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ST. PETERSBURG TWINKLES WITH HOLIDAY CHEER



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This is the Oakdale Christmas House. This tradition began in 1977. Besides the front of the house, the roof displays four Christmas trees made of lights. The electric bill for this display is \$5,000. There are over 600,000 fiber optic lights and over 700 moving or animated figures.



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Two displays close to the front of this St. Petersburg home show the true meaning of Christmas with an abundance of figures, and a few words to remind passing viewers to give thanks during this holiday season.

Candle fueled fire burns through apartment

ST. PETERSBURG - On December 22, at 1113 p.m., St. Petersburg Fire & Rescue units responded to 790 - 22 Av. S., Unit 4 for a report of a structure fire.

Fire crews were on scene within minutes and reported a one story apartment complex with smoke and heavy fire showing from apartment 3. Incident Commander, District Chief Neil Crumity stated that upon his arrival, the fire had blown off the front windows and was burning through the roof.

District Chief Crumity called a second alarm for more units and fought the fire aggressively to prevent the fire from spreading to other units.

Apartment complex manager, Marlis Honegger 58, of Largo, stated that there was no power to the unit and that the occupant, Manuel Thomas 53, of St. Petersburg, was using candles as a source of light.

Fire investigators have determined the cause of the fire was directly contributed to the candles being left unattended. Its unknown if smoke alarms were in the apartments and working.

The fire apartment complex had a fair market value of \$125,000 and damage to the complex is estimated at approximately \$100,000.



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Just days before Christmas an apartment complex stands charred after a candle started a fire late on Tuesday night.

Progress Energy disconnected the power to the complex and Red Cross was called to assist with displacement of the occupants.

The St. Petersburg Fire Department warns residents to never burn a candle on or near anything that can catch fire. Keep burning candles away from paper, decorations, and curtains, and never leave a candle unattended.

This is the second of two apartment fires this week. On Monday a mother of three risked her family's life when she dropped her three children from their second story balcony. All three children, including the mother landed safely.

Mayor-elect Foster announces city organizational structure

ST. PETERSBURG - St. Petersburg Mayor-elect Bill Foster announced his organizational structure, which will become effective January 2, 2010. The new city structure reorganizes various departments to better implement Mayor-elect Foster's plan of action, outlined during his campaign as The Foster Formula, and subsequently summarized in The Foster Forty. The restructuring was determined after meetings with citizens, businesses, City Council and city staff, and focuses on public safety, customer service, cost conscious service delivery and education.

Highlights of the new organizational structure include:

Tish Elston, City Administrator and Chuck Harmon, Chief of Police James Large, Fire Chief

Reporting to City Administrator Tish Elston will be Audit Services, Budget & Management, Finance and School Resources & Internships

Dr. Goliath Davis III will become the Senior Administrator for Community Enrichment and will oversee the Business Assistance Center, Codes Compliance Assistance, Community Initiatives (such as Weed and Seed and Drug Abuse prevention), Housing & Community Development and special projects.

David Metz, as Senior Administrator for Internal Services, will direct Billing & Collections, the City Clerk's Office, Human Resources, Government Services, Information & Communication Services and Purchasing. Michael Connors, Public Works Administrator, will be responsible for the operations of Engineering & Capital Improvements, Fleet Management, Sanitation, Stormwater, Pavement & Traffic Operations and Water Resources.

As Administrator of Leisure & Community Services, Clarence Scott will oversee Golf Courses, Libraries, Neighborhood Partnership, Parks & Recreation and Veteran, Social & Homeless Services.

Rick Mussett will continue in his role as Senior Administrator of City Development, which is comprised of Downtown Enterprise Facilities, Planning & Economic Development, Marketing & Communications, Real Estate & Property Management and Transportation & Parking Management.

John Wolfe will remain the city attorney, serving as counsel to the Mayor, the City Council and the city as a corporate entity.

The planned departure of two long-standing, valuable employees will allow four departments to merge into two, resulting in the elimi-



photo courtesy of billfosterfor mayor.com Mayor-elect Bill Foster

nation of two management positions. Parks & Recreation will merge into a single department under the direction of Sherry McBee, and Development Services and Economic Development will combine to create Planning & Economic Development under Director Dave Goodwin.

Mayor-elect Foster's plan emphasizes several factors key to his administration: a balance of stability and change, an emphasis on outstanding customer service and attention to detail by every member of the organization.

"I am excited to implement my vision for the City of St. Petersburg," said Mayor-elect Foster. "I am confident that with this new structure we will move the city forward, building on the successes of the past and meeting the challenges of the present and future."

Castor ensures \$10 million for USF and Moffitt Cancer Center

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Congress passed a defense appropriations bill that includes almost \$10 million in investments that Congressman Kathy Castor secured for the Tampa Bay area, including for the University of South Florida and the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute. The investments will improve the health and well-being of our troops while supporting good-paying jobs in the health care and research sectors.

Castor secured almost \$1.8 million for a crucial research initiative at the University of South Florida. Researchers are focusing on developing new treatments for patients suffering from traumatic brain injuries and improving their quality of life.

"Our brave men and women in uniform and their families are working so hard to keep our country safe. Through the years, I have visited with brave veterans at Haley VA who are recovering from traumatic brain injuries," Castor said. "We need to continue to support them, and Moffitt and USF, two major economic engines in our community, have the tools to do that."

Castor also secured \$6 million for the National Functional Genomics Center at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute. The genomics center works to find ways to detect and treat cancer in its earliest stages and to develop new drug therapies and diagnostic tests. This Department of Defense initiative is especially important in Florida because the state has one of the highest incidences of cancer in the country, and to our troops because they are unfortunately hard hit by cancer. One study has identified more than 400,000 cases of cancer in the Department



photo courtesy of the office of congresswoman Kathy Castor Representative Kathy Castor

of Defense. "Cancer is one of the leading causes of death in our country, and investing in this cutting-edge research at Moffitt is very important for our community," Castor said. "Our men and women in uniform and our families are depending on initiatives such as this to treat this disease."

