Love reigns supreme at Bentley Village

The giddy couples listened intently, many interlocking hands, some with arms draped over their partner, as Pastor Doug Pratt spoke.

“What comes to mind in February?” he asked the flock of lovebirds, all residents of senior living community Vi at Bentley Village in Naples.

Together they recited what was on everybody’s minds: “Valentine’s Day.” Pastor Pratt of First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs was there to conduct a vow renewal service in honor of the holiday.

Community Relations Manager Pamela Fultz wasn’t sure what to expect when she and Angelique Miller, director of lifestyle activities at the community in North Naples, put the event on the schedule for residents to consider. Soon, however, they had 24 couples signed up to declare “I do” all over again.

“We program activities that are geared...”

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— Joshua Johnson, the host of NPR’s ‘1A’ talk show training.”

SEE RADIO, A8

JOSHUA JOHNSON, THE HOST OF NATIONAL Public Radio’s “1A” talk show on current topics, credits his training for the national audience he now has to his start in South Florida.

“Forget New York. If you can make it (down) there, you can make it anywhere... It’s made me fearless. South Florida is like officer training.”

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COMMENTARY

Getting naked

So it’s February in Florida — from februa, a Latin word for purifications.

We take a lot from the Romans, just like we take a lot from the Judeo-Christians in general and from the Europeans in particular — especially the English Puritans.

The februa festival, later called the Lupercalia, took place on Feb. 15 in ancient Rome. The Greek writer and biographer Plutarch, who became a Roman citizen, offered this description: “Many of the noble youths and of the magistrates run up and down through the city naked, for sport and laughter striking those they meet with shaggy thongs. And many women of rank also purposely get in their way, and like children at school present their hands to be struck, believing that the pregnant will thus be helped in delivery, and the barren to pregnancy.”

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Sad advice from the poet

Donald Trump’s impure thoughts

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We don’t need an investigation to know any of this, because Trump advertises it all the time. What else is his Twitter feed for?

What we don’t know, at least with certainty, is what’s behind Trump’s animus. It’s one thing if he hatched a high-level conspiracy with the Russians during the election that he’s ham-handedly trying to cover up; it is another if he knows there was no such conspiracy and believes the investigation is, as he repeatedly says, “a witch hunt.”

This is why it makes no sense for Democrats and the press to blow right by collusion — compelling evidence of which has not yet emerged — to obsess with alleged obstruction instead. If there was no collusion, it is doubtful that Trump has the corrupt motive necessary to make an impeachable obstruction-of-justice case against him.

Absent collusion (or some other sinister secret), Trump is guilty of raging against an investigation that, at the end of the day, really is built on sand.

In which case, it’d be better for Trump, secure in his ultimate vindication, lowered the temperature around the investigation. But the scorpion is going to sting the frog — especially if the frog is getting round-the-clock cable coverage.

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If Trump had his druthers, he’d probably appoint his personal fixer Michael Cohen his attorney general and run the Department of Justice like an arm of The Trump Organization. But there are all sorts of political and institutional constraints to acting on these impulses, including a White House counsel willing to say “No!”

— Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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BY DAVE TRECKER

Weed users are apoplectic. Attorney General Jeff Sessions threw a monkey wrench into the race to legalize pot in the U.S. by rescinding an Obama-era memorandum that instructed federal prosecutors not to pursue cases against sellers and users who complied with state laws.

Will that have any impact? Let’s look at the facts.

In this country, medical marijuana is approved in 28 states (Florida is one of them), plus the District of Columbia and several territories. Recreational pot is approved in eight states. But cannabis, a Schedule 1 controlled substance, is illegal by federal law. That means docs can’t prescribe it, but instead have to “certify” patients for its use. And pharmacies can’t dispense it; that’s the job of state-licensed dispensaries.

To complicate things further, marijuana is not a single substance. It’s a botanical containing 483 different chemicals, 66 of which are cannabinoids, the ratios of which vary depending on the strain, of which there are hundreds.

That makes clinical trials especially difficult. Following FDA guidelines means limiting each trial to a single cannabis strain. And there are hundreds of strains. Phase 3 testing involves thousands of patients and typically costs over a billion dollars. It’s an expensive crapshoot. Which strain do you pick? You can’t test them all. And positive (or negative) results from one strain don’t apply to the many others offered in dispenseries around the world.

Where does that leave us? To date, marijuana is not FDA-approved for any medical use. An FDA official recently said, “No botanical form has been found safe or effective for treating any disease or condition.” That’s pretty definitive.

But individual ingredients, some synthesized in the lab to ensure purity, have been approved. Marinol, a synthetic tetrahydrocannabinol (the main psychoactive ingredient in pot), is approved for treating AIDS-related weight loss. Epidiolex, a purified cannabidiol extract (non-psychoactive), is approved for treating seizures from epilepsy; Sativex, a purified THC/CBD blend from plant extracts, is approved for treating spasticity from multiple sclerosis. Cesamet, a synthetic cannabinoid, is approved for treating nausea from chemotherapy.

Marijuana per se is not approved for anything. Does it matter? There’s a lot of anecdotal evidence pot helps alleviate pain, curb nausea, control spasms. A friend claims it was the only thing that allowed her to keep food down during chemotherapy. At a presentation I made last November, several people said it was the only thing that eased their pain after surgery. There’s no question many Americans believe pot is a medicine.

And whole-plant marijuana is safe, right? If it’s safe and it works, why worry about approvals?

But is it really safe? The readings are mixed. Most show it’s not harmful to adults, and even heavy users can quit without withdrawal symptoms. It’s generally considered safer than alcohol, and it’s impossible to overdose.

But there are serious downsides.

Pot smoke, with four-times more tar than tobacco smoke, is a cancer risk. Numerous studies show marijuana use doubles the rate of auto accidents.

Marijuana has a devastating effect on adolescents, affecting brain and central nervous system development.

It’s a gateway drug, particularly for young people. A recent UK study showed that 83 percent of teenage users moved on to more dangerous drugs later in life.

Colorado, a recreational marijuana state, has reported an 11-fold increase in overdose deaths in the 10 years since legalization.

A National Institutes of Health study found a direct correlation between density of pot dispensaries and property crimes in the area.

Despite all of that, 57 percent of Americans favor decriminalizing marijuana completely. (That includes 5 percent of Republicans.)

In Florida, we’re halfway there. Our medical marijuana law is among the most liberal in the country, allowing certification for patients with “debilitating medical conditions” or “chronic nonmalignant pain.” That covers a lot. I certainly qualify.

And patients in the Sunshine State can amass a 210-day supply of pot. There is a local option, but it’s very limited. Localities can either ban dispensaries altogether or treat them like pharmacies, the only limitation being to keep them 500 feet from schools (less than two football fields away). Pills and oils and edibles are OK, but smoking is not — the only real restriction — and even that is being challenged in the courts.

Will it be a moneymaker? You bet. And a job creator. The potential for medical marijuana here is huge, but nothing like recreational pot. And that’s coming soon. Signatures are being gathered for a constitutional amendment in 2020. It’s big business waiting to happen.

Florida is second only to California in revenue potential, likely well over $10 billion a year. Recreational pot will be a financial juggernaut.

And the tourism folks love it. They already have a slogan teed up: “Come to Florida for a high time in the sun!”

So forget about science and risk and Jeff Sessions. Forget about all of that. Money will win out. There are billions of dollars to be made.

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Of his work here, he says, “It’s made me fearless. South Florida is like officer training.

“It’s fascinating and insane and complicated and beautiful and corrupt all at the same time. There are so many different kinds of stories. You leave there and can cover anything — except maybe volcanoes and earthquakes.”

“He obviously was a talent who was going places with his sharp mind and passion for journalism,” said Mary Kate Leming, who a decade ago was a media editor coordinating the Palm Beach Post’s partnership with Miami public radio station WLRN, where Mr. Johnson worked as a radio reporter. "He also was proud of where he came from. Storytelling, he says, was his passion, even as a youngster growing up in an African-American family in West Palm Beach.

“Since I was 10 years old, I knew it’s what I wanted. I grew up watching people like Bernard Shaw, Arsenio Hall and Oprah. I always knew that being a great storyteller was a dream.”

His parents — a schoolteacher and a Vietnam veteran — instilled a work ethic and discipline to get to that dream. "I knew if I pounded on my craft, I could get there."

He began while still in high school. He has a long history in media in the area and worked with legends whom he names as mentors.

“I had been involved in community radio with WJNO when Jack Cole was there,” he said.

The late Mr. Cole ruled the talk airwaves at WJNO at the time, and on Saturdays, produced a two-hour teen talk show. Mr. Johnson participated on the show and that experience was key to help him learn the inner workings of the radio station.

In college at the University of Miami, Mr. Johnson hosted a radio show, had a game show, then went to television station WTVJ, where other legends like Dwight Lauderdale, South Florida’s first African-American anchor, were on air.

After graduation, he returned home to West Palm Beach and worked briefly at WPEC- TV.

“I ran screaming from there to public radio. I didn't want to go into print. I got with WLRN news, and in March 2004, was hired as a reporter.” He rose quickly to WLRN news, and in March 2004, was hired as a reporter. "I knew if I pounded on my craft, I could get there."

He bounced between reporting and anchoring, then left in 2010 to freelance. But he was garnering a wealth of experience in news coverage across both print and broadcast platforms through a partnership with the Miami Herald and public radio.

“Being in an environment like Miami and with WLRN — it was incredible. I covered political scandals, plenty of elections, numerous hurricanes, the earthquake in Haiti, tons of crime, the MTV music awards, Art Basel, sports — you name it. All within a span of six years.”

It proved to be the foundation on which all other his jobs were built.

He accepted a job as the morning show host of KQED in San Francisco. The station makes stars of its personalities: It has one of the largest public radio audiences in the country.

It was an easy transition, Mr. Johnson said.

“When I moved to San Francisco, all I had to do was learn who the players were. I had learned to do deadline work, features work and deadline features work. I don’t think there are many people who can turn a four-minute feature in 45 minutes — but I can.”

He produced a show and podcast to discuss race and identity called “Truth Be Told.” The show was syndicated and picked up in several cities, including Washington, D.C., where producers took notice.

Then, in the fall of 2016, the noted NPR radio host Diane Rehm announced her retirement from the popular morning show bearing her name. Mr. Johnson was chosen to bring a fresh voice — and younger listeners — to the prime morning time slot. He began in January 2017. “I cannot fill Diane Rehm’s shoes. They’re size 9 and pointy,” he said, laughing. “No one replaces Diane Rehm. She exited on her terms, exited stage right. She cleared the deck to start something new.”

“At this moment, our country needs a fresh voice that addresses the wonderful diversity of our nation,” Ms. Rehm said when Mr. Johnson was tapped to host the show. "Joshua Johnson represents America’s future and is the right host at the right time.”

Being African-American and being out as a gay man, he brings another level of diversity to NPR programming.

The title of his show, “1A,” refers to both the topical front-page stories the radio host focuses on, as well as the First Amendment. He came aboard just as Donald Trump was inaugurated. The divisions throughout the country cut deep, and conversations were emotional and frequently degenerated into confrontational shouting matches on air.

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— Diane Rehm, NPR radio host

But Mr. Johnson says he wanted to provide a platform with “1A” where those with opposing views could voice their opinions with thoughtfulness, and simply be heard in a safe space.

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“But the Trump presidency is not new. There was a similar pain with Obama. It’s cranked up to II now. It’s really loud. But it’s not new”

He's learned that in talking with those with opposite views, it's most beneficial to listen and empathize whenever possible. He attributes training in theater and a background in science for giving him an edge in talking to those with strong opposite views.

“It made it a lot easier to know what constitutes arguments and what is required to validate them.
“I try to keep myself patient and empathetic. Let it be what it is. Be clinical about how we have these views. It’s exhausting, day to day, broadly speaking. Just take a breath.”

He again references Diane Rehm, a long-time mentor, whose style was to give voice to all views. “Diane Rehm and I have a lot in common. There’s a lot of hurt and angry people and scared people. Treat them with respect. Default to saying, ‘You’re scared and hurtting. What you’re saying is not personal. Now I can listen.”

On his web page for the show, he describes it: “‘1A’ is a mission driven, values driven brand that will come to represent this respectful incisive space to say what you want.”

He knows there’s NPR’s reputation to overcome. He believes people’s relationship with public media will always be “that” channel. “It’s a style, an aesthetic, a feel, a brand,” he said.

But new listeners who never gave it a chance are tuning in now, including some conservatives. “Quite a few have said they didn’t think they were welcome here. But we want everybody here. We’ve gone out of our way to make that clear.”

Mr. Johnson says new public radio shows — and its social media including podcasts — are going to change the NPR audience eventually. The overwhelming majority of white, over-55, generally liberal listener is dropping; listeners are being captured instead on the digital platforms. “Plenty of people who listen to ‘1A’ don’t even know we’re a radio show. They listen to us on a podcast. It’s one of the big advantages radio has. We’re already there, making a show that’s podcast friendly. Of course, we want them to listen to a two-hour live broadcast. But we know people who listen on digital media typically won’t listen more than 45 minutes.”

The meat of the show without mindless greetings and banter is on the podcasts, and a “curated” one-hour version of the show often airs at night on some NPR stations. He’d love for “1A” to be on television, he says. Already the show is on the road. “We’re traveling a lot already. We want to grow the staff to do ambitious journalism.”

With a year’s worth of shows, which are his favorites? “Oh, there are so many. Brené Brown was great, Sheryl Sandberg of Facebook. We’ve done a number of shows live — the Friday News Roundup Live from Chapel Hill.

Shows we’re done from the Me, Too movement. It makes me crazy and furious to hear those stories — what these women have gone through and endured. It’s comforting to be a place to talk about it and an outlet for the women to be heard.”

Others include his original ideas such as How to Earn Six Figures, and a show on gerrymandering. One of his favorite ideas is the Monthly Movie Club. “I won’t do novelists. That’s a very public radio thing to do. But a movie that’s in wide release — even if you’re not going to see the movie, ‘The Circle’ or ‘Wonder Woman’ or ‘Coco’ — Mexican culture on the screen — you can still be in the conversation. Movies are more social and more fun. Plug us into the zeitgeist. Something public radio doesn’t do enough of. I want to shake it up.”

Mr. Johnson thinks popular culture gets “pooh-poohed as base entertainment.” That’s not fair, he says, to many people who enjoy the escape. “Sometimes it’s worth meeting people where we are. If we can discuss it in a respectful way, how much validation our listeners will have.”

He’s proud of his shows, and says, “We’re still doing the best work on radio and on podcasts — everyone needs to know about that.” He thinks it’s got great potential. “To younger kids who want to do this, I would say learn to understand people. There is no job that you can have that won’t be better if you learn to understand people — why people are the way they are, why they do what they do, why they think what they think, why they want what they want. Learn how people interact.”

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On the radio

Joshua Johnson’s “1A” airs at 10 a.m. weekdays on National Public Radio, WGCU FM-90.1 and FM-91.7 in Southwest Florida.
Be a big buddy to a star student

Volunteers are needed for Guadalupe Center’s 26th annual Buddy Day on Saturday, Feb. 17, at Hideaway Beach on Marco Island. Guadalupe Center, a non-profit organization focused on breaking the cycle of poverty through the education of children in Immokalee, will bring 150 “little buddies” out for a day of fun in the sun with their “big buddies.” The second-grade students from Pinecrest, Lake Trafford, Highlands, and Village Oaks elementary schools in Immokalee all are enrolled in the center’s after-school program to improve their reading and math skills.

Throughout the Buddy Day afternoon, little and big buddies will rotate through fun, educational stations including beach exploration led by Everglades National Park at The Gulf Coast Visitor Center, a birding program with rangers from Big Cypress National Preserve, games run by Marco Island YMCA and crafts overseen by community volunteers. Hideaway residents provide everyone with rides on their decorated golf carts, which are always a big hit with the children.

Buddy Day is made possible thanks to volunteers and supporting organizations from Marco Island and Naples. In addition to Hideaway Beach Club, participating communities include Verona Walk and Fiddler’s Creek, among many others. Food for the day is donated by Cheney Brothers, Culligan, Fresh Point, Hideaway Beach Club and Oaks Farms.

To volunteer or for more information, call Kelly Hammer, Guadalupe Center’s director of community engagement, at 657-7158 or send an email to khammer@guadalupecenter.org.

Sunshine Ace holds free fishing expo

Sunshine Ace Hardware invites everyone to its third annual “Reel in the Sunshine” free fishing expo from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at the Sunshine Ace store on Bonita Beach Road in Bonita Springs. Fishing enthusiasts of all levels will enjoy seminars by several local fishing captains and demonstrations by product representatives and vendors from more than 20 brands, including Accurate Fishing, DOA Lures, Hook & Tackle and Shimano.

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Nyla finds a moment of fame and a forever family
Labrador mix is Humane Society Naples’ 100,000th adoption

Saturday, Feb. 3, was a milestone day in the life of a dog, a family and an organization. For Nyla, a 4-year-old Labrador retriever mix, it marked the start of her new life with her forever family. For Daniel Campbell and his parents, it was the culmination of the search to find a new furry family member after the loss of their beloved chocolate Labrador.

And for Humane Society Naples, the day marked the 100,000th adoption facilitated by the nonprofit organization.

HSN’s main purpose is to find each of the orphaned or abandoned pets in its shelter the perfect forever home so that they can live the rest of their lives — as every pet should — with love and care. Rescued, injured and surrendered, thousands of animals arrive every year. With no limit on length of stay, HSN provides care and shelter to every animal that is healthy and adoptable until a new home is found.

The Campbells visited many shelters looking for the right dog after recently losing Molly, their chocolate Labrador. When they met Nyla at HSN’s main shelter, they knew immediately that they had found their new four-legged friend.

HSN waived the adoption fee and the Campbells received the following for Nyla: lifetime medical care at the HSN veterinary clinic, unlimited dog training from HSN, six months of Heartgard (heartworm preventative), and numerous toys and treats. The family, Nyla included, also received an invitation to HSN’s 18th annual Pet Lovers Gala, which takes place Friday, Feb. 9, at Naples Botanical Garden.

Above: Cheered on by Humane Society Naples staff and volunteers, Daniel Campbell and Nyla make their exit from the shelter.
Left, Mr. Campbell and his parents with Nyla.

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The Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts in Switzerland has a new course of study for scholars to pursue: a bachelor’s or master’s in yodeling. Beginning in the 2018-19 academic year, students will be able to major in the traditional form of singing, which was used by Swiss herdsmen to communicate with each other in the mountains. The BBC reported that prize-winning yodeler Nadja Rass will lead the courses, which will also include musical theory and history. “We have long dreamed of offering yodeling at the university,” gushed Michael Kaufmann, head of the school’s music department.

**Names in the news**

Police in Loganport, Ind., finally caught up with the man who was targeting churches in the area since Jan. 16. Christian J. Alter, 22, of Kewanna, was charged with breaking into five houses of worship and stealing cash, according to the Loganport Pharos-\npatriot.

Birds nesting near natural gas compressors have been found to suffer symptoms similar to PTSD in humans, according to researchers at the Florida Museum of Natural History, and noise pollution has been named the culprit. The Washington Post reported that researchers studied birds in the Rattlesnake Canyon Habitat Management Area in New Mexico, which is uninhabited by humans but does contain natural gas wells and compression stations that constantly emit a low-frequency hum. The study in humans, was linked to abnormal levels of stress hormones, and the usually highly-westernized birds in the area were found to be smaller and displayed bedraggled feathers. “The body is just starting to break down,” explained stress physiologist Christopher Lowry.

**Armed and naked**

In Texas, game wardens came across an arresting sight in Gregg County last November: an unnamed Upshur County man hunting in the nude along a state highway. The Houston Chronicle reported that the hunter, who is a well-known nudist and activist in the area, contested his arrest on charges including hunting without a license, but one look in court at the warden’s body cam footage determined his case. The man then dropped his appeals and settled the citations.

Vincente Rodríguez-Ortiz, 22, was arrested on Jan. 24 in Grand Rapids, Mich., for the assault and murder of Andre Hawkins, 17, the day before. But when Rodríguez-Ortiz appeared in court on Jan. 25 for arraignment, he questioned the judge about his “other murder case.” WWMT TV reported that his query led prosecutors to interview him and then swiftly charge him with the March 2077 homicide of Laurie Kay Lundeberg, and Rodríguez-Ortiz now awaits arraignment in that case as well.

Homeowners in Noosa, Queensland, Australia, were perplexed about why their toilet kept randomly flushing, so on Jan. 29, they looked for a mechanism embedded in the wall behind the toilet. Then they summoned Luke Huntley, a local snake catcher. Huntley found a 13-foot brown tree snake in the niche, according to the Daily Mail, resting on the flush mechanism. “Hopefully, he didn’t make a mess of it and is able to be straight out,” Huntley said on a video of the capture, but “he’s a little grumpy.”

Bets in action

A landlord in Cardiff, Wales, was caught in a compromising position when he offered a special rent deal to an ITV Wales reporter with a hidden camera. The unnamed man posted an ad on Craigslist offering a $600-pound-per-month home with the option of a “reduced deposit/rent arrangement” for “alternative payments.” When he met reporter Stan Thomas at a restaurant to discuss the property, he said, “I don’t know if you have heard of a sort of ‘friends with benefits’ sort of arrangement,” reported Metro News on Jan. 30. He went on to say that if a steady-sex sex arrangement could be struck, “then I wouldn’t be interested in any rent from you at all.” The ITV Wales report was part of an investigation into “sex for rent” arrangements, which apparently are not uncommon in Wales, judging from other advertisements.

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Center rebrands to better serve senior community

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Rapid growth and overwhelming community response has prompted JFCS of Southwest Florida to change its name to Naples Senior Center at JFCS. Membership at the senior center has surged from 80 in January 2014 to more than 1,300 today.

“Our while name has changed, our mission has remained the same,” says Jaclyn Faffer, Ph.D., Naples Senior Center at JFCS president and CEO. “We will continue to empower seniors and families in the community through support and social services.”

An estimated 8,600 people over the age of 65 live in the greater Naples area. Roughly one-third of them live alone. The majority of Naples Senior Center at JFCS members—72 percent of who live alone—say they joined because they were lonely. Obviously, a need exists for social engagement and so much more, Ms. Faffer says.

The revamped focus of Naples Senior Center at JFCS is to meet an increasing demand for social services among seniors and to help those suffering from isolation, loneliness and dementia. Programs available at the center include dementia respite care, geriatric case management, mental health counseling and a food pantry, all designed to support and strengthen people of all backgrounds and beliefs, often at times of vulnerability and crisis.

The goal of this rebranding is to become a stronger, more identifiable part of the community so we can better serve those in need,” Ms. Faffer said.

The center at 5025 Castello Drive supports and enriches the lives of seniors and families in Collier County and southern Lee County by providing tools to address life’s challenges. It is a gathering place with a nurturing environment for seniors to socialize, learn and stay active.

Regular activities include movies every Monday, art and computer classes, exercise sessions, ballroom dance and line dancing lessons, book discussions, card games and mah jong, needlepoint lessons and foreign language classes.

In addition to Ms. Faffer, a staff of 12 and more than 100 volunteers help with various programs, duties (drivers, home visitors, lunch servers, pantry helpers, etc.) and administrative tasks to ensure the center’s success. The board of trustees has 24 members. For information, visit www.naplesseniorcenter.org.

VOWS

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toward enriching the lives of our residents,” Ms. Miller said of her inspiration for the event. “We were thrilled to offer the vow renewal ceremony.”

Pastor Pratt said he saw a number of similarities between the community at Bentley Village and what he tries to accomplish at his church.

“We often talk about how our church is a buffer line,” he told the group. “You walk along it, and you get to pick and choose what’s good for you. That’s exactly what I find here at Bentley Village.”

“Obviously, all of you today have chosen to come and be a part of this celebration of romantic love.”

People from all walks of life were among the 24 couples, including some “newlyweds” of fewer than 15 years and several married for more than seven decades.

Sandra and Norman Shapiro have been married 71 years, and another couple will be married 14 years in April. Ben and Mary Benson were married in Florida while Mr. Benson was serving the country as a member of the Air Force. The couple said their original vows at Tyndall Air Force Base near Panama City, in 1957, a little more than 60 years ago. They brought a picture from their wedding day to share with the group.

“We still have his uniform and my wedding dress,” Mrs. Benson said. She and her husband considered wearing their outfits from that day for the renewal ceremony but decided neither was a different color and our body shapes had slightly altered.”

Later the couples stood, gazing into each other’s eyes as Pastor Pratt instructed them to recite their vows. They then turned to the crowd and declared their collective vows renewed, a sudden eagerness came upon the crowd. He hesitated and then failed spectacularly to hold back his amusement.

“The kiss will come in a moment,” he told the group. “There were fewer lines on our faces, our hair was a different color and our body shapes had slightly altered.”

Then came a realization.

“In many respects, when you look at a young couple getting married, there are many ways in which they look very similar,” he said. “A deeper intimacy comes with that trust. It is a proven, time-tested, reliable trust that we have.”

Married to Jeanne for 43 years, the pastor recalled a reunion he had this past summer with four of their closest couple friends. They all brought their wedding pictures and chatted fondly about the days when they all lived in the same city as 20-somethings.

“We all looked a little bit different (back then),” he told the group. “There were fewer lines on our faces, our hair was a different color and our body shapes had slightly altered.”

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“The kiss will come in a moment,” he said to a round of giggles from the happy “newlyweds.”
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**CLUB NOTES**

- **The United States Naval Academy Alumni Association of Southwest Florida**

  The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) held its annual banquet Thursday, Feb. 15 at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Mr. Gladchuk is the 2016 recipient of the John L. Toner Award from the National Football League Foundation & College Hall of Fame. David Mahoney, a former football player for the academy, explained how the brain injuries, dementia, and autism for more information, call Ted Strepka at tstrepka@aol.com.

- **The Naples Men's Bridge Club**

  invites retirees who want to join games from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15; Wednesday, Feb. 21; and at the Naples Country Club. Cost is $20 and includes morning beverages, prize money and lunch (choice of several entrees plus dessert). For more information, email Ted Strepka at tstrepka@aol.com.

- **Pilot Club of Naples/Naples Pilot Foundation**

  meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Friday of every month at the American Cancer Society office, 5020 Tamiami Trail N. Space is limited. Space reservations are required. The second Friday of the month features a free lunch, followed by a social hour at 5 p.m. and the main event at 6 p.m. For more information, call Jeanne Hughes at 262-0278 or email careyjh@aol.com.

- **Toast of The Coast Toastmasters Club #6544**

  meets from noon to 1 p.m. on the second and fourth Friday of every month at Naples United Country Club, 901 Golf Club Drive. Guests are always welcome. For more information, call 777-0416 or visit www.ToastofTheCoast.org.

- **Solo Singles of Collier County**

  invites all singles, divorced or widowed, to join for fun and camaraderie and mutual respect among our members. Meetings are open to newcomers. For more information, email usnanaa@gmail.com. For more information, call Kathy Bogan at 576-3350 or email naplesfloryo@gmail.com.

- **Ikebana Naples**

  holds its 25th anniversary celebration Tuesday evening, Feb. 27, at Quail West Country Club. Several volunteers of non-profit organizations will be honored guests. The club’s mission is to promote international understanding and encourage learning, camaraderie and mutual respect among members of experience, honor and integrity with strong international backgrounds or interests through a series of friendly and participative educational, cultural and recreational activities. For more information, visit www.iikebanainternational.com. For more information, call Norma Small at 576-4700 or email info@tech4goodswfl.org.

- **The Naples Women’s Solo Travel Group**

  meets at 9 a.m. on the first and third Saturday of every month at the Landmark Naples community in North Naples. The next gatherings are Feb. 17 and March 3. All are invited to enjoy lunch together afterward at a location TBA. For more information, call Dick Ritchie at 594-0968 or email dcrichie@comcast.net.

- **The Italian American Society of Southwest Florida**

  hosts an Aloha Tropical Luau from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Resort. Reverse raffle tickets for $100 admit two for dinner, a hula show and dancing (cash bar). The raffle grand prize is $1,000. All proceeds benefit A Hope Hospice. For more information, call Phyllis Jensen at 280-0150.

