Philharmonic, the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra and the Southwest Florida Symphony.
The ninth annual Booties & Boogie Bash to benefit Friends of Foster Children Forever kicks up its heels Saturday, April 2, at Grey Oaks Country Club. The fun begins with cocktails followed by a Texas-style dinner, silent and live auctions, entertainment by Pizzazz and dancing to the Blue Stone Circle Band. Among the eight live auction items is a custom-built Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Tickets for $200 ($350 for patrons, $3,000 for a table) can be purchased at friendsoffosterchildren.net or by calling 262-1808. For information, email Tara@friendsoffosterchildren.net or email monica.seif@heart.org.

The ninth annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes banquet takes place Thursday evening, April 7, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Guest speaker is pastor Darryl Strawberry, well known for his celebrated baseball career and his controversial personal life. Mr. Strawberry has four World Series titles (New York Mets, 1986; and the New York Yankees, 1996, 1998 and 1999) and is an eight-time National League All-Star (1984-91). He was also suspended by MLB three times for substance abuse. Mr. Strawberry, a two-time cancer survivor, and his wife founded and run Strawberry Ministries and the Darryl Strawberry Foundation. Banquet tickets are $175. For reservations or more information call Gretchen Shelton at 784-3377 or visit swfloridaeca.org.

The Naples Art Association holds the 12th annual Goddess Night on Thursday, April 7, at The von Liebig Art Center. A champagne reception and seated dinner are followed by several speaker sessions. This year’s keynote speaker is Chief Stephanie Spell of the community engagement department of the Collier County Sheriff’s Office. Tickets for $80 are available at naplesart.org.

Taste of Freedom, the inaugural fundraiser for the Southwest Florida Regional Human Trafficking Coalition, takes place from 6-9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Scalon Lewis of Fort Myers. The evening includes a live auction, a raffle for a 24-month lease on a 2016 Lexus, live entertainment and numerous food and wine stations. Tickets for $75 are available at swfl-humantrafficking.org.

Hodges University holds its Scholar- arship Gala and Spring Golf Classic on Friday and Saturday, April 8-9, at The Club at Grandezza in Estero. The events will benefit the Hodges University Men in Higher Education Scholarship Fund and the Scholarship Assistance for Veterans Education Fund. Gala tickets are $175. Golf tournament registration for $250 includes luncheon before the tournament and an awards reception afterward. For gala tickets, tournament registration or more information, call April May at 598-6155 or email amay@hodges.edu.

The Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida celebrates its 15th anniversary with “Our Triumph” on Wednesday evening, April 13, at the Naples Yacht Club. The evening of festivities will include recognition of the Jack and P.E. Nort man family for their support of the museum of the World War II boxcar that is a major component of The Boxcar Project traveling education program. Tickets start at $275. For reservations or more information, call Amy Snyder at 829-9200 or email amy@holocaustmuseumswfl.org.

United Cerebral Palsy of Southwest Florida presents Celebrate the Stars on Thursday, April 14, in the ballroom at St. John the Evangelist Church in North Naples. A reception starts at 6 p.m. and the awards dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are $50. For reservations or more information, call 643-5338, email cassandrabeaver@sunrisegroup.org or visit naples-UCPSWFL.org.

The eighth annual Barristers Bash to benefit Legal Aid Service of Collier County takes place the evening of Thursday, April 28, at the Hilton Naples. Tickets for $125 include cocktail hour, a three-course dinner and one glass of wine, silent auction, live auction and a community awards ceremony. For tickets or more information, call 775-4555.

Charity for Change hosts Giver Challenge 2016, a night of friendly trivia competition and more fun from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, May 14, at the Hilton Naples. The evening includes dinner and dancing, a silent auction and presentation of the Character in Collier Awards. Tickets start at $50. For reservations or more information, email Suzanne Todd at suzannetodd@charityforchange.org. — Email details about your charity gala or fundraising sorete to Cindy Pierce at ctpierce@floridaweekly.com.

SAVE THE DATE

The American Heart Association holds its seventh annual Go Red for Women luncheon from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 29, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa. This year’s theme, “Life is Why and You Are How,” addresses preventing and reversing heart disease with lifestyle changes. In addition to a heart-friendly health and keynote speaker Dr. Marc Braman, the event includes sponsored booths with information about heart disease and related resources. For tickets or more information, call Monica Seif at 495-4903 or email monica.seif@heart.org.

The tenth anniversary celebration of the Naples Music Festival to benefit the Garden of Hope & Courage for foster children. The festival takes place from 6-10 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at Naples Botanical Garden, with entertainment by Mudbone, jazz singer Nicole Henry and The World Class. General admission tickets are $45; $250 includes lunch before the concert and awards. A champagne reception and seated dinner will support the Garden of Hope & Courage for Foster Children. Banquet tickets are $175. For more information, call 337-4233 or visit foundation.flcancer.org.
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The Naples Buckeyes’ 2016 Signature Event at Quail West

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CUISINE NEWS

Health Freedom Summit focuses on preventative steps

BY LINDSEY NESMITH
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The second annual Health Freedom Summit takes place Friday through Sunday, April 1-3, at Food & Thought. On tap are 16 talks focused on preventative medicine and organic farming systems, plus an exposition of local holistic health-care practitioners. There will be raffles, prizes, sales and more too.

“We want people to be aware that the best kind of health care keeps you from getting sick,” event organizer Michael Monteleone says. “We don’t need medicine for every little thing. There is good, delicious food to eat … 100 years ago we didn’t have all this processed food.”

The summit starts at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 1, in the Food & Thought courtyard with food, live entertainment and a talk by Dr. David Perlmutter, a Naples neurologist who topped the New York Times Best Seller List with his books “Grain Brain” and “Brain Maker.”

Dr. Perlmutter made waves in the medical community by linking the deleterious effects processed grains have on gut bacteria and brain health.

Saturday’s events will focus on alternative healing modalities and include talks such as “DOM: Using Stem Cell Therapy to Avoid Surgery and Prescription Drugs” by Alfred Cormier, “Protecting and Heightening Your Energetic Frequency in Our Challenging Modern World” by Christopher Macklin, “Mastering Vitality” by Dr. Linell King, “The Metabolic Paradigm: Correct Nutrition for Your Body” by Laura Grammatiko, “Yoga, Amazonian Plant Medicine and the Healing of Our World by Alan Lowenschuss and “Medical Qigong” by Susan Winters.

