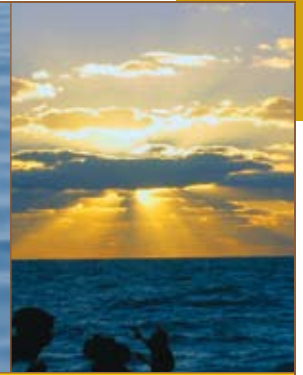


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Congratulations to the TOC on a job well done!

*The Committee: Front Row - Tony Heyworth, Dave Barry, Peter Lloyd Jones
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Editors' Notes

ON MARCH 18 at approximately 2:00 p.m., a collective sigh of relief was heard throughout the Bonita Bay Community. The Turnover Committee signed the documents which transferred ownership of the Club from BBG to the MEMBERS! The balloons that hung in the front entry said it all - **We Are Us!** The residents of Bonita Bay cannot thank the Committee enough for all of their efforts in bringing this unhappy chapter in BB history to a favorable conclusion. We would like to dedicate this edition of *Bay Watch News* to the Fabulous Nine!

That being said, there is a lot of work ahead ... a new board of directors will be elected, committees will be formed and much needed maintenance of the facility will begin to take place. The future certainly looks bright. As was evidenced by these past 12 months, we know that this membership is more than capable of working together to reach a common goal.

Additionally, we must stay diligent in effecting the transfer of the Community Association to the residents with the aid of the Homeowners' Transition Committee. We remain hopeful that it will be completed within the 12-month time frame that was agreed. The resolution of the Marina Club's fate is still uncertain – stay tuned!

As the 2009/2010 “season” winds down (is it over already?), *Bay Watch News* closes its second year of publication with this April issue. We will continue to update you during the summer by way of the web site: www.BayWatchNews.com. If you do not regularly receive our email “blasts” and would like to be added to the list, please let us know.

Have a safe and wonderful summer ... hurry back to our “slice of paradise”.

Yours,

Don and Valerie Gorman
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Letters to the Editor

WHAT THE NINE MEMBERS of the TOC have accomplished for ALL the members of Bonita Bay is truly appreciated. They have worked very hard for a year, during their vacations, even when out of the States, during their time with their families! What a retirement should not be! I thank each of them for their dedication to a task that at times looked close to impossible. They kept their heads, they fought for all of us, **THEY GOT IT DONE!!!** Congratulations and thanks to each of them and their families who have done without them during this time.

Sally Newi, Ibis Cove

OUR SINCERE THANKS to the entire TOC team. Your hard work and dedication have provided our members with the opportunity to turn our beautiful community into the envy of Southwest Florida. May you all enjoy many years of happiness and joy here at Bonita Bay.

Ray and Marie Bosso, Bayview

AS THE GREAT WINSTON CHURCHILL once said, "Never have so many owed so much to so few"; so it is with the members of our new Club and the debt of gratitude to the Turnover Committee. Thanks so much.

Dick Johnson, Bayview

A SPECIAL NOTE OF THANKS and appreciation to all the members of our TOC who tirelessly and continuously pursued this negotiation to its successful outcome. When the other side changes the rules on the fly, it creates even more difficulty; and we were fortunate to have elected a team that stayed the course to conclusion. Congratulations and thanks to all.

Dick and Maureen Schulze, Baywoods

MICHAEL AND I BOTH extend our heartfelt thanks to our TOC for their expertise and more than full-time effort over this long haul. What are you all going to do with all of that extra time, now that you're not responding to hundreds of emails? We hope that you pat yourselves on the back; smell the roses; raise a glass with us in celebration!

Emily Crom Lyons, Riverwalk

LET ME BE ONE of the many to toast our TOC for a job well done. We appreciate the many tireless hours you have put in. We are lucky to have you.

Elaine Bartlett and Michael Marchese, Anchorage

As the great Winston Churchill once said, "Never have so many owed so much to so few."

WE TRULY FEEL at a loss for words ... My husband and I have discussed this several times. The question is: How can we possibly thank the Turnover Committee for the time they have devoted to our cause? There is no way to quantify their time, effort, expertise and commitment. We simply cannot thank them enough for making this possible. **THEY** are the reason we have re-joined Bonita Bay. **THEY** represent the quality of life and the kind of neighbor and friend we envision in the highest regard.

THANK YOU TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE TURNOVER COMMITTEE!

Mary and Dan Adams, Wild Pines

MANY, MANY SINCERE THANKS for all of your tireless work on the members' behalf in bringing a bad situation to the best possible conclusion. You faced these difficult negotiations with steadfast desire to bring this purchase to a successful conclusion through many months of tedious work. Thanks for protecting all of our investments ... members and non-members alike.

Don Heeringa, Mahogany Ridge

THANK YOU FOR ALL your hard work in achieving a successful club turnover. The amount of time and effort you put into getting the members a members-owned club is commendable. I can go on and on praising the TOC but it can best be said as follows: A job well done. Thank you.

Charlie Cavaliere, Montara

YOU KNOW YOU have done a great job when for several months I have heard nothing but praise for your effort, and that was before you announced a deal, and closed.

Duke Downey, Spring Ridge

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!

Grant Kurtz, Anchorage



Who's Who in Bonita Bay

By *Tommye Fleming, Mahogany Ridge*

What do J. Edgar Hoover, Efrem Zimbalist Jr. and Riviera's Ed Ludemann have in common? Can you spell F.B.I.?



ED'S GRANDFATHER WAS an NYPD cop. So after Villanova, then Wake Forest law school, Ed followed his law enforcement leanings and joined the Bureau. In his first office in New Bern, NC, he asked almost everyone he came across if they knew anyone on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted list. One day, he lucked out. While in the post office, he showed

a picture of a man known as Tyler Tyler to a couple looking at a Top Ten bulletin board. Sure enough, the couple knew him, thought they had seen him in Mecca, NC and were thinking he might be dead.

Ed and his partner headed to Mecca where everyone they asked about the Top Ten photo responded that they knew him! It's amusing that the FBI didn't. It turns out the "perp" was indeed dead and his body had been sent to the UNC medical school for forensic use. The FBI was able to fingerprint Tyler Tyler two years after his death and close the case.

Ed and his wife Barbara moved nine times in his 25 years with the Bureau. His career culminated as he had always envisioned it: as Special Agent in Charge of the New York office. That office, along with Washington, D.C., is the most vulnerable in terms of national security, so it receives the most resources and attention.

In 1993, just weeks before his last day with the FBI, the first World Trade Center bombing occurred. Initial news reports blamed the incident on an electrical transformer. Ed didn't buy it. He and others in the office established an FBI command center, assigned investigative leads and called in bomb experts. In a short time, they located the origin of the yellow Ryder van and apprehended several terrorists. One, however, still remains at large and holds a spot on the FBI's Most Wanted Terrorists list to this day.

A few weeks later, Ed began his new position with Chase Bank as Director of Global Security. His initial budget and staff was minimal but they both ballooned exponentially. Some of that increase was due to ratcheted-up security as a result of 9/11, and some was due to multiple mergers (the bank is now known as JPMorganChase).

Speaking of 9/11, Ed was in his office downtown when the first plane hit that fateful morning. He and his boss were both aware planes weren't allowed to fly in the area and

they were certain it was terrorist attack. A Chase command center was already being organized when the black plume of the first fallen tower rolled through the area.

There were different rules for evacuation then, which were reassessed after that morning. Employees were kept in the building to save them from smoke inhalation and falling debris. Eventually, 14,000 were evacuated from downtown Chase buildings; many walked over the Brooklyn Bridge.

Ed had seen a lot of terrible things in his days, but nothing as devastating as this. "The air was so thick you honestly didn't know if you would live or die." It was hard to focus, but with so many things to do, he actually lived at the office for several days. By the following Monday, Chase reopened its downtown buildings.

However, his job wasn't completed. There were regular security presentations to employees, which were difficult. How could you assure employees when you were apprehensive yourself? There were Anthrax problems and bomb threats. Ed was burnt out. It was time to go.

In 2004, he started his own business, offering security surveys, vulnerability/risk assessments and emergency operation plans for commercial institutions and colleges. The business is a way for Ed to ease into total retirement.

What has changed most in terms of security over the years? Liaisons among law enforcement organizations are considered a priority; contacts are a necessity. The FBI now works closely with the CIA. Agents team up with state troopers. Private cameras assist in solving public crimes. Everyone in security has a need to know what's going on in other security organizations in order to be effective. It's a lot easier, thanks to technology, to access that knowledge in 2010 than it was when Ed was a newbie in NC, walking around with photos in his pocket, asking everyone he encountered if they had seen anyone on the FBI's Most Wanted List.

*Security is mostly a superstition.
Life is either a daring adventure,
or nothing.*

– HELEN KELLER



Curious Photographer

Do you have a "Bucket List"? If so, what is on your list?



Paul Ramsey CRANBROOK

I always wanted to learn to sail. So, Linda and I took a two-week course in Lake Erie. We were certified to Bare-Boat and in June we chartered a 36' Beneteau in the BVI's for our 20th anniversary. Also, I always wanted to shoot my age. Missed it by one this year and last year!



Rena Rutstein DEERWOOD

- (1) Play bridge with Doreen Ressler as my partner against Bill Gates and Warren Buffet.
- (2) See the magic of the Himalayas from the country of Bhutan.
- (3) Achieve a hole-in-one.



Mary Ann McKoane CREEKSIDE

I've been so fortunate in that much of my "Bucket List" has been filled. Not overflowing but enough that I am content with what life has offered up to me. But if I could put a wish in that bucket it would be for everyone's list be fulfilled.



Bill Pollert ANCHORAGE

I would like to return to Africa to do safaris of major game areas. Write a book about starting up a company on Wall Street entitled "Never Flinch". Charter a sailboat to do extensive cruising in Maine, New England, the Caribbean and points South.

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Bonita Bay Club Member Owned! *By Mike Hanson, Sanctuary*

BREAK OUT THE BUBBLY! Bonita Bay is now a member-owned club. The long-awaited transfer from the ownership and control of the Bonita Bay Group (BBG) took place on Thursday, March 18 in a closing that concluded in mid-afternoon with the wire transfer of the \$11.5 million cash purchase price.

