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The Changing Face of Bonita Bay

YOU NEED NOT HAVE LIVED in Bonita Bay for very long to have witnessed the many changes in the community over the years. To come out of a time not so long ago that looked quite dark during the takeover of the community, there is no doubt that Bonita Bay has emerged stronger, on more solid footing and has become one of the most desirable communities in all of Florida. With world class amenities from the Bonita Bay Club Lifestyle Center, to the Gulf access from the Marina Club and Beach Park, no other community can compare. Additionally, Bonita Bay is ideally positioned geographically to take advantage of everything that Naples, Fort Myers and the surrounding areas have to offer.

At the center of this positive transformation is the Bonita Bay Community Association. *Bay Watch News* recently spoke with Robin Leete (BBCA General Manager), Dave Ekrich (BBCA President), Jack Palmer (Director) about some of the changes that have been implemented as well as some of the changes planned for the future ... and the future of Bonita Bay sure looks bright.

No doubt, many of you have noticed the planted areas along Country Club Drive that have been relandscaped, adding eye-catching splashes of color to that stretch of the community. The next phase of planting enhancements will be from US 41 to the intersection of Country Club Drive and Bonita Bay Boulevard, commencing in early spring. Several neighborhoods have made significant improvement such as Arbor Strand and Lost Lake which implemented new entry features and paver driveways. Bay Harbor has undergone a landscape renovation and Riviera and Bermuda Cove have had their streets upgraded from asphalt to pavers.

The Community Association told *BWN* that it is in the final stage of the approval process on the commercial gate. With all of the construction



activity, this will be a much needed improvement. Instead of the manual process required now, the commercial gate arms will function automatically, much like the current main gate and north gates.

The Community Association has added more kayak racks in Spring Creek Park and Riverwalk Park. Robin Leete pointed out "this was the first time there was a request for more kayak racks, indicating that there is a younger demographic being attracted to Bonita Bay."

Another example of the Community Association planning ahead is the formation of the High Speed Data Technology Committee. In striving to keep Bonita Bay competitive with other communities, internet connectivity is being addressed. With more and more demand being placed on internet access for entertainment streaming, smart home advancements and other services, the Tech Committee is evaluating options for upgrading the infrastructure with fiber optic wiring to provide internet speeds of up to 1GB/sec -- many times faster than the current

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Editors' Notes

I HAD NOT HEARD the saying “eat the toad” until just recently. It is thought to have been an idea coined by Mark Twain. Twain’s thinking was that if the first thing you do for the day is



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“eat the toad,” you can be sure that it will be the worst thing to happen to you for the rest of the day. Everything else will seem easier by comparison. It’s a really simple concept and makes sense when you think about it.

Within the context of *Huckleberry Finn* or *Tom Sawyer*, Twain may have been talking about a real toad; however in this case, the toad represents that one thing that you know you should do but you really don’t want to. It is that “toad of procrastination” that will sit there all day, looking at you, croaking, until you actually do something about it. I can think of a few such “toads” at this time of year -- cleaning the garage, getting tax records in order among others.

So, figure out what your “toad” is each day and get it done. You will feel better for it; I guarantee it.

Alfred Montapert, a little known author/philosopher who wrote *The Supreme Philosophy of Man* in 1970, said, “Expect problems, and eat them for breakfast.”

Thank you for reading our magazine.

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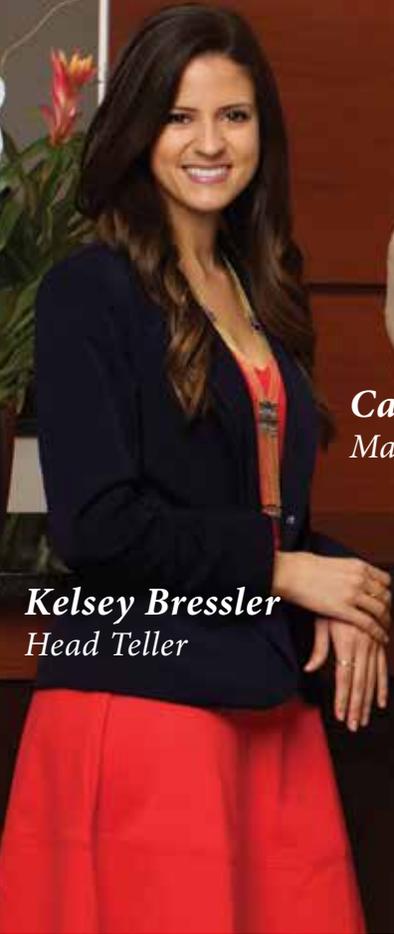
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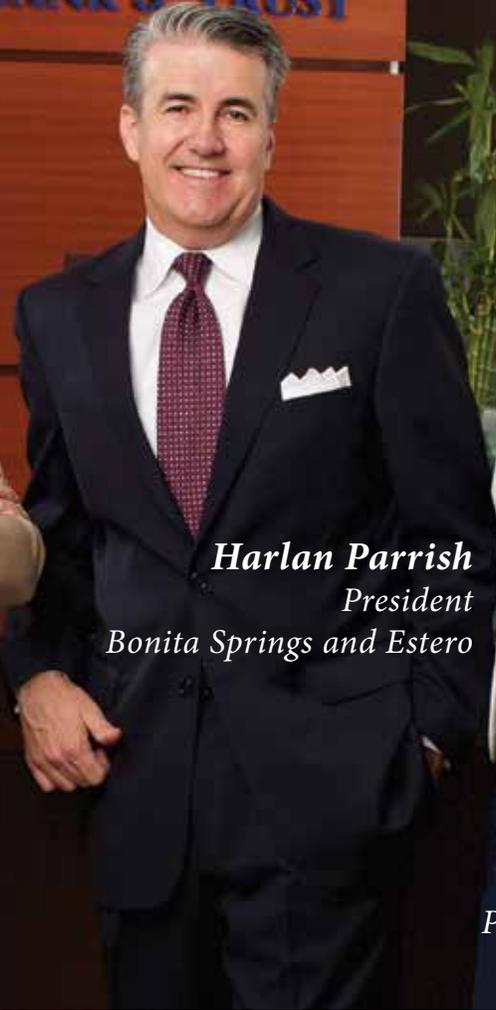
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Letters to the Editor

Bay Watch News asked readers what initiatives they thought might be important for BBCA to tackle in 2016. Here are a few of the responses we received:

“The rules of the road for our many bicycles need to be enforced. In the last three days, I’ve experienced bicycles not stopping at stop signs, not yielding to cars already at the intersection and riding three abreast going at a leisurely crawl, tying up traffic. The police should be in the community to enforce these laws also.”

Carolyn Murphy, Vistas

“A dog park would be a great addition to Bonita Bay; it is a great way to meet other adults in our community too.”

Name withheld upon request

“No one, especially bikers, pay attention to the stop signs. I think there should be signs saying, “Bikes Must Stop.” Unfortunately, The Community Association has ignored this problem.”

Peter Lindsay, Sanctuary

Commentary

by Bob Brotman, Bay Woods

My grandfather Paul Lascher was born in 1880. He used to marvel that when he was born, there were no automobiles and yet he lived to see a man walk on the moon in 1969.

This got me thinking that those of us who are 78 years old were born *closer* to:

- The era of silent movies - 1923, than the use of nuclear energy to make electricity - 1951.
- The start of World War I - 1914, than U.S. sending first 3,500 troops to Vietnam - 1960.
- The San Francisco Earthquake - 1906, than the first heart transplant - 1966.
- The first airplane - 1903, than the first pocket calculator - 1970.
- Connecticut passing speed limit of 10mph - 1901, than first personal computer - 1973.
- The Spanish American War - 1898, than the election of Jimmy Carter - 1976.
- Invention of the radio - 1893, than Microsoft MS-DOS software - 1981.
- Invention of the zipper - 1891, than the camcorder - 1983.
- The first motorcycle - 1885, than the World Wide Web - 1989.
- Invention of the phonograph - 1877, than the first cloning of a sheep - 1997.
- The invention of dynamite - 1866, than the development of a military vaporizing laser - 2008.

Now get this ... if we live another five years, we will have been born closer to the founding of the republican party of Abraham Lincoln - 1854, than say ...

The re-election of Donald Trump - 2020.

View From A Different Angle

By Charlie Vogt, Montara

MILLIONS FOR PRETENSE, BUT ...

ACCORDING TO LEGEND, a fellow once celebrated his wife’s birthday by building her a restroom facility on the back nine of their club’s golf course. The story goes they were approaching 50 years of marriage and he didn’t think they would make it if he heard one more “comfort complaint” from his (otherwise) beloved.

Some female golfing members of Bonita Bay are rumored to be distributing copies of this legendary tale to all members of the board, with copies to the Greens Committee. Supposedly this civil approach precedes marching on the next meeting with torches, pitchforks and rolling pins (though these last items are rarely to be found in BB kitchens). And what is the focal point for this turmoil?

The back nine of the Marsh course lacks a ladies restroom. If the girls don’t make the detour to Creekside at #11, they face the remaining holes bereft of female facilities. A barren Sahara trek until arriving at the 17th hole oasis, right at the stroke of almost too late. Given the demographics of club membership, one would think men would complain about this too, but boys will be boys. As a further insult, the men have their own facility at #13. Granted the storm shelter there has only a roof and four posts, lacking visible walls, but that doesn’t slow down the fellows who seem to step behind imaginary walls and proceed in good-enough-for-me kind of privacy. Some ladies have cellphone photo images proving this, but felt Facebook would be an inappropriate title for the content.

Misogynist is what one lady called it. (Unfortunately, because it’s hard to spell.) Amidst all this premier club opulence, we spend millions on male-obilia, but not a cent for minimal female requirements. Men have Bentleys with vanity plates (redundant?), cars that go 150 miles per hour to drive three minutes in a 20 mph zone (although reportedly 120 mph is the current record), a parade of Lamborghinis, plus Serengeti-traversing vehicles for trips to the Promenade. But one little potty for the ladies? Oh, no. And in one feeble attempt to assuage female ire, one budget-minded male proffered the idea of turning the 13th hole shelter into a pergola with flowered sides. Needless to say that idea didn’t sprout wings other than to make a hasty exit.

One of our nation’s earliest battle cries was “millions for defense, but not one cent for tribute.” It led to formation of the Marines and war on the shores of Tripoli. A similar course of action might be coming up if ladies’ needs are not met. We spend millions for pretense, but not pennies for potties.

So how will this potential war of the sexes turn out? Some would hope relief is in sight with the next Greens Committee budget. On the other hand, we do need a couple of shiny new tractors for the guys to ride ...



Who's Who in Bonita Bay

Bill Petasnick

By Tommye Fleming, Mahogany Ridge

BILL PETASNICK, of Deerwood and Chicago, earned his degree in “hospital administration” before you probably ever even heard the term. He got in at the ground level of a field in its infancy, and he brought that infant along with him as his cutting-edge career advanced. Many of the jobs he had over the years didn't exist five years before.



For the last 20 years, Bill was President and CEO of Froedtert Health Inc. in Milwaukee. The health service system is an amalgam of institutions that had been silos when he took the job: county hospital, academic medical center affiliated with a medical school (The Medical College of Wisconsin), various community organizations and independent physician groups.

Today, these formerly disparate institutions make up a single regional health system offering an array of health services: teaching, research and patient care. And patient care – the most important of the trio – is now often delivered at satellite clinics and hospitals strategically serving the region's stakeholders. The Froedtert team delivers better services, more efficiently and less expensively, than it did when Bill came on board. Bill noted that recently Froedtert was nationally ranked as one of the top five academic medical centers in quality and safety by the University HealthSystem Consortium.

When Bill finished college at University of Wisconsin-Madison with a degree in political science, he went on to the University of Minnesota where he earned a Masters in hospital administration. His next jobs took him to Michigan, Washington, DC, Wisconsin, North Carolina, Iowa and, finally, back to Wisconsin. He taught. He directed operations at university hospitals. He was even a commissioned officer for US Public Health Service in Washington, DC where he was exposed to inside-the-beltway politics. That was enough for him to scurry back to the academic world.

“I was a child of the 60s. I wanted to do something to improve peoples' lives. I ended up in a field designed to do just that.” While health care is still very much a “cottage industry” and highly fragmented, people working in healthcare are committed to a singular mission of providing the best possible care to their patients and improving the healthy status of the communities they live in.

His field grew in leaps and bounds, and his career leaped with it. As regionalization evolved, Bill was in the forefront. He took a small insignificant hospital to a prominent institution. As technology evolved (e.g., transplants), Bill found ways to take the technology on the road ... from the teaching hospitals to community centers. Care got better. Access got easier.

Bill is a strategist. A policy guy. A big thinker. A community leader. A collaborator. All things that shot him to the forefront of his field.

And it was those same things that brought him to the attention of the members of American Hospital Association (AHA) and that eventually led him to the chairmanship of the AHA Board of Trustees. His tenure began in 2008, as the government began to tackle health care reform for the second time. Everyone agreed that access to health care and health insurance was critical.

What they didn't agree on was the “how.” And that disagreement continues today. He has spent a LOT of time strategizing what ultimately became Obamacare, what Bill refers to as “The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly.”

- The Good: important health insurance reform and removal of limitations to healthcare access
- The Bad: increasingly complex laws and an incredible amount of misinformation
- The Ugly: bipartisanship and cost overruns

Most of Bill's cronies in the healthcare field are disappointed in the missed opportunities. What they had envisioned should have been chapter one in an evolving story. Fixes would be made over time. Lack of understanding would be replaced with greater access and efficiencies.

Everyone agrees that refinements are still needed. Bipartisan dialog must occur. Repairs need to be made. They have miles to go before they sleep ...

For all of his professional efforts, Bill was recently given an honorary medical degree by the Medical College of Wisconsin and an honorary doctorate degree in healthcare management by the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.

Enough about Bill's career – what about Bill our neighbor?

Bill Petasnick grew up in Sheboygan, WI and returned to his roots when he took the Froedtert job in Milwaukee. He and his first wife, Bobbe, lived in Wisconsin much of his career. They were married for 45 years and had two children, a son (David) and a daughter (Ellen). After Bobbe died of breast cancer, Bill married Irene Thompson, a professional colleague who ran an academic medical center in Kansas City. It was a match that was meant to be. Bill revealed their dinner conversations often are strategic debates about health policy matters! Those crazy kids!

They have a condo in downtown Chicago and a second home in Bonita Bay. They recently retired, so they are just now getting to enjoy the area, the amenities and their fascinating new friends. They enjoy golf, fitness activities, boating, attending classes and taking advantage of the vast resources available in and near the community. Bill is a budding artist, with some pretty impressive still life. Two years ago he couldn't spell “artist” and now he is one!

In his spare time, Bill serves on institutional boards. He is investigating meaningful volunteer activities. And he is advising incubator firms developing health care technology. He likes keeping his toes in the water. That is, when they're not in one of his many pairs of athletic shoes.



Curious Photographer

Photos by Maryle Barbé, Spring Ridge

If you could sit on this bench and chat with only one person, past or present, who would it be?



Mary Kay Taylor

MONTARA

“I would choose Ellen DeGeneres because she would be a lot of fun! She is also one of the kindest people and would make you laugh.”



Philip Taylor

MONTARA

“I would sit with my mother as she had a harder life than I realized when I was young; so I would have a conversation with her to find out how I would have behaved differently.”



Joe Davi

HAMPTONS

“Today it would have to be Donald Trump! I would ask him when he is going to moderate his behavior and his comments so he would make a credible run for President.”



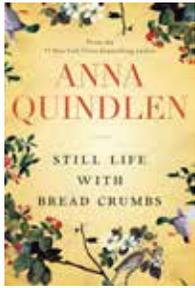
Denise Morgan

TAVIRA

“I would like to have a conversation with Ben Franklin because he was such a great inventor! I’d want to know what possessed him to put a key on the kite in a storm to discover electricity. I would also want to know why he wanted a turkey and not an eagle for our national symbol. Another thing: I am curious that with all his accomplishments, why didn’t he follow his compatriots into politics and become Secretary of State or Vice President!”



