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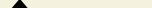
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## Clam Bayou Cleanup “...anything in here I should know about?”



By Cathy Salustri

“Is there anything in here I should know about?” Mary Ann Brooks calls out from inside a stand of black mangroves in Clam Bayou. Brooks, along with an army of other volunteers, grabbed a garbage bag, gloves, and a trash picker.

See *Clam Bayou*, page 9

## A Taste of Boating Safety at the Nautical Flea Market



David Housand, seven, traveled to Gulfport's Nautical Flea Market from Tampa with his father and enjoyed a donut from the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary 716's booth. The Auxiliary sold donuts, coffee and water to throngs of nautical-minded bargain seekers and passed out boating safety information to customers.

## Lady Pirate Football Victory!

By Leigh Clifton

The Lady Pirates Girl's varsity football team had something to prove Tuesday night... that they could win a game. Not only did they win decisively, they beat East Lake High, a school with a 2-0 record 19-6, a strong showing for a team that's been taking a lot of lumps lately.

Coach Tim Henson credits the change of heart with a change in his front line. Moving Tory Stephens to quarterback, he moved Liz Hill to the Z receiver/wide out position; a switch he says sparked the team and got them motivated.

“Tory throws the ball so hard, I was afraid that those girls wouldn't be able to catch it,” Coach Henson laughed. “But they held onto it (the ball) and we scored three times.”

Coach Henson now feels the girls are on the right track.

“We just needed to make a few adjustments. It's still real early in the season. I think we might have found the perfect formula with our team.”

Bogie plays North East High at North East on Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

## View the Rings of Saturn

St. Petersburg Astronomy Club is welcoming the public to view the rings of Saturn on Friday, March 27 from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Pinellas County Science Center, 7701 22 Avenue N. Every 15 years the rings of Saturn turn so the moons of Saturn line up in a straight line. Approximately 15 large telescopes will be available for viewing. Public is welcome.

## Changes to Police Officer's Trust Fund

Gulfport city council approved on first reading an ordinance which changes language in the Police Officer's Trust Fund Board. The changes were necessary to bring the documents into compliance with recent changes in the Internal Revenue Code, the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Act, Florida Statutes and recommendations from the State Actuary. There is no financial impact to the city.

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## Gulfport Blvd. Building Rezoned

The residential property located at 5217 Gulfport Boulevard has been rezoned by city council to Commercial Retail Sales and Service. The applicant, Rick McChesney, Jr. owns a pest control business and intends to move it to the new location. The rezoning is contingent upon the applicant coordinating with the public works department to install a backflow preventer. It also calls for the proposed improvements to be made within one year, for all markings and signage for handicapped parking to comply with ADA standards and

that the applicant will obtain sign and construction permits for ADA parking and ramp.

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## Bay Pines VA Annual Car Show

Bay Pines VA Annual Car Show sponsored by Downshifters of Brooklyn will be held on Sunday, March 29 at Bay Pines VA Medical Center, 10,000 Bay Pines Boulevard. Registration begins 8 a.m. and it opens to the public at noon. All proceeds are donated to the Bay Pines VA Medical Center Veteran Recreation fund. Contact Faith Belcher, Public Affairs, Bay Pines at 398-9531 or faith.belcher2@va.gov or Greg Faminella, Downshifters of Brooklyn at 207-0939. Free to the public.

Open show for customs, street rods, trucks, and classics. To register, visit [www.baypines.va.gov](http://www.baypines.va.gov) or [www.downshiftersofbrooklyn.com](http://www.downshiftersofbrooklyn.com). There will be music and food for purchase. Come out to enjoy some of the finest motor cars in Florida.

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## SPIFFS 34th Annual International Folk Fair

From March 27-29, St. Petersburg International Folk Fair Society, Inc. (SPIFFS) and its ethnic member groups present their 34th International Festival at the Vinoy Park on St. Petersburg's beautiful waterfront, transforming it into a microcosm of the world. The Folk Fair, this year emphasizing the "Wonders of the World", is the highlight of year-long preparations.

Ethnic villages will capture the flavor of each country. Costumed villagers demonstrate time-honored hand craftsmanship and prepare ethnic food specialties for visitors. You'll have a chance to chat informally with people who know the country. It's an opportunity to brush up on a foreign language, recapture memories of a past visit and get first-hand information for that trip you've been planning. Eat your way around the world as you move from village to village sampling a variety of homemade ethnic dishes prepared before your eyes.

Folk dancing and music will be performed throughout the weekend. Highlights on Friday include Colin Grant Adams, Scottish Balladeer, and the Russian Folk Group Barynya, starring Misha Smirnov, the Russian judge from the NBC program "Superstars of Dance". Friday night also features Country music and Line Dancing with Arline.

Saturday offers a wide range of entertainment, again featuring

Colin Grant Adams and Barynya, but also showcasing a spectacular program of Chinese dancers and acrobats. And be sure not to miss the Grand Opening Ceremonies with the Parade of Nations at 3 p.m., when the members of many ethnic groups will march around the park, led by colorful bands, pipers and drummers.

Sunday is Hispanic Day at Folk Fair, with Latin bands and performers taking center stage. Highlight of the day will be national star group, The Latin League, that recently gained spotlight of Super Bowl performance in the Bay Area and their hair raising performance during President Barrack Obama's inauguration in Washington DC.

The Folk Fair is your chance to travel the world - without leaving the country. Don't miss this once a year opportunity to take part in the magic of song, dance and foods from around the world. Hours are Friday, March 27, 3-9 p.m., Saturday, March 28, 10-10 p.m. and Sunday March 29, from 12 noon-6 p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults; \$8 for seniors; \$5 for youth 10-17; and children under 10 are free. (Special note: Admission free for all on Friday, from 3-5 p.m.). For full schedule of entertainment, visit their website at [www.spiffs.org](http://www.spiffs.org).

Vinoy Park is located at Bayshore Blvd. and 7th Ave. NE. in downtown St. Petersburg.

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## IAC Meet the Instructors Day

Industrial Arts Center instructors will be demonstrating their work on Saturday, March 28, from noon - 3 p.m. at the Center. This is the first of a series of monthly events planned for the last Saturday afternoon every month. IAC memberships purchased at the event will be \$20 -- a \$5 discount. Members receive a \$35 discount on every class.

This Saturday's demonstrations include: glass blowing by Jackie Ballard, lampwork by David Spurgeon, metal clay by MJ McCauley, with music provided by Nery Arevalo, who will be teaching drum building.

The Industrial Arts Center is located at 2902A Beach Boulevard S. in the northeast corner of the Art Village Courtyard. Just look for the 14-foot tall steel horse, "Shane's Tall Drink of Water." Call 289-9365.

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## Gulfport Lions Pancake Breakfast

The Gulfport Lions Club will be presenting their 4th Pancake Breakfast of the season, Saturday, April 4 from 7 a.m. until noon at Gulfport Lions Center, 4630 Tifton Drive S., Gulfport Marina area.

Pancakes with syrup, scrambled eggs, sausage, with coffee or tea to drink, and all you care to eat at the donation price of \$4 per person. Bring your family and friends and spend an enjoyable morning overlooking beautiful Boca Ciega Bay and use our patio tables. You might even see a manatee! Children really love these breakfasts.

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## School Presents "And Then There Was One"

Walden School of Gulfport will present its annual school play on today at 1 p.m. and Friday, March 27 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 2728 53 Street S. in Gulfport. "And Then There Was One" is a murder mystery that takes place on an isolated island. All sorts of quirky characters show up for the party, but why are they disappearing? Come see if the Inspector can find the murderer before another guest goes missing. Admission is \$5 for ages 10 and up. Refreshments will be served after the Friday evening performance. Call the school at 321-7441 for more information.

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## The Great American Clean Up Statistics

On Saturday, March 21, 59 dedicated volunteers, by land and water, participated in removing 599 lbs. of debris at the "Cleaner and Greener 2009" event. The City of Gulfport and Keep Pinellas Beautiful hosted

the bi-annual Spring Florida Coastal Cleanup at Clam Bayou Nature Park in Gulfport.

A special thank you goes out to all who volunteered their time to help with such community spirit! Visit the City of Gulfport YouTube site to catch a glimpse of what went on that day. The website is <http://www.youtube.com/user/cityofgulfport>, where you will find many other City events, public service announcements, and promotional videos.

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## All-Pro Dad Day at Williams Pier

Every year in Gulfport, kids and their dads have a special day to hang

out while they cast out with their fishing poles and hope to catch the big one. That day is All-Pro Dad Day on Saturday, March 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Williams Pier on the corner of Shore Boulevard S. and 54 Street S.

All-Pro Dad is a national charity featuring NFL players, coaches, and alumni, who speak on the importance of fatherhood, and incorporates a monthly gathering of fathers and their kids with the simple purpose of growing closer and making a strong parent/child bond. For more information, call 893-2643. The national website is [www.AllProDad.com](http://www.AllProDad.com).

