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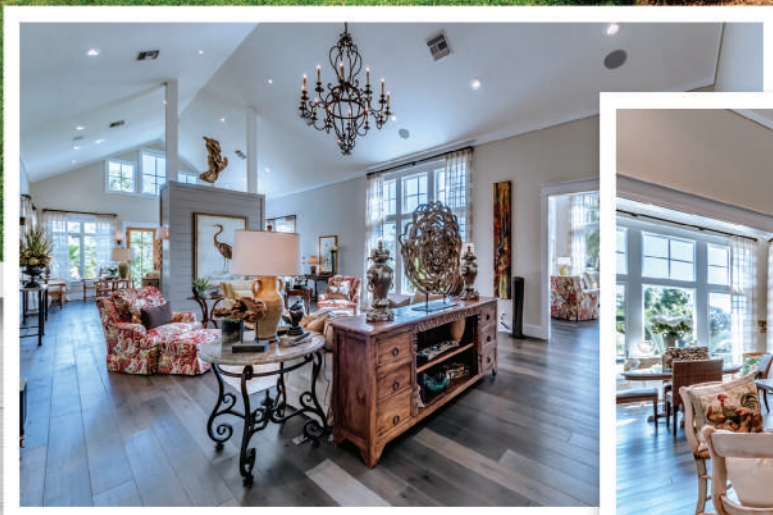
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# RE/MAX SUNSHINE

Char Seuffert and Eric, her husband of 34 years, own the new RE/MAX Sunshine, located in the heart of palm-swayin' Matlacha, across the street from the famous Blue Dog Bar and Grill.

Their newly renovated building is equipped with state-of-the-art technology and huge flatscreens, clients can now walk-through hundreds of Floridian estates, quaint bungalows and waterfront properties virtually from the plush comfort of the private conference room. They also have a very cute, and very sleek, 10-seater, open-air tour bus, if you'd prefer to see a property in person.



*Leoma Lovegrove 9/11 Memorial painting*



*Char and Eric*

And, speaking of art, the RE/MAX Sunshine offices are festooned with Leoma Lovegrove's personal collection of her stunning and rarely viewed paintings. Included in the décor is the nationally acclaimed, 12X20 ft. canvas that she painted for the 10th year 9/11 Memorial, immortalizing the names of the over 3,000 heroes who died that fateful day.

"Sunshine," is the perfect description for Char's realty company. For one, it describes her sunny personality to a T. "I chose "Sunshine" because sunshine reminds me of everything I love - Florida, happiness, my clients, my friends and family. I chose RE/



**RE/MAX Sunshine has arrived and out to change the way  
the realty business is done in Matlacha.**

MAX because I love the brand, the professionalism, the history and everything RE/MAX stands for. I love, love, love what I do! And my clients mean the world to me. So, when the opportunity arose to open an office in Matlacha, my absolute favorite island, I jumped at the chance without hesitation! It is truly a dream come true."

If black belts were awarded for real estate, Char would surely have a closet full. She is in the top 1% of RE/MAX agents worldwide. That experience, dedication and track-record is what Charayne Seuffert brings to the table. She also surrounds herself with the most qualified people.

Peter Aldrian, for instance, is her Licensed Broker. A retired Advertising Executive and local historian, Peter has lived on the island for over 40 years. He's also the VP of the NFL Alumni Association and sits on the Board of several other companies.



*Shelly Kay, Director of Operations*

Shelly Kay is Char's Director of Operations. A resident of St James City, Shelly comes with many years of experience as well. She's the office manager, in charge of hand-selecting agents that

intuitively hold Char's values, high standards and work ethic. Shelly will then train them in the same unique skills that have established Char as one of the best real estate agents anywhere.

"Eric and I intend to work hard, play hard and invest our lives in this wonderful island community, its people, it's businesses. Our grand opening will be in early June 2022. I'll let you know when. Please stop by and say hello."



*Char Seuffert*

**Thank you, Matlacha!  
We love you!  
-Char**

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A new map of Matlacha can be found on pages 42 and 43 thanks to RE/MAX Sunshine .  
If you are a business owner in Matlacha and are not yet identified on the map, please call Char at 239-671-6318.



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*Rachael Schaaf*

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# THINKING ABOUT RELOCATING TO PINE ISLAND?

***Florida continues to be voted the #1 state to relocate to.***

The beaches, the relaxation, the friendly people, the sunshine... Many people dream of moving to Florida but get overwhelmed when it comes to the home buying process.

Not only that, there is a misconception that island properties are unaffordable when, in reality, you can get an incredible deal on your perfect waterfront home when you use Island Front Realty.