Sunday’s talks will focus on food politics and industrialized farming. Topics and presenters include “The High Cost of Cheap Food” by Michael Monteleone, “Seeking Accountability in Our Nation’s Food System” by Carey Gillam and “Back to the Future (organic agri-cultural): What Was Once Our Past Must Now Be Our Future” by Marty Mesh.

All-weekend admission is $20 (free for ages 12 and younger). Proceeds will benefit Florida Organic Growers Association and the Frank Oakes Scholarship for Organic Horticulture at University of Florida. Food & Thought is at 2132 Tamiami Trail N. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 213-2222 or visit foodandthought.com.

Take Note:

Barbatella hosts a four-course wine dinner at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, featuring selections from Sicilian vintner Donnafugata. $65. 1290 Third St. S. 263-1955 or barbatellanaples.com.

The Boys & Girls Club of Collier County holds the sixth annual BGCCC Crawfish Boil from 1-6 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at 210 Tupelo Road. Guests will enjoy mountains of Louisiana-style crawfish and cuisine, live entertainment and family activities. Proceeds benefit the organization’s efforts to serve Collier County’s at-risk children and teens. Tickets are $25. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 325-1765 or visit bgccc.org.

Collier Harvest will facilitate the 2016 National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive on Saturday, May 14, when mail carriers will collect non-perishables donated by postal customers to stock the organization’s food pantry. Seasonal residents who will go north before the collection date can drop donations off at their local post office anytime.

Collier Harvest also needs volunteers to collect the donations from area post offices and sort them upon arrival at Collier Harvest headquarters on the day of the collection drive. For more information, call 455-3663 or visit collierharvest.org.

Naples Winter Wine Festival’s Friends of the Foundation host The Grape Celebration from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, June 3, at Paradise Wine. Guests will enjoy more than 50 vintages and heavy hors d’oeuvres with proceeds benefiting the festival’s founding organization, the Naples Children & Edu-cation Foundation. Tickets are $85 through April and $95 through May. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 325-2978 or visit friendsoffoundations.org.
THE DISH

The Dish: Key West Açai Bowl
The Price: $8 for a small size
The Place: The Bowl
The Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday
The Full Menu: thebowl.com
The Details: After eating enough Easter lamb roast (and mac ’n’ cheese and brie and lemon bars and candy stolen from my children’s baskets) to put me off my favorite red meat forever, I took mercy on my poor body and treated it to a simple, nutritious breakfast courtesy of The Bowl. The Key West Açai Bowl contained frozen açai puree blended with mango, banana, pineapple and coconut milk and topped with sliced bananas, strawberries, coconut shreds and local honey. I thought a frozen breakfast would be jarring to my overworked system, but it was surprisingly refreshing after the abuse I’d inflicted on it over a short 48-hour period.

One More Thing: The Bowl also regularly runs a stand at the Third Street South Farmers Market, which is open from 7:30-11:30 a.m. every Saturday.

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Sometimes, new wines just come out of nowhere, and sometimes, they’re really good. One such is a brand that’s part of the Kendall Jackson empire called Silver Palm. I first encountered it when a friend brought a bottle of their Cabernet Sauvignon to our house for dinner. I swirled, sniffed and sipped, and my eyebrows went up.

There was a lot going on in the glass, and imagine my delight when I found it on the shelf at Costco for around $15.

I’m encouraged by the fact that Silver Palm and several other wineries are producing big, tasty, full-bodied Cabernets (as well as other varietals) at value prices.

The wines of Silver Palm are sourced from two areas — the north coast and central coast of California. While it’s kind of Holy Writ in the wine world that the more specific a wine is to a place, the better it is, there’s really nothing wrong with selecting good fruit from vineyards spread over a wider area. That’s where vintage-to-vintage consistency comes from. And it’s where value comes from.

The ample north coast area encompasses parts of Napa, Sonoma and Mendocino counties, and benefits from proximity to the Pacific. Cool air. Fog. Wine grapes love it. The central coast is equally broad, stretching from the San Francisco Bay area down to Santa Barbara County. Even though the area is more inland, and not really along the coast, the cool air and fog still have a significant effect on how the grapes ripen. This is Pinot Noir and Chardonnay land, and if you’ve ever been to “Sideways” country around Solvang, Buellton and Lompoc, you know that’s true. (Sidebar: During our last trip to the area I discovered that they’re growing all kinds of other (unconventional) grapes. They’re making Sangiovese out there, and some of the Rhône style wines with Grenache and Mourvedre.)

All that being said, I was delighted when I received some review samples of the Silver Palm lineup.

I’m happy to recommend these selections. While I’m not sure who distributes them in our area, I do know that the often show up on the shelves at Costco. In any case, they’re well worth asking for.

- **Silver Palm Chardonnay 2014** – A blend of grapes from Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino counties, there’s a nose of green apple and pear. The apple aromas pay off on the palate with notes of lemon, and flinty minerality on the finish, a result of the balance of acidity. WW 89. About $15.

- **Silver Palm Pinot Noir 2014** – Sources from Monterey County and the Santa Maria Valley (that’s “Sideways” country), this Pinot is semi-translucent in the glass and offers aromas of dark cherries and berries. It’s fruit forward, definitely not a Burgundian style, but if you grill up a piece of salmon and open a bottle of this, I don’t think you’ll be disappointed. WW 90. About $18.

- **Silver Palm Merlot 2013** – A pretty right-down-the-middle example of the Merlot varietal, this wine is what we call “true to type.” It tastes exactly the way Merlot is supposed to. Soft on the palate, with characteristic dark cherry and berry flavors, with a definite note of blueberry. There’s a bit of earth way in the background. WW 89. Around $18.

- **Silver Palm Cabernet Sauvignon 2013** – The wine laws say that if you put the name of a grape on the label, the bottle must contain at least 75 percent of that grape. This qualifies, with a content of 80 percent Cabernet Sauvignon. But it’s really a Bordeaux blend, with 10% Merlot (to soften the tannins in the Cab) and 2 percent Cabernet Franc…probably for color and perfume. WW 90. Under $20.