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## Gulfport Goes Green

Gulfport Goes Green is a free monthly public gathering for all ages in the Gulfport Waterfront District designed to explore and promote Green ideas, products, and practices. Vendors, speakers, and artisans with a Green or wellness mindset are showcased. March's event will be held March 28 from 10 a.m. through 5 p.m. in the Gulfport Waterfront District.

Gulfport Goes Green is seeking additional vendors, speakers, and artisans for this month's and

future events. If you have any questions please direct them to info@[gulfportgoesgreen.com](http://gulfportgoesgreen.com) or contact the Event Manager, Leslie Gilchrist directly at 727-439-1485.

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## Vendors Sought for Seafood Festival

Volunteers along with retail and food vendors are being sought for 22nd Street South's 7th Annual Seafood Festival on Saturday, April 4, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Booths are \$25 per space.

Included also will be the quarterly

Youth Market event with youth and youth organizations having booths offering their arts, crafts, fund-raising products and services. Youth vendors wanted.

For details and registration contact 22nd Street Redevelopment office at 455-5130 or go online to [www.Discover22ndSt.com](http://www.Discover22ndSt.com).

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## Enter Photography Exhibition

With a top prize of \$300, the St. Petersburg-Gulfport 49th Street South Business Association (So49) announces a not-to-be-missed photography exhibition and judging for all skill and age levels sponsored by Tampa-based Florida Museum of Photographic Arts (FMoPA). Judges are Jim De Mauro, FMoPA assistant director, and Steven Gregory, 2006 Photographer Laureate ([www.stevensgregory.com](http://www.stevensgregory.com)).

Entries are due by April 6; exhibition and awards evening is Saturday, April 11 at the Back Door Theater, 4919 17 Avenue S. at 49th Street S. in Gulfport. Entries are required to be shots of subjects within the So49 district, a wonderfully diverse residential, business, and light industrial area.

All forms of photography are encouraged from film to digital; Polaroid to video stills; single use disposals to camera phones.

Entry forms with submittal requirements are at [www.so49.org](http://www.so49.org) or by calling the Association's secretary, Walt Dill at 323-3455.

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Photo by Leigh Clifton

The Alpha, Bravo and Charlie Companies of Bogie's ROTC program let loose at the ROTC annual Field Day, one filled with fun and games. Painting themselves in their Companie's colors, the kids ran drills and challenged each other to calling cadences and wild dances. Parents and volunteers donated hot dogs, burgers and chicken with beans and potatoe salad for a cookout afterward. The Field Day was a chance for relaxing and taking a break from the seriousness of the year's ROTC program.

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By Natalie Leggette

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## West Coast Orchid Society to Meet

The Florida West Coast Orchid Society will hold their monthly meeting on the second Thursday of the month, April 9, at the Pinellas County Cooperative Extension (Botanical Gardens), 12175 125 Street N. in Largo. An educational class will be held at 7 p.m., with a short meeting at 7:30 p.m. followed by Jim Roberts of Suncoast Orchid in Sarasota. An orchid sale, raffle, and refreshments follow. Visitors are welcome. Free admission and parking. For more information, please call 727-733-8167.

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## Clam Bayou, from front page

"My husband has a kayak, and when he goes he always brings a trash bag," Brooks said. She and her husband spend part of every year in Seneca Falls, New York and part in St. Petersburg.

The Brooks' participate in the Clam Bayou cleanup "because we like the nature center," Brooks said. In New York they volunteer at similar events and with like-minded organizations.

The cleanup, sponsored by the city of Gulfport and Keep Pinellas Beautiful, was part of the larger Great American Cleanup which included 24 cleanups throughout Pinellas County Saturday. For more information on other cleanups and volunteer opportunities, visit [KeepPinellasBeautiful.org](http://KeepPinellasBeautiful.org).

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## Players Call for Scripts

It's that time of the year again! The Gulfport Community Players are requesting all playwrights (or wannabe playwrights) to submit their one act script(s) for consideration in being performed during their 9th Annual Summer One-Act Play Festival. This Festival will run from July 9 through July 19 at the Catherine A. Hickman Theater of Gulfport.

The Players are requesting very short scripts, fit for family audiences, less than 20 minutes in length, and easy to stage (no elaborate sets or props). Scripts must be submitted no later than March 31.

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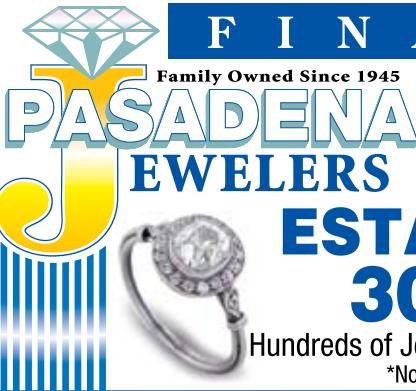
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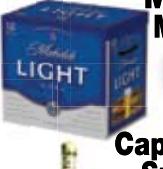


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**An artist profile:**

## Cid Bolduc and the art of Encaustic painting



Artist Cid Bolduc at her home studio in Gulfport. Bolduc works in the encaustic method, using bee's wax and pigment to create abstract paintings. She is also a resident artist at Castle Hill, an artist's colony in Provincetown, Mass., where she teaches all summer.

For the past 15 years, Cid Bolduc has spent half her year in Gulfport, the other in Provincetown, near Cape Cod, Mass. As an artist/teacher in residence at Castle Hill, a well-known and well-respected art museum in Provincetown, Bolduc has had an opportunity to surround herself with both the majestic water and quaint sites of Cape Cod and the artist's colony Provincetown, known throughout the world as one of the true art colonies in the US. It is there that she began to hone a method of painting called the encaustic method.

Actually derived from an ancient method of painting by the Greeks, Egyptians and Pompeian peoples, the encaustic method is the use of bee's wax and pigment, melted or blended together by heat and used as a paint which is applied most often to a board or panel. The paint requires a rigid surface to stick and then must be fused by heat again to ensure proper curing to the surface.

Cid came by this method in high school but truly started applying it to her art after seeing works by Jasper Johns, who resurrected the art form in the 70's.

"I saw his stuff when I was in high school and I had been painting

in regular oils, I had done some photography, but I saw Johns' work and knew that's what I wanted to do."

Cid derives a certain type satisfaction from her teaching at Castle Hill that she can't get from just doing art. She gets to meet other great artists, some of whom she has admired for some time. She says it's a whole different head set from painting.

"I get to continue learning, I'm always looking for something else to discover artistically. I had always had a fascination with welding, so I took a class and really liked it. Have I gone out and spent the money on the materials and equipment yet? No. Art is expensive, but in the end result is so worth it."

In Provincetown, at Castle Hill, Bolduc teaches a class called 'So you want to be an Artist?' Among the many of her students over the years, included are a retired teacher, a printmaker, a watercolorist and one student who had never had any art training at all. She encourages them all to free themselves and let the art talk.

"I explain my method of painting to them, but they don't have to paint like me; they do what feels most comfortable for themselves. But a lot of my students find the encaustic style

very interesting and challenging."

Bolduc uses a regular flat iron griddle to melt the cakes of beeswax, which have been infused with pigment. Once they are melted, she can then add some paint tube pigment if needed, to add shade, tone or to change the color. She uses wide brushes and a palette knife to spread the paint into the surface. She rarely uses canvas; board or panel is best. The wax paint adheres better to the firm surface. Each painting starts with several coats of under-painting, which readies the surface. These are then sealed with a heat gun or hair dryer, which fuses the wax to the panel. The heat ensures that the painting won't crack or chip. After those coats are dry, the surface can be textured or designed and using pigment pens, colors can be added, wiped into the textured surface with a cloth, or left in any desired thickness or shade. Each time the wax is added, it must be heated and fused again to retain its' grain.

Most of Bolduc's work is abstract; something she says the medium lends itself to, although there have been intricate portraits using the method. But she finds that abstracts are less confining and draws her inspiration from the water, both here in Gulfport and on the Cape.

"I couldn't work away from the water," she said. "It's what gives me that great feeling of serenity and pleasure as well as some great ideas for painting. There is a lot of blue color in my works; I'm sure it's inspired by what I see in my surroundings and water is always all around me."

Although she loves Gulfport and truly appreciates the artist's community here, Bolduc will leave in a few weeks for Provincetown and Castle Hill. She will be a part of the "38 Years at Castle Hill" celebration and will teach there again through the summer. She can't wait to get back to get back to her house up there. But when the weather starts to turn cold in October, she'll head back to her house here in Gulfport.

"I guess I truly am a snowbird," she laughed.

An artist snowbird, who paints with wax... pretty cool.