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Our experts in the local waterfront real estate market will take you on a thorough excursion through the gulf coast islands, showing you all of the properties that are available in your price range (starting in the mid 200's). and educating you on island living as well as local real estate trends and getting YOU the most bang for your buck.

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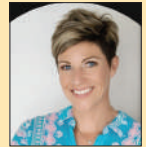
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### Unique Opportunity



2845 EIGHTH AVE Unique opportunity to own a 3 bed, 2 bath remodeled, ground level home on Eighth Ave. Home on one side of the road and sits on a double lot with 115 ft. of seawall with boat ramp. Across the road is a lot with its own strap# with 209 ft. on the Dawson's Lagoon along with 2 covered boat lifts & a ski deck. **\$1,265,000**



**MATLACHA COMMERCIAL LOT** Commercial usage with many options for building or development. On Pine Island Rd, high visibility & waterfront access. New seawall with easy access to the bay with 125 feet of true water frontage. **\$1,200,000**



**WATERFRONT ON CLIPPER LANE** Beautiful waterfront property ready to build your Florida Dream Home! New seawall and recently graded. **\$399,000**



**DIRECT ACCESS MOBILE ON PLUMOSA** 2BR, 1BA home with direct Gulf access. Covered boat lift and an amazing deck for your outdoor entertaining connected to a beautiful screened lanai. New A/C. **\$299,000**



**2648 EIGHTH AVE** Ground level waterfront 3 bed, 2 bath ranch style home on a huge lot, 228 ft road frontage. Covered boat lift w/ composite decking. Plenty of room for a pool. **\$750,000**



**SAFETY HARBOR CLUB** 2/3 Gulf access, luxury townhome on North Captiva. Includes beach access, beach club, clubhouse, tennis court, community boat dock, pool, restaurant & more! **\$699,000**



**4761 GALT ISLAND RD** Custom built 3/4 home. Setting is secluded, serene, & private. 2 covered boat lift, ICF concrete construction, heated pool & spa. You can see the ICW from your screened lania. **\$2,545,000**



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4420 Lake Heather- Vacant lot is located in Pine Island Village. Water & Electric hook ups are at the street. \$62,900

5935 Kingfish- \$39,900

**RESIDENTIAL WATERFRONT**

3552 St. Jude Blvd- \$205,000

**COMMERCIAL**

5657 PINE ISLAND RD NW \$399,900



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We Are Proud To Present You With The Opportunity To Own A Single Family Residential Lot Of Your Choice Within The **Bocilla Island Club** Facility In Bokeelia Fl At The Northern Tip Of Pine Island Which Is Known For It's World Class Fishing. This Club Is Impeccably Maintained- Drop Dead Gorgeous With Manicured Vegetation--A Place You Will Be Proud You Are A Part Of. Upon Completion Of Your New Home & Included In Your Maintenance Fee Will Be The Use Of 2 Heated Pools With Clubhouse--2 Tennis Courts-- A Shuffle Board & A 400 Foot Fishing Pier With The Best Sunsets That You Can Dream Of. In Addition To Those Amenities You Will Be Able To Hook Up To The Private Sewer System So There Will Be No Need For A Septic System. All These Amenities In Addition To A Tremendous Monetary Savings. You Don't Have To Waste Any Area For That Septic Or Pool In The Yard. **AND There Are Wet Slips Available For Your Boating Pleasure. No HOA fees EVER, only fee is \$291 use fee!** Be Sure To View The Virtual Tour. **From \$200,000 to \$230,000**



*Castaways Realty Welcomes  
Paula Barwick, Your Island Realtor®*



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*I am one of the fortunate few who had the opportunity to grow up in the state of Florida. I moved to Cape Coral area in 2006, that is when I discovered Pine Island. Pine Island has been my home for the past 6 years.*

*My parents instilled an appreciation for family, nature, community and that you could achieve any goal with hard work and determination.*

*Once I moved to Pine Island and began selling real estate, I put these loves into all my real estate transactions. Being a "Florida girl" it wasn't difficult to share the love of Florida and Pine Island.*

*When I say I love living here, I truly mean it. I am involved in the goings on of the community, I enjoy bike riding on our 16-mile bike path, walking my Dachshund in my lovely St. James City community, kayaking in our beautiful waterways and taking a boat ride to our pristine beaches. Pine Island is one of the last "Ole Florida" communities that you will find.*

*Without a doubt you will find me to be one of the most hardworking, honest and patient real estate professionals in all of Pine island. **I am here and ready to go above and beyond to aid you in every step of finding the perfect spot for your Florida home.***





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**UNDER CONTRACT**



### GORGEOUS 2 acre Estate in Bokeelia

4 bedrooms plus a den, 3 baths and an oversized 3 car garage. Listed for \$1,000,000 and under contract in less than 24 hours!