- **The Naples Orchid Society**

  welcomes members and guests to meetings on the first Thursday of the month at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive. The next meeting is March 9. Social hour starts at 6 p.m., flower registration. Judging is at 7:30 p.m., followed by a short presentation at 7:45 p.m. and the program at 7:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.naplesorcidichsociety.org.

- **TechGood SWFL**

  a club for staff and volunteers of nonprofit organizations, meets from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 13 at 301 De Soto Blvd. For staff and volunteers of nonprofit organizations who want to learn more about using technology to advance their mission. Admission is free to regular monthly meetings, and a light dinner is served. RSVPs are required. It is free to TechGoodSWFL@ntcheprojects.org.

  For more information about the organization, visit www.techgoodswfl.org.

- **Ikebana International Naples**

  invites all Ikebana members and guests to enjoy lunch (choice of several entrees plus dessert), followed by a social hour at 5 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of every month at The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Ms. Gladchuk is a recipient of the John L. Toner Award from the National Football League Foundation & College Hall of Fame. David Mahoney, a former football player for the academy, explained how the brain injuries, dementia, and autism.

  - **The Big Cypress Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution**

    meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays at Perkins Restaurant at Pine Ridge Road and I-75. The next meetings are Feb. 13 and 20. All are welcome. For more information, call 293-6369 or 352-2827.

  - **The East Naples Civic Association**

    meets for lunch and a program on the third Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m. at the Players Club & Spa in Lely Resort. County Commissioner Donna Fiala is the Feb. 15 guest speaker. Cost is $22 for ENCA members, $25 for others. For more information call 434-9677 or visit www.EastNaplesCivic.org.

  - **The Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance**

    holds its annual orchid show and sale Friday-Sunday, March 9-11, at North Collier Regional Park, with free Sat- uday lectures and hundreds of exotic orchids and blooming plants on exhibit and for sale. For more information, call 649-4145 or visit www.gulfcoastorchidalliance.com.

  - **The Naples chapter of the Parents of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer,America–Naples**

    holds its 2016 PFLAG, Parents Families and Friends of Les- bians and Gays, a support, education and advocacy group for families with gay or transgender members, meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of every month at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive. The next meetings are Feb. 13 and 27. First-time visitors are always welcome to observe. For more information, call 777-8851.

  - **The Naples Sunrise Bay Toastmasters Club**

    invites early birds who want to gain confidence speaking in public to its meetings from 7:30-8:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at Moore’s Discount Furniture, 1000 Old Naples. The next meetings are Feb. 13 and 20. All are welcome. For more information, call Jeanne Bruecher at 877-9272 or visit www.thesgccc.org.

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CLUB NOTES

■ The Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 1067-Naples members meet at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Naples Municipal Airport. The next meeting is March 7. Members also serve a $5 buffet breakfast from 8-11 a.m. on the second Sunday of the month in the pilots lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. All are welcome, with proceeds benefiting the EAA Young Eagles program that acquaints youth ages 8-17 with aviation as a career. The next breakfast is Feb. 11. The Naples chapter is one of approximately 1,700 EAA chapters worldwide. Members are pilots, student pilots, plane builders and aviation enthusiasts. For more information, call Dave Nordhoff at 594-8420 or email davidnordhoff@gmail.com.

■ Questers, a club for anyone who loves antiques and preservation, meets at 11 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month for a field trip or a program at a member’s home. The next meeting is March 8. For more information, call Roberta Raass at 566-8919.

■ The Greater Naples Unit of the New York State United Teachers (retired) meets at 11 a.m. on the second Thursday of every month through April in the clubhouse at Longshore Lake on Valewood Drive. All are welcome. The next meeting is March 8. For more information, call Paul Murphy at 593-7738 or Robert Lomicka at 514-7234.

■ The newly formed Naples Beta Theta Pi alumni organization meets for lunch and a program starting at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month at The Club at Longshore Lake, 1199 Phoenix Way. The next meeting is March 8. For more information, call Tom Woodruff at 732-0602 or visit www.NaplesSAR.org.

■ The newly formed Naples Beta Theta Pi alumni organization meets for lunch and a program at noon Thursday, March 8 and April 12, at Brio Tuscan Grill in Waterside Shops. For reservations or more information, call Dave Nordhoff at 594-8420 or email davidnordhoff@gmail.com.

■ The Canisius College alumni association welcomes President John Hurley as guest speaker at the annual Naples reception Tuesday evening, March 13, at the Naples Sailing & Yacht Club, 896 River Point Drive. Cocktails and dinner are included. To sign up or for more information, call the office of alumni engagement at 800-201-4952 or visit www.canisius.edu/alumnievents.

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

■ The Naples chapter of Sons of the American Revolution meets for lunch and a program starting at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month at The Club at Longshore Lake, 1199 Phoenix Way. The next meeting is March 8. Visitors and prospective members are welcome. For more information, call Tom Woodruff at 732-0602 or visit www.eaa1067.com.

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A cruise, four hours on a party bus, luxury hotel stays and fine dining are among the 26 lots donated by DoubleTree Suites by Hilton, Greenlinks Golf Villas at Lely Resort, Gulfcoast Inn, Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham, Hilton Naples, Inn at PELICAN BAY, JW Marriot Marco Island, Lamoraga Restaurant, Marco Island Waterports, Naples Originals, Naples Princess Cruises, Naples Transportation & Tours, Naples Zoo at Caribbean Gardens, Noodels Italian Cafe & Sushi Bar, Ocean Prime, Paradise Jewelry, Pure Florida, Ramada Naples, The Real Macaw, Ridgeway Bar & Grill, TheatreZone and Tin City Cookies.

Check out the list and place your bids at www.CCHA.org. ■

Travel agency hosts TSA Pre-check van

Preferred Travel of Naples invites travelers to visit the TSA Pre-check mobile van by appointment between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, Feb. 13–March 2, when the van is parked in front of the SunTrust Building at 801 Laurel Oak Drive.

TSA Pre-check is an expedited screening program that enables identified low-risk air travelers to avoid removing their shoes, belts and outerwear as well as 3-1-1 liquids and laptops before going through airport security. TSA Pre-check has more than 450 lanes at more than 200 U.S. airports.

In order to sign up at the mobile van, individuals must begin the application process online and have documentation proving identity and U.S. citizenship. The application fee is $85 per person, and the certification is valid for five years.

While enrolling in TSA pre-check is beneficial for domestic traveling, Global Entry might be a better option for international travelers.

For more information, visit www.preferrednaples.com. To start the application process visit www.identogo.com/pre-check or call 261-ID77. Appointments are made online. ■

Raffle winner will choose a travel adventure

Friends of Foster Children Forever has added an online raffle to its 11th annual Boogie Bash fundraiser. Anyone can purchase tickets to be entered into a drawing for the opportunity to choose a travel package to Paris, Tuscany, Ireland, the Westminster Dog Show or Washington, D.C.

The winning ticket will be announced at the Boogie Bash the evening of Friday, March 23, at Grey Oaks Country Club. Winners do not need to attend the event. The suggested donation for raffle tickets is $25 each or five for $100. They can be purchased at www.go caliente.com/boogiebash2018 and will also be available for guests to buy at the Boogie Bash before the drawing. All proceeds will benefit FCF’s Fostering Change through Academic Success program.

For information about ticket to the Boogie Bash, call 262-1808 or visit www.friendsoffosterchildren.net. ■

‘We are One’ will celebrate unity, solidarity

In the 2017 “Best Of” issue of Florida Weekly, the Shabbat of Solidarity at Temple Shalom in Naples was designated as the “Best Show of Unity.” The spirit of solidarity that drew hundreds of community members and clergy representing many faiths to the shabbat of community members and clergy representing many faiths to the shabbat will continue at “We are One: A Musical Celebration” at Temple Shalom on Sunday evening, March 11.

The celebration will be one of unity, solidarity, brotherhood and the spirit of America. Professional New York performers will be joined by local talent, clergy and prominent individuals in a 90-minute musical celebration of unity, solidarity and brotherhood created exclusively for Temple Shalom. Students from the Guadalupe Center Tutor Corps will be the guests of Temple Shalom as Phil Beuth receives the Temple Shalom Social Justice Award.

Mr. Beuth is an author and a former entertainment executive at ABC-TV. A limited number of general admission tickets are available for $45 for adults and $38 for students. Sponsorships for $225 include the show and a dessert reception with the cast. Additional sponsorship opportunities that include dinner on March 10 are also available.

A keepsake journal containing poems, excerpts from famous documents and messages of solidarity and congratulations to Mr. Beuth will be given to attendees at the March 11 event. For tickets or more information, and to send a message of solidarity for the journal, call Temple Shalom at 455-3030 or visit www.naplestemple.org. ■
Learn how to reduce the risk of falls for seniors

Seniors and those who care for and about them are invited to a program about how to prevent falls presented by Step Smart Collier and the Collier County Public Library from 1–3 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 13, at Headquarters Library, 2385 Orange Blossom Drive.

Falls are the leading cause of injury and death for seniors everywhere. In Collier County, the rate of deaths from falls is 55 percent higher than the Florida-wide rate.

Those who attend the free safety program will be able to receive a free balance screening and take home a written report. For those who bring a list of their medications, a Walgreens pharmacist will evaluate and explain potential drug interactions.

A t'ai chi expert will explain the benefits of a regular exercise program, and Sunshine Ace Hardware will have an exhibit of items that can lessen the risk of falls in homes and businesses.

Representatives from the Naples Senior Center at Jewish Family & Community Services will share information about the center’s many programs and services.

In addition to the companies and organizations mentioned above, program sponsors include Iberiabank, Seniors Blue Book, the NCH Healthcare System, Solaris Health & Wellness, Mr. Grab Bar, Blue Zones Project and Doctors Hearing.

Here are some more facts about falls:

- One-third of Americans ages 65 and older fall each year.
- 60 percent of falls happen in the senior’s home.
- 20 percent of seniors who fall are hospitalized with moderate to serious injuries.
- 11 percent of those who fall never return home.
- 55 percent of those who fall pass away within a year.
- And here are some simple things to do at home to help reduce the risk of falling, as suggested by the national Fall Prevention Coalition:
  - Keep pathways clear. Create storage for things that usually end up on the floor, such as shoes and papers.
  - Be aware of uneven surfaces. Look out for changes in the level of flooring at doorways and in areas between carpeting and tile.
  - Remove throw rugs or use gripper padding to secure them.
  - Keep frequently used items close by and easily accessible. Reaching high or bending down can cause seniors to lose their balance.
  - Light the way. Install bright lights, have switches at both ends of stairs and hallways. Install nightlights and switches that glow in the dark.
  - Add grab bars in the bathroom near the toilet and in the shower.
  - Install handrails on both sides of stairs.

For more information, visit www.stepsmartcollier.org.
‘Sounds Minds’ symposium explores the impact of the digital age on children’s mental health

The David Lawrence Center, the Naples Children & Education Foundation and Collier County Public Schools host the fifth annual Sound Minds Mental Health Symposium from 3-5 p.m. Saturday, March 24, at Moorings Presbyterian Church.

This year’s event is designed to bring parents, grandparents, health-care professionals, educators and kids together for a meaningful dialogue that leads to personal revelation and powerful positive change in homes, schools and communities.

The symposium will feature a screening of physician, parent and filmmaker Delaney Ruston’s award-winning documentary “Screenagers,” which probes the vulnerable corners of family life and depicts the messy struggles over social media, video games, internet addiction and academics.

“Screenagers” emerged directly from a challenge I was facing in my own life — raising teenagers whose attention was increasingly consumed by screen-based activities,” Dr. Ruston says. “As a physician, I became increasingly anxious to know how our new tech world affects children’s development.”

The Stanford-trained physician studied many aspects of filmmaking with a particular focus on film as a vehicle for social change. She uses filmmaking as a platform for advocacy and has partnered with groups such as National Alliance on Mental Illness and the World Health Organization. In addition to “Screenagers,” which explores the impact of video gaming and social media on self-esteem, empathy, social skills development, academics and brain development, she has produced “Unlisted: A Story of Schizophrenia,” about her father, and “Hidden Pictures,” about global mental health, both for PBS.

Dr. Ruston is currently the Filmmaker-in-Residence at the Center for Medical Humanities, Compassionate Care and Bioethics at Stony Brook Medicine, New York.

A discussion with Lisa Tabb, the film’s executive producer, will follow the screening.

The mother of two teens, Ms. Tabb has more than 25 years of experience developing content for television, web and print specializing in parenting, raising kids and emerging technologies.

The Sound Minds Mental Health Symposium is appropriate for children 10 years of age and older. CEUs are available for professionals.

The Sound Minds Mental Health Symposium

The fifth annual Sound Minds Mental Health Symposium

>> When: 3-5 p.m. Saturday, March 24
>> Where: Moorings Presbyterian Church
>> Cost: Suggested $10 donation
>> More: WP reception with Lisa Tabb from 5-7 p.m. includes wine, hors d’oeuvres and music for $125. Symposium sponsorship opportunities are also available.
>> Info: Call Moira Larkin at the David Lawrence Center, 505-1445, or email moiral@dclcmhc.com.
Conservancy shares the love for its wildlife residents

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

With Valentine’s Day approaching and love in the air, the Conservancy of Southwest Florida has created an entire week of fun, educational activities certain to find the soft spot in your heart.

“Love your Animals Week” Feb. 11-17 will showcase the variety of animals and nature programs at the Conservancy. Guests will be treated to animal encounters with the Conservancy’s special ambassadors and unique photo opportunities with wildlife.

Don’t be surprised if Gordon B. Eagle, the Conservancy’s official mascot, tries to lay a smooch on your cheek during a photo op.

“Everyone is in a loving mood around Feb. 14, and much like your significant other or your pet, these animals want to be loved, too,” said Heather Skaza Acosta, the Conservancy’s director of education. “You just might fall in love with one of our amazing critters during your visit.”

Children will be able to write and deliver a Valentine’s Day message to Horatio, the Conservancy’s 14-year-old ambassador red-tailed hawk, and his fellow ambassador animals.

The “Tender Loving Care” program will show guests how the von Arx Wildlife Hospital rescues, rehabilitates and releases wildlife, while “Dare to Care” will explain how everyone can help prevent wildlife injuries and what steps to take after finding an injured animal.

The Conservancy’s Nature Center is open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. To learn more about the Conservancy and its programs, visit www.Conservancy.org.

Conservancy interns Kody Knighten, Ebony Welborn and Jessica Blosberg with some of the wildlife center’s young alligator residents.
**GET OUT FOR A GOOD CAUSE**

- The annual Big Ten golf outing to benefit scholarship funds of Big Ten alumni clubs in Naples tees off at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at Quail Run Golf Club. Big Ten alumni clubs do not have to be alumni of a Big Ten school. Registration is $85 on or before Feb. 10 and $90 after. Make your own foursome or ask to be put in one. Sign up by calling Neal Biege at 604-448-5666 or emailing psbouat@gmail.com.

- The 10th annual NAMI-Collier Walk: Steps of Hope takes place Saturday morning, Feb. 17, at Cambier Park. NAMI is the National Alliance on Mental Illness. For information about participating, volunteering, donating or sponsoring the raffle items, call 260-7300 or email alex@namicollier.org.

- The Naples High School Golden Eagle 5K Run takes off at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at Lowdermilk Park. Registration is $25 for the 5K, a 1-mile fun run (no registration) sets out at 8:30 a.m. Proceeds will benefit the Naples High School band program and the Gulf Coast Runners youth scholarship fund. To sign up or for more information, visit www.gcrunners.org.

- The 19th annual Heart & Sole 5K walk benefits the Heart Association of Southwest Florida steps out at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, from Centennial Bank at 1401 11th St. in Naples. Registration for $25 includes a T-shirt. To sign up or for more information, call 473-3665, visit www.walmar.org or stop by the PASTI office at 9260 Premier Way.

- My Autism Connection holds its second annual Walk the Spectrum event from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at Estero Community Park. All are welcome. Registration is $25, with a group discount of $30 for 10 or more teams. Entertainment, games and vendor booths with information about a variety of services will be on site, and the Lee County Sheriff’s Office will provide fingerprinting services. A raffle for prizes including Disney World, Sea World and Key West Express tickets will also take place. All proceeds will help My Autism Connection support efforts to help individuals with autism develop skills toward independence and healthy relationships. To sign up or for more information, visit www.walkthespectrum.org.

- The Gulf Coast Runners’ St. Patrick’s Day 5K Fun Run sets out at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 15, from Fit & Fuel on Vanderbilt Beach Road. Registration is $15 for GCR members and $20 for others in advance, $20 and $25 on race day. The participant who wears the most/best green will receive a special prize. Sign up at www.gcr.org.

- The third annual Out of the Dark-Next Walk to benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention takes place from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, on the campus at Florida Gulf Coast University. The walk is organized by the university’s Counseling and Psychological Services office. Proceeds will fund suicide prevention research and educational programs to eliminate the stigma surrounding suicide and its causes and to encourage those who are suffering from mental illness to seek treatment. Event sponsors needed. For more information, visit www.AFSP.org/FGCU.

- The third annual Hop to the Top 5K fun run and yoga event to benefit Welflitt Girls and the Gulf Coast Runners Youth Development Fund takes place Saturday morning, March 3, at North Collier Regional Park. To sign up or for more information, visit www.runsignup.com/bhopstopent.

- The seventh annual A Swing of Grace golf tournament to benefit Grace Place for Children & Families takes place Saturday, April 21, at Wyndemere Country Club. Tournament registration begins at noon and the shotgun start is at 1 p.m. Dinner will follow the 18-hole tournament. Cost is $80 ($30 for dinner only). Sign up by emailing membership@quailvallegolfclub.org or for more information call 598-2885.

- New Horizons of Southwest Florida hosts the ninth annual Swing for New Horizons golf tournament Saturday morning, May 5, at Worthington Country Club. Registration for $120 includes lunch, awards ceremony, stories from New Horizons students and a performance by the Super Kids Choir. To sign up or for more information, call 948-4446 or www.newhorizonsofswfl.org.

- The Notre Dame Naples Golf Classic tees off Wednesday afternoon, May 9, at Kensington Country Golf Club. Registration is $150 and includes an awards dinner. To sign up or for more information, visit www.naplesmandclub.org.  
  
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Area clinics offer free HIV testing

The Florida Department of Health in Collier County offers free rapid HIV testing and screenings for hepatitis and STDs as part of National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day in February.

African-Americans and blacks continue to have the highest numbers of HIV compared to other races and ethnicities. In 2015, the CDC reported that African-Americans accounted for 45 percent of new HIV diagnoses while only representing about 12 percent of the U.S. population. In Collier County, 41 percent of men, women and children who have been diagnosed with HIV/AIDS are black.

National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day is a nationwide effort to encourage black Americans to get tested, get treated, and get involved with HIV/AIDS, as it continues to devastate black communities across the country. For more information, visit www.nationalblackaidsday.org.

Local results will be available at testing sites in Collier County. Here’s the schedule:

DOH Collier-Naples, 1454 Madison Ave., Immokalee: Testing offered 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, Feb. 12-16. For more information, call 658-7300.

DOH Collier-Immokalee, 419 N. First St., Immokalee: Testing offered 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14. Call 658-7300 for more information.

DOH Collier-Naples, 2339 E. Tamiami Trail, Building H: Testing offered from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Feb. 14-15. Call 252-8593 for more information.

Healthy Living

Researchers discover new method to harvest ‘green’ sunscreen ingredient

The University of Florida

Scientists at the University of Florida College of Pharmacy have identified a new method to harvest a key ingredient responsible for making sunscreen more environmentally friendly.

By pushing the discovery to commercialization, UF researchers hope to make “green” sunscreens more available, reducing dependence on oxybenzone- and octinoxate-based sunscreens. Oxybenzone and octinoxate accumulate in aquatic environments, are toxic to marine life and potentially disrupt the human reproductive system.

The researchers found a more efficient way to harvest the UV-absorbing amino acid known as shinorine, which is produced by marine organisms including cyanobacteria and macroalgae. The conventional method extracts shinorine from red algae, which takes as long as a year to grow and has a long processing time.

The new method reduces harvesting time to less than two weeks.

Principal investigator Yousong Ding, Ph.D., an assistant professor of medicinal chemistry, and his colleagues have brought production out of the wild and into the laboratory, where they have much more control.

Researchers selected a strain of freshwater cyanobacteria, Synechocystis, as a host cell for shinorine expression because it grows quickly and is easy for scientists to modify its genes. Next, they mined the genes responsible for the synthesis of shinorine from a native producer, the filamentous cyanobacterium Fischerella.

The researchers inserted these genes into Synechocystis. Using this method, they produced 2.7 milligrams of shinorine per gram of cyanobacteria, which is comparable to the conventional method.

“This is the first time anyone has demonstrated the ability to photosynthetically overproduce shinorine,” Mr. Ding said. “Not only is this an advancement specifically for joint replacement surgery, but for the entire field of cyanobacterial natural products research.”

The production method researchers discovered has broader applications for the production of other known cyanobacterial products and could expedite the process of turning cyanobacterial genomes into potential new drug leads.

Researchers secondarily confirmed that the shinorine they harvested through the new method protects cells from UV rays. To test this, they exposed shinorine-making cells to UV radiation. Control cells that do not produce shinorine experienced an obvious decline in population from UV-B exposure. In the other cells, shinorine acted as sunscreen against UV-B light, which helped the cells live and grow better.

The American Chemical Society’s peer-reviewed journal, ACS Synthetic Biology, published findings from Mr. Ding’s shinorine study in January. Other UF researchers participating in the study included Guang Yang, Ph.D.; Monica Coraz; Destin Holland; Yi Zhang; and Hendrik Luesch, Ph.D., a professor and chair of medicinal chemistry and the Debbie and Sylvia DeSantis Chair in Natural Products Drug Discovery and Development.
Women's health symposium set

Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate hosts a special symposium as part of the 13th annual University of Pittsburgh Winter Academy at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. From 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 17, the overview of health for the aging will feature researchers, clinicians and educators from the Magee-Womens Research Institute on topics including breast and ovarian cancer, heart disease and the 9-90 research programs.

The University of Pittsburgh hosts the annual Winter Academy. Magee-Womens Research Institute and Magee-Womens Hospital of UPMC are home to more than 100 faculty members who collaborate with dozens of affiliate researchers throughout the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon campuses.

Limited seating at the Naples event is free and open to the public. Attendance can only be secured by calling Naples Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate office at 262-7131.

FGCU hosts annual Alzheimer’s symposium

Florida Gulf Coast University and the Alvin A. Rubin Alzheimer’s Resource Center host the sixth annual Symposium on Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday, March 5, in the university’s Cohen Center Ballroom.

Experts will share information about reducing the risk of dementia through nutrition and lifestyle changes; enhancing dementia care through music; and evaluating prevention therapies.

“The information will be of special importance to family caregivers, healthcare professionals and others interested in the care of memory-impaired persons,” said Mitch Cordova, president of the Dubin center board of trustees and dean of FGCU’s Marieb College of Health and Human Services.

Jessica Langbaum, Ph.D., principal scientist with the Banner Alzheimer’s Institute in Phoenix, Ariz., will discuss the Alzheimer’s Prevention Initiative Program.

Dr. Richard Isaacson, associate professor neurology and director of the Alzheimer’s Prevention Clinic at Weill Cornell Medical College/New York Presbyterian Hospital, will share strategies for keeping the brain healthy and reducing the risk for Alzheimer’s disease. Dr. Isaacson will also discuss recognizing how Alzheimer’s disease develops long before symptoms appear.

Dan Cohen, founding executive director of Music & Memory Inc., will present “Enhancing Care through Music & Memory.” Mr. Cohen was featured in the award-winning documentary film “Alive Inside” that showed the healing power of music on those with Alzheimer’s disease. His symposium presentation is sponsored by FGCU’s Bower School of Music and the Arts.

Admission is free. Registration is required by Feb. 23 and can be completed by calling 437-3007. Three CEUs are required by Feb. 23 and can be completed by calling 437-3007. Three CEUs are available for nurses, nursing home administrators, guardians and social workers; the CEU fee is $50.

Free program focuses on prostate cancer

All are invited to a free presentation about prostate cancer by urologist David Wilkinson of Gulfshore Urology on Feb. 13. The event takes place at Arco Hospice, 1095 Whippoorwill Lane. With survivor Jerry Solomon via email at sol5366@comcast.net. All attendees of the seminar will receive a copy of Dr. Flaharty’s new book!

Symposium covers Parkinson’s disease

Health care professionals, therapists, volunteers, caregivers and those living with Parkinson’s disease are invited to a free seminar from 6-7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at the Broadway Palm Theatre in Fort Myers.

Keynote speaker Dr. Chauncey Spears, neurologist and senior movement disorders fellow at the University of Florida Center for Movement Disorders and Neu-rorestoration, will discuss “The Mind, Mood, and Memory in Parkinson’s Disease.”

Motivational speaker and Parkinson’s patient John Baumann and his wife will present “Care Partnering through Love and Hope.”

Registered nurse, certified personal trainer and functional aging specialist Jeri Ann Lundgren will present “How Fitness Can Improve Functional Abilities and Prevent Falls.”

The day will conclude with a guest speaker Q&A panel.

Symposium check-in begins at 8:15 a.m.; registration and exhibits begin at 9:30 a.m. Seating is limited and registration is required at www.hopeparkinson.org/events. Cost is $25 and includes a brunch buffet.

The morning’s lead sponsor is Abbvie. Other sponsors include Acadia Pharmaceuticals, Medtronic, Seniors Blurbook, U.S. Excel, Brookdale Senior Living Solutions, PYZICAL Therapy & Balance Centers, LeeHealth and Osherhout McKinney, P.A. Elder Law Attorneys.

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# PET TALES
## Dental dilemma

BY KIM CAMPBELL THORNTON

My parents have a 12-year-old toy poodle named Spike whom they love dearly. Spike is as cute as he can be, but boy, does he have bad breath. My dad won’t get his teeth cleaned, though, because that means putting him under anesthesia, and he’s afraid Spike will die.

That’s a common fear. Many places try to counter it by offering non-anesthetic dental cleanings. In other words, they scrape the visible plaque and tartar off the teeth. And it’s not like the recent dental cleaning I had, which involved lying back in a comfy chair and watching Anthony Bourdain eat his way through Sicily. Pets must be restrained during the process, which can be distressing for them, or even cause injury if they squirm at the wrong moment and are accidentally jabbed with a sharp scaling device.

Pet dentists are done under anesthesia for many reasons. The aforementioned squirming, for one. Anesthesia ensures that pets remain still and don’t experience fear, pain or discomfort during the procedure.

Pet dentists recommend the same things for their human counterparts: brush your teeth twice a day and floss at least once a day. This can also help us avoid bad breath.

Dr. Bradley Piotrowski, DDS, MSD is a leading periodontist in dental implants, the permanent, hassle-free solution to loose or missing teeth. His expertise in having done thousands of implants allows him to provide medications at little or no cost to Meatball’s forever owner.

Stay tuned for an interview with Dr. Piotrowski in the coming weeks.

Cleaning is performed under anesthesia to ensure a more thorough cleaning. In other words, it’s the same thing as getting your teeth cleaned at the dentist’s office, except without the discomfort and fear.

Pet teeth must be cleaned, too, because that means keeping them in good shape. If you’re not sure if your pet needs dental cleanings, talk to your veterinarian.

The procedure helps all pets stay safe and comfortable.

“More advanced equipment for monitoring pets during anesthesia allows for thorough assessment of the pet’s status during the procedure,” says Cheryl Blaze, assistant professor of anesthesia at Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine. “There has also been increased emphasis on continuing education training for technicians to increase their skills.”

Sedation beforehand, in the form of drugs such as trazodone or gabapentin, help him relax before the procedure, and a local nerve block minimizes pain if extractions are necessary. Long-acting medications provide pain relief after the procedure.

Why the assortment of drugs? Pain travels the body through multiple pathways and involves different neurotransmitters and receptors. Using a combination of medications, known as multimodal pain management, ensures that as many routes of pain to the brain as possible are blocked.

If your pet is a senior or has health problems, your veterinarian may consult a specialist in anesthesiology about the best ways to minimize risk and manage pain.

Even older animals can be safely anesthetized when a thorough pre-anesthetic evaluation and dedicated monitoring during the anesthesia are consistently done,” Dr. Blaze says.