You can view Cid Bolduc's work at her website: [CidBolduc.com](http://CidBolduc.com)

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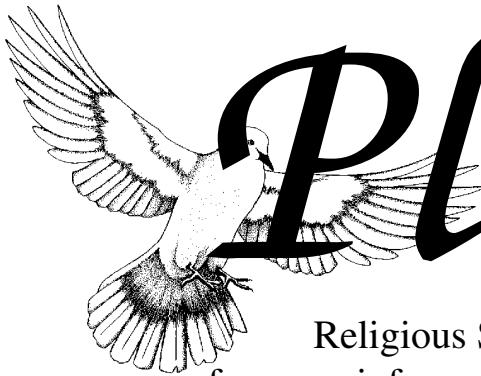
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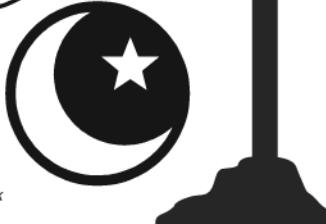
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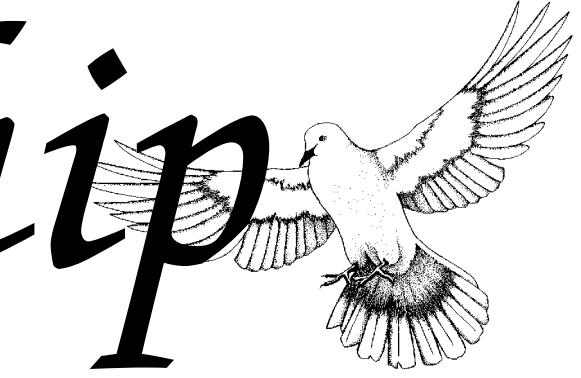
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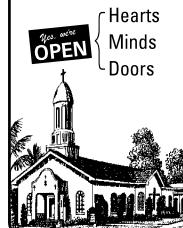
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## **Boots the Cat makes BCYC home after Hurricane Ike floods Galveston.**

By Leigh Clifton

The Boca Ciega Yacht Club has inducted its newest club member, but he's not much of a sailor. In fact, he would probably be very content to never see water again. Boots the cat, a refugee from hurricane-ravaged Galveston, Texas arrived in Florida after the Pinellas County Humane Society accepted many displaced animals left homeless after Hurricane Ike. Boots had been the "house cat" of a popular beach bar in Galveston and was rescued by local fireman and sent to Florida.

In December, BCYC was looking for a second house cat for the club. Matey, the resident mouser, was slowing down a bit and BCYC thought some new blood would help with the duties. BCYC elected to give the abandoned kitty a fresh start and good home.

Boots the Cat is slowly being acclimated to his new digs and can hopefully soon enjoy the (occasional) "beach bar" atmosphere that BCYC is known for. He should feel right at home. For now, he resides in the ladies bathroom at the Club, sitting on the top of the cabinet, where he can view his world from eye level through the open door.



## **Clammy to the Rescue**

A fun time was had by all at The Drunken Clam's "Lo Country Boil" and fundraiser that was held Saturday, March 14. During the event the customers and staff raised \$1250 through food sales, auctions and the corn hole tournament. Collections on the auctions should be completed by early next week. And to our wonder and surprise a "Clam regular", Charles Collom of St. Pete Beach, stepped up to the challenge and donated the balance of \$1250. Now the donation of the stairwell ventilator fan can be made to the St. Pete Beach Fire Department. Everyone is so happy they can contribute this important piece of equipment for our fire and rescue teams. Thanks to all our customers in making our fundraiser a success. And a double thanks to Charles for his generous donation to complete the amount needed. The Drunken Clam is located at 46-46 Avenue, St. Pete Beach. Call 360-1800.

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By Don Phipps, Commander

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The \$1,000 drawing will be Tuesday, March 31 at 8 p.m.

Friday, March 27, dinner will be baked or battered haddock, fries, cole slaw, roll and butter for \$7.75. The second entrée will be sweet & sour pork over rice, vegetable, roll and butter for \$6.50.

Saturday, March 28, the S.A.L.'s will be serving their all-you-can-eat spaghetti & meatballs, salad and garlic bread for \$6. All dinners are served from 5 to 7 p.m.

The Southern Knights Band is here every Friday and Saturday night from 7 to 11 p.m. This is the best band around and I know you will enjoy dancing and listening to their great music.

Sunday breakfast is cooked to order. You get eggs, bacon or sausage, potatoes, toast, juice and coffee for only \$3.50. Side dishes are also available. Breakfast is served from 8:30 to 11 a.m.

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# The Camino: A Life Changing Walk Across Northern Spain

By Greg Stemm

When Gulfport resident Dawn Fisher picked up the book called "The Camino" by Shirley MacLane back in 2000 she had no idea that it would lead her on a pilgrimage of sorts and into one of the greatest adventures of her lifetime.

Fisher, a former Gulfport city council member, and her partner Kathy Kaiser recently walked the Camino de Santiago de Compostela in northern Spain, a demanding 500 mile trek across the top of the rocky Pyrenees mountains. Think of it as a European "Appalachian Trail" with more history, better food and breathtaking scenery.

The Way of St James, as the Camino de Santiago de Compostela is known, has existed for over a thousand years. It was one of the most important Christian pilgrimages during medieval times. It was considered one of three pilgrimages on which a plenary indulgence could be earned, the others are the Via Francigena to Rome and the pilgrimage to Jerusalem.

"We didn't go for religious reasons," said Fisher. "We just wanted the extraordinary experience that hiking across Europe can offer. I have to say though it did become somewhat of a spiritual trek after we got into it."

The two walked over 500 miles in 47 days, averaging about 12-17 miles a day. They began in St Jean Pied de Port in France and finished at the church in Santiago de Compostela, the traditional end of the pilgrimage, although you can continue westward on the trail all the way to the ocean if you wish.

"Walking 12 miles is pretty tiring," said Kaiser. "But try walking 12 miles a day every day for more than a month.



**At the Finish Line!** - The church of Camino de Santiago de Compostela was at the end of a 500 mile walking journey across northern Spain completed by Gulfport residents Kathy Kaiser (left) and Dawn Fisher (right). The two completed the same pilgrimage taken by others over the past 1000 years, walking 12-17 miles a day and completing the trek in 47 days. Kaiser said the best part of the trip for her was seeing the church at the end.

It got to be pretty grueling at times."

In the evenings the pair would stop at one of the many quaint small towns lining the route and rest in one of the "Al Berques" or hostels. Here for about \$8 you could get a bed in a common room with lots of other beds or for about \$45 dollars you could get a private room, which the girls opted for on most occasions.

Both noted the camaraderie that developed on the trail with other hikers. The two speak Spanish so they could

communicate with the locals and with many of the hikers who were from Spain. They met three French women they have been keeping in touch with every since.

"There weren't a lot Americans on the trail," said Fisher. "I think there were only three others at the ceremony we attended at the end. The trail really isn't that well known here in America and it isn't very well promoted here either."

Kaiser said she lost about 17 pounds on the hike, but Fisher laughed and said she

didn't lose anything. "I was so hungry from the physical exertion that I ate everything in sight."

The two shared a touching story about two of the walkers they met on their journey... a husband and wife team from France. During the middle of the trek the husband died. The woman had him cremated, had a brief service and then scattered his ashes at the finish of the trail. Kaiser and Fisher said it was her way of making sure they two of them completed their pilgrimage together. "It was a beautiful gesture," said Kaiser.

Traveling light was the name of the game. The two only had one change of clothes with them while they were hiking. They said it made it a lot easier on them. They saw others that had packed a lot more and were struggling every day with carrying the additional weight.

At each stop along the way, the two got a stamp on a special document similar to a passport. The stamped document is required proof that you finished the trail. The ending ceremony is in Santiago de Compostela where you receive official documents stating that you completed the entire journey. The girls proudly displayed their documents, obviously feeling a great sense of accomplishment.

Will the two ever go back?

"Well, I don't think we'll do the walk again," said Kaiser. "But we both would love to go back and do some sightseeing. You are so focused on the walk when you are doing it that you don't really have time to relax and enjoy the wonderful little towns and their ambiance. We'd like to go back and spend some more time in the places we discovered that we really liked. It really was a beautiful place."

## Mainsail Arts Festival Seeking Volunteers

The 34th Annual Mainsail Arts Festival seeks volunteers to assist during the two-day show to be held in Vinoy Park, on St. Petersburg's downtown waterfront April 18 and 19. Volunteers are needed to fill 2 1/2-hour shifts between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday and between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Each year hundreds of volunteers contribute thousands of hours of their time to produce the juried arts and entertainment event. One of Florida's most prestigious outdoor art festivals, Mainsail is ranked by Sunshine Artist Magazine among the "100 Best" fine art shows in the nation. The Mainsail Arts Festival features 250 artists from across the nation exhibiting their finest original art work, top name entertainment both days, the Young at ART student show, Kids Create art tent, and a "culinary arts" food court, attracting more than 90,000 visitors.