**Julie Oberlin**  
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**\$250,000**



**1242 SW PINE ISLAND RD #47** Patriot Pets Store is one of only two privately owned pet stores in all of Cape Coral. WELL ESTABLISHED. In plaza just east of Chiquita Blvd on Pine Island Rd.

**\$799,000**



**14320 STRINGFELLOW** 1 Acre, Concrete Block Structure store at the North end of Pine Island. Main Road visibility & ample parking, 3 separate units.

**\$2,400,000**



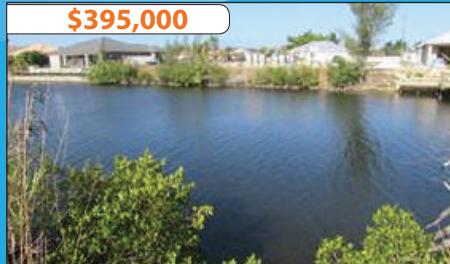
**4331 PINE ISLAND RD** One of the most unique Inns in America !!! 2 properties are included in "The Bridge Water Inn" located at the foot of the Matlacha Bridge.

**\$599,000**



**830 RIDGE**  
"Primo Location" Commercial corner lot on Pine Island Rd & Ridge Rd, one block from Chiquita. 1.2 acres. Start your business here!

**\$395,000**



**112 NW 37th PL**  
NW Cape Coral waterfront near the 7 Islands... The "HOT SPOT". Newly paved roads, Sewer/Water hookups ready for your tropical home.

**\$425,000**



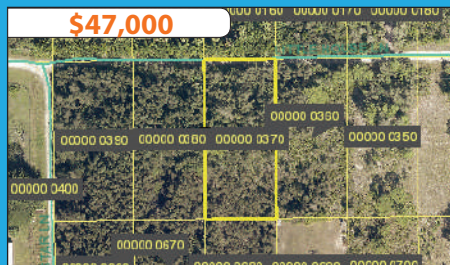
**5820 SABAL AVE** 13.5 acres. Saltwater canal the entire north side of the property. Conservation easement on the south side. House pad with view of Matlacha Pass.

**\$1,200,000**



**LAKE PAWPAW CIRCLE** Prime development property. 20 acres with lake & multifamily zoning, 33 lots in place! Water & electric; sewer nearby.

**\$47,000**



**5665 LITTLE HOUSE**  
1/2 acre building lot in beautiful Bokeelia.

**\$42,000**



**5500 BIRDSONG**  
75' x 135' lot zoned for duplex or single family near center. Close to EVERYTHING!

**\$395,000**



**5351 CUBLES DR**  
Bokeelia area, 8 acres with 2 acres buildable bordering Pine Island Creek with access to Matlacha Pass.

**\$429,000**



**4871 FLAMINGO**  
3/2 home w/ 10,000 lb covered boat lift with direct access. This place is in perfect condition.

**\$575,000**



**7121 CAPRI**  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths in Pineland on 1 acre. Surrounded by gorgeous trees.



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## WATERFRONT DIRECT GULF ACCESS



Waterfront with direct Gulf access in Cherry Estates. 2/2, built in 2018 **\$425,000**

## WATERFRONT DIRECT GULF ACCESS



Direct Gulf Access 4BR/3B w/3 car garage w/ covered boat lift, jet ski lift and above ground spa. Full MIL suite on bottom level w/full kitchen! ELEVATOR TO ALL FLOORS. Great view of conservation area! **\$1,200,000**

**Stringfellow Rd. 4.34 acres...\$455,000**

**Bokeelia 2.24 Acres.....\$175,000**

6990 Kreamers Lot for... **SOLD • SOLD • SOLD** \$38,850

Bokeelia Two adjacent lots..... **PENDING** \$55,000 each

Pomelo.....\$16,000

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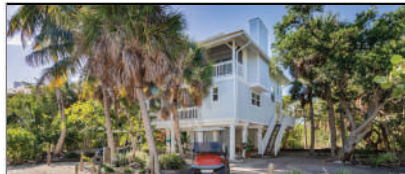
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**PENDING**



### 200 GOLDFINCH DR

Upper Captiva cleared lot and only a 5 minute walk to the Gulf Beach. Water views to be had from your new home on this site. \$140,000



### 181 GOLDFINCH DR

One off the Bay w/ deeded Bay-Beach and Bay-Dock shared access. Immaculate, impeccable home. Great Rental (sleeps 8) or comfortable personal Island Home. Oversize lot and Turn-Key. \$1,400,000