In an ironic coincidence of timing, just as the club transfer took place, Florida's Attorney General filed suit in Lee County Circuit Court against Bonita Bay Group, Bonita Bay Properties, Resource Conservation, David Lucas

and Brian Lucas, charging that their refusal to refund membership deposits at all of their clubs violated Florida's Deceptive and Uniform Trade Practices Act. The suit seeks a permanent injunction, actual damages and civil penalties of \$10,000 per act.

Adding to BBG's legal woes, in mid-March, 22 former members of Bonita Bay filed a joint suit seeking repayment of nearly \$1.5 million in membership deposits. BBG, its affiliates and officers are now the defendants in more than a dozen lawsuits at various stages in the judicial process.

For the members of the New Bonita Bay Club, all of whom signed releases regarding membership deposits, legal actions are now over as attention turns to future operations as a member-owned club.

Work also continues on the prospective turnover of the Bonita Bay Community Association to Bonita Bay's residents. Language in the Club Transfer Agreement states that Bonita Bay Properties will use its "reasonable best efforts" to turn over the Community Association within the next 12 months. A Homeowners' Transition Committee is actively engaged in that endeavor.

At this time, negotiations for a member-purchase of the Marina Club have been terminated, and the Marina Club Turnover Committee has asked BBG to refund its due diligence expenditures.

The final phase of the 11-month club turnover effort lasted just four weeks. After signing the definitive club transfer agreement on February 6, the Club's

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Turnover Committee (TOC) implemented an efficient and relentless membership recruitment drive that exceeded all expectations and projections.

For those on the front lines, the last days of the membership drive were busy, nerve-racking and exhilarating. As the March 8 deadline approached, a steady stream of members flowed through the Club's entrance foyer, delivering their membership applications, notarized releases and transition fee checks to desks staffed by TOC members, club staff and neighborhood volunteers.

Others stopped by frequently, on their way to, or returning from, their day's activities, inquiring about the latest numbers and offering thanks and encouragement. Daily emails carried the news –

March 1 – 860 golf members; March 2 – 919; March 3 – 997; March 4 – 1,058.

When it became clear that the membership goals had been met and would be surpassed, the focus shifted quickly to the issue of the BBG's continuing refund liability for membership deposits, which could not exceed \$7 million for the deal to move forward.

At this critical juncture, the *Bonita Daily News* ran a front-page story on March 6 reporting that an unnamed buyer was prepared to purchase the Club for a higher price than its members were paying and would honor all membership deposits.

To many observers, the article appeared to be based on a clumsy attempt either to derail the existing Club Transfer Agreement, or to provide BBG leverage to renegotiate a higher price in the event that its refund liability remained above the contract threshold.

Whatever the motivation underlying it, and the questionable editorial judgment to publish it, the article was dragged and dropped quickly into the journalistic trash bin. The TOC and neighborhood representatives

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City Council Member John Spear, who represents Bonita Bay as well as the rest of District 4, has a "day job" as well – he is a practicing Board Certified Real Estate Attorney. Spear hung out his shingle in Bonita Springs in 1982, after practicing for four years in his home state of Illinois.



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OVER THE PAST 28 YEARS, Spear has attempted to balance the demands of a law practice, family and an active interest in the community. "John's wife Lisa will confirm that some years have been more balanced than others," says Spear. He believes that his active law practice has made him a better participant in community affairs and that his community involvement has made him a better attorney.

When Spear started, he would literally take just about any case or transaction that walked in the door. Since that time, he has narrowed his practice to the point where almost 90% involves representing sellers and buyers of local real property, mostly residential.

Spear recognizes that most of his *Bay Watch News* audience already owns property in Bonita Bay, but one thing he has learned is that many owners cycle through to a larger second home or primary residence to a high rise over a 10-20 year period. He says, "I cannot count the number of clients who have sworn that the home they just bought will be the last place they will ever own, but who have moved at least once after that!"

What follows are insights John Spear has accumulated over the past 28 years:

1. The old adage that the three most important factors in a real estate acquisition are "location, location, location" has lasted so long because of its simple truth. Many a time clients make a hasty decision to purchase and end up selling quickly because they wanted to be closer to the beach, or in a bigger or smaller home, or closer to (or farther away from) a particular part of Florida,



or because they had never lived in a condo situation and chafed at the idea of other people telling them what to do. Simply put, where in Florida, where in southwest Florida, where in Bonita Springs, and even where and in what type of home in Bonita Bay, are questions that deserve a great deal of thoughtful consideration.

2. Although many Bonita Bay residents have had long careers in corporate America, their decision to purchase or sell a home is often one of the 5-10 most important decisions a client can make in a lifetime. Given that, it is critical that buyers or sellers consult with the professionals they usually rely on as a part of major financial decisions. Tax advisors, estate planning professionals, investment advisors can all help in making sure that the new home, the second (or third or fourth) home, or residency in a new state, complement rather than complicate the client's financial big picture. Questions of how the property is paid for, how it is titled, how it affects the asset mix are all issues that deserve careful attention.
3. Involvement of local real estate professional help is also important. There is no substitute for a well-qualified broker, whether one is selling or buying. Brokers have unique access to properties spanning the entire spectrum of the marketplace and can help seller and buyer alike in understanding what comparable properties are selling for. And brokers are also a wealth of information about locations (again!), neighborhoods and specific homes. And involving a real estate attorney in a transaction from the beginning, at a minimum, ensures that important issues are not overlooked and that issues that arise are addressed appropriately. I regret having to say to clients that "I wish I had seen that contract before you signed it" or "I wish I had represented you when you bought and we could have avoided this problem."

4. For sellers, my guiding principle is that when the sale is closed, the seller wants the sale to be final and not have to deal with sales issues afterwards. Making sure

the purchase and sale contract are clear and specific and reflect what the sellers intend, that the closing documents are consistent with the contract, and that all issues raised between contract and closing are resolved with finality, go a long way towards meeting the "no come-back" objective.

5. For buyers, my guiding principle is that when the sale is closed, the buyer should end up getting what

the buyer bargained for without having to chase the seller or others for any shortcomings with the property. Adequate inspections, clear and specific contract language, quality title search and examination, and closing documents that are consistent with the contract, go a long way to satisfying the goal of getting the buyer what the buyer reasonably expects.

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The Dentist Chair



By Jim Papandrea, DDS, Riviera

Root Canal Therapy

THE LAST THING you want to hear is, "You need a root canal." Often times because you waited too long before contacting your dentist. Without getting too technical, there are usually two main causes for a root canal: decay and trauma.

We all understand that if you do not brush, floss or rinse, bacteria will attack the teeth. The more bacteria, the more decay. Once the decay breaks down enough enamel and dentin (the inner material of the tooth), pain signals damage to the nerve which eventually dies. It is the death of the nerve that leads to an abscess (an infection). This dead tissue gives off gases and because of the hard structure surrounding the nerve, these gases have no where to escape. They eventually cause an erosion of the bone starting at the root tip. This gas pressure building up causes the patient pain as it is eroding the bone. At this point, the patient usually has no choice ... and faces root canal therapy.

The nerve (now dead tissue) must be removed by opening the tooth (a hole is drilled), taking out the dead nerve tissue (called instrumentation) and usually leads to crowning the tooth. The crown is necessary because the hole made to take out the nerve and old fillings has weakened the body of the tooth. Many times under these circumstances, the tooth also needs structural help, like a post (small rod placed down the canal where the nerve was) and a core to strengthen and give bulk for the crown. Your dentist should help you make the determination if the tooth is worth saving. If not, then an extraction and an implant may be the best choice.

The second reason for possibly needing a root canal is trauma. This can occur when a tooth is hit and takes a blow of some type. The injury kills the nerve and gas begins to build up and cause pain. Be careful not to think that if the tooth was hit and there is no pain that it must be okay. The death of the nerve can be very slow, so slow in fact that you may never feel pain. The abscess continues to grow (loss of bone) and then swelling begins, yet there is no pain. This is why x-rays are needed periodically. X-rays are also needed to help guide the dentist in his instrumentation during the removal of the dead nerve.

My best advice: early treatment frequently eliminates the need for root canal therapy or implants – both being costly and time consuming.

It's Never Too Late



SOME OF THE OLD-TIMERS at Bonita Bay will remember John Torrence. He and his wife Eileen came to Bonita Bay in 1985 and purchased a condo in Wild Pines. There was only one building in the complex and there was only one golf course – the Marsh. Woodlake consisted of a single model home and the sales center. To say that the Torrences were here in the beginning is an understatement! They spent a happy 20+ years in Bonita Bay ... golfing and making new friends. John says all of his golfing buddies are gone now... but the memories live on.

John is a World War II Marine veteran who spent 14 months in the Pacific, starting his tour in American Samoa. He learned to fly the newest military plane – the Corsair – which incorporated the largest engine available at the time, with 14-foot-long propellers. He flew 400 solo hours and says half of the men he flew with never made it home from the war. Last May, the Rotary Club sponsored a trip to Washington D.C. to honor these heroic men. Some 200 veterans were flown from North Carolina to our nation's capital where they were greeted by a military band. A police escort followed the entourage as they toured the World War II memorial ... a day John will never forget.

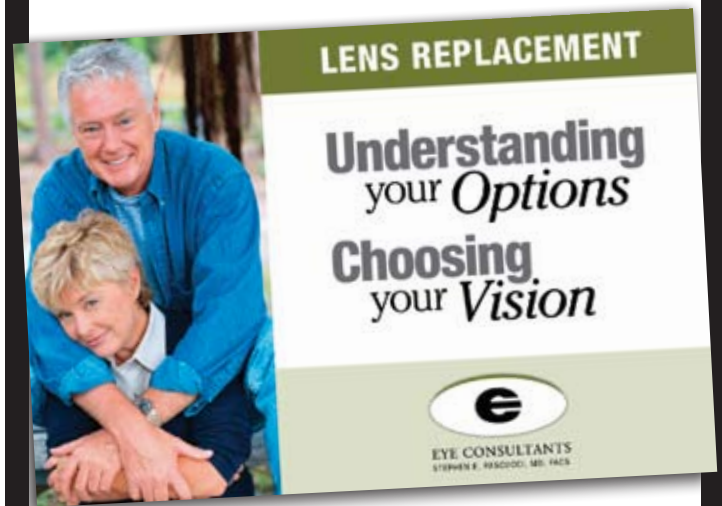
John loves a challenge. In 2005, he decided to take a course in computers at the local college in North Carolina. It is taking six years (because he annually “cuts class” to travel to Tampa for spring training), but next year John will graduate from McDowell Technical College with a degree in Business Administration ... he will be just short of his 90th birthday!