Volunteer assignments include selling beverages, souvenir t-shirts and posters on April 18 and 19. If you wish to help, please call Ann Vickstrom, volunteer coordinator, at 823-0739. The volunteer application participation form is also available online at [www.mainsailartsfestival.org](http://www.mainsailartsfestival.org). Volunteers will be sent a confirmation of their assigned date and time.

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It's time to get ready for the tea, flower show and business meeting. It will be held on April 9 at a new location - the Gulfport Presbyterian Church Social Hall, 5313 27 Avenue S. Officers will give brief reports and new officers will be elected to serve next year.

The Social Hour begins at 11:30 a.m. and the Tea begins at 12 noon. Members are asked to provide finger sandwiches, fruit or vegetable trays, or a dessert. Please let Cathie Slicker (341-1286) know what you plan to bring. Also have your teacup for the tea and wear a pretty or fun ny hat for the Easter Bonnet Parade.

Plant and floral arrangements will be judged by Garden Club members. Categories are: Arrangements over 12 inches, Arrangements under 12 inches, Silk or Dry Arrangements, Oriental Arrangements, Foliage Plants, Flowering Plants, Miniature Arrangements (less than 6"x6"). Prizes will be awarded so bring your best artistic creation! Please let Celia Kennedy (347-2062) know how many arrangements and/or plants you are planning to bring so the church can have tables set up.

Membership dues for next year will be collected starting at the April meeting. The \$5 fee (check payable to the Gulfport Garden and Bird Club) must be paid before June in order to have your name in the yearbook.

Because of the new location, members who plan to attend should call Cathie Slicker (341-1286) by April 6 to ensure they have a seat at one of the tables.

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# The Gabs

By Leigh Clifton



**Even though AIG execs said they had signed a contract before the bailout that guaranteed their bonuses, do you think it was right of them to accept them?**

**JoEllen Schilke, owner of The Globe Coffee Lounge, St. Pete:** "As I understand it, those contracts these AIG execs signed can be modified by the courts. But I think the fact that they use the argument that they have this agreement to pay the AIG execs so much money in order to retain them is absolutely ridiculous. An incentive to the "best and brightest" to stay with the company? Give me a break! Where are they going to go? It's an employee's market out there. Who would want to hire the guys that engineered the collapse of the economy? They're not the best and the brightest; they're the greediest. They show a complete lack of shame that is appalling. I hear these analysts that go on a tirade about how the mortgage crisis is what's fueling the downturn; that it's all those people who got overextended credit for their homes and now can't make the payments. It's not those people; it's the guys who bankrupted their companies and then paid themselves bonuses with the money the government gave them for a bailout! Bonuses are based on performance. As a business owner of over ten years, I expect my employees to do a good job, and I try to reward them. Sometimes it's money, sometimes it's a day off or a small gift I think they might like to show how much I appreciate them. But they certainly don't get a \$165 million dollars bonus!"

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**Jim Flannery, St. Pete:** "I think it's disgusting but the government should have had something in place to watchdog how the money was being used. These companies are giving out bonuses that were not earned. That's the whole point of a bonus... a reward for a job well done. When I worked in the corporate world I and my colleagues received a quarterly bonus, but we only received it if we met our goal, quota or we did our job well. So how can these guys justify giving out money to execs who essentially wrecked the company in the first place, especially when the company is in such dire straits? It's simple; you don't award executives of failing companies' money they didn't earn."

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**Laura Cidoni, So. Pasadena:** "I could not be angrier about all this mess. It's obscene, outrageous and a complete insult to the American people. The fact that they have to pay the top people huge bonuses, due to some contract that they had signed before they took money from the American people is unconscionable. Those same people whose money bailed AIG out are now themselves losing their homes and their jobs. Unemployment is now the highest it's been since the Great Depression. I honestly don't know how anybody at AIG can sleep at night! The gap between the haves and the have-nots is growing wider and wider and I don't think that AIG shows any social responsibility towards that. I feel that everybody has to be responsible to help others out; it's our obligation and we owe it to the people who have less than we do. It's a moral and socially responsible thing to do. So how can those execs just turn a blind eye and take all that money?"

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**Earl Duncan, owner Holmes Shoe Repair, St. Pete:** "I don't think they should get bonuses. Bonuses are based on performance; the only performance I can see is that they ran AIG into the ground. They should be running away with their tails between their legs, not paying themselves for their mistakes. They are responsible for what happened to their own company. As a sole proprietor of a small business, I have to be my best employee; if I run my business into the ground, I would definitely not expect a bonus for it! As to the legality of those contracts that allow them to get this money, it seems that the definition of "bonus" is getting stretched a little thin. Bonuses are given when you do something of value for your company and they should not be guaranteed in a contract. I think that negotiations of a contract for bonuses should be based on what you bring in to the company, not what you take out or lose. Legally, I think, that can be fought. I also think that the execs knew about the timeline last year, and when the company started to tank, they just wanted to take the money and run."

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**April 10<sup>th</sup>**

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Spring Break Camp, Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>-April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Bridal Showcase, April 5<sup>th</sup> 10a-1p

Underwater Egg Hunt, April 11<sup>th</sup> 10a

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spring Event, April 18<sup>th</sup> 9a-1p

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It is never too early or late to become certified in something new. The St. Pete Beach Aquatic Center will be offering new courses this spring and summer certifying students to become Lifeguards and Water Safety Instructors. Lifeguard classes will be held from 6-9 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday from April 6 to May 6 at the St. Pete Beach Pool, 7701 Boca Ciega Drive. Students must be at least 15 years of age by the conclusion of the course.

Water Safety Instructor courses begin with a F.I.T. class on May 8 from 3-6 p.m. and will then be held from 3-7:30 p.m. every Friday from May 15 to June 12 at the Tampa Bay Turner Swim School, 2301 26 Street N. Students must be 16 years of age by the conclusion of the course.

Lifeguard and Water Safety Instructor courses are each \$100 with a membership card or \$125 without; class materials and books are not included. All classes must be paid for in full at the time of registration. For more information on either program call the Aquatic Center at 363-9264.

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## **Artists' Exhibition at Suntan Art Center**

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show will be "Off the Wall with a Floor Show". There will also be an "Off the Body" exhibit in a separate room. Both exhibits will be on the second floor of the building. The reception open to public will be on Saturday April 11 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Art will be imaginative and so will be the attire of all the artists. All art work will be for sale. The show will run from April 7 through May 1. For more information call the Suntan Art Center office at 367-3818 or visit [www.suntanart.org](http://www.suntanart.org).

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## Town Shores Bocce

Congratulations go out to the Buckingham team. They did a great job this year to take over First Place in the final standings. The Eton team ended the year in Second Place and the Diplomat Team held down the Third Place. All three teams deserve a big pat on the back. Buckingham had 28 wins, 14 losses; Eton had 26 wins and 16 losses; and the Diplomat had 25 wins and 17 losses. One can see how close the season ended.

The Bocce Dance is sold out with a

very large crowd coming (280 guests) and parking will be extremely tight. Please carpool with friends and neighbors and if at all possible, please consider walking to the party.

The Bocce Blast is under way and tickets for the Bocce Blast Picnic are now available from your building rep for a \$5 donation for a box lunch of chicken breast, salad, roll and drink.

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## US Power Squadron Seminar Series

The United States Power Squadrons Seminar Series, Boat Handling Under Power, presented by the St. Petersburg Sail & Power Squadron, will be held Thursday, April 16 from 7-9 p.m. at the St. Petersburg Sailing Center, 250 Second Avenue SE, Demens Landing, St. Petersburg. Instruction is free, materials cost \$20 per family. Maximum of 20 students; pre-registration required. Contact [www.boating-stpete.org](http://www.boating-stpete.org) or 525-0968.