### 14039 MURDOCK BAYOU

Cayo Costa Waterfront Lot w DOCK located just west of Cabbage Key. Cleared lot. Beach can be accessed thru Lover's Tunnel or ranger station path. \$195,000



### SAFETY HARBOR #64

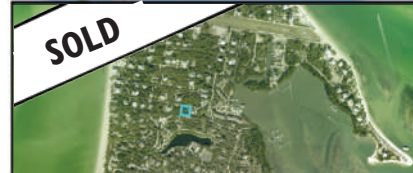
Turn Key 3BR/2BA townhome on Upper Captiva w/ stunning views. Totally upgraded w/ quality furnishings & wind rated windows. Includes community docks, pool etc. \$679,000



**PENDING**

### SAFETY HARBOR #67

Upper Captiva 3BR/2BA end townhome w/ great harbor views, common dock, kayak launch, boating access to Pinels. Sound & the Gulf of Mexico. Club membership included! \$695,000



**SOLD**

### 4531 ESCONDIDO

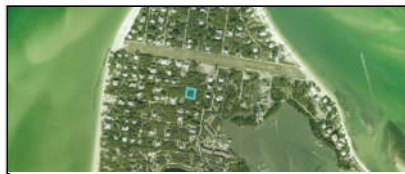
Upper Captiva homesite w/ a super location & no neighboring lot to the south provides extra privacy for this oversized homesite. 100' frontage. 3 minute walk to the beach. \$195,000



**SOLD**

### 7493 HIBISCUS

So close to Golf Course, Restaurant & Pineland Marina that you can walk to all three. Terrific location! Launch your boat at the Marina. \$33,900



### 4521 ORO PESOS

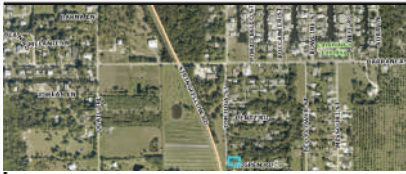
Upper Captiva oversized lot. No cars! No Bridges! Access by boat or small plane on private airstrip. Beach is a short 5 minute walk down a sandy lane. 100' x 105'. \$174,900



**SOLD**

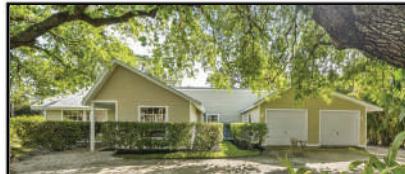
### 7160 ORANGE AVE

Bokeelia lot cleared on a nice private road, no thru traffic. Convenient to Pineland Marina, golf course & Tarpon Lodge. 50' x 78'. \$29,500



### 15790 TORTUGA ST

Conveniently located lot close to boat ramps, marinas & restaurants. Adjacent lot for \$39,900. 85' x 115'. Build workshop & home! \$59,900



### 13510 ROBERT RD

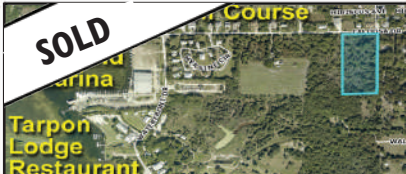
1 acre of Old Florida Charm 3 BR/2 BA plus bonus room. Beautiful area of Pineland. Peaceful and plenty of privacy. Zoned AG 2. \$765,000



**SOLD**

### 7483 HIBISCUS

Two lots - side by side. So close to Golf Course, Restaurant and Marina that you can walk to all 3. TERRIFIC LOCATION! \$32,900



**SOLD**

### 7427 CALOOSA DR

Develop this fine 5-Acre parcel for your home, grove, farm or a combination. Low population density adds the quality of life in this fine little community. \$480,000



### 11671 STRINGFELLOW

Great Location! Bokeelia 2bd/2ba mobile w/ high-pitched ceiling & open plan. Some TLC needed. Big enough for family and/or fishing pals. Close to marinas. \$144,900



### 7715 MYRSINE CIR

Isle of Pines HOA provides pool, clubhouse. Walking distance to marina, golfing & restaurant. Septic system not needed. \$85,000



**SOLD**

### 7170 ORANGE AVE

50' x 78'. Cleared on a nice private road, no thru traffic. Convenient to Pineland Marina, golf course & Tarpon Lodge. \$29,500



### 7659 MYRSINE

Isle of Pines lot close to marina & golf course. HOA w/ pool, clubhouse & guest apartment. Club has sewer system. Ready to build. \$75,000