On the Bookshelf



Still Life with Bread Crumbs

by Anna Quindlen

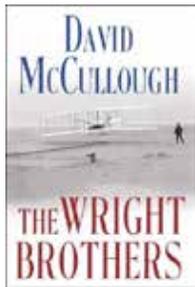
Shirley Gorman, Oakwood

Anna Quindlen is a Pulitzer Prize winner for her columns that appeared for many years in *The New York Times*. For many years, she also wrote a column for *Newsweek*. She is the author of six works of non-fiction and several novels.

In *Still Life with Bread Crumbs*, she introduces us to Rebecca Winter, a photographer who first achieved success with a photograph that bears the name of Quindlen's book. With diminishing fame and a diminishing bank account, she has decided to rent a cabin in the middle of nowhere and sub-lease her New York apartment. This decision changes her life.

Rebecca had dreamed of being a painter but after meeting with her college advisor, she makes the decision to pursue photography. But her fame interferes with her personal life and results in a divorce from her philandering husband. The only good thing to survive from her marriage is her son, Benjamin.

In the course of the novel, we learn about Rebecca's family and her past. We are also introduced to Jim Bates, the roofer who comes to work at her cabin. It is through Jim that Rebecca develops a different view of life. She reflects on her past and reevaluates her future.



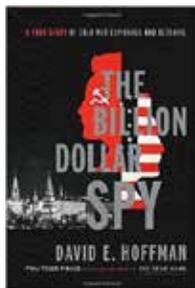
The Wright Brothers

by David McCullough

Elaine Brotman, Bay Woods

In his revealing biography of the Wright brothers, David McCullough, winner of two Pulitzer Prizes, brought to life a profoundly American story in his intimate portrayal of the amazing lives of Wilbur and Orville Wright who developed, built and flew the first pilot-controlled airplane at Kitty Hawk, NC in 1903. He accurately depicted their self-reliance, sheer determination, resourcefulness and ceaseless hard work. Writing in a clear and precise style, he described the drama, excitement and danger of their many experiences in attempting to fly ... culminating when Wilbur, greatly admired by the French, won the first Michelin Cup flying 77 miles in 1908. It took only 2 hours and 20 minutes.

Both brothers lived their whole lives in the same house in Dayton, OH. They were close to their family, especially their father and sister, Katherine. They never went to college or had any technical training, but showed creative and mechanical brilliance. Neither married; both liked to cook, loved music, kept the same bank account and worked extremely well with each other, "tinkering" on various projects. They ran a successful bicycle shop whose revenues solely financed their interest in flying. McCullough captured the essence of who the brothers were, how they handled their failures and what happened to them after they achieved success.



The Billion Dollar Spy: A True Story of Cold War Espionage and Betrayal

by David E. Hoffman

Norm Roberts, Creekside

Hoffman has documented the true story of an amazing Soviet spy who provided America with extremely valuable material from 1977 to 1985.

The backdrop was the Cold War. The US had limited intelligence assets in Moscow when James Angleton was head of Counter Intelligence at the CIA, because he thought that nothing coming out of Moscow could be trusted. He retired in 1974, and the US gradually became a little more willing to take risks. Around that time, a Russian approached the car of an American in Moscow, quickly handed over an envelope and disappeared. This was the start of Adolf Tolkachev's life as a spy. Tolkachev was an engineer in a fairly senior position in the Air Force R&D section. He had access to all the current projects. His problem was that he had come to despise the Soviet system. He did not believe he could be very effective as a dissident. Instead he set out to cause the most damage possible using the information that he saw every day at work.

It took quite a while, and several exchanges with Tolkachev, for the CIA to decide he was worth pursuing. Hoffman provides extensive detail on the work of the US case officers involved in handling Tolkachev, the painstaking preparation for meetings, the elaborate techniques to avoid exposure, the equipment passed over to facilitate photographing documents and so on. He also does his best, with more limited information, to cover the Tolkachev side of the story. This does not read like a spy novel, but it is an absorbing account of high tension, high stakes espionage.

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HOME RULE MATTERS

So, what exactly is home rule?

I'm not talking about a personal home, where, in my case, my wife makes the rules, and the kids and I follow them. This is about how we manage the future of our town and who has a say in that future. Trust me when I tell you, there are plenty of bureaucrats in Tallahassee and even in Washington, D.C. who are more than happy to tell us what to do here in Bonita Springs. It is certainly OK to hear what they have to say, but we should not be willing to let them dictate our future.

Let me give you a perfect example. The City Council has voted TWO TIMES, 5 to 2, against an "all or nothing" federally funded Overpass (or "Flyover") Study for the intersection at 41 and Bonita Beach Road. These "all or nothing" studies allow others to dictate the priorities of our community. If they determined to erect a Fort Myers-style overpass, Bonita Springs would have zero ability to adjust – zero ability to modify – zero ability to reflect the will of the residents of Bonita Springs and the majority of City Council. The Bonita Beach Road corridor is far too important to allow others to dictate the priorities for our community.



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After hearing from a majority of City Council, the Lee Metropolitan Planning Organization also voted to stop the study by a vote of 10-4 to protect home rule.

With the majority of Council and the County on the same team, a measure was introduced to hire a nationally respected firm to lead a visioning study to address traffic flow, pedestrian flow, biker flow, look and feel on Bonita Beach

Road as well as helping small businesses flourish – to help address these issues – respect home rule – and help all of Bonita Springs!

Home rule is best when it's a part of an open and transparent process where citizens are viewed as the stewards of our future and included at every step of the process. The proposed Bonita Springs High School is a good example of the importance of local decisions made in an open and transparent process.

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 1. "What do you hope to achieve in the next four years?"
 2. "What are the critical challenges facing our city?"
 3. "What makes you different than your opponents?"
 4. "Any other comments?"
- Each candidate will be allocated the same number of total words for their responses.

The candidates will be listed alphabetically.

So, make sure you get out and vote ... Election Day is March 15.



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Croquet? At Bonita Bay?

By *Dave Shellenbarger, Estancia*

AN ELEGANT and sophisticated sport, croquet has been around for a long time. You might have played it in the backyard as a kid, as I did, with wooden or plastic balls and mallets on uneven, clumpy grass. A new “trial” sport at Bonita Bay Club, croquet can be played on either of two smooth, groomed courts located at the east end of the Creekside practice range. In this second season, the grass courts are much smoother and more playable, offering a new competitive and social activity in the community.

Croquet play was recorded as early as 1611 in England when the game was named “pall mall” after the Latin words for ball and mallet. The game evolved under various names, including “ground billiards” in western Europe, evolving to the current modern game played at many clubs today. Croquet at Bonita Bay is played under rules for “golf croquet,” a competitive and fast-moving format for two, four or six people and can be played in a very social, or very competitive way.



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Play is straight forward, with players using a mallet to move a solid ball toward and through six wickets placed 20-30’ apart. A player scores by being the first to move the ball through a wicket (which is 1/16” wider than the ball’s diameter), and then all players move on to be the first to move through the next wicket. There is much strategy - “attacking” your opponent’s ball to move it out of position, moving your ball into the “best” position or protecting your partner’s position, going on the offense or playing defensively – are a few of the strategic decisions faced during a game. Games usually take about a 30-45 minutes and move very quickly.

If you’re not a Bonita Bay Club member, there are other local options to give it a try. The Naples Croquet Club on Pine Ridge Road offers beginner clinics on Mondays at 10 a.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month. The Croquet Hall of Fame (who knew there was such a thing?) is even located in our own state in West Palm Beach. They induct new members each year and have done so since 1979.

Ambassadors promoting croquet play among Bonita Bay Club members include Diane and John Walker, Rich and Corky Dell, Ron and Janice Miller, and Roger and Karen Rittinger. All four couples play the game at their clubs in North Carolina, and are willing mentors and “cheerleaders” to answer your questions and to get you involved in a new, and really entertaining game.

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Bonita Bay Club: A Message from the President

Dear Bonita Bay Club Member:

It is my pleasure and honor to make this report in *Bay Watch News* as the new President of the Bonita Bay Club. From the time I joined the board four years ago, we have completed numerous improvements, including the significant portions of two major capital projects. These projects, Vision 2013 and Vision 2015, have dramatically enhanced our facilities and enabled us to attract record numbers of new members. For those of you who are not members, I encourage you to visit and tour these wonderful new facilities and amenities.

As part of Vision 2013, the creation of the 55th Hole, our casual dining area, with the adjoining fire pit and outside dining, along with a move toward more a la carte dining in the Club Room and a superb menu, have driven club usage to levels not seen in a decade. The number of weddings and other special events hosted has also increased significantly, as people recognize the Club as a superior venue. The new pro shop and other golf area improvements are being extremely well received.

In early 2014, the board became aware of an opportunity to purchase the medical office building that borders our Creekside golf course. That building, with approximately 60,000 square feet of space, was acquired in late July of that year. The renovation and conversion of the building became one of the major components of Vision 2015. It has now been converted into our new Lifestyle Center, which houses our fitness center, spa and salon. Tenants in the building are located on the third floor and the rents from those tenants essentially cover the annual operating costs of the facility. The Lifestyle Center has opened to rave reviews and has quickly become recognized as one of the most outstanding club facilities of its kind in the country.

Significant improvements to our tennis complex were completed this sum-

mer, another component of Vision 2015, which involved major site work and the reconfiguration and replacement of several key tennis courts.

The Creekside golf course renovation was also completed which included the full replacement of the irrigation system along with a myriad of other updates and playability enhancements. It too has reopened, receiving very positive reviews.

The final pieces of Vision 2015 are the renovation of the old fitness building to create a new Tennis Shop and Café, and the needed updating of the swimming pool and pool deck.

All of these changes and improvements are being made as part of the strategic plan, which focuses on enhancing the membership experience and attracting new members. For the two fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, the club welcomed 284 new members in all categories and collected more than \$13 million in initiation fees. Our golf membership is currently full at 1,250, with approximately 45 in a waiting category.

We believe the health of the club and the community are directly related. The overall lifestyle offering for residents of Bonita Bay is unparalleled. This has been evidenced by not only the number of new club members, but also the number of persons moving into our community and increasing real estate values.

We continue to work closely with the Community Association in an effort to improve the community for all residents and to be good citizens in the Bonita Springs community at large. These efforts recognize we have a responsibility to constituencies other than our club members.

Sincerely,
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A SIMPLE GESTURE

ONE OF LIFE'S LESSONS that I still use to this day I learned from my then 75-year-old grandmother nearly 35 years ago.

Grandma lived in a nice, albeit modest, villa in Hilton Head Island, SC. I'll never forget the place. It was right on Sea Pines 10th golf hole, and a short 10-minute bike ride to a wide open beach. My brother and I used to go out at dusk, after all the golfers had gone for the day, and look for golf balls that had gone astray off the tee into the bushes around her shared backyard. We were always careful of the resident reptiles as we reached into the bushes to get our hands on that scuffed up Top Flight.

Being near the water and of 1950's vintage, the villa at 14 Lighthouse Road had the usual problems ... the leaky roof, the blown fuse, the loose banister. Grandma would, of course, have workers fix these problems. I think at times she liked the conversational company too. Without fail, she always, always, always offered them a cold Coca Cola to drink. The reactions



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varied from the polite "no, thank you, ma'am" ... to the response of the parched worker who didn't have time to stop all day: "YES please!!" ... to the somewhat taken aback because most people never offered: "Um...no, um well ok ... yes please. Thank you, ma'am." To this day, I offer workers to my house a cold drink or if it's morning time, a cup of coffee.

Looking deep into this simple act taught to me by my grandmother, we can learn a very important life lesson. We are all creatures of this earth; we get thirsty, and a simple gesture like this from someone in a position to help and for whom this gesture costs very little, breaks down the barriers immediately. Even if the gesture is

politely declined, this creates a moment of "humanness" that is about much more than the can of Coke.

(Editor's Note: In the interest of full disclosure, Grandma also owned Coca Cola stock for many years! But that was not her motivation.)

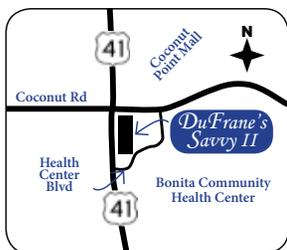
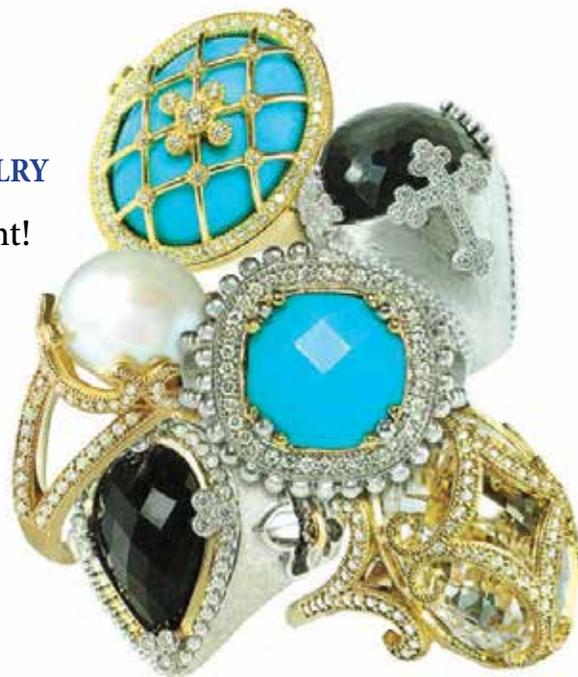
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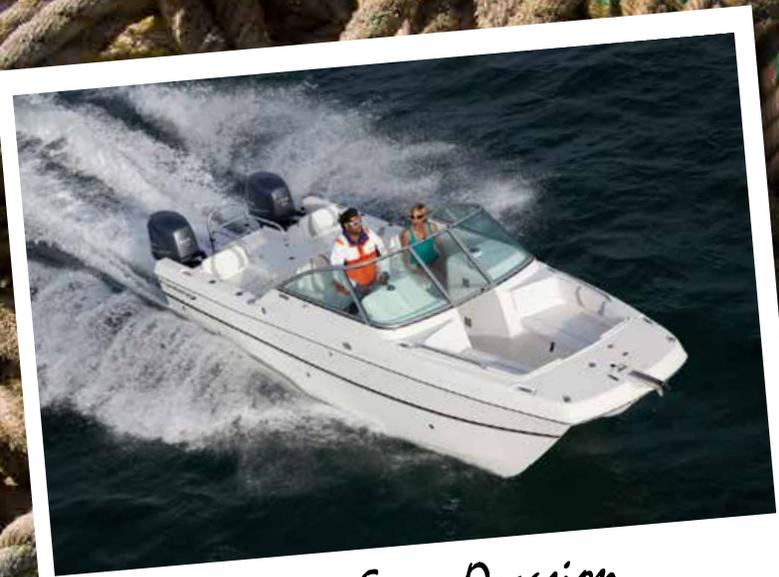
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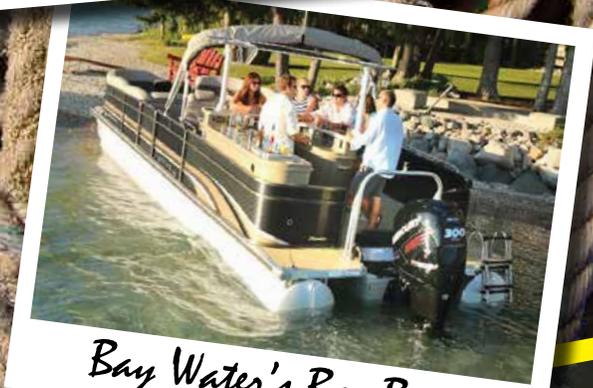
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Disruptive Technology

AS WE ALL SIT BACK in awe, and watch how new technological advances speed along every day, we are challenged to change our day-to-day routines, with new and smarter and updated models, of our new and smarter and updated models. We want to keep up, we aspire to stay ahead, or at least stay abreast of these new technologies. 'Disruptive technology,' as it's now known, is the theory that this rapid onslaught of new technologies, and their voracious acceptance by consumers, causes a disruption in the way we used to do things. Disruptive technology not only changes the way consumers behave, but can also have a massive impact on market sectors and industries. Who would have thought the clunky telephone booth on our streets could so quickly be replaced by wrist wearable smartwatch phones? Alexander Graham Bell would be astounded to see how much his invention of the telephone has changed. Even the sophisticated, elongated, important sounding noun 'telephone' has been updated to the punchy, sharp, straight to the point, keep it brief word 'cell'.