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# Crossword Puzzle

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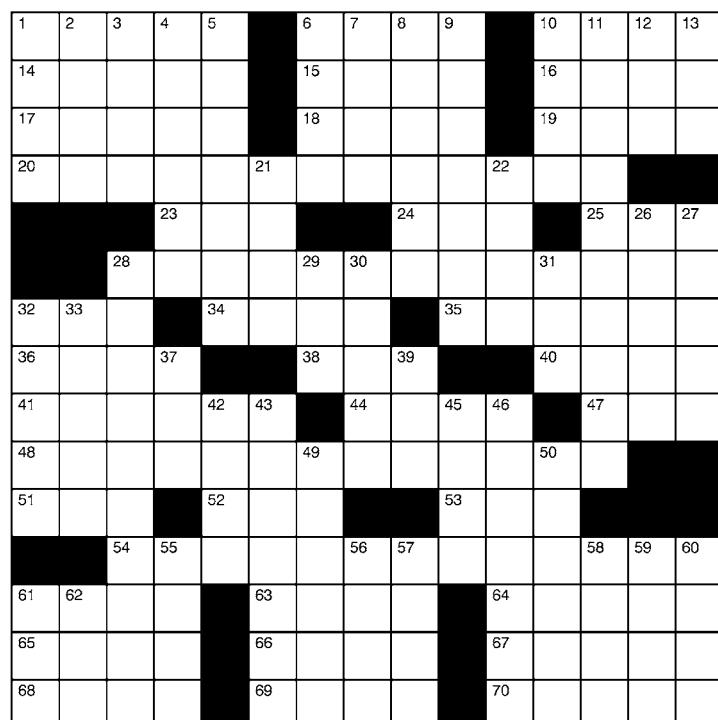
## ACROSS

- 1 Hits
- 6 Lhasa \_\_\_\_
- 10 Hat part
- 14 Puckish creature
- 15 Schism
- 16 A Chaplin
- 17 Irregularly: bot.
- 18 Solicit
- 19 Pueblo-dwelling tribe
- 20 Pizza topping
- 23 Zip
- 24 Leatherworking tool
- 25 "\_\_\_\_ Boot"
- 28 Kielbasa
- 32 Ernesto Guevara, familiarly
- 34 Ivy League school
- 35 Ocean floor
- 36 Carry on
- 38 Word with hat or hand
- 40 Pine
- 41 Cézanne or Chagall
- 44 Bart Simpson's sister
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- 48 Breakfast item

- 51 Sweltering
- 52 Teachers' gp.
- 53 See 14 Across
- 54 Danish alternative
- 61 Grimace
- 63 Dies \_\_\_\_
- 64 Diplomat Silas
- 65 With the bow, musically
- 66 Son of Bor and Bestla
- 67 Small cases
- 68 Director Waters
- 69 Ivy clumps
- 70 Fender flaws

## DOWN

- 1 Detail, briefly
- 2 100 centesimi
- 3 Nerve fiber
- 4 Name of two Italian sculptors
- 5 In an unkempt manner
- 6 Nick Charles' dog
- 7 Drudge
- 8 Diving apparatuses
- 9 Algonquians
- 10 Clown
- 11 Circuitous
- 12 Roadside stopover
- 13 tai
- 21 Pelvic bones
- 22 Detective's delight
- 26 Orange, e.g.
- 27 Papyrus, for one
- 28 First five Old Testament books
- 29 Road sign
- 30 Greeting
- 31 Mineo
- 32 Go down, as a computer
- 33 A Marx
- 37 Sort of smith
- 39 Hazy
- 42 Trill
- 43 "Gerontion" poet
- 45 Appear
- 46 Referred
- 49 Coif
- 50 Worn-out
- 55 One of the noble gases
- 56 Voiced
- 57 Layers
- 58 Goat-man of myth
- 59 What's \_\_\_\_ for me?
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# Points On Pets

By Matthew Margolis

## Costly Follies

H.L. Mencken said, "The most costly of all follies is to believe passionately in the palpably not true. It is the chief occupation of mankind." The following letter from a reader demonstrates that it is certainly the chief occupation of those who champion the companionship of a particular canine at any cost.

"We recently got an 8-month-old yellow lab from a family with three small children. The lady said the dog could be aggressive and had nipped at her 2-year-old.

"She is a very nervous puppy -- jumps at the slightest movement or

noise. She also jumps and twitches when she sleeps. We have experienced her aggression now, and it is quite scary. The second morning we had her, something spooked her and she would not let us near our truck. The doors were all open, and she sat in the driver's seat growling and showing her teeth. I got a treat and put it on the ground near us. When I said "release," she got out, snatched the treat and jumped right back in. She calmed down, but was nervous all day after that.

"She has showed her teeth a few times, and we're not sure how to handle it. I read that it isn't always good to approach or discipline her when she is showing her teeth and

growling because it could initiate an attack. I know that she is scared and confused. Within one week she stayed in four different houses, with all new people. We've had her for a week, and we'd love to keep her. We have no children, but we have nieces and nephews around often. We need to break her of these aggressive behaviors or we will not be able to run the risk of her hurting a child.

"She is a good dog -- excellent when playing fetch, gives up the ball or toy every time. However, she gets aggressive with some of her toys when indoors. We gave her a pig's ear last night and she got extremely aggressive. Every time we moved, she growled and showed her teeth -- even when we were nowhere near her. She came out of it, but again she was nervous for the rest of the night."

This is akin to buying a car with no brakes because you like the ashtray and don't smoke. With all the great dogs in shelters that need homes, why insist on the one you know is aggressive? It is one thing to root for the underdog and quite another to invite the snarling underdog to share your home.

Did John Lennon do us all in when he wrote "All You Need is Love"? The 40 years that have transpired since that release have taught me that this, like so many other missives of the 1960s, does not literally apply to everyday life.

When it comes to aggressive dogs, you need more than love. You need an excess of time, an arsenal of experience and technique, and a back-up plan for that moment when you realize some things can't be fixed. Now what?

This dog requires professional help and, as is, cannot be around children. Her aggression is trifocal: She's possessive, territorial and fearful. It's like living with a three-headed rattlesnake, and, as the Roman satirist Horace put it, "as crazy as hauling timber into the woods."

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## SPCA Pet of the Week



Dakota is a handsome tan and black Terrier mix. He is friendly, easygoing, lovely and obedient. Dakota would prefer to go to a home without dogs. If you want to see Dakota or any other pets come visit them at SPCA Tampa Bay, 9099 130 Avenue N. in Largo or call 586-3591.

## Adopt a 40-mph Couch Potato

This week's greyhound is Glen, a black male, who is good with cats and small dogs. He is an easy-going, laid back boy-on the smaller side. He is of a more quiet temperament, but will not let a more dominant personality pet take advantage of him, either. A really good natured, non-troublesome, slightly shy (not spooky) boy, Glen would thrive in a multiple pet home. If you would like to meet Glen or any of our other greyhounds, please call Greyhound Pets of America on 595-7852, visit our website: greyhoundpets.com, or see us at the Tyrone PetSmart on most Sundays from noon to 2 p.m. Call first if you want to meet a specific dog.



## County Animal Services Pet of the Week



Elijah wants to be a loving family's Easter buddy. He is an 11-month-old Shepherd mix. He has personality plus and is quite a character. Elijah is ready for the spring season and would love to join in Easter celebrations. Visit him and his many other furry friends at Pinellas County Animal Services at 12450 Ulmerton Road in Largo. To learn more, call 582-2600 or visit [www.pinellascounty.org/animalservices](http://www.pinellascounty.org/animalservices).

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# Horoscope Guide

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Are your goals exciting enough? If you find that you're not sticking to the plan, it just might be that the rewards are not yet desirable enough for you. There are some things you only want because you think you should. Eliminate those from your list and dream up something that's absolutely irresistible to you.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You'll experience a lucky reversal of attitude. Maybe you'll decide that you can no longer accept a circumstance you used to think was just fine. Or maybe you'll decide that something you couldn't accept before is actually not so bad. Either way, your new way of seeing things will liberate you and change your destiny.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Your life is evolving, your schedule is changing, and your habits follow suit. A style update serves you well during this transitional period. While you're out Tuesday or Wednesday, you'll see someone who looks great. Regard the elements used to create the effect. Borrow some of these ideas for the new you.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Many people will not aim to be patient, tolerant and understanding. It feels to them to be too passive of a goal. You, however, see how life could become a slice of heaven were you to relax and accept others. You get why this is worth working at, and work at it you will. Each day you grow in love and compassion.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You have a problem. You approached it the same way over and over and came up with the same solutions, too -- they didn't work. Instead of asking yourself how you can make it better, ask how you can make it worse. Thinking in reverse will stimulate your creativity. You'll find a brilliant, workable solution.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). To achieve your dreams you must do two things:

understand what other people want, and communicate what you want. This week is about improving your communication skills. Don't pass up the opportunity to connect. Practice with people you meet while waiting in a lobby, walking about or making a purchase.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're already on the path to great love and compassion. Recognize the abundant good in you and it will grow. You don't need a guru to tell you how to be a better person. Furthermore, you don't have to be spiritually enlightened to get along with others. Down-to-earth simple courtesy works just fine.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Fear is insidious. It keeps a person quiet when they should speak up. It makes a person stay small instead of growing their talents. You have it inside you to teach fear a lesson this week. One courageous gesture is all it takes. Thursday and Friday you will feel especially bold. Show your fear that you're the boss.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're a really good friend. Your relationships are based on enjoyment and not need. You accept that people are busy with their lives, and you don't mind if that business doesn't always involve you. Someone might be leaning heavily on your emotions. Recognize this as something other than friendship.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Getting to know a different group of people will excite your creativity. Pursue new hobbies, games and interests. You could use the additional outlet to release everyday tensions. Also, you are so attractive as a beginner. Helpful people will want to take you under their wing and show you how things are done.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Do what's right and keep an open mind through this wild, eventful week. You may indirectly benefit from someone's seeming misfortune.