Castor is also pleased to announce that the Defense Appropriations bill includes \$800,000 for University Community Hospital's effort to study coronary artery disease in military personnel. Castor pushed for this funding because this work promises to improve the health care of our troops and civilians.

Also included in the bill is \$800,000 for the MacDill Air Force Base Online Training initiative.

During her first term, Castor served on the House Armed Services Committee. She remains deeply committed to MacDill Air Force Base, which is in her district.

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Christmas Day

No Events Scheduled for today.

Saturday, DECEMBER 26, 2009

Saturday Guided Hikes: 1800 Weedon Drive N.E. 9 to 11 a.m. Guided hikes through coastal mangrove and upland ecosystems of the Preserve are held each Saturday of the month. Join us to learn about the coastal environment and the early residents of Weedon Island Preserve. Be sure to bring water and a snack for this two-hour hike. A hat and closed-toe shoes are also recommended. Reserve your space by 2 p.m. on the Friday prior to the field trip. This event is free and open to the public. Pre-registration is required. Recommended ages: 6 and up. www.weedonislandpreserve.org

"Westward Ho from the Waterfront": Central Ave. and 2nd St., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. St. Petersburg Preservation Inc. walking tour of historic waterfront and 4th Ave. N. then by trolley/bus to Historic Kenwood Neighborhood. www.stpetepreservation.org or 727-824-7802.

Dali Family Fun Saturdays: The Dali Museum, 1000 3rd St. S. 11:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Dilly dally with Dali with fun games, puzzles and craft activities which educate and encourage family interaction. In addition, Dali Family Guide brochures are available that enable families to explore the collection on their own and discover the magic of Dali. Dali Family Guide brochures are always available at the admission desk. www.thedali.org or 727-823-3767.

UMOJA (UNITY) Kwanzaa Celebration: Royal Theater Boys & Girls Club Arts Academy, 1011 22nd St. 6 p.m. Public is welcomed and asked to bring a covered dish to share. 727-327-6556.

Gibbs Class of '68 Holiday Party: Coliseum, 535 4th Ave. N. 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Semi-formal attire, BYOB, DJ. For tickets and information call 727-866-9690. www.stpete.org/coliseum or 727-892-5202.

Sunday, DECEMBER 27, 2009

Akiva Talimi presents Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker: Progress Energy Center for the Arts, Mahaffey Theater. 3 p.m. Featuring spectacular sets and beautifully costumed Russian dancers, Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker is an annual treat for the whole family. Whimsical and imaginative storytelling blends with the richness of Russian classical dance to make the Great Russian Nutcracker a unique performance not to be missed! www.mahaffeytheater.com or 727-892-5798.

Music Fest on the Water: Holiday Show Review: The Pier, 800 2nd Ave. N.E. 1 to 4 p.m. Relax by the water and enjoy the melodies of local musicians. Entertaining duo. www.stpetepier.com or 727-821-6443.

KUJICHAGULIA (Self Determination) Kwanzaa Celebration: Uhuru House, 1245 18th Ave. S. 6 p.m. Public is welcomed and asked to bring a covered dish to share. 727-821-6620.

Monday, DECEMBER 28, 2009

UJIMA (Collective Work and Responsibility) Kwanzaa Celebration: Childs Park Recreation Center, 4301 13th Ave. S. 6 p.m. Public is welcomed and asked to bring a covered dish to share. 727-893-7463.

AMP: Art, Music, Poetry: Studio@620, 620 1st Ave. S. 9 p.m. A fully interactive poetry setting allowing for local up-and-coming talents to interact with established artists and an audience in a casual, studio setting. Providing a stage for the new and experimental readings welcoming everyone to perform, watch, and experience. Showcasing the Bay Areas poets, performance artists, performance poets, spoken-word artist and experimental writers with special guest musicians. All poets, all writers and all genres are welcome. www.studio620.org or 727-895-6620.

Tuesday, DECEMBER 29, 2009

Celebrity Critter of the Week - Sponges: The Pier Aquarium, 800 2nd Ave. N.E. 1 to 3:30 p.m. Learn about and explore the habitat of a new and exciting "critter" each week. www.pieraquarium.org or 727-895-7437.

UJAMAA (Cooperative Economics) Kwanzaa Celebration: Unity Temple of Truth, 511 Prescott St. S. 6 p.m. Public is welcomed and asked to bring a covered dish to share. 727-898-2457.

Wednesday, DECEMBER 30, 2009

Nia (Purpose) Kwanzaa Celebration: Enoch Davis Center, (Hosted by Our Brother's Keeper) 1111 18th Ave. S. 6 p.m. Public is welcomed and asked to bring a covered dish to share. 727-687-1109.

Thursday, DECEMBER 31, 2009

KUUMBA (Creativity) Kwanzaa Celebration: Khnumhotep's Ouohemmesut, 2327 Central Ave. 6 p.m. Public is welcomed and asked to bring a covered dish to share. 727-327-4278 or 727-821-2504.

First Night St. Petersburg Celebration: Spend the eve of 2010 enjoying an eclectic variety of activities throughout the downtown and across the waterfront. St. Petersburg rings in the New Year with music, lights, dance, fire, bubbles, stories, creative fun, fireworks and much more! First Night St. Petersburg celebrates its Annual New Year's Eve celebration of the arts from 5 p.m. to midnight at multiple venues. Family-oriented festivities with music stages, entertainment, drama, dance, games, art, fireworks and more. www.firstnightstpete.com or 727-823-8906.