Another prominent example of disruptive technology which can probably be found in all of our Bonita Bay homes is the forever changing, new and updating shape and size of our television sets. Much to the chagrin of interior designers and proud home owners. First we created a space for our 40" square boxes. Then a few years later we had to find furniture to display a rectangular, slimmer and broader screen, and find some creative solutions to house the other boxes and gadgets and players, to complement our new technology. Then we replaced the Betamax with the VHS, then we get the DVD player, then the Blue Ray, and then we have to change the entire layout of the room and find a nice big wall. A wall to hang the new 70" flat screen. How wonderful it is to have a flat screen television all flush and tidy hanging on the wall, until we are introduced, or shall we say, *disrupted* by the new and improved updated model ... the curved TV! Now we have to rearrange our rooms for curves.

Disruptive technology essentially forces us to consider changing the normal way we are used to living. It can also make us consider the way in which we travel.

Traditionally travelers would trust hotel chains and trusted travel agents (tour operators) to provide hotel rooms in which to spend the night, whether on vacation or a business trip. However, in recent years the internet has exposed the masses to alternative accommodations, with a much more authentic, homely twist. The popularity of internet sites such as 'Airbnb' and 'homeexchange.com' have contributed to a trend away from travelers using established hotel chains, and towards the option of staying in unique, non-touristy, home-away-from-home options.



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To Airbnb or not to Airbnb...that is the question.

Airbnb hosts a multitude of properties available to rent, from one night to long-term tenancies. The properties are essentially peoples' homes or sometimes second homes. The homes can range from small one-bedroom apartments right through to luxury estates, but what they all have in common is that they are privately owned residences. Airbnb is the hosting website that acts as the marketing tool linking tenants with accommodations. The homeowners are hardly involved in the transaction; they simply have to ensure that the accommodation is exactly as it is advertised on line, and arrange for a sensible place to leave the key.

Airbnb is now in its 5th year, and its model has been widely accepted by travelers and home owners. Its popularity arises from travelers wanting to live like a local, rather than a tourist. Visitors find that living accommodations in residential areas can provide a feeling of authenticity about the destination, as opposed to staying in a hotel in an industrial estate outside of an airport. The beauty of staying in a neighborhood can give travelers a temporary sense of belonging, and provide the opportunity to develop friendships with the locals. The other big advantage of Airbnb is the cost, which is far less expensive than staying in a hotel. The website is fully transparent, in that it publishes candid reviews by the renters/tenants about the property condition, and by the homeowner about the tenants' behavior. A friend of mine was planning a business trip to London recently, and had meetings in Mayfair, where the hotel prices are extortionate, so he opted for Airbnb. The first one-bed apartment he considered online had just received a review from a visitor, who had vouched for the location, but was not convinced that the sheets had been ironed the night before. He scratched that one. The next online apartment of interest had a recent review posted which

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SOUTH AMERICA TRAVEL DIARY

MY HUSBAND (Patrick Arnall) and I celebrated our 40th anniversary on Tauck's "Essence of South America" tour which included the ABC's ... Argentina, Brazil and Chile. We traveled with four friends – all women. So it was Patrick and his harem.

Not So Chilly Chile

Mid October is early spring in South America, yet it was 86°F our first day. Santiago is a very cosmopolitan city with wide thoroughfares, broad sidewalks and fascinating architecture. Just lovely.

Our first meal was our best: Gastón Acuria's La Mar, which featured seafood and Peruvian cuisine. My, oh, my. The food was incredible. My favorite was a tasting of "causas" which are flavored mashed potatoes topped with a variety of meats and seafood.

We arrived a day before our tour began, so we booked a hop-on/hop-off city tour that included: "Sanhattan", a section of SANTIAGO that resembles ManHATTAN; Patio Bellavista, a barrio of restaurants, cafes and retail shops; Bellavista neighborhood; Plaza de Armas, Metropolitan Cathedral and Constitution Square.

After lunch, we traveled by subway to Centro Artesanal Los Dominicos, a market of Chilean handicrafts located in a maze of bougainvillea walkways.

Our official tour began with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner at a nearby restaurant.

The next morning was our introduction to Chile. In 1960, the strongest earthquake in history struck Chile, damaging most of the Spanish buildings. As a result, Santiago's buildings are contemporary, and built on rollers, to sway rather than shake in earthquakes.

We toured the magnificent Metropolitan Cathedral, which is undergoing renovations. The Chileans have cleverly disguised the exterior with gauze imprinted with a photo of what the building looks like when NOT under construction.

Following the changing of the guard at La Moneda Palace, we were whisked south to Isla de Maipo, an agricultural community where we toured DeMartino vineyards, experienced a traditional tasting and learned to make Pisco sours, the national Chilean cocktail. We lunched on a lovely deck with the Andes as a backdrop.

The next morning we flew to Puerto Montt, a shipping port in Chile's Lake District. It is rainy and cool, not unlike Seattle.

Our Tauck Travel Director brought us up to speed on Chile's political history, including Salvador Allende, the first Marxist



Metropolitan Cathedral, Santiago, Chile. Note the use of a gauze with image while building is being renovated.

to become president of a South American country, and Army General Pinochet who ruled by military junta. All three countries on our tour have relatively recent democratic governments and female presidents.

Chile, which runs along South America's west coast, extends 2,653 miles north to south, and averages just 110 miles east to west ("The shape of a chili pepper!").

We drove along the Pan-American Highway, a network of roads 30,000 miles in length, linking the Americas from Alaska to Patagonia.

We overnights in Puerto Varas, known for its German traditions and its three volcanoes, which emerged from the clouds in late afternoon. I managed to capture a few palm fronds in one photo, juxtaposed against the sunlit snow-capped peaks.

As we headed south toward Patagonia, we learned about Spanish conquistadors, Jesuits who attempted to convert the nation and Germans who colonized the area. The truth is, because the Germans were so well established here, the German language and food so dominant, it made it easy for post-WWII Germans to settle here. And, in some cases, for Nazis to live here undetected.

It Takes Two to "Tango in Argentina"

We crossed over the continental divide and entered Argentina. Among the differences between Chile and Argentina are:

- Both use the peso, but at the time of our visit, Chile's was 585 pesos to \$1 US. Argentina's was 8.59 to the \$1 US. Chile's currency was stable; Argentina's was not.



By *Tommye Fleming, Mahogany Ridge*

- Chile is famous for seafood, especially salmon. Argentina's claim to fame is its beef (tough but tasty in my opinion).
- Argentina has 40 million people, while Chile has just 15 million.

A two-hour Patagonia Catamaran ride across Lake Nahuel Huapi delivered us to the Llao Llao ("Ji-ow Ji-ow") resort. High on a hill overlooking an indigo lake and 18 holes of golf, this place just can't be beat. Amenities include ski runs and complete spa facilities.

The first full day at Llao Llao was misty and chilly. A friend and I donned our swimsuits and headed to the heated indoor/outdoor pool. Sleet pelted our ears but the heated water kept us warm. Tango lessons were next up. An award-winning couple exhibited their tango skills, then attempted to convey their knowledge, if not their skills, to our group of klutzes. Those folks on "Dancing with the Stars" make it look so easy!

When we awoke the following morning, it was snowing -- 2" had accumulated. We checked out of Llao Llao and headed to Bariloche and Catedral ski resort. We lunched at El Patacon which offered a caramel dessert concoction that was frighteningly good.

A severe thunderstorm in Buenos Aires canceled all flights so we checked back into Llao Llao. Many were delighted as it is a very special place. But I don't do relaxation well, so I was more than a little disappointed.

When we couldn't get to BA again the following morning, we visited a Swiss chocolate shop, had a German lunch and took a tour of Nahuel Huapi steppes ... a high desert landscape. Then the Cerro Campanario two-person open air chair lift ride offering breathtaking views that made the wind chill factor somehow seem tolerable.

Finally at 10:15 pm (36 hours after our originally scheduled departure), we were wheels up!

Buenos Aires is considered "The Paris of the South". It looks like a European capital, with broad streets, stately buildings and purple flowering Jacaranda trees.

As North Americans, the names we often associate with Argentina are Dictator Juan Peron and his wife Eva. She got him to office and kept him there. When she died of cancer at 33 in 1952, he was ousted in a coup d'état. Some 18 years later Peron and his next wife -- Isabel -- came back into office. Finally, in 1983, Argentina became a democracy.

Our rainy city tour took us by many legendary monuments, including the Casa Rosada (with Evita's famous balcony) and Teatro Colon opera house, a heart-stoppingly beautiful structure that seats 2700. We then headed to the Metropolitan Cathedral, home to Pope Francis prior to his ascension to the papacy.

The sun came out as we headed to La Boca, a colorful barrio with a strong European flavor and home to the world renowned football ("soccer") club Boca Juniors. We finished at H Stern, a luxury jewelry brand known for its quality gems.

Donned in evening attire, we visited Esquina Carlos Gardel, where singers and tango dancers performed while we dined.

We were blessed to be in Buenos Aires the first week in November, the height of the blooming spectacle put on by the city's purple jacarandas ... not unlike Washington, D.C. at cherry blossom time.

We drove past huge beautiful homes and embassies, visited the rose garden in 400-acre Palermo Park and toured Recoleta Cemetery, which contains elaborate marble mausoleums and statues. It is here that Eva Peron found

her final resting place (after 17 years!).

The afternoon was spent in flight to Iguazu, Argentina ... with its dramatic Iguazu Falls -- the widest in the world. Upon seeing Iguazu Falls for the first time, First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt exclaimed, "Poor Niagara!"



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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee – Jack Palmer reported that the committee is in the process of completing December and YTD finances for auditor review. 2016 Community Association dues payment is ahead of previous years. As a reminder, interest fees at 18% annually begin February 1 for those who have not submitted their dues. On another matter, the board has voted not to fund Backwater Jacks as had been previously discussed.

Design Review - Jerry McPherson is planning to hold Design Review Seminars for neighborhoods to explain details of the review process. In 2015 there were 261 designs submitted with 239 approved, 16 disapproved, and 4 pending and 2 discussion topics.

Lake Committee - Lakes #20 and #3 are to be repaired in 2016. \$46K was approved for an engineering study of lakes #31 and #81.

Land Use Committee (LUC) - Dave Shellenbarger, LUC Chairman, noted that the committee was formed in 2013. Areas that were identified were: overflow water areas and preservation of wet lands; park repurposing and original intent of the parks. Riverwalk Park is “maxed out” from a land use perspective; Spring Creek Park lacks space, and Estero Park may have potential for improvements to the building and kayak boat launching. On the issue of pickleball, the LUC determined that “noise is the #1 concern” with residents in adjacent neighborhoods and included in its report off-site potential locations. Dave suggested that residents read the Pickleball Report which will be posted on the BBCA website. Additionally, a community survey is being designed to determine community interest in connecting the pathways to create a loop around Bonita Bay with a raised walkway available for walkers and bikes but no vehicles.

Nominating Committee - One board seat is open. January 19 was the deadline for nominees.

Risk Committee - CCTV cameras are being installed at the entrance and exit of Sanctuary. A proposal was made to add fencing

at the North Gate for additional security at a cost of \$10,000 excluding landscaping and possible other fees. Patrol of golf courses at night for additional security is being discussed with the Club. There was one reported theft at the Golf Club.

High Speed Data Technology Committee - The Board authorized the members of the Technology Committee headed by Chris Corrie to review community high-speed data options.

Traffic Light - The signal was approved by FDOT. Stakeholders on both sides of 41 will have the opportunity to weigh in on the design. An amendment to the Articles of Incorporation was approved previously by the BBCA Board to allow the Association to contribute to the cost of traffic signals or similar devices if located outside BBCA and affects traffic entering or exiting BBCA. The cost to BBCA is anticipated to be \$250K. The City of Bonita Springs will award the contract.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Boat Docks in Riverwalk Park – The Marina Club has requested use of 6 or 7 boat slips for Police Boats and Sea Tow Boats. The Board and the Marina Club will start discussions on the matter.

2) An Arbor Strand resident informed the Board that the Bocce Club would contribute \$20,000 if a permanent restroom was built near the bocce courts because many players can’t walk the distance to the restrooms near the tennis courts. The Board is taking the request under advisement.

The following represents clarifications to the previously reported BBCA minutes in the January issue of BWN.

Manager’s Report - The money saved by not having the Annual End of Season Event at Riverwalk Park amounted to about \$140,000.

Lakes Committee: Next Lakes scheduled for remediation are Lake 3 located between Montara and Enclave and Lake 20 located between the Crossings and Wild Pines. If funds are available, consideration will be given to a portion of Lake 31 between Hidden Harbor and Oak Knoll and a portion of Lake 81 south of the Vistas.

Risk Committee: By law, bikers are allowed to bike two abreast.



WE ARE BIG FILM FANS at *Bay Watch News* and are very excited to hear of ‘a little bit of Sundance’ right here in Bonita Springs. That’s right ... the first annual Bonita Springs International Film Festival is happening February 12 - 16 and we couldn’t be more excited.

We caught up with Susan Bridges, President of the Center of the Arts Bonita Springs, who has been instrumental in bringing this event to our city. “We’ve been working on our ideas toward the first Bonita Springs International Film Festival for a few years now. Over the last few years we have developed a strong following in foreign films. We created a Film Society within our organization and a ‘Films for Film Lovers’ program was formed”, says Bridges. “After film discussions at our screenings, we had a number of people asking why not put together a film festival? If we did, what



would it do, what would its focus be? The core discussions of this group of about 200 people is what initially drew us to the idea of introducing a big International Film Festival here in Bonita Springs.”

There will be filmmakers, producers and editors all in attendance at the festival. They will also have a schedule of free workshops for aspiring filmmakers

who might be interested in taking the leap into film or animation. Two young filmmakers will be on hand, set up in the Center for the Arts Digital Lab, helping introduce young visitors to animation and film, and will even let them try their hand at the creative process.

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THERE'S NOTHING quite like having a little rest, putting your feet up and either contemplating what the day ahead has in store for you, or reflecting at the end of the day on what you have achieved.

For most of us, we tend to favor a particular seat in the home. "That's my chair" is a phrase I often find myself saying. It's the one place I find most comfortable as I slowly sink into it, it embraces and supports me. It's not just 'any old chair' even though it is as old as I am!

Exactly what does our chair say about us? Is it a high back, wing back, button back, straight arm, loose covered, fully fitted, feather filled, foam seat or other? Has your chair been loved? Has it worn well? Is it a little frayed around the edges? Has it had a little bit of work done here and there?

The right chair is very important to us, the wrong chair can affect how we sit and feel. Remember the story of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears?" Seats can be "too hard or too soft" but sometimes, if we are really lucky, they can be "just right."



The Barcelona chair was designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe for the King of Spain; it was designed to set inside his Pavilion presented at the 1929 Barcelona International Exposition. Inside this "ideal zone of tranquillity," he created a chair that was appropriate for royalty. It is a low lounge chair with a metal frame

and leather cushions. Any eagle-eyed film buffs out there may have also spotted Daniel Craig sitting on this chair as James Bond in "Casino Royale."

Some chairs are design classics in their own right. Where would Dr. Frasier Crane from the hit series "Frasier" be without his beloved Eames lounge chair and ottoman? A chair that was designed



back in 1956 to have the look of a "well used first baseman's mitt." It still looks fantastic today in any interior.

What about the other chairs that are almost as famous as the programs that they appear on: "2 Minute Drill" is an ESPN game show based on the general knowledge UK game show "Mastermind." Its interrogation chair, another Eames classic, was described by one contestant as "elegant, refined and terrifying" to sit in. The iron throne from "The Game of Thrones," a seat forged by a thousand swords that were melted down. This would not be the most comfortable piece of furniture but one that certainly tells you about the person sitting on it. It could also be yours for a hefty \$30,000.

On a (much) lighter note, the Central Perk couch in the hit series "Friends" was the coffee shop's centerpiece and meeting place. And with 17 seasons under its belt, reality TV series "Big Brother" introduces a new iconic chair to its diary room each year, each one bigger and wackier than the previous.



So, before we start moving around on 'hover chairs' from Disney's successful 2008 film "Wall-E" or spinning around on our very own 'The Voice' chair, let's go back to that special seat in the house and take a moment to remember, "Two empty chairs are not a good use of space. Fill them up with love."