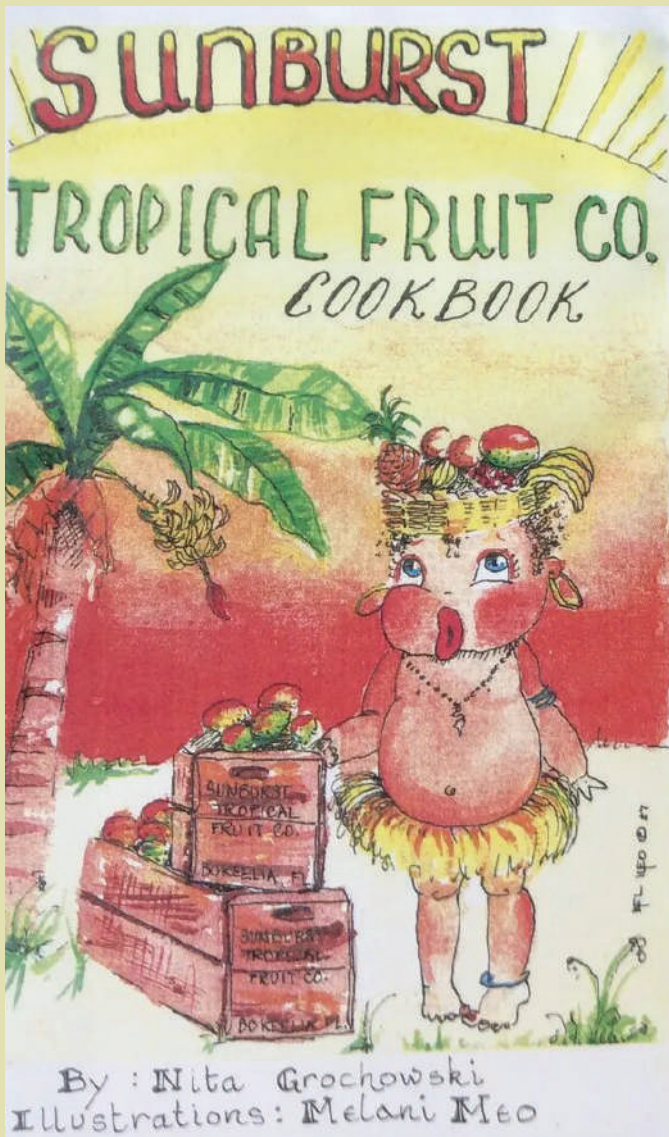


### 7716 MYRSINE CIR

Isle of Pines HOA offers pool, clubhouse & guest apartment. Walking distance to marina, golf, & restaurant. Septic system not needed. \$65,000

Information herein is believed to be accurate but is not warranted





## Cookbook Cover by Mel Meo

*\*Special to the News-Press*

## Recipes: Mel Meo and Nita Grochowski

### Mango Jam

4 cups pureed mango  
2 cups sugar  
1/4 cup Key lime juice  
1 teaspoon grated ginger

Mix the ingredients, place in a pan and boil until it bubbles and turns translucent. Place the mixture in sterile jars, place the jars in a pan and fill with water until it covers the jar tops. Bring to a boil and boil the jars for 10 minutes.

### Seagrape Jelly Recipe

4 cups seagrape juice  
4 cups Florida sugar  
1/4 cups key lime juice

Mix and boil to reach 225 degrees. Place the mixture in sterile jars, place the jars in a pan and fill with water until it covers the jar tops. Bring to a boil and boil the jars for 10 minutes.







## ABOUT THE COVER - A Self Portrait

*Mel Meo  
(Melanie Ann Martina Meo)  
01/23/1958 - 04/20/2022*

You will be missed.

On April 20, 2022, our island neighborhood lost a beloved artist. She was not just a well-known artist and fantastic cook, she made endless contributions to charitable organizations and our essential fishing community. We are blessed that her artwork can be seen throughout Pine Island, Matlacha, and beyond.

Thank you, Mel for allowing us to be part of your creativity.

Donations in Mel's honor may be sent to Pine Island Playhouse (5861 Wisconsin St., Bokeelia, FL 33922) or Pine Island Elementary Art Program (5360 Ridgewood Dr, Bokeelia, FL 33922).



MAR 2022 MEL MEO

my fishing family coined the phrase "EAT MORE MULLET" in the 90's all the while defending our small fishing communities around Florida's coast. We had a primitive "mullet wagon" we hauled to festivals from Cape Sable to Tarpon Springs. You can really understand a culture by tasting their local food. We served a simple menu – Fresh fried mullet "Mel's famous mullet fritters, smoked mullet and smoked mullet spread; a recipe passed down to me by a 5th generation fisherman. We educated and persuaded folks through our food, creating fans. In 1992, we put EAT MORE MULLET on a simple white pocket t-shirt. Sadly, today the old timers, their simple lives, their colorful stories, history, and recipes are now history. Now 2022, we are preserving the EAT MORE MULLET with a new line of products. By supporting us you keep our culture alive. We hope to educate folks about a culture of Florida fishing families and future generations."