Ask to see a practice’s anesthetic safety record. There is always some risk when a pet (or person) goes under anesthesia, but there are ways to minimize risk and manage pain.

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When I was single, I despised Valentine’s Day. I hated the stupid roses on the desks of my co-workers, I couldn’t stand it when they took pity upon my single status and offered me a chocolate from their heart-shaped box and it really annoyed me when they showed me the mushy cards that their “love muffin” had given them.

And now that I’m in my 12th year of marriage, I’m not certain I embrace Valentine’s Day any more than I used to. At the end of December, a girlfriend of mine met one of my husband’s golf buddies at a party we threw — they hit it off immediately and have been happily coupled and trying to make this Hallmark holiday, so filled with expectations and disappointment, a memorable one.

My heart goes out to the singletons among us who must endure Feb. 14, but I can also relate to the struggles of being coupled and trying to make this Hallmark holiday, so filled with expectations and disappointment, a memorable one. So close on the heels of Christmas — the end of December, a girlfriend of mine met one of my husband’s golf buddies at a party we threw — they hit it off immediately and have been happily coupled and trying to make this Hallmark holiday, so filled with expectations and disappointment, a memorable one.

When V-Day hit, she and her future husband were first getting to know each other. Apparently, he was paying attention because on Valentine’s Day he gifted her with tiny stud earrings with opal stones. “It wasn’t an over the top gift, it was sweet,” she said. “Most importantly, it told me that he was listening to me and that he cared.”

Another friend told me that in the early steps of dating it’s better to go “fun and whimsical” rather than “mushy and gross.” After only dating “for a minute,” she said, her boyfriend gifted her with chocolates shaped like sushi because they went for sushi on their first date. The goofiness of the gift made her fall in love with him. And on the other hand, when a guy she’d been dating for about three months did NOT give her a gift or even a card on Valentine’s Day, a friend of mine asked him why. “It’s too soon for that kind of thing,” he casually answered. In turn, she casually kicked him to the curb on Feb. 15.

Then there’s the conundrum of being an old married couple. If you’ve been together for a dozen or so years, is Valentine’s Day really THAT important anymore? Especially when it comes so close on the heels of Christmas — plus, there are birthdays, your anniversary, kids’ birthdays — does it get to be too much? Again, I turned to friends who had been in longtime partnerships.

One couple does a dress-up family dinner night — her husband wears a suit, she wears a bridesmaid’s dress, and their three daughters get to wear fancy princess dresses — they bring out the good china and Norman Love Chocolates are served for dessert.

A couple (13 years married) celebrate, but they take it easy. She says, “We had the ‘sexy lingerie phase’ and ‘the super expensive night out phase’ — now we just want to pop a bottle of bubbly, eat in, cuddle and catch up.”

A friend who met her partner in high school says that now, years later, they still celebrate Valentine’s Day by writing each other a handwritten love letter. “It creates a special connection with your life partner,” she says. “Plus, it’s simple and from the heart.” I’m pretty sure that’s the idea I’m stealing this year (if I can remember how to write instead of type — sigh).

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Talking to my friends about Valentine’s Day removed my Hallmark holiday hate barrier and suddenly I’m all chocolates and roses and love letters and Champagne. Life is short — celebrate the one you love — and if you don’t have romance in your life at the moment, snap a photo of your co-worker’s roses, post it on your Facebook with the caption, “Lucky me!” and make everyone wonder.

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Talking to my friends about Valentine’s Day removed my Hallmark holiday hate barrier and suddenly I’m all chocolates and roses and love letters and Champagne. Life is short — celebrate the one you love — and if you don’t have romance in your life at the moment, snap a photo of your co-worker’s roses, post it on your Facebook with the caption, “Lucky me!” and make everyone wonder.

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It appears the most devastating hurricane in Florida’s history somehow came at a “good” time; at least as far as the state’s ever-booming tourism industry is concerned. As much of the state struggled for more than a week without power, hundreds of thousands of tons of debris to be cleaned up and countless businesses closed for damage and repairs, the end of September had a sobering outlook for South Florida’s well-known seasonal economy.

Not so fast, says Lorah Steiner, Charlotte County’s director of tourism.

BY ROBBIE SPENCER
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No post- Irma recovery needed for Florida’s tourism, officials say

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Board Appointments

Kristen Bachmeier, director of operations at Atilus, has been named to the advisory board for the marketing degree at the Lutgert College of Business at Florida Gulf Coast University. Nine of the 11 people who work at Atilus are FGCU graduates, including company co-founders Zach Katkin and Harry Casimir. Ms. Bachmeier has worked for Atilus since 2012. The Bonita Springs-based company creates digital marketing campaigns.

Bruce Ford, a tenor whose operatic career spanned the major opera houses of the world, has joined the board of directors of Opera Naples. An ambassador for opera for many years, Mr. Ford has judged competitions and performed master classes in the years since retiring from the stage.

Dr. Nena Korunda, medical director at Korunda Medical Center, has been named to the board of directors of the Physician Led Access Network. Dr. Korunda brings 22 years of experience to PLAN, which coordinated health care for qualified low-income, uninsured Collier County residents. Physicians and providers enrolled with PLAN serve patients at no charge to the patient or to PLAN.

Construction

Daniel Thuman has joined KGT Remodeling as lead carpenter. A native of Honduras, Mr. Thuman has lived in Naples for 18 years. He graduated from Palmetto Ridge High School and is attending Florida Gulf Coast University. He has six years of experience in the remodeling and construction industry, previously working as a carpenter making custom cabinetry and furniture.

Travel

Jessey LaPaglia has joined Preferred Travel of Naples as a travel advisor specializing in luxury ocean and river cruising, multigenerational travel and group and guided tours. Ms. LaPaglia holds a degree in marketing from Pennsylvania State University.

Marketing & PR

Nanci Theoret has joined Miromar Development Corp. as public relations manager. Ms. Theoret has more than 30 years of experience as a journalist for daily, weekly and national newspapers, luxury lifestyle magazines and as a freelance writer and editor specializing in real estate, interior design, travel and food and wine. She has received numerous awards from the Florida Magazine Association, Society of Professional Journalists, Florida and Kentucky Press Associations, the National Association of Home Builders and Florida Public Relations Association. She earned a bachelor’s degree in journalism and art from Central Michigan University. In her new position she oversees media relations and internal communications for Miromar Lakes Beach & Golf Club, Miromar Outlets, Miromar Design Center and University Village.

Josh Milton has been promoted to vice president of media relations at CONRIC PR & marketing. Mr. Milton has managed editorial and advertising media relations for the firm for the past three years. He has more than 15 years of media industry experience. He worked as a production assistant at WINK-TV and producer at ABC-7 and was also a production assistant at WFTS-TV in Tampa and a producer at WRIC-TV in Richmond, Va., and Capital News 9 in Albany, N.Y.

Justin Ungar has joined CONRIC PR & Marketing as a graphic artist, bringing extensive experience designing logos, advertisements, promotional materials and digital graphics for a number of local and national brands. Mr. Ungar previously worked with Scott Fischer Enterprises as graphic designer and creative lead for the Southwest Florida firm that owned Six Bends Harley-Davidson and operates Top Rocker Field and Events in Fort Myers. He was worked as a graphic designer for Zumiez, a Seattle-based clothing/skate retailer. He holds a bachelor’s degree in fine arts from Florida Gulf Coast University.

Senior Living

Sam Guedouar has been named executive director of The Terraces at Bonita Springs luxury senior living community. Mr. Guedouar relocated to Southwest Florida from Long Island, N.Y., where he was executive director of a continuing care retirement community in Port Washington. He spent his childhood in France and worked as a tour guide in Paris. After studying hospitality administration and management at Northeastern University, he earned a bachelor’s degree at the State University of New York and a master’s degree in health-care administration from Utica College.

Gina Paris has been named director of sales for Moorings Park Grande Lake, a Life Plan community being developed in partnership between Moorings Park and Bonita Bay Homes. A native of Flint, Mich., Ms. Paris has more than 25 years experience working for senior living companies including Mather Life-Ways, in Evanston, Ill.; Lifecare Services in Des Moines, Iowa; and Vi Living, formerly a Classic Residence by Hyatt, in Chicago. She joined the Moorings Park team in 2012 and most recently was director of sales at Moorings Park at Grey Oaks. She holds a bachelor’s degree from Alma College in Alma, Mich.

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Palm Beach continues to be a large tourism destination post Irma.

We were fortunate.

Local statistics are slowly trickling in now that Irma is nearly a full quarter in the rearview mirror, but the early returns look promising. Ms. Steiner said: "Our tourism partners in the hotel, attractions and service industries were down for a very short time compared to other Florida destinations. We were fortunate.

Despite losing almost a full month and some 800 lodging units, or rooms rented by a visitor, Collier County's 2017 visitor totals were only down 1.1 percent from 2016, according to Collier's Convention and Visitor Bureau communications director, Jonell Mody. Approximately 1,793,700 visitors stayed in commercial lodging in the county for 2016, and 1,774,800 visited in 2017. Their estimated economic impact was actually up from the year before by 3.4 percent, with a yearly impact of just over $2 billion.

"There was a huge influx of leisure guests to the area in October," Ms. Mody said. "People were anxious to come back and they didn't want to cancel their reservations."

Ms. Mody noted Florida Power and Light and FEMA as big contributors to hotels being booked up as well, with the companies reserving large blocks of rooms for weeks and even months at a time for their workers.

Social media also played a role in visitor confidence for returning, she said. With national news outlets swimming in to cover Hurricane Irma, many did not stay to review recovery efforts. Seasonal residents and South Florida vacationers could only rely on local news outlets and businesses for information about how things were recovering.

"We were able to answer hundreds of questions in real-time," said Ms. Mody. "Our social media engagement was through the roof."

Dr. Chris Westley, an economics Ph.D. at Florida Gulf Coast University and director of the school's Regional Economic Research Institute in Fort Myers, believes Southwest Florida's tourism sector has "fully recovered" from Irma.

"The growth in employment for December was almost solely in the service sector," Dr. Westley noted. "The timing of the hurricane helped ... it gave the tourism sector a couple of months to get ready."

Ms. Mody said the September landfall of Irma, despite its wrath, couldn't have come at a better time for the Florida tourism industry, if only because it's one of the slower months of the year anyway.

Dr. Westley also cited the surge in tourist tax revenues for October due to the influx of recovery workers. They stayed in local hotels, ate at local restaurants (that had power) and inadvertently propped up the local economy in their own right.

Another saving grace, according to Collier statistics, was two indicators: average daily rate and "RevPAR," or "revenue per available room." Both skyrocketed in 2017: the average daily rate for a room in Collier went up 11.4 percent, from $238.40 to 243.20, and RevPAR went up nearly 19 percent, from $162.50 to $192.90.

The Regional Economic Research Institute did cite one area that declined for Southwest Florida: airport traffic. Airport passenger activity declined 16 percent from September 2016 to September 2017 at the Southwest Florida International Airport, according to their December 2017 regional economic indicator report.

Despite the decrease in traffic, the Lee County Visitors and Convention Bureau reported a rapid recovery: passenger activity increased year-over-year from November 2016 to November 2017 by 5.4 percent. They also reported a 91.1 percent tourist tax receipt increase from 2016 to 2017 in Lee County for the month of November.

Lee County's RevPAR was up a stag-
My Dumbest Investment

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My dumbest investment was buying more than $6,500 worth of stock in Twitter when it first went public in 2013. Now my stake is worth about $2,500. I don't know if I should just sell it or hang on to it. I would have to sell only to have it turn around next year and then go up. Thoughts?

— Jon, online

The Fool Responds: It doesn't sound like you (or have) a good grasp of the company's business. If you're not knowing much about a company and then mainly hoping for good results is just gambling.

There has been a lot of hype and hope about Twitter. Its user growth has been phenomenal. It recently reported $3 billion monthly active users, and that includes many tweeters. But it has had trouble converting all that usage of its free service into profits.

Twitter's share price is up about 50 percent since you wrote to us last year, and its market value recently topped $7 billion (billions in dollars). But it has been posting net losses for many years now. It may end up very successful, but it's struggling now.

It's best not to invest in young companies at their initial public offering (IPO), as many need some years to prove themselves. IPOs also often surge at first and then fall. Twitter shares soared some 73 percent on their first day, and those who bought then are still underwater.

Last week's trivia answer

I trace my roots back to 1870, when small food manufacturing companies across the country joined forces as the Systems and Services Company. I grew so big that many people with patients in need of acute care.

Masimo's pulse oximeters are widely used, and found in 17 of the top 20 hospitals in the U.S. News and World Report Best Hospitals Honor Roll. With 1.5 million devices in use worldwide, customers can be counted on to reorder supplies on a regular basis. This helps Masimo's financial statements highly predictable.

Masimo seems poised for further growth. The company is expanding abroad, in developing countries. It is also looking at adjacent market opportunities, such as sleep apnea treatment and telerehab, that could benefit from its algo- rithm expertise and sensor technologies.

Free-cash-flow positive and with rising revenue, Masimo is worth a closer look for patient investors. There's no dividend, as is common with smaller or fast-growing companies, but Masino has been buying back many shares, boosting the value of remaining ones.

The Motley Fool Take

Medical Device-Powered Growth

If you're in the market for a promising little-known company in which to invest and/or have some skin in the game, take a look at Masimo (Nasdaq: MASI), a medical device maker specializing in noninva- sive patient monitoring technologies.

While the company sells an array of products, its bread-and-butter business is its pulse oximeters. With more than 500,000 customer locations, including facilities, lodging establishments and more, Masimo is the world's top seller of medical devices.

In 2017, Masimo had sales of $6.84 per share annually, and its trail- er number five of a company's earnings paid out in dividends.

If your $200,000 portfolio doubles in value to $400,000, you have earned an extra $100,000 (less inter- est expenses), thanks to margin. But if your $200,000 drop in value instead, they'd be worth $100,000 — and you'd still owe the interest.

The interest expense can add up, too. If you're borrowing on mar- gin and paying 8 percent interest, your borrowed stocks had better appreciate more than 8 percent. Your brokerage won't want your portfolio's value to fall below the sum you valued, so if it drops a certain amount, the brokerage will expect you to add more money— or some shares — or it will sell them.

Using margin is risky, and only experienced investors should use it. You can do very well without it.

What's a priority?

— T.N., Kalamazoo, Michigan

It's the percentage of a com- pany's earnings paid out in divi- dends.

Boeing, for example, pays out 50% of its annual earnings. Its next 12 months of earnings total $30.85. Divide the former by the latter, and you'll see that 63 percent of Boeing's earnings go to its dividend.

Paid dividends are definitely the most attractive, as dividends that do not pay 100 percent can be worrisome.

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NETWORKING

The Jewish Historical Society of SWFL honors Murray Hendel

1. Penny Taylor and her granddaughter, Mariah
2. Jeffrey Feld, Bill Barnett, Kathleen Passidomo and Marina Berkovich
3. Murray Hendel with a Key to the City of Naples
4. David Trecker
5. Pauline Hendel, Anne Klein, Murray Hendel and Peter Klein
6. Charlane King, Alexander Goldstein, Murray Hendel and Marina Berkovich
7. Aysegul Timur

Florida Weekly welcomes submissions for the Networking photo pages from business events, grand openings, professional association meetings, etc. We need 300-dpi photographs of groups of two or more people, facing the camera and identified by first and last names. Questions? Email editor Cindy Pierce at cpierce@floridaweekly.com.
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David William Auston has the listing for $3,950,000. To arrange a showing or for more information, call 273-1375 or send an email to David@DWA-naples.com.

Naples Lakes Country Club invites the public to an open house from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11. Guests will go on escorted tours of more than 40 homes and the community’s 24,000-square-foot clubhouse. One guest will be the winner of a free round of golf for two at the newly renovated Arnold Palmer Signature golf course. The entrance to Naples Lakes Country Club is at 4784 Naples Lakes Blvd. With 731 residences, options at the 490-acre community include condominiums, coach/carriage homes, single-family villas and estate homes. Pricing ranges from $200,000 to $900,000.

More than a dozen decorated models by eight builders will be open for tours when Naples Reserve hosts the Collier Building Industry Association’s single-site Parade of Homes Feb. 9-11 and Feb. 16-18. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday both weekends. A $5 donation per vehicle is suggested and will benefit the CBIA scholarship fund.

Priced from the high-$200,000s to more than $1 million, Naples Reserve’s attached villas, single-family homes and custom estate homes offer up to four bedrooms and range from 1,500 to more than 3,500 square feet of air-conditioned space. Builders at work in the community are: Ashton Woods, D.R. Horton, Florida Lifestyle Homes, KTS Homes, Lundstrom Development, Marvin Development, McGarvey Custom Homes and Stock

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Naples Reserve’s 688 acres are home to 11 neighborhoods woven among 22 freshwater lakes, including the 125-acre Eagle Lake with the destination Kontiki Island. Buyers who purchase a home in Parrot Cay or Sparrow Cay along Eagle Lake have the option to build a floating boat dock behind their home (electric boats and boats with motors up to 2.5 horsepower are permitted).

Parade of Homes visitors will be able to tour the Island Club with its waterfall pool, beach volleyball and bocce ball courts, the Chat ‘n’ Chill tiki bar, the 3,500-square-foot fitness club and the 5,160-square-foot community center featuring Latitudes Cafe and an 850-gallon cylindrical aquarium.

At the Outrigger Center, canoes, kayaks and paddleboards are available for resident use, as is a flex-space for game days, special events and other activities. Cruises on the community’s two Duffy electric boats depart from the center’s floating docks for residents to explore Eagle Lake and Kontiki Island.

The lakefront Match Point complex has five tennis and four pickleball courts. The Walk & Wag dog park is nearby and an additional dog park, Paws Awhile, is planned, as well as the Kid’s Cove playground and picnic area and a linear park for biking, hiking and jogging.

Entrance to Naples Reserve is off U.S. 41, 2 miles southeast of Collier Boulevard. For more information about the parade of homes, go to www.naplesreserve.com/2018-parade-of-homes.

Ashton Woods and design consultant Kaisa Puhle invite appointments for private preview tours of The Stu...
Fifth Avenue living and luxury entertaining await in London Bay’s new Watlington model

An oasis of calm and relaxation will soon transport you to paradise in London Bay Homes’ Watlington estate located near the Gulf of Mexico.

Just a few blocks from downtown Fifth Avenue and Third Street South, the Watlington’s idyllic location provides a wealth of options for dining at award-winning restaurants like The French Brasserie Rustique and Sea Salt, window shopping at Marissa Collections, and enjoying daytime festivals, live entertainment and nationally-acclaimed theatrical productions by Naples Players or Gulfshore Playhouse.

Designed around a flowing open concept floor plan with numerous entertaining destinations within 4,182 square feet of living space – including a formal dining room and three fire features – the Watlington expands London Bay’s offering of luxury homes and home-sites from Park Shore to Port Royal as part of its prestigious Naples Collection. Finishes and furnishings selected by Jennifer Stevens, Romanza Interior Design’s senior design director, include specialty ceiling and wall treatments, wire-brushed ash flooring in main living areas, and wood tones mixed with polished nickel, glass, capiz, graphite, aged silver, metallic pewter, chrome and shimmering crystals.

“This home has generously sized spaces, which are enhanced by soaring ceilings with backlit beams and the glimmer of metallic and reflective surfaces,” said Stevens. “The spacious great room will have ample upholstered furniture and casegoods providing comfortable seating for entertaining and conversational. There is also a large TV anchored by an oversized, floating media cabinet adjacent to pocketing glass doors to the outdoor living area.”

With a floor plan designed for entertaining, the Watlington provides a luxurious setting for hosting dinner parties for friends and family in the dining room amid the glow of its blue-flame glacier crystal linear fireplace. Bright white Venetian plaster walls are warmed by rich ombre draperies in shades of blue, and the room accommodates a large rustic oak and antique nickel table with seating for eight.

The adjoining kitchen and butler’s bar make staging the perfect dinner party a breeze. The connection between large indoor rooms and outdoor areas enhances the Watlington’s entertainment quotient.

A cozy fire pit outdoors offers plenty of gathering room with sectional seating on a raised platform deck. “Brighter turquoise and green accent colors really pop against crisp white and silver outdoor furnishings,” Stevens said.

“Sunken spa is really dramatic with its beautiful stone-clad walls, water features and a sheltering trellis. There’s a dining area and lounge seating at an outdoor fireplace ready to enjoy the company of friends and family,” added Stevens.

When work calls or gala planning season arrives, a private study area provides the perfect space to mull over details while overlooking lush greenery beyond. A closet and adjoining full bath allow the room to be used as a fifth bedroom for visitors.

Guests can also enjoy privacy in one of the three suites on the second floor, each offering a full bath. One features a built-in bookshelf, ready to be filled with the latest best-sellers and classics for the avid reader desiring a quiet evening. “The design of each room is distinct,” Stevens said. “The loft has comfortable sectional seating for intimate conversations and TV viewing, with bright turquoise and greens introduced in striped accent pillows.”

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T he Ronto Group has received immediate luxury homebuyer interest in the tower residences at Omega, a new 26-floor high-rise to be built by Ronto within Bonita Bay. The Omega tower will be the final luxury high-rise tower to be built at Bonita Bay. Designed by architect Robert M. Swedroe, the clean-lined, modern building will feature 63 spacious tower residences and four penthouses. Swedroe’s design offers an approach to high-rise living that has never been available in the Southwest Florida market. Tower residence pre-construction pricing starts at $2.15 million. Ronto is accepting reservations for residences at Omega.

Because the architecture takes advantage of high-rise construction methods and materials that span greater distances and allow the use of more glass, the Omega tower floor plans offer the square footage and width found in estate homes built on 100-foot home sites. The light-filled residences will feature larger, wider, open living spaces with walls comprised of tall windows that will offer incredible views of Estero Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. The 63 Omega tower residences will be on levels four through 24. Three tower floor plans are available. The living spaces, owners’ suites, and some of the guest bedrooms will open to outdoor terraces with 42-inch high glass railings. Volume ceiling heights of ten feet four-inches, except where dropped, will create a sense of space that cannot be duplicated by remodeling the existing high-rise residences.

The 01 and 03 tower residences will include 4,645 square feet under air; outdoor terrace areas totaling 1,005 square feet, and an 80-square foot private air-conditioned storage space on the same floor as the residence. The 01 and 03 tower plans feature four bedrooms, a den and five bathrooms; and four-and-a-half baths. Homebuyers have been captivated by the 03-floor plan’s unfettered northern exposure that provides stunning long-range views.

The 02-tower residence floor plan offers 4,210 square feet under air; 540 square feet of outdoor terraces, and 75 square feet of private air-conditioned storage space on the same floor as the residence. The 02-tower plan includes three bedrooms, a den, and three-and-a-half baths. All three tower plans present open-concept living, are equipped with spacious great rooms, a double-island kitchen in the 01 and 03 residences with a walk-in pantry, and a dining area. Every tower residence includes a private elevator lobby and a private enclosed two-car garage. Tower residents will also enjoy a roof-top amenity deck.

The expansive open living spaces of the Omega tower residences are unlike any high-rise residence previously built in the Southwest Florida market. Ronto and Swedroe created the building from the inside out based on preferences expressed during focus groups with potential purchasers. The potential purchasers clearly indicated view corridors and spacious, open floor plans with large, flow-through living areas, large owner suites and secondary bedrooms, big outdoor living areas, private garages, and a variety of distinctive storage solutions that all contribute to an enjoyable living experience. Functionality and comfort were more important than form. Ronto and Swedroe also found that rather than wanting to downsize by moving into a condominium residence with less square footage than the one they had been accustomed to in their single-family estate homes, the potential purchasers wanted to simplify their lives by moving into a maintenance-free environment without sacrificing space or livability. Ronto and Swedroe designed the building based on their customer-focused research.

Standard finishes in the fully completed Omega residences will reflect Ronto’s attention to detail and the high-rise lifestyle. Finishes, including floorings, wall coverings, countertops, porcelain tiles, plumbing, and other accents will be among the best in their class, said M. Swedroe, the clean-lined, modern design consultant for Omega. The design emphasis and quality will be evident throughout the residences.

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Above: The Ronto Group’s new 26-floor Omega high-rise to be built by Ronto within Bonita Bay will be the final luxury high-rise tower to be built at Bonita Bay. Ronto is now accepting reservations for residences at Omega. Sketches and illustrations are artist’s renderings. Details are subject to change and field variations. Right: The Bonita Bay Club’s innovative Lifestyle Center that includes a Fitness Center, a spa and salon, and the Wave Cafe that offers healthy food choices, is the centerpiece of community’s amenities offering. Below Right: Like The Ronto Group’s Seaglass high-rise that is nearing completion just south of the new Omega tower’s site, Omega will feature stunning views of Estero Bay and the Gulf of Mexico.
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Public invited to tour estate home models at Quail West this weekend

Quail West, one of Stock Development’s premier golf and resort-lifestyle communities located in North Naples, is one of the most prestigious luxury communities in Southwest Florida – and one of the most beautiful.

For those looking to purchase a home in the near future, several of Quail West’s builders have upcoming options. One of those homes is McGarvey Custom Homes’ Southamton model, which is due to be completed by March 31. It is a four-bedroom plus study/four-and-a-half-bath-plus-plan with 4,516 total square feet, including a three-car garage, priced at $2,884,170.

In all there will be approximately 11 estate home models open for touring during the event, with other spec homes open for tours during the event, with other spec homes open for tours during the event. The Estates of Excellence tour begins at the Quail West Sales Center. Quail West is located east of Interstate 75. Take Exit 116 (Bonita Beach Road) east. Turn right on Bonita Grande Drive and follow the signs to the sales center, which is located on the right side of the road just prior to reaching the community’s gatehouse. More information is available online at QuailWest.com.

Above: Emerald Homes’ new Ventalo model features an inviting great room perfect for entertaining. Left: The Mattera II, by Stock Custom Homes, has 4,236 square feet under air. Below: Stock’s Aqualina model has an expansive outdoor living area which includes a fire pit.

Right: London Bay Homes’ Avignon model is priced at $4,975,000, including furnishings. Bottom: McGarvey Custom Homes’ Southampton model is marking its Grand Opening during the Estates of Excellence event.
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Stock Classic Homes models will debut at Naples Reserve during CBIA Single Site Parade Of Homes

Stock Development will soon be unveiling its Stock Classic Homes Series with the opening of three new furnished models at Naples Reserve. The models will debut Friday, February 9th when the CBIA Single Site Parade of Homes begins. Stock has a total of seven furnished models in the community.

“With Stock Classic Homes, homebuyers have the opportunity to select from a collection of well-designed homes that deliver exceptional value,” said Brian Stock, CEO of Stock Development. “We’ve taken our decades of experience to design classic homes with broad appeal that feature gourmet kitchens, fabulous outdoor living areas and beautiful master suites.”

The Classic Series models include the Plantation, the Marathon and the Siesta, which are being built in the Sparrow Cay neighborhood. They are base priced from just $429,900. Floorplan details can be found at www.stockdevelopment.com.

Located just 10 minutes from downtown Naples, the Gulf of Mexico and Marco Island, Naples Reserve is a 688-acre gated community between Naples and Marco Island along the U.S. 41 Tamiami Trail/Collier Boulevard 951 corridor.

Stock is also building its Stock Signature Homes Series in the Sparrow Cay and Parrot Cay neighborhoods. Furnished models are already open.

The 2,913-square-foot under air Anastasia floor plan offers three bedrooms, three-and-a-half baths, a formal dining room, an island kitchen and morning room, a computer and craft center, and a great room that opens to an outdoor living area with a summer kitchen, pool and spa. A two-car garage and a one-car garage are included and flank either side of a beautiful brick-paver motorcourt.

Soco Interiors’ Daniel Kilgore, ASID, created the interior for the Anastasia model. Kilgore created an interior that conveys a modernized cabana feeling with a tropical twist. The color palette showcases earthy, rustic backgrounds, cream and honey wood tones, grays and sea glass green and coral accents. The flooring throughout the living areas is a porcelain faux wood in a honey oak color.

The large island-style kitchen features a morning room that is bathed in natural light from bay windows that overlook the pool and lanai. On the opposite side of the home, the luxurious master suite opens directly on to the outdoor living area and offers large his and hers walk-in closets, a spacious master bath with large soaking tub and separate shower. The master suite also features a sitting area with beautiful bay windows overlooking the pool.