By Catherine Rogers

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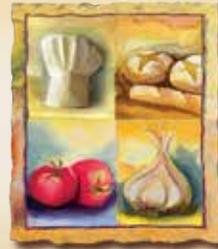
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complimented the cleanliness of the bathrooms, and announced that they would stay there again. Bingo, the apartment was booked; and the experience was second to none, the location was perfect and the apartment turned out to be exactly what the photographs had promised.

Homeexchange.com is a concept whereby like-minded people simultaneously exchange their homes, typically for a vacation. The inventory on Homeexchange.com is staggering, and is extremely popular in every corner of the world. It is a delight to browse the listings of properties available to exchange around the world. Ranging from Pied-A-Terres overlooking the Eiffel Tower, to wine estates in Burgundy, beach houses in Bali, to penthouses overlooking the Sydney Harbour. For a small membership fee, you may reach out to the homeowners and ask if they would consider exchanging homes with you for a specified duration, and desired time of year. If you engage with the homeowners online, and establish that this may be a mutually beneficial exchange, then you can dig a little deeper and find out more about who the person/persons/family are; and if you get a good comfortable feeling about the exchangers, you may decide to 'swap' homes. The beauty of Homeexchange is that there are a lot of like-minded, respectable people throughout the world, who are willing to trust you as much as you will trust them, with possibly the largest asset you both own. A happy home-exchange experience can reinforce your faith in the human race. The other

benefit is there are no costs involved, and transactions are solely mutually beneficial home swaps. Most exchangers choose to share their cars, local insider knowledge, video libraries, books, board games and neighbors too.

The changing face of tourism has created a much more personal and homely environment, although it most certainly is not for everyone, and definitely has its drawbacks. Some folks quiver at the thought of using someone else's linens and kitchenware. Others loathe the thought of letting strangers sleep in their bedroom suites. It's a very personal decision to let someone make your home their home, albeit temporarily, whether it's to make money, or for a mutually beneficial experience. Disruptive technology has enabled the success of Airbnb and Homeexchange, firstly because of the widespread availability of marketing on the internet. Secondly, because digital photography allows us to post and view photos to the web, to reassure consumers that what we see on line is what we get. The camera never lies. Thirdly, the deal maker, or deal breaker, is that we put our trust in online reviews from customers, just like us, whose opinion counts. Dated photos in glossy magazines, and stagnant sales pitches have been replaced by more recent online photos (which you can view on your cell) and real life experience reviews (which you can read on your curved screen).

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Reveling in the Freedom of Open Water

FREEDOM WATERS FOUNDATION (FWF), based in Naples, was co-founded by current Executive Director Debra Frenkel. Its mission statement: to improve the lives of individuals with special needs and veterans by providing therapeutic marine-related experiences on the waters of South Florida. FWF serves a wide range of people, including those suffering from cancer and their families, veterans and those with disabilities.

Some of FWF’s clients have returned from war and may be struggling with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD); the water has the same calming effect that draws millions to America’s coastal areas.

The many volunteers that aid the Foundation often find it as rewarding as the clients. One Bonita Bay resident and Marina Club member, Paul Oleff, Waterford, owns a 22’ pontoon and became involved with the group within the past year. To date he has taken two groups of veterans out on the water. The first group included a father and son who served in Vietnam and Iraq, respectively. The second was a group of women comprised of veterans of emergency room settings, including nurses.

“The opportunity to be with these people was incredibly rewarding,” said Oleff. He noticed the propensity of the veterans to open up with one another on the water. He was also vividly reminded of their wartime experiences, when at a post-cruise meal with the veterans, a buffet tray cover fell to the ground with a sharp metallic clang. Two members of group had immediate, and significant, startled reactions. “It was rewarding to be able to help these men and women briefly forget what they’ve been through and spend a day on the water,” he added.

FWF only owns one boat, and they procure the volunteer usage of boats primarily through word of mouth and appearances at yacht and boat clubs. Although they now have a list of boat owners who offer their services, they are always looking for additional ones.

FWF purposefully keeps the structure of the cruises loose. “It’s really about relaxation and enjoyment,” said Frenkel. If it’s a powerboat, they encourage the children or vets to drive. There is both fun and ritual involved, including having lunch on the boat. “There is some informal teaching, and sharing, but it’s in the moment. It’s not a structure,” she said.

The foundation’s primary goals are conveyed in the group’s mission statement. Frenkel speaks also of a “back mission” of “building a greater sense of community, tolerance, understanding and sharing. We just happen to use the water to do it.”



The club will celebrate it’s 10th anniversary at the Naples Yacht Club’s Kind Mariners Ball on March 12. For more information about the event or volunteering, contact info@freedomwatersfoundation.org or see FWF’s website at www.freedomwatersfoundation.org.

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Bridge Lesson

A GOOD PLAN

CAN YOU CONSTRUCT a good auction for the North-South hands below? South dealt.

Dummy (North)

♠ A K 4 2
♥ Q 5
♦ 9 6 5 4
♣ K 6 5

Declarer (South)

♠ J 5 3
♥ A K 6 3
♦ A 2
♣ A 8 7 2

South has a balanced 16 points, a perfect 1NT opener. The most popular range for opening 1NT today is 15 to 17. North's 12 points are more than enough to want to reach game. After a 1NT opening bid, responder is in charge of placing the contract. Does North know the right game to bid?

North should be considering two possible contracts – 3NT or 4♣. If there is a fit, 4♣ is usually preferable even though it requires one more trick. Why is it easier to make ten tricks with a trump fit than to make nine tricks in notrump? In notrump, there are only two ways to win tricks – high cards and long suits. Having a trump suit gives you a third way to win tricks by ruffing. Playing notrump is like driving a car with no brakes. It can be pretty scary. With a trump suit, you can put on the brakes and stop an opponent from running all over you in a suit once you run out of cards in that suit. To find out if South has four spades, North must ask a question. *Responder to notrump never introduces a four-card suit.* The way to find out is to use the Stayman convention where a 2♣ bid asks opener to bid a four-card major if possible. South answers 2♥. North still doesn't know whether South has four spades but it's not North's job to bid spades here. Responder still shouldn't introduce a four-card suit. North bids 3NT. You might think North has given up on playing in spades but that is not the case at all. In effect, South has already "bid" spades. We don't use a convention without a reason and, when South examines the entire auction, he knows that North must hold four spades. It's the only reason South would use Stayman in this auction. If South also had four spades, South would correct 3NT to 4♣.

Against 3NT, West makes the opening lead of the ♠Q. There's a saying for declarer that *failing to plan is planning to fail*. All good declarers plan their play before calling a card from dummy at trick one. If you were South, what would be your plan to make 3NT? How do you like your chances?

The first step in planning a notrump hand is counting winners – tricks declarer can win without giving up the lead. South sees two spades, three hearts, one diamond and two clubs for a total of eight tricks. Declarer must establish one more trick to make 3NT. What are the possibilities?

Declarer has to look for either length or high cards that were not already counted as tricks. N-S have no really long suit but do have seven-cards together in both clubs and spades. The fourth card in either suit could become good on a not-so-likely 3-3 split. The chance of a suit splitting 3-3 is only 36% at best. The ♠J is the only high card not counted as a winner. Let's take another look at that card. Could the ♠J provide the needed trick? It's not that likely that the ♠Q will drop under the ♠A K

but a finesse is possible. How would you finesse in spades? Don't even think about leading the ♠J. That's a no-win finesse. Holding the ♠Q, West should "cover an honor with an honor", promoting the defenders' ♠10 and ♠9. And, if East has the ♠Q, leading the ♠J and playing low from North lets East win the trick. The only time leading high to finesse helps declarer is when the card you lead is part of a sequence of touching cards. North-South would need at least the ♠10 to make leading the jack helpful. **To try to win a high card that isn't part of a sequence, lead toward it.** Declarer would have to lead a low spade from North's hand, planning to play the ♠J when East plays low. Where does the ♠Q need to be for that finesse to succeed? In East's hand. East plays before South and can win the ♠Q but South's ♠J will be good for later. If East plays low, declarer will play the ♠J. What are the chances of this finesse working? Unless you have information about the defenders' distribution and strength, finesses have a 50% chance of working. In addition, there is a chance for a 3-3 split of the missing spades so 3NT could make even when the finesse fails. That increases the chance of 3NT making close to 70%. Playing spades is by far declarer's best chance of making the contract. When should declarer finesse spades?

Building needed tricks is work and it's best to *do your work early in notrump*. That way you still have stoppers to regain the lead. Luckily it's safe to lose the lead at this point in the hand. By doing your work early, you also retain as many entries as possible. Entries help you work back and forth between declarer and dummy to take finesses and cash all your tricks.

Speaking of entries, declarer might cash one high spade before finessing the jack. Cashing a second high spade bares the jack and it won't matter who has the ♠Q; the defenders will capture it. But cashing a high spade first could make it harder to get back to the other high spade later. Imagine winning the ♠K and then leading to the ♠J and seeing East pop the ♠Q. South follows low and now the ♠J is singleton in South. To reach the ♠A, declarer needs an entry in another suit. Is there one? North started with the ♣K and ♥Q entries outside of spades. As long as one of them is still there, there is no problem. Did you notice the lopsided heart suit? Declarer has to win the ♥Q before playing the high hearts in South's hand. *When you plan on leading a lopsided suit more times than the shorter hand has cards, be sure to play the high cards from the shorter hand first.*

Here's the whole hand:

	Dummy (North) ♠ A K 4 2 ♥ Q 5 ♦ 9 6 5 4 ♣ K 6 5	
West ♠ 8 6 ♥ 10 8 7 2 ♦ Q 10 8 ♣ QJ 10 9		East ♠ Q 10 9 7 ♥ J 9 4 ♦ KJ 7 3 ♣ 4 3
	South ♠ J 5 3 ♥ A K 6 3 ♦ A 2 ♣ A 8 7 2	

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THE CHANGING FACE OF BONITA BAY *continued from page 1*

providers are able to offer. These are the types of amenities that new buyers will be expecting. Chris Corrie heads up this Tech Committee and is evaluating companies to provide the backbone for this service.

Another important shift witnessed in Bonita Bay is the large-scale redevelopment of some of the older stock in the community. A few years ago, a home was removed from its location in Riverwalk, placed on a barge and floated down river. So people are certainly thinking “outside the box” when it comes to possibilities. The inventory and low turnover of homes in Bonita Bay have been evidenced by price increases and demand for new projects. Sales at Ronto Group’s Seaglass have topped \$70 million and Stock Development has seen strong demand for its projects, with only a few homes remaining.

The Woodlake neighborhood is one of the original neighborhoods, with housing that dates back to the mid-1980s. Harwick Homes, a builder with deep ties to the community since 1992, including 79 new homes and 40 remodels, undertook a project recently in Woodlake that was unique.

Karen and Bill Bucy have lived in Bonita Bay for 13 years and really wanted to remain in the community. They lived in Estancia prior and had looked at the option of moving out of Bonita Bay to get the home they wanted, but soon realized that no communities could compete with Bonita Bay in terms of amenities and the many friends they have here.

They soon turned their attention to remaining in Bonita Bay. Bill was partial to the views that the high rises offer but with two dogs, the Bucys needed something more convenient with accessible outdoor space, so they focused their search on the Woodlake neighborhood. When the Bucys went to view the house, they fell in love with the position of it on the 18th fairway of the Marsh golf course. They started considering how they could move some of the walls, upgrade the systems, but quickly realized that even with a very comprehensive remodel, they would be left with a house with 1985 “bones”– old pipes, old foundation, old electric systems. Bill then turned to Karen and said “let’s tear it down.”

Karen did not think her husband was serious but she loves a project so began to look at it from that perspective. After a brief stall on



The Bucy Home before



The Bucy Home after

negotiations, the Bucys ultimately bought the house and carefully began the teardown in fall of 2014. Recognizing that a lot of the elements of the house were still useful, the Bucys went about their teardown very methodically, pulling out still useful toilets, sinks, doors and cabinetry and donating those items to Habitat for Humanity which is able to reinstall into their projects for families in need. This donation also provided the Bucys with a tax benefit. The completed 3,500-square-foot home took the Bucys 10 months to build; they moved in in September 2015. Karen said schedule and budget were right on time; and they knew exactly where cost overruns and underruns were. Harwick was fully transparent and notified them early on all matters.

The renovations in Woodlake are an example of something that may continue as some of the other neighborhoods age. It is known that most buyers are typically looking for something that is turnkey: move-in ready.

Bonita Bay Community Association works closely with applicants on their projects through the Design Approval Committee which meets once a week. Applicants are usually looking to use whatever square footage is available to expand existing rooms, create guest suites and additional patio space. The Design Approval Committee considers everything from lighting plan to pool design to paint colors.

Winston Churchill said, “To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.”

Bonita Bay probably falls somewhere in between those two extremes. No community, town or neighborhood is perfect but Bonita Bay comes close.

By Chris Gorman

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Property Values

AS YOU READ this *Bay Watch News* issue, our season is in full swing. Regarding real estate, it is well documented that inventory is more limited than in years past. Last year -- 2015 -- proved to be very fast and furious with sales accelerating, homes being on the market for far fewer days and, according to the local Multiple Listing System's statistics, more properties selling for more than the asking price than in any year since 2005. But would you believe that the inventory of 2016 mirrors that of 2015?

When many of you left town this past spring, inventory was seemingly down to nothing, as there were only 60 resale properties for sale in the first week of May 2015 -- a far cry from the days of 200 to 250 properties being for sale in 2010 and 2011. Fast forward to the first week of January 2016 where inventory ticked up only slightly to 77 resale properties for sale. Sure enough, back in the first week of January 2015, there were only 76 resale properties available.

So are we on the verge of repeating the frenzied buying season that was 2015? We regularly hear how 202,000 people per year are moving to Florida from other states, and how 10,000 baby boomers retire each day. This can only further fuel our real estate market.

If you are a buyer, it might be wise to make your move. It is hard

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After all, as you read this *Bay Watch News* issue on or around February 1, know that Easter Sunday is only 55 days away. The season comes and goes quickly.

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Food and Wine Pairing

I LIKE WINES that can pull double (or even triple) duty; and when it comes to versatility, no wine can top Riesling. I'm not talking about Blue Nun but rather the influx of dry Rieslings from all over the globe. They tend to be tart and refreshing with lemony flavors and floral aromas. Dry Rieslings like those from Chateau St. Michelle in Washington State, Pewsey Vale in the Eden Valley in Australia and Ravines Wine Cellars in the Finger Lakes of New York State (all selling for well under \$20) would complement any cheese plate and accentuate the zesty tang of Chef Susan's arugula salad. While choosing a Riesling can seem daunting, if a Riesling is called "dry" on the front label, it probably is. Also, many Rieslings now have a "sweetness" scale on the back label indicating how sweet the wine is.

As "the other white meat," pork can pair beautifully with a full bodied white wine. I would recommend a chardonnay with some oak influence to accentuate the smoky flavors that the chop will pick up from the grill. While the most famous examples of chardonnay come from the Burgundy region of France, they can run into the hundreds of dollars and vary considerably from vintage to vintage. California examples from Hess and Sonoma-Cutrer (and even Kendall-Jackson Vintner's Reserve often found on sale for under \$10) typically deliver flavors of apple and tropical fruit with some creamy oak elements. From further afield, the Rustenberg Stellenbosch Chardonnay from South Africa (at around \$20) is fermented in oak barrels and marries flavors of citrus and ginger with notes of toasted brioche.

The ancho chili and grilled preparation of the pork chops means that a medium-bodied, spicy red wine would also match well. A number of varieties would fit the bill, but my personal favorite in this category is Zinfandel. While not native to the U.S. – it came here from Croatia via Italy in the 1800's – Zinfandel is the heritage of California viticulture with many vineyards dating back over 100 years. The sweet spot for nuanced medium-bodied Zinfandel is the Russian River Valley in Sonoma County. Cool nights and foggy mornings allow the grapes to ripen more slowly and result in the development of fresh and savory characters. The best examples show flavors of fresh berries and herbs with tangy acidity and a moderate amount of tannin. Top producers include Hartford, Novy Family Winery and Bedrock Wine Company. Finally, I can think of no better wine to pair with Chef Susan's combination of chocolate and ginger than Muscat from the Rutherglen region of Australia. Made from grapes in the same family as those that go into moscato, Rutherglen Muscat is a sweet, fortified dessert wine that ages for years in old oak barrels. Young Muscats are reminiscent of dulce de leche and raisins, while the longer aged examples have nutty and molasses-like flavors. All have the stuffing to stand up to gingery chocolate.