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– EDWARD EVERETT

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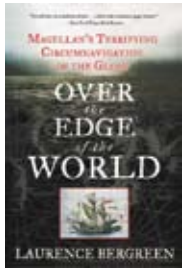
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Over the Edge of the World by Laurence Bergreen

Elaine Brotman, *Horizons*

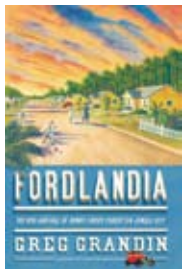


MAGELLAN, A PORTUGUESE SAILOR and nobleman, wanted his king to fund a voyage to the Spice Islands for great wealth and glory by sailing west instead of east. This was at a time when seamen still thought they could be attacked by giant sea monsters or fall off the edge of the world. Rebuffed, he offered his services to the ambitious King Charles I of Spain, Portugal's great rival on the high seas. King Charles agreed, and after assembling a crew and five ships, Magellan set sail from Seville to attempt the first circumnavigation of the globe. After a three-year and 60,000-mile trip, only one broken down ship made it back. Of the 260 men who started out, only 18 returned ... emaciated and without Magellan.

Bergreen does an extraordinary job of describing in rich detail all aspects of the expedition: Magellan's sheer determination to make the voyage a success, the hatred between the Portuguese and Spanish sailors, the treachery among the leaders of the expedition in jockeying for power, the intrigue leading to several attempts at mutiny, the personal relationships with native peoples and Magellan's evolution into a religious fanatic. This coupled with many beautifully written passages describing the icy landscapes of Tierra del Fuego and the lush vegetation of the Pacific Islands make this book one I would truly recommend. In fact, I am going to read it again.

Fordlandia: The Rise and Fall of Henry Ford's Forgotten Jungle City by Greg Grandin

Norm Roberts, *Creekside*



HENRY FORD BUILT a highly successful automobile company based on the Model T, advanced factory automation, vertical integration and relatively high wages. He also had a strong desire to impose his values on society. To that end, he created a number of model communities to achieve what he saw as a pastoral/industrial utopia.

Concerned about the supply of rubber from South East Asia, Ford decided to establish a rubber plantation in the Amazon jungle called Fordlandia. His vision involved a model community with schools, hospitals and American style housing complete with gardens. In 1927 he acquired a tract of land twice the size of Delaware and started the project.

Ford's staff in Dearborn selected all the equipment and supplies needed. These were shipped to the Amazon along with several families from his timber business in Michigan. To run the whole operation – clear the jungle, build a power plant, establish a community, plant rubber trees, etc. – he chose a ship's captain! Not until years later was anyone with expertise in botany, rubber trees or tropical cultivation consulted or involved in the project.

Despite many mistakes, the community was eventually created, and rubber trees were grown. However, rubber blight and insect damage meant that only minimal latex was ever produced. The whole project was eventually abandoned. Although he spent millions of dollars on the enterprise, Ford never set foot in Brazil.

Grandin has written a balanced review of Ford and the failure called Fordlandia with much interesting background material. Unfortunately, Grandin lectures more than is necessary on the need to preserve the Amazon.

A Death in the Family by James Agee

Shirley Gorman, *Oakwood*



"A DEATH IN THE FAMILY" was first published in 1957 after Agee suddenly died in 1955. Though the novel was not complete and was heavily edited by David McDowell, it was a success. It won the Pulitzer Prize. In 1998, the novel was reprinted from the original manuscript. There was one section, "Knoxville: Summer of 1915", that was added as a prologue.

"A Death in the Family" is an autobiographical novel. It tells of the death of a young husband and father – Jay Follet – in an automobile accident and how his family reacts to his unexpected death. The setting is Knoxville, Tennessee 1915.

After spending time with his family and having a few drinks with his brother and his father, Jay leaves for home. Jay loves to drive fast and wants to reach home before his children go to bed. In route, he hits a huge rock, is thrown from the car and is killed instantly.

Learning of Jay's death, Mary, his wife, wraps herself more deeply in the arms of her religion. Emma, the four-year-old daughter, does not understand if she is going to see her father before the funeral. Rufus, the six-year-old son, not quite understanding what death means but realizing his father will never come home, searches the house. Rufus, in fact, searches the rest of his life for his father. Their uncle offers Rufus hope by telling him about the butterfly that perched on his father's coffin and stayed there as it was lowered.



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Recipe

Roy's Blackened Island Ahi

(Serves 4)

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 Ahi, 7 oz. Block Cut
- 1/4 cup Blackening Seasoning
- 1 cup Soy Mustard Sauce
- 3/4 cup Beurre Blanc
- 1 oz. Olive Oil
- 1/2 cup Steamed Rice
- 1 Baby Bok Choy, 1/2 cut, blanched
- 2-3 tbsp. Pickled Pink Ginger
- 1 oz. Daikon Sprouts
- 1/2 tsp. Black Sesame Seeds, toasted

BUERRE BLANC:

- 1/2 cup Dry White Wine
- 2 tsp. White Vinegar
- 1 tsp. Lemon Juice, squeezed
- 1 tsp. Shallots, minced
- 2 tbsp. Heavy Cream
- 1/2 cup Unsalted Butter, chopped
- 1/4 tsp. Kosher Salt
- Cracked Pepper

Preparation:

Combine the wine, vinegar, lemon juice, and shallot in a heavy stainless-steel saucepan. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat and cook to reduce the liquid until it becomes syrupy. Add the butter, stirring slowly; do not whisk. Take care not to let the mixture boil, or it will separate. When the butter is incorporated, season with salt and pepper to taste, and strain through a fine-mesh sieve into the top of a doubler. Keep warm over barely simmering water.

BLACKENING SEASONING:

- 3 tbsp. Paprika
- 1 tsp. Cayenne Pepper
- 1 tsp. Chili Powder
- 1/2 tsp. Ground White Pepper

Preparation:

Mix all of the blackening spice ingredients together on a plate. Dredge the ahi in the spice mixture on top and bottom. Heat the olive oil in a nonstick skillet over high heat and sear the ahi for 15 to 30 seconds on top and bottom for rare, 1 minute on each side for medium-rare, or to the desired doneness. Remove the ahi and hold until plating.

HOT SOY MUSTARD SAUCE:

- 1/2 cup Coleman's Mustard Powder
- 2 oz. Hot Water
- 2 oz. Rice Wine Vinegar
- 1/2 cup Soy Sauce (you can use less)

Preparation:

To prepare the soy mustard sauce, mix the Coleman's mustard and hot water in a bowl to form a paste. Let sit for a few minutes to allow the flavor and heat to develop.

Add the vinegar and soy sauce, mix together, and pass through a fine-mesh sieve into a bowl. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour to allow the flavors to develop.

STEAMED RICE:

- 2 cups Japanese Short Grain Rice
- 2 cups Water

Preparation:

Put the rice in a fine-mesh sieve and rinse under cold running water several times, until the water runs clear. Drain the rice, place in a rice cooker, add water to the 2 cup mark, cover and turn the cooker on.



TO PLATE:

For each serving, arrange the steamed rice in the center of the plate with a ring mold or you can freeform the mound. Wrap the blanched baby bok choy around the rice. Place the ahi on top of the rice and baby bok choy. Spoon or drizzle the beurre blanc and the hot soy mustard sauce around the tuna.

TO GARNISH:

Arrange a small mound of the pickled pink ginger on top of the ahi and then place daikon sprouts on top of pickled pink ginger. Sprinkle the sesame seeds over the hot soy mustard sauce and beurre blanc.

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Superior Interiors

By Judy Underwood, Allied ASID

Light Up Your Life – at Home!



WITH A LITTLE THOUGHT and planning, the lighting in the activity areas of your home can be made more efficient and attractive. But the right choice of fixture, the proper lamp (and bulb), placement and height each has a major effect on the results. When it all comes together, beauty, comfort and convenience can be added to every area of your home.

Four basic types of lighting are often used together to provide desired functionality and flexibility. Ambient lighting illuminates the entire room and creates a warm and inviting look. It should be relatively low level to avoid glare and dreariness. The amount needed is also affected by natural light sources, wall/floor/ceiling colors and ceiling light. Task or focal lighting is for reading, cooking, desk work, etc. and cooler in tone. It should be carefully placed to avoid shadows or glare to minimize eye strain. Accent lighting illuminates and highlights architectural features or objects in a room. Decorative lighting attracts attention to itself as an object. Examples are chandeliers or sconces. Decorative shades can make any lamp a decorative piece, as well.

Just as with furniture or window treatments, I always start with the function or purpose of a particular lighting need when working with clients. From there, the type of lighting is usually obvious, although there may be choices or a combination required. With the exception of chandeliers, most residential lighting requirements are met best with lamps rather than

recessed or ceiling-mounted fixtures. Wonderful lamps are available today for any location or purpose: wall sconces, table lamps, accent lamps, floor lamps, desk lamps and torchieres of every size and material add variety and interest to any décor.

Size counts, and so does placement. Chandeliers, for example, should not be much wider than half the width of a dining table, and hung so that the bottom is about 30-32" above the table top. Chandeliers for a foyer or staircase are a bit trickier, as they must be three-dimensionally proportional to 'look right' from both above and below.

There are many choices for task lighting, and your selection should depend upon some basic ergonomic considerations, i.e., where will the task at hand be held? From where will the task be seen? Is glare a consideration? Lighting for a dresser or make-up table needs to light the face or head, without causing shadows or glaring into the eyes; color and intensity is particularly important for make-up application. Lighting for reading and many hand tasks should usually come from above and behind the user.

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Living on the Course by Jack Sullivan, Riviera

It's Not All About Golf



IN HIS BOOK *WILLIE*, the great Willie Nelson wrote about his love for golf. He admitted addiction to the game. He said, that for him, hitting a perfect high-lofted seven-iron from 135 yards out and watching the ball spin to a stop close to the flag was the next best thing to an orgasm. In our group of 24 men whose average age is 75, Willie's analogy presents a problem: perfect shots, as well as other things, are not so common. Our average handicap is 22; it's the love of the game – not orgasmic thrills – that keeps us together. That word “together” is the most important element of this story.