However, don't be too quick to feel guilty about this. Good luck and bad luck are difficult to tell apart. Also, this turn of events is a co-creation with you and the other person.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You feel free to express yourself. How you spend your money is self-expression, too. As those around you cut costs, you could go the opposite direction. Generosity toward yourself and others is a priority, and your abundance mentality will help others feel flush, too. There is always enough.

**This Week's Birthdays:** You will somehow pack many years of experience into the next 12 months. Put your clever mind to work on a responsible cause in April. You will help a group achieve its goals, which helps you achieve yours. Romantic happenings float you through June. Focus on your professional life in July. You may have to sacrifice vacation time in order to take advantage of a key opportunity, but the resulting windfall will make it worthwhile. You can catch up on fun and adventure in September.

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## Music at Gulfport Beach Pavilion

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**Wednesday, 1-3:30 p.m.**

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**Thursday, 1-3:30 p.m.**

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**Friday, 1-3:30 p.m.**

Jo-Anne's Karaoke

**Saturday, 1-3:30 p.m.**

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**Sunday, 1-3 p.m.**

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All items are available for sale and all sales help to support the local arts community. For more information call 302-9299. Domain Home Accessories is located at 3129 Beach Blvd. in the heart of Gulfport's waterfront Arts District.

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## Sons of Italy Pasta Night

John Paul I Lodge will hold a pasta night every Monday from 4-8 p.m. featuring all-you-can-eat pasta with two meatballs, salad and coffee. Beer and wine available. The Lodge is located at 2500 34 Street S. in St. Petersburg. Take out available. Call 323-2691.

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## Gulfport Yacht Club Spring Series Continues



The Gulfport Yacht Club hosted the 2nd race of the Spring Racing Series on Boca Ciega Bay in moderate winds on Saturday. Dave and Kathy Ingram travelled from Clermont, Florida and won 2 of 3 races to capture 1st overall for the day. GYC Sailors Olli and Kelly Jason took 2nd and Seth Stern placed 3rd. GYC's next club race will be Saturday, April 4th at noon. The GYC Spring Multihull Regatta will be held on Gulfport Beach on April 18th and 19th. For more information about GYC, please visit [Gulfportyachtclub.com](http://Gulfportyachtclub.com).

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# Gulfport Leisure

## Recreation Center 5730 Shore Blvd. So 893-1068

**RECREATION WEBSITE** - [www.ci.gulfport.fl.us](http://www.ci.gulfport.fl.us) and follow the links: City Departments, Leisure services, Rec. Center.

### **REMINDERS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

**SPRING BREAK - March 30th -April 3rd**- Gulfport Recreation Division offers Spring Break full day childcare for grades Kindergarten to age 14. Hours are from 7:45 a.m.-5:30 p.m. with extended hours until 6 p.m. for an additional cost. Annual reg. \$15 res/ \$100 non-res. Weekly fee is \$50 res/\$100 non-res. Space limited, so call today at 893-1068 for more info.

**2009 SUMMER PROGRAM**-Plans are underway for the 2009 Summer Recreation Program for children who have completed Kindergarten thru age 14. Registration begins Saturday, May 2nd for Gulfport residents and non-residents currently enrolled in the School Year Child Care Program. Registrations for non-residents not enrolled in the School Year Child Care Program begin Monday, May 18th for 30 children max. Hours of registration for Saturday are from 9:00 a.m.-Noon and hours for Monday-Friday are from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

**Tomlinson Skate Park Sticker**-All skaters need to purchase a Skate Park sticker and have a consent form on file at the Recreation Center. Annual cost for stickers is \$5 res./\$10 non-res. Consent forms are available at the Recreation Center, 5730 Shore Blvd. S., Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Skaters ages 17 and under must be accompanied by a parent and show proof of residency for registration.

### **ACTIVITIES**

**Adult Basketball**- Thurs. 6-9 p.m. Annual reg. \$2 res/\$20 non-res.

### **PROGRAMS**

**School Year Child Care Program**-Grades K-5, (up to age 14 on in-service days). Annual reg. \$15 res/\$100 non-res. Monthly rates are \$133 res/\$266 non-res. Extended care available for an additional cost.

**Teen Night** -Teens, age's middle school to 17. Mon., Wed. & Fri. 6-9 p.m. Annual reg. \$2 res/\$20 non-res.

**Tot Time Program**-Children ages 3-5 year olds. Class times are from 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Annual reg. \$15 res/\$100 non-res. Monthly rates for the 2-day program are \$33 res./\$66 non-res, the 3-day program are \$55 res./\$110 non-res and the 5-day program are \$88 res./\$176 non-res.

### **CLASSES**

**AAYA Cheerleading - for ages 5 & up**- Tues., 6-7:45 p.m. Cost is \$6/class & \$10/registration. Call AAYA 813-885-2292 for more info.

**AAYA Dance - for ages 5 & up**- Thurs., 6-8:45 p.m. Cost is \$6/class & \$10/registration. Call AAYA 813-885-2292 for more info.

**Basic Drawing** - Thurs., 1:00-2:30pm. The fee is \$15 per class. Please call the instructor Doug at 643-2554 or John at 893-1079 with questions. You will need to bring a pencil and paper to class

**Creative Writing**-Fri., 6:30-8 p.m. Learn how to put your creative thoughts together and write them down. Meet others with similar interests and exchange ideas. Call Rosiland Miller at 381-1030 for more info

**Dog Obedience**-Call Lisa at 772-3631 for information on future classes.

**Fencing**- Wed., 4:30-5:30 p.m. for ages 8-15 and 5:30-6:30 p.m. for ages 16-70 are welcome. Cost is \$5 per one-hour session. Call Jim Campolli at 813-855-3112 for more info.

**Gymnastics** - Fri., 5:30-6:15 p.m. for

ages 5-12. Cost is \$25 per month. Call Barbara at 804-9400 for more info.

**Karate**-Mon. & Fri., 6:30-8 p.m. (Beginners), advanced students stay until 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$35 per month.

**Nia**-Thurs., 10:15am. Your first class is free. Fees are: monthly \$32, drop in \$10 a class, or a 8 class pass for \$56. Call 727-729-9410 for more information or online at [www.NiaStPete.com](http://www.NiaStPete.com)

**Noisemakers**-Mon., 5-6 p.m. for children and 6:30-7:30 p.m. for adults. Cost is \$15 per class or \$105 for an 8-week session. Call Gabe at 345-7472 for more information.

**Stretch & Tone**-Tues. & Thurs., 9-10 a.m. Cost is \$3 per class. Bring your own weights and mat.

### **Tai Chi & Health Recovery**

Senior Tai Chi- Tues., 9-10:15 a.m. Health Recovery-Tues., 10:30-11:45am Advanced Beginners - Thurs., 9:10:15 a.m. Donations accepted. Call Marge at 345-6708 for more info.

**Tennis**-Tues., 4:30-5p.m. (ages 6+), 5-6 p.m. (children 8-16) and adults from 6-7 p.m. at Chase Park, 28th Ave. & 53rd Street So. Gulfport. Cost is \$10 per session. Private lessons available. Call Jack at 430-0690 for more info.

**Watercolor**-Thurs., 6:30- 8:45 p.m. Ongoing classes \$45 a month or \$13 per class. Call Patsi at 501-3559 for more information and supply list.

**Walking Club** -Tues. & Thurs., 9am-Noon. Please wear comfortable clothes/footwear and bring water bottle. Call John at 893-1079 for more info.

**Yoga**-Thurs.-6:30-7:30 p.m. Blend strength, flexibility, balance and relaxation. All fitness levels are welcome. Bring a mat and water. \$35 per month, \$10 for a drop in. Please call Maureen at 381-2166 for more info.



## Gulfport Library 5501 28th Ave. So. 893-1074

### **PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS:**

**Gulfport Creative Short Story Writers:** Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am.

**One-on-One Computer Instruction:** By appointment only-contact Alex Hooks at the Reference Desk, or call 893-1073.

**AARP Tax Service:** A free service for seniors and others on low or fixed incomes. Fridays, 10:00 am, through April 10. First-come, first-served. Doors close at 3:00 pm. Bring all tax papers and a copy of last year's return.

**Genealogy Discussion Group:** This is not a formal class, just an opportunity to meet and share experiences and information with others interested in delving into their family history. Saturday, March 28 at 1:00 pm. FMI, call Kay Boatwright at the Library, 893-1074.