*By Phillip Dube, Assistant Winemaker, Carlisle Winery and Vineyards, Sonoma County
Recipes by Chef Susan Ytterberg, Golden Plum Personal Chef Services*



Chef Susan's February Menu:

After the holidays I immediately want to eat different food. Not because the holidays were excessive, but rather because they were filled with rich food choices – celebratory culinary naughtiness if you will. Thinking about how I'd like to entertain in 2016, I want to focus on menus that are full of fresh, satisfying food choices. Still delicious, but dishes using whole foods that allow the main ingredients to sing. This menu encourages you to relax and savor while enjoying nutrient rich food.

Appetizers

- **Agua fresca with watermelon, fresh basil and filtered water**
- **Cheese plate with Marcona almonds, manchego cheese and seeded crackers**

Entrée

- **Grilled pork chops marinated in apple juice, brown sugar, ancho chile and sea salt**
- **Arugula salad with cherry tomatoes, sweet white corn and lemon vinaigrette**

Dessert

- **Chocolate bark with sea salt and ginger crystals**

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

BBCA Candidate's Forum

February 3, 10 a.m. - 12 noon. A "Meet and Greet" the candidates is scheduled to be held at the Bonita Bay Community Association Activities Center. Two residents, Wayne Godsey and G. George Yilmaz, have stepped forward to run for the one seat that is coming available on the BBCA Board of Directors.

Lee Memorial Healthy Life Center at Coconut Point

February 4, 11 a.m.-12 noon, Early Heart Attack/Heart Failure Prevention

February 8, 11 a.m. - 12 noon, Diabetes Prevention

February 9, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Health Report Card: A Noninvasive Screening, call (239) 343-5292 for fees and an appointment.

February 16, 2-3 p.m., Living Strong with a Weak Heart: Basics of Heart Failure

February 24, 12-1 p.m. Current Options for the Treatment of Rotator Cuff Problems, Dr. John Mehalik, orthopedic surgeon, call for reservations.

The Healthy Life Center has many more programs, consult www.LeeMemorial.org/HealthyLifeCenter for the full schedule.

Travel

February 3, 3:30 p.m., Silversea Cruises & Tauck Tours presentation with wine and appetizers, Saul Fonseca, Area Sales Director of Silversea Cruises, will give an introduction to the Silversea family of small luxury ships. Saul will also give the highlights of the Silver Galapagos sailing June 18, 2016; Paradise Wine, 8965 Tamiami Trail N, Naples, FL 34108.

The Art of Needlework

February 18, 12-4 p.m.; February 19-20 10 a.m.-4p.m., A three-day exhibit of needlepoint, hosted by the Embroiderers' Guild of America, Neapolitan Chapter of Naples. Location: 120 Moorings Park Drive, Naples. Going south, turn left at the intersection of Goodlette Frank Rd. and Granada, just south of Pine Ridge Rd.

Entry donation is \$5. If you need any more information about the exhibit, please contact Pat Russell at (773) 848-1736 or parussell@earthlink.net.

The Bonita Springs Historical Society

February 15, 6 p.m., President Andrew Jackson's Legacy: the Good, the Bad and the Ugly. The Bonita Springs Historical Society will feature local historian David Southall as guest speaker at its Monthly Show & Tell program. Southall will delve into the life and times of Andrew Jackson, 13-year-old POW, military man, Florida Seminole Indian fighter, first Military Governor of Florida, U.S. Congressman and Senator, slave owner, bigamist, consummate politician and 7th President of the United States. Where Jackson went, controversy followed.

This event, free and open to the public, is part of the Historical Society's regular monthly meetings that feature speakers and video presentations and take place at the Bonita Grande Fire Station, 27701 Bonita Grande Drive. For more information, call (239) 390-2092.

February 21, 12-4 p.m., Sixth Annual Old Fashioned Fish Fry at the Lions Club, 10346 Pennsylvania Avenue, Bonita Springs. Co-sponsored by the Bonita Springs Lions Club and the Bonita Springs Historical Society. This fun-filled event features scrumptious fare and superb bluegrass entertainment. Tickets available at the Liles Hotel and the Lion Thrift Shop for \$12. Tickets can also be purchased for \$15 on

the day of the event. Children under eleven eat for only \$5. All tickets include drinks and desserts.

February 24, 11 a.m., Cuba and Southwest Florida, a 500-year Connection of Soldiers, Smugglers and Spies. Annual Bonita Springs Historical Society Luncheon, 11 a.m. at Spanish Wells Country Club, 9801 Treasure Cay Lane, Bonita Springs with Robert Macomber, award-winning author and speaker. Tickets are \$55 for members and \$60 for non-members. Save \$5 and become a member! Call (239) 948-9073.

Speakers Assembly of Southwest Florida

February 19, 11 a.m., Sam Kennedy, Chief Operating Officer of the Boston Red Sox and President of Fenway Sports Group, February 19 - 11 a.m., Hyatt Regency Coconut Point, with networking followed by the presentation, lunch and Q&A. For more information, please call (239) 948-7909 or visit www.speakersassembly.com.

Bonita Bay Veterans Council First Annual Fundraiser - "Stand By Me"

February 29, 5:30 pm at Bonita Bay Club. In support of the Veterans Council mission to assist local Veterans and their families, this inaugural fundraising event will include a cocktail party, followed by a buffet dinner and dancing with DJ music from the 60's, 70's and 80's. A live and silent auction will feature: autographed sports memorabilia; original artwork; gift cards from local merchants; vacation packages; wine tasting, and much, much more. Donation is \$125 per person. For more information about the fundraiser or to contribute an auction item, please call Nick Romano at: (239) 390-9817. Reservations can be made by calling Bonita Bay Club concierge at (239) 495-0200.



Save the Date

Bonita Bay Club Liberty Youth Ranch Fundraisers



March 6, 1 p.m. Golf Tournament/Reception/Auction, shotgun start on Bay Island, Creekside and Marsh. Limited to first 300 players that register. Four-player scramble - any combination of men and women. Cost is \$150/player - includes golf, cart, 5 p.m. cocktail/hors d'oeuvres reception and silent auction. \$100/person for reception and silent auction only. \$100 Hole Sponsorship available - contact Dee Sfreddo at (239) 495-1968 or dsfreddo@me.com. Contact Chris Mason for silent auction donations - (239) 405-4456 or christyn68@comcast.net. For sponsorship opportunities, contact Bob Barnes - (201) 218-8088 or rhb27@hotmail.com or Chadwick Saunders - (239) 989-2588 or chadwick@saundersgrouprealty.com. For tournament reservations, call the Golf Shop at (239) 498-2626 or sign up on Chelsea System. For reception/silent auction reservations, call (239) 495-0200.

March 7, 11:30 a.m. Luncheon/Duplicate Bridge/Party Bridge/ Mah Jongg, luncheon followed by play. Cost is \$60/person. Duplicate Bridge sign-ups: Pat Gillis at (239) 498-0328 or patmgillis@gmail.com. Party Bridge sign-ups: Kathie Shellenbarger at (248) 895-0668 or k8shell@gmail.com. Mah Jongg sign-ups: Marie Bosso at (239) 498-0795 or mimibee18@aol.com.

All events and donations may be charged to your club account or send checks made out to Liberty Youth Ranch c/o Bonita Bay Club, 26680 Country Club Drive, Bonita Springs, FL 34134.



Aqua Fresca: Serves 6 to 8

Ingredients

- 4 cups seeded watermelon, cubed
- 6 to 8 fresh basil leaves, cleaned
- 8 cups filtered water

Instructions

1. Place all ingredients in a blender and puree until mixed through.
2. Pour in glasses and serve.

Arugula Salad with Cherry Tomatoes, Sweet White Corn and Lemon Vinaigrette: Serves 4

Ingredients (salad)

- 1 bag of arugula
- 1 ear sweet white corn, husked and kernels cut into bowl
- 1 basket red or yellow cherry tomatoes

Ingredients (vinaigrette dressing)

- ¼ cup Meyer lemon or lemon juice
- ¼ quarter cup extra virgin olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

Instructions

1. Add all salad ingredients to a bowl.
2. Blend vinaigrette ingredients and pour desired amount over salad and serve.

Grilled Pork Chop Marinated in Apple Juice, Brown Sugar, Ancho Chile Powder and Sea Salt: Serves 4

Ingredients

- 4 thick pork chops
- 1 cup apple juice
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 2 tbsp. chili powder
- 2 tsp sea salt or Koshered salt

Instructions

1. Combine brown sugar, chili powder and salt in a bowl. Mix together and set aside.
2. Place pork chops in a plastic Ziploc bag or bowl.
3. Pour apple juice over pork chops in bag.
4. Sprinkle half of the brown sugar mixture into bag. Reserve other half to rub on pork chop before grilling.
5. Place bag of pork chops in fridge and allow to marinate for 1 hour or overnight.
6. When ready to grill, heat grill. Remove pork chops from marinade bag -- rinse and pat dry. Discard marinade and plastic bag.
7. Take remaining brown sugar mixture and pour onto a clean plate and pat each pork chop with the mixture on both sides.
8. Grill pork chops and serve.

Chocolate Bark: Serves 6 to 8

Ingredients

- 1 12-oz. bag dark chocolate morsels
- ¼ to ½ cup crystallized ginger found in baking section of grocery store. Chop crystallized ginger into very small nuggets.

Instructions

1. Place pot on stove filled with ¼ full of water. Bring to boil then reduce to very low simmer.

2. Place glass or metal bowl over pot ensuring it is larger than pot opening so that it remains anchored on top of pot. Open bag of chocolate morsels and pour into bowl.
3. Stir chocolate occasionally until fully melted. Remove bowl and place on counter. Turn off heat to stove; pot of water can be emptied and put away.
4. Add crystallized ginger to chocolate and stir until combined.
5. Take a cookie sheet and line with a piece of parchment paper. Pour chocolate mixture onto the parchment and spread evenly. It won't cover the entire cookie sheet, but you want to have an even thickness to your chocolate. Place cookie sheet in fridge and allow chocolate to harden.
6. After 1 hour or longer, remove chocolate from fridge. Using a knife, cut the hardened chocolate into random-size pieces. Store in container in fridge until ready to serve.
7. Serve Chocolate Bark on small serving plate or bowl with coffee service.
8. Bon appetite!

Chef Susan is a professional Chef trained at Le Cordon Bleu and is Certified Professional Food Manager through NEHA. She specializes in Personal Chef work for her clients cooking weekly meals, dinner parties, cooking classes and special occasion cooking. Susan is also a contributing food writer to several periodicals and conducts Chef Demos for corporate clientele. (Susan's mom, Pam Ytterberg, lives in Bonita Bay.) Visit her at www.golden-plum.com.



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Some of our favorite photos from Bonita Springs past, courtesy of the Bonita Historical Society...





A TOUR OF THE LIFESTYLE CENTER:

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I RECOGNIZE THAT the title may be somewhat misleading. It means what it says: how, exactly, do you get into the Fitness portion of the Lifestyle Center of the Bonita Bay Club?

Of course, you know where it is; just beside Creekside tee #1, some distance behind the soon-to-be-destroyed tennis headquarters. The Center can be reached by following the paved path to the first tee of Creekside on foot or by horse or bicycle but just before reaching the tee, bear right from the path to the tee. Unfortunately, a gate may block your way on bank or government holidays or on days when the keeper of the gate is incapacitated. If that occurs, simply retrace your steps or turn your horse around and follow the non-existent signs along Bonita roadways to the Lifestyle Center which is located off South Bay Drive to the northwest of the Promenade (GPS coordinates can be found under the door mat). By the way, don't be concerned continuing by horseback; Bonita Bay is a Share-the-Road Community.

However, finding the Center was not my problem. I knew generally how to get there: just follow the hot chicks who work out. Then, enter through the front door which thankfully is automated, a smart decision by the Directors who recognized you had a hell of a time getting there in the first place. Proceed up the stairs. Ignore the elevator, this is fitness with a capital F. Do a U-turn. Before you is the reception counter to Fitness. (By the way, leave your horse outside, preferably around the back in case prospective members are taking a guided tour.)

You are now at the spot where I encountered my problem.

Now, don't get me wrong. I love the new gym, er fitness, sorry, the Lifestyle Center. What could be more uplifting than each morning seeing retirees of Bonita Bay driving to the Center to improve, well at least maintain, their

physiques or what's left of them. Try watching some morning: all shapes and sizes, some scowling at the thought of what awaits them for the next 60 minutes; others literally running up the stairs eager to relate the past 24 hours of fun to playmates and trainers.

Now, don't get me wrong. I love working out after years of inertia, gluttony and self-indulgence. I had a new spring to my step, my trainer told me, honestly. After only nine workouts I could feel my back muscles rippling. My imagination, I'm sure, but were not some of the opposite sex regarding me in a way I hadn't been regarded for some time? I was even aware of strutting, shoulders square,

chest out, belly in. I stopped that because I kept tripping at the front entrance to the Center. With my obviously more muscular carriage, I was dismayed, therefore, when on my next visit to the Center, in response to my query re the location of the main floor washroom, the receptionist replied: "Oh, yes, sir, but you'll have to go up to the second floor for the washroom for the physically challenged. Here, let me press the elevator button for you."

Now, don't get me wrong. The staff, even if unobservant, is very helpful. My difficulty is signing in. This is an expensive club. The Directors, bless them every one, have to maintain some border controls. So, you have to sign in. No exceptions.

I even saw the Club President sign in the other day. No, "sign in" is the wrong expression. I'm perfectly able to sign my name but life is no longer that simple. I have to enter my Club number on the whitchamathing sitting on the counter. Unlike several of my friends, my memory remains sharp and I have no trouble with things like membership numbers. My difficulty is that I belong to many clubs, all of whom employ somewhat different systems. In any event, not to bore you, I hit upon an easy solution; I now tape my Bonita Bay Club number to the sole of my trainers.

While, as you will have noted, I've soared over the hurdles preventing entry to Fitness, I encounter a further obstacle, a personal deficiency which it pains me to relate, but I

On the occasion of my fourth consecutive unsuccessful attempt to enter my number, the dear child who resembles my favorite granddaughter rises from behind the counter, saying: "We're here to help you, sir."



GETTING INTO FITNESS

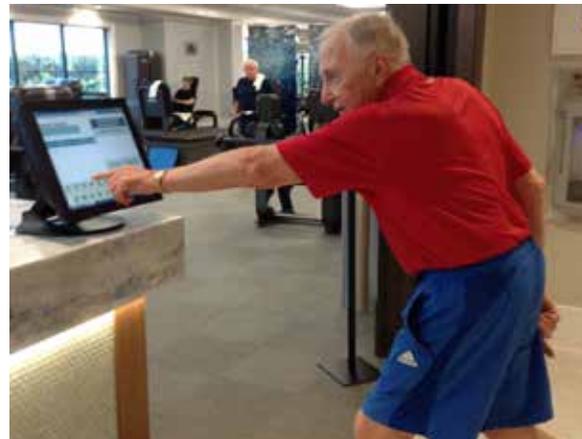
Bruce Stewart, Wedgewood

must, so that other citizens similarly afflicted will realize there is no shame in admitting to such weakness. Apparently, I'm very cold-blooded or, that is, my index finger lacks warmth, especially in the mornings, which leads to the next problem. Having successfully retrieved my number from the right sole of my trainer, having typed crisply and confidently the secret code into the whitchamathing, I have trouble entering (I believe that is the word we techies use) what I have typed. Yes, I know a stylus is provided but it often doesn't respond to my touch. So, as I do on my iPad, I use my index finger. On the occasion of my fourth consecutive unsuccessful attempt to enter my number, the dear child who resembles my favorite granddaughter rises from behind the counter, saying: "We're here to help you, sir." Those words, so innocent on the page, stung me. Here I was embarking on a particularly strenuous program, requiring dexterity, balance and strength, unusual for a person of my years, and here was this child offering to help me with the easy stuff: signing in or whatever the term is.

"There's something wrong with your whitchamathing, your machine. I can't complete the unnecessarily complicated process of being allowed into my own Club which I've been a member of for..."

"Oh, sir, we're here to help".