**Ask the Wine Whisperer**

Q. About your last column on oak and wine — I’ve read that American oak is better than French for wine production. Is that true?

— S. Levine, North Fort Myers

A. Oak is to winemaking what seasonings and spices are to cooking. A winemaker chooses American oak, which is loose-grained, to impart pronounced flavors of the wood, vanilla, toffee and other components. Oak fermentation or aging also helps soften tannins in red wines. If you want subtler flavors, you’d choose French oak. The tighter grain means wines won’t absorb those components quite as readily. Note: It’s also possible that the use of new oak promotes histamine levels in wine, which causes headaches in many people.
Despite a booming restaurant scene, Naples for years offered few options for those with a taste for innovative Indian cuisine. Chef Asif Syed, formerly of Hilton Marco Island Beach Resort, has rescued us from a food scene that was very light on the sub-continental basics such as daal or mattar paneer and has transported us way past it at 21 Spices, the restaurant where he marries his native cuisine with classical French cooking techniques to create an innovative Indian menu.

Q: How were you inspired to become a chef?
A: My parents inspired me to be a chef. I learned Mom's recipes in the kitchen, and Dad encouraged me to go culinary school.

Q: What is your culinary background?
A: I started working in the famous Dum Pukht restaurant as a trainee at Sheraton Hotel in Hyderabad, India, after graduating with a bachelor's degree in hotel management and catering technology. This is where I learnt the art of Indian cooking with the best chef in India, Imtiaz Qureshi.

Q: What is your culinary background?
A: I started working in the famous Shalimar Indian Restaurant in Nicosia. After two years, I came to Marco Island to do my culinary internship at Marriott Marco Island. Two years later, I was hired by Hilton Marco Island as their sous chef. Two more years later I became the executive chef, and that journey lasted for 12 years.

Q: Favorite culinary experience?
A: My favorite culinary experience was cooking at Fairmont Mayakoba in Mexico for an Indian wedding. It lasted four days and was very challenging because it was a new country with language barrier. But we did great and served many high dignitaries from around the world.

Q: Which dishes are you particularly proud of?
A: I'm very proud of all my tandoori barbecues and naan breads, which come from an authentic Indian clay oven. I'm also proud of Biriyani rice, which comes from my city in India.

Q: Why did you decide to open the innovative Indian restaurant instead of sticking with traditional preparations and presentations?
A: I had not seen innovative Indian restaurants in Florida. I wanted to present traditional recipes with a modern, fresh look in a contemporary setup.

Q: Why do you think your native cuisine had so little presence in Naples for so many years?
A: Part of the problem is people here are not aware of Indian cuisine like they are in big cities. I always had a dream of owning my own restaurant. My love for Indian food made me fill the vacuum we had in Naples restaurants.

Q: Which dishes are you particularly proud of?
A: I have a very old, ancient cookbook that was passed down from my grandfather to my father. Dad has given me that recipe book. It has very old recipes and techniques for blending spices.
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Isn’t it time for you to move into one of the fully decorated, absolutely stunning model homes at Mangrove Bay in Old Naples? The Amelia III and the Sanibel III are available for sale, offering top-of-the-line features, interiors imagined in a “coastal style” décor by the award-winning firm of Freestyle Interiors, guest cottages, a concierge lifestyle, and their own private boat slips.

Mangrove Bay, in Old Naples, is situated along the Gordon River, offering water enthusiasts convenient access to Naples Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. Each of the 53 Old-Florida style single-family residences comes complete with a private boat slip.

Step into the Amelia III single-story Waterfront Residence, and prepare to be utterly charmed. At approximately 3,640 SF under air, this model home evokes a classic seaside cottage, with intricate trim details, a grand beamed, tongue-and-groove ceiling in the great room, and built-in upholstered bench seats which flank the whitewashed brick fireplace. Its “coastal cottage” décor is finished in watery shades of blues and crisp whites grounded with traditional heart pine wood floors for a comfortable feel. Other key design elements include traditional bead board accents, bench seat reading nooks, cottage-style barn doors, and stacked stone for the second fireplace in the spacious outdoor living area.

The Amelia III offers four bedrooms plus den and four-and-½ baths, with all primary living spaces (including the master suite, two guest suites, and a private den) located on the ground level, a private-entry guest house above the garage and tropical pool and spa area complete with outdoor grilling station. The guest house features a generous sitting room, scaled-to-fit kitchenette, private bedroom and bath area, and private balcony.

The two-story Sanibel III Courtyard Residence model, available fully decorated, offers a four-bedroom, four-and-½ bath design with approximately 3,331 SF under air, including a private-entry guest cottage above the rear-entry garage with its own spacious deck. The tranquil “respite reclaimed,” beach-themed aesthetic of the Sanibel mixes dark, light, and weathered wood appointments with soft taupes and cream hues, and natural fabrics that perfectly complement its limed oak wood floors, reclaimed wood accents, tongue-and-groove ceiling detail, barn doors, two-story cupola, French doors, transom windows, and custom moldings and cabinetry. Its ground-floor master suite includes corner-pocketing sliding doors, which open to the lanai surrounded by tropical landscaping, a soaring 1 ½-story covered outdoor living area with fireplace, outdoor grilling station and a pool and spa with a gently flowing water feature.

There are 19 residence elevations available at Mangrove Bay. All residents will have the benefit of resort-style living with an on-site Concierge Center, an owners-only boat ramp, and their own private boat slip. Complete pool care, landscaping, and dock maintenance are just a few of the services offered.

This exclusive community of just 53 homes is adjacent to the City’s Gordon River Greenway preserve and proposed Baker Park, moments from Fifth Avenue South, and blocks from the Gulf of Mexico.

Touring these model residences is the best way to experience Mangrove Bay and the extensive thought that went into their conception. The homes are designed by MHK Architecture & Planning, built by Lotus Construction, LLC, and exclusively marketed by Paradise Realty of Naples, LLC.