**ART EXHIBIT (Purdy Friends Room Gallery Walls):** Paintings by local resident Jim Joiner. Through April 23. Opening reception: Friday, April 3, 6:00-8:00 pm.

**Socrates Cafe:** These monthly discus-

sion groups were inspired by the book The Six Questions of Socrates. Author Christopher Phillips traveled the world to lead informal groups, engaging people in the manner of the ancient Greek philosopher, for whom "the questions are more important than the answers." Thursday, April 9 at 10:00 am.

**Suncoast Computer Users:** Thursday, April 9 at 6:00 pm.

**Scrapbookers Club for Teens & Adults:** Bring your pictures, books and questions, and prepare to have a great time! Make beautiful pages of memories for yourself and your family. Some supplies available, but you furnish your own 12x12 scrapbook album. FMI, contact Kay Boatwright 893-1074. Saturday, April 11 at 1:00 pm.

**Craft Club for All Ages:** Saturdays, April 11 and April 25 at 2:00 pm. Presented by Pat Brinkley.

**Coffee/Talk:** Our 14th annual series of monthly book discussions continues as we meet to discuss Toni Morrison's Love. Join us for coffee, light refreshments, and

lively conversation. Pick up a discussion guide and reserve a copy of the book at the Reference Help Desk. Thursday, April 16 (coffee's ready at 10:00 am, talk starts at 10:15).

### **Books, Audio Books, Music, Videos, Computers, Internet Access and Free Information:**

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# Services

## City Sponsored Activities in the Community

### Senior Center 5501 27th Ave. So. 893-1231

#### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Senior Center Drama Club**-Volunteers needed to help with costumes, props, etc. for one-act plays on Mon. Apr. 20. If you enjoy helping behind the scenes, please let us know. Practice dates: Mar. 27 & 30 at 2pm; Apr. 1 at 3pm; Apr. 3 & 6 at 2pm; Apr. 8 at 3pm; Apr. 13 at 2pm; Apr. 15 at 3pm; Apr. 17 at 2pm.

**New Caregivers Support Group**-every Tues. at 6pm. We also have a support group that meets every Wed. at 2pm. Newcomers welcome.

**Pinellas County Mobile Medical Van**-services for the uninsured will be at the Senior Center on Wed. Apr. 1 from 4-7:30pm.

**Activity Cancellations** Thurs. Apr. 9: Bridge Club will relocate to the Library. All other afternoon and evening activities will be cancelled. **Fri. Apr. 10:** Neighborly Group Lunch will relocate to the Enoch Davis Center. All other activities will be cancelled. Note: Meals on Wheels will continue as usual. We apologize for this inconvenience due to carpet installation.

**Can you help?**-Volunteers needed to help with our upcoming Silent Auction. Call for more info. Also, Men/Women's toiletries are needed for gift baskets. Donations gladly accepted.

**Fitness Room Volunteers Needed**-Volunteers needed to man our new Fitness Room and to provide orientation to newcomers. Call now if you would like to be a part of this exciting development.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS:

**Senior Follies**-Tickets are sold out for our annual Senior Follies on Mar. 27. The same performance will be offered at the Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center on Apr. 26. Call 541-0895 for more info.

**Spring Shorts:** A series of one-act plays featuring the newly formed Gulfport Senior Center Drama Club will be held on Mon. Apr. 20 at 2pm in the Senior Center Dining Hall. Free.

**Movie**-Mon. Mar. 23 at 1pm relocated to the Senior Center. Fried Green Tomatoes

#### SEMINARS & PRESENTATIONS:

**Falling and You**-A four-week presentation "Falling and You" will start on Fri. Mar. 27 at 10:30am. Also, Apr. 3, 17, & 24.

**Advanced Directives**-Mark your calendar for Wed. Apr. 15 at 10:30am. Find out about the importance of having Advanced Directives in place. Forms will be available. Courtesy of Hospice.

#### CLASSES & CLUBS:

**Bone Density Class** - Wed. Apr. 29 at 10:30am

**Afternoon Art Class**-Oliver Norden's Art Class meets every Friday at 2pm. All mediums are water based and the focus is on the beauty of life. There is room for more students. (No Class Apr. 10)

#### Exercise:

Chair Exercise with Phil every Tues. at 10:30am  
Yoga every Wed. at 2pm  
Line Dancing every Thurs. at 9:30am  
Wii Bowling Every Thurs. at 1pm  
Treadmills & Recumbent Cycle, 8am-5pm, except during Classes

#### Exercise Off Site:

Senior Tai Chi every Tues at 9am (Rec Center)  
Health Recovery Tai Chi every Tues. at 10:30am (Rec Center)  
Advanced Beginners Tai Chi every Thurs. at 9am (Rec Center)  
Total Fitness every Mon & Wed. at 1:30pm (Neighborhood Center)

#### Language Classes

Beginning Spanish every Mon. at 4pm  
Advanced Spanish every Mon. at 5pm  
Beginning, Intermediate & Advanced Italian every Thurs. at 6pm  
Advanced Conversational Italian & Intermediate Grammar every Thurs. at 7pm.  
**AARP Driver Safety Program**-Every first and second Tuesdays, 12:30-4:30pm. Fee:\$14 (\$2 discount for AARP members). Must attend both classes. Call 341-0130 to register or visit [www.aarp.org/drive](http://www.aarp.org/drive).

#### SPECIAL SERVICES:

**Senior Center Food Pantry** - Food items are available for low-income Gulfport residents. Must provide proof of address and income. Donations to the Food Pantry also gladly accepted.

**Phone Distribution for Hearing Impaired** - Tues. April 21, 9:30-11:30am.

**Free Hearing Screenings** - Tues. Apr. 21, 9:30-11:30am.

**Diabetic Education Classes**-Diabetic Educator Sandra Grosvenor offers free diabetic education classes every 2nd and 4th Mon. at 10am. Learn how to manage/cope with diabetes. Next class: April 13 & 27.

**Diabetic Support Group**-meets every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Mon. at 10am

**New: Elder Law Clinic**-Free legal assistance on Fri. Apr. 17 at 9:30am. Includes help with wills, living wills, powers of attorney, health care surrogate, etc. Must be 60 or over, reside in Southern Pinellas County and meet income guidelines. Call to register.

**Health Insurance Questions?**-SHINE Counselor Sarah Peel can help you with your Medicare, Medicaid questions or billing problems and help you select an appropriate Medicare Part D plan. Call now for a one-on-one appointment.

#### Support Groups

Support for Hearing Impaired - 1st & 3rd Mondays at 2pm  
Support for Visually Impaired - every 2nd and 4th Mon. at 2pm  
Support for Caregivers- Tues at 6pm; Wed. at 2pm

#### Neighborhood Center

**1617 49th St. So./893-1070**  
VitaLife Exercise Class-Monday & Wednesday, 1:30-2:30 p.m.  
**Overeaters Anonymous**-Sunday, 6:30 p.m., [www.oapinellas.org](http://www.oapinellas.org)



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**Wed., SWING DANCE**

6-8 p.m. - Lessons  
8-11 p.m., Dance, \$7

**Thurs., SALSA DANCE**

7-8:30 p.m. Lessons  
8:30-10 p.m., Dance \$7

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## Beta Sigma Phi

Laureate Epsilon Theta executive board will meet on Monday, April 6, at 7 p.m. at Marlene Markey's home. The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 8 at 7 p.m. at the home of Miriam Garcia. The program will be presented by Miriam Garcia.

Sunshine City Council will host the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 11 at the England Brothers Park, 52nd Street and 80th Avenue N. in Pinellas Park at 9 a.m.

This is a free egg hunt for children up to the age of 11. The members will gather at the park at 8 a.m. to "hide" the plastic filled eggs and the egg hunt beginning promptly at 9 a.m. Children participating should bring a basket in which to gather the eggs.

On Tuesday, April 7th members will meet with the Elmer O. Smith Lodge, 5021 75 Avenue N. to fill over 2300 plastic eggs with wrapped candy.

On Friday, April 10 the Beta Bozo clown members will distribute cookies and Easter goodies to the residents of

the Pasadena Manor Nursing Home. The residents look forward to their visit each month.

For more information, please contact Sharon Ingram at 321-2849.

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## Donate to West St. Petersburg Library

Donations of books, magazines and any collectibles such as stamps are wanted by the Bookstore of The Friends of the West St. Petersburg Community Library located on the St. Petersburg College Gibbs Campus at the corner of Eighth Avenue N. and 67 Street N. The proceeds from the sale of these items are used to fund special children's and adult programs to benefit the community. They are willing to pick up any items at your convenience. They are a volunteer non-profit c-3 organization and can provide a receipt to you for possible tax deduction. Call Charlie Grandmaison at 343-2776.