The Biscayne is also open in Sparrow Cay. This three-bedroom, two-bath home features 2,389 square feet under air and 3,827 total square feet, including the outdoor living area. Attached is a three-car garage and spacious outdoor living area.

The open floorplan offers a great room design and includes a formal dining room, as well as a study. The large island-style kitchen has a breakfast nook with bay windows overlooking the pool. It is adjacent to the great room, which is bathed in natural light from stacked sliding glass doors leading directly to the covered outdoor living area where there is a second kitchen. The interior design of the model was completed by Pizzaz Interiors.

Stock also has two new beautifully furnished models open at Marsh Cove in award-winning Fiddler’s Creek.

Stock’s secluded enclave is within the Marsh Cove Community. It consists of 50 homesites along two intimate cul-de-sacs. More than half of the homesites offer water views.

Stock’s offerings in Marsh Cove include seven single-family custom estate floor plans. These residences feature three and four bedrooms plus study and range from 2,812 to over 3,600 square feet of air-conditioned living space. The homes offer three-car garages and multiple outdoor living areas overlooking the lakes and fairways of the Arthur Hills-designed Creek Course.

Pricing for Stock’s homes at Marsh Cove begin in the low $900s.

The Belfield plan includes a great room, optional wet bar, island kitchen and breakfast nook that open to a large outdoor living area that can include a fireplace and outdoor kitchen. It also includes three bedrooms, three-and-a-half baths, a study, a formal dining room, and a three-car garage. The Belfield exterior design of the model was completed by Clive Daniel Home. The home is priced at $1,347,120.

Stock maintains a broad portfolio of homes available for immediate occupancy. Stock has move-in ready and soon to be complete homes available on Marco Island and in Quail West, Lely Resort, Naples Reserve, The Isles at Collier Preserve, Esplanade Golf & Country Club of Naples, Fiddler’s Creek, Twin Eagles, Renaissance, Hidden Harbour and Bocca Grande.

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Moorings Park Grande Lake, the new Life Plan Community being developed by Moorings Park and London Bay Homes, is inviting the public to a special event aimed as an introduction to the new community.

The informational luncheon will be held on Friday, February 16, at 11:30 a.m., at the Moorings Park Grande Lake Sales Gallery. Those wishing to attend need to RSVP by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14, by calling 239-919-1620.

The Moorings Park Grande Lake Sales Gallery is located on Premier Drive, on the south side of Golden Gate Parkway, between Airport-Pulling and Livingston roads, inside the entrance to Naples Grande Golf Club.

Building upon the foundation that has made Moorings Park and Moorings Park at Grey Oaks the preferred choice for Life Plan communities in Southwest Florida, this third incredible neighborhood is planned for the next generation of residents. Situated on 55 acres in the heart of Naples, Moorings Park Grande Lake will combine one-of-a-kind vistas of magnificent lakes and championship golf with luxury homes and exceptional healthcare.

Moorings Park Grande Lake is being created in partnership with esteemed luxury custom homebuilder and developer, London Bay Homes, long known for its award-winning architectural design and attention to detail. “Future residents will be attracted to its natural beauty, classic design and total commitment to enabling them to live longer, healthier and happier lives,” stated Daniel Lavender, CEO of Moorings Park Institute, Inc.

“For nearly three decades, the brand promise of ‘Private Label Living’ has reflected our commitment to building and developing the finest luxury homes in Southwest Florida,” said Mark Wilson, President of London Bay Homes. “It’s an honor for us to now extend our philosophy of choice in design to the area’s newest community.”

The community will consist of luxurious mid-rise residences, including spacious penthouses. Prices start at $1.4 million with 70 percent refundable entrance fees. Moorings Park Grande Lake is a pet-friendly campus and has been designed to take advantage of the views of a 28-acre lake and the picturesque golf course beyond.

The physical environment presents an innovative and resort-style blueprint that provides for seamless physical and visual experiences. It also maximizes the beauty and appeal of waterfront living combined with high-end materials and services.

Consistent with other Moorings Park campuses, Moorings Park Grande Lake will include common areas that promote social interaction, which will allow and encourage residents to choose from indoor and outdoor activities year-round.

A few of the planned outdoor activities or amenities include a yoga pavilion, walking paths, lakeside parkettes with boardwalks, gardens, fire pits and overlooks; and several bird-watching posts. The areas for social gatherings were designed so the family members and friends of our residents could join in the various activities, which could include events such as outdoor concerts.

The clubhouse, as planned, will feature casual and fine dining venues, a private dining room, ballroom, art studio, wellness center, state-of-the-art fitness center, strength and cardio area, salon and spa, and a resort-style pool with poolside cabanas.

Also located in the clubhouse will be The Center for Healthy Living. The center is home to rehabilitation services, as well as the Care 360 concierge healthcare program, which was developed in partnership with NCH Healthcare System. The Care 360 program offers a higher level of personalized primary care. Services are available to residents of Moorings Park with no additional fees, other than typical co-pays. The Care 360 concierge physicians are accessible by appointment, plus 24/7 access via phone, text or email.

Should the need arise, Moorings Park Grande Lake provides its resident’s world-class Assisted Living and Memory Care in existing centers of excellence, at no additional cost.

“As you can tell, this is going to be a spectacular community” concludes Lavender. “Please visit us and learn more about London Bay Homes luxurious design and Moorings Park’s commitment to Simply the Best® qualities, services and amenities.”

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For those who desire a twin villa or a single-family home, only a select few homebuyers will be able to take advantage of the Lakoya lifestyle at Lely Resort. The neighborhood is near sell out with only three homes remaining.

Lakoya is a meticulously planned 242-acre enclave with sculptured landscaping, classical gardens, spectacularly choreographed fountains and elegant paved walking paths. It is surround-ed by subtropical woodlands and The Classics 18-hole championship course, which features gentle undulations and tree-lined fairways.

Twin Villas are available in The Opal Series, a collection of four, single-story twin villa designs. They are priced from $430,445.

Open, spacious and comfortable, the Capri provides its residents with an easy Florida lifestyle. It is a three-bedroom/two-bath twin villa home with 2,107 square feet under air and a total of 2,921 square feet, including an attached two-car garage and a screened and covered lanai overlooking a beautiful pool and spa.

The home includes formal living and dining rooms with elegant tray ceilings and the third bedroom is convertible to a study. The island-style kitchen includes a large walk-in pantry and is creatively designed to maximize open space and create extra room for entertaining in the adjacent living and dining rooms. The main living area opens via stacked 8-foot tall sliding glass doors to the lanai.

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The Venice II is a ground floor residence with 2,230 square feet under air and 3,005 total square feet, including the attached two-car garage. It is a two-bedroom, two and one-half bath great room style coach home offering an island-style kitchen, a large, flexible leisure room and a private courtyard in addition to a screened and covered lanai. Move-in ready homes are available for just $297,025.

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Wi-Fi CERTIFIED homes will be available in Lennar communities across the country by year’s end, but they are available now in Southwest Florida, giving interested homeowners a new and exciting reason to visit.

“Technology can be complicated, but Lennar and Amazon make everything so easy to use,” said Lennar Southwest Florida’s Division President Darin McMurray. “Amazon Echo and Alexa are the perfect starting point for everything you need to get connected. Access, activation, and support for all included devices in the home. All you need is your voice to the given command and technology does everything for you.”

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Lennar invites you not only reason to choose a Lennar community. One of the company’s goals is to provide an all-around lifestyle for its residents. Len- nar communities across Florida are con- structed with leisure and enjoyment in mind to give a resort-style lifestyle. This is often like arriving at a tropical resort, with thoughtful concepts and attention to detail that start at the gates and reach all the way into each and every home.

Lennar has something for everyone, whether you are a first time homeowner, empty nester, single professional or growing family.

Communities such as Portico in Fort Myers and Orange Blossom Ranch in Naples offer affordable multi- and single-family homes with all of the amenities one can expect from Lennar, including fitness centers, swimming pools and perfectly manicured tropical landscaping.

Golfers can choose from several country club communities in the ideal climate of Southwest Florida. The 18-hole championship golf course designed by Gordon Lewis is the centerpiece of Bonita National in Bonita Springs, with lagoon pool, outdoor dining and 8 clay tennis courts. Pelican Preserve in Fort Myers a 55-and-better community, with 27 holes of championship golf and Plaza del Sol, its own town square where you can see a show at the amphitheater or indulge in casual or formal dining.

If you just fancy the lifestyle, choose the one-of-a-kind Everything’s Included® concept has made the home-seeking process as carefree as the Florida lifestyle. With Everything’s Included, each and every Lennar home makes luxury features the standard. Modern designs and finishes, new appliances, stylish fixtures and upgraded flooring are all included at the best possible value.

Lennar invites you to tour their professionally furnished models seven days a week. Interested homebuyers can schedule private tours with their very own New Home Consultants and experience what its like to live a resort-lifestyle.

This weekend, Lennar invites guests to once again experience its popular Choco- late Indulgence and Model Tour. Over 28 participating Lennar communities across Southwest Florida will host the event on Sunday afternoon. Guests will sample decadent chocolate confections from local vendors while touring model homes and experience what its like to live a resort-lifestyle.

You can satisfy your sweet tooth this Sunday, February 11 from 1 - 3 pm.

To see a full list of communities and addresses, visit http://www.lennar.com/swflevents.

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This weekend at Naples Reserve, you'll find your perfect home – and your perfect lifestyle – as the single-site Parade of Homes kicks off in one of South Naples' fastest-selling communities.

Sponsored by the Collier Building Industry Association, the two-weekend parade offers a taste of Naples Reserve’s unique lakeside lifestyle with tours of 18 model homes, plus the resort-inspired Island Club, Fridays and Saturdays, Feb. 9-10 and 16-17 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sundays, Feb. 11 and 18 from noon to 5 p.m.

Featuring Southern Coastal architecture and fully furnished interiors, the models capture Naples Reserve’s vacation-every-day attitude with sweeping scenic views, custom pools and spas, and special places and spaces – inside and out – to entertain friends and family or relax by a cozy fireplace.

With fresh designs by Centro Stile by Ashton Woods, Nancy Peck Interiors, One of a Kind Design, Pizzazz Interiors, Robb & Stucky Furniture and Interiors, and Socio Interiors, Naples Reserve’s Parade of Homes models present the most current color palettes and the newest trends in furnishings, fixtures and finishes.

Parade models represent nearly endless options within 1,519 to more than 3,500 square feet and feature three and four bedrooms, gourmet-ready kitchens, swoon-worthy master suites, expansive outdoor living areas, and home-specific studies, dens, kitchen nooks and sunny second-floor lofts.

Priced from the high-$200,000s to more than $1 million, Naples Reserve’s attached villa, single-family and custom estate homes are designed to fit into the natural waterfront setting of 22 lakes and embrace the laid-back community spirit – a mood that is certain to evoke your fondest memories of Key West and other old Florida beach towns.

Parade-goers can visit six of Naples Reserve’s 11 distinctive neighborhoods, including Savannah Lakes, with waterfront single-family homes surrounded by four lakes and nature preserves; the popular Egret Landing neighborhood; and Naples Reserve’s newest neighborhood of attached villas, Coral Harbor. More homes await in Sparrow Cay, a neighborhood of cul-de-sac streets nestled along Eagle Lake and close to the Island Club, Main Pointe, an in-lake neighborhood of one- and two-story homes with nature preserve and lake views; and Parrot Cay, featuring lakefront custom homes. Homeowners along Eagle Lake can make the most of the lakefront lifestyle by adding private floating docks to enjoy electric boats, as well as boats with motors up to 2.5-horsepower.

The 18 Parade of Homes models feature the moment-home designs and quality construction by the area’s finest homebuilders: Ashton Woods, D.R. Horton, Florida Lifestyle Homes, KTS Homes, Lundstrom Development, Marvin Development, McGarvey Custom Homes and Stock Signature Homes.

Between touring homes, Parade of Homes visitors can relax with refreshments at the Island Club, a private paradise that channels the ambiance and spirit of Key West and Florida’s old beach towns. The Island Club offers a resort-style waterfall pool, beach volleyball and bocce ball courts, the Chat ‘n Chill Tiki Bar, a 1,500-square-foot fitness club, a 3,600-square-foot community center featuring Latitudes Cafe, and the Welcome Center that features a signature 850-gallon cylindrical aquarium.

At the Outrigger Center, canoes, kayaks and paddleboards are available for resident use to explore a mile-long stretch along the 76,000-acre Picayune Strand State Forest that’s ideal for National Geographic-worthy photo ops.

Cruises on the community’s two Duffy electric boats depart from the center’s floating docks for residents to explore the 125-acre centerpiece Eagle Lake and the destination Kontiki Island – complete with its own tiki hut! The center’s flexible space is available for game days, special events and other community activities.

Naples Reserve residents enjoy a full social calendar planned by its lifestyle and fitness director, who plans many of the events around activities and amenities offered in the community.

Designed to foster friendships, community events are a great way for residents to get to know their neighbors as they familiarize themselves with Naples Reserve’s amenities and all of the social opportunities offered within the community. In recent educational and entertaining presentations, residents have learned paddleboard basics, practiced bocce ball and even brushed up on their CPR technique.

Residents also enjoy some friendly competition at the newly-completed lakefront Match Point complex, with five tennis and four pickleball courts. Nearby, the Walk & Wag dog park offers four-legged friends their own place to play.

An additional dog park, Paws Awhile, is planned, as well as the Kid’s Cove playground and a picnic area for impromptu alfresco gatherings. Navigating a loop road encircling Naples Reserve, a meandering linear park for biking, hiking and jogging is designed to engage residents with their natural environment and provide an alternative mode of transportation throughout the community.

Naples Reserve residents receive complimentary one-year social memberships at Walker’s Hideaway Marina of Naples, a yacht club along the Gordon River offering a marina, indoor storage for 600 boats, two waterside restaurants, outdoor pool and sauna, and access to Naples Bay.

A $5 donation per visitor is suggested to benefit the CBIA’s scholarship fund.

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Ronto eports strong reservation activity at new Eleven Eleven Central community

The Ronto Group reported strong reservation activity at its Eleven Eleven Central, a new walkable/bikeable community to be built close to award-winning developer on Central Avenue between 10th Street and Goodlette-Frank Road in downtown Naples. Homebuyers interested in enjoying all the downtown district offers have been captivated by Eleven Eleven Central’s location, walkability, price point, maintenance-free lifestyle, and a comprehensive array of amenities typically reserved for residents of master planned communities. Five light-filled two-bedroom, two-bathroom plus den, and three-bedroom open-concept floor plans ranging from 1,407 to 2,297 square feet of total living space, including covered outdoor balconies, are pre-construction priced from the mid-$500’s.

With the community’s ideal downtown location, thoughtfully designed floor plans, and amenities offering, the cost per square foot of the Eleven Eleven Central residences presents an exceptional value. The project will be built in three phases and will include a total of 210 residences in three clean-lined four-story structures with park benches, a putting green, a yoga lawn, and fenced dog runs. The community’s location provides ready access to Baker Park and the Gordon River Greenway along a pedestrian and bicycle friendly route.

Eleven Eleven Central will serve as a master planned oasis just five blocks from 5th Avenue South and three-quarters of a mile from the beach. A community beach shuttle is planned. Scheduled for completion in Phase I, an approximately 60,000 square foot courtyard amenity deck will feature a 3,200 square feet resort-style pool with a beach entry and two 90-foot lap lanes, chaise lounges and poolside tables, two spas, outdoor showers, poolside cabanas, numerous grills, a cabana bar and grill area with large screen televisions, multiple fire pits with built-in seating areas, a hammock lawn, a life-sized outdoor chess set, a yoga stretching area, and two bocce ball courts. The outdoor amenities will be expanded during Phase II to include a 20,400 square foot Courtyard Park that will provide a lushly landscaped private retreat complete with park benches, a putting green, a yoga lawn, and fenced dog runs. The community’s location provides ready access to Baker Park and the Gordon River Pedestrian Bridge and Boardwalk being developed by the City of Naples on the east side of Goodlette-Frank Road to connect Central Avenue and downtown Naples to the Gordon River Greenway along a pedestrian and bicycle friendly route.

Eleven Eleven Central will invite residents to enjoy a nearly 3,500-square foot clubroom that will provide an ideal setting for residents and their guests to socialize while taking advantage of the amenity deck and pool. The clubroom will include a bar, billiard tables, card tables, large screen televisions, and a catering kitchen adjacent to an outdoor grill and fire pit. A fitness center also measuring nearly 3,500-square feet will include a stretching and functional movement area, state-of-the-art exercise equipment, massage rooms, and rest rooms.

The Eleven Eleven Central Phase I floor plans offer an ideal downtown Naples pied-a-terre or a full-time residence. Base-priced at $540,000, the Atlantic floor plan features a total of 1,407 square feet of living space, including 1,665 square feet under air. The two-bedroom, two-full-bath residence includes a courtyard amenity deck and two walk-in closets included in the owner’s suite.

The two-bedroom, two-full-bath Avalon plan provides a total of 1,736 square feet of living space with 1,746 square feet under air. A 1-shaped 320 square foot balcony offers conversation and dining areas. The great room and owner’s bedroom open to the balcony. Two walk-in closets are included in the owner’s suite. The plan also includes a beautifully designed kitchen, dining area, and a separate laundry room. The Avalon plan is base-priced at $675,000.

With a total of 1,741 square feet of living space and 1,561 square feet under air, the Belair floor plan features a massive 3,200 square feet resort style pool with a beach entry and two 90-foot lap lanes. Bottom Left: Eleven Eleven Central’s nearly 3,500 square-foot fitness center will include a stretching and functional movement area, state-of-the-art exercise equipment, massage rooms, and rest rooms.

The Duval floor plan is the largest of the Eleven Eleven Central Phase I plans. Base-priced at $990,000, the three-bedroom, three-and-a-half bath plan features a total of 2,297 square feet of living space with 2,045 square feet under air. Each of the guest bedrooms include private baths and one of the guest bedrooms opens to the covered balcony. A wide gallery hallway and two walk-in closets are included in the owner’s suite. The spacious living area opens to a covered balcony and includes a great room, dining area, and island kitchen. The owner’s suite features two walk-in closets, a bath with his and her’s vanities, and a bedroom with a sitting area. Base-priced at $765,000 the Collins plan also includes a separate laundry room.

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Talis Park offers simplified luxury living

Talis Park offers a collection of award-winning penthouse-style condominiums, terrace homes and resort-style coach homes, all outfitted with premium accoutrements designed for luxury home buyers seeking the convenience of new, “just bring your toothbrush” residences. The minimum upkeep of these sophisticated homes creates a convenient, simplified lifestyle with the added benefits of security and privacy. Immediate access to fantastic amenities encourages wellbeing by allowing residents to enjoy active lives without traveling across town to work or work out.

“I love the place,” said resident Brian McArdle. “It’s so comfortable and I can actually work from my condo which makes it great.”

Talis Park’s Vyne House, with casual and formal dining, spa and fitness centers, and resort-style atmosphere, is the center of social activity. The nearby Sports Complex offers tennis and bocce courts, pro shop and clubhouse, lap pool, and playground. Adjacent to the driving range, Casa Cortese’s pub-style setting is perfect for sports enthusiasts. Members also enjoy beach access via the Beach Runner, Talis Park’s exclusive beach shuttle.

“It’s more about a whole lifestyle than just a place to live,” added Laurie McArdle. “There’s always something to do. People are friendly, it’s beautiful surroundings. What’s not to like?”

The newly-constructed Carrara, Viansa, and Corsica Coach Home residences offer open-concept floorplans which allow homeowners to relax, eat and entertain in southwest Florida’s temperate climate. Completed, 2,900 square feet penthouse-style condominiums with wraparound loggias are available for immediate occupancy in Lennar’s Carrara neighborhood, from the mid-$800s. A private Carrara hospitality area features a pool, covered pavilion, and grills.

Viansa’s 2,350 square feet terrace homes’ refined designs balance everyday living with easy entertaining. Priced from the high $600’s, each residence includes a private elevator foyer, island kitchen and dining area, balcony off the guest bedroom, and great room opening to the covered lanai. Viansa penthouse residences are available in 2,930 and 2,950 square feet, three-bedroom plus den floor plans, from the $900’s.

FrontDoor Communities’ resort-style Coach Homes at Corsica feature two floor plans with 2,532 and 3,382 air-conditioned square feet. From the $700’s including a sports membership, these homes are highlighted by open-concept living areas customizable to individual preferences, including unique den/study options and natural gas-powered outdoor kitchens. Each residence has a private garage accessible from the residence, private covered terrace off the owner’s bedroom, dual walk-in closets in the owner’s suite, covered lanai across the rear of the residence, and pavered motor courts and walkways.

Talis Park members share a full schedule of social events created by the community’s membership team. From sports clinics, bocce nights, spa events and cooking courses to costume parties, dinner/dances, outdoor movies and concerts, and weekly happy hour gatherings, Talis Park’s social calendar creates numerous opportunities to meet new neighbors and maintain lifelong friendships in a lively family- and pet-friendly setting.

Prospective homebuyers may experience Talis Park by participating in the community’s Gold Pass program. Gold Pass holders enjoy member status and amenities access for two consecutive days, including one round of golf at the member-guest rate. For program details, call 239-292-0846.

Community and model home tours are available seven days a week by visiting Talis Park’s Garden House Information & Sales Center, 16980 Livingston Rd. (just north of Immokalee Rd.). For details, call 239-449-5900 or visit talispark.com.

Above: WCI/Lennar’s Carrara neighborhood features a private hospitality area. Left: Furnished models are available for viewing daily in the Coach Homes at Corsica. Below: Viansa terrace homes by WCI/Lennar. Bottom: Talis Park’s award-winning Vyne House clubhouse.
A masterful design and coastal living style are uniquely embodied in this 4 bedroom plus den 5 bathroom home in highly sought after Aqualane Shores. The home is located on a quiet and tranquil avenue with a canopy of mature Mahogany trees. There is a boat dock located in the backyard on Duck Channel giving the Buyer direct access to Naples Bay and the Gulf of Mexico via Gordon Pass. BRAND NEW sea wall with over 100ft of canal frontage! There is a short .4 mile walk to the 18th Avenue South beach with a shower, .5 mile walk to shopping and dining on 3rd Street South, and a quick 1.2 mile bike ride to 5th Avenue South. The house is also located just blocks from the Historic Naples Pier and Palm Cottage. This house is marketed exclusively by RMC Realty International, built by award-winning custom home builder BUILD, LLC, designed by award-winning Don Stevenson Design/Lotus Architecture.
AQUA at Pelican Isle announced only five luxury residences, including a palatial penthouse, remain available for sale at the boutique marina front high-rise condominium community in Naples.

Buyers at AQUA, built nearby Wiggins Pass and the Gulf of Mexico, are drawn to the new boutique condominium tower community for the development’s prime waterfront location, its modern design and luxurious finishes, and the tremendous value it offers residents looking for desirable waterfront living in a brand, new condominium that lives more like a single family home.

Prominently positioned within a beautifully landscaped and gated community, AQUA’s exclusive residences benefit from high quality fixture and fittings and offer easy access to Pelican Isle Yacht Club’s word-class marina and resort-style amenities via an optional membership. Designed to live like single-family homes, AQUA’s spacious waterfront residences feature picturesque views of the marina, mangrove lined estuaries and spectacular sunsets thanks to open floor plans and elevated ceilings.

The AQUA Tower II furnished models, are priced to start at $1,995 million to over $2.545 million. These floor plans range between 3,900 to just under 4,200 square feet of living area, and priced at $4,85 million. The penthouse features four bedrooms and four and one-half baths, grand salon, family room (or den or fifth bedroom), dining room, master suite with study with wet bar and more than 3,100 square feet outdoor living area thanks to a grand sunset terrace with sundec, wet bar and gas grill spanning across the entire west side of the residence overlooking the Gulf of Mexico and mangrove lined estuaries of Wiggins Bay and AQUA’s 29-slip marina plus an expansive private sunrise balcony adjacent to the family room and three guest suites.

The remaining unfurnished AQUA custom Estate Residences and two designer furnished models, are priced at $4.85 million. The penthouse is available, offering more than 6,500 square feet of living area, and priced at $4,85 million. The penthouse features four bedrooms and four and one-half baths, grand salon, family room (or den or fifth bedroom), dining room, master suite with study with wet bar and more than 3,100 square feet outdoor living area thanks to a grand sunset terrace with sundec, wet bar and gas grill spanning across the entire west side of the residence overlooking the Gulf of Mexico and mangrove lined estuaries of Wiggins Bay and AQUA’s 29-slip marina plus an expansive private sunrise balcony adjacent to the family room and three guest suites.

Going, Going, Gone!

Only five residences remain at AQUA at Pelican Isle

AQUA at Pelican Isle offers a unique opportunity to a limited number of buyers to create a custom home overlooking a private marina, Wiggins Bay and the Gulf of Mexico, setting a new standard for luxury waterfront living as the finest boutique marina-front condominium in the Naples market.
What’s Better Than Life on a Private Island?

Brian and Mary McColgan consider it a privilege to sell the lifestyle exclusively on Useppa Island, while calling it “home.” And, they have a surprising number of allies attesting to just how incredible it is.

“Once the island community kicks in, the idea of living here is a no-brainer,” explained Brian. “It’s like you’re adopted right away.”

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2018 Mediterra Model Home Showcase starts this weekend

Mediterra's 2018 Model Home Showcase begins this Saturday and Sunday and continues through the weekends of February 17th and 18th, and February 24th and 25th. Showcase hours on Saturdays are 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and noon to 5:00 p.m. on Sundays. The Showcase presents Mediterra's newest neighborhoods and eight furnished models by London Bay Homes that feature interiors by Romanza Interior Design. Covered lanais overlook Mediterra's tableau include outdoor kitchens and dining and conversation areas. Custom pools by London Bay's Acquatic Pools showcase pavered decks and fire and water features. Premier luxury automobiles from Jaguar & Land Rover of Fort Myers will also be on display this weekend.

Mediterra is two miles north of Immokalee Road on Livingston Parkway in North Naples. More than 60 purchase opportunities include London Bay's models, as well as home sites with water and preserve views. Purchasers of homes by London Bay may secure a full golf membership immediately rather than being placed on the membership waiting list. London Bay, an award-winning homebuilder and developer in the Southwest Florida luxury home market for more than three decades, manages all new home construction sales and marketing for Mediterra.

The Sonoma model is being featured in Mediterra's Caminetto neighborhood, an enclave of single-family villas from the high $1-millions to the low $3-millions. Priced at $3,125,000 fully-furnished, the two-story, 4,402 square-foot under air, Sonoma features a great room, a gourmet-inspired kitchen, a formal dining room, and a master suite. A second floor offers a loft, wet bar, a third guest suite, and an outdoor kitchen overlooking a custom pool and spa, and a fire pit.

Priced at $2,885,000 fully-furnished, the two-story Capriano model's 4,402-square-foot under air floor plan features a great room with a linear fireplace, a wine bar, and a library with pocketing sliders that open to an outdoor living and kitchen area. The home offers views of a custom pool and spa, while overlooking a resort-style pool, spa, and fire pit. Priced at $2,295,000 fully-furnished, the two-story Isabella model is priced at $2,900,000, 4,294 square feet under air. The three-bedroom, three-and-one-half bath Isabella villa offers two outdoor living areas with a pool and spa. The Isabella is priced at $2,950,000 fully-furnished.

London Bay's Lucano neighborhood presents lakeside villa homes from 2,900 square feet over 4,000 square feet priced from $1.5 million. The Palmero and the Capriano models are being featured during the Model Showcase. Priced at $2,690,000, the 3,947 square feet under air Palmero offers a great room, adjoining gourmet-inspired kitchen with a Butler's pantry and cafe, formal dining room, and a third guest suite. The Palmero's two-story, 5,288 square feet under air, Catalina model features a great room, an island kitchen and a cafe. The cafe opens to an outdoor living space with an outdoor kitchen, an island bar, and ample seating while overlooking a resort-style pool, spa, and fire pit. The master suite's sliding glass doors open to a private trilla and patio, while the master bath features a garden shower. The first floor also offers a formal dining room, bonus room and two guest suites. The second floor includes a loft, wet bar, a third guest suite, and a sunset overlook with an outdoor fireplace.