~ Mel Meo

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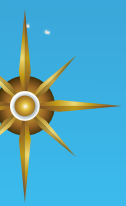


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## Eat Like A Local

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### Matlacha

First, you have “*Miceli’s*” with live music and Monday Pizza nights; the bigger the pizza and bigger the savings.

Then, there is “*Hooked*”, stop by any day of the week and enjoy their crab stuffed mushrooms, local bands, and a great view of the sunset.

Looking to change it up a bit, “*Island Pho & Grill*”, get the Đac Biet - rare steak, beef brisket & meatballs. If you have a question regarding any of the outstanding

Vietnamese dishes, just ask Duong.

A little further down is “*Bert’s Bar and Grill*”, get here by

land or water! They have live entertainment, turtle races; YES, I said, **Turtle Races**; pool tables, Live Calypso Music and the best burgers and fries you will ever eat while sitting on the water with a million-dollar view. Brag to your friends that you were there and buy a T-Shirt to prove it; **even the locals do it!**

Before you go over the drawbridge, stop at the “*Island Seafood Market*”. It isn’t just a great place to buy the freshest catch; you can also have them make you an incredibly fresh fish sandwich. **It was sleeping in the ocean last night.**

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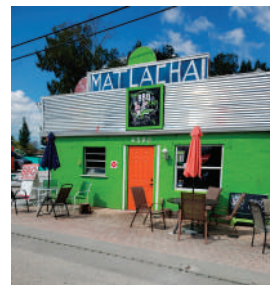
and don’t forget their island slaw. While you are there, pick up some fresh seafood to take home and check out their gallery.

Just a few steps down is “*Perfect Cup*”. Go inside and start your day off right with a perfect cup of coffee.

Continue down Pine Island Rd and you will smell the aroma of Texas Style BBQ from “*That BBQ Place*”. John is smoking meats low and slow from start to finish. You may also hear some local singers from the back patio; enjoy a beer and a brisket.

The “*Blue Dog Bar & Grill*” is the place to go for the best shrimp tacos, unless you want **The Best BLT**. If you have their BLT, it might just become your “go to dish!” When ordering it, tell them, “Lisa and Jen sent me!”... Nothing will happen, no discount or better seating, but maybe, one day, they will name the BLT