First Night at BayWalk: 153 2nd Ave. N, 5 p.m. to midnight. Ring in the New Year at Baywalk! Make a New Year's hat or mask, enjoy a musical petting zoo, puppet show, magic show, or take Cajun dance lessons! Be inspired by the spoken word and music of Aleshea Harris or ring in the New Year with the Lutheran Church of the Cross Bell Choir. Have fun with bubbles with the Bubble Stomp or dance your way into 2010 with the Shawn Brown Band from 8 p.m. to midnight. www.newbaywalk.com. Tickets available at www.firstnightstpete.com

Pier Aquarium Labyrinth at First Night: S. Straub Park. The labyrinth path was lit by luminaries created by students of local schools. Signs on the path and hanging from trees featured recycling facts and tips to become a better informed and ecologically conscious consumer. At the end of the labyrinth, walkers tied ribbons to a tree as a promise to GO GREEN! www.pieraquarium.org or 727-895-7437.

SWINGIN' THE NEW YEAR 2010: Coliseum, 535 4th Ave. N. 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$15 - \$22 service charges may apply. A Celebration for all ages, midnight countdown and balloon drop. Swing dance celebration. Cash bar. www.tampabayswing.com, www.stpete.org/coliseum or 727-892-5202.

First Night/New Year's Eve at the Pier, 800 Second Ave. N.E.:

*Face painting (nominal charge) - 3 to 9 p.m.

*Hat-making by the Parent Guide Magazine - 5 to 8 p.m.

*First Night events: "New Year's Eve on Broadway" featuring the Royal Theater Arts Academy Senior Conservatory Students in the Dockside Activity Room - 7 to 7:45 p.m. & 8:15 to 9 p.m.

*Soulful Arts on the 3rd Floor - 7 to 7:45 p.m.

*Band: "Rock 'n' Chair Band" - 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

St. Pete Waterfront Centennial Celebration with Discover History in the Parks: North and South Straub Parks, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Celebrate New Year's eve and the waterfront parks centennial in downtown St. Petersburg. New Year's eve celebrants can participate in a history treasure hunt by picking up a treasure map and locating five historic landmarks in North and South Straub Parks. At each one, participants will receive a "treasure" and a special prize with the Centennial medallion when all five have been found. www.stpeteparks100.org

Friday, JANUARY 1, 2010

AmeriCorps Noon Year's Party: Great Explorations Children's Museum, 1925 4th St. N. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. www.greatexplorations.org or 727-821-8992.

Music Fest on the Water Music Series: every Sunday 1 to 4 p.m. The Pier, www.stpetepier.com

January 3rd - Bobby Summers, jazz, R&B and more

January 10th - Funk Monster Band, Top 40, High energy

January 17th - Happy Days Show Duo, impersonations of many celebrities

January 24th - Solid Core

January 31st - Rock 'n' Chair Band

Submit your events to news@pinellas-news.com

Albert Whitted Airport receives \$897,000 to help build airport control tower

ST. PETERSBURG - St. Petersburg officials announced Tuesday that Albert Whitted Airport, Florida's 2009 General Aviation Airport of the Year, will be receiving an additional \$897,000 in federal stimulus money, closing the funding gap to build a new \$3.1 million airport control tower.

The city had already received a \$2.2 million FAA grant toward the tower's construction, and was earlier denied stimulus money it requested to provide the remaining funds necessary to build the new tower. Mayor Rick Baker, during a June 19, 2009 phone conversation with Vice President Biden, asked the federal government to reconsider funding the project. The phone call was to discuss implementation of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act at the municipal level. Following that conversation, the city continued its correspondence with the FAA, and was notified of the award Friday, December 18.

Jack Tunstill, Chairman of the Albert Whitted Airport Advisory Council, also worked closely with Congressman Bill Young's office to communicate the importance of the tower project. "As he finishes his last days in office, what a parting gift Mayor Rick Baker has left the city and its historic airport," said Mr. Tunstill. "Without his conversation with Vice President Biden, and the additional support of Congressman Bill Young, we might never have received the additional funding to build this badly needed control tower."

Construction bids have been received, and a contract should be awarded in the coming weeks. Groundbreaking for the new tower is expected in early 2010, with completion estimated in Spring 2011. The current tower structure was built in the 1950's as a naval observation platform, and was enclosed as a fully functioning air traffic control tower in 1965.

ST. PETE RESIDENTS URGED TO PICK UP FESTIVAL BUTTONS FROM STARBUCKS

ST. PETERSBURG - Residents and visitors to First Night St. Petersburg are encouraged to take a break from holiday activities and visit one of ten St. Pete Starbucks locations to purchase this year's festival button. Festival organizers adopted the idea of selling buttons to raise money for the event, serve as admission to many First Night venues, as well as provide event attendees with souvenirs.

"As a nonprofit organization, button sales account for more than 40% of our current revenue and in the current economic climate, it's even more important that all the people who enjoy First Night purchase a button," said First Night Executive Director Jennifer Starling. She notes that button sales play a crucial role in ensuring the future success of First Night St. Petersburg, as well.

Festival buttons cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, ages 6 through 12 through December 30. On December 31, button prices increase to \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. In addition to the lighted, limited edition button, each customer will receive a three-pack of Via, Starbucks' new instant coffee, with their button purchase. Festival button-hold-

ers will also receive a free upgrade to their coffee purchase at any of the ten participating Starbucks locations on New Year's Eve.

Organizers have also planned a sneak peek of First Night performers, button and product giveaways at select Starbucks locations before the event, including 11 year old singer/songwriter Ella Jet, at the Fourth St. and Ninth Ave. Starbucks, this Saturday, December 19, at 11:30 a.m.