The two-story, four-bedroom Isabella model offers 4,285 square feet under air in Mediterra's Berata neighborhood. A second-story covered balcony overlooks an outdoor living area, pool and spa. The model's great room plan also includes a formal dining room, study, large master suite, and an outdoor kitchen. The model is priced at $2,295,000 fully-furnished. Visit the Mediterra Sales Center at 15836 Savona Way off Livingston Parkway two miles north of Immokalee Road. The Sales Center and model residences are open daily. Visit Mediterra online at MediterraNaples.com.
dio by Ashton Woods, where more than 1,700 square feet of illustrations, photos, renderings and touch screens with interactive floor plans display the myriad choices available in new homes by Ashton Woods in Fiddler’s Creek and in the Naples Reserve communities of Savannah Lakes, Mallard Point, Egret Landing and Sparrow Cay. The homebuilder’s design team has partnered with local and national manufacturers to create display rooms with thousands of samples. Ms. Puhle, a graduate of the University of Florida, has 18 years of experience in design and construction.

John R. Wood Properties welcomes the following new agents:
North Naples office: Juan Hernandez and Alicia Morgan.
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Riverview Homes has selected Wendy Fielding and Beverly Perlin of Clive Daniel Home’s Boca Raton store for interior design of its newest custom home in Pelican Bay. Be a Borrego is also completing design work for the five-bedroom/five-bath home at 806 Tallow Tree Court. On target for completion in early March, the 4,600-square-foot home is priced at $4,995 million.
Kalea Bay’s clubhouse a phenomenal amenity
Closings continue in Tower 1

The clubhouse is the social and recreational centerpiece of a community then Kalea Bay’s clubhouse 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 buyers have decided to purchase at Kalea Bay,” said Inga Lodge, 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 main amenity area, which includes our community clubhouse. Not only is it a dramatic sight as residents and visitors drive into the community, but it’s now the envy of every community in the Naples area.”

Kalea Bay’s 88,000-square-foot main amenity area, which just opened in early January, is located on the north side of the large lake at the community’s entrance.

The clubhouse features three individual pools, including a resort pool, and 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, a lakeside fire pit, an Internet café and a gifts and sundries shop.

“Three pools overlook the lake and provide a multitude of recreational options for everyone who lives and visits here,” said Lodge.

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 Lodge. “The indoor/outdoor restaurant serves incredible 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.”

Adjacent to the clubhouse is the tennis pavilion with 4 Har-Tru tennis courts, as well as eight pickleball courts. Guest suites that can accommodate overnight guests and family members are also located on the rooftop.

Residents will also have a shuttle service that originates from the clubhouse and takes them to the beach.

“Two of the top-rated beaches in the country are only minutes away from Kalea Bay,” stated Lodge. “They include Barefoot Beach Preserve Park, which was ranked #2 nationally, and Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park, which was ranked #9.”

The completion of the main amenity area at Kalea Bay coincides with the commencement of closings for our ‘sky amenities’ and I must decide to purchase at Kalea Bay,” said Lodge.

The completion of Tower 1 and the commencement of closings continues for the next several weeks after the building’s rooftop amenities were completed, including the rooftop pool, which is surrounded by comfortable chaise lounges, dining tables and chairs, and plush conversation areas, the sky lounge, which as an open-air fitness center with cantilevered roof that opens and closes.

“Whether lounging poolside or enjoying the great views from our rooftop here, residents can enjoy daily views of the Gulf of Mexico, several nature preserves and even two of the highest ranked beaches in the United States. There’s not another place like it in Southwest Florida.”

She added, “We had very high expectations for our ‘sky amenities’ and I must admit that those expectations have been exceeded on every level.”

Only six residences remain in Tower 1. However, residences in Tower 2, which was released for sale in the summer of 2012, are also available. The 2-story tower, with 120 residences, will have 20 floors of residences over two floors of parking.

Six floor plans are available in Tower 2. Residences 1 and 6 are 3-bedroom plus den/3.5 bath plans with 3,704 total square feet. Residences 2 and 5, with 4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, have 3,919 total square feet. Residences 3 and 4 are 4-bedroom, 4.5-bath plans also with 3,999 total square feet.

“Residents will revel in Gulf views, open floor plans, a private elevator leading directly into their residence and wood floors throughout,” said Lodge.

The custom kitchens have Wolf and SubZero appliances, a natural gas range, luxury cabinetry, quartz countertops, a Butler’s pantry and oversized island, all of which are standard features.

“Our floor plans have an open design that we call ‘lifestyle designs’ that blends the indoor and outdoor seamlessly into the living and dining rooms, perfect for the way people live today,” said Lodge.

The master bedroom includes an oversized walk-in closet while the master bath has his and hers vanities, quartz countertops, luxury cabinetry, a soaking tub and separate glass-enclosed shower.

“Master suites, kitchens and main living areas in most units have direct views to the water and preserve. They are perfect vantage points to watch our spectacular sunsets,” Lodge said.

Additional residential features include floor-to-ceiling windows and doors that open to large lanais with transparent glass rails.

“We take our outdoor living as seriously as our indoor living with oversized lanais on every residence,” said Lodge. High-tech wiring and fully equipped laundry rooms round out the list of features, she noted.

Prices at Kalea Bay begin at $1.3 million in Tower 1 and $1.4 million in Tower 2, which will have similar rooftop amenities as the first tower.

For more information regarding Kalea Bay, visit the onsite sales center. Due to bridge closings in the North Naples’ area, take US 41 to Wiggins Pass Road, then right on Vanderbilt Drive, two-tenths of a mile. Call (239) 793-0100 or visit KaleaBay.com.
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Sheldon Fine Art showcases mother-daughter painters

Sheldon Fine Art hosts a champagne reception for mother and daughter painters Joyce Norwood and Gee Gee Collins from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8. An exhibit of works by the two will remain through Feb. 15 at the gallery at 460 Fifth Ave. S.

A native of North Carolina and now a longtime Naples resident, Ms. Norwood is a palette knife painter whose textural canvases capture the luminous ethereal light and color of the seashore, host to innocent children at play or forgotten weathered boats at rest. She began her art education at the New York Art Students’ League, continued at the Cape Cod School of Art in Provincetown and was mentored by Sam Barber, a protégé of Henry Hensche.

Following in her mother’s footsteps, Ms. Collins has pursued a life of painting. Her bold brush strokes and colorful palette combine to create layers of paint that give each abstract, figure or floral subject an energy and joie de vivre that delight the viewer.


Regular hours at the Naples gallery are 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 649-6255 or visit www.shelдонfineart.com.

How does your garden grow?

TheatreZone invites all ages to learn the secrets

BY LINDSEY NESMITH
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Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote that a weed is a plant whose virtues have been yet been discovered. In Frances Hodgson Burnett’s 1911 young adult classic “The Secret Garden,” the main characters find each other to be thorny intruders until their more admirable characteristics bloom.

“It’s a show that I loved when I first saw it on Broadway in 1991. I was taken especially by the music.” — Mark Danni, TheatreZone artistic director

Going on tour
See who enjoyed the Naples Garden Club House & Garden Tour, and more fun around town. C30-35

Hop to it
Film critic Dan Hudak says it’s OK to be predictable. C17

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Restaurant critic Drew Sterwald finds a lot to like at Spice Club, and more new from the food and dining scene. C36-39

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Steady climb delivers Chris Young to Germain Arena as headline act

BY ALAN SCULLEY
Florida Weekly Correspondent

Chris Young is just now beginning his second decade in country music, and in that time he has been one of the steadiest climbers on the scene. As each of his five previous studio albums kicked out multiple Top 5 singles, Mr. Young has gradually scaled the ladder as a touring artist, going from small venues to opening slots for some of country’s biggest stars, most recently Jason Aldean last summer.

Now his newest album, “Losing Sleep,” starts 2018 with a headlining tour that takes him to arenas and amphitheaters around the country, including Germain Arena in Estero, where he takes the stage Saturday, Feb. 17.

To say Mr. Young is excited about this latest step up with his career would be an understatement.

“I’m really, really pumped about this tour and this record,” he said in a recent phone interview. “You’re obviously excited any time you can make new music and take it out there ... But to take it to the level we’re taking it this year — playing a bunch of arenas where I’ve opened for (other acts) a lot of times in my career and adding in some amphitheaters — well, it’s really, really special.”

Headlining arenas means Mr. Young has control over every aspect of his show, as well as the responsibility to deliver a well-rounded set for fans.

“I’m definitely not playing too many new songs,” he said of his set list. “You don’t want to inundate people with a whole bunch of new music, but there’s going to be some cool stuff that people have never seen from me before.”

One new song figures to be the title track from “Losing Sleep,” which after a slight pause has climbed to No. 2 on Billboard magazine’s Country Airplay chart and No. 7 on the Hot Country Songs chart. The song looks likely to top at least Country Airplay and will add another accomplishment to a career that has had its share of highlights.

Mr. Young came into the national spotlight when he won the 2006 season of “Nashville Star” on the USA Network. His 2006 self-titled debut album with RCA stiffed, but “Getting’ Home (The Black Dress Song),” the second single from his sophomore album, 2009’s “The Man I Want to Be,” was a breakthrough hit. Then the title song from that album and a third single, “Voices,” extended the streak of No. 1 singles to three.

The Murfreesboro, Tenn., native has been on a roll since then, but music is a thing that can heal. So I got back up on stage and played and have continued to play.”

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“Obviously, it was the scariest night of my life, not anything you should ever have to experience at a concert,” he said. “That’s supposed to be a safe place.”

The experience has him Mr. Young more attuned than ever to concert safety.

“I had a show, I think, four days later in California,” Mr. Young said, looking back on the immediate aftermath of the shooting. “And I debated, do we play? Do we not play? What’s the right thing to do? I’ve said it a lot in interviews since then, but music is a thing that can heal. So I got back up on stage and played and have continued to play.”

Mr. Young also has an understatement.

For the “Losing Sleep” project, Mr. Young teamed up again with songwriter Corey Crowder as co-producer of the album. The two previously worked together on “I’m Comin’ Over.”

“We’re not trying to replicate that,” he said of his new album. “Some people would be like, ‘Hey, was there any pressure to replicate that?’ I would argue that it was the other way around.”

Mr. Young said, “The pressure was off. We knew we could. It was really just getting in there and having fun, making an album that I love. It’s been cool seeing other people love it too.”

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With a Top 5 hit to his name, “Somebody” from “Losing Sleep,” Mr. Young and his fans are sure to pack the arena Saturday night.

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Marco historical society hosts MIHS Spring Appraisal Faire

Gather up your some of your beloved art, antiques, jewels and other treasured items and find out what — if anything — they could be worth when the Marco Island Historical Society holds the MIHS Spring Appraisal Faire from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 3, in the community center at Frank E. Mackle Park.

Nan Chisholm, Wes Cowan and Ken Farmer of “Antiques Roadshow” fame will evaluate items along with appraisers Pauline Archambault and Brad Wanstrath from Cowan’s Auctions of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Ms. Chisholm specializes in 19th and 20th century American and European paintings. The founder and owner of Cowan’s Auctions, Mr. Cowan is an internationally recognized expert in historic Americana. Mr. Farmer’s areas of expertise include Southern material culture, American furniture, folk art, decorative arts and musical instruments (excluding violins, brass and woodwinds). Ms. Archambault is the fine art specialist at Cowan’s, where Mr. Wanstrath is director of fine jewelry and timepieces.

Attendees at the MIHS Spring Appraisal Faire are limited to three hand-carried items for appraisal, with a cost of $40 per item ($25 for MIHS members). Admission is exclusively for those bringing items to be appraised. Items suitable for appraisal include fine art, fine jewelry and timepieces, sculpture, folk art, rare books and photographs, historic Americana, decorative arts, Native American objects and Western artifacts. Firearms, stamps or coins will not be valued.

Antiques lecture

Additional MIHS Spring Appraisal Faire related events include a “State of the Antiques World” lecture presented by the guest appraisers at 2 p.m. Friday, March 2, at the Marco Island Historical Museum. Admission is $40 ($25 for MIHS members).

Also, “An Affaire to Remember” takes place Saturday evening, March 3, at the Island Country Club, with fine dining, dancing, silent auction and a live auction conducted by Mr. Cowan and Mr. Farmer. Tickets are $225. See Save the Date on page C28 for details.

For more information, call 389-6447 or visit www.theMIHS.org.

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By Nancy Stetson

The art of becoming Helen Keller for ‘The Miracle Worker’

By Nancy Stetson

For years. It seemed like a perfect fit says. “It’s been on my shortlist to do Design. Script and lyrics are by Marsha Eagen’s role as Mary) and Best Scenic Featured Actress in a Musical (for Daisy debut in 1991, “The selthwaite Manor form the dreary Mis fans of the tale and those who are new ny 1967 movie in which Audrey Hepburn plays a blind woman. (“Liza found it instruction, but after she was so scary at the half the night,” Ms. Abbott admits.)

Back to school

As part of doing research for the role, Liza, her mother, Ms. Heffernan and Betsy Hogg (vamp of ‘Wougey’, who plays Helen’s teacher in the Florida Rep show, travel to the Florida home, for the Deaf and Blind, a state-support ed boarding school in St. Augustine for approximately 200 deaf and blind children from pre-kinder garten through 12th grade. Ms. Heffernan says everyone at the school loved the idea that we were working the play, that we would be honoring someone who is so important to them and their culture. They could not have been more support ive.

The visitors talked with two blind girls slightly older than Liza. They said it was pretty hard for them. (“One girl was talking about how she didn’t want everybody treating her like a baby. She thought people were trying to do things for her too much, and she wanted to do things on her own sometimes.”

She also noted how the blind students walked down the hall. “They hug the wall,” she says. “They’re always against the wall, never in the middle of the hallway. I think the side of the walls are their safe place, they feel safer and protected there.”

And they watched a teacher instruct ing young students how to use a cane.

GARDEN

From page 1

Theatre Zone of Florida presents the musical version of Frances Hodgson Burnett’s classic story through Feb. 18 at the G&L. Theatre on the campus of Community School of Naples. Longtime fans of the tale and those who are new to the story will see young Mary transform the dreary Miss selthwaite Manor — the orphanage run by her cruel cousin and uncle — as she makes an enchanting discov er. After its Broadway debut in 1991, “The Secret Garden” was turned into a Tony Award-winner, Best Featured Actress in a Musical (for Daisy Eagan’s role as Mary) and Best Scenic Design. Script and lyrics are by Marsha Norman, with the score by Lucy Simon. “I didn’t know what I was doing when I first saw it on Broadway in 1991, and I was taken especially by the music,” Mark Danni, TheatreZone artistic director, says. “It’s been on my shortlist to do for years. It seemed like a perfect fit this season.”

Central to the story is the theme of renewal, a process that Mary undergoes while she brings the garden back to life. Once she has found a project and a purpose in her new home, she sets out to bring her frightened cousin, Colin, and his father with him on an enchanted journey that brings all of them back into the world.

“The message of the show is wonder ful,” Mr. Danni says. “There’s a song called ‘Wick’ that explains to Mary that nothing in the garden is dead, it’s waiting to be reborn,” he adds. “They’re all lying dormant waiting for the life to be brought back into it.” It’s a great family show for that reason.”

Taking the role of adolescent Mary, a young actress who is shipped off to this reclusive uncle’s stately manor in Yorkshire from hot and vibrant India, is 11-year-old Carly Barnes from Jackson ville. Although she’s only been acting for about a year, her enthusiasm for act ing naturally grew out of a lifelong love of reading and writing. Immersing herself in stories helped her develop a love for characters and how they change or grow.

“Learning about the characters in the story, it’s been such a big revelation of new worlds, and it’s been really fun to learn about Mary” Carly says about her new role. “I read ‘The Secret Garden’ when I was younger and it was really a good role for me to play. I like playing types of characters who are confusing.”

The challenge in playing Mary, who is emotionally neglected by her posh parents while they’re alive and doesn’t suffer much over them when they’re dead, is to accurately portray the girl’s volatility and ill-temper without losing the audience’s sympathy.

“She’s not supposed to be completely likable through the first part of the show, but you can’t make the audience hate her so much that they don’t learn anything from her,” she says, adding, “My mom’s been a lot of help.”

Once Mary starts adjusting to her new life and finds purpose in renovating the forgotten garden, her bedridden cousin Colin is first on her list for an extreme emotional makeover. It’s a textbook case of a hurt child, projecting his pain onto others.

The young actor who plays Colin, sixth grader Liam Hutt of Fort Myers, finds that portraying his transformation is exciting.

“In the beginning, Colin is very rude and stubborn and he doesn’t really like anyone to be in his room,” he says. “Close to the end he starts growing into this character that is so nice and kind. It’s like literally in a garden, a weed goes into the soil and becomes a flower.”

In contrast to his co-star, Liam has been performing for crowds since he was 3 years old. Though he has rep resentation in New York City and recent ly became a member of the Actors Equity Association, he still likes to stick to local shows. Unlike Carly, who does her schoolwork at a local library and uses video calls for teachers, Liam also acted in plays at summer camp at Florida Rep.

“Very important to me,” Liza says about acting. “I love that I followed my parents’ footsteps. And I think it’s a really fun experience for anybody who’d love to try it — With acting, you can sort of be anything you want to be!”

She also has great respect for the art form. Ms. Heffernan says about the young star.

“Liza is a kid who has seen theater and done things. Much of my work is done, when you’re starting with some one who already has a vocabulary. With all the play, there’s a respect for the craft, a delight of the art form … There is an understanding of the seri ousness and commitment necessary.”

Ms. Heffernan is happy to be directing “The Miracle Worker.”

“Most of the roles I do, are as humans,” she says. “How does adversity give us strength? What do we gain when we overcome it? I don’t know. Helen Keller had great tragedy in her life, and she had great ability.

Liz will be in the miracle worker. Helen is the miracle.”

Mr. Danni says “The Secret Garden” fits nicely in the Theatre Zone season, between the light-hearted, old-fashi oned tap show “Me & My Girl” which ended its run in January, and the Barry Manilow scored “Copacabana” coming up next.

“I don’t want to say it’s serious, but it has more adult style, music is still. It’s still a very uplifting story, but it’s not silly,” he says. He hopes parents and grand parents will bring their young friends to introduce the youngsters in their lives to the enchantments musical theatre provides.

“I really don’t think there’s anything better than live entertainment,” he says. “There’s just something magical about things happening right in front of you.”

The Secret Garden

>> When: Feb. 16-Mar. 7 (preview Feb. 13-15)
>> Where: Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers
>> Tickets: $55-$135 and $55 for previews
>> Info: 392-4488 or www.floridarep.org
>> Notes: A signed performance at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 4, with 50 seats held for hearing impaired patrons.

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As its 46th season continues, The Naples Concert Band, a nonprofit organization dedicated to entertaining the community with live performances in Cambier Park, presents what it describes as “one for the history books” at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11.

Guest artists are Broadway vocalist Mark Sanders, who will perform a medley of Barry Manilow hits, and violinist Glenn Basham, concertmaster for the Naples Philharmonic. The program includes Verdi’s “The Force of Destiny,” “Malaguena,” “The Star Wars Saga” and “The Devil Went Down to Georgia.” Admission to all Naples Concert Band performances is free. Donations are welcome to help defray expenses and to add to the band’s scholarship fund. For more information, call 263-9521 or visit www.NaplesConcertBand.org.

New band members are always welcome. Musicians who are interested in joining the band should call Frank Burgeson at 598-2082.
THEATER


Steel Magnolias – By The Marco Players though Feb. 25 at The Marco Players Theater. 1089 N. Collier Blvd. 642-7270 or www.marcoplayers.org.

Rapture, Blister, Burn – By The Naples Players through March 4 at the Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.


Footloose – By the CFABS Teen Players Feb. 9-11 at the Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10520 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.


Gidion’s Knot – By Theatre Conspiracy through Feb. 18 at the Alliance for the Arts, 10019 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers. 939-2787 or www.theatrinline.org/theatre.

Night and Day: Love Lost and Found through the Eyes of Cole Porter – By Florida Repertory Theatre through March 11 in the ArtStage Studio at Florida Gulfshore’s Education Center. 625 Fifth Ave. N.


Mamma Mia – By Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre Feb. 15-April 7. 1380 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

The Miracle Worker – By Florida Repertory Theatre Feb. 16-17. 2268 Bay St., Fort Myers. 332-4488 or www.theatrephestoration.org.

Black Comedy – By FGCU’s TheatreLab Feb. 16-25 in the Arts Complex. 10501 FGCU Blvd. S. www.fgcu.edu or 465-4246.


North Naples Methodist Church caps off a week of performances, music lectures, themed dinners and more with a performance by multiple Dove-winning Christian ensemble The Martins Trio at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11. Other festival events include a presentation on baroque music in the court of Frederick the Great, a madrigal dinner with musical reenactments and performances by local choirs. www.nmumc.org.

Tea for Two – Brames Tea Room and Storytellers of the Round Table team up for an evening of love stories and tea from 6-8 p.m. $35. 240 Fifth Ave. S. 262-7894 or www.bramblesleatroom.com.

Fish Basket, Please – The Everglades Seafood Festival returns to Everglades City with delicious seafood, live entertainment, craft vendors, carnival rides and more today through Sunday, Feb. 11, in front of City Hall. 955-2277 or www.evergladesseafestival.org.

Free Concert – Silver Sneakers perform from 6-9 p.m. at Miramar Outlets. 948-3766 or www.miramorrowtlets.com.

Jig Is Up – Traditional Irish band Wolfhound performs jigs, reels, pub songs and ballad at 7 p.m. at The Norris Center. 225 Eighth Ave. S. 213-3058 or www.naplesgov.com.

A Royal Feast – North Naples United Methodist Church hosts a medieval royal banquet with carolers, historical instrument ensembles, dancers, jugglers and more at $50 a.m. 6000 Goodlette-Frank Road. 993-5600 or www.naplesuc.org.

Magnaolia Market Dreaming – Cigar City Fairgrounds hosts an upscale vintage market with original art, antiques, jewelry, home décor and more from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. today and Saturday, Feb. 10, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 11. 85-90. 455-1444 or www.vintagemarkedays.com.

Go Greek – St. Katherine’s Greek Festival 2018 dishes out traditional foods along with wine, beers and a host of entertainment from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. today and Saturday, Feb. 9-10, and noon to 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11. Admission is free on opening day. 55 Saturday-Sunday. 700 Airport-Pulling Rd., 595-5430 or www.westharborevent.com.

Classic Film – FGCU’s Renaissance Academy screens “Gilda” (1946) at 2 p.m. at the university’s Naples campus. A small-time gambler hired to work in a Buenos Aires casino learns his ex-lover is married to his employer. $6 for members, $8 for others. 1005 Fifth Ave. S. 484-4375 or www.fgcu.edu.

In Living Color – Actor, comedian and screenwriter Shawn Wayans performs tonight and Saturday, Feb. 10, at Off the Hook Comedy Club. 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 389-6901 or www.offthehookcomedy.com.

The Paradise Coastmen chorus performs a barbershop-style concert at 7:30 p.m. at the David and Cecille Wang Opera Center. 810-850. 2408 Linwood Ave. 775-2800 or www.capacenter.org.
WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

More Produce – Stock up on local produce and assorted locally made goods at the Bonita Springs Farmers Market from 8 a.m. to noon at the Promenade at Bonita Bay.

Art Show – Naples Artcrafters hold a juried fine art and craft show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Cambier Park. www.naplesartcrafters.com.

Sensorily Speaking – Paragon Pavilion hosts a lights-up, sound-down screening of “Peter Rabbit” for children with sensory disorders at 10 a.m. 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or www.paragontheaters.com.

Cars on Fifth – More than 550 exotic and custom cars of all kinds will line Fifth Avenue South for all to covet from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The 14th annual Cars on Fifth is sponsored by the Naples chapter of the Ferrari Club of America. www.carsonfifth.com.

Met Live – Paragon Pavilion screens a live Metropolitan Opera performance of Donizetti’s “L’Elisir d’Amore” at 12:55 p.m. $18-$24, 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or www.paragontheaters.com.

Burn, Baby, Burn – Naples Botanical Garden hosts a lecture with biologist Brian Boyard about the role prescribed burns play in the local ecosystem from 2-4 p.m. $15 for members, $20 for non-members. 643-4727 or www.naplesgarden.org.

Community Choir – High school and adult choirs join forces for a concert as part of the North Naples United Methodist Music Festival at 2:30 p.m. on the church’s campus. Free. 6000 Goodlette-Frank Road. 593-7600 or www.northnaplesumc.com.

Music from Italy – Domo Emigrants, performs with lyric tenor Marco Fiorante and Giuseppe Todaro at 4 p.m.患有 sensory disorders at 10 a.m. 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or www.paragontheaters.com.

Bluegrass Concert – Kenny and Amanda Smith perform at 7 p.m. at The Norris Center. $22 in advance, $28 at the door. 213-3058 or www.naplesgov.com.

Very Verdi – Gulfshore Opera performs pieces by Verdi at 7:30 p.m. at the Naples Art Association, 450-860. 585 Park St. 526-9255 or www.gulfshoreopera.org.

SUNDAY

Fresh Produce – Stock up on fresh produce and more at the Naples Farmers Market from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the corner Pine Ridge and Livingston roads.


Go for Baroque – Travel to the court of Frederick the Great with a lecture and presentation featuring authentic baroque instruments at 1 p.m. at North Naples United Methodist Church. Free. 6000 Goodlette-Frank Road. 593-7600 or www.northnaplesumc.com.

Free Concert – The Naples Concert Band performs at 2 p.m. at Cambier Park. 263-4113 or www.naplesconcertband.org. See story on page C5.

Throwback Cinema – Silverspot at Mercato screens “Casablanca” (1942) at 2 and 7 p.m. A cynical American expatriate encounters a former lover with unforeseen circumstances. $9.50-$16.50. 592-0300 or www.silverspot.net.

The Grammy-nominated vocal ensemble Seraphic Fire presents Bach’s “St. Matthew Passion” at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 46, 1225 Piper Blvd. — www.seraphicfire.org.

Greek Fest – Katherine’s Greek Orthodox Church’s annual Greek Fest takes the stage at off the Hook Comedy Club Thursday through Saturday.

Bluegrass duo Kenny and Amanda Smith take the stage at The Norris Center at 7 p.m. Saturday.

Classic crooner Tony Bennett performs at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers. 13350 FSW Pkwy. — www.bbmannpah.com.
Old 41 Road, Bonita Springs. 529-3925 or www.gulfshoreopera.com.

Laissez le Bon Temps Rouler – Miroamar Outlets celebrates Mardi Gras with a New Orleans-inspired pub-crawl from 6-9 p.m. 948-3766 or www.miroamaronrouts.com.

WEDNESDAY, 2.14

Marco Market – Stock up on fresh produce and more at the Marco Island Farmers’ Market from 7:30 a.m. to noon at Veterans Community Park. 901 Park Ave.

Take A Hike – CREW Land & Water Trust leads a free guided walk through its bird rookery swamp trail from 9 a.m. to noon. 1295 Shady Hollow Blvd. 675-2253 or www.crewtrust.org.

I Do Again – Friends of Lovers Key hosts vow renewal ceremonies with a champagne toast, catered meal and dancing at 10 a.m. and 1 and 4 p.m. at the state park. $100 per couple. fegreenwood@gmail.com or www.friendsofloverskey.org.

Coffee, Tea & Broadway – The atreZone presents show tunes and more than 20 local artists from 1-4 p.m. Free, handcrafted jewelry and wearable art from 2253 or www.crewtrust.org. Take A Hike – CREW Land & Water Trust leads a free guided walk through its bird rookery swamp trail from 9 a.m. to noon. 1295 Shady Hollow Blvd. 675-2253 or www.crewtrust.org.

Free Film – Headquarters Library screens “La La Land” (2016) at 2 p.m. While attempting to reconcile their aspirations, a pianist and an actress fall in love while navigating their career in Los Angeles, a screens “La La Land” (2016) at 2 p.m. While attempting to reconcile their aspirations, a pianist and an actress fall in love while navigating their career in Los Angeles, a

Ikebana International Naples hosts an exhibition featuring the Japanese art of flower arranging from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16-17, at Naples Botanical Garden. 643-4737 or www.naplesgarden.org.

Free Concert – The Honeycreepers perform from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at Miromar Outlets. 948-3766 or www.miromaroutlets.com.

