

# ON THE MOVE

## Restaurants



Dean

**Olive Garden Italian Restaurant** has appointed Northport resident **Jerrilynn Dean** as general manager of the new restaurant located at 1900 Pine Island Road N.E. in Cape Coral. The Tuscan Farmhouse-design Olive Garden will open on Monday, April 21. As general manager, Dean will be responsible for leading a team that maintains the highest quality of service in the restaurant. Dean brings 19 years of restaurant experience to her new position. She has been with Olive Garden for more than 13 years, most recently serving as general manager of the Olive Garden located at 1341 Tamiami Trail in Port Charlotte. She received an associate's degree in sports medicine from Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colo. Dean is one of more than 600 managers who have trained at Olive Garden's Culinary Institute of Tuscany and visited its Riserva di Fizzano restaurant, which serves as the source of inspiration for many dishes on Olive Garden's menu.

## Real Estate



Martinovich

**Greg Martinovich** has been named sales leader for February at Mediterra, the 1,697-acre master-planned community developed by **Bonita Bay Group** in North Naples. Martinovich has been a member of Bonita Bay Group's sales team since 1989 and has been with Mediterra since the community opened for sales. Prior to joining Mediterra, he was a sales associate at the company's flagship community, Bonita Bay. In recent years, he has been recognized by the Collier Building Industry Association with the Million-Dollar-Circle Sand Dollar Award. Martinovich is a member of the Naples Board of Realtors.

**Tony Stanley** has joined the **McWilliams Buckley & Associates**



Stanley

Team and will continue to dedicate his professional services to make sure your home buying or selling experience is hassle-free. Tony has had over 700 closings and five years of experience here in the Southwest Florida area. Originally from Fort Wayne, Ind., Stanley relocated to Southwest Florida in 2002 where he began his real estate career.



Tumbarello

**Jeff Tumbarello** has joined **Engel & Völkers Fort Myers River District**, a real estate brokerage firm, as a sales manager. In 2003, he co-founded the Southwest Florida Real Estate

Investment Assoc. The organization now has more than 300 members. He has participated in rental properties, waterfront spec homes and buy and flip transactions and has originated more than 1,000 mortgage loans. He is also a veteran of the US Marine Corps and served in Desert Shield and Desert Storm as an Infantryman.

## Airport

**Jorge Diaz** has been promoted to the rank of battalion chief of the **Lee County Port Authority's Airport Rescue and Fire Fighting** department. As battalion chief, Diaz functions as the commanding officer responsible for administrative and managerial duties for one of the three shifts responsible for life safety and fire protection services at Southwest Florida International Airport and Page Field General Aviation Airport. He also works closely with the fire chief to strategize and implement policies and procedures for the department. In this role, he can take an active command role of emergency operations when needed. Diaz is the state-licensed fire equipment dealer/qualifier for the Lee County Port Authority, overseeing the installation, repair and maintenance of all fire extinguishers at both airports and manages testing requirements for equipment and vehicles to ensure they

are fully operational. He also oversees the Airport Rescue and Fire Fighting technician program and serves as the department coordinator for all community event activities.

## Government

Lee County's new director for its **Animal Services Department** is **Donna Ward**, formerly the executive director of the York County, Pa. SPCA since 1998. She assumed the position vacated in November 2007. The York County SPCA is a private, non-profit. Ward was also a board member for seven years before becoming executive director. She has dealt with sheltering over 4,000 animals per year and overseeing animal control contracts with 72 municipalities. During her tenure she lead the organization's fundraising efforts and community programs for education, spay/neuter, adoptions, and volunteers as well as reducing the agency's euthanasia rate. Ward's immediate goal when hired by the York County SPCA was to gear the organization for a three-year capital campaign and to balance the shelter's budget. Her efforts culminated in the opening of a new 17,000-square-foot facility in June 2006. During this time she also improved the agency's public image, customer service, and lowered the employee turnover rate.

## Broadcasting



St. John

**WWGR-Gator Country 101.9** announced that **Valleri St John**, from "Val and Scott in the Morning" has been nominated for Medium Market Personality of the year by the Academy of Country Music. St. John has been the voice of Gator Country for nearly 11 years and is known market-wide for her genuine manner. The 43rd Academy of Country Music Awards is dedicated to honoring and showcasing the biggest names and emerging talent in the country music industry. The Awards show will be broadcasted LIVE from the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas Sunday, May 18, at 8:00 p.m.

## Construction



Meloney

**Dave Meloney**, Service Manager for **Preferred Air**, recently completed a training program at Daikin Air Conditioning in Dallas, Texas. Daikin is a leading innovator and provider in advanced air conditioning solutions for residential, commercial and industrial applications. Daikin is the only company in the world dedicated to manufacturing both air conditioning systems and refrigerants.

## Science



Clark

**Mote Marine Laboratory** founding director, **Dr. Eugenie Clark**, received the Explorers Club Medal during the organization's annual dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria in New

York City on Saturday, March 15. The award is the highest honor bestowed by the club, an international society dedicated to advancing the scientific exploration of land, sea, air and space by supporting research and education in the physical, natural and biological sciences.

The Explorers Club medal is given to those who have shown extraordinary contributions in exploration, scientific research or the welfare of humanity. Clark is an ichthyologist who began her studies on the behavior and reproductive isolating mechanisms of fresh-water aquarium fishes. She later combined her love for diving with the study of marine fishes - first by hard-hat diving and snorkeling, and then using scuba and submersibles. She has studied shark behavior in the deep sea from submersibles at depths of 1,000 to 12,000 feet. She has conducted dives off Grand Cayman, Bermuda, the Bahamas, California, Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, the Red Sea and Japan to study the behavior, movements, and population density of large deep sea fishes and fishes of the sand/coral reef interface. ■

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