

# **NATURE SPOTLIGHT - GATORS**

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) reminds Floridians and visitors to never approach or feed an alligator. Doing so not only endangers your life, it also teaches alligators to associate people with food, which can lead to more aggressive behavior. Pets are especially vulnerable, as they resemble natural prey. Always keep dogs on a leash and well away from shorelines. And if you see an alligator that seems unusually bold or is posing a threat to people, call FWC's Nuisance Alligator Hotline at 866-FWC-GATOR (866-392-4286). Florida's wild places are safest when we share them with care. Understanding alligator behavior, especially during breeding season, can help prevent tragedy and allow us to coexist with the powerful predators that have called Florida home for millions of years.





In the month of June, Collier County made some enhancements to the water system. Our community was without water for the better part of a day and afterwards we were on a boil water notice for a short time. There was NO contamination to our water supply from the work performed. When you return you may want to run water to get any air out of the pipes but we were assured no additional action would be necessary..

Mike Dean, Property Manager

## **NEIGHBORHOOD SPOTLIGHT - PUBLIX**

We're seeing a lot of activity at the Gateway Shoppes in preparation for the new Publix. Extended turn lanes and the addition of a center island on Wiggins Pass Road caused traffic upheaval, but the roadwork seems close to completion as of this writing. The buildings north of Lucky's have been razed to make way for the new supermarket.





Tips for Hurricane Season - Hope for the best but prepare for the worst.



# Wiggins Bay is in Evacuation Zone A

From Collier County Emergency Management:

If a mandatory evacuation order is given, in addition to communicating where lives are threatened, government is also communicating where emergency services (police, fire and emergency medical) will cease until the threat no longer exists. Remember, your decision to remain in a mandatory evacuation zone is "YOURS".

#### Plan Ahead

Take advantage of resources available to develop a plan that meets your needs. Planning should be done long before any severe weather has developed. Ask your friends and neighbors if they have a plan. If you decide to stay check in with your association Property Manager.

<u>colliercountyfl.gov/government/county-manager-operations/divisions/emergency-management</u> (Collier County Emergency Services)

<u>collier.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/emergency-preparedness-and-response/index.html</u> (Florida Department of Health in Collier County)

<u>noaa.gov/hurricane-prep</u> (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration)

weather.gov/safety/hurricane (National Weather Service)

<u>floridadisaster.org/planprepare/florida-hurricane-guide</u> (Florida Division of Emergency Management

ready.gov (FEMA)

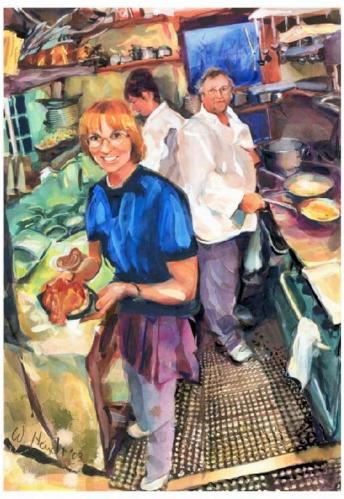
# NEIGHBORHOOD SPOTLIGHT Roger & Martine Putier

"One cannot think well, love well, sleep well if one has not dined well." - Virginia Wolf

When Villas residents Roger and Martine Putier reminisce about their decades operating their restaurant, La Petite Auberge in Newport Rhode Island, it is clear they worked to ensure each and every guest "dined well".

In 1976 the French emigrants opened La Petite Auberge in an 18th-century house and embraced the historic tone with lace tablecloths, floor-length floral drapes and gilded mirrors. Photos give you a glimpse of cozy, narrow hallways and intimate, low ceilinged dining rooms both downstairs and upstairs. The French restaurant included an informal, bistro-style cafe with a fireplace and rotisserie where guests might see Chef Roger at work.

Chef Roger, a native of Lyon, studied his trade in the capital of French Gastronomie. He worked three years as Maitre D' for President General de Gaulle. Glowing reviews from major



Roger and Martine serve up The Last Supper at La Petite Auberge, New Year's Eve. 2002

newspapers grace the archives alongside photos and notes from politicians, socialites, celebrities and fellow chefs. Alongside photos of Roger with Steven Spielberg, Julia Child or Anthony Quinn, you will see shots of Newport residents whom the restaurateurs point out with equal fondness and appreciation. Every guest was treated like a VIP.

The story of La Petite Auberge is not only a restaurant success story. Roger and Martine, along with their sons, Maxime and Stephan, wove their love of food, family and friends into the fabric of the Newport community.

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### **UPDATE - PEDESTRIAN GATE LOCK**

The gate lock at the Horse Creek pedestrian gate is up and working. The code is C1968. Contact Mike Dean if you have any questions.