We came together as a foursome looking for weekday games in 1991. There were already two active groups, Tony Garner's *Bandits* and Vito Soranno's *The Posse.* The *Bandits* were low handicap guys whose standards were

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too high for us; and Vito's Posse played on days that didn't fit our schedules. Of the four originals, three are still in the group: Don Hunt, Al Nicholson Sr. and myself. During the first season we recruited four players, and in the second season three more, one of them a gent by the name of Harry Baird. We needed a replacement one day and Al Nicholson suggested Harry. Said he was a nice fellow that would fit in. Baird showed up to play. He brought with him a backswing so short that it can be practiced in a phone booth. He also had the unique ability to laugh at bad shots as well as good ones, and he proved to be a take-charge guy. When I had to miss a week, I asked for somebody else to arrange the tee times. Harry picked up the baton and has held it ever since (two decades of leadership and absolute dictatorship). Being an accountant (he retired as Managing Partner and C.F.O. of the firm KPMG - Peat, Marwick, LLC), Harry had contacts with other bean counters who lived in Bonita Bay and invited some of them to join the group. They did and now C.P.A.'s represent 25% of the 24 members who call themselves the *Unforgettables*.

In spite of that, we still manage to have a good time. Without intent, the group is balanced by retired doctors, a business school professor, a couple of lawyers, an orthodontist, a restaurateur, entrepreneurs of various fields and a retired newspaper publisher.

Every one of our group signed up for the New Club. A remarkable fact when you consider how old some of us are. We usually have at least one or two guys in the sick bay for some malady: prostate cancer, skin cancer, heart problems, knee pain, shoulder separations, back spasms or the flu. One of our guys spends more time at the Mayo Clinic than the Chief of Surgery. We have more blue flags on our golf carts than

a Sicilian funeral. Of 24 regulars, we have ten who hit from the gold tees (we prefer to call them gold instead of yellow). But, with a range in age from the youngest at 62 to the oldest who turns 90 soon, there are other reasons to re-up besides the love of the game. For us, the camaraderie of the group is a big reason. Our members do more than play competitive golf on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We have a monthly mixed couples' nine-hole event with our wives. There's a monthly bridge tournament. We've rented buses to take us to Gulfstream Park for a day at the races. We have special events on St. Patrick's Day and an end-of-the season banquet where awards are given for

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Here's Another Fine Mess by Congress

By David P. Browne, P.A

OLIVER HARDY FREQUENTLY stated to Stan Laurel, "Here's another fine mess you've gotten us into." Well, Congress has outdone Laurel and Hardy again! For 95 years, the United States has had a Federal estate tax and for 35 years the United States has had a generation-skipping tax (GST). However, unless Congress passes retroactive legislation, these taxes are not applicable for the 2010 year.

There are very strong arguments that retroactive legislation would likely pass constitutional muster, but there are some counter arguments revolving around the Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment. As a practical matter, retroactive application would likely be litigated for years. If Congress does not act soon, it seems likely Congress will

not address Federal estate and GST taxes until after the November elections (if at all).

With the one-year repeal of the Federal estate tax, something potentially more harmful with a broader application may occur for some individuals. When assets were inherited prior to 2010, those assets received a step-up in income tax basis equal to date-of-death value. Thus, assets sold shortly after death generally did not result in a capital gains tax. For the 2010 year, the step-up in basis rule is generally not applicable and beneficiaries now receive a carry-over basis. For every decedent, there is a \$1.3 million gain exception to the carry-over basis rule and an additional \$3 million exception for a surviving spouse's trust, if the trust meets certain requirements.

It is estimated in 2010 that 6,000 estates would have paid Federal estate taxes, but over 70,000 beneficiaries will end up paying capital gains taxes.

In my February *Bay Watch News* article, I explained how with the one-year repeal, the tax formula clauses in some revocable trusts between the estate tax sheltered share and the marital share could significantly change the amount received between a surviving spouse and children. These concerns could also apply with tax formula clauses divided between individual beneficiaries and charities.

Recently, a widowed client of mine in her eighties asked for a review of her estate plan. Her revocable trust tax formula provides that the maximum

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Restaurant Talk from Phyllis

By Phyllis Liebman, Woodlake



AND THE AWARD goes to **Rossa Pomodoro** ... not for good food, but for the noisiest restaurant ever! And that says a lot! Three of us Sugden Theatergoers, upon a personal recommendation, decided to give the newest, and, unexpectedly, very casual Italian restaurant on Fifth Avenue a try. I had hoped that once we wended our way through the long, narrow passage bar area, filled with hoards of people, to the visible dining room on the opposite side of the high glass wall, the din would diminish. It didn't. We truly couldn't hear each other though we were speaking at the top of our voices. So, within just a few minutes of being seated, and just at 6:00 PM, one of my dining mates made a dash to **Pazzo**, a big diagonal across the street. Within a short time, our emissary returned. We could see her smiling face and beckoning motion through the front window. What a feeling of utter relief we had as we scooted out of this madhouse. Once seated at serene Pazzo, a bit early for their regular diners, we relaxed, spoke in quiet voices and enjoyed a totally delightful meal with excellent service.

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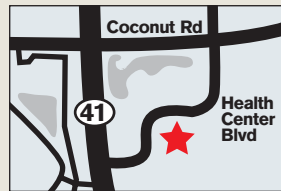
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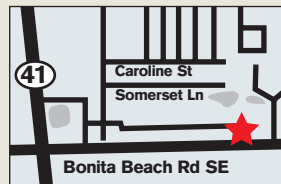
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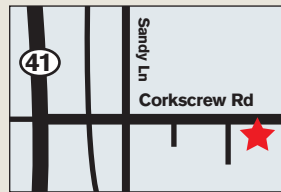
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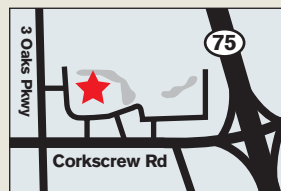
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continued to focus on the task at hand and intensified their efforts to encourage resigned members to rejoin the Club, or at least agree to take thirty cents on the dollar as a final refund for their membership deposits.

On March 11, in its 41st formal communication to the Club's members, the TOC made it official – all membership goals had been met, and refund liability had been reduced to under \$7 million. The Club Transfer Agreement was a “go”.

As of that date, the overall membership tally exceeded “base case” projections by 14%, and included 1,218 golf members, 178 tennis members, 178 fitness members and 299 social members.

As hard as they have worked, the TOC's assignment is not over yet. Members of the committee are serving as the new Club's first Board until a new Board is elected and takes office at the Club's Annual Meeting on June 4. TOC member Phil Ashkettle is chairing the Nominating Committee which has asked individuals interested in serving on the Board to submit their resumes no later than April 1. Interviews will follow, and a slate of up to 15 candidates will be presented to the membership for a vote. The nine top vote-getters will form the new Board, serving one, two or three-year terms.

Meanwhile, a search for a general manager is underway, directed by a TOC committee and assisted by Master Club Advisors, an executive search firm nationally known for its expertise in identifying top talent in the private club industry. The committee expects to recommend a candidate to the Board by early May.

When the Club's new Board of Directors takes office in June, it will face the challenges implicit in presiding over any newly acquired business. This particular enterprise generates over \$20 million in annual revenue, employs some 170 individuals, maintains two clubhouses (including several restaurants), operates five golf courses, a tennis, swimming and fitness facility, and reports to more than 3,000 members and designated users.

The Board assumes control of the Club in a challenging economic climate, following several difficult years under BBG's ownership. During those years, services were cut, capital spending was almost totally eliminated and the rising anger of the membership was directed exclusively at BBG and its “take it or leave it” restructuring specialist.

Those easy targets are now gone, and the focus of the membership now shifts to its elected Board, its standing committees and its general manager as they work together to implement new strategic and operating plans.

It will take time to return the Club to its preeminent position in Southwest Florida. The job will require skilled leadership and strong consensus-building, accompanied by the support and good will of the membership.

Fortunately, a case study already exists at Bonita Bay in the outstanding performance of the Club's Turnover Committee under adverse and difficult conditions. If future leaders live up to the high standards set by the TOC, the Club will move forward in exceptionally good hands.



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What can you do? Reduce, Reuse and Recycle! Reduce your amount of car trips by walking and using your bicycle or carpooling and using public transportation. Reuse plastic containers, shopping bags and water bottles. Recycle the ones you can't reuse. Look at the code on the bottom of each item, know the recycle rules for your community and help by placing items in the correct bins.

Have you heard about **Carbon Offsetting?** This is the terminology used to tell every American that we leave behind us a carbon footprint. For most of us, it is determined by the electricity we use, the heat, the car trips and type of car, etc. On the internet, you can find sites that calculate how to offset the amount of your usage by donating to an organization which will plant trees or build windmills. Most importantly, you'll even see carbon offsetting calculations on websites for the airlines now: a way to calculate your usage for each flight. Curious? A flight from Ft. Myers to Baltimore produces 1.479 tons of carbon from flying approximately 3,696 miles round trip. Using their immense calculations, your cost would be \$28.00 for a round trip flight to offset your carbon footprint. An average household with a mid-size car produces 21 tons of carbon a year.

Do you know about **Sustainable Tourism?** Sustainable tourism is not Eco-tourism, which focuses exclusively on wildlife, nature and exotic cultures. Sustainable tourism is an attempt to improve the impact of tourism. For example, when we trample around the glaciers of Alaska, are we ruining the base for future generations? Did tourists scare away the native birds in Corfu? When mass market tours converge on a small archeological ruin, do they accidentally destroy the site? When we travel en mass to a small Maasai village in Africa, are we gawking at the locals or are we trying to promote their way of life and their livelihood? Sustainable tourism requires that we think about how tourism impacts the lives and homes of those we visit.



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Music Makers

By Dick Connelly, Woodlake



ONE OF THE regular entertainment features at Bonita Bay for the past dozen years has been the husband/wife musical duo Billy Dean and Dawn. They are versatile, talented, skilled entertainers, as well as very tall. They are also avid golfers.

They came here in '97 to see a family member in Estero and liked it so much, they moved here. Billy is from Minneapolis and Dawn is from Pittsburgh and some years ago, she was a Miss America contestant representing Pennsylvania.

They are high-energy performers with a broad repertoire that includes more than 150 selections from the past several decades. Billy plays the keyboards, alto and soprano saxes and Dawn has an extraordinary full three-octave range that reminds you of Karen Carpenter or Whitney Houston.