Learn more about Mangrove Bay by contacting the Sales Center (239.261.2200) and arranging a site tour, or visiting www.mangrovebaynaples.com. We look forward to seeing you at Mangrove Bay!
Hidden Harbor is taking shape as a beautiful new neighborhood in South Fort Myers with both residential and amenity construction advancing quickly at the 2015 Community of the Year.

Hidden Harbor is an amazing new waterfront and boating community by Stock Development, one of Southwest Florida's most successful developers. Behind its gated entrance are beautifully designed homes and an amazing amenity complex overlooking the Gulf-access harbor.

The company is currently in the middle of construction on the community's 4,484 square foot clubhouse. The interior will include a fitness center with new state-of-the-art equipment, a comfortably furnished lounge area and a club room will be available for social events. Outside will be a resort style pool with a fire pit, a barbeque area and a beautifully furnished sundeck. There will also be a kayak launch and open green space to enjoy the beautiful Southwest Florida weather. It will feature water-front views from two sides.

“This will be a wonderful amenity for all residents to enjoy,” said Brian Stock, CEO of Stock Development. “It will feature a stunning interior by Soos Interiors and is scheduled to debut in May!”

Residential construction is also advancing rapidly at Hidden Harbor. Four furnished models are open - the Biscayne, Sanibel, Amelia and the Useppa, which earned a Sand Dollar Award from the Collier Building Industry Associates for Product Design. Two inventory homes are complete and a third is under construction. Four more inventory homes are in permitting and will be under construction soon.

A fifth furnished model, the Anastasia, is also under construction. It has 2,932 square feet under air. This three-bedroom, three and one-half bath home has a great room, a formal dining room, and a study. With the covered lanai, two-car garage and single-car garage, the home offers 4,320 total square feet.

A total of nine floorplans are offered at Hidden Harbor. These three and four bedroom homes feature from 2,384 to more than 3,000 square feet of living area. They are priced from the $500s and for a limited time Stock Developement is offering homebuyers at Hidden Harbor options and upgrades valued at up to $50,000 on select homes.

Among the first homebuyers at Hidden Harbor are James and Lori Shafte. Originally from Chicago, James is retired and Lori is an executive with a clothing retailer. “Hidden Harbor was perfect for us and we fell in love with the community,” said James. “I enjoy fishing and we’re looking forward to the boating lifestyle. We currently live next door at The Forest and were looking for a new home. This allows us to stay close to our friends, close to the airport and close to US 41.”

Hidden Harbor provides access to the Gulf of Mexico by way of the Ten Mile Canal and Estero Bay. Residents may boat, kayak and canoe directly from their personal boat dock. The private harbor is a for mariners and provides access to The Great Calusa Blueway Paddling Trail, a 190-mile marked canoe and kayak trail that meanders through the coastal waters and inland tributaries of Lee County, Florida.

Local fishing expert, Garret Farmer, says residents will be pleased with the fishing. “The common species we have in the backwaters of Estero Bay and the surrounding creeks include snook, trout, redfish, tarpon, sheepshead, sharks, snapper, jacks and black drum,” said Farmer. “The canal from Hidden Harbor ranges anywhere from 2-3 feet to 6-8 feet, depending on the tide and is navigable by pontoon, bay, deck, or flats boat.”

Stock has purchased a pontoon so prospective homebuyers can tour the serene waters and experience the fish and wildlife that is part of the Hidden Harbor lifestyle.

Hidden Harbor also offers convenient access to Southwest Florida's finest beaches on Sanibel Island or Fort Myers Beach via road or boat. Nearby are excellent shopping and dining opportunities, as well as several of Southwest Florida’s major entertainment venues. Don’t miss your chance to live in one of Southwest Florida’s final new Gulf-access communities!

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Your place in the sun: Mediterra model homes showcase award-winning outdoor living

Spring in Florida tends to lure everyone outdoors with its idyllic temperatures – warm days and comfortable evenings. Enjoying the great outdoors is even better at home in Mediterra, where London Bay Homes has mastered the art of Florida’s sought-after alfresco lifestyle, building luxury private residences and models that live large inside and out. Expansive outdoor spaces are reminiscent of boutique resorts with poolside chaises perfectly posed for optimal sunshine, custom-designed pools with spas and cascading waterfalls, and fire pits and fireplaces beckoning for chats in a rosy glow.

London Bay’s award-winning single-family villa and estate models at Mediterra offer an array of alfresco lifestyles that bring luxury indoor finishes and amenities outside, including kitchens, stainless steel appliances and beautiful furnishings. Multiple gathering areas enhance entertaining and showcase breathing splashes from homesites nestled against nature preserves, shimmering lakes and golf course fairways.

The pool in London Bay Homes’ Capriano model makes a splash by placing the spa in the pool and resting against a sun shelf, allowing for easy swim-in access or entry from the deck. The tiled pillars provide the only tell-tale sign. The creative design was recognized by the Collier Building Industry Association as the best pool design during the Sand Dollar awards.

The four-bedroom, four-bath luxury villa in Lucarno, which also won a Sand Dollar for best product design, ensures any party easily flows outside to multiple seating and dining areas, a summer kitchen and an outdoor fireplace – perfect for cool nights under the stars. The Capriano’s second-floor balcony opens up to comfortable modular furnishings. Multiple gathering areas enhance entertaining and showcase picturesque lakefront settings, fire places, outdoor kitchens, custom pools and spas.

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The Belita, also located in Lucarno, showcases picturesque lakefront views throughout the three-bedroom, 3,378-square-foot home. The sliding doors in this model’s living room and nook combine indoor-and-outdoor spaces and showcase sunset views as well as its alfresco living areas and fire bowl-flanked pool and spa.

Enjoying the outdoors is also the focus of many amenities at Mediterra, a nine-time Community of the Year winner and Naples’ premier luxury golf and beach club. The Club at Mediterra features 36 holes of championship golf; tennis and bocce courts; and the 10,000-square-foot Beach Club with a pool on the Gulf of Mexico.