Buttons may be purchased at any of these Starbucks locations with cash or credit card: Gateway Crossing, 10490 Roosevelt Center; Baywalk, 199 First Ave. N; Marketplace Shopping Center, 6800 22nd Ave. N; Fourth St. and Ninth Ave.; Central Ave. and 66th St.; Park Blvd. and Highway 19; Fourth St. and 50th Ave.; Tyrone Square; Fourth St. and 89th Ave.; and Park and Sheen. Buttons may also be purchased with cash or check only at these locations: Publix, Northeast Shopping Center; The Pier; St. Petersburg Chamber, 100 Second Ave. N; Morean Arts Center, 719 Central Ave.; Florida Craftsmen, 501 Central Ave., and Interior Motives Gallery, 1110 Central Ave.

Make-A-Wish Foundation sponsors Tampa Riverwalk for Wishes on Feb. 18

TAMPA - The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Central and Northern Florida, Suncoast Region and Tech Data present the 2nd Annual Tampa Riverwalk for Wishes event Thursday, February 18, at Channelside Entertainment Complex, 615 Channelside Drive, Tampa. Tampa Mayor Pam Iorio will serve as the Honorary Chair for the event.

Tampa Riverwalk for Wishes is an annual pledge walk with complimentary food and beverages for all walkers. Registration will begin at 5:30 p.m., with the walk beginning at 7 p.m. Food donors to date include Splitville and Channelside Bennigan's. All net proceeds go to benefit Suncoast Make-A-Wish's mission: to grant

the heartfelt wishes of children with life threatening medical conditions in the Suncoast Region.

The Tampa Riverwalk will also feature live entertainment, a live broadcast from 93.3FLZ, games, and prizes for the top fundraisers, plus a special wish child and their family talking about their recently completed wish. The Tampa Riverwalk will feature Hillsborough county 15-year-old Brooke and her Mom Kim, to talk about Brooke's wish to meet the cast and crew of "The Wizards of Waverly Place (picture attached)." Kim suffers from Vaters Syndrome, a life threatening medical condition.

Walker registration fees are \$10, or there is a \$20 registration

fee that includes two drink tickets. A \$50 pledge minimum will secure a walk t-shirt. For more information, to register your team online, or to track and collect your pledges, visit the Tampa Riverwalk for Wishes website at <http://RiverwalkforWishes.wish-central.org>. Weekly contests on the Walk Website will help walkers build their teams and their pledges. For more information, e-mail SpecialEvents@suncoast-wish.org or call (813) 288-2600.

The presenting sponsor for the 2010 Riverwalk for Wishes is Tech Data. Supporting sponsors include Pepsi, Aquafina and Michelob Ultra.

St. Petersburg holiday closings

ST. PETERSBURG - During both holiday weeks of December 21-25 and December 28-January 1, residents who normally have trash collection on Thursdays or Fridays will have residential pickup on Wednesday or Thursday.

Closures on Friday, Dec 25, Christmas Day include Albert Whitted Municipal Airport admin. office, Boyd Hill Nature Preserve, Business Assistance center, City Hall and Municipal Serviced Center, Coliseum, Enoch Davis Center, Municipal Marina, North Shore Aquatic Complex, Public Libraries, Progress Energy Center, Mahaffey Theater, Recreation Centers, Sanitation Dept. Brush Sites, Sunken Gardens, Sunshine Center.

All of these facilities will be closed on New Year's Day except for Enoch Davis Center and Sanitation Dept. Brush Sites. The Pier will be open on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.

During the Christmas and New Year's holiday weeks, residential collections normally made on Thursday or Friday will be made on Wednesday or Thursday. There will be no change to Monday and Tuesday collections.

North Shore Aquatic Complex will close at 2 p.m. on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve (December 24 and 31), while Boyd Hill Nature Preserve will close at 6 p.m. on both days. Mangrove Bay and Twin Brooks Golf Courses will have the last ball sale at 5 p.m. Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. And Progress Energy Center for the Arts (Mahaffey Theater) will be closed for the holiday both Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

Child's Park and West Community branches will also be closed Christmas Eve. All St. Petersburg Public Library locations will be closed Christmas Day through Sunday, December 27, except the Main Branch, which will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. All library branches will be closed New Year's Day and Saturday, January 2; the Main Branch will be open normal hours from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, January 3. All libraries will return to a normal schedule beginning Monday, January 4.

For water or sewer emergency service, call Water Resources at 893-7261. For police, fire, or medical emergencies, dial 9-1-1.

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15th Annual Appreciation Dinner for Emergency Personnel on Jan 29, proceeds will be donated

Pinellas Commissioner John Morroni's 15th Annual Appreciation Dinner for Emergency Personnel will be held on Friday, Jan. 29, at the Hilton St. Petersburg Carillon Park, 950 Lake Carillon Drive, St. Petersburg. The evening begins at 6 p.m., with dinner at 7.

The 2010 dinner marks the return of Morroni's annual event with a renewed spirit. Last year's event was cancelled due to his illness. Morroni is pleased to announce that the proceeds of this year's dinner will be donated to the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Suncoast and the Children's Burn Foundation of Florida Inc.

The dinner was started in memory of Belleair Police Officer Jeffery Tackett. The 28 year old died from a gunshot wound on June 13, 1993, when he re-

sponded to a call alone and was shot with his own weapon.

The loss of the officer deeply affected the entire community, and those who attended the memorial services were struck with the tragedy, including then-state Rep. John Morroni, who pledged to do something to help prevent this kind of tragedy from happening again.

Morroni co-sponsored the Tackett Bill with Sen. Dennis Jones in 1995. The state legislation requires two officers be on duty at all times, unless mutual aid agreements with other law enforcement agencies are in place, so that law enforcement officers do not respond to calls alone.