So how tall are they? He is 6 foot 1 and she is a half-inch taller, not counting her heels. They met in 1991 at a Caesar's resort in the PA Poconos where he was the musical director.

When they first came here, they had no local musical credentials so they

approached the Eagle Creek Golf Club and asked if they could perform. The Club agreed and paid the minimum but allowed them to play golf for free. "So in effect, we were being paid to play golf," Billy said.

Then they persuaded the Ritz Carlton in Naples to let them play in their "Club Room." What started out as a modest gathering of 20 patrons grew to almost 200 and their local resume was similarly enhanced.

Now, they play 4-5 times a week at many local clubs in the Naples/Ft. Myers area and appear at Bonita Bay about once a month during season. "Many years ago, when you had the old clubhouse here, one season we performed every other week for the entire winter," Dawn said.

Interestingly, two of their best friends in the area are the Cahlua & Cream duo, Don & Lesly Hale, who often perform at Bonita Bay as well. And sometimes they join them in performing as the group Essence.

When they play POETS on Friday nights, they arrive about 4 pm and unload hundreds of pounds of equipment from their van: amps, lighting, mikes, etc. and spend almost an hour setting up. They have no staff "roadies" to help so it's a two-person effort. They begin performing at 6:30 pm and play for three hours, with no break. Then, everything gets packed back in the van for the next gig.

While they love their musical career, they're also golf nuts. They play at Stoneybrook Golf Club in Estero, but

They are high-energy performers with a broad repertoire that includes more than 150 selections from the past several decades.



mostly in the off season as they're too busy in the winter. Billy was at one time a single-digit handicap!

They next appear at Bonita Bay in early April and will surely return in the fall. So when you see them at POETS or some other club in the area, remember they're probably better golfers than you are and the taller one is the "second D."

Editor's Note: Dawn once told me that when she is not performing during the week, she saves her voice by NOT TALKING at all! She carries around a clip board and writes what she needs to say. Don thinks I should try this technique!

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We Have A Winner!

WE HAD MANY entries, but the first to identify the Mystery Object correctly was Dave Ness (Hamptons) as "The drink holder on the back of the benches at the Bocce Courts". Dave wins a \$25 gift card to La Fontanella's Ristorante!



Living on the Course *continued from page 19*

our biggest money winner, most improved golfer, and the player with the most rounds played (Al Nicholson has won this one for the last 15 years; at age 90 minus six months, he's still a horse).

Now, as the season rolls into the cup and after we play a few reciprocals, most of us will head north for the summer. The job of keeping track of us and arranging for the next season rests on the capable shoulders of Harry Baird, who we refer to as The Commissioner. Way before he was a business success, he served as a platoon leader in the U.S. Marines. That long-ago experience serves him well as he communicates with his far-flung platoon of hackers during the summer months. He keeps a record of when each member will return. If they'll be back in time to play reciprocals and what courses they prefer. He also keeps a running tab on the health of each member and each member's family and communicates that to the group. He's the lifeline of our community within the Bonita Bay Community.

Speaking for *The Unforgettables*, we'd like to thank the members of the Turn Over Committee: Ashkettle, Barry, Bowers, Dyer, Heyworth, Johnson, Jones, Klocko, and White. Without their dedication to excellence, without their dogged persistence and negotiating skills, without their sacrifices of time and energy, there would be no future for our golf group, or any golf group within Bonita Bay. The TOC has done us a great service and in many ways a thankless one. We want to correct that with a very warm and heartfelt thank you.

Superior Interiors *continued from page 17*

An astute buyer also considers the type, size and color of the light bulbs for the lamps, as well – especially important if the bulb will be easily seen. And don't forget that the halogen and quartz filament tubes generate intense heat, so they must always be shielded and kept well away from flammable materials. Newer, eco-friendly bulbs are improving both quality and color and will soon be required in all lamps and fixtures.

Finally, use accent lighting to highlight the wonderful, special features of any room, and to create the mood for entertaining and enjoyment in both daytime and night. Small halogen lamps can spark up any art, houseplant or accessory, and can often add significantly to the overall ambient light, as well as the décor of your home. The choices available today are never ending and sometimes a bit mind-boggling. Give it some thought, and you'll reap the rewards of a successful lighting scheme in every room!

And for our seasonal friends here in Bonita Bay, please remember that if you make careful plans for your renovations this spring, much can be accomplished over the summer months.

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Golf Instruction Lesson Series

By Jeff Heilman

Lesson #5: Pre-Shot Routine

WHEN STUDYING THE PROCESS golfers go through leading up to playing a shot, it is found that there are more steps than it appears. For our purposes, let's imagine you are playing a shot into a par four green.

Steps Taken Before You Arrive At The Ball:

You should know the general location of your tee shot. Save time and use your cart effectively by dropping your companion off at their shot and then take the cart to your shot while they hit. But, only do this if you can do it safely.

Steps Taken Before You Have The Ideal Club In Your Hand:

Pull 2 - 3 possible club choices from your bag. Proceed to your ball with the clubs in one hand and your rangefinder (if you have one) in the other. Check for your identifying mark on your ball. Determine your exact distance to the flag while other players are hitting their shots. Again, *only if you can do it safely*.

Steps Taken After You Know The Distance Of The Shot:

Make a club selection based on past experience. Other factors: wind – against vs. with you; elevation change – uphill vs. downhill; air – high humidity vs. low humidity.

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The main point is to make proper club selection at the ball, not the cart. Players who select a single, improper club at the cart rarely go back for the proper club and generally hit a bad shot.

Steps Taken After The Proper Club Choice Has Been Made:

Before taking your stance, visualize what you anticipate the shot to look like. A ball below your feet generally produces a slice. A ball above your feet generally produces a hook. You need to adjust for this.

Now with a good visual of the flight you anticipate, and BEFORE taking your stance, take your grip. Then step toward the ball with the objective of setting the clubface behind the ball with the leading edge square to your intended direction. THEN settle your feet. If the ground slope has the ball below your feet, you will ultimately stand closer to the ball. With the ball above your feet, the ball will be farther from your feet. If you set your feet first, you will rarely get it correct. Besides, by focusing on the clubface first, your concentration does not get distracted from the target.

When you feel comfortable, pull the trigger – start your swing.

I hope what you pick up from this lesson is that you must go through a repetitive mental and physical pre-shot routine to play your best golf. Efforts to speed up the pace of play in turn must be done between shots.

A little known fact is that once PGA Tour Players have pulled a club from their bag, the ball MUST be in the air in 50 seconds.

Go to www.BayWatchNews.com and click on "Golf" to see a demonstration of Jeff's pre-shot routine.

Jeff Heilman is a PGA member and has been a golf instructor at Bonita Bay Club for 23 years. He began teaching in 1972. During this time, he has given more than 50,000 lessons, helping players representing a wide range of abilities, from PGA Tour players to beginners.



Not Your Ordinary Hole-In-One!

WHILE HOLES-IN-ONE ARE RARE, a hole-in-one on a par four is extremely rare! Mary Jane Cerullo, Riviera had a hole-in-one on the Bay Island's par-four 13th hole. Witnessed by her playing partner, and an observant neighbor, she accomplished the amazing feat. By the way, that was her eighth ace! Now Mary Jane can add an Albatross to her achievements.

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Bridge Lesson

Opener's Notrump Rebids

By Pat Harrington

WE ALL KNOW that opening bids in notrump show balanced distribution and a specific point range. Here are some examples. Which of these hands can open with a notrump bid?

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|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1) ♠ K 9 | 2) ♠ A 8 6 | 3) ♠ A Q 9 | 4) ♠ A 7 6 | 5) ♠ K J 7 |
| ♥ A Q 7 | ♥ K Q 9 6 | ♥ A K 7 | ♥ Q 10 4 | ♥ K Q 10 |
| ♦ K Q 7 5 3 | ♦ Q J 9 | ♦ K J 10 5 | ♦ A 8 6 2 | ♦ A Q J 2 |
| ♣ Q 6 3 | ♣ K 7 5 | ♣ A 6 3 | ♣ K 9 5 | ♣ K 9 5 |

These hands all fall in the 13-21 point range and all of these hands can be described with either a notrump opening bid or a notrump rebid.

In the US, a strong 1NT opening bid is common. A possible range for opening 1NT is 16 to 18. Hand 1 is balanced despite the 5-card suit and fits into that range. I value this hand at 17 total points – 16 in high cards (HCP) and one length point for the fifth diamond. Open 1NT.

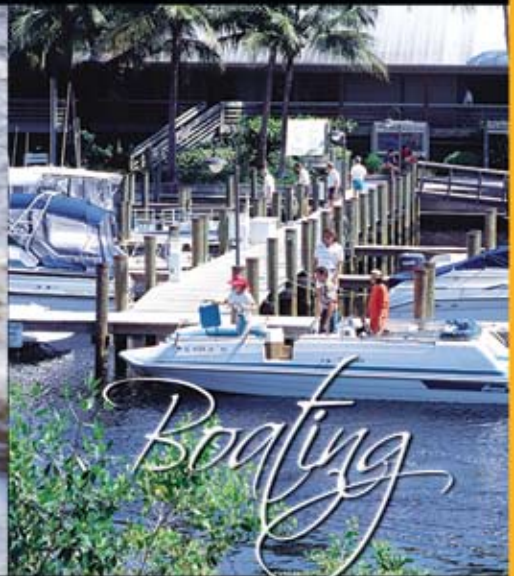
Hand 2 is a balanced 15 points. Would you still open 1NT? Modern bridge players have moved to a 15-17 point range for opening 1NT. The change came about when players

moved from using all two-level opening bids as strong to the use of weak twos where opening bids of 2♦, 2♥, and 2♠ are weak preempts. All strong hands are opened 2♣ with or without clubs. Opening 1NT with 15-17 has advantages. You are dealt more 15-point hands than 18-point hands so you get to open 1NT more often. That's good because 1NT is such a descriptive opening bid that responder can often place the contract immediately. Players who use the 16-18 point range would have to open this hand 1♣, leaving the entire one level open for an opponent to overcall more easily. Over a 1NT opening bid, the opponents have to venture to the two level to compete.

Weakening 1NT to 15-17 lets you weaken your 2NT opening bid too. In the old days, 2NT showed about 22-24 points, but now we can use an artificial, strong 2♣ opening with 22-24 point balanced hands, *so we open 2NT with a balanced 20-21 points*. With 21 points, Hand 3 opens 2NT.

