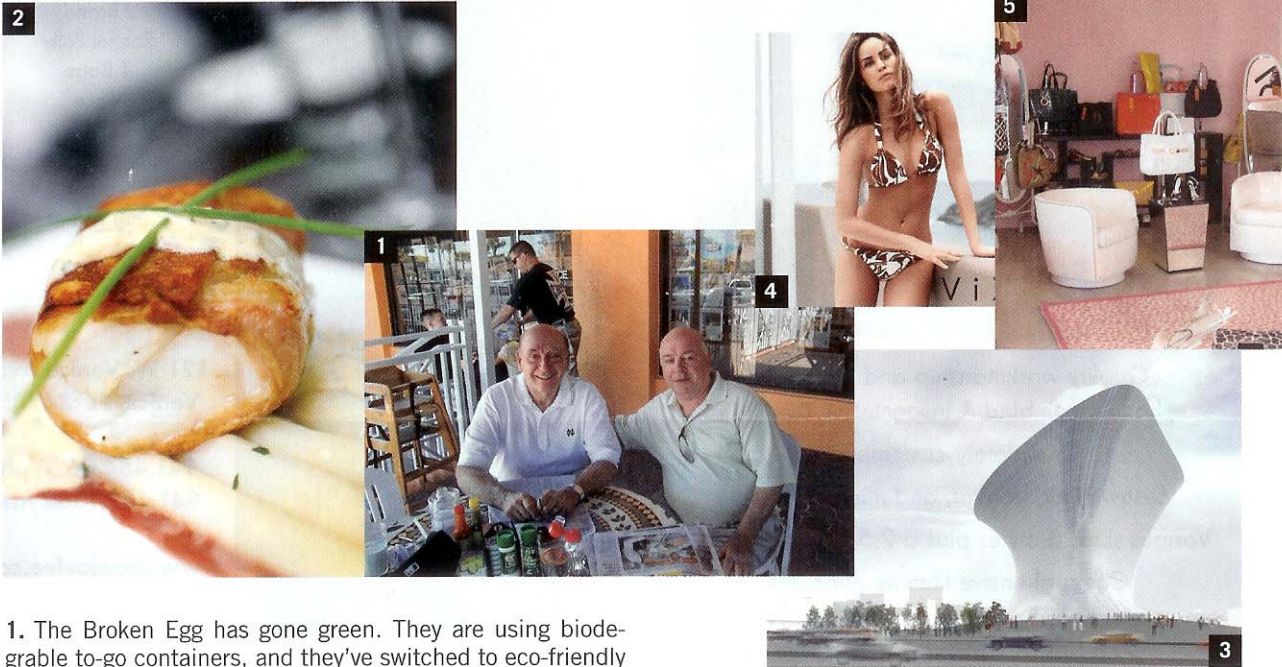


THE KEYS

A SPECIAL SRQ PERKS SHOWCASE.



1. The Broken Egg has gone green. They are using biodegradable to-go containers, and they've switched to eco-friendly soaps. The lighting is florescent and the electrical appliances use Total Energy Concepts, which controls energy usage and surges. In addition, The Broken Egg is a landmark restaurant in using pasteurized eggs for all its egg dishes in both Lakewood Ranch and Siesta Key Village locations. This process eliminates salmonella, making the egg dishes safer. Bob Kirscher says that even though the costs are higher, he believes the protection of guests and the environment is the right thing to do. **THE BROKEN EGG** 140 Avenida Messina, Siesta Key, 941-346-2750 and 6115 Exchange Way, Lakewood Ranch, 941-388-6898; www.thebrokenegg.com

2. Looking for a unique and memorable place to hold a special occasion? Join Cork on St. Armands Circle. Traditional rehearsal dinners are not the only thing being held in a restaurant now. Wine tastings are now popular for everything from bridal showers to birthday parties and executive incentives. Cork can help you create an event that your guests will rave about long after it's over. Don't settle for ordinary. Offering innovative cuisine, impeccable service and private dining spaces, this new dining destination adds a personalized touch for your special event. **CORK/THE BOTTLESHOP** 29 N. Blvd. of Presidents, Sarasota, 941-388-2675; www.corkonthecircle.com

3. R&R Bond Galleries recently completed the largest Salvador Dali sculpture transaction in history, placing 38 monumental bronzes in Carlos Slim's Museo Soumaya in Mexico City. This placement brings the total number of sculptures Mr. Slim has obtained from R&R Bond owner Robert Preiss to over 50 works and merely hints at the inventory Preiss possesses from international masters, Dali, Degas, Arman, Rodin, Boban, Royo and others. This expert-

ise has led clients, investors, private institutions, museums and Forbes members from around the world to turn to R&R Bond when selling or obtaining masterworks of 15th-21st century paintings and sculpture. **R&R BOND GALLERIES** 18 S. Blvd. of Presidents, Sarasota, 941-388-2221; www.rrbondgalleries.com

4. Summer is here and the latest styles in swimwear are making a huge scene on the beaches and at pool side parties. Swim City is known for having the largest selection of must have swimwear lines and matching accessories to complete your look. No matter what your body type, our swimsuit experts can get you fitted in a great suit that will have you relaxing under the warm sun in no time. Several new lines, including Ralph Lauren and Tommy Bahama, have been added to the Longboat Key location, with new surf lines like Roxy and Billabong at Stickney Point. **SWIM CITY**, 1960 Stickney Point Rd., Sarasota, 941-922-4545 and 3170 Gulf of Mexico Dr., Longboat Key, 941-383-2288; www.swimcity.com

5. After two years of being open in Sarasota and an expansion of the store last year, Addison Craig just opened a store in Nantucket over Memorial Day weekend. Owners Allison Scanlan and Karin Jack say they realized many Sarasotans visit Nantucket and wanted to address their fashion shoe needs. Instead of sticking to their Sarasota store's Asian/Tibetan feel, Addison Craig will decorate their Nantucket store in pink and white patent leather. So next time you find yourself up the Nantucket way, point your clam diggers towards the new store and shop around. **ADDISON CRAIG** 28 S. Blvd. of Presidents, Sarasota, 941-388-3400; www.addisoncraig.com

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