Out Loud – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts a staged reading of short stories, essays, speeches at more than 20 local artists from 1-4 p.m.

Wonder-Ful – Sandalwood Village hosts a fasion show with FSFWF advisor Adrienn Kerr about the seven wonders of the ancient world at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, at the club’s dining room. Free, but reservations recommended. 851 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 260-5455 or www.

Bauble Bar – The Women’s Cultural Alliance hosts a jewelry show featuring handmade jewelry and wearable art from more than 20 local artists from 1-4 p.m.

(String Recital) – Violinists Glenn Basham and Daniela Shtereva perform solo, jazz and hoedown selections at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. 5409 or www.capacenter.org.

Art Show – Pelican Sound Golf & River Club in Bonita Springs hosts an opera performance on Saturday, Feb. 10 at 8 p.m. at the Wang Opera Center. 239-564-6000 or www.wangopera.com.
**WHAT TO DO**

**O Sole Trio sings “Bравissimo Broadway” at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 409-8089 or www.centersfortheartsbonita.org.**

Art and craft show featuring works in a variety of mediums from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17. Free, but ID required for entry. 4561 Pelican Sound Blvd. adelacros@comcast.net.

**Art ALIVE** — The galleries and studios of Naples Art District north of Pine Ridge and west of Airport-Pulling roads welcome visitors from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17. More than 40 professional artists will showcase their recent works and demonstrate their medium. Free. Look for the magenta and white flags. 289-0070 or www.naplesartdistrict.com.

**Let the Good Times Roll** — Venetian Village hosts a family-friendly Mardi Gras celebration with mask decorating, face painting, crafts and more from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17. Free. 261-6100 or www.venetianvillage.com.

**Classical Concert** — Members of Naples Music Club perform a concert celebrating love at 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at First United Methodist Church. Free. 388 First Ave. S. 384-9205 or www.naplesmusicclub.org.

**Starry Night** — Big Cypress National Preserve, designated by the National Park Service as an International Dark Sky Place, host a ranger-led astronomy program with constellation tours and telescopic viewing of stars, nebulae and other galactic formations at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17. Free, hiking attire and a red light flashlight or headlamp are recommended. 33000 Tamiami Trail E. 610-0039 or www.bigcypress.org.

**Three’s Company** — Vocal trio O Sole Trio perform a concert entitled “Bravissimo Broadway” at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 835-945. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 409-8089 or www.centersfortheartsbonita.org.

**Losing Sleep** — Country musician Chris Young performs at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at Germain Arena. 838-358. 948-7825 or www.egermainarena.com.

**Shop til You Drop** — The Designer Boutique associated with The Shelter for Abused Women & Children’s annual Mending Broken Hearts with Hope luncheon takes place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday and Monday, Feb. 18-19, at the Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Vendors from around the county will have specialty clothing, jewelry, accessories and gift items for sale. Admission is free. www.lowesshelter.org/mbh.

**Bridal Blast** — The National Association of Wedding Planners hosts Southwest Florida’s largest bridal show with the area’s top vendors from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Germain Arena. 855-8823 or www.bridalblast.com.

**Free Concert** — Gulf Coast Big Band performs at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Cambier Park. 877-6090 or www.gulfcoastbigband.com.

**Tubular** — Organist Monica Czausz performs at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. 791 Harbour Drive. 261-4187 or www.mooringschurch.org.

**Film Lecture** — Art historian and media psychologist Andre Krauss leads a presentation titled “Moving Pictures: An Analysis of Films about the Holocaust” at 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Beth Tikvah. $30, reservations required. 1459 Pine Ridge Road. 261-9200 or www.holocaustmuseumswfl.org.


**Tribute Concert** — Naples Bay Resort hosts a pre-fixe dinner and a performance by a Beatles tribute band at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, 1500 Fifth Ave. S. 866-605-4199 or www.naplesbayresort.com.

**I Get Around** — The Beach Boys perform at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Arts—Naples. 597-0900 or www.artisnaples.org.

**Vocal Concert** — Internationally renowned baritone Luca Salsi performs selections from the Italian operatic repertoire at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. 835-895. 2408 Linwood Ave. 963-9050 or www.operanaples.org.

**Lunch & Learn** — Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center hosts lunch and a presentation titled “Doc Ana: Swamp Doctor of Florida” from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. 835-895. 2408 Linwood Ave. 963-9050 or www.operanaples.org.

**Tea for Two** — Brambles Tea Room and Storytellers of the Round Table team up for an evening of love stories and tea from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20. 535-340 Fifth Ave. S. 262-7894 or www.bramblestearoom.com.

**Mandy** — Barry Manilow performs at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at Germain Arena. $20-$250. 948-7825 or www.germainarena.com.

**Pops** — Vocalist Frankie Moreno and the Naples Philharmonic perform songs from Sinatra, Elvis Presley and Mozart at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 20-23, at Arts—Naples. 597-0900 or www.artisnaples.org.
One-Man Show – Comedian Steve Solomon presents “My Mother’s Italian, My Father’s Jewish & I’m in Therapy” at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Feb. 22-23, at Artis—Naples. $57-$99 or www.artisnaples.org.

A Stitch in Time – The Naples Regional Library hosts a talk about contemporary hand embroidery from noon to 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 23-24, in the auditorium at Moorings Park. $5. 1200 Moorings Park Drive. www.naplesembroidery.com.

Bird Talk – Naples Regional Library hosts a talk about native wading birds with Big Cypress National Preserve ranger Alex Christopher at 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22. Free. 650 Central Ave. 262-4150 or www.collierlibrary.org.

Boat Show – MarineMax hosts the 11th annual Bonita Bay Marina Boat Show from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 23-24, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at Bonita Bay Marina. Free. 495-3232 or bonitabaymarina.net.

Chickee Chat – The Naples Players’ costume designer and historical costume enthusiast Dot Alsoomody leads a presentation about Victorian dress in Southwest Florida from 11 a.m. to noon Friday, Feb. 23, at Historic Palm Cottage. Free for members, $8 for others. 137 12th Ave. S. 261-8164 or www.napleshistoricalsociety.org.

Free Concert – Neon Sneakers perform from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, at Miromar Outlets. 948-3766 or www.miromaroutlets.com.

Bits and Baubles – Naples Art, Antique & Jewelry Show opens with a preview party from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, and continues through Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the Naples Exhibition Center. General admission is $20, inquire for VIP preview pricing. 561-822-5440 or www.naplesartshow.com.

Art in the Glades – Everglades Historical Society hosts an arts and craft show from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at MacLeod Park, 695-2905 or www.evergladhistorical.org.

Lunchbox Theater – The Marco Players present Florida fledgler J. Robert on noon Saturday, Feb. 24, at The Marco Players Theater. $25, includes boxed lunch. 1089 N. Collier Blvd. 642-7270 or www.marcoplayers.org.


CREW Concert – CREW Trust hosts a concert featuring High Voltage Band and silent eco-auction from 5-9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at Riverside Park in Bonita Springs. $15 in advance, $20 at the door. 657-2253 or www.crewtrust.org.

World Music – Mt. Hoo’s Orchestrotica combines 20th century exotica with unique rhythms and orchestration at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Arts Bonita Springs. 832-542. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-9899 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Deal or No Deal – Comedian and television host Howie Mandel returns to his stand-up roots when he performs at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Free Concert – Southwest Florida Big Band performs from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at Miromar Outlets. 948-3766 or www.miromaroutlets.com.

Information on the Naples Art, Antique & Jewelry Show can be obtained by calling 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.
ARTS COMMENTARY

Getting by with a one-night stand at Lab Theater

Playwright Neil Labute loves to torture his audiences. Many of his previous plays and movies have been extremely misogynistic, with males who harbor a frat-boy “bros-before-hos” mentality. He loves to emotionally abuse characters, push buttons and make viewers squirm with discomfort.

His two-person play, “The Way We Get By,” is not as provocative or repulsive as some, but it still includes a secret that, when revealed halfway through the 90-minute play on opening night, caused one patron to gasp loudly and a couple of others to stand up and walk out.

Mr. Labute likes to toy with audience members like a cat playing with a mouse before eviscerating it. “The Way We Get By” is enjoying its Florida premiere by The Laboratory Theater of Florida, a troupe that likes to push boundaries. But the show isn’t half as edgy as its creator thinks.

Imagine being stuck in a NYC living room with a 20-something couple who’ve just had a one-night stand. It’s the middle of the night. Though they’ve just had sex, they can’t hold a decent conversation. He’s jittery and jumps from topic to topic. She’s awkward and then comes on strong.

They’re not likeable people; you can’t imagine what in the world they see in each other. They misuse the word “literally” and overuse the word “whatever.”

Arrrggghhh! “I jump around a bit of the time (conversationally),” he says. “It’s a thing my brain does.” And it’s true. He has a hard time staying on topic, let alone finishing a sentence.

“You haven’t exactly been in a rush to become an adult,” she accuses him. He doesn’t deny it.

Now imagine spending 90 minutes trapped with these two. That’s what watching “The Way We Get By” is like.

The two deserve each other. Steven Coe plays Doug as a fidgety guy, not sure what to do with his hands. He follows a conversational thread, drops it, then picks it up again.

Beth (Kendall Millang) isn’t sure what Dough’s intentions are, whether he wants to stay or leave. Poor Doug isn’t sure, either. And we’re subjected to this sparring for the length of this one-act play, with no other characters coming in to save us or distract us.

Lab Theater founder Annette Trossbach directed the play, getting some very dramatic performances out of the two.

But the material itself is slight, and not that entertaining. We have to sit through a lot of inane conversation and blithering.

When the “big secret” was revealed mid-way, I felt betrayed by the characters because they have known this secret all along.

Perhaps the playwright is trying to make a plea for open-mindedness when it comes to relationships of any kind. And who can disagree with that?

Playwright Edward Albee covered the same theme, but much more creatively, in “The Goat or, Who is Sylvia?”

For some reason, some of the rationalizations voiced in Mr. Labute’s play made me think of Woody Allen and his arguments as to why it was OK for him to marry his wife’s adopted daughter.

Doug and Beth do have a conversation about American Apparel and its highly suggestive advertising that exploited women. (Its founder and CEO lost his job three years ago, after accusations of sexual harassment.)

But so much has happened since then, with numerous other high-profile serial sexual harassers, that this is old news. At least Doug is trying to be a decent guy, unlike so many other characters in Mr. Labute’s works.

The set — a New York City apartment — is one of the more solid ones I’ve seen at Lab Theater. And the play has some nice ambient sounds, including city traffic and night sounds. But the audience members on opening night seemed very distracted, moving about and rustling, making their own noise.

“The Way We Get By” gets by, but it would be difficult for even the most talented actors to elevate this material.

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‘The Way We Get By’

When: Through Feb. 18

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

Cost: $25 ($12 for students with ID)

Info: 218-0481 or www.laboratorytheaterflorida.org

Note: Mature subject matter
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AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An important matter might wind up being entrusted to you for handling. The responsibility is heavy, but you’ll have support from people able and eager to help.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A spouse or partner might make an important, even life-changing, suggestion. Consider it carefully. It could hold some of the answers you’ve both been looking for.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Stop being the wool-gathering Lamb, and start turning that dream project into reality. You have the ideas, the drive and the charisma to persuade others to follow your lead. So, do it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You’ve scored some big successes. But remember that all hardworking Ferminas and Ferialnas need some time to restore their energies and refresh their spirits.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You’re gaining a stronger mental image of what you’re trying to achieve. Now look for the facts that will help get this to develop from a concept into a solid proposal.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Some of you eager-to-please Moon Children might want to delay some decisions until midweek, when you can again think more with your head than your heart.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A new business venture seems to offer everything you’ve been looking for. But be careful that that rosy picture doesn’t betray traces of red ink under the surface.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A volatile situation needs the kind of thoughtful and considerate care you can provide right now. There’ll be plenty of time later to analyze what might have gone wrong.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your loyalty to a friend in a tough situation earns you respect from people you care about. Those who criticize you don’t understand what friendship is all about.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 22) Your strong work ethic is rewarded with the kind of challenging opportunity you love to tackle. Now, go ahead and celebrate with family and/or close friends.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A legal matter you thought had been finally resolved could require a second look. But don’t make any moves without consulting your lawyer.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Taking charge is what you like to do, and since you do it so well, expect to be asked to lead a special group. This could open an exciting new vista for you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You always try to do the right thing, and for the right reasons. No wonder people have come to depend on you.

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By Linda Thistle

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A declarer is obliged, both for himself and his long-suffering partner, to seek a line of play that might succeed rather than adopt a course that will surely fail. This means declarer must stop and think at the outset rather than proceed impulsively. That is, after all, what the game is all about.

Take this case where West led a heart against South’s four-spade contract. Declarer won with the ace and followed the line of least resistance by cashing the ace of diamonds and then leading a spade toward dummy. He was hoping that whoever had the ace would not take this trick, in which case he could next discard his heart loser on dummy’s king of diamonds. After that, the most he could lose would be two club tricks.

This, of course, was nothing more than wishful thinking, and West would have no part in it. When the spade was led, West rose with the ace, caught the jack of hearts and played a third heart, ruffed by declarer. South still had to lose two club tricks, and so went down one. Declarer had the right idea about trying to get to dummy to discard a heart, but he chose the wrong approach.

Had he tried leading a low club toward dummy at trick three rather than a low spade, he would have gotten home safely. This may look like the same play, but there is a huge difference. If West has the ace of clubs — basically a 50 percent proposition — he finds himself in a hopeless position.

What can West do? If he plays low, declarer wins with dummy’s queen, discards his heart loser and eventually loses two club tricks and the trump ace. And if West rises with the club ace and takes his heart trick, South wins up losing only one club instead of two.

The recommended play offers declarer essentially a 50-50 chance to make the contract. In anybody’s book, that’s a lot better than no chance at all.
Happy End ★★★ 1/2
(Isabelle Huppert, Jean-Louis Trintignant, Mathieu Kassovitz) In the northern French city of Calais, the Laurens struggle with business and one another in writer/director Michael Haneke's ("Amour") latest. It's intentionally confounding at times, but it's also a fascinating look at the good and bad of life and the secrets we keep hidden. Rated R.

12 Strong ★★★ 1/2
(Chris Hemsworth, Michael Shannon, Michael Pena) The first Army Special Forces unit into Afghanistan after 9/11 must team up with an Afghan warlord to take a Taliban stronghold. It's an admirable story worthy of appreciation, but it's repetitive and not told in a dynamic way. Still, there's enough good here to be worthy of a moderate recommendation. Rated R.

Hostiles ★★★★★
(Christian Bale, Rosamund Pike, Wes Studi) A Civil War veteran (Bale) who has spent his post-war life hunting Native Americans is forced to escort a Cheyenne chief from Colorado to Montana. The story is preachy and labors in spots, but Bale's performance is so superb it's worth the price of admission alone. Watch closely for his facial expressions and mannerisms — truly tremendous acting. Rated R.

The Post ★★★★★
(Meryl Streep, Tom Hanks, Bob Odenkirk) The owner (Streep) and execution editor (Hanks) of The Washington Post debate whether to publish articles on the newly leaked and highly classified Pentagon Papers in the early 1970s. Director Steven Spielberg's latest is a good drama that tells a good story and is by no means a disappointment, but it's also unlikely to be the strong Oscar contender many are expecting. Rated PG-13.

Downsizing ★★★ 1/2
(Matt Damon, Kristen Wiig, Christoph Walz) With the promise of a better life, Paul (Damon) and his wife Audrey (Wiig) agree to shrink themselves and live out their days in a microcommunity. It doesn't go as planned, of course — and worse, the film goes in unexpected directions that don't work. A definite disappointment from writer/director Alexander Payne. Rated R.

Darkest Hour ★★★ 1/2
(Gary Oldman, Ben Mendelsohn, Lily James) Gary Oldman is tremendous as Winston Churchill in the first month of his run as prime minister in May 1940. Churchill deals with the escalating war in Europe and turmoil within his own party in this fascinating look at the complexity of power and war. Rated PG-13.

Justice League ★★★ 1/2
(Gal Gadot, Ben Affleck, Jason Momoa, Batman (Affleck) and Wonder Woman (Gadot) bring in new recruits to help them fight off an alien bad guy intent on taking over the world. It starts slow, but some levity in the second half makes it enjoyable. Rated PG-13.

FILM CAPSULES
LATEST FILMS
‘Peter Rabbit’

★★½
Is it worth $10? Yes

“Peter Rabbit” is predictable as it can be, but that’s fine. No one goes into it expecting plot twists. The more important question is: Will children enjoy it and will parents find it tolerable? The answer for both is: More than you’d expect, but not as much as you’d like.

Based on the early 1900s Beatrix Potter stories, the Sony Pictures Animation film is a mix of live action and animation, similar to how the studio handled “The Smurfs” (2011) and “The Smurfs 2” (2013). This time instead of Smurfs, they’ve animated rabbits and an assortment of other wildlife, and given them voices. One of the charms of the film is how self-aware it is that rabbits are talking—you have to appreciate a script that’s willing to poke fun at itself.

Still, director Will Gluck’s film gets tedious as we wait for the inevitable to play out. Peter (voice of James Corden) is a rabbit who loves to steal food from cranky old Mr. McGregor’s (Sam Neill) garden. His sisters Flopsy (voice of Margot Robbie), Mopsy (voice of Elizabeth Debicki) and Cotton-tail (voice of Daisy Ridley) are his lookouts, while his cousin Benjamin (voice of Colin Moody) is unfailingly by his side. Because Mr. McGregor wants to kill and eat rabbits, the four-legged fur balls don’t feel bad for him when he has a heart attack and dies (neither did many in the audience at my screening, it seemed, though a reality check reminds us the guy was just trying to protect the food he worked hard to grow, so being indifferent to his death is actually quite harsh).

The animals enjoy having their run of the garden for a while, but then a new Mr. McGregor (Domhnall Gleeson) shows up. He’s the old man’s great nephew, and he’s intent on fixing the place up and selling it. How will his contentious relationship with the rabbits play out? Will he fall for the cute animal-loving girl next door, Bea (Rose Byrne), who happens to be about his age? Will there be a number of amusing sequences mixed with some so-so stretches along the way?

The answer to the last two questions, of course, is “of course.” Co-writers Rob Lieber and Gluck do a fair job of keeping the gags creative, but there are logical inconsistencies that even kids will recognize. For example, at one point the young Mr. McGregor puts up an electric fence. How are we supposed to believe that Bea, who can literally see the fence from her house, doesn’t notice it?

Sure that’s a small thing, but it does matter. It matters because the less an audience thinks “oh, come on” and the more it thinks “oh, that’s cool” the better the movie is. There’s a fair mix of both here, and when the “oh come on” is for things that could have been avoided, it’s frustrating.

Bottom line: Is “Peter Rabbit” worth the money to give kids something to do for 89 minutes? For the most part yes, though it’s worth noting the film is rated PG and youngsters below the age of five may lose interest quickly. That sweet spot of 5 to 12 years old, though, should be just right.

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Although the story is set in Britain, where Corden and Ridley are from, the film was mostly shot in Australia, where Robbie and Byrne are from.
COLLECTOR’S CORNER

Vintage train offers a one-way ticket to nostalgia

If there’s one thing of which I have no doubt, it is this: My Grandpa Simmons adored me.

He beamed with pride whenever he showed me off. He loved my sister and brother, too, but sometimes there’s extra in the bond between a grandparent and that first grandchild.

Grandpa had his issues. He could be emotionally remote, no doubt because of his hardscrabble upbringing in rural North Carolina, but everyone knew and respected Fred Simmons.

He visited Florida in 1928 and wound up staying, building a life for himself in the Lake Okeechobee towns of Pahokee and Belle Glade, before retiring to the coastal town of Jupiter.

It was a good life, and he was good to me.

For Christmas when I was 6 or 7, he and my step-grandmother, whom we called Miss Beula, brought Western Flyer bikes for my sister and me.

When I was 9, he bought me a Lionel train.

Oh, how I loved that O-gauge locomotive. But that wasn’t enough, or so Grandpa thought.

For my 10th birthday, he had track mounted on a 7-foot board that took up all of my Grandmother Bolender’s large living room — there wasn’t enough room at our house for the thing.

Grandma always laughed, saying my paternal grandfather’s eyes were bigger than his belly, but his heart was bigger yet. She also thought it kept her pre-adolescent grandson from getting into trouble in 1970s Fort Myers.

She may have been right.

When Grandpa died Feb. 1, 1990, it came as a surprise, even though he had been failing physically and mentally in the two years before that.

He now has been dead longer than I knew him. But I still remember the delight he took in bringing joy to others.

Some years ago, I had that locomotive overhauled and set it up around the Christmas tree. My dad and I worked on the track to ensure the train made proper electrical contact and my maternal grandmother said, “I’ll bet Grandpa Simmons is smiling down from heaven right now.”

I’m sure he was.

Two shows

Magic of Dolls — Show by Fort Myers and Cape Coral doll clubs, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Feb. 10, Araba Shrine, 2010 Hansen St., Fort Myers. Tickets: $4; free for children under 11. magicofdolls@gmail.com.

Gulf Coast Sarasota Antiques Show — Feb. 11, Sarasota Fairgrounds, 3000 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota; 941-228-7758.


Paid: $30

The skinny: I love finding pre-1970s toys — they’re always so beautifully constructed. The locomotive and coal tender for this Lionel Scout train set are of metal.

The boxcar, caboose and other cars are of plastic with metal undercarriages, and they’re heavy. The set, which is marked “Made in the U.S. of America,” dates from the 1950s. Its transformer needs a new cord, so I was not able to see whether it runs. But I’m optimistic, and next Christmas, I plan to lay a second row of track inside the track for my boyhood train set.

And as they circle the tree, I’ll remember the blessings of loving grandparents and a good find.
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Q: Ever since his “Hotel” days, James Brolin has been one of my favorite actors. What does he have going on now? — Janet F., Fort Myers

A: Up next for James is the Hallmark movie “Royal Hearts,” which premieres Saturday, Feb. 24. He’s no stranger to Hallmark: His credits include the popular “Christmas with Tucker” and “I’ll be Home for Christmas.” I spoke with him recently about his latest project, and he gave me the scoop. “A line producer on this project called me and asked how I would feel about doing a movie in Romania about a cowboy who inherits a country because he’s the last of a lineage of kings! I loved the idea, so I sat down with a writer friend and went over what we could do with it.”

A caveat for starring in the film would be that he would also direct. “I entered this business wanting to be a director, and I kept getting pushed in front of the camera,” he told me “I had my own darkroom when I was 10 and my first movie camera when I was 15. But it wasn’t until I was in the beginning of the second year of ‘Hotel’ when Aaron Spelling said, ‘OK, you can direct one.’”

If you’re in the mood for fun family entertainment, take it from James himself: “I think ‘Royal Hearts’ is the best Hallmark film ever made. That’s a real self-centered comment, but I do believe that. I invite someone to come up to me with a DVD and say, ‘Hey, this one’s better!’”

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MINUTES AWAY FROM MORE
Coaching expert to discuss thinking ‘Outside the Diamond’

Rick Saggese, owner and founder of Think Outside the Diamond training facility in Naples, will discuss and sign copies of his new book, “Baseball for Building Boys to Men,” from 2–4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at Barnes & Noble in Waterside Shops.

Mr. Saggese has trained athletes for the past 20 years. “I’ve tried to instill values and the processes it takes to be successful in each of my students,” he says. “This has been a game changer for my athletes, not only in their sports career but in their lives.”

In “Baseball for Building Boys to Men,” he shares how he has brought these values to life in his baseball clients over the years with his training techniques. He invites other athletes to learn the vital aspects of his training that have helped hundreds of baseball players develop and perform at a higher level.

After a historically successful high school career, Mr. Saggese went on to be an All-American at the University of Miami. After multiple knee injuries made a professional career impossible, he turned his passion for baseball into a coaching career.

Think Outside The Diamond opened in 2012. Although it specializes in baseball and softball, it is a training facility for athletes from all sports with a focus on general fitness as well as sport-specific acceleration, power and plyometric training. For more information, visit www.rick-saggese.com.
How did the Florida Keys come into existence? What forces continue to work upon this island chain and the countless neighboring coral reefs? What threatens these geological marvels? This handsomely volume explores and teases answers through broad questions. Although the study attempts to be "as nontechnical as possible, it is nonetheless a major challenge even for the committed student who has at least a general background in geology.

The authors do not attempt a full geological history of the processes leading to the present situation; however, most readers will be content with engaging only the last 130,000 or so years.

Before the hard science begins, readers get a multifaceted overview of the Keys that includes social history, scientific interest and research, demographic change, freshwater intrusions on the environment and the short-lived period of oil exploration.

Then the authors plunge into the intricate and interactive processes, particularly how shifts in sea elevation and movement affect sedimentary activity. The formation and character of limestone is the key factor in understanding the geology of the Keys, and the chapter on data gathering and mapping is filled with details about data collection and the technology of measuring structural characteristics by using explosives, bursts of air and high voltage pulses. This chapter also offers a detailed definition of what makes a reef.

The following chapter examines "Major Geomorphologic Topographies," including the area known as White Bank. Throughout, the effects of rising sea levels over time is discussed and regularly underscored.

The next two chapters engage, respectively, the "Western Terminus of the Reef Tract" and, of great interest for future planning, "Coral Health, or Lack Thereof." In the latter, the authors examine the various factors affecting climate change and the likely outcomes to the Keys and reefs of such change. A final chapter reproduces a geological/biological field trip, setting a model for hands-on experience that produces professional scientific literature. An epilogue explores both the geologic future of the area and the future of reef research. Detailed chapter notes, a works cited list and an index follow.

Drawings and charts facilitate the prose exposition (because of tiny font sizes in these illustrative materials, I advise having a magnifying glass handy).

This authoritative volume takes its place among the many similar publications brought out by the University Press of Florida. For people who live in the Sunshine State or otherwise enjoy its special places and its unique history, such books enhance our understanding and sharpen our sense of duty’s stake in Florida’s future. It is also a much-desired thank-you to trailblazing researchers, many of them intriguing personalities, without whose books dedicated to our environmental understandings we would be far less prepared for that future.

Eugene A. Shinn, courtesy professor of geological oceanography at the University of South Florida at St. Petersburg, is the author of “Booster Jet: Geologist: My Life in Science.” He is the recipient of the Tewehofel Medal, the highest award given by the Society for Sedimentary Geology.

Barbara H. Lidz, a research geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey for more than 35 years, is a scientist emerit of the U.S. Geological Survey Coastal and Marine Science Center in St. Petersburg. Whether Family Focus or Everglades, Barron and Adam Mansbach. 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.

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Jewish Book Festival brings authors to town

The annual Collier County Jewish Book Festival, a project of the Jewish Federation of Collier County in cooperation with the Jewish Book Council, continues through April with a variety of programs. Here’s what’s coming up:

• 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, at Temple Shalom: Family-focused memoir is the theme with guest authors Peter Gethers and Annabelle Gurwitch. In “My Mother’s Kitchen,” Mr. Gethers tells the story of his determination to bring his aging mother’s friends and loved ones to the table one last time for a feast featuring her favorite dishes. In “Wherever You Go, There They Are,” actress Annabelle Gurwitch (”Seinfeld,” “Murphy Brown” and “Dexter”) describes the family she tried to escape. (60 pages, Hardcover, $34.95.)

• 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the Naples Conference Center: Three authors discuss their new works and their careers: Jane Healey ("The Saturday Evening Girls Club"), Sana Krasikov ("The Patriots") and Ellen Umanovsky ("The Fortunate Ones").

• 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, at Temple Shalom: It’s all about love and relationships with Marilyn Simon Rothstein ("Lidz. University Press of Florida. 160 pages, Hardcover, $34.95.

• 1 p.m. Friday, March 16, at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Greater Naples: Emmy Award-winner Alan Zweibel is a writer for “Saturday Night Live” and “Curb Your Enthusiasm.” His book "The Other Shulman" won the Thurber Prize for American Humor in 2006. His latest project is the Passover Haggadah parody “For This We Left Egypt?”, co-written with Dave Barry and Adam Mansbach.