Can you open 1NT with Hand 4? Not using strong notrump opening bids. Some players use weak notrump opening bids. They could start with 1NT, but that is not part of the Standard American system most of us play in the US. *When you have a balanced hand too weak for 1NT, open in a suit*. You'll bid

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1♦, your longer minor. If partner responds 1♥ or 1♠, you will rebid 1NT. **Opener's 1NT rebid shows a balanced hand that is too weak to start with 1NT.**

Where does Hand 5 fit into opener's notrump bids? 19 points makes the hand too strong to open 1NT, but not strong enough to open 2NT. Again, you must open in a suit – still 1♦. If partner responds on the one level, rebid 2NT. **Opener's 2NT rebid over a one-level response shows a balanced hand of 18 or 19 points – a hand between a 1NT and 2NT opening bid. Opener's 2NT rebid is highly invitational but not forcing.** Old time players used opener's 2NT rebid to show 19-21 points. Their 19-21 point 2NT rebid was forcing to game.

A recent syndicated newspaper bridge column discussing bidding balanced opening hands generated a number of questions from my students on how to use the above bids when responder passes the opening bid. Responder's pass definitely changes things. In each of the three auctions below, you are West and opened 1♦. What rebid will you make holding Hand 4 above?

Auction 1	Auction 2	Auction 3
W N E S	W N E S	W N E S
1♦ P 1♠ P	1♦ P P 1♠	1♦ 1♠ P P
?	?	?

In Auction 1, partner did respond and you'll rebid 1NT to show a balanced 13-15 points. However, you should pass in Auctions 2 and 3, where responder could not bid. Auction

2 makes the reason clear. Partner denied as much as 6 points when he passed your opening bid. You have already shown a minimum opening hand and have nothing extra. A partnership needs more than 20 points to reach 2NT and you don't have that. Taking another bid would be bidding the same values twice. It's more difficult to pass in Auction 3, but partner still doesn't promise any strength. In fact, rebidding 1NT in either Auction 2 or 3 shows a hand like Hand 5, not like Hand 4. **When responder passes the opening bid, opener's 1NT rebid shows an 18 or 19-point hand that would have rebid 2NT if responder had been able to bid.** It's too risky for opener to jump to 2NT opposite a partner who could have nothing. It's the fact that partner has at least 6 points that makes a 2NT rebid safe when opener has 18 or 19 points. You don't have that safety net in Auction 2 or 3, so you rebid only 1NT to show the balanced 18-19 point hand. Only in Auction 1 where partner showed at least 6 points is it safe for Hand 5 to jump rebid 2NT.

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The Lone Ranger *By Dick Connelly, Woodlake*

Women play golf faster than men.

Women tend to be more polite on the golf course than men.

The most difficult course at Bonita Bay is Bay Island.

Who says? The rangers (or "Player Assistants") at Bonita Bay do.

In extensive interviews with a half dozen rangers who patrol the west courses, these and other interesting and sometimes hilarious things were revealed.

Men play slower, said more than one ranger, "because they spend too much time looking for lost balls."

The holes that most slow down play are Bay Island #2 and Bay Island #7 through #9. "If there's any wind on that stretch of holes, we call it 'Amen Corner.'" Also, Marsh #11.

What's the funniest thing they have seen on a course? A woman on the first tee plumb bobbing the hole. Men waiting in the fairway for the green to clear "when there's no way they can reach the green." And a woman using a range-finder on the putting green.

In answer to the question, "What's the greatest shot you've seen out here?" one ranger said John Oyler hitting the 10th green on Creekside in two shots from the back tees and almost sinking the eagle putt. Another said it was seeing

Howard Klein's recent hole-in-one on Bay Island #3. It was his 15th hole-in-one. That's right, his FIFTEENTH! Although his wife Marj said he's had 16 !

Asked what the worst shot was, one said watching a member hit a wedge and the ball flew backward.

How do members respond when given a "red flag"? Most accept the request peacefully but one member objected saying, "I've never been given a red flag in my 21 years here as a member." But there were two open holes in front of him and he reluctantly skipped the next hole.

Who's the best golfer they've ever seen play here? More than one named Loren Roberts, Peter Jacobsen and Mark Lye. Another named current staff member Peter Baxter, who once shot a 60 in the final round of the South Florida PGA Section Championship and at one time had a +4 handicap. And back in the 1980's, he was a candidate for the U. S. Olympic alpine skiing team.

The most lost-balls query drew a range of responses, the worst being a member who thought a dozen balls would get him through 18 holes but ran out of balls on the 10th hole and asked the ranger to please go to the pro shop and get him another dozen so he could finish.

Should slow groups let faster players play through? Interestingly, they all said no. They said letting a group through delayed, even more, those playing behind. "The best solution is to persuade the slow group to simply keep up with the group ahead of them."

The ranger's day starts at 7 a.m. and they work until about 4 p.m. There used to be one ranger assigned to each course but now, two rangers cover the three west courses.

The one thing rangers dread is a medical emergency on the course. If a cart sends an alarm on the GPS that a medical emergency has occurred, the signal goes to the pro shop and they respond immediately by dispatching someone from the pro shop as well as the nearest ranger. The pro shop also sends a message back to the cart asking if this is indeed an emergency. If the reply is positive, they call 911.

The pro shop staffer drives a special, high-speed golf cart with an Automated External Defibrillator aboard. The cart can go about 17 mph while most carts do about 10 mph. The pro shop also decides how the EMT vehicles can best access the site or if a helicopter is required.

Interestingly, all rangers, starters and pro shop personnel are trained in using a defibrillator. None of the rangers interviewed had ever had to use the machine and they hope they don't ever have to.

Contributing Editor Tommye Fleming's Note: Bruce Robert played with a new member 5-6 years ago on Bay Island. He lost 24 brand new ProV1's by the 16th hole. When he said he thought he'd just ride in without completing the round, Bruce offered him some of this own balls. The guy responded: "Don't you think 24 balls are enough to lose?"

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“WE DID IT!”

I still chuckle when I recall asking my two-year-old granddaughter, Lilly Frances, a few years ago, “Who did it, Lilly?” referring to no specific incident. She proudly and boldly responded with: “I DID IT!”

However, when I asked her older sister Audrey, who was five at the time, the very same question, she apparently had already learned the not-so-innocent typical child’s response: “I didn’t do it.”

Well, even though we’ve all been taught not to brag and never admit to anything, this is the time that warrants an exception. WE DID IT! We all worked together to rally each other and came together as a group of friends and neighbors to purchase OUR club from BBG. This is a great accomplishment!

We can all take some credit, but our nine-member TOC led us by their example of working so hard and so selflessly. Their great effort will inspire all future club boards of directors for many years to come.

Friends, I certainly believe the best is yet to come here at Bonita Bay. If you liked this place when it was owned by the developer, you are going to be ecstatic with what is about to happen. It should be obvious to everyone who observed the fine work of our TOC for the past 15 months that there is great talent within our ranks.

Only a few years ago, I thought the developer BBG could run this place as well as anyone. Nothing could have been further from the truth.

Great things are about to happen at Bonita Bay and we can all help. Volunteer to serve on a committee.

I personally hope to help with membership sales and marketing. There is much we can do to get the word out about this great club. The market for golf memberships may not be that strong right now, but there is always a buyer for the best product in every industry. We need to make Bonita Bay Club the best in Southwest Florida. I have no doubt that we will.

(That was proven to me the past few weeks during the membership turnover marketing campaign.) Then, we must tell the world about our wonderful club and community.

Eat your heart out, competition, because you don’t have a chance competing with The New Bonita Bay Club.

Regarding real estate, I’m equally confident we will all like seeing what happens to home values and housing demand here inside the gates as the Bonita Bay Country Club develops to its full potential.

So enjoy the ride friends, because it’s going to be a great one.

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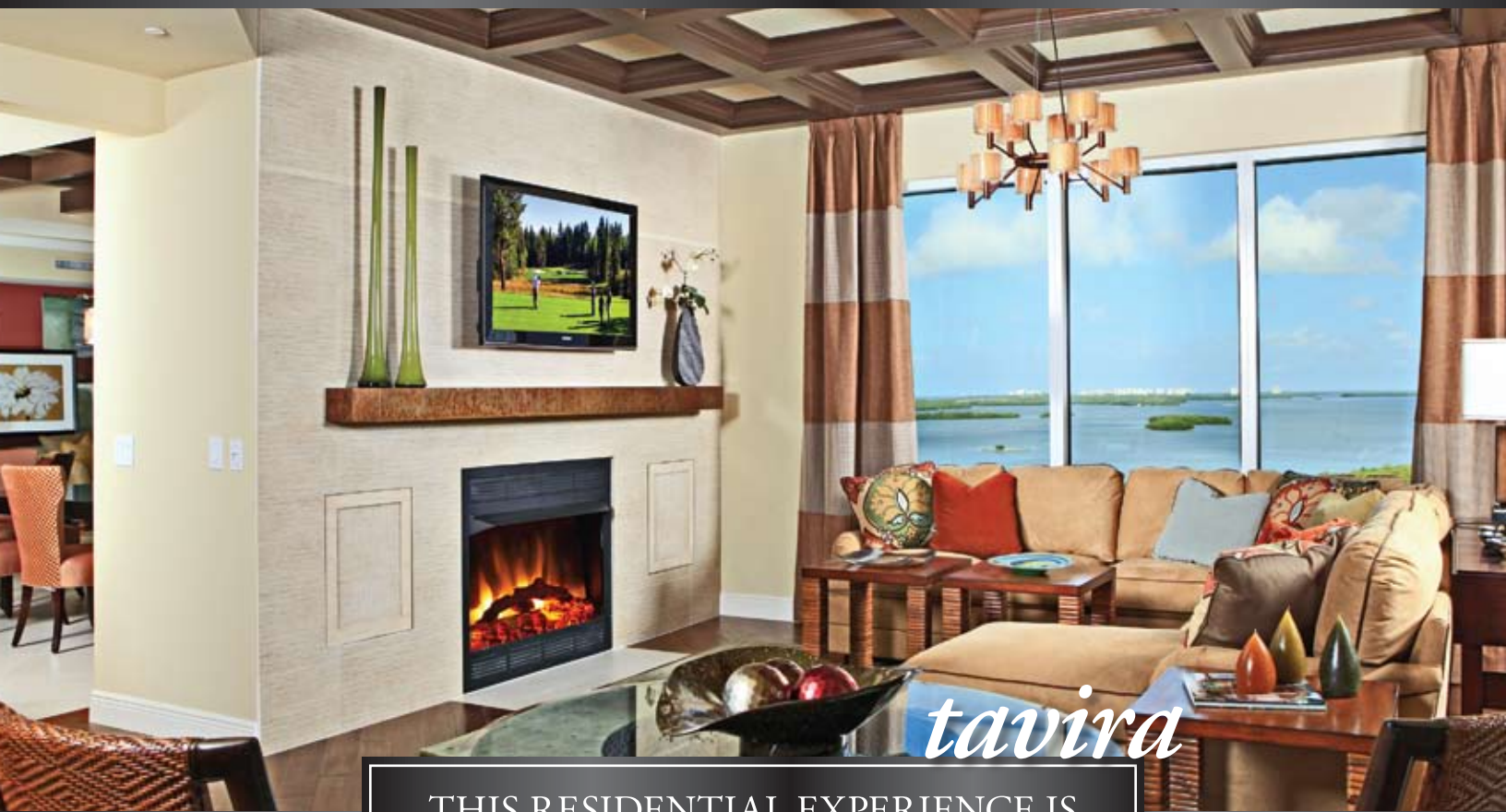