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15246 BUZZARD CUT	BOKEELIA	2 Bed/2(0)	1,322	9	\$210,000	\$214,900	4/20/2022
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5201 BLUE CRAB CIR #UNIT A4	BOKEELIA	2 Bed/2(1)	1,082	5	\$299,000	\$299,000	4/18/2022
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6595 FULLER DR	BOKEELIA	3 Bed/2(0)	1,790	85	\$520,000	\$565,000	4/25/2022
11452 FLINT LN	BOKEELIA	3 Bed/2(0)	1,571	6	\$525,000	\$525,000	5/10/2022
16381 PORTO BELLO ST	BOKEELIA	2 Bed/2(0)	1,080	13	\$625,000	\$655,000	5/20/2022
10824 RUSSELL RD	BOKEELIA	5+Den/3(1)	4,554	242	\$625,000	\$679,000	5/5/2022
5264 GENESEE PKY	BOKEELIA	3 Bed/2(0)	1,924	144	\$671,500	\$671,400	4/15/2022
5417 SERENITY CV	BOKEELIA	2+Den/2(0)	1,612	3	\$685,000	\$699,000	5/23/2022
5331 SERENITY CV	BOKEELIA	3 Bed/2(1)	1,645	4	\$800,000	\$795,000	4/29/2022
16302 SHOAL CT	BOKEELIA	3 Bed/2(0)	1,830	8	\$899,000	\$899,000	5/3/2022
16372 SHOAL CT	BOKEELIA	2+Den/2(1)	2,485	48	\$1,700,000	\$1,750,000	5/2/2022
2601-03 BAYSHORE DR	MATLACHA	2 Bed/2(0)	1,040	1	\$500,000	\$500,000	4/20/2022
2849 CHERYL ST	MATLACHA	2 Bed/1(1)	1,040	9	\$599,000	\$599,000	4/29/2022
2880 TRIGGERFISH ST	MATLACHA	2 Bed/1(0)	1,092	4	\$640,000	\$629,000	5/18/2022
2760 JANET ST	MATLACHA	2 Bed/2(0)	1,162	3	\$644,500	\$649,000	5/2/2022
2860 CHERYL ST	MATLACHA	3 Bed/2(0)	1,753	13	\$825,000	\$825,000	5/12/2022
4236 PINE ISLAND RD NW	MATLACHA	3 Bed/3(0)	1,284	88	\$950,000	\$950,000	5/16/2022
4962 CURLEW DR	ST. JAMES CITY	1 Bed/1(0)	576	34	\$120,000	\$120,000	4/15/2022
4966 CURLEW DR	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/1(0)	672	18	\$149,000	\$169,900	5/4/2022
4911 GULFGATE LN	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/2(0)	1,620	15	\$185,000	\$189,000	5/13/2022
3215 STRINGFELLOW RD #2A	ST. JAMES CITY	1 Bed/1(0)	578	1	\$235,000	\$235,000	4/18/2022
4968 GULFGATE LN	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/2(0)	1,554	3	\$294,900	\$294,500	4/22/2022
3822 CHERRY LN	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/1(0)	824	6	\$320,000	\$369,000	4/28/2022
3566 TANGELO DR	ST. JAMES CITY	4 Bed/2(0)	1,829	10	\$364,900	\$364,990	4/20/2022
3676 TROPICAL POINT DR	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/2(0)	1,337	22	\$370,000	\$399,000	5/9/2022
3006 SKIPPER LN	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/2(0)	1,334	2	\$400,000	\$410,000	5/13/2022
3678 TANGELO DR	ST. JAMES CITY	4 Bed/2(0)	1,829	1	\$430,000	\$429,000	4/29/2022
2961 BOWSPRIT LN	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/3(1)	2,198	4	\$449,000	\$449,000	4/20/2022
5946 STRINGFELLOW RD	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/2(0)	1,249	10	\$450,000	\$438,900	5/16/2022
4519 LAKE HEATHER CIR	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/2(0)	1,274	6	\$450,000	\$429,900	4/18/2022
3680 BLUEBERRY LN	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/2(0)	1,528	3	\$460,000	\$450,000	4/14/2022
2441 OLEANDER ST	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/1(0)	1,052	6	\$505,000	\$504,999	5/16/2022
2485 SAPODILLA LN	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/1(1)	1,040	4	\$629,900	\$629,900	4/22/2022
3714 EMERALD AVE	ST. JAMES CITY	3+Den/2(0)	1,975	54	\$656,750	\$705,000	4/20/2022
2343 DATE ST	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/2(0)	1,425	17	\$675,000	\$695,000	5/11/2022
3567 CLIPPER LN	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/2(0)	1,509	14	\$735,000	\$750,000	5/20/2022
3774 PINE TREE DR	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/2(0)	1,927	23	\$915,000	\$929,900	5/16/2022
2371 CARAMBOLA LN	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/2(0)	2,003	15	\$1,000,000	\$1,100,000	4/29/2022
2240 WARREN BLVD	ST. JAMES CITY	2 Bed/2(0)	2,409	107	\$1,150,000	\$1,375,000	4/15/2022
2193 MACADAMIA ST	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/2(0)	2,527	20	\$1,590,000	\$1,595,000	5/16/2022
3695 SAN CARLOS DR	ST. JAMES CITY	3 Bed/2(0)	1,506	7	\$1,626,000	\$1,595,000	5/12/2022
4761 GALT ISLAND AVE	ST. JAMES CITY	3+Den/3(1)	2,860	6	\$2,400,000	\$2,545,000	4/15/2022
2755 CUSSELL DR	ST. JAMES CITY	3+Den/3(1)	3,810	130	\$5,400,000	\$4,900,000	5/9/2022



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This record-breaking sale, not only increases our local property values, but it also brings more revenue into our local economy. This incredible home may currently be the top-seller, but it is not the only million-dollar-home we have on our islands. In fact, there are countless homes in Matlacha, Pineland, Bokeelia, and St James City that have achieved that label. The standard of quality with newly built homes is increasing at a steady rate which will subsequently trickle down to increasing the quality of the long-standing homes on our islands.

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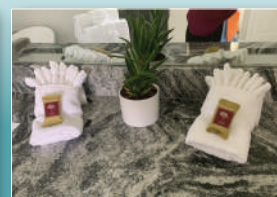
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### Pine Island

OH, BUT WAIT... We aren't finished yet!

Keep going, just before you hit Pine Island Center, look to your left. Of course, "*Pine Island Pizza*" has great pizza but, get an Italian hoagie and make your mouth happy.

Next up on your left is "*Nick B's Artisan Food Market*".

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You have made it to "The Four Corners"! Locals refer to this area as "The Center" or "The Four Corners" for self-explanatory reasons... We aren't big thinkers and like things simple.

Take a left (or head south) towards *St James City*.