Mediterra also offers a fitness complex with a pool and spa services, and a 32,000-square-foot clubhouse offering elegant and casual dining and views of the sunset at the popular outdoor tavern. At Mediterra, residents also are immersed in natural beauty. More than 1,900 acres are dedicated to golf, parks and nature preserves that are enjoyed by couples and groups who walk, jog and bike the community’s eight miles of trails or gather at one of three themed parks. The award-winning Parque Celestial pays homage to classic European design with a meditation labyrinth, while the rhythm of fountains in Parterre Garden provides a soothing backdrop for colorful blooms, statuary and sculpted gardens. Calusa Play Park delves into the area’s history, offering gracious play hills, a basketball half court, play equipment and a wetland boardwalk. Home designs in Mediterra include single-family estate homes and maintenance-free villas priced from $1 million to more than $7 million.

Find your place in the sun by visiting www.MediterraNaples.com, calling 239-949-8989, or visiting Mediterra, located on Livingston Road, two miles north of Immokalee Road and west of I-75.
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Spectacular amenities and furnished models debut at Lely Resort: new sales center opens

Lely Resort is one of Naples' most sought after addresses. At sell out of the community, Stock Development has unveiled new amenities, even more furnished models and has moved to a New Home Sales Office.

According to Claudine Léger-Wetzel, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Stock Development, the new coach home sales division has opened within the Signature Club where they are showcasing the coach home residences of Cipriani and Signature Club. The single-family new home sales team will continue to work out of the Lakoya neighborhood where they are selling the final phase of new single-family homes.

"Lely Resort is nearing sell-out," said Léger-Wetzel. "The new arrangement will help streamline sales operations and make them more convenient for homebuyers. It will also allow us to replace the current sales center with new Signature Club coach homes in an amazing location adjacent to the spectacular Players Club & Spa."

Each coach home building at Signature Club offers four residences. The neighborhood features an selection of stunning lake and golf course views across The Classics Championship Golf Course. Pricing for these stunning inventory coach homes begin at $455,000.

Cipriani is within The Classics, a stunning gated enclave along one of Lely's three championship golf courses. The neighborhood 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. Inventory coach homes are priced from $349,990.

Stock Development is one of the area's most successful and innovative developers. One of the keys of its success is constantly assessing the changing needs of its residents and providing them with the best possible amenities. The results are evident at Lely, which has won seven Community of the Year awards from the Collier Building Industry Association.

"Lely Resort is entering its Grand Finale in 2016 with 10 new furnished models and exciting new amenity offerings," said Brian Stock, CEO of Stock Development, the developer of Lely Resort.

Two of the furnished models, the Napoli and the San Remo III, made their debut recently in the spectacular Lakoya neighborhood.

The Napoli, a two-bedroom plus study/two-bath home, has 1,855 square feet of living area in an open and breezy floor plan with plenty of space to enjoy a casual Florida lifestyle.

The master suite is situated at the rear of the home with sliding doors opening to a luxurious pool and spa area with fantastic golf course views.

The San Remo III features an interior design by Robb & Stucky. The single-story great room style home plus den, features two bedrooms, plus a study, two baths and a spacious master suite. It has 1,809 square feet of living area in an open and breezy floor plan with plenty of space to enjoy a casual Florida lifestyle.

The great room opens to a very generous lanai and large pool and spa. The grand two-story foyer is adjacent to the study, which is perfect for the home office and quiet reading. The spacious master suite features his and her walk in closets and a luxurious bath with both a shower and a soaking tub.

Lely Residents have access to three championship golf courses and a spectacular club facility. The Player's Club & Spa is a stunningly beautiful 30,000 square foot club that is both elegant and highly functional for its members.

The new Multi-Purpose Building will offer a Movie Theater with seating for 72. There is also a kitchenette, bathrooms and ten tables for card play and games. The lobby features banquet seating.

The Tiki Bar by the resort-style pool has nearly tripled in size and a "spin" room. Personal training is available, as is onsite physical therapy treatment.

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.

Lely Resort Realty is now located at 8038 Signature Club Circle Bldg 8-102, Naples, FL 34113. Visit www.stockdevelopment.com or call 239-793-2100.

Above: Windsor model at Lakoya, the San Marco in Cipriani, the San Remo in Lakoya. Left: Signature Club. Below: Players Club & Spa.
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The Amelia III single-story and the Sanibel III two-story model residences at Mangrove Bay, an enclave of only 53 single-family residences nestled along the Gordon River in Old Naples, offer water enthusiasts convenient access to Naples Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. The tranquil décor is lushly appointed, a perfect respite as well as the perfect setting for entertaining.

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TwinEagles announced that furnished estate models and estate home sites are available in the North Naples community being developed by The Ronto Group. Six grand estate home sites are available in Sterling Hill and Inverness, two estate home neighborhoods that continue to captivate luxury homeowners. The sites range from nearly an acre to nearly two-acres and are priced from $632,500 to $775,000. The size of the sites allows construction of grand estate residences by A.R.B.C. Arthur Rutenberg Homes, Divco Custom Homes, and Stock Signature Homes with views of the Talon golf course. A thirty-foot setback provision ensures residences in both neighborhoods will be a minimum of sixty-feet apart.

TwinEagles’ Lake Estates neighborhood showcases 19 south or west-facing lakefront home sites 110-feet wide and 150-feet deep with long-range views of a 34-acre lake. Fourteen of the 19 sites remain available. Lake Estates features minimum 3,500 square feet residences by Stock, Divco, and Rutenberg starting at $1.5 million, including a golf membership. Stock’s furnished Windsor model is completed and available for purchase. Divco’s Montego model is nearing completion and Rutenberg’s Amalfi model will open this month. Priced at $1,989,990 with furnishings, Stock’s 4,155 square feet Windsor model’s great room plan includes a formal dining room, island kitchen, and a family room opening to a lanai, four bedrooms, four-and-a-half baths, a lanai with covered lanai spaces, a summer kitchen, and a three-car garage. The Regency Manor estate model is completed and available for occupancy by the end of 2016. Stock, Divco, and Rutenberg are also offering 2,800 to 3,000 square feet residences priced from $1.2 million on 90 x 160-feet lots in TwinEagles’ Hedgestone neighborhood. Nine buildable home sites and two furnished models remain available in Hedgestone. Stock is also building unfinished, move-in ready Glenmore, Muirfield V, and Regency Manor residences that will be available for occupancy by the end of 2016. Stock’s furnished Ponte Vedra Grande model offers a 3,525 square feet with furnishings. The four-bedroom, four-and-a-half bath great room plan includes a formal dining room, study, an island kitchen, and an outdoor living area that opens to the outdoor kitchen and dining area, a study, four bedrooms, four baths, and a three-car garage. The interior design will present a playful style that fosters an atmosphere of understated sophistication layered on a traditional Amalfi coast farmhouse. The color palette will include light background tones with fabrics in creams, chocolate, light aqua, and pops of vibrant red. Flooring in the living areas will be a medium-toned wood. The furnished Montego model is priced at $2,045,000.