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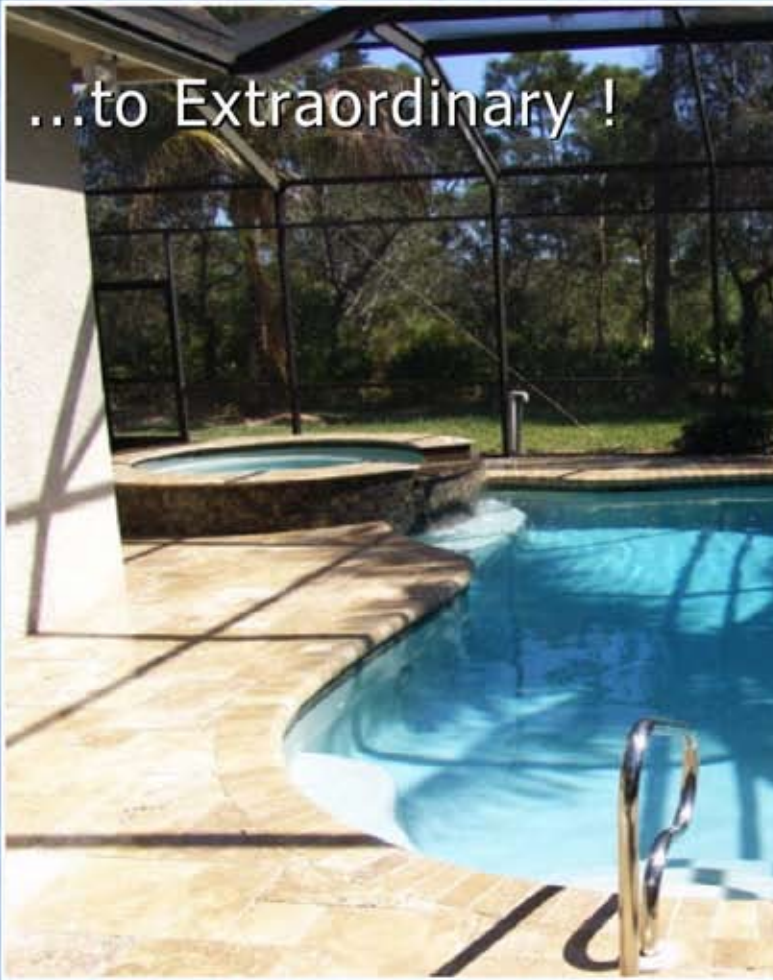
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Academy Awards Contest Winner!

THE ACADEMY AWARD CONTEST ended in a tie! Eight contestants picked all six major categories correctly. So it was necessary to go to Tie Breaker One – nobody got that right. On to Tie Breaker Two – all eight had that correct as well! A drawing was held to decide the winner. Oh, by the way, the eight skilled people were: Jean Fissel, Barbara Bucy, Yvonne Locker, Joanne Mair, Pam Doyle, Mike Hanson, Nancy Den Besten, Jim Papandrea.



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Movie Talk



Recent Theatrical Releases

☆☆ 1/2 **Shutter Island**

Based on a novel by Dennis Lehane ("Mystic River") starring Leonardo DiCaprio and directed by Martin Scorsese. How can it miss? But it does. DiCaprio, in the fourth movie that he has teamed up with Scorsese, as a U.S. marshal investigating the disappearance of a female patient from a mental hospital. There are a few surprises in the movie, but it would have been more effective if the hints were not as subtle and if the audience could have played along more instead of being shocked.

☆☆ 1/2 **The Last Station**

Tells the story of the last days of Leo Tolstoy ("War and Peace", "Anna Karenina") who decides to leave his estate to the followers of the Tolstoyian Movement which embraces brotherly love, world peace and a denouncement of material wealth. This obviously angers his wife with whom he has had 13 children. Good acting by Christopher Plummer, Helen Mirren, Paul Giamatti but I found the story only mildly interesting. Perhaps a more complete story of his life would have been more enjoyable.

☆☆ 1/2 **Brooklyn's Finest**

A very dark and bloody look at three New York policemen, each of whom has major personal and professional problems. The three – Ethan Hawke, Don Cheadle, Richard Gere – give New York's finest a BAD name in this movie riddled with shootings, drug scenes, etc. Can only recommend this to the die hard "cop story" fans.

☆☆☆ **The Ghost Writer**

Director Roman Polanski, saddled with his well documented personal problems, proves that he is still an able director ("Chinatown", "Rosemary's Baby", "The Pianist"). Ewan McGregor plays a man hired to finish the memoirs of a former British Prime Minister (Pierce Brosnan). The previous writer has been found dead under mysterious circumstances. Enjoyable throughout but, once again, more CIA bashing which is getting tiresome.

☆☆☆ **The White Ribbon**

This black-and-white German film was the favorite to win the Best Foreign Film Oscar this year but failed. Tells the story of strange happenings in a small German town a year before the outbreak of World War I. Many "accidents" occur in the village and the overall repression of the children helps to sow the seeds of Nazism years later. Interesting work again by director Michael Haneke but his previous movie "Cache" is much better.

Ratings are based on a five ☆ basis.



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3/11/10	\$230,000	Sandpiper	4120 Lake Forest Dr, #624	1708	3 Bed	2
3/9/10	\$417,500	The Hamptons	26841 Wyndhurst Ct, #101	2293	2+Den	2.5
3/8/10	\$260,000	Sandpiper	4120 Lake Forest Dr, #614	1708	3 Bed	2
3/5/10	\$465,000	Vistas	4751 Bonita Bay Blvd, #1805	2245	3 Bed	3
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3/1/10	\$1,800,000	Estancia	4801 Bonita Bay Blvd, #PH-401	4435	4 Bed	4.5
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2/25/10	\$1,750,000	Spring Ridge	26064 Fawnwood Ct	4008	4+Den	4
2/24/10	\$1,599,900	Azure	4931 Bonita Bay Blvd, #1802	3761	3+Den	4
2/22/10	\$295,000	Harbor Lakes	27080 Lake Harbor Ct, #201	1764	3 Bed	2
2/19/10	\$159,900	Sandpiper	4201 Lake Forest Dr, #1112	1338	2+Den	2
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If you are BETWEEN 41 and 64

If you are 41-64, you are at the Vision-Tween stage. You notice that your vision is changing. You can't see well in low light. Your arms keep stretching further and further out to see the menu or cell phone. It even becomes hard to see your food! The changes you are noticing have nothing to do with the outer surface of the eye, the cornea, which is what LASIK corrects. Rather, these changes are caused by the lens in your eye, which is flexible and responsive when you are young, but begins to harden as you reach your 40s. Continuing until about age 65, this condition is called presbyopia and happens to everyone.



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Here's Another Fine Mess by Congress *continued from page 20*

amount that can pass free of the GST tax will pass to her grandchildren with the balance of her trust passing to her children. Since there is no GST tax for the 2010 year, her total estate will pass to her grandchildren and nothing will pass to her children. Certainly not the result she intended!

Another client of mine in a second marriage asked for a review of his estate plan. His revocable trust provides for his surviving spouse to receive a certain percentage of his taxable estate as determined for Federal estate tax purposes, with the balance passing to his children. If he dies in 2010 and there is no Federal estate tax, how do you interpret the formula? Will the step-mother and his children have different interpretations on the amount they should receive?

I recognize that some individuals may decide to avoid the review of their estate planning documents and hope to outlive the 2010 chaos. Many other individuals have decided not to take that risk and are proactive in seeking proper legal advice to review their estate planning documents. No one, including myself, is happy with this fine mess Congress has gotten us into.

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Sudoku Puzzle

Edited by Will Shortz

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Restaurant Talk *continued from page 21*

One of my companions chose two appetizers for her dinner ... Vongola Freshe (a Tuscan bean soup with fresh clams, tomato, cannelloni beans, garlic and escarole) and Seared Ahi Tuna served with artichoke hearts, cucumber and micro greens. Veal Caprese was the choice of my other friend. Slices of tomato and buffalo mozzarella with tossed arugula accompanied two lightly breaded cutlets in a lemon-caper butter. And my choice? An item that doesn't appear on most restaurant menus anymore ... a big, thick, juicy veal chop ... though admittedly I did harbor a feeling of guilt. It was the best one that I've had in years.

On the subject of Italian restaurants (of which there are, in my opinion, an overabundance), another couple joined us for a visit to **ViVi**, a friendly, casual, reasonably priced restaurant in Coastland Mall. We were fortunate that a table on the left side of the divided room was available rather than the bench-style seating that we were being led to. It seemed so much more private and quiet.