Try watching some morning: all shapes and sizes, some scowling at the thought of what awaits them for the next 60 minutes



Before I could stop her she leapt over the counter and gazing into my eyes asked: "Is that your correct number, sir?"

"Of course it is. I know my number. See it's taped to the bottom of my left shoe," I replied irritably. Now, I did not mention earlier that one of the problems of placing your number on the sole of your boot is that you must lift your boot above your knee and then twist it awkwardly so that it can be read. Hence, I attempted this very delicate maneuver but

due to impatience failed to support myself while lifting my right trainer. Consequently, I fell over in a heap at her feet.

Lying there I tried to recover what was left of what is called "face." In those few seconds I considered selling my condo and moving to Arizona but I realized that would not be far enough. Instead, I inhaled, looked around at the 20 or 30 concerned faces peering down at me and, as haughtily as I could manage, demanded: "Is there a branch

of the 55th on these premises?" By that clever sally, I gained a moment's reprieve. I pulled myself up: "Child, kindly call over and instruct them to have a double rum and coffee ready for my arrival."

I've never had any trouble since. When I arrive on the second floor, they quickly wave me through. I have earned, as they say, a dispensation.

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Playing by the Rules

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Golf Rules Governance

Since 1951, the USGA and R&A (which takes its name from The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews) have assumed joint responsibility for reviewing, administering and periodically revising the rules of golf. Every four years, the basic “Rules Book” is amended to reflect changes in the game; and every two years the “Decisions Book” is amended, providing updates on interpretative and administrative issues. The most recent amendments to both books were effective January 1, 2016.

2016 Amendments

The most notable change relates to the use of the long putter and the elimination of “anchoring” as a swing technique. This no doubt will require many players to revisit their putting method. The long putter can still be used; it just can’t be used by establishing an anchor point.

Few of the other 2016 changes dramatically impact the day-to-day play of the game. Many are administrative in nature and generally of more concern for competitive and tournament play.

One rule that has been amended and worth reviewing is Rule 18-2; Ball at Rest Moved by Player, Caddie or Equipment.

Rule 18-2

Rule 18-2 deals with many different circumstances under which a player may accidentally or purposely move a ball. This discussion focuses on “a ball moving after the player prepares to make his stroke.” To better understand the application of the new rule, here is a summary of how Rule 18-2 has changed over the last 12 years -- again, specifically related to ball moving as a player prepares to play the shot.

Rule 18-2 - Effective 2008

If a player addresses the ball (takes stance and grounds the club) and the ball moves (whether caused by the player or not), the player is penalized one stroke and the ball must be replaced.

Rule 18-2 - Effective 2012

If the player addresses the ball (grounds the club immediately in front or behind the ball, stance not required), the player is penalized one stroke and the ball must be replaced. Exception - If it was known and virtually certain that the ball was moved by the wind or rain (the elements) and not the player, no penalty applies and the ball is played from its new location.

Rule 18-2 - Effective 2016

If it is determined the player did not cause the ball to move, no penalty applies and the ball is played from its new location.



Evolution of Rule Change

- 2008 Penalty if ball moved for any reason
- 2012 Penalty if ball moved for any reason; except caused by wind/rain
- 2016 Penalty only if determined that the player caused the ball to move

Determining Whether a Player Caused a Ball to Move

So what standards or guidelines are now used to determine whether a player caused the ball to move? As noted earlier, the “Decisions Book” interprets and provides guidance in administering the basic rules. A new 2016 decision (18-2/.5) provides “weight of evidence” standards for use in determining whether the player caused the ball to move. The following

paraphrases a few of the standards and examples provided in the decision.

Key Evidence Standards

- All available evidence should be considered. For example, the lie of the ball, surface irregularities and ground slope, weather conditions (rain, wind, etc.), actions taken near ball (taking stance, practice swings, moving impediments, etc.) and time lapse between action and movement of ball.
- If evidence indicates more likely than not the player moved the ball, even if some doubt, the penalty is assessed and the ball replaced. Otherwise, there is no penalty and the ball is played from its new location.

Examples Where Player Deemed to Have Moved Ball

- Player’s ball lies on flat portion of putting green, light winds. The player addresses the ball and it immediately moves. More than likely the act of addressing the ball caused it to move.
- Player’s ball lies on a tuft of grass in the rough. Player takes a practice swing coming in contact with grass in the process. Ball almost immediately moves vertically down in the grass. More than likely, the practice swing along with the lie of the ball caused the ball to move.

Examples Where Player Not Deemed to Have Moved Ball

- On a windy day, player addresses the ball on the putting green. A short time later, the ball moves in the direction the wind is blowing. The strength and direction of the wind and the delay in movement of the ball indicate factors other than the player caused the ball to move.
- A player’s ball lies on an upslope on a closely mown area. The player takes a practice swing somewhat away from the ball and carefully takes his stance, concerned that the ball could move. Prior to making his backswing, the ball moves. Because the ball did not move during the practice swing or while taking the stance, it is more likely the lie on the upslope caused the ball to move.



Hopeful Confusion?

THOUGH WINSTON CHURCHILL likely stated, “There is no such thing as a good tax,” taxpayers will be happy to know that Congress passed 2015 year-end legislation that includes provisions to make permanent several tax breaks that previously required annual renewal. Now permanent is the exclusion from income of up to \$100,000 per year for Individual Retirement Account (IRA) distributions given directly to charities. Prior to this act by Congress, almost every December brought uncertainty as to whether this exclusion would continue to exist, and that threw a wrench in charitable tax planning. One year Congress even waited until January of the following year and applied the exclusion retroactively.

There is another tax break in the 2015 year-end legislation that benefits Floridians. As Florida is one of the seven states that does not impose an income tax, we will now enjoy the permanent option to deduct state sales taxes on our Federal income tax returns. Floridians have the option of either saving receipts and deducting sales tax actually paid or taking the deduction amount from the IRS calculator which determines the deduction based on your adjusted gross income (AGI). While either option is beneficial, taxpayers may consider the itemized approach in years where major

purchases were made such as buying a car, boat or airplane. Looking ahead to potential future changes to the tax code, presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton has voiced her plan to bring “The Buffett Rule” to fruition. She is taking a cue from legendary billionaire investor Warren Buffett who thought it was unfair that he pays a lower federal tax rate than his secretary. Buffett pays a lower percentage of tax because capital gains are taxed at a substantially lower rate than ordinary income from wages.

On the other side of the aisle is presidential hopeful Carly Fiorina who says our tax code, currently about 2600 pages long with 3 million words, should be slashed down to three pages. That’s akin to putting the entire 86-page NFL rulebook on the front of a flash card. Ms. Fiorina believes that a flat-rate tax system in which all taxpayers pay the same fixed percentage of their income will be simple. However, the definition of “income” can be complicated. Former House Speaker John Boehner, speaking last November to the Forum Club of Southwest Florida, was blunt when asked if he supported a flat tax or the fair tax (a national sales tax) saying, “Neither of those is going to happen.” He reasoned

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Big Screen Movie Reviews

By John Pinti, Riverwalk

THE REVENANT

Director: Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu
Screenwriters: Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu and Mark L. Smith
Stars: Leonardo DiCaprio, Tom Hardy, Domhnall Gleeson, Lukas Haas, Will Poulter
Runtime: 156 Minutes



The legendary Hugh Glass, a 19th-century American mountain man, has been immortalized in a 1915 book-length poem; a 1972 movie, *The Man in the Wilderness*, and more recently the 2002 “The Revenant: A Novel of Revenge.” Now we have Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu’s new film, *The Revenant*, set somewhere in the mountains of South Dakota but filmed in Alberta, Montana and Argentina.

Using legend and imagination to create the saga, the latest coming of Glass (Leonardo DiCaprio) works as a scout for the Rocky Mountain Fur Company. Towards the end of a six-month tour of duty trapping beavers, the squad of contract hunters is attacked by Native Americans. Led by scout Glass, the survivors struggle to walk miles back to the safety of their settlement. Along the way, Glass is attacked and brutally mauled by a grizzly bear. Despite one of the longest bear-attacks-and-mauls-man scenes ever filmed, Glass breathes, but barely. Not able to help him, his comrades leave him in the forest to die. And, in the process, his son is murdered by a fellow contract worker (Tom Hardy) which now gives Glass reason to drag himself out of his grave and endure about two more hours of movie time to crawl 200 miles back to home base for his revenge.

It’s beautifully shot by Academy Award winning Cinematographer Emmanuel Lubezki. He’s the odds-on favorite to win his third in a row for this one. DiCaprio, who is in virtually every scene, endures pretty inhuman stuff: the cold weather (think Fargo, ND), the crawling thing over rough terrain, floating through rapids, eating raw meat, etc. The bear even had the temerity to slash his throat leaving him speechless and his dialog consists almost entirely of grunts and painful sounding groans. The Academy might have to create a special category for Best Pain Performance by a Male Actor.

It’s a beautifully painted movie and kudos to the crew and actors who made it through the gruel of filming (reportedly, a number of them quit or were fired). No doubt it was physically challenging. But the movie comes off as if Director Inarritu spent considerable time coming up with a machismo challenge and little time coming up with a good screen story.

THE BIG SHORT

Director: Adam McKay
Screenplay: Adam McKay, Charles Randolph
Stars: Steve Carell, Ryan Gosling, Christian Bale, Brad Pitt, Hamish Linklater, Rafe Spall, Jeremy Strong
Runtime: 130 Minutes



There have been several movies dealing with the 2008 failure of the U.S. economy, including *Margin Call*, *American Casino*, *Plunder: The Crime of Our Time*, *Inside Job*, *Too Big To Fail*, etc. The latest one is *The Big Short*.

What’s different about this new treatment is the light comedy used to help the audience through the mundane explanations of what was behind the tragedy, that and the ensemble of A-list actors who believably fit snugly into the unfolding events. The publicity around this movie gives the credit for the comedic touch to the director Adam McKay ... he of training at the Improv Olympic in Chicago, writer for the *Saturday Night Live* TV show, and writer/director of a number of Will Ferrell movies, including his best *Talladega Nights*.

Adapted from the 2011 Michael Lewis book of the same name, *The Big Short* tracks a few astute investors who foresaw the collapse of the housing market and took advantage to pocket huge profits. They make unimaginable piles of dough but their hearts go out to the millions who lost homes and jobs. I know, I know, but these guys are the story’s protagonists and it’s crucial to the story that you put them on a pedestal and root for them. The telling of the story is peppered with scenes of pompous, greedy investment bankers, abandoned housing developments, shouting matches with ignorant shareholders, hip con artist mortgage brokers getting rich, an on-the-make SEC regulator, a smug bundler of synthetic collateralized debt obligations, a tenant who is going to lose his house and a blond (of course) stripper who owns five houses with second mortgages.

The collateral damage of the housing collapse was real. Most of us can relate. It’s still not completely understood how to prevent it from happening again. You may go away from the movie feeling like you have been entertained but probably not with the feeling you have any better understanding of what’s behind 2008.

JOY

Director: David O. Russell
Screenplay: David O. Russell, Annie Mumolo
Stars: Jennifer Lawrence, Edgar Ramirez, Robert DeNiro, Bradley Cooper, Isabella Rossellini
Runtime: 124 Minutes



Joy is the third picture that writer/director David O. Russell has made with the money actors Jennifer Lawrence and Bradley Cooper. His first two, *Silver Lining Playbook* and *American Hustle*, were nominated for a total of 18 Academy Awards. He may have run out of luck this time.

Joy is a biopic of the real Joy Mangano, inventor of the Miracle Mop which takes her from rags to riches. But, before she hits the big time, Joy is a divorcee with two young children, the sole supporter (barely) of the family that includes a no-income ex-husband living in the basement, her divorced soap-opera-addicted mother, an aunt and a sister. To make the small house even more crowded and chaotic,

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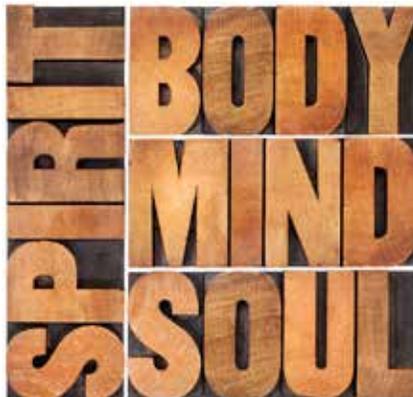
Our everyday routine and our ability to cope emotionally can really run us down. In a busy world where life can become routine and stressful, it's important we take time to enjoy a moment with friends or co-workers. It's rejuvenating. High levels of stress can lower our immunity, so laughter may also help to prevent disease. Healthy people have more to be happy about.

Laughter creates a positive attitude and lifts our mood, which is especially beneficial for those in pain. There have been many studies that show laughter can offer some relief.

Those who laugh more seem to have higher levels of energy. This can also be the result of having a personality that copes better emotionally. Happy people tend to make the best of difficult situations and connect well with others since laughter cuts tension and reduces anxiety and stress.

Though there's no scientific proof that laughter itself boosts health, it certainly can improve quality of life. So laugh a little, what's the harm?

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Restaurant Review

BREAKING BREAD with Judy Mazukelli, Estancia

Our well regarded “foodie” friends urged my husband Ron and me to join them at one of their favorite local dining spots. My first impression of **C Level Bistro & Wine Bar’s** sophisticated design exceeded my expectations. The illuminated blue exterior flows indoors to the chic modern restaurant. In addition to the enlarged outdoor patio, a second dining room has been annexed to the original bar and dining area furnished with high top tables.

While mingling among his clientele, Tony, the hospitable owner, offers knowledgeable assistance with wine selections. He provides sufficient varieties by the glass and bottles, in addition to a collection of imported and domestic beers. During happy hour (5:00-6:30 p.m. daily), all wines are discounted to \$3.00/glass and the tariff for beers is \$3.00. Also, he proudly highlights the French-inspired charcuterie platter (\$38) as a tapas choice -- definitely enough for two people to share. This signature dish includes foie gras, imported meats and cheeses, smoked duck breast and pork loin.

Our dinner partners guided us through **C Level’s** food options. The menu includes two soups, seven entrée-sized salads, an assortment of small plate offerings, followed by meat and seafood entrees. Even though a staple of the eatery is the popular onion soup gratinee (\$10), my husband and I opted to split a bowl of cream of shrimp and asparagus soup (\$7) while our dinner partners shared an interesting appetizer – a whole smoked Atlantic wild mackerel (\$11).

The chef’s version of roasting rack of lamb (\$32) with a boldly flavored crust of chopped fresh garlic and herbes de Provence made this hearty meal well worth every forkful. A delicious sampling of “land and sea” was the surf and turf au poivre (\$32), comprised of a grilled 4-oz. filet mignon and a colossal sea scallop enhanced with a rich peppercorn sauce. Grilled black grouper Provençal was prepared with simmered tomatoes, olive oil, garlic and parsley for a pleasing meal (\$32). The evening’s fish special was baked grouper topped with lobster meat then finished off with a creamy seafood sauce (\$33). A mélange of six fresh grilled vegetables along with rice or potato was served with every entrée.

C Level Bistro & Wine Bar’s dessert offerings are limited to French classics including crepe suzette (\$12), crème brulee (\$9), berries Chambord for two (\$15) and a cheese plate (\$8).

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The Path Between the Seas, by David McCullough, explains in depth about the building of the Panama Canal and all the intricate relationships, even those between the canal building and factories in Pittsburgh! McCullough also has books on *The Brooklyn Bridge* and *The Johnstown (PA) Flood*. In *Paris: The Novel*, by William Rutherford, you find an exciting account of living in the times when the Notre Dame Cathedral and the Eiffel Tower were built, and the workers' daily lives. (He also has historical novels on New York, *Sarum* (about Salisbury, England) and London.) In *Pillars of the Earth*, by Ken Follett, you follow the Middle Ages during the building of great cathedrals to learn about their structure, flying buttresses and even how stained glass is made! While David McCullough's books are historically factual, William Rutherford's and Ken Follett's are not. Each author has had to do a tremendous amount of research to deliver historically detailed, stimulating books.