Rutenberg’s Amalfi model will include 3,903 square feet with a great room that opens to a covered lanai, an open kitchen and dining area that also opens to the outdoors, a club room that opens to the outdoor kitchen and dining area, a study, four bedrooms, four baths, and a three-car garage. The interior design will present a playful style that fosters an atmosphere of understated sophistication layered on a traditional Amalfi coast farmhouse. The color palette will include light background tones with fabrics in creams, chocolate, light aqua, and pops of vibrant red. Flooring in the living areas will be a medium-toned wood. The furnished Montego model is priced at $2,045,000.

The interior design incorporates natural textures and tones. Set against a palette of light and dark neutrals, oatmeal and linen colors will be accented with bronze and gold. Flooring in the living areas will be a medium-toned wood. The furnished Montego model is priced at $2,045,000.

Above: Situated in TwinEagles’ Lake Estates neighborhood and priced at $1,989,990 with furnishings, Stock Signature Homes’ Windsor model’s coastal interior design includes a color palette that blends sea salt and spa green with caramel, cream, and champagne tones for contrast. Stock’s furnished 3,699 square feet Regency Manor model in Hedgestone at TwinEagles is priced at $1,599,990 with furnishings. The model’s sophisticated interior design incorporates a light neutral palette. Left: A.R.B.C. Arthur Rutenberg Homes’ furnished Amalfi model in Lakes Estates at TwinEagles is scheduled for completion this month. The Amalfi model is priced at $2,067,000 with furnishings.

Divco’s previously sold La Salle model in Hedgestone is new for viewing through a leaseback in Hedgestone. The La Salle floor plan offers 3,644 square feet. The great room plan includes a formal dining room, study, an island kitchen with a dinette, four bedrooms, four full-baths and two half-baths, an outdoor living area with a summer kitchen, fireplace, pool and spa, and a three-car garage.

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CAPTIVA | 4/3.5 | 2,600 | $886,065
ANASTASIA | 3/3.5 | 2,913 | $899,990

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Kalea Bay’s community amenities popular with buyers
Clubhouse area under construction

The clubhouse will feature three individual pools, including a resort pool, an adults-only pool and a children’s pool, plus an expansive pool deck, an open air bar, an indoor/outdoor restaurant, a snack bar, an Internet cafe and a gifts and sundries shop.

“All three pools will overlook the lake and provide a multitude of recreational options for everyone who lives and visits here,” said Wilson.

Expansive sun decks with lounge chairs and native, tropical plants separate each of the three pools for the ultimate in privacy.

If basking in the sun or taking a refreshing dip in the pool isn’t on a resident’s schedule, perhaps meeting friends for lunch, dinner or drinks is.

“We have the perfect place for all three,” said Wilson. “The indoor/outdoor restaurant will serve phenomenal meals throughout the day. And what better way to celebrate the good life in Florida than meeting family and friends for drinks while watching the sun set over the Gulf of Mexico. This is what living in Florida is supposed to be.”

Just a short walk from the clubhouse will be the tennis pavilion with six lighted Har-Tru tennis courts. Nearby are 24 guest suites to accommodate overnight guests and family members.

“Having that number of guest suites is unusual for a luxury high-rise community, but it’s an amenity many of our residents are excited about especially when they have extended family visiting,” said Wilson. “Rather than putting their guests up in hotels throughout the Naples and Bonita Springs area, they can vacation within the community. It’s a real convenience.”

There will also be a shuttle service, originating from the clubhouse, to a designated Gulf beach.

“Three of the best beaches in the country are only minutes away from Kalea Bay,” stated Wilson. Construction on the clubhouse is slated for completion in the summer of next year and will coincide with the anticipated move-in of the residents in the first tower.

The 22-story tower, with 120 residences in the first tower, we are well on our way to over 70% sold, which is well ahead of original projections.”

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

Residences 1 and 6 are 4-bedroom/4-bath plans with 3,755 total square feet. Residences 2 and 5, with three-bed-rooms plus den and three-and-a-half baths, have 3,835 total square feet. Residences 3 and 4 are four-bedroom/four-bath plans with 3,921 total square feet. Wilson said spectacular views are available to every resident, no matter which floor they live on.

“Spectacular views are available to every single resident at Kalea Bay,” said Wilson. “With all our rooftop amenities including our sky lounge, pool and open-air fitness center, residents can enjoy daily views of the Gulf of Mexico, the nature preserves that surround us and, of course, the beaches.”

Those beaches include Barefoot Beach Preserve Park, which was ranked #2 nationally in 2015, and Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park, which was ranked #5. For more information regarding Kalea Bay visit the onsite sales center. It is located just north of Wiggins Pass just off Vanderbilt Drive at 13910 Old Coast Road in North Naples. Additional information is available by calling (239) 793-0110 or online at KaleaBay.com.

Above: A shuttle service, originating from the clubhouse, will take residents to a designated Gulf beach. Left: The 88,000-square-foot clubhouse features three separate pools, a deck bar, an indoor/outdoor restaurant and an Internet cafe. Below: Kalea Bay residences will enjoy their clubhouse day and night. One of the three pools at the Kalea Bay clubhouse (on right) is for adults only.

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Quail West poised to begin amenity enhancements

Quail West announced it is poised to begin the execution of a major member approved and financed capital improvement plan that will significantly enhance the North Naples community’s clubhouse, common areas, and golf operations. Budgeted at a cost of approximately $30 million, the enhancements are designed to meet the needs of Quail West’s growing membership and the changing lifestyle characteristics of the community’s members. The planned enhancements reflect the community’s mission to be the premier private residential country club community in Southwest Florida. Enhancements to one of Quail West’s two golf courses will begin this month. Enhancements to the community’s clubhouse are slated to begin in May. The enhancements will unfold over a 24-month period with minimal disruption to the community’s daily operations.