"My pride lies with the men and women who literally put their lives on the line for all of us," said Morroni. "Because of this law, of-

ficers are safer because they have backup when they are doing their jobs of keeping us safe."

In 1995, Morroni organized the first Law Enforcement Appreciation Dinner. As a Pinellas County commissioner, Morroni continues the tradition every year, expanding it to include firefighters and EMS personnel. Special honorees have included Officer Tackett's family and emergency personnel who helped in the rescue efforts in New York City following the 9/11 attack.

"This is really the only event that recognizes the valuable contributions made by members of the law enforcement, fire and emergency medical communities," said Morroni. "It's an honor to be a part of it."

Public safety personnel and local elected officials will attend the



photo courtesy of Pinellas County

Commissioner John Morroni

event and the public is invited. Donations are \$75 per ticket, which includes the dinner and a donation to the charities.

Dog of the Week Tucker



Photo courtesy of SPCA

This Black Labrador mix is such a sweetie. Tucker was brought to the SPCA because he does enjoy chewing on things, but that is something that can be worked on with the right owner. Though Tucker is 2 and a half years old, he still is very much a puppy! He is housetrained, and once calmed down does walk well on a leash. Tucker would do well in a home with older children and with an owner who has the time to work on his obedience training. Make sure you take advantage of SPCA Tampa Bay's free obedience class when you adopt this lively boy! Visit Tucker at SPCA Tampa Bay, 9099 130th Ave N in Largo, or call 727-586-3591.

NASA adds three more astronauts to international space station

NASA astronaut T.J. Creamer, Russian cosmonaut Oleg Kotov and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency astronaut Soichi Noguchi docked with their new home on Tuesday. The trio launched aboard the Soyuz TMA-17 spacecraft on Sunday from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan.

From inside the station, Expedition 22 Commander Jeff Williams and Flight Engineer Maxim Suraev monitored the approach of the Russian spacecraft as it docked to the Earth-facing port of the Zarya module.

After completion of leak checks, the hatches between the two vehicles were opened at 7:30 p.m. Williams and Suraev, who arrived at the station Oct. 2 aboard the Soyuz TMA-16, welcomed the new Expedition 22 flight engineers aboard their orbital home for the next five months.

Creamer, 50, is making his first flight into space. Selected as an astronaut in 1998, Creamer was a support astronaut for the Expedition 3 crew and worked with hardware integration and robotics.

Kotov, 44, is making his second spaceflight, having previously served six months aboard the station as an Expedition 15 flight engineer in 2007. Kotov will be a flight engineer for Expedition 22 and assume the duties of Expedition 23 commander when Williams and Suraev depart in March 2010.

Noguchi is making his second spaceflight. He flew on the STS-114 return-to-flight mission of Discovery in 2005 and



Photo credit: NASA/Victor Zelentsov

Expedition 22 flight engineers Oleg Kotov, T.J. Creamer and Soichi Noguchi pose for a snapshot while visiting the Soyuz launch vehicle assembly facility in front of the rocket's third stage.

Temp work more beneficial than a permanent job?

GAINESVILLE — Rather than being trapped in dead-end jobs, many people hired by temporary help agencies actually earn higher hourly wages and are better educated than permanent employees, and move quickly between temporary and regular jobs, a new University of Florida study finds.

"There has been concern by some advocacy groups that the temporary help industry is creating an entire class of people who are churning through temporary-help jobs and can't escape from that cycle," said Sarah Hamersma, a UF economist and lead author. "We find no reason to believe that a large number of temp workers are 'stuck' in a secondary labor market."

Hamersma and Carolyn Heinrich, a University of Wisconsin public affairs professor, who presented their findings in November at the annual meeting of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management in Washington D.C., studied occupational records, wages and earnings for 5,877 Wisconsin workers between 1995 and 2004.

Of 3,964 employees who held at least one temporary job, 3,947 held a permanent job at some time in those 10 years, Hamersma said. An analysis of a subsample who changed jobs over a four-month period showed that more than three-fourths of those in temporary positions moved into traditional jobs and only 23 percent took another temporary job, she said.

Employees earned more per hour in temporary jobs than traditional ones, receiving about 15 percent more pay, Hamersma said. While other studies have focused on quarterly earnings of temporary workers, which are lower than those for permanent employees, the UF study also an-

alyzed hourly wages, and found these to be higher for temp workers, she said.

"We learned that the shorter duration of temporary jobs means the employees work fewer hours, which translates into lower quarterly earnings than for traditional employees, but they actually end up getting paid more for the hours that they do work," she said.

The reason that temporary workers are compensated more than traditional employees is probably that some conditions of their jobs are less desirable, such as fewer working hours, less job stability and lack of fringe benefits, including health insurance, Hamersma said.

"We have a lot of evidence in economics that people are compensated for taking riskier jobs," she said. "Someone who works in a coal mine, for example, gets paid more than a janitor or someone else in a safer job, even if they have similar skill levels."

"Paying temp workers more is consistent with having to handle the insecurity and other characteristics that are inferior to a regular job," she said. "People might argue whether getting paid 15 percent more is enough compensation for having no benefits and fewer working hours, but if someone is interested in part-time instead of full-time work, it might be a good fit."

Normally figures on hourly wages are not accessible like those of quarterly earnings, but because the researchers studied a group of workers at Wisconsin firms applying for the Work Opportunity Tax Credit, an employer subsidy for hiring welfare workers, food stamp recipients and other groups, the information was required to be reported to the government, she said.

Examining the workers at the

time they worked in a subsidized job, the researchers found that employees in temporary jobs were better educated than their counterparts in traditional employment. Slightly more than half — 51 percent — of the 4,929 people who had regular jobs did not have a high school degree, compared with 41 percent of the 562 people who had temporary jobs, Hamersma said.