These are only three authors that I love. I think each should be "required reading" if you are going to either destination or headed to any cathedral! Are you going to Africa? Surely you will read *Out of Africa*; *West with the Night*, by Beryl Markham; *Saving the White Lions*, by Linda Tucker, or *The Elephant Whisperer* or *The Last Rhinos*, by Lawrence Anthony. If you'd like a list of titles to read on your destination, I will happily provide one. Maybe you can help me! I'd like a good historical novel about Machu Picchu. Anyone know of one? Please call to let me know!

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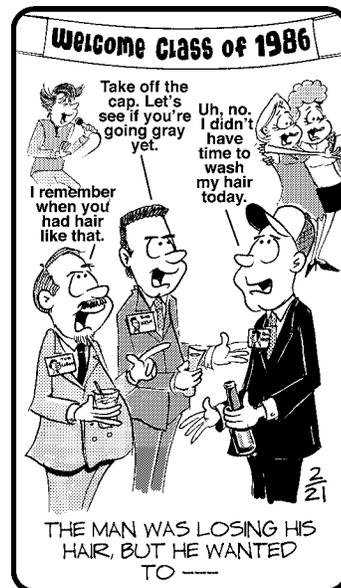
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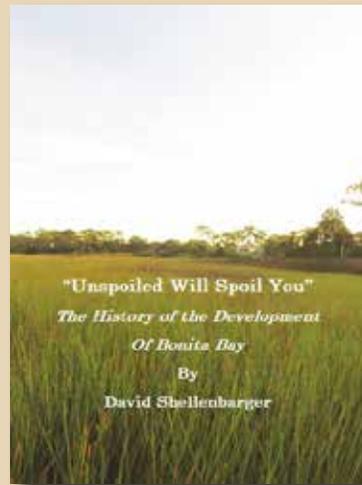
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Iguazu Falls, Argentina

Iguazu (EE-gwa--SOO) is often compared to Victoria Falls in Africa. The Falls offer spectacular vistas and sturdy walkways. There is an optional tour aboard a power boat that heads directly into the falls at full speed three different times; you get absolutely soaked. That and the return up a very long, very steep and very slick hill are NOT for the faint of heart.

Brazilliant!

Our third and last country was Brazil. As we crossed the border, we could see Paraguay in the distance. We returned to the national park to see the panorama of waterfalls from the Brazil side ... a little like seeing the Grand Canyon from both the north and south rims -- maybe not necessary but nice to have.

We flew to Rio and took in the city in all its evening glory. The following morning we visited Christ The Redeemer, one of the modern Seven Wonders of the World. The statue juts 2400 feet into the air ... dominating the Rio skyline from almost every vantage point.

Carnaval is a world famous festival held each year before Lent. The Carnaval parades are filled with revelers and floats from numerous neighborhood "samba schools." We visited one such school to see their floats in production, don costumes from previous parades, learn about the culture, meet the dancers and – here’s the best part – learn the samba!

Our final day began with a two-hour boat ride aboard a schooner in Guanabara Bay. We lunched at the base of Sugar Loaf Mountain, then headed up the Cable Car for the views from the top.

Our final dinner was at a Brazilian churrascaria, where there was an amazing display of salads and appetizers. Then waiter after waiter came by with meat on spits – MANY kinds of beef, pork, chicken, lamb ... each one tastier than the next.



Rio's Christ The Redeemer

As we exited the restaurant in a thick fog, the now illuminated Christ The Redeemer statue appeared from out of nowhere, high on a hill. It seemed fitting that South America’s most famous icon appeared in an ethereal fashion to bid us farewell.

Footnote

The following is a link to the digital scrapbook – with 500+ photos -- that I created on our South American travels. <http://www.picaboo.com/?share=c19daf4bb20ece7afd9496b63559087c&version=511354&siteID=ViaPreview>

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BIG SCREEN MOVIE REVIEWS *continued from page 55*

her father moves in after being dumped by his most recent girlfriend. The only sleeping space left is the basement where he reluctantly joins the ex-husband whom he despises.

To care for her major dysfunctional family, Joy works as an airline customer service rep and over time has given up her entrepreneurial drive and her chance of attaining a college degree. Through happenstance, her entrepreneurial fire is relit and the difficult journey begins. It's a nice story of various hardships that are overcome on the way to success (the ignorance and interference in business matters by her family, trademark fraudsters, etc.) and personal fulfillment. In spite of the choppy nature of the film's cuts, dizzying camera movement and constant chatter, Jennifer Lawrence, a Hollywood star of the first order, carries this movie and comes across as a very believable Joy to watch.

THE HATEFUL EIGHT

Director: Quentin Tarantino
Screenwriter: Quentin Tarantino

Stars: Samuel L. Jackson, Kurt Russell, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Tim Roth, Walton Goggins, Bruce Dern, Demian Bichir, Michael Madsen

Runtime: 167 Minutes



It's Quentin Tarantino's eighth major film and there's some similarity between this one, *The Hateful Eight*, a western mystery, and his second film, *Reservoir Dogs*, a bank heist that goes wrong. They're both mysteries, dialog heavy and involve ensembles of actors.

This new film is set in Wyoming a few years after the Civil War. A bounty hunter (Kurt Russell) is aboard a stagecoach in a blizzard heading to Red Rock with his prisoner (Jennifer Jason Leigh) who is scheduled to hang. On the way, they pick up another bounty hunter (Samuel Jackson) who is also trying to get to Red Rock to claim the bounties of three dead prisoners he is transporting. Later on, they meet another man walking in the storm who supposedly is Red Rock's soon-to-be sheriff.

The stage coach reaches a way station where the travelers plan to sit out the blizzard. There they meet up with four strangers who are already at the cabin. There's something wrong about the whole thing. You're not sure what is going on but things are definitely out of kilter. The owner of the station is absent, supposedly off to visit her mother. The station itself is minded by a mysterious Mexican (Damian Bichir). The others include a character claiming to be a hangman (Tim Roth), a Confederate general (Bruce Dern) and a cowboy (Michael Madsen) on his way to visit his mother.

As the proceedings slowly unravel, you almost get the feeling you're watching a good play. But this is a movie and what happens probably can only be done on film. The theatrics include the usual Tarantino drama, mounting suspense, surprise killings, dialogue and banter, and above all, a crafty resolution of the mystery. Depending on what you think of the 'Tarantinoesque' touch, you'll either love it or hate it.



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HOW TO AVOID BEING HACKED!

HACKING IS UNFORTUNATELY a huge issue in the society we live in. I'm sure you have or someone you know has gotten hacked recently. The hacking could have been an email account, financial account or an entire computer system. It seems as every single second passes, another large company is getting compromised.

Here are some things you can do to help prevent your account from being hacked. When opening emails, always keep a suspicious mind. Make sure that the sender is an address you know and be cautious in opening any sort of attachment or link. Attachments are one of the easiest ways that hackers force malware into your system. These are easily spread through forms of Word, executable files and PDF's. Links are similar, masking fraudulent sites.

Another precaution is known as a two-factor authentication, which requires users to enter a password and also confirm entry with another item like a code texted to a phone. This is an excellent way to stop attackers who have stolen passwords. More companies are making it standard for users to log in using this method.

One of the most obvious but overlooked precautions is making a complex password. The more complicated the password, the less likely you'll be to get attacked. Importantly, don't use the same password for multiple sites.

Hint: Use a password made up of one of your favorite quotes or

lyrics, with symbols and/or numerals included. For example, "Inyoureasterbonnet9."

Then make a note to yourself in the notepad of your Smart phone to remind you: "Judy/Fred9."

While on public networks such as coffee shops or hotels, be advised that you really don't know who has control of these networks. Information that you are producing can easily be shared amongst others.

Everyone talks about the cloud and its storage capabilities. While it is convenient, the service you use stores all of the data. A good rule of thumb might be if you don't want people to access your information, don't share it. Remember you are giving it to someone else to look after, no matter how secure they say it is.

Hacking is becoming more and more frequent. The numbers have risen astronomically in the last five years and unfortunately will most likely continue. There is no bulletproof way of being safe but following these simple guidelines will make it much safer for you and your accounts.

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BB's Best in Show



BB's Best in Show for February are Sofi (left, 6 years old) and Elli (right, 5½ years old) who live with Karen and Bill Bucy in Woodlake. They win a \$50 gift certificate from Happy Tails Pet Salon conveniently located at 26251 S. Tamiami Trail (directly across from Bonita Bay's North Gate), 239-948-7300.

If you would like to nominate your dog as "BB's Best in Show," please submit a photo to team@baywatchnews.com by February 10 to be published in the March issue of *Bay Watch News*.

(Editor's Note: Winner is selected by an independent judge.)

Trivia

Q1: Name the 5 states that border New York State.

Q2: What is the approximate diameter of the earth in miles?

Q3: What does someone who suffers from oneirophobia fear?

Q4: What movie did Sandra Bullock win a Best Actress Oscar for in 2009?

Q5: What is the shallowest ocean in the world?

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- A1: New Jersey and Pennsylvania to the south and Connecticut, Massachusetts and Vermont to the east
 - A2: 8,000
 - A3: Dreams
 - A4: "The Blind Side"
 - A5: The Arctic

DAY			TIDES				COEFFICIENT	SOLUNAR ACTIVITY
			1st TIDE	2nd TIDE	3rd TIDE	4th TIDE		
1 Mo		 07:10 am  6:11 pm	01:18 am low tide (0 p)	07:47 am high tide (0.9 p)	11:47 am low tide (0.6 p)	6:34 pm high tide (1.9 p)	39 low	
2 Tu		 07:10 am  6:11 pm	02:33 am low tide (0 p)	09:55 am high tide (0.9 p)	12:38 pm low tide (0.9 p)	7:28 pm high tide (1.9 p)	40 low	
3 We		 07:09 am  6:12 pm	03:38 am low tide (-0.3 p)	11:22 am high tide (0.9 p)	1:46 pm low tide (0.9 p)	8:26 pm high tide (1.9 p)	44 low	
4 Th		 07:09 am  6:13 pm	04:32 am low tide (-0.3 p)	12:11 pm high tide (1.3 p)	2:56 pm low tide (0.9 p)	9:23 pm high tide (1.9 p)	55 average	
5 Fr		 07:08 am  6:13 pm	05:18 am low tide (-0.6 p)	12:45 pm high tide (1.3 p)	3:56 pm low tide (0.9 p)	10:15 pm high tide (2.2 p)	67 average	
6 Sa		 07:08 am  6:14 pm	05:59 am low tide (-0.6 p)	1:11 pm high tide (1.3 p)	4:48 pm low tide (0.9 p)	11:05 pm high tide (2.2 p)	81 high	
7 Su		 07:07 am  6:15 pm	06:37 am low tide (-0.6 p)	1:34 pm high tide (1.3 p)	5:36 pm low tide (0.9 p)	11:52 pm high tide (2.2 p)	92 very high	
8 Mo		 07:07 am  6:16 pm	07:14 am low tide (-0.6 p)	1:57 pm high tide (1.3 p)	6:24 pm low tide (0.6 p)		100 very high	
9 Tu		 07:06 am  6:16 pm	12:40 am high tide (2.2 p)	07:49 am low tide (-0.6 p)	2:20 pm high tide (1.3 p)	7:13 pm low tide (0.6 p)	106 very high	
10 We		 07:05 am  6:17 pm	01:28 am high tide (2.2 p)	08:24 am low tide (-0.3 p)	2:45 pm high tide (1.6 p)	8:06 pm low tide (0.3 p)	106 very high	
11 Th		 07:05 am  6:18 pm	02:20 am high tide (1.9 p)	08:58 am low tide (-0.3 p)	3:14 pm high tide (1.6 p)	9:05 pm low tide (0.3 p)	100 very high	
12 Fr		 07:04 am  6:18 pm	03:17 am high tide (1.9 p)	09:32 am low tide (0 p)	3:47 pm high tide (1.9 p)	10:11 pm low tide (0 p)	91 very high	
13 Sa		 07:03 am  6:19 pm	04:22 am high tide (1.6 p)	10:06 am low tide (0.3 p)	4:25 pm high tide (1.9 p)	11:26 pm low tide (0 p)	78 high	
14 Su		 07:02 am  6:20 pm	05:49 am high tide (1.3 p)	10:40 am low tide (0.6 p)	5:11 pm high tide (1.9 p)		64 average	
15 Mo		 07:02 am  6:20 pm	12:53 am low tide (0 p)	07:56 am high tide (0.9 p)	11:17 am low tide (0.9 p)	6:07 pm high tide (1.9 p)	53 average	
16 Tu		 07:01 am  6:21 pm	02:21 am low tide (-0.3 p)	7:16 pm high tide (1.9 p)			49 low	
17 We		 07:00 am  6:22 pm	03:37 am low tide (-0.3 p)	11:42 am high tide (1.3 p)	1:41 pm low tide (0.9 p)	8:33 pm high tide (1.9 p)	52 average	
18 Th		 06:59 am  6:22 pm	04:37 am low tide (-0.6 p)	12:19 pm high tide (1.3 p)	3:13 pm low tide (0.9 p)	9:43 pm high tide (2.2 p)	61 average	
19 Fr		 06:59 am  6:23 pm	05:25 am low tide (-0.6 p)	12:47 pm high tide (1.3 p)	4:22 pm low tide (0.9 p)	10:41 pm high tide (2.2 p)	70 high	
20 Sa		 06:58 am  6:23 pm	06:04 am low tide (-0.6 p)	1:09 pm high tide (1.3 p)	5:16 pm low tide (0.9 p)	11:29 pm high tide (2.2 p)	79 high	
21 Su		 06:57 am  6:24 pm	06:37 am low tide (-0.3 p)	1:27 pm high tide (1.3 p)	6:00 pm low tide (0.6 p)		85 high	
22 Mo		 06:56 am  6:25 pm	12:11 am high tide (1.9 p)	07:05 am low tide (-0.3 p)	1:42 pm high tide (1.6 p)	6:40 pm low tide (0.6 p)	89 high	
23 Tu		 06:55 am  6:25 pm	12:49 am high tide (1.9 p)	07:30 am low tide (-0.3 p)	1:56 pm high tide (1.6 p)	7:18 pm low tide (0.3 p)	89 high	
24 We		 06:54 am  6:26 pm	01:25 am high tide (1.9 p)	07:54 am low tide (0 p)	2:12 pm high tide (1.6 p)	7:56 pm low tide (0.3 p)	87 high	
25 Th		 06:53 am  6:26 pm	02:02 am high tide (1.9 p)	08:17 am low tide (0 p)	2:30 pm high tide (1.6 p)	8:37 pm low tide (0.3 p)	83 high	
26 Fr		 06:52 am  6:27 pm	02:42 am high tide (1.6 p)	08:41 am low tide (0.3 p)	2:54 pm high tide (1.9 p)	9:21 pm low tide (0 p)	76 high	
27 Sa		 06:52 am  6:28 pm	03:27 am high tide (1.6 p)	09:06 am low tide (0.3 p)	3:21 pm high tide (1.9 p)	10:11 pm low tide (0 p)	68 average	
28 Su		 06:51 am  6:28 pm	04:20 am high tide (1.3 p)	09:33 am low tide (0.6 p)	3:55 pm high tide (1.9 p)	11:11 pm low tide (0 p)	58 average	
29 Mo		 06:50 am  6:29 pm	05:29 am high tide (1.3 p)	10:01 am low tide (0.6 p)	4:34 pm high tide (1.9 p)		49 low	

Solunar activity indicates the most favorable days of the month for catching fish. The strongest activity occurs when there is a full moon or a new moon and is weakest when there is a quarter moon and a three quarter moon.



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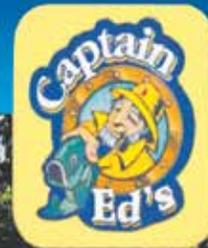
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Bonita Bay Bicycle Club

By Betty Frank-Bailey, Tavira

"SHARROWS" ADDED TO BONITA BAY ROADWAYS

Bonita Bay Community Association has added shared lane markings -- "sharrows" -- to the right lanes of Bonita Bay Blvd. and Country Club Drive. The "sharrows" show cyclists where to ride and alert motorists to expect cyclists and to be prepared to share the road.