Your first stop should be "*Fine Swine*". Make sure you are visiting on a Thursday for their ribs and a side collider greens. This next recommendation may surprise you because Fine Swine is a Barbeque Restaurant but... definitely order their Crunchy Tuna Roll. **OUTSTANDING!!!**

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## Seafood Market

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### INGREDIENTS

- 2 mangos, chopped
- 2 firm avocados, diced
- 1 jalapeño, seeded and minced
- 1 red bell pepper, chopped
- 1 poblano pepper, chopped
- ½ cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1 teaspoon lime zest
- ¼ cup fresh lime juice
- 2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 1½ teaspoons salt, divided
- 8 (8-ounce) fresh grouper fillets
- ¼ cup olive oil
- ½ teaspoon ground black pepper



## Grilled Grouper with Mango Salsa

### PREPARATION

1. In a large bowl, combine mango, avocado, jalapeño, bell pepper, poblano, cilantro, lime zest, lime juice, garlic, and ½ teaspoon salt, stirring to combine well. Cover, and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.
2. Spray grill rack with nonstick, nonflammable cooking spray. Preheat grill to medium-high heat (350° to 400°).
3. Brush both sides of grouper fillets with olive oil, and sprinkle both sides of fish with remaining 1 teaspoon salt and pepper. Grill fish, covered with grill lid, for 3 to 4 minutes on each side, or just until fish begins to flake and is opaque in the center. Serve with mango salsa.







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Dear Sir or Ma'am,

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Bert's Redfish Challenge will be held at Bert's Bar and Grill in Matlacha, FL on September 16, 2022 and September 17, 2022. This year we are raising money for the Son of a Lee County Sheriff's Deputy who recently had a heart transplant. Bryson is 3 years old born with a rare heart condition, Non-Obstructive Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy. This rare disease causes thickening of the walls of the heart, eventually impeding the circulation of adequate blood to support the body. It is the number one cause of sudden cardiac arrest in people under the age of 30. Bryson's condition progressed to Restrictive Cardiomyopathy and the need for a heart transplant was apparent. After several months in inpatient care waiting for a heart, Bryson received his new heart on his 3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday and has been recovering at Shands Children's Hospital in Gainesville, FL. The money raised will be utilized by Bryson's family to continue caring for Bryson and to take care of expenses related to his medical condition and treatment.

We are in need of Sponsors, items to be placed in the Captain's Bags, and items to be raffled or auctioned during the awards dinner the day of the tournament. We will include a list of sponsor/donors in the Captain's goody bags and on the tables during both days of the event as well as a donor board with company names that will be displayed near the raffle table. Thank you for supporting our fundraising event.

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This past season, the Matlacha Hookers worked hard and with grateful heart with “all” of Pine Island Businesses and Charities. This afforded us the opportunity to give over \$77,000 to the Greater Pine Island Community.

**November:** PI Elementary School – PIE Fishing Derby – (Next event Nov. 6, 2022)

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**December:** FISH (Fellow Islanders Sending Help) – Christmas Fund - Bar and Club Caroling. (Next event Dec. 1- 15, 2022)

**February:** Fort Myers Art Festival – Gave 12 Scholarships for Students and Adults. (Next event Feb. 3-5, 2023)

**February:** Island Luau – Beacon of Hope Senior Programs, (Next event Feb. 26, 2023)

**March:** Bag and Tag – Moose - 12 Scholarships for PI Students and Adults. (Next event Mar. 18, 2023)

**Quarterly:** “Trashy Matlacha Hooker Ladies” clean up the trash along a stretch of Pine Island road in Matlacha

**Quarterly:** One Blood Drives at various PI locations

**Monthly:** Contribute to those on Pine Island needing help with food, rent, and other bills coordinated with the other charities.

All year long our organization’s volunteers worked with: Pine Island Food Bank • American Legion Post 136 • Moose • Elks • VFW • PI Chamber of Commerce Events: Island Fest, Mango Mania, Crab Fest, Mullet Toss, with the same mission “To make a positive difference in our community”

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this edition, we are introducing a full-timer who has his thumb on the pulse of our islands. We are proud to present **CURLY'S CORNER**.

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The Pine Island Food Pantry is a non-denominational, 501c3 non-profit organization serving the residents of Pine Island and the greater Matlacha area who are food insecure. The pantry is open Mondays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. and is housed in the Life Center of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church. Clients can pick up groceries twice per month and may sign up for special Thanksgiving and Christmas meals in the fall.

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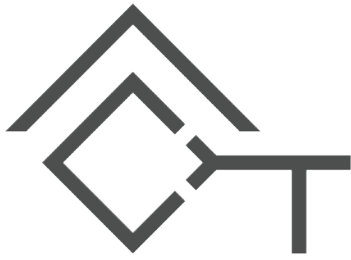
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