Faster growing than regular employment, temp work has shifted from clerical and office positions to include blue collar occupations, such as laborers, Hamersma said.

With public pressure for disadvantaged workers to become self-sufficient rather than depend on government support, caseworkers often place former welfare recipients in temporary jobs, Hamersma said. Statistics from several states show that as many as 15 to 40 percent of these people have gone to work in the temporary help sector since 1996, she said.

"Part of the debate about temp work is whether it's a good idea for welfare caseworkers to try to push people into these jobs," she said. "Finding out what the jobs pay gives us some idea about whether it's better to hold off and try to find them more permanent jobs even if they spend more time on public assistance waiting for those jobs to appear."

One of the biggest drawbacks of temporary work is its short duration, which makes it difficult for employees to build a foundation of experience necessary for occupational security, Hamersma said. More than half of all temporary jobs in the sample — 56 percent — lasted no more than three months and another 25 percent lasted no more than six months, she said.

Marcia Lightsey, of Lake Wales, wins "Woman of the Year in Agriculture"

TALLAHASSEE -- Marcia Lightsey of Lake Wales, whose family owns several Central Florida cattle ranches known for their progressive environmental practices, has been selected to receive the "Woman of the Year in Agriculture Award" for 2009.

The award, now in its 25th year, recognizes women who have made outstanding contributions to Florida agriculture.

"Marcia Lightsey and the rest of the Lightsey family are known for their groundbreaking efforts to preserve Florida's natural places, along with the best of our rural values and traditions," Bronson said. "The Lightseys have made Florida a better place to live."

Today the family runs over 6,000 head of cattle on over 32,000 acres in three Florida counties.

The Lightseys have been honored with countless awards for their conservation efforts. They practice rotational grazing (resting pastures between seasons to protect them from overgrazing and erosion), water recycling, and controlled burning (to enhance wildlife habitat and regenerate native vegetation). The Lightseys preserve 40 percent of their land in its native state to provide wildlife corridors and protect soil and water quality, and they have placed over 80 percent of their property in conservation easements to protect it from future development.

Marcia and Cary Lightsey live near Lake Wales. They have three children and seven grandchildren, and the entire family works together to continue to grow the Lightsey Cattle Company.

Cat of the Week Smokey



Photo courtesy of SPCA

Smokey used to live in a big family with several children, cats & dogs, however her humans have lost their home and can no longer afford to keep her. We are now helping her find her new forever home! As soon as you meet Smokey, you will know that she just has so much love to offer. She is a beautiful kitty with gorgeous eyes and a full coat of soft grey fur. She's a very happy girl that thoroughly enjoys interacting with people, but she isn't necessarily a lapcat. What she really likes is to be a right-by-your-lap cat. See Smokey today at SPCA Tampa Bay, 9099 130th Ave N in Largo, or call 727-586-3591.

Military News

Navy - Fleet News

Petty Officer Shane A. Haydon

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Shane A. Haydon, son of Mia Butler of Palm Harbor, Fla. and Dale Haydon of Clearwater, Fla., recently completed Naval Nuclear Power Training Pipeline.

Haydon is a 2005 graduate of Palm Harbor University High School of Palm Harbor, Fla. and joined the Navy in December 2007.

Seaman David M. McClintock

Navy Seaman Apprentice David M. McClintock, a 2009 graduate of Seminole High School, Seminole, Fla., recently completed U.S. Navy basic training and was meritoriously promoted to his current rank at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

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 desiring to engage in business
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**CITIZEN INFORMATION
 NETWORK**
 Located at 2054 Ridgeland
 Road in the County of Pinellas, in
 the City of Clearwater, Florida,
 zip code 33755 intends to register
 the same name with the Division
 of Corporations of the Florida
 Department of State, Tallahassee,
 Florida.
 Dated at Clearwater, Florida,
 this 17th day of December, 2009.
 Glenn Wahlquist
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**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
 PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION**
FILE NUMBER: 09-6771-ES-003
**IN RE: ESTATE OF
 WARREN S. KEYES**
 Deceased.
 The administration of the
 estate of Warren S. Keyes
 deceased, File Number 09-6771-
 ES-003 is pending in the Circuit
 Court for Pinellas County,
 Florida, Probate Division, the
 address of which is 315 Court
 Street, Clearwater, Florida
 33756. The names and addresses
 of the personal representative and
 the personal representative's
 attorney are set forth below.
**ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
 ARE NOTIFIED THAT:**
 All persons on whom this
 notice is served who have objections
 that challenge the validity of
 the will, the qualifications of the
 personal representative, venue, or
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 The date of the first publica-
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 Personal Representative:
 Jay F. Keyes
 100 Devon Drive
 Clearwater, Florida 33767
 Attorney for
 Personal Representative:
 Douglas J. Burns, P.A.
 2559 Nursery Road - Suite A
 Clearwater, Florida 33764
 Telephone: (727)-725-2553
 FBN: 451060
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
 PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA
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FILE NO. 09-7887-ES-03
**IN RE: ESTATE OF
 CHARLES E. HUNT, SR.**
 Deceased.
 The administration of the estate of Charles E. Hunt, Sr., deceased,
 whose date of death was October 27, 2009, is pending in the Circuit
 Court for Pinellas County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of
 which is 315 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida 33756-5165. The names
 and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representa-
 tives' attorney are set forth below.
 All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or
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 required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN
 THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST
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**ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET
 FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE
 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.**
**NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH
 ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER
 THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.**
 The date of first publication of this notice is December 25, 2009.
 Personal Representative:
 Charles E. Hunt, Jr.
 11300 - 129th Avenue N., Lot 106
 Largo, Florida 33778