"With so many Bonita Bay residents and visitors enjoying cycling, I am delighted that BBBCA has taken this important step to improve cycling safety in our community," says Robin Tucker Goyette, president of the Bonita Bay Bicycle Club. Additional benefits expected include a reduction in the incidence of wrong-way cycling and an increase in the number of riders choosing to use the road during the busy winter months, alleviating some congestion on the paths. Both motorists and cyclists are reminded to follow all local traffic laws to ensure a safe, enjoyable cycling experience for all.



rides to Ft. Myers or Naples at speeds of 18-24 mph ... with many groups in between. The club has organized rides throughout the US and usually sponsors an international trip every other year. This fall two groups toured Italy, with 19 members biking six days in Tuscany and Umbria and six members pedaling through Puglia in Southern Italy for five days.

Upcoming biking events sponsored by the club include BBBC's 14th Annual Century Ride on Monday, February 15.

Visit www.BonitaBayBicycleClub.com for more information on how to join the club, details on upcoming rides, biking routes and cycling safety. Also, find us on Facebook.

BONITA BAY BICYCLE CLUB WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Thinking of joining Bonita Bay Bicycle Club? Whether you're a seasoned cyclist looking for long-distance rides or relatively new to cycling and just want to ride an hour a week within Bonita Bay, we have a group for you! The club is open to all Bonita Bay residents. Experienced club members are available to help determine the best group for you; there's even an "Intro to Group Riding" experience available by appointment.

Bonita Bay Bicycle Club was founded in 2000 with 16 inaugural members of various biking abilities. The club's mission is to foster camaraderie among its members through cycling. The club promotes the safe use of bicycles for fitness, recreation and transportation through group rides and social events. Today the club has over 180 members who collectively ride 175,000 miles in a year. Typical group rides range from a relaxing weekly 10-12 mile ride in Bonita Bay at a 10-12 mph pace ... to challenging 50-60 mile



HOPEFUL CONFUSION? *continued from page 53*

that too many special interest groups are invested in deductions and carve outs to deviate from the current convoluted mess.

As you are likely aware, in 2011, the estate and gift tax exemption was set at \$5,000,000 and indexed for inflation. Since then, the inflation indexing has resulted in an increase averaging more than \$100,000 every year. However, with 2015's very low inflation rate, the estate and gift tax exemption is only increasing \$20,000 to \$5,450,000 for the 2016 year. Another outcome of the low inflation rate is the again unchanged annual gift tax exclusion amount which remains at \$14,000 for the 2016 year.

Winston Churchill also stated, "It has been said that democracy is the worst form of government except for all those other forms that have been tried." We may have hopeful confusion in our tax system, but at the end of the day, we have a better system of government and taxation than likely anywhere in the world.

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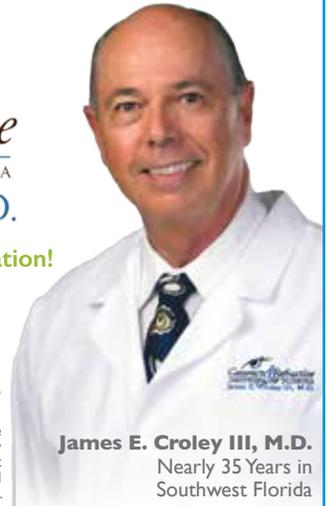
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UH ... LIKE ... YOU KNOW?

by Anna Shechtman

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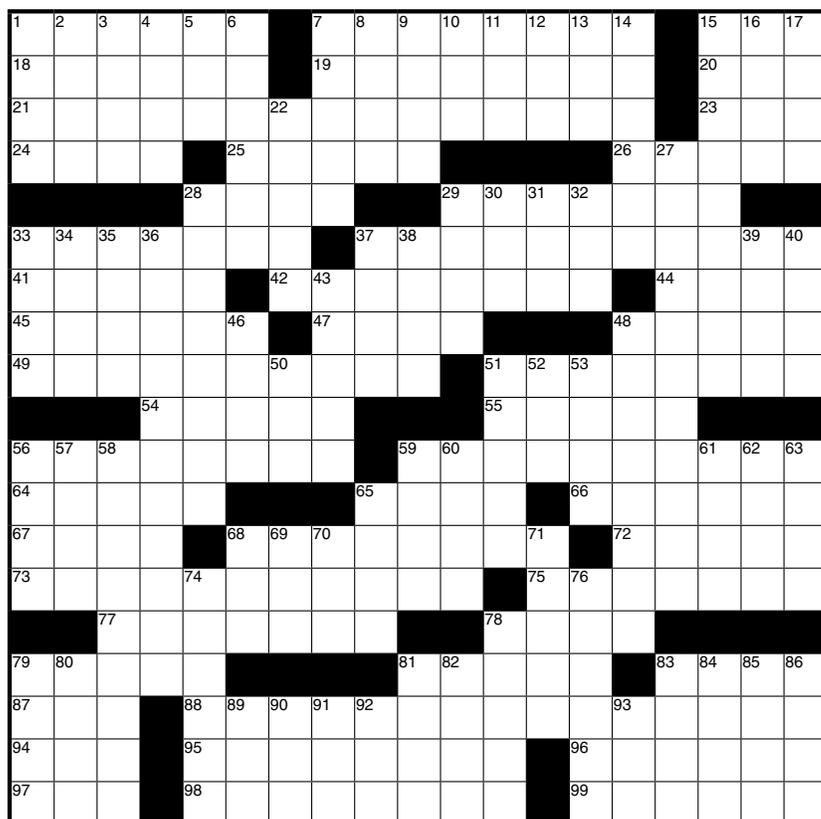
ACROSS

- 1 "Sis boom bah" preceder
- 7 Alternative to "To whom it may concern"
- 15 "What's cookin'?"
- 18 Ring combination
- 19 Flashy two-pointer
- 20 Tax pro, briefly
- 21 What spilling the beans might accelerate?
- 23 Charged particle
- 24 "He shall suck the poison of ___": Job 20:16
- 25 Unlocks
- 26 Happening
- 28 Ph.D. requirement: Abbr.
- 29 Fibrous muffin ingredient
- 33 Facebook or OkCupid creation
- 37 One singing psalms loudly?
- 41 Wives of rajahs
- 42 Features of some car deals
- 44 Disney's "___ & Stüch"
- 45 Ultimatum's end
- 47 Destination for Paris tourists
- 48 One of the girls on "Girls"
- 49 Aid for psychics?
- 51 Alternative to baking?
- 54 False gods
- 55 Long-armed ape, informally
- 56 Spending according to plan
- 59 What a waiter does to supplement a main course?
- 64 Like Odin and Thor
- 65 Diva's solo
- 66 Spring times
- 67 "While you're ___ ..."
- 68 Heavy metal or emo
- 72 "___ River" (song from "Show Boat")
- 73 The Met, the Guggenheim, the Cooper-Hewitt and six others that famously make up a New York "mile"?
- 75 Scrumptious bits
- 77 "Pineapple"
- 78 Mailed
- 79 Mrs. Gorbachev

- 81 Lauder of cosmetics
- 83 Emphatic response to "Quieres más?"
- 87 "We have ___ in order not to die of the truth": Nietzsche
- 88 Editors Harold Ross, William Shawn and David Remnick?
- 94 Introduction to liberalism?
- 95 Pass at the plate?
- 96 Beginning
- 97 Sex columnist Savage
- 98 Source of extracts found in many beauty products
- 99 Mojave or Gobi

DOWN

- 1 Italia's capital
- 2 Enero-to-diciembre periods
- 3 Marijuana plant
- 4 U.S. 1 and others: Abbr.
- 5 Part of a wheat stalk
- 6 Fondue bourguignonne potful
- 7 Julie Andrews and Judi Dench
- 8 Tesla Motors C.E.O. ___ Musk
- 9 Gov. Landon and others
- 10 No longer working: Abbr.
- 11 Assad's land: Abbr.
- 12 Debtor's promise
- 13 Hooley
- 14 Range of influence
- 15 Marie or Pierre Curie
- 16 "When You Wish ___ a Star"
- 17 Be winded
- 22 Unexpected win
- 27 Ones famous for overusing the words "like" and "totally"
- 28 Deter through argument
- 29 Do as one's told
- 30 Boxer with a 2-1 record against Frazier
- 31 Age at which Tatum O'Neal won an Oscar
- 32 Kids' ammo
- 33 Climactic scene in "Carrie"



30 MINUTES / 116 WORDS

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- 34 In ___ form
- 35 Linear, in brief
- 36 Senate obstructions
- 37 Roseanne of "Roseanne"
- 38 At a red light, say
- 39 Princess in "Frozen"
- 40 Horse of a certain color
- 43 Frequently bleeped Comedy Central presentation
- 46 Slate or Salon
- 48 Backpack brand
- 50 Cavs, on a scoreboard
- 51 Up to now
- 52 Supposed lead-in?
- 53 "Ta-___ Boom-de-ay!"
- 56 "___ unrelated note ..."
- 57 "Don't look at me!"
- 58 Fighting words
- 59 Utah city
- 60 Halves of sawbucks
- 61 Attractive girl, in modern lingo
- 62 Alternative to Israil
- 63 Identification figs.
- 65 Fever and chills
- 68 Baltimore paper, with "The"
- 69 Main Street, ___
- 70 Breakfast spot, on special occasions
- 71 Arab commander: Var.
- 74 Say with sincerity
- 76 Monotheist's belief
- 78 British guns
- 79 Kentucky senator Paul
- 80 Zone
- 81 Deco illustrator
- 82 ___-Ball (arcade game)
- 83 Je ne ___ quoi
- 84 Playwright William
- 85 What not to do with 007's martini
- 86 "___ it a pity?"
- 89 Night before
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- 91 Up to now
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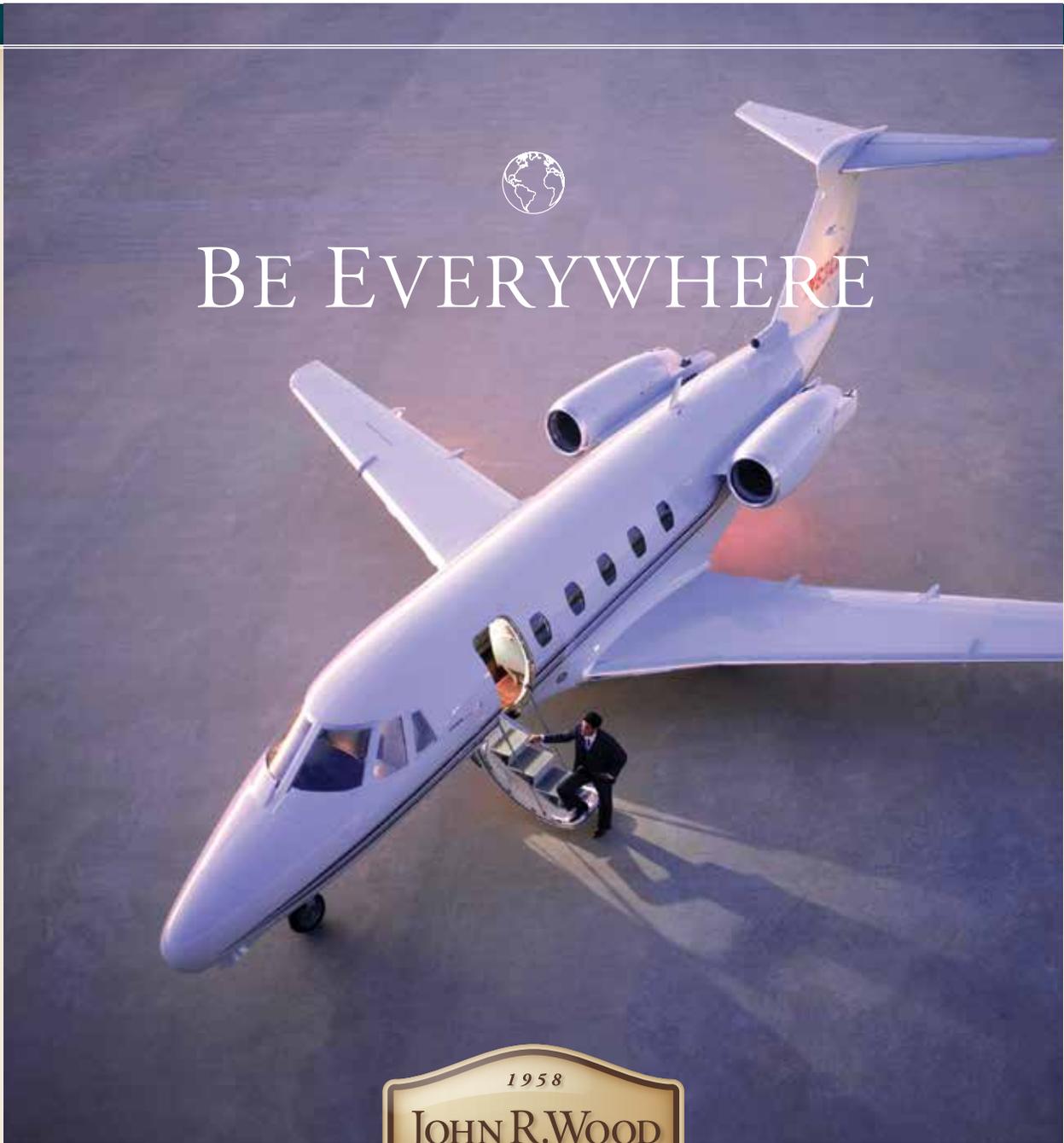
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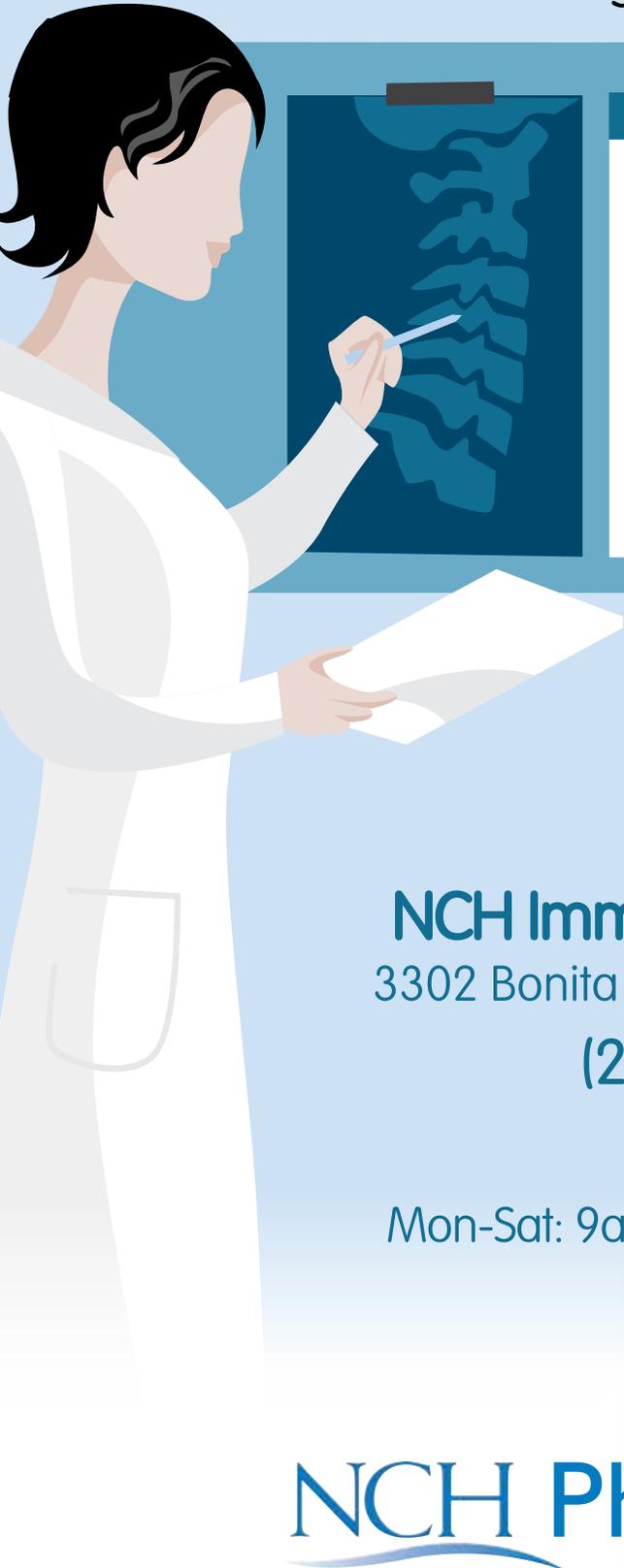
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