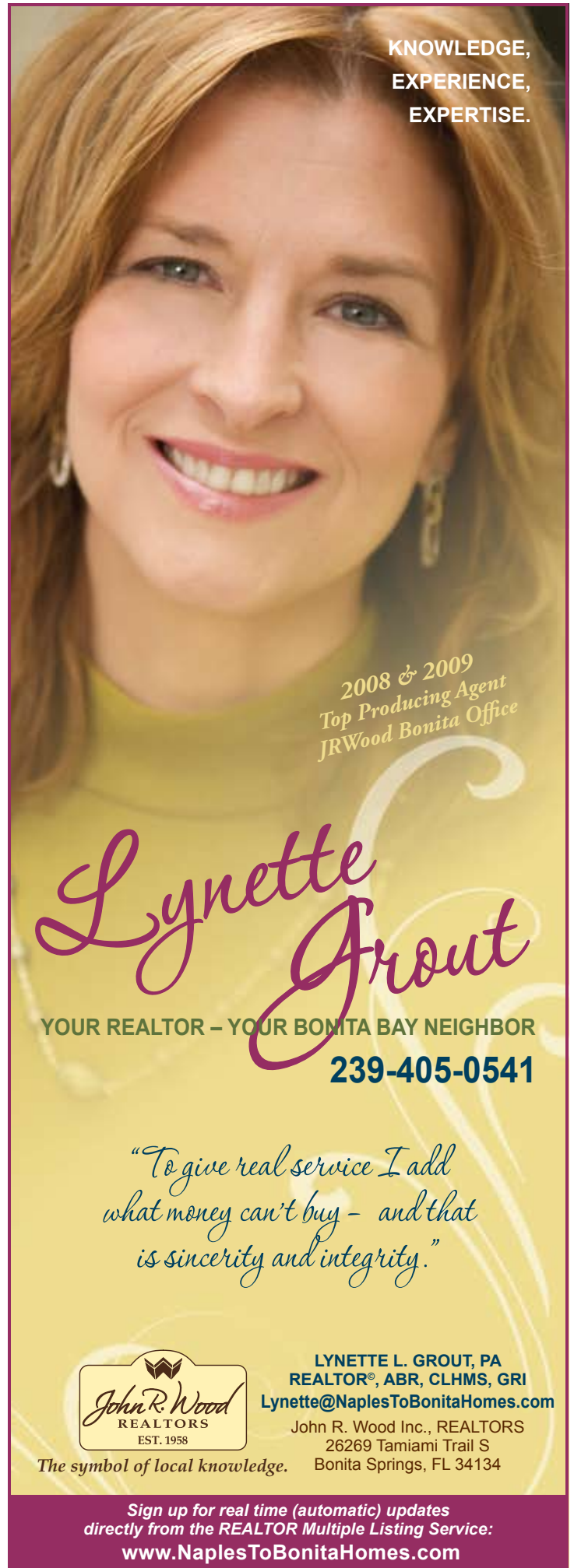
Three of us were in for a far better meal than I had anticipated. (More about that later.)

As soon as we were seated, a complimentary, tasty, four-sliced bruschetta, made with a thin pizza dough, appeared on the table, our water glasses filled, and our drink order taken. A salad, two soups – a pasta fagioli and a zuppa mare e monti – were enjoyed, along with warm, crusty bread. The latter soup contained mixed fish, rice, calamari, shrimp, clam broth, a touch of tomato and zucchini. I had heard that the Carpaccio di Carne was “the best”. Well, I give that award to Brio. However, this was pretty good, and only \$6.95.

The reason that the one person in our group was disappointed with his main-course order of spaghetti and meatballs was because the meatballs were unlike those that his mother had made. I took a taste. These meatballs were full of flavor and “light” in texture. The tomato sauce, I had to agree, was nothing special. The veal portobello that my “hubby” rated as “good” was presented in a very untypical way ... a relatively thin, flattened piece of veal attached to a whole rib, sautéed in Marsala wine and topped with mushrooms (\$19.95). I ordered the linguine vongole in white clam sauce (\$11.95) ... a few whole-shell clams along with fresh minced clams, topped the pasta. Though I would have liked the addition of a little more garlic, the fresh Parmesan cheese enhanced the flavor. Linguine del Selvaggio was the remaining main course ordered (\$11.95). The pasta, in garlic and oil, was topped with a generous portion of three types of mushrooms, small chunks of mozzarella cheese, sundried tomatoes and spinach ... *positively outstanding!*

According to a reliable source, ViVi's Monday and Tuesday special, a 1¼-pound Maine lobster, in its shell (claws cracked), served with chopped shrimp, mussels and clams on a bed of pasta, with a choice of sauces (\$19.95) is excellent. We'll have to give it a try!

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Computer Tips Turn the power off!

AS I HAVE STATED BEFORE, turning off or restarting the computer will not only resolve many issues but also save energy and refresh the system for better performance. The same goes for the high-speed internet modems from Centurylink and Comcast. It also applies to printers and wireless routers. Here are a few details that you should be aware of.

1. If the computer is entirely frozen and will not turn off, you can hold the power button in for at least 5 seconds and it should turn off.
2. You should also unplug the power cable from the computer for at least 1 minute.
3. With laptops, you need to take the battery out as well.
4. If you are using a phone line, disconnect it from the computer.
5. Disconnect printers, cameras, scanners or anything that is plugged into power.
6. If you are having internet issues, power off both the modem and router.
7. Some Comcast modems have a battery on the bottom that also needs to be taken out to make sure the power lights are completely off.



8. If the device has a black transformer box on the power cable, make sure the cables are plugged into it firmly (bonus point for power on).

While we are on the subject of power, I have a few more points. Use either a battery backup or surge protecting power strip to plug in all of your devices. You will need to replace the battery or the entire battery backup device after a couple years. If leaving town, I do suggest unplugging everything from the wall in the lightning capital of the world. No device alone can protect you from electrical damage. Sure, they may have a guarantee but, do you want to go through the hassle of making a claim?

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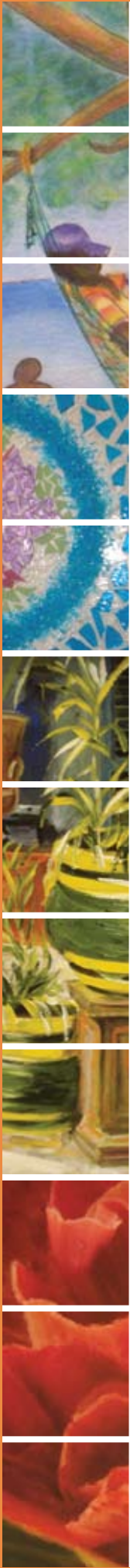
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6. Despite the best efforts of everyone involved, disputes arise. Sometimes the source of the disputes has to do with hasty decisions to buy or sell, seller's or buyer's remorse, unanticipated occurrences, or financial issues, and sometimes simply because real people are involved and those people see the same thing entirely differently. One thing I have learned is that almost no one when signing a contract to purchase or sell real estate wants to spend the following few years in court sorting out a dispute. The solution to a dispute often comes in listening to both my client and the other side and trying to understand what is important or not important to those involved. A case of seller's or buyer's remorse is not always a logical situation but can be an emotional one not susceptible to compromise. A physical issue with the property is not usually the result of an intentional concealment of a defect but is a surprise that upsets expectations.

Spear hopes these guidelines can be of help when thinking about buying, selling or just staying put. He loves what he does in his "day job" because "unlike many other specialties in the law, most cases end up with everyone relatively happy, a seller with a clean sale with no future issues, a buyer who is happy with the new home, and a Board Certified Real Estate Attorney who drags himself home (or to a City Council meeting) feeling like he has made a small difference in some folks lives that day."

Editor's Note: An update to an article that appeared in the March 2010 issue of Bay Watch News entitled "Bonita Bay Beach Park under Attack" was posted on April 1, 2010 at www.BayWatchNews.com click on "Open Forum". It is a four page petition being circulated among Bonita beach homeowners. John Spear indicated that City Council Members receive dozens of these types of petitions. He suggests you pay particular attention to the last half of page 3 of the petition.



City Council Member John Spear



Crossword Puzzle

By Andrea Carla Michaels and Miles Callum
Edited by Will Shortz

ACROSS

- 1 Brazilian dance
- 6 Sidewalk eatery
- 10 Gush
- 14 Police blotter datum
- 15 Parting words?
- 16 "Way to go!"
- 17 Speech difficulties
- 18 Furious
- 20 Was indecisive
- 22 "O Sole ___"
- 23 Bar mitzvah, e.g.
- 24 Tough task
- 28 Baseball's Say Hey Kid
- 30 Pacific salmon
- 33 Capri or Elba
- 34 Touched down
- 35 Salem's home
- 37 Pinafore letters
- 38 Depot: Abbr.
- 39 Opposite principles in this puzzle
- 40 Super ___ (old video game name)
- 41 11th-century Spanish hero
- 42 Boosler of comedy
- 43 Suffix with annoy
- 44 Alpha's opposite
- 46 Itar-___ news agency
- 47 The "S" of Mac's OS X: Abbr.
- 48 Like most municipal bonds
- 50 "I could ___ horse!"
- 52 Superannuated
- 53 "Out of the question"
- 57 From head to toe
- 61 "The ___ Sanction" (Trevanian thriller)
- 62 Post-shower powder
- 63 "Go, ___!"
- 64 Where the action is
- 65 Very top
- 66 Collar stiffener
- 67 Shoulder muscles, for short

DOWN

- 1 Margarita option
- 2 "That's ___!" (angry retort)
- 3 Unemployment rate plus inflation rate
- 4 Carter or Clinton, religiously
- 5 Something in the plus column
- 6 Place for a dock
- 7 Still sleeping
- 8 Holiday tree
- 9 Early sources of modern words
- 10 Ecclesiastical meetings
- 11 Baseball throw
- 12 Corn unit
- 13 Reporter's question
- 19 Publicizing
- 21 Shrink back
- 24 Navajo dwellings
- 25 1962 #1 hit by Shelley Fabares
- 26 Ancient Mexican people
- 27 Long-eared hound
- 28 Goat, for Navy
- 29 Nissan sedan
- 31 Rococo
- 32 #1 OutKast hit of 2003
- 36 Informal request for patience
- 39 Per annum
- 43 Dancing Fred
- 45 It helps keep your feet on the ground
- 49 Cuts to fit, say
- 51 In the lead
- 53 March Madness org.
- 54 "What's a body to do?!"
- 55 Penny
- 56 Notable times
- 57 Hellenic H
- 58 Little sucker?
- 59 Stately street liner
- 60 Bottom line

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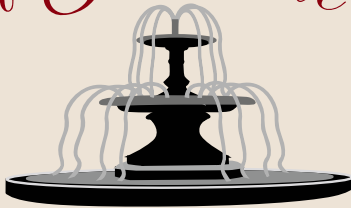
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