**NOTICE OF ACTION
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL COURT**
CASE NO. 09-12911-FD-23
**IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF
 DAVID PENDLETON**
 Petitioner
 and
KELLI R. PENDLETON
 Respondent
TO: KELLI R. PENDLETON
 Last known address:
 UNKNOWN
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for DISSOLUTION OF
 MARRIAGE has been filed and you are required to serve a copy of
 your written denial to it, on Petitioner's Attorney, JOSEPH EVANSON,
 whose address is PO BOX 629, Largo, Florida 33779 on or before
January 4, 2010, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court
 either before service on Petitioner's Attorney or immediately thereafter;
 otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded
 in the petition.
WITNESS, KEN BURKE, as Clerk of the Circuit Court, and the
 seal of said Court at the Courthouse at Clearwater, Florida.
 Dated: November 30, 2009
KEN BURKE
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 By: Rhonda R. Ditty
 Deputy Clerk
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 1220 South Lake Drive
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 Attorney for
 Personal Representative:
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 7127 1st Ave. So.
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**IN RE: ESTATE OF
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 Deceased.
 The administration of the
 estate of John A. Manning,
 deceased, whose date of death
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 in the Circuit Court for Pinellas
 County, Florida, Probate
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 315 Court Street, Clearwater,
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 Nancy E. Manick
 1149 Marble Drive
 Crescent, Pennsylvania 15046
 John A. Manning, Jr.
 107 Helen Drive
 Marlboro, Massachusetts 01752
 Attorney for
 Personal Representatives:
 Susan M. Charles
 Attorney for Nancy E. Manick
 and John A. Manning Jr.
 The Charles Law Offices
 801 West Bay Drive
 Suite 403
 Largo, FL 33770
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 Telephone: (727) 683-1483
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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FILE NO. 09-7218-ES-004
**IN RE: ESTATE OF
 JANE MURRAY**
 Deceased.
 The administration of the
 estate of Jane Murray, deceased,
 whose date of death was
 September 23, 2009, File Number
 09-7218-ES004, is pending in the
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USF WOMEN FALLS TO EAST CAROLINA 63-60

TAMPA - The University of South Florida women's basketball team placed four players in double figures, shot 44.4 percent from the field, and a season best 93.8 percent from the free throw line, but that wasn't enough as East Carolina handed the Bulls a tough 63-60 loss in the championship game of the USF Shootout Sunday afternoon.

Janae Stokes scored 15 points and Sequoyah Griffin added 12 points in the loss. Jessica Lawson and Melissa Dalemberth chipped in with 11 and 10 points respectively.

USF (8-4) knew coming into the contest that it would have its hands full with the Pirates (10-1), former conference-mates of the Bulls during their stint in Conference USA.

USF jumped out by four points early on in the game when Jasmine Wynne connected on two free throws just 2:15 into the contest only to have East Carolina come right back and take its first lead of the contest, 9-6, on a three-pointer by Allyson Spivey with 14:46 left in the half.

Both teams would go back-and-forth through the remainder first half with five lead changes over the next 11 minutes. However, it would be the Pirates that would make the first big push right before the intermission getting their lead to seven points, 38-31, on a jumper by Crystal Wilson with 1:19 left in the half.

Stokes would hit her fourth three-point shot of the first half with 58 seconds left before the break to cut the deficit to 38-34.

Stokes would finish the first 20 minutes with 12 points.

Neither team seemed to want to pull away in the second half as both teams would find themselves deadlocked eight times following the intermission.

The Bulls would regain their lead just under eight minutes into the final stanza when Lawson broke a 44-all tie, with 12:05 left in the game, connecting on two free throws to put USF up 46-44.

East Carolina then used a 10-4 run spearheaded by Wilson, who scored five of her 14 points during the stretch - that ran from 11:43 to 7:27 - to take a five-point lead 54-49.

After a Dalemberth jumper in the paint with 6:45 left cut the into the Pirates lead,

USF MEN UNDEFEATED IN LAS VEGAS HOLIDAY HOOPS CLASSIC

LAS VEGAS - University of South Florida senior Mike Mercer drained 19 points, 13 in the second half, to down San Diego in the final game of the Las Vegas Holiday Hoops Classic.

USF also defeated San Francisco on Dec. 19 to go undefeated in a tournament for the first time since a pair of wins over South Alabama and New Orleans in the 2003 USF Holiday Hoops Classic.

The Bulls are 10-2 for the first time since 1991-92, the same year USF played in the NCAA tournament after posting a 19-10 overall record. The Bulls also passed last season's win total, when the team went 9-22 overall.

Mercer's 19 points are a career-best, surpassing his previous high of 12 against UCF on Dec. 16, 2009. He also added four rebounds, two assists and a steal to the Bulls' 10th win of the season.

Four Bulls scored in double digits, including Mercer (19), Dominique Jones (18), Jarrid Famous (14) and Chris Howard (11). USF is now 3-0 when four Bulls score in double figures.

USF spread the wealth on the boards as Famous grabbed seven, Howard had six and Jones and Toarlyn Fitzpatrick each pulled down five.

The Bulls and Toreros dueled in the first half, matching buckets throughout most of the half, watching the lead change seven



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Center, Jessica Lawson goes up for a rebound against the Washington Huskies early in Dec. Since then the Bulls have gone 2-2. They face St. Francis at home on New Years Eve

and then a lay-up by Wynne, on the Bulls' next possession, with 5:42 left, Stokes would get USF its lead back, 56-54, on her only field goal of the second half - a three-pointer - with 5:01 left in the game.

Unfortunately, for the Bulls, that would be their last field goal of the game as East Carolina would close the contest on a 9-4 run en route to the victory.

Although USF won the battle of the paint against a bigger ECU team, it still fell victim to the turnover bug with 19 miscues leading to 15 Pirate points.