• 2:30 p.m. Monday, April 9, at Beth Tikvah: As a character in her own book, Abigail Pogrebin ("My Jewish Year") is presented as a second-generation rebellious family member who feels her Jewish life has not been as rich as it might have been because her husband’s family is not particularly observant. Her memoir is an entire year of research, observation and writing about every ritual, fast and festival in one Jewish year. ("The Fortunate Ones").

For ticket information and purchase, author bio and book synopses, visit www.jewishbookfestival.org. Tickets by phone, call the Jewish Federa-
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**Princes of the Palace**

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**SUNDAY, FEB. 11, 9 P.M.**

**Victoria, Season 2**

The King Over the Water
Feeling suffocated by the weight of the crown, Victoria escapes with her court to the Scottish highlands—but the holiday can’t last forever.

**MONDAY, FEB. 12, 10 P.M.**

POV: Do Not Resist
Director Craig Atkinson’s exploration of the rapid militarization of the police in the United States won Best Documentary Feature at the 2016 Tribeca Film Festival.

**TUESDAY, FEB. 13, 8 P.M.**

We’ll Meet Again: Heroes of 9/11
Join Ann Curry for reunions between people whose lives intersected on 9/11. Patrick searches for the stranger who comforted him after the disaster, and Tim hopes to thank the fellow chaplain who gave him the strength to carry on.

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14, 9 P.M.**

Novo: Great Escape at Dunkirk
Join archaeologists and divers recovering remains of ships and planes lost during World War II’s epic Dunkirk operation. Discover new evidence of the ingenious technology that helped save Allied forces from defeat by the encircling Germans.
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- The Gentle’men Against Domestic Violence tailgate party to benefit The Shelter for Abused Women & Children takes place Tuesday evening, Feb. 13, at Grey Oaks Country club. The fun starts at 4:30 p.m. and includes casino and golf games, dinner and keynote address by Troy Vincent, vice president of the NFL and a domestic violence survivor. Colin Estrem is event chair; honorary chairs are John Jordan and Ron Ciesla. Tickets for $250 are available at www.naplesshelter.org/tailgate or by calling Rebecca Thompson at 775-3862.

- “An Evening of Wine & Music” to benefit Baby Basics of Collier County take place from 5-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, at Naples United Church of Christ, $200. Crayton Road. Tickets for $100 are available by calling Kath Bergin at 989-8813 or emailing kathbergin@aol.com.

- The third annual “Enchanted: An Evening of Wonder” to benefit Everglades Wonder Gardens takes place Thursday, Feb. 15, at the newly restored gardens in Bonita Springs. Guests will enjoy wine and hors d’oeuvres as they stroll through the gardens and exhibits before being seated for dinner and entertainment. Connie McIntosh and Trish Leonard are event co-chairs. Sponsors include Sandie and Ernie Schaub, TLC Marketing & Creative Services; Best Moving & Storage; Wynn Properties Inc.; Bonita Boarding Kennel & Pet Camp; Brennan, Manna & Diamond P.L.; FineMark National Bank & Trust; The Terraces at Bonita Springs; Northern Trust; Hair by Torie & Co.; eBella Magazine; and Spotlight News Magazines. Tickets for $185 are available by calling 992-2593 or going to www.everglades-wondergardens.com.

- Opera Naples holds a sunset performance of classic operatic arias followed by fine dining Tuesday, Feb. 20, at Naples Botanical Garden. “Opera in the Garden” will include live and silent auctions for travel packages, jewelry and more. Tickets for the black-tie optional evening start at $580. For more information, visit www.operanaples.org.

- “Wine & Wildlife” to benefit Big Cypress National Preserve takes place from 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 777 Mooring Line Drive. Guests will enjoy wine, food and live wildlife as well as the chance to bid on one-of-a-kind park adventures in the live and silent auctions. Proceeds support programs and projects including environmental education, recreation protection, visitor services, volunteer activities and community engagement. Purchase tickets at www.wineandwildlife.eventbrite.com.

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The American Red Cross–Florida’s Southern Gulf Chapter holds its Centennial Celebration & Gala the evening of Friday, March 9, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. For more information, call Susan Solomon at 785-3654 or email susan.solomon@redcross.org.

The American Cancer Society welcomes Diana Ross as headliner for the 2018 Bucket List Bash: “An Evening of Endless Love” on Friday, March 16, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. When “Endless Love” hit No. 1 in 1981, Miss Ross became the first female artist in music history to place six singles at the top of the Billboard Hot 100 chart. “Endless Love” remains one of the most successful duets in pop history. Individual tickets, tables and sponsorships are available now. For more information, call Mackenzie Herrick at 261-0863 or visit www.acsbucketlistbash.com.

“Endless Love” also was the title track of the 1981 film that received an Academy Award nomination for Best Original Song, and the movie is still a worldwide phenomenon.

The 10th annual luncheon to benefit New Horizons of Southwest Florida takes place Saturday, March 10, at the Naples Grande Beach Resort. With a theme of “Somewhere Over the Rainbow,” the afternoon includes a silent auction, a performance by the Super Kids Club choir and stories from New Horizons students. Tickets are $90. Sponsorships are available. For more information, call 948-4146, email info@newhorizonsofswfl.org or visit www.newhorizonsofswfl.org/luncheon.

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Saint Ann Catholic School hosts the second annual Saint Ann Latino Contemporary Art Auction at 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, at The Baker Museum at Artis—Naples. Guests will meet prominent local and international Latino artists, bid on their artwork during the silent auction and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and live entertainment, all while raising funds to perpetuate the Saint Ann Latino Scholarship Fund. Tickets are $250. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.SALCAA.org.

Friends of Rookery Bay celebrate the tastes and feel of Old Florida at the annual Batfish Bash for the bay from 6-10:30 p.m. Friday, March 16, at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center. This year’s honorary chair is J. Dudley Goodlette. Tickets start at $250. For more information, visit www.rookerybay.org.

The 2018 Heart Ball to benefit the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association in Southwest Florida takes place Saturday, March 10, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa. Event chairs are Nicole and Mark Stevens. Mrs. Stevens is a nurse practitioner and the health and safety coordinator at Canterbury School in Fort Myers. Mr. Stevens is the founder of Stevens Construction, signature sponsor of the 2018 ball. Tickets are $500. For more information, including details about additional sponsorship opportunities, call Raleigh Rodden at 495-4912 or email kaleigh.rodden@heart.org.

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- The eighth annual Bubbles, Baubles and Broadway gala to benefit Gulfshore Playhouse takes place Monday evening, March 26, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. For more information, call Lana Aylwin at the theater, 261-7529, ext. 206.

- The Old Bags luncheon to benefit The Shelter for Abused Women & Children is set for Wednesday, April 4, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. The main attraction is a silent auction of more than 300 new and “previously loved” designer handbags donated by individuals and local retailers. Pat Wheeler is the chair, and Jennifer O’Dell is vice chair. Tickets are $300. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Call Rebecca Thompson at 775-3862 or visit www.naplesshelter.org/oldbags.

- The Southwest Florida Office of the American Heart Association/ American Stroke Association hosts the 14th annual SWFL Go Red For Women luncheon Friday, April 27, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa. Amy Sanford, her mother Cathy Cantorina and sister Lauren Cantorina co-chair the afternoon that focuses on mindfulness, health and prevention of heart disease and stroke, the No. 1 and No. 5 killers of all Americans. Major sponsors to date are Arthrex, Lee Health and The Cantorina Family in memory of Dorothy Paffrath and Margaret Teixeira. For more information, call Monica Seif at 495-4903 or email Monica.Seif@heart.org.

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The Wishmakers Ball for Make-A-Wish at The Ritz-Carlton

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A Naples Winter Wine Festival dinner at The Regent

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4. Chris Foss, Sarah Foss, Karol Holden, Jennifer McCurry and Katherine Jetter
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J. Crew at Waterside Shops hosts a pop-up Valentine’s shop showcasing items from Chez Boet’s line of French kitchen and home goods from 11:30-2:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8. The restaurant’s owner and chef, Lisa Boet, will also provide sips and snacks to shoppers, 595-7005 or www.boutiqueboet.com.

Opal St. Katherine’s Greek Orthodox Church turns it out every year for one of the area’s largest cultural events, and Greek Festival 2018 should be no different, complete with a wide variety of Hellenic specialties, from transportable shish kebobs to platters piled high with dolma, pastitsio and souvlaki. Greek food aficionados who don’t make a pit stop at the festival this weekend are sure to be crying in their ouzo come Monday morning.

Festival hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 9-10, and noon to 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11. Check out appetizers, snacks, full meals and pastries, plus an authentic Greek taverna for those who want a taste. Live entertainment includes music by The Grecean Keys and a dance performance by the church’s Hellenic Dancers in full costume. Several vendors will provide themed art, religious objects, jewelry and much more.

St. Katherine’s Greek Orthodox Church is at 7100 Airport-Pulling Road. Admission is $5 for the entire weekend (free for ages 12 and younger). Proceeds benefit the church’s AGAPE charities and Barbour’s Friends at Gainesville Children’s Hospital Cancer Center.

Valentine’s Day is fast approaching and if you haven’t made plans yet, shame on you. But don’t despair. Here are some suggestions you might be able to confirm before your beloved catches on to your neglect:

La Moraga, 3936 Tamiami Trail N. — Two prix-fixe dining options: A four-course menu with the options of paella and lobster tail, roasted duck and lamb shank for entrees ($50 per person), and a five-course offering with Chilean sea bass, beef short ribs and a surf-and-turf trio ($70, 331-3669 or www.lamoragarestaurant.com.

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Chef Asif Syed of 21 Spices will be a featured chef at the 17th annual Food Network & Cooking Channel South Beach Wine & Food Festival taking place Wednesday-Sunday, Feb. 21-25. The honor comes on the heels of his participating in last fall’s New York City Wine & Food Festival.

“This is such a great honor,” says Chef Syed. “I am very grateful for this recognition. Being able to showcase my skills among so many talented chefs at a Food Network event is nothing but amazing.”

The South Beach event features wine dinners, demonstrations, several tasting events, celebrity appearances, parties and more. For details, visit www.sobe-wff.org.

Sunburst Café owners Jorge and Theresa Tocío celebrate the restaurant’s 20th anniversary on Tuesday, Feb. 20, by donating 20 percent of the day’s profits to the John Doe lunch account at a nearby elementary school to feed kids who don’t have lunch money. Inspired by an incident when their daughter forgot her lunch and was given a cold cheese sandwich to eat, the Tocíos hope to provide a little extra scratch for kids whose accounts are overdrawn or who simply misplaced their lunch money or sack lunch.

“Thanks to John Doe accounts, school children are given a hot lunch, not a cold cheese sandwich, regardless of their ability to pay,” Ms. Tocío says.

Sunburst Café is at 2340 Pine Ridge Road and is open daily from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 263-3123 or visit www.sunburstnaples.com.

FreshFit Foods added a meal plan option for seniors that targets their specific health needs with familiar dishes such as meatloaf, pot roast and lemon herb chicken. $280 per month for five meals per week. Delivery service provided in Naples, 595-2803 or www.freshfitnaples.com.
FreshFit Foods now offers a five-meal-per-week meal plan especially for the nutritional needs and palate of seniors. Pictured here is Thursday’s selection: pot roast with sautéed green beans, steamed carrots and roasted rosemary sweet potato wedges.

The Local launches a new cooking class series with chef/proprietor Jeff Mitchell, starting with a pie-making class from 9-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 14. All materials are provided, though students are welcome to bring their own rolling pins and aprons. $35, includes pie shell, recipes and a mini-pie made in class. 5323 Airport-Pulling Road. 596-3276 or www.thelocalnaples.com.

Want to work on your skills in the kitchen? Here are some cooking classes on the front burner:

- Sur La Table Cooking: Friday, Feb. 9 ($75); Night Out Rose: Wednesday, Feb. 8 ($75); Dutch Oven Cooking: Monday, Feb. 12 ($75); 5-ish Ingredient Cooking: Thursday, Feb. 8 ($75); Pasta Reinvented: Thursday, Feb. 8 ($75); Perfect Pizza from Scratch: Thursday, Feb. 11 ($85); Healthy-ish Weeknight Meals: Monday, Feb. 12 ($75); Dutch Oven Cooking: Monday, Feb. 12 ($75); Night Out I Heart Rome: Monday, Feb. 12 ($85); Taco Tuesday: Tuesday, Feb. 13 ($75); Night Out Ti Amo Tuscan- ny: Tuesday, Feb. 13 ($85); Chocoholic Skills 101: Saturday, Feb. 10 ($65); Night Out French Romance: Wednesday, Feb. 14 ($75); Night Out French Romance: Wednesday, Feb. 14 ($85); Night Out Rose: Wednesday, Feb. 14 ($85).

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Wines and valentines

Sophie Baron has a balanced nose of fruits. of us have a strong, if subconscious, association with the idea that sparkling wines are for special occasions and celebrations. We see it in the movies all the time. In “The Italian Job,” Mark Wahlberg, Donald Sutherland and their accomplices steal a ton of money and survive a frantic boat chase through the canals of Venice, then celebrate on a snowy mountaintop by swigging Dom Perignon straight from the bottle. And who hasn’t witnessed elated members of a victorious sports team drenching each other with bubbly in the locker room after they clinch the trophy? Then, of course, there’s the expense. Champagne (the real stuff, from the legally designated Champagne region of France) is created through a laborious and complex process that involves blending up to 50 wines from different vineyards, inducing secondary fermentation in the bottle, disgorging the dead yeast cells and lots more. That’s expensive.

There are, of course, both true Charnagnes and other types of festive sparkling wines that are more value priced, and those are the ones we’re recommending for this Valentine’s Day celebration. It’s nice to spend $350 on a bottle of Salon or Dom, but you can get into a romantic mood just as easily with a great tasting wine at a 10th of the price. Pour a few glasses and love one another.

McBride Sisters Collection Brut Rosé Marlborough NV ($15) — A sparkling rosé is not what you’d expect to come out of Sauvignon Blanc country, but this one did. Made from 90 percent Pinot Noir and 10 percent Chardonnay, all the fruit is sourced from certified sustainable vineyards. Bold flavors and aromas of rose petal, strawberry, raspberry and currant. A lovely sparkler for the price. WW 87.

Sophie Baron Champagne Grand Reserve Brut NV ($25) — A balanced nose of white fruit and light pink roses introduces flavors of pear and apricot with a tight beam of acidity holding it all together. Great price for a real sparkler from the Champagne region. WW 89.

Bisol Crede Prosecco Valdobbiadene Brut NV ($25) — There’s a reason that Prosecco has become so popular lately in the U.S. This example is a light straw color in the glass. The aromas of light citrus, flowers and pear pay off perfectly on the palate, adding a grapefruit note and refreshing acidity. WW 88.

Ask the Wine Whisperer

Q. Is there any way to keep sparkling wines bubbly if we don’t finish the whole bottle? Can you recommend any kind of stoppers that will keep it fresh?

— Bruce R., Bonita Springs

A. The best stoppers I’ve found have a substantial inner ring made of rubber or plastic, and hinged clamps that come down on both sides and fasten to the ridge around the neck of the bottle. They usually keep bubbles in good condition for two or three days. However, they will not keep a bottle from leaking, so store leftover sparklers standing up.

Walking across the parking lot to the entrance of Spice Club Indian Grill in San Carlos Park, I was hit by a fragrant bomb that set my mouth watering and suggested the restaurant was going to live up to its name. That aromatic power did not mislead. Spice Club should satiate any one hungering for lush, layered sauces conjured with chilies, ginger, cumin, coriander, cardamom and the like. The diversity of chicken, lamb, goat and seafood dishes will keep them coming back to explore more of the menu, while the numerous gluten-free, vegetarian and vegan offerings will satisfy the appetites and sensibilities of diners on special diets.

Spice Club opened in November in the plaza at U.S. 41 and Constitution Boulevard that’s anchored by Northern Tool & Equipment. The space has been occupied by a string of restaurants, but based on the new ownership and the upgrades done to the interior it should be here to stay. Proprietor Sam Chaniyil also owns India’s Grill in Fort Myers as well as restaurants in Melbourne, Tampa and Bradenton.

Roomy, comfy booths are decked out in shiny wood and smooth leather with pendant lamps overhead illuminating the tables amid the dark dining room. Vivid close-up pictures of spices and dishes of food line the pastel walls, and TV monitors at opposite corners of the room play mesmerizing Bollywood hits. Frosty mugs arrived with our order of 22-ounce bottles of Kingfisher ($7.99 each), a crisp, sweet lager that makes a soothing companion to spicy food. Other choices include hot masala chai and a variety of beers — an Indian alternative to buffalo wings! The chicken vindaloo ($14.99) ordered spicier and it definitely had a slow-building burn — not scorching but definitely hotter than the other dishes. Vindaloo has a slightly tangy undertone, usually from vinegar or tamarind, that differentiates it from other curries that contain ginger, coriander, chili. Tearing off strips of fresh garlic naan ($4.49 for a generous basket), we dipped the bread into the sauce.

For a mild counterpoint, we chose the saag paneer ($12.95), browned cubes of fresh cheese tucked into a creamy spinach puree seasoned with garlic, cumin and ginger. The cheese hit the right spot between soft and firm. Even if you ask for boxes for leftovers, you may find yourself waiting (and waiting) for the check. It is bad form in India to bring the bill before customers eat. I don’t know. But be prepared to flag down a server when you’re ready to be on your way.

Then again, considering the wealth of good food and tantalizing aromas emanating from the kitchen, you might find yourself waiting (and whispering of cardamom, clove, cinnamon and cumin. It wasn’t dominated by a single flavor; the seasonings married into a complex brown gravy. The chicken vindaloo ($14.99) was ordered spicier and it definitely had a slow-building burn — not scorching but definitely hotter than the other dishes. Vindaloo has a slightly tangy undertone, usually from vinegar or tamarind, that differentiates it from other curries that contain ginger, coriander, chili. Tearing off strips of fresh garlic naan ($4.49 for a generous basket), we dipped the bread into the sauce.

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It’s all about the outdoors at KB Patio

BY MICHAEL KORB
Florida Weekly Correspondent

The reason most of us moved to Southwest Florida was to experience some of the world’s best weather. And if you’re anything like me, the first pieces of furniture you bought when you got here were for the outdoors. After all, isn’t that where you plan to spend most of your time? KB Patio, a 5,000-square-foot showroom at 12820 Tamiami Trail in Naples, is a veritable master class in outdoor pieces that work perfectly for a variety of purposes. Owner Kathryn Benavides’ choice of products makes her a wonderful representative for independently owned and operated businesses, many from around the area but also from throughout the United States.

“When you walk in you see a very eclectic collection,” says Ms. Benavides. “I’ve got polypropylene plastic. We carry Malibu. We just brought in Finch, which a lot of tall men like because it has really high backs … We’re also an authorized dealer of Polywood. And we have Ratana …”

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Ms. Benavides can and will continue listing manufacturers such as Skyline, Mamagreen, Mazelounge, Ethimo, Newgarden, Caneline, Walters and Manutti, all selected because their products are more durable than any of us are used to. That means they’re designed to survive perfectly in the sun and rain and wind and bird poop — and who knows what else (that means wine). All you probably have to do is hit it with a garden hose and wipe it off. Let’s see your standard indoor furniture do that. In fact, much of it is designed to look good enough to be used inside, should you feel the need.

“You spend your time with guests entertaining outside,” Ms. Benavides says. “Why shouldn’t that furniture be just as gorgeous as what you have inside?”

KB Patio carries a lot of contemporary and transitional options, but Ms. Benavides recognizes that there are still traditionalists out there who love a cast frame chair or chaise. So she carries Sifas, which has an Old Florida vibe to it. She describes the showroom’s look as “controlled chaos.”

“I have to pack a lot in here to show all the lines I carry and the different ways that you can use them,” she adds.

One of the store’s top sellers is the Ledge Lounger line, those curved, swoopy lounges that you see half submerged in swimming pools. KB Patio has them in two sizes. They’re just right for keeping your cocktail dry while you cool off. (If vermouth were a furniture company, it would make Ledge Loungers.)

From aluminum to resin to concrete to outdoor wicker, KB Patio is exceptional in its number of offerings. That’s probably why interior designers from all over call on Ms. Benavides to get that perfect outdoor item.

She also carries a wide variety of cushions and pillows and accessories for the outdoors, including rugs and hammocks. “We also carry outdoor artwork,” says Ms. Benavides.

That’s actual artwork created to survive anything Southwest Florida’s weather can throw at it.

And because the store carries a variety of items in different scales, they’re capable of outfitting any size space — from small lanai to massive multi-tiered pool area.

KB Patio Furniture
12820 Tamiami Trail N.
591-2000; www.kbpatiofurniture.com

Above: Kathryn Benavides opened KB Patio in 2006 to provide outdoor furniture that not only stands up to the harsh weather elements of Southwest Florida but that also looks lovely. With a long list of manufacturers and options, the store has become a hotspot for designers across the country. It even sells outdoor art and sculpture by Florida artists.
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Florida Weekly Correspondent

A vacation condo at the beach: It’s the dream of a lot of northerners. But while Naples has more than its share of beach condos, a majority of them were designed and built in the 1970s and 1980s — a time when Barry Gibb was one of the coolest cats on the planet.

Not surprisingly, time hasn’t been kind to designs of that era (or Mr. Gibb’s hairline, for that matter), so if you do buy a little place at the beach, you can bet you’ll want to do some renovating.

A professional couple from New York City bought this approximately 1,800-square-foot unit on the eighth floor at Surfsedge, a building that was constructed in 1974. The space hadn’t seen much improvement since.

“It was very dated, obviously,” says Matthew Bailey, director for renovation and design at London Bay Homes. “The clients wanted a beachy retreat where they could get away from the hustle and bustle of New York. They were looking for a coastal contemporary renovation to a space that was very compartmentalized.”

Utilizing the services of Romanza Design, Mr. Bailey and his crew took the walls down and basically left themselves with an empty box. That allowed them to take advantage of the unit’s three sides of windows, giving the homeowners spectacular views from almost anywhere in the space.

“Romanza designed a new floor plan that completely opened everything up and gave them an entertaining open kitchen with a breakfast nook off the end of it,” adds Mr. Bailey. “And then we opened that space up into a combination great room/living room area that is just phenomenal.”

Another challenge the crew faced was...
the low ceiling height of the older building. They wanted to make the ceilings as high as possible, but still needed areas for the mechanical ventilation system and lighting. So they put some ornate drop soffits (curved, no less) into the area that allowed for the mechanicals while also updating the unit with gorgeous detail.

The master bathroom was a train wreck, dark and dreary — “like a dungeon,” Mr. Bailey recalls — and with an outdated tub/shower combination. They opened the room up with glass walls, creating a wet room complete with a steam shower. Wall-mount cabinets give the room more visual space, and lighting is hidden in the soffits and coves. There’s even a docking station for phones and tablets in the master bath, so the couple can stay as connected to the world as they’d like.

The final product is a far cry from the ’70s. “It’s clean, bright, and open,” Mr. Bailey says. “Everything is meant to bring the beachy-ness inside.”

— London Bay Homes Renovation and Design
2230 Vanderbilt Beach Road
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— Romanza Interior Design
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596-1613; www.romanza.com

Like every room in the unit, the master bath was dated and in desperate need of modernization. The designers continued the bright marble flooring, took out a partition wall and added floating cabinets with recessed lighting to bring the space up to date. A glass wall makes the bathroom to feel larger and creates a wet room complete with a steam shower.
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When you’re building a statement house in Naples, you would be smart to include dramatic architecture, high-end finishes, a water setting and no shortage of privacy. This modern beauty designed by Gerald Yurk hits each nail right on the head. Coming in at 10,300 square feet total (5,500 under air), the South Winds Drive home required more than 280 pilings in order to keep it from floating (or sinking) away and into the property’s private lake. Built for an American client from London, the cantilevered home sits on a double-sized lot and appears to float out onto the spring-fed body of water.

“They wanted a unique, contemporary expression that took maximum advantage of the lake views from every room possible,” Mr. Yurk, of Architecture Artistica, says of his client. “The lake is small, so we had to bring the lake into the house, so to speak.”

To that end, the designer flooded the back of the house with floor-to-ceiling glass that spills onto decking that hangs partially over the water. From inside looking out, the views are dramatic. But your eyes don’t even need to make it to the glass to be dazzled by what Mr. Yurk and interior designer Tara Bates of Lime International Decor created.

“It’s a California/European look,” says Ms. Bates, who has worked with the homeowner on previous projects. “Homes in Europe are becoming more modern and contemporary ... It’s a clean, fresh look. Very sophisticated. Very chic. “It’s thinking outside of the box. It might not be everybody’s style, but it has this unique look to it. It is just such a beautiful space — especially with its own natural sanctuary, an oasis of nature.”

With spectacular artwork and furnishings from the likes of Ligne Rosse, Roche Bobois and Casa Italia, Ms. Bates put together a space that is sexy and clean and forward thinking. It’s at one with, and at the same time altogether different from, the nature surrounding it.

“The old Italian-Mediterranean look is pretty tired,” Mr. Yurk says, adding the kind of clientele moving into Naples are the reason the style is changing. “People from Europe, New York, Miami — they’re looking for cutting-edge design and architecture. They don’t see that in the old look.”

The core of the house, which includes the entry and great room, has a 22-foot ceiling with clerestory windows above. “Sun pours in from everywhere, which is just how you want it,” the architect says.
In fact, that great room is separate from the kitchen and dining room thanks to a floating feature wall that houses a 10-foot-long, two-way linear fireplace. From there, a long corridor leads in opposite directions to the home’s two master suites. The corridor is an art gallery that can be seen and experienced from the deck area and the 50-foot lap pool.

Floating walls throughout the home don’t reach all the way to the stunning deep gray Italian volcanic limestone tiles, but rather feature a ½-inch laser-cut shadow line where one would traditionally expect baseboard.

The four-bedroom-plus-study, 4½-bath home also has a three-car garage fitted with three lifts, allowing for a total of six cars.

A pivoting porcelain and aluminum front door welcomes owners and guests in a way that’s fittingly dynamic. “It’s a nice feeling when you walk in,” says Ms. Bates. “A really breathtaking look.”

As beautiful as it all turned out, the homeowner has decided to sell it for a cool $9.75 million. James Bates of Premier Sotheby’s International Realty has the listing.

— Lime International Décor
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Above: Floor-to-ceiling glass enables amazing views of the property’s private nature sanctuary. Italian volcanic limestone flooring grounds the space so that the view takes center stage.

Left: Walls feature a shadow line edge rather than baseboard trim, keeping surfaces clean and unencumbered.

Below: The great room is opposite the expansive kitchen. The two are separated by a wall that holds a two-way linear fireplace.
Clive Daniel Home’s Circle of Distinction celebration

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“Coral Connections” by Theresa Girard, left, and “Hawaiian Punch,” a triptych by Juan Carlos Collada, are in the “Color and Motion” exhibition at Gardner Colby Galleries through Feb. 11.

Frank Corso’s solo exhibition at Gardner Colby Galleries opens Feb. 21. Above is the longtime Naples artist’s “Paradise at the Botanical Garden.”
Patina Collection welcomes jewelers ‘From Capri, With Love’

BY MICHAEL KORB
Florida Weekly Correspondent

Italian jewelry designers Amedeo Scognamiglio and Roberto Faraone Mennella, whose creations have adorned A-listers such as Jennifer Aniston, Renee Zelwegger and Oprah Winfrey, bring their beautiful wares to Naples for a trunk show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 9-10, at Patina Collection. The theme — “From Capri, With Love” — hints at next week’s Valentine’s Day.

Ten percent of trunk show sales will be donated to The Shelter for Abused Women & Children. Mr. Mennella has donated three pieces for a silent auction at an invitation-only preview on Thursday evening, Feb. 8, with 100 percent of the proceeds from those items going to the charity.

Mr. Scognamiglio and Mr. Mennella are the principal designers and founders of the label that has been celebrated in Vogue to Harper’s Bazaar, among many other magazines, for its timeless, yet contemporary, craftsmanship and design. The jewelry made its mark with regular appearances on the groundbreaking television series “Sex and the City.” Flagship stores are in Capri, Manhattan and London.

Trunk show shoppers will be able to purchase select pieces from Faraone Mennella’s 2018 line as well as meet the charming and talented men behind the brand.