“This is a member-driven amenity enhancement plan that reflects our membership’s commitment to excellence that extends to all aspects of the community and its facilities,” said Board President Dr. Craig Smith. “Quail West has long been acknowledged as a club that is inclusive and a great place to live and enjoy life. The enhancements will expand those opportunities by making the clubhouse an even more highly preferred destination where our residents and members can enjoy a lifestyle that includes both casual and formal indoor and outdoor dining, a world-class fitness center, a glass-enclosed indoor heated pool, and a salon and spa. The golf course enhancements will further Quail West’s legacy of offering the best golf experience in Southwest Florida. The long term value of what we’re undertaking cannot be overstated and it will be completed with minimal disruptions to our day to day operations.”

Enhancements to the clubhouse will be implemented in two phases. Projected to be completed by the end of 2016, Phase I will include construction of a 12,000 square feet standalone two-story fitness facility with cardio and weight rooms, a Pilates studio, a spinning room, and TRX personal training technology. The new fitness center will connect to the existing glass-enclosed indoor heated pool and to the clubhouse.

Phase II will also include significant enhancements to the second floor of the clubhouse, including an expansion of the second floor kitchen that will enhance service to the Mahogany Room formal dining room and include construction of four ensuite bedrooms. The expansion of the existing Grille Room and its facilities, “extends to all aspects of the community in Southwest Florida. Enhancements are undertaken, just as we are positioned to ensure our members and residents will continue to enjoy a fulfilling experience throughout the club as the overall process unfolds,” said Smith. “We are positioned to continue that experience even as the individual course enhancements in Southwest Florida are measured.”

Enhancements to the Preserve course as a layout with great natural beauty.

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The enhancements to Quail West’s Lakes and Preserve golf courses originally designed by golf course architect Arthur Hills will address enhancements to the irrigation systems, green complexes, adjacent grass areas, and fairways. The emphasis will be on enhancing the playability of the courses. The golf practice area will undergo modifications to improve its utility.

The golf course enhancements will be overseen by J. Drew Rogers, a member of the American Society of Golf Course Architects highly regarded for his ability to undertake golf course renovation projects. Rogers is intimately familiar with Quail West’s golf courses, having worked directly with Arthur Hills to design two-nine-hole layouts that would later comprise the Lakes Course. Rogers regards the Preserve course as a layout with great natural beauty.

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A new Pro Shop and golf entrance will be built adjacent to the clubhouse and offer expanded space for displaying the latest in golf equipment and attire.

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Minto announces three new large-scale communities solidifying long-term commitment to Florida while growing existing communities

Minto Communities announces plans for three new communities in Florida, expanding the company into new markets, and totaling 17,900 lots and 4.2 million square feet of commercial space. The new communities are located in Naples, Daytona Beach and Palm Beach.

Minto has a long history in Florida. Over the past 35 years, Minto has built more than 25,000 new homes in 44 communities throughout the state.

Minto is committed to Florida which is evidenced by our long positions,” notes Minto Senior Vice President William Bullock.

Minto Communities and Collier Enterprises recently announced plans for the new Naples area community in eastern Collier County referred to as Rural Lands West that includes 10,000 lots and two million square feet of commercial space. Minto’s first phase of this community will be an age-restricted 55-and-better neighborhood with 4,000 homes, a golf course, parks and a town center with commercial, retail, entertainment and dining. The golf cart friendly community will have miles of trailways and kayakways.

Planning is underway for Minto’s age-restricted 55-and-better community in Daytona Beach, located just west of I-95 off LPGA Boulevard. This new resort-style community will offer 3,400 residences and 215,000 square feet of neighborhood commercial space, along with an array of world-class amenities. The golf cart-friendly community will include a private Beach Club on the Atlantic Ocean for homeowners and guests. With a prime location in Daytona, the community is in close proximity to world-famous beaches, championship golf at LPGA International, Daytona International Speedway, the new Daytona One entertainment, dining and shopping destination, and new Tanger Outlets with more than 80 retailers.

Westlake, Minto’s new community located in western Palm Beach County, is approved for 4,500 homes and two million square feet of commercial space. This innovative 1,800-acre community will feature a town center with shops, restaurants, entertainment, professional offices and recreational amenities. The community includes more than 2,000 acres of lakes, trails and open spaces. Plans call for employment centers, college campus and medical facilities.

Minto also recently completed its third phase of The Isles of Collier Preserve in Naples. “The Isles is off to a great start. With more than 1,300 lots still remaining to be developed we look forward to a great future,” adds Bullock. The Isles of Collier Preserve is located just four miles east of downtown Naples. Based on customer feedback reflecting a desire for larger homes, Minto recently announced Stock Signature Homes as a builder at The Isles of Collier Preserve. Stock will offer home plans on 90-foot wide lots that are in keeping with the contemporary coastal style of the existing community. “We selected Stock to build the larger luxury homes because the company shares Minto’s commitment to integrity, quality and excellent customer service,” notes Bullock.

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Livingston Lakes offers a carefree lifestyle with a selection of Carriage, Coach and Garden homes. The Artesia Naples clubhouse features a resort inspired pool with beach entry and dedicated lap lanes.

LaMorada Naples presents homebuyers a variety of luxury Carriage Homes and single family home designs. LaMorada’s selection of expansive homesites allow homebuyers to make the most of a fun alfresco lifestyle.
Two-story Rosewood model available for purchase

Master retreat is a must-see

Sienna Reserve is an intimate enclave of 45 luxury custom single-family homes being developed by Zuckerman Homes on Livingston Road, between Vanderbilt Beach Road and Immokalee Road in North Naples. Three models are open daily for tours, but only one is still looking for a family to call it “home.”

That model is the incredible Rosewood, the largest of the three models offered at Sienna Reserve. The two-story, five-bedroom plus study/five-and-a-half-bath home boasts 4,971 square feet under air and 5,997 total square feet, including a three-car, side-entry garage.