In addition, East Carolina's bench contributed 30 points as opposed to 19 from the Bulls' reserves.

Wilson paced the way for the Pirates with 14 points while Allison Spivey added 11 points in a winning effort.

The loss was just USF's second in the Shootout in its 16 games in the event. The Bulls' last loss came to Eastern Michigan, 57-49, on Nov. 28, 2004.

USF will now get time off for Christmas break before its next game against St. Francis (Pa.) on Dec. 31 at 2 p.m. at the Sun Dome. That will be the Bulls' final non-conference game of the season before opening BIG EAST play on Jan. 4 at defending national champion and current No. 1 ranked Connecticut.

times and neither team taking more than a four-point lead.

USF looked to be starting a run with back-to-back long balls from Howard and Jones, but San Diego connected on five unanswered points to stay close to the Bulls.

Despite the back-and-forth battle, USF held the lead the first six minutes of the game. USD tied the score at 13, then a bucket from Jones and a three-point play by Famous put the Bulls ahead again.

San Diego hit a pair of free throws and a long ball just before the half to take a two-point lead going into the locker rooms.

Just three minutes into the second half, USF was down by four, but made a 9-0 run to take the 49-43 lead with 12 minutes left. Minutes later, USF added an 8-3 run, but San Diego answered with an 8-2 run of their own.

After being tied at 51 with eight minutes to play, USF went on an 8-1 run and never looked back.

The Las Vegas Holiday Hoops Classic wraps up USF's non-conference season. USF opens the BIG EAST portion of the season on Dec. 30 at Louisville, a BIG EAST Network television game, then returns to the Sun Dome on Jan. 5 to face Notre Dame at 7 p.m. That game can be seen on ESPNU.

RECIPE of the Week

Southwestern Dip

Prep Time: 10 min
Total Time: 2 hours 10 min
Makes: 18 servings (2 tablespoons each)

Health Twist:

To reduce the fat to just 5 grams and the calories to 70 per serving, use reduced-fat sour cream and mayonnaise and reduce the amount of cheese to 3/4 cup or use 1 cup reduced-fat Cheddar cheese



INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 cups sour cream
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic salt
- 1/4 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese (4 ounces)
- 1 can (4.5 ounces) Old El Paso® chopped green chiles, drained
- Tortilla chips, if desired

DIRECTIONS

1. In medium bowl, mix all ingredients except cheese, chilies and tortilla chips. Stir in cheese and chilies.
2. Cover and refrigerate 2 to 4 hours to blend flavors. Serve with tortilla chips.

Time Saver:

Use already shredded cheese to speed preparation.

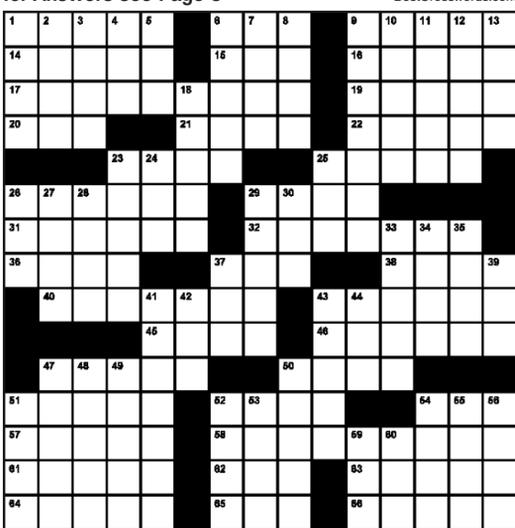
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Crossword Puzzle

for Answers see Page 5

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Across

- 1- Thin glutinous mud
- 6- Air rifle ammo
- 9- Unordered
- 14- Draw a bead on
- 15- Encouraging word
- 16- Writer Loos
- 17- Without doubt
- 19- Plant anew
- 20- Hit sign
- 21- Monetary unit of Cambodia
- 22- Dice game
- 23- Undoing
- 25- Loses heat
- 26- Mexican scarf
- 29- McGregor of "Trainspotting"
- 31- Capital of Estonia
- 32- Embryonic root
- 36- Kitchen addition
- 37- Levy
- 38- Hawaiian city
- 40- Apportions
- 43- Bulges
- 45- Spouse
- 46- Lets up
- 47- Lathers
- 50- Yonder thing
- 51- Goodwill
- 52- Mata ____
- 54- Witty remark
- 57- Ablaze
- 58- Ornate
- 61- Small change
- 62- One circuit
- 63- Giver
- 64- Pay for
- 65- Ed.'s pile
- 66- Senior member

Down

- 1- Back talk
- 2- One telling tales
- 3- ____ expert, but...
- 4- Barker and Bell
- 5- Airport abbr.
- 6- European brown bear
- 7- De-intensify
- 8- Author Silverstein
- 9- Radio pioneer
- 10- Diciembre follower
- 11- Agave fiber
- 12- Halts
- 13- Goes off-course
- 18- Betelgeuse's constellation
- 23- Actor's parts
- 24- Israeli submachine gun
- 25- Bounder
- 26- Hwy.
- 27- I could ____ horse!
- 28- Diner orders
- 29- Clear the board
- 30- Cerumen
- 33- Defraud
- 34- Rhythmic swing
- 35- Fashion mag
- 37- Big bang cause
- 39- CIA forerunner
- 41- Loan
- 42- Beetle juice?
- 43- Indian form of address
- 44- Ring org.
- 47- More secure
- 48- Sheeplike
- 49- Artery that feeds the trunk
- 50- Snares
- 51- Truth
- 52- Steering wheel
- 53- Exclamation to express sorrow
- 54- Numerous
- 55- Siouan speaker
- 56- Sea swallow
- 59- Eccentric
- 60- Aussie hopper

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