At 944 Fifth Ave. N., Patina Collection is a furniture, accessories and design showroom specializing in a European aesthetic with a decidedly neutral palette. Its curated collection includes artisanal ceramics and crystal chandeliers, artfully mounted natural accents and future heirlooms — many sourced from Belgium, Italy, France and Sweden.

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Feb. 17-18
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Cambier Park, Naples
March 3, April 7
The Naples Art Association connects artists with art shoppers in Art in the Park. Since 1957 Art in the Park has remained the monthly members show, showcasing the talents of our member artists. Believed to be the first outdoor art show held in Naples, Art in the Park carries on the tradition of providing our community access to the very creative fine art and craftwork of our member artists.

DOWNTOWN NAPLES FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS
Fifth Avenue South, Naples
March 24-25
artswfl.com/art-festivals/festivals/downtown-naples-festival-of-the-arts/downtown-naples-festival-of-the-arts
The 30th edition of the festival takes place in the street, allowing festival goers to mill about the 200-plus booths and tents that participating artists set up under the canopy of oak boughs and golden trumpet trees that shade flower-lined Fifth Avenue South.

PEACE RIVER NATIONAL ART FESTIVAL
Laishley Park, Punta Gorda
March 17-18
There will be plenty of free parking at the justice center and surrounding areas. The event is sponsored by the Visual Arts Center, the community’s nonprofit cultural facility. Food, beer and wine are available.

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Manhattan Piano Trio
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March 11
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March 13
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March 14
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March 16
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March 16
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March 17
My Sinatra
March 20-21
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March 20-24
The Phat Pack
March 23

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March 25
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March 25
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March 26
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March 27
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March 28
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March 28
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March 29-30
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April 3-8
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April 6 (FGCU)
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April 9
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April 12, 14
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Wang Chamber Music
April 15
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April 16
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April 17, 22
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April 19
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April 21
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April 20
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May 5
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May 11
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May 12
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March 22
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April 19

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March 10

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Feb. 20
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    - Feb. 28
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  - Mark Curry
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Naples Art Association
585 Park St.

Valentine Taste of Opera
Elegant dinner with light entertainment of popular melodies and famous opera scenes
4:30 p.m. February 11
Isles Yacht Club,
780 W. Marion Ave.,
Punta Gorda

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5:30 p.m. February 13
Shangri-La Springs,
27730 Old 41 Rd., Bonita Springs

Grand Opera Night
Staged scenes from great works like “Carmen,” “Merry Widow” and “West Side Story”
7 p.m. February 17
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THE NORRIS CENTER
755 Eighth Ave. S., Naples
213-3058; naplesgov.com

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St. Leo Parish Life Center
7 p.m. March 13
St. Leo Parish Life Center, 28290 Beaumont Rd., Bonita Springs
Steffanie Pearce and Emerging Artists
Intimate concert with piano accompaniment featuring Steffanie Pearce and emerging artists.

Marco Island Center for the Arts
5:30 p.m. April 5
Marco Island Center for the Arts, 1010 Winterberry Dr., Marco Island

“Rigoletto”
This story of lust, abduction and revenge has many thrilling and familiar melodies.
7:30 p.m. March 10,
Cultural Center Theatre, 280 Aaron St., Port Charlotte

“The Tim Cavanagh Comedy Show”
7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 21
An interactive family-friendly performance complete with the chance to win $7 in prizes!
$25

An Evening of Opera
7 p.m. Friday, April 20
Arias and ensembles, light musical theater selections and American standards by members of Opera Naples.
$25
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**FLORIDA REPERTORY THEATRE**

2268 Bay St.
Fort Myers
332-4488
floridaasp.org

“Night and Day”
Through March 25
Artstage Studio Theatre

“Anything Goes” in this brand new musical tribute to one of America’s most beloved songwriters. “Night and Day; Love Lost and Found Through the Eyes of Cole Porter” features over 40 songs from a film, Broadway, and recording career that spanned decades.

“The Miracle Worker”
Feb. 13- March 7

This timeless American classic tells the inspiring true story of how a determined teacher was able to save young Helen Keller from her isolated silence. Just before the turn of the 20th century, desperate for help, the Keller family hires a young woman to help their blind and mute daughter learn to communicate with the outside world.

“Cabaret”
March 20 – April 11

The 1920s are drawing to a close, and in a seedy Berlin nightclub, the master of ceremonies tells the audience to leave their troubles outside. With the Kit Kat Club as the backdrop, “Cabaret” explores the dark and tumultuous lives of Berlin’s natives and ex-pats as Germany slowly yields to the emerging Third Reich.

**NAPLES ART ASSOCIATION**

585 Park St., Naples
262-6517
naplesart.org

FTLOVA (For the Love of Art)
Through Feb. 15

This invitational exhibition highlights work by many of the artists who are participating in the Naples Art Association’s annual fundraising event.

The 52nd Founders Juried Awards Exhibition
Feb. 24-March 25

The exhibition is a contemporary art exhibition open to 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional artwork by artists residing in the United States.

Tiny Art
Feb. 28-March 17

This annual non-themed exhibition features small-sized artwork with strong visual impact. Artists are invited to deliver artwork on Feb. 19 for the jury process.

All Things Florida March 28-May 29

What brings Florida to the forefront of your mind? From Spanish explorers to astronauts to Epcot Center, our nation’s third most populated state is associated with travel, politics, paradise and so much more.

Ali Clift: Light and Shadows
The Magic of Cloth
April 7-18

All Clift’s unique and mysterious cloth paintings are delicately crafted using fabric. As a graduate of Tufts University and the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Clift’s first cloth paintings were inspired, technically, by a picture composed of small cloth pieces on display at the Museum.

**NORTH NAPLES CHURCH**

6000 Goodlette Road N.
593-7600
northnaples.org

The UCF “Flying Horse” Big Band
7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8
Free. Print tickets online.

North Naples Madrigal Dinner
5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9
$15 includes the full feast with entertainment by carolers, historical instruments, and a children’s pageant.

Community Choir Collaboration
2:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10
Free. No tickets required.

Joining the voices of students and grades 8-12 with those of adult choir members from throughout Southwest Florida.

Hard Drive Horns
4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10
Free. No ticket required.

A concert on the lawn by Southwest Florida’s premier rock ‘n’ roll horn band, complete with a Hammond B3 organ. Bring a chair or blanket and enjoy food from area food trucks.

The Life of Frederick the Great
1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11
Free. Print tickets online.

A recital and lecture featuring authentic baroque instruments and how they influenced culture in the 18th Century

The Martins Trio
7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11
Free. Print tickets online.

Multi-Dove winning artists Judy, Jonathan and Joyce Martin have performed at The Grand Ole Opry and The White House, as well as concert halls, auditoriums and churches nationwide.

**BONITA SPRINGS CONCERT BAND**

405-3320
bonitaspringsconcertband.com

Riverside Park
10451 Old 41 Road
Bonita Springs
2 p.m. Feb. 25, April 22

The band plays marches, classical tunes, big band jazz numbers and show tunes.

2 p.m. March 25

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The story of an ace fighter pilot whose career in the sky is ended early due to an unexpected pregnancy. Reassigned to operate military drones from a windowless trailer outside Las Vegas, she hunts terrorists by day and returns to her family each night.

Square One Improv
April 6

Square One Improv puts you in the driver's seat for a hilarious, completely improvised performance. Every aspect of the show is based on your suggestions, including songs and musicals created on the fly. With years of experience performing and competing nationally, Square One delivers a gut-busting, one-of-a-kind show every time.

Freckleface Strawberry Youth Theatre
April 13-15

Freckleface Strawberry will do anything to get rid of her freckles, from scrubbing them with soap to caking on makeup and even wearing a ski mask to school. Will her schoolmates realize that it’s her under the mask? Will Freckleface be brave enough to finally face her complexion in the mirror? With the help of her loveable schoolmates, including an amazingly talented ballerina, a cute jock, a charming ditz and a totally kooky teacher, Freckleface learns that everyone is different — and that’s what makes everyone special.

Spring School Edition Youth Theatre
April 20-22

England 932 A.D. A Kingdom divided. To the West the Anglo-Saxons, to the East the French. Above nothing but Celts and some people from Scotland. Legend tells us of an extraordinary leader, who arose from the chaos, to unite a troubled kingdom. A man with a vision — and highly controversial when first charged with reckless driving. He must hunt terrorists by day and return to operate military drones from a windowless trailer outside Las Vegas, she hunts terrorists by day and returns to her family each night.

Youth Theatre

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BROADWAY SERIES

“Motown the Musical”
March 13-18

This is the true American dream story of Motown founder Berry Gordy’s journey from featherweight boxer to the heavyweight music mogul who launched the careers of Diana Ross, Michael Jackson, Smokey Robinson and others.

“The Bodyguard”
March 27-April 1

Former Secret Service agent turned bodyguard, Frank Farmer, is hired to protect superstar Rachel Marron from an unknown stalker. Each expects to be in charge; what they don’t expect is to fall in love.

“BEAUTIFUL – The Carole King Musical”
April 3-8

The inspiring true story of King’s remarkable rise to stardom, from being part of a hit songwriting team with her husband Gerry Goffin, to her relationship with fellow writers and best friends Cynthia Weil and Barry Mann.

OTHER SHOWS

RAIN - A Tribute to the BEATLES
Feb. 7

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the release of “Sgt Pepper’s Lonely Hearts Club Band.” For the first time ever, Rain will bring the historic album to life in its entirety for this psychel- dic multimedia spectacle in addition to all your early favorites!

Teatro Lirico D’Europa
Feb. 8

Puccini’s “Madama Butterfly” is one of the world’s most famous love stories. Inspired by the sights, and culture of Japan, this Teatro Lirico D’Europa performance is a breathtakingly beautiful story of love and heartbreak.

Daniel O’Donnell
Feb. 13

One of Ireland’s best loved artists, Daniel O’Donnell has announced that he will be returning on tour in the U.S.A. The tour will see the singer play a more extensive concert tour than he did in October 2016, when he performed in venues in the Mid-East of the USA to packed houses.

Shaping Sound DC
Feb. 14

Through his Emmy Award winning work on “So You Think You Can Dance,” Travis Wall has established himself as one of America’s favorite choreographers. These visual musicians continue to dazzle audiences as they tell the story of a man fighting to find his creative voice after the death of his one true love.

Broadway Boys
Feb. 17

The Broadway Boys is a collection of Broadway’s finest male singers. By adding elements of pop/funk/gospel/jazz to traditional show tunes, The Broadway Boys have redefined musical theater. Experience some of Broadway’s finest right here in Southwest Florida.

Michael McDonald
Feb. 18

With a career that encompasses five Grammys, numerous chart successes and personal and professional accolades, as well as collaborations with some of the world’s most prominent artists, Michael McDonald remains an enduring force in popular music.

Rhythm of the Dance
Feb. 19

This two-hour dance and music extravaganza contains a wealth of Irish talent. The show is an inspiring epic, reliving the journey of the Irish Celts through history. Using modern art forms of dance and music, this richly costumed show marries the contemporary and the ancient.

Lozinka State Dance Company
Feb. 20

Lozinka State Dance Company mesmerizes audiences with a festival of fiery dances showcasing the folklore, national culture and traditions from their home, the Russian Republic of Dagestan.

The McCartney Years
Feb. 22

The McCartney Years is a period-ture, technically stunning and explosive live concert show that performs the music of Paul McCartney spanning two decades from The Beatles to Wings.

Izzyk Perlman
Feb. 27

Izzyk Perlman, undeniably the reigning virtuoso of the violin, returns. A classi- cal musician beloved for his charm and humanity as well as his talent, he is treasured by audiences throughout the world who respond not only to his remarkable artistry, but also to his irre- pressible joy of making music.

Staying Alive Canada
Feb. 28

The vocal match of Todd Sharrman, Tony Martina, and Joseph Janisse, to the Gibb Brothers, Barry, Robin, and Maurice creates an eerie sense of see- ing the Bee Gees live in concert. The performance captures a full history of the Bee Gees music beginning with the 1967 breakthrough album “Bee Gees First.”

Paula Poundstone
March 2

Heralded as one of our country’s foremost comics, Paula Poundstone’s quick-thinking, unscripted approach to comedy makes for a perfect fit as a regular panelist on NPR’s #1 show, the screwball weekly news quiz show WAIT WAIT... DON’T TELL ME!

Romantic and Beyond
March 3

With the Southwest Florida Symphony

Celtic Woman Homecoming
March 6

The global musical sensation Celtic Woman’s concerts continue to touch the hearts of a huge audience that spans the globe. Both an accomplished recording ensemble and a world-class performing collective, Celtic Woman celebrates Ireland’s rich musical and cultural heritage.

The Texas Tenors
March 8

Since their whirlwind debut six years ago on NBC’s “America’s Got Talent,” The Texas Tenors have accumulated a long list of awards, accolades and excited fans. They have performed more than 1000 concerts around the world, including a 24-city tour in the United Kingdom, Shanghai, China and collaborations with some of the most prestigious symphonies in the U.S.

The Irish Rovers
March 9

For more than five decades, The Irish Rovers have charmed and entertained audiences around the world with their exciting stage shows. Three awards- winning television series, chart top- ping hits, two dozen recordings, and an all-Ireland champion in their ranks has contributed to the longevity of the band.

The National Symphony Orchestra of Cuba
March 10

Since its inception in 1960, the Nation- al Symphony Orchestra of Cuba has been instrumental in developing and introducing Cuban and Latin Ameri- can music to the international classical music community, in addition to covering a vast symphonic and chamber repertoire ranging from baroque to contemporary music.

Bernstein at 100
March 11

With the Gulf Coast Symphony

Fort Myers Film Festival
March 21

The Fort Myers Film Festival is an intelligent independent filmmaker’s preferred event to create, unite and showcase the finest artistic cinematic works. The Fort Myers Film Festival is known for world-class swagger and support of local filmmakers.

Rock On
March 25

Music of the 1970s and 1980s with the Gulf Coast Symphony

Happy Birthday Leonard Bernstein
April 14

A Southwest Florida Symphony tribute featuring Pablo Sáinz Villegas, guitar; Leonard Bernstein: Three Dance Episo- des from Fancy Free, Elmer Bernstein, Guitar Concerto and Tchaikovsky’s Symphony No. 5.

Callaways on Broadway
April 15

With the Gulf Coast Symphony

Tosca
May 12

With the Gulf Coast Symphony

Animals From A to Z
June 10

A family concert with the Gulf Coast Symphony
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Stephen Parker, choral director
Temple Shalom
4630 Pine Ridge Road
naplesorchestraandchorus.org

“The Great American Songbook”
7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17
3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18
Honoring the 100th anniversary of Leonard Bernstein’s birth, featuring guest soloist Carolann Sanita and the NOC Chorus and Chamber Orchestra

“The Marvelous Musicals of MGM”
7 p.m. Saturday, March 17
3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 18
With special guest Camille Ortiz

Paul York, cello
7 p.m. Saturday, April 14
3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 15

Suzanne Kirton, flute
7 p.m. Saturday, May 5
3 p.m. Sunday, May 6

NAPLES ART DISTRICT

More than three dozen galleries and working studios in the industrial area west of Airport-Pulling Road between Pine Ridge Road and J&C Boulevard
596-5099
naplesartdistrict.com

1st Wednesday ART ALIVE
5-8 p.m. March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, Oct. 3
3rd Saturday ART ALIVE
11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 17, March 17, Nov. 17

NAPLES JAZZ SOCIETY

263-1113
naplesjazzsociety.com
Dedicated to the preservation of early jazz music, the Naples Jazz Society has different bands that focus on performing different styles of jazz dating from the 1890s to 1940s.

Naples Dixieland Jazz Band
Cambier Park
Temple Shalom
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301 11th St. N., Naples
596-5099

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7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12
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NAPLES BIG BAND

777-0416
naplesbigband.com
The Naples Big Band is comprised of 19 professional musicians under the musical direction of James Castaldi, a seasoned trumpeter and flugelhorn player. The band performs free programs of mid-20th Century big band music.

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GULFSHORE PLAYHOUSE

The Norris Center
755 Eighth Ave. S., Naples
261-7529
gulfshoreplayhouse.org

“Scapino”
Feb. 17-March 18
Leo is in love with Feather and Octavio is in love with Chloe—but their fathers, bosses of rival mafias, have other plans in mind. Hilarity ensues as the two young men look to their crafty servant, Scapino, to help them dupe their fathers into a grand scheme. It’s a bada-bing twist of Molière’s classic comedy. Curtain conversation, Feb. 18; actor/director talkback, Feb. 22.

“Miss Keller has no Second Book”
March 31-April 15
It’s been nearly 50 years since the notoriously reclusive Agnes Keller published her first and only book.

In the wake of a life-changing event, her small sanctuary is punctured by interruptions from a series of unwanted visitors. Funny and touching, it grapples with the inevitability of change, the tangled tethers of family and the very big question: What does an artist owe the world? Curtain conversation, April 8; actor/director talkback, April 5.

“The Mystery of Irma Vep”
April 28-May 20
Set in the mythical world of Gothic England, awash with mummies, ghosts and vampires, this two-person “vaudeville tour-de-force” is a spookily hilarious spoof of iconic gothic melodrama. Curtain conversation: May 6; actor/director talkback, May 3.

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BLACKBURN HALL

“Charles Ives Take Me Home”
Through Feb. 11
A father’s love of music and a daughter’s passion for basketball are at odds; thankfully they have modernist composer Charles Ives playing referee. Dissonance, defense and devotion are explored in this poignant and comedic story by Jessica Dickey.

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THE TOBYE STUDIO

“The Taming of the Shrew”
Feb. 17-March 18 (Saturday and Sunday only)
Enjoy Shakespeare as it is meant to be experienced: outside under the stars. An all-female cast performs this abridged version of Shakespeare’s beloved classic that puts an exciting twist on the Bard.

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THE BAKER STAGE

“Blackbird Hall”

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KIDZACT

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April 14-15
See The Naples Players’ youth troupe’s take on William Shakespeare’s classic-romp about the love/hate courtship of Petruchio and the headstrong Kath- erina.

“Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat”
May 7-8 and 14-15
Sha-la-la, Joseph you’re doing fine! You and your dreamcoat ahead of your time! It’s the endearing reimagining of the Biblical story of Joseph, his father Jacob, his brothers and the coat of many colors.

ETC...READERS THEATRE

“A One-Act Play Festival Celebrating Richard Orloff”
2-5 p.m. Sunday, April 7
A highly comedic and whimsical afternoon with staged readings of four short plays exploring the relationship between man and woman.
THE MARCO PLAYERS
Marco Town Center Mall
1089 North Collier Blvd.
642-7270
themarcoplayers.com

MAIN PRODUCTIONS

“Steel Magnolias”
Through Feb. 25

All the ladies who are “anybody” come to Truvy’s beauty salon to have their hair done and leave with plenty of free advice and hairspray.

“A Bench in the Sun”
March 14-31

Longtime friends Harold and Burt live in a retirement community and share a bench in the garden where they never agree on anything — until they meet the new “muse,” Adrienne.

Four One-Act Comedies
by Bruce Kane
April 25-May 13

The cast of “Steel Magnolias” includes, standing: Carol Fenstermacher as M’Lynn Eaton- ton, Stacey Boisvert as Annelle Dupuy, Mai Puccio as Ouiser Boudreaux and Karen Ezrine as Clairee Belcher. Seated: Karen Anglin as Shelby Eatenton-Latcherie and Kathleen Barney as Trudy Jones.

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506 First St., Immokalee
658-1313
seminoleimmokaleecasino.com

Lee Greenwood
8 p.m. March 10

Greenwood’s song “God Bless the USA” has been voted the most recognizable patriotic song in America. Written by Greenwood in the back of his tour bus in 1983, the song has been in the top five on the country singles charts three times, giving it the distinction of being the only song in any genre of music to achieve that feat.

THE BONITA BLUES FESTIVAL
Riverside Park
March 9-10
bonitablues.com

Among the bands participating in the 12th annual festival are: Altered Five Blues Band, Annika Chambers, Chris- tone “Kingsfish” Ingram, the Harlis Sweetwater Band, Hurricane Ruth with Scott Holt, Jontavious Wills & Country Royalty, Karen Lovely & Friends featuring Jonn Del Toro Rich- ardson and Ben Rice, the Mark Telesca Band, the Noah Wooterspoon Band and the Rae Gordon Band.

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The Rae Gordon Band

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Monica Czausz, organ
4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18

One of America’s leading young con- cert organists, Ms. Czausz was lauded in The Tracker magazine of the Organ Historical Society for “conveying skill, confidence, color, melody and energy that captured the audience with the very first notes.”

The Moorings Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir with featured soloists and members of the Naples Philharmonic.

The Chamber Choir of FGCU
4 p.m. Sunday, March 18

Under the direction of Trent Brown, the university choir performs Benja- min Britten’s “Rejoice in the Lamb” for choir and organ along with other choral works.

THE HYACINTH SERIES

Moorings Presbyterian Church
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mooringschurch.org

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1-866-657-2300
800CC044104.

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Best Priced Home in Bella Terra
Home in Bella Terra 4/2 pool home! Over 2300 sqft of living area. Resort style community, low HOA’s.
$260,000
1-866-657-2300
800SM073154.

Move in Ready
3/2 pool home with open floor plan and split bedroom house
$239,000
1-866-657-2300
800CC002258.

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ESTERO

VISIT WWW.C21SUNBELT.COM TO VIEW ALL AVAILABLE LISTINGS!
Pool & Spa Home
3/2 pool home with lake views located in Woodgate Estates
1-866-657-2300
$234,900 800M001432.

Magnificent Sunsets/Beautiful Lot
Pride of ownership evident as you enter this 3 bedroom/bath formal living room/dining room. $249,900
1-866-657-2300

Great Sailboat Access Opportunity
3/2 home with very easy 1800 lift of living area on sailboat access canal in Unit 74 of SW Cape Coral.
1-866-657-2300
$239,900 800CC021914.

Corkscrew Shores
Beautiful new home at Corkscrew Shores 2/12 + Sunroom. Located in Estero. Low HOA Heath Resort style living!
1-866-657-2300
$399,000 800CC065779.

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A Whiskey Creek Townhome Gem! Direct Access!
Beautiful and quaint Whiskey Creek area waterfront home. Sell access with only minutes to the Gulf. Lovely waterfront!
1-866-657-2300
$337,500 800M012035.

Luxury Condo
3/2 waterfront luxury condo offering views of the River. Largest floor plan in the buildings. 
1-866-657-2300
$294,900 800CC005173.

Newly Remodeled Kitchen-Corner Lot SW Cape Pool Home
Beautifully remodeled kitchen 3 bedroom, 2 bath - updated, split floor plan, situated on oversized corner lot with pool.
1-866-657-2300
$299,900 800CC005228.

Beautiful Lake Home South Western Exposure
Southwestern exposure pool home in desirable Deep Creek Community, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths with 2 car garage. Sold turnkey!
1-866-657-2300
$299,900 800CC035540.

Large Pool Home on an Acre of Landscaped Property
If you enjoy space - look no further. 3/2 pool home on an improved fully irrigated acre of land. Lots of room to play.
1-866-657-2300
$229,900 800FM93879.

North Fort Myers

Mystic Pointe
3/2 Pool Home
Nothing to do here but move in to this beautiful 3/2 pool home located in 3E Cape Coral.
1-866-657-2300
$229,900 800CC003283.

Newly Remodeled Home
3/2 SW Cape Coral pool home.
1-866-657-2300
$265,000 800CC023028.

CAPE CORAL

Beautiful 3/2 Home in Port Charlotte
Impressive, 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom private home with attached 2 car garage. 
1-866-657-2300
$229,000 800CC024189.

3/2 waterfront pool home with beautiful sunset exposure! 
1-866-657-2300
$229,900 800CC035540.

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Cape Coral Pool Home
3/2 home, nicely remodeled with quartz counter tops in kitchen & bathrooms, and a fenced in back yard.
1-866-657-2300
$295,000 800MC065655.

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Great View of Estero Bay
3/2 home on a lake with breathtaking views of Estero Bay.
1-866-657-2300
$234,900 800CC002244.

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PORT CHARLOTTE

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Rare Top Floor End Unit Veranda Condo on Golf Course
Championship golf close to the beach and Sanibel! Best view - covered bridge - upgraded. 
1-866-657-2300
$294,900 800FM071128.

Punta Gorda

3/2 Pool Home
Nothing to do here but move in to this beautiful 3/2 pool home located in SW Cape Coral.
1-866-657-2300
$229,900 800CC035540.

4/2/2 - Beautiful Gated Community of Waterford Estates
This 4/2/2 is immaculate and move in ready. This home features the in the main living areas. 
1-866-657-2300
$229,900 800CC024845.

CAPE CORAL

Pool Home with Southern Exposure
Updated heated pool home with all utilities in and paid! Very open floor plan with French doors out to a large pool area.
1-866-657-2300
$225,000 800CC04282.
Well Maintained Pool Home in Heart of Cape Coral
This 3/2 home is being sold turnkey and features tile through out, car garage, and large view. 2020 updated kitchen and bathrooms.  This 3/2 home is being sold turnkey and features tile through out, car garage, and large view. 2020 updated kitchen and bathrooms.  Very clean and ready to move in 1-866-657-2300

Move In Ready Home
This 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 car garage townhome, is centrally located to shopping, restaurants, and entertain-ent. 1-866-657-2300

Duplex in Great Area
Great opportunity for investors or for an end user to live in one side and rent the other! Duplex in fantastic loca- tion. 1-866-657-2300

Ready for a New Owner
Spaceous 4 bedroom home with formal living & dining rooms that have prayer doors on each side. 1-866-657-2300

2 Bed 2 Bath Wrap Around Awesome Water Views
Like living on an island. Don’t miss this Estero Country Club property. Million dollar views. 8000005334.

Charming 3/2.1 Home in the Heart of Port Charlotte
This is a great family home, Just minutes from shop- ping and 30 minutes to the beach. 1-866-657-2300

Deep Creek Hideaway
3/2 1 Home on quiet cul-de-sac in sought after Deep Creek area of Punta Gorda. 1-866-657-2300

Lehigh Acres

Oak Filled Acre Lot with Lovely Home
Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home on an acre lot in great area of Lehigh Acres. 1-866-657-2300

2 Bed /2 .5 Bath/1 Car Garage Townhome in Passo
Santa Isabella townhome with 1/220 sq under air in the award winning, Passo resort-style community. 1-866-657-2200

1st Floor Great Lake View Upgraded in Kelly Greens
Upgraded condo on the first floor with a great lake view located in Kelly Greens Championlp. 1-866-657-2300

Three Bedroom in Oak Hollow Community
This gem sits on a corner lot. 3/2/2 with community pool, club house and so many amenities. 1-866-657-2300

Great Opportunity in SE Cape Coral
Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath, corner lot home with all assessments paid. Well maintained home is ready for a new family! 1-866-657-2300

Half Duplex -with 4 Bed & 3 Bath in Great Location
Half duplex with 4 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms in great Location! Very close to Gulf Coast Town Center, Florida Gulf Coast. 1-866-657-2300

Alva Investment Property
This is a 3 bedroom 2 bath 2 car garage home with 1679 sqft under air in NW Lehigh Acres. Home has a den. 1-866-657-2300

Great Starter or Seasonal Home
Perfect starter home in great SE neighborhood. 1201 sqft 2 bedroom home with open floor plan and grand fenced in backyard. 1-866-657-2300

Port Charlotte

Beautiful View Close to Downtown Fort Myers
Stunning view and great location. This spacious 2 1/2 bath/2 car condos is located in North P. Myers and minutes from downtown. 1-866-657-2300

Location - Location - Location
Well kept 3/2 home in quiet area of Country Club. Close to schools, shopping and bridges. 1-866-657-2300

2 Bed/2 Bath Condo in Gated Community
This 2014 sqft home has 3 bed, 2 bath and a spacious den located on a 30 of an acre in the gated community of Shadow Lakes. 1-866-657-2300

Punta Gorda

225+sf Home - 3 Bed 2 Bath in Great Neighborhood
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<td>Great location - centralized with a park atmosphere!</td>
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<td>This 2/1 home sits on 1.25 acres of privacy. New laminate floors, new A/C, new plumbing.</td>
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<td>Spacious doublewide 3 bed 2 bath manufactured home on 1.25 acres is move in ready. Back &amp; front porches. Detached garage w/storage.</td>
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