Every room and every space, with finishes conceived by Zuckerman Homes and the interior design firm of Robb & Stucky, was designed with today’s homebuyer in mind – both inside and out.

The first floor consists of a large leisure room, gourmet kitchen, morning cafe, formal dining room, guest suite, study, wine closet and pool bath. The chef-inspired kitchen is a major focal point. It features a breakfast bar, an island counter, stain- less steel Wolf and SubZero appliances, a walk-in food pantry and a butler’s pantry.

“The largest room on the first floor is the leisure room which measures approximately 27 by 22 feet. From the leisure room a set of pocketing sliding glass doors lead out to the covered Florida room with summer kitchen and pool which overlooks a preserve.”

The upper floor features the master retreat, three guest bedrooms, two full guest baths, a poweder bath, laundry room and a club room with built-in bar.

“From the large leisure room and gourmet kitchen on the first floor, to the club room and incredible master retreat on the second floor; it comes as no surprise to us why this floor plan is grabbing the imagination of the families that have toured it,” stated Andy Zuckerman, President of Zuckerman Homes.

In addition to the Rosewood model, Sienna Reserve has two other models to tour.

The Hibiscus, a single-story, three-bedroom plus utility/three-bath home with 2,566 square feet under air and 3,378 total square feet, has a very open floor plan and a pool with five-foot high waterfall.

“The Magnolia Flex, a two-story, four-bedroom/three-full-bath/two-half-bath home with 4,004 square feet under air and 4,855 total square feet, has a fun game room and separate media room on the second floor.

“Our models as well as all of our homes have been designed with today’s homebuyer in mind,” said Zuckerman.

Those words hold true considering the number of visitors the community has had since the models grand opening.

“Since mid-February more than 1,200 people have stopped by our sales center to begin their model tour,” said Zuckerman. “As of late March, the community is at the 85 percent sold mark, making Sienna Reserve one of the hottest selling communities in the Naples’ area.”

With all the visitors and recent sales one might get the notion that all the prime homesites are taken. It’s not the case.

“Some of our best homesites are still available. But, time is of the essence considering the high interest in the community and the rapid rate of sales,” stated Zuckerman.

There are many reasons for Sienna Reserve’s sales success. Part of it is due to the fact only 14 of the community’s 30 acres are being developed. The remaining 16 acres comprise a freshwater lake and untouched nature preserve.

Says Zuckerman, “Our research indicates buyers are looking for a more intimate community to call home. A natural setting. A place where neighbor knows neighbor. That’s exactly what we deliver.”

Sienna Reserve also has a dream location.

“The community is close to downtown Naples and its world-renowned shopping districts of Fifth Avenue South and Third Street South. It’s also within minutes of Mercato, one of the most popular upscale shopping, dining and entertainment areas in town,” he said.

But the closest attraction is actually right next door to Sienna Reserve and just a brief walk or drive away.

“North Collier Regional Park, located to our north, is one of the county’s premier parks,” stated Zuckerman.

Also close by is Tiburon Golf Club.

That’s important because Sienna Reserve purchasers are eligible to receive complimentary temporary privileges to all Tiburon Golf Club amenities, and Sienna Reserve homeowners are eligible to become members of the exclusive Tiburon Golf Club.

Prices at Sienna Reserve begin in the mid-$600s. Although eight floor plans are offered, Zuckerman Homes encourages purchasers to customize their home to fit their lifestyle.

“It’s one of the many things that makes Sienna Reserve a unique place to live, play and enjoy all life has to offer,” said Zuckerman.

The Sienna Reserve sales center and models are open Monday – Saturday, 10 am to 5:30 pm, and Sunday, 11 am to 5:30 pm. For more information regarding Sienna Reserve, call (239) 643-4333 or visit SiennaReserve.com.
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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 $495,000, 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.

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"Following success with preconstruction sales, we are excited to have broken ground on the second tower," said Chris Hanlon, a Principal with PACT Real Estate Group, which is developing AQUA II in partnership with Ironshore Capital Partners, LLC. "Luxury home-buyers can experience all that AQUA has to offer by visiting our two new models, which are open daily."

The 32 residences in the new 11-story tower range from 3,940 to 6,599 sq. ft. with three and four bedrooms, 3.5 to 4.5 baths, with living and family rooms/den. Each will have generous sunrise and sunset terraces, gourmet kitchens, spacious master bedroom suites, lavish master bathrooms with generous closet space and more.

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The launch of the new tower means plans for a host of new amenities. These include: a social room complete with large screen television and sound system, comfortable seating area with a fireplace, bar and card tables; three spacious guest suites, which can be reserved for guests. Additional guest cottages and cabanas are available for purchase by residents; a game room with a billiards, interactive virtual golf and other video games; outdoor putting/chipping green, dog run; and an outdoor screened social pavilion overlooking the marina.

To learn more about AQUA and how you can become one of the boutique community’s 32 new owners, go to www.aqua-naples.com, call (239)-591-2727 or visit the AQUA Information Center, located at 13675 Vanderbilt Drive, Naples, Florida 34110. Offered exclusively by PACT Realty and priced from $1,900,000 to $4,950,000.

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- **Contact:** 1-866-657-2300 800CC020015.

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- **Contact:** 1-866-657-2300 800CC004757.

## Location! Location! Only 2 Minutes To The River!!!
- **Location:** This beautiful direct sailboat access pool home offers 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. The spacious lanai is great.
- **Contact:** 1-866-657-2300 800CC072107.

## Cape Coral Reflection Lakes Beauty
- **Location:** 3 bedroom/3 bathroom courtyard style, cabana pool home. 2 car garage/lakefront lot. Gated community with clubhouse.
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- **Location:** This popular Reddington model in the Bridgetown development of the Plantation can be yours! 3 bed+den. Over 2500 sq.ft.
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- **Location:** Minutes to the River on a deep water, direct access canal. Nearly half acre lot. Completely renovated in 2014.
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## Fort Myers Brand New Gulf Access Pool Home!
- **Location:** Beautiful open floor plan! 2245 sq. ft. under air. 3 bed/2 bath with 3 car garage. Lots of upgrades Ready to move in early 2016!
- **Contact:** 1-866-657-2300 800CC070812.

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