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## This N' That in South Pasadena

By Sibylle Stajich

### Newest Doc at Palms

As of March 2009, Dr. Jack Lipps has joined Palms of Pasadena as a gynecological surgeon. He is Board Certified in Gynecology and gynecological surgery and is a Diplomat and Fellow of the American Board of Obstetrics & Gynecology. Dr. Lipps has been practicing medicine since 1980 and did his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Bayfront Medical Center in St. Pete. He is also an accomplished trumpet player with many local and national bands.

### Stroke Lunch

Visitors to the Boca Ciega Room in Palms' Professional Building on March 17 heard Dr. Greg Arteburn, Professor of Radiology, give a "History of Stroke". After a light lunch, Dr. Arteburn began his lecture about strokes, which are as he interpreted an interruption of blood supply to the brain where brain cells are damaged and die. Parts of the body effected by stroke are speech, face, hand, arm, body and leg. Persons can lose reading, sight and hearing faculties. Treatment should be given during the first three hours and get to the hospital immediately. Call 911. Symptoms of a stroke are suddenly feeling weak in an arm, hand or leg or cannot feel one side of face or body, have trouble walking and cannot understand what someone is saying, also having the worst headache ever. A stroke occurs when blood circulation to the brain fails. An ischemic stroke is the most frequent cause of stroke and can be treated in the first three hours. Contributing factors are high blood pressure, high cholesterol, heart disease, diabetes, overweight and excessive use of alcohol.

### Scholarship

A reminder that the City is accepting applications for its annual \$1000 scholarship until May 29. For more information call City Hall at 347-4171.

### Civic Association

Another pleasant outing is being planned for April 18 when this association is going to the Early Bird Dinner Theater. Cost is \$32 members, nonmembers, \$34. Please call Agnes at 347-5292 for reservations and any information.

## Local Obituaries



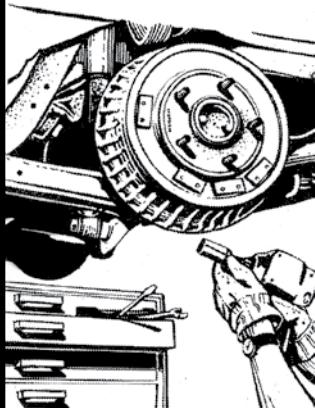
**BRADY, DORIS "JOYCE", 74,** died on March 23, 2009 at the Bay Pines VA Hospital. Joyce was born in Biddeford, ME and was president

of St. Joseph's Alumna Association and served in the Navy. She moved to Florida from Simi Valley, CA to care for her parents in 1979. She was a graduate from Moorpark College and was a life time member of Boca Ciega Yacht Club. She retired from AAA travel agency in St. Petersburg, FL. She was a Town Shores resident and member of Most Holy Name Catholic Church. Joyce is survived by her husband, Bill Brosky and two children, Guy Wilson (Ft. Payne, AL) and Debra Wilson (Shasta, CA). She has five step-children, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to Bay Pines VAHCS, Hospice Unit, Ward 4B, P.O. Box 5005, Bay Pines, FL 33744.

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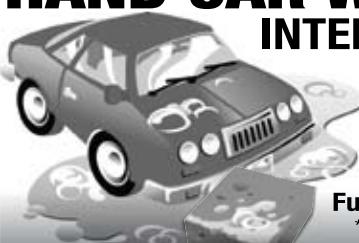
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## **Senior Hall of Fame Nominations**

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Nominations are being accepted now until Friday, April 10. Nominees must be age 65 or over, a year round resident of Pinellas County for more than three years and provide a community service that benefits the quality of life for residents of St. Petersburg.

A special ceremony will be held at the Enoch D. Davis Center on Wednesday, May 27 at 1 p.m. At this ceremony, all nominees are honored with a program consisting of entertainment, refreshments and a brief introduction of their service contributions. Some super seniors will be inducted into the Senior Hall of Fame, receive flowers, prizes, a certificate and a key to the city presented by Mayor Baker at a televised St. Petersburg City Council meeting.

Applications are available at the Enoch D. Davis Center or at [www.stpete.org/seniors](http://www.stpete.org/seniors) and should be

returned to: Senior Hall of Fame, Enoch Davis Center, 1111 18 Avenue S., St. Petersburg, FL 33705. Call 893-7159 for more information or to receive an application by mail. Sponsored by the city of St. Petersburg Office on Aging.

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## **Eckerd College "Walk-A-Mile"**

Fitness walks take place every Monday and Wednesday from 6:45 - 7:30 a.m. at Eckerd College, 4200 54 Avenue S. Call 864-7830 for more information.

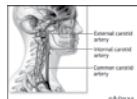
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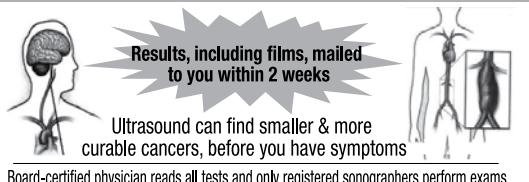
**Q. Does my doctor do these tests as part of my routine checkup?**

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the unique challenges of raising children in today's every changing environment.

Call Pat Measel at 544-3900, ext. 169 or visit [www.HelpAChild.org](http://www.HelpAChild.org) for more information.

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## Help for Women in Transition

The Resource Center for Women (RCW) helps women in transition achieve emotional strength, self-sufficiency and economic stability. RCW offers free training programs to women in the areas of personal growth, career development, basic money

management and parenting. In addition, RCW offers a monthly computer orientation class, a free computer lab and a women's support group.

Classes are held in St. Petersburg at the Enoch Davis Center, 1111 18th Avenue S., 893-7134. Registration is required for all classes. Visit [www.resourcecenterforwomen.org](http://www.resourcecenterforwomen.org) for more information or call 586-1110.

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## Advocate for Long Term Care Residents

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program is a volunteer program administered by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs. The program advocates for those living in nursing homes and assisted living facilities by investigating complaints concerning their safety and welfare. It also conducts annual assessments to ensure facilities are properly licensed and in compliance with state laws.

Anyone may apply to volunteer. The program needs expertise of experienced dietitians, pharmacists, elder law attorneys, social workers, nurses, physicians, teachers, speakers, government employees, administrators and accountants, etc. Retired spousal duos and all professional and cultural backgrounds are a plus. Mileage and meal reimbursements are provided at the state rate for official ombudsman duties.

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# Attorney Keith Sanders Handles Bankruptcies with Experience and Sensitivity

By Greg Stem

“I guess you could say my motto is ‘been there, done that,’” says Keith Sanders, from the law office of Andre Keith Sanders, P.A.

He says that for two reasons. First, he says his more than 17 years of experience as an attorney specializing in handling “literally thousands” of bankruptcies means that he has dealt with virtually any kind of problem or issue that might arise with them. And, secondly, he had to file a Chapter 13 bankruptcy himself a few years ago. He says that experience makes him very sensitive to the kinds of things people face when making the difficult decision to file.

“Most attorneys have never been in a situation where they have been worried about how to keep the lights on, but I have been there myself so I can really relate to what people are going through,” said Sanders. “Plus, many people are very embarrassed when they come to me, but I when I tell them how embarrassing it was for me to have to stand in front of judges and colleagues who knew me and go through the process myself, that usually helps to put people more at ease and understand that I have been there and done that MYSELF.”

“You know, in 99 percent of bankruptcy cases the situation is that bad things happen to good people and then they have gotten into a bad situation. They have gone through an expensive health crisis or a divorce or perhaps someone has just gotten in over their head with debt. It’s very easy in today’s consumer driven society for that to happen,” said Sanders.

Sanders offers a free initial consultation with no set time limit on it. “It might take 20 minutes or it might take two hours, it just depends of the client’s individual set of circumstances,” he said. “We can meet at their home or in my office, we can even do it over the phone if they can provide me with the financial information we need to discuss their situation.” Sanders says that he can often offer other solutions besides bankruptcy such as re-negotiating payment schedules with creditors or reorganizing personal finances. “For example, I often have people who can avoid bankruptcy if they just get out from under the



burden of a house they can no longer afford because of a job loss or some other situation,” he noted.

He moved to the Tampa Bay area in July 2005 from Atlanta where he was a partner/owner of Hamilton & Sanders, LLC a firm specializing in consumer bankruptcy and real estate closings. The firm regularly filed between 40-60 bankruptcy cases a month. Prior to that he worked for three other major law firms in Atlanta from 1992 to 2003. All three firms specialized in consumer bankruptcy cases. He began his career as a staff attorney for the United States Trustee in Atlanta. He is licensed to practice law in both Florida and Georgia.

“I like what I do because I feel like I can help people get a fresh start,” said Sanders. “When you have financial difficulties it can really affect your entire life. It has negative implications on you emotionally and it can even damage or ruin your personal relationships. I do try and encourage people to come see me early on, even if they are just starting to get behind in payments or feel they are in over their head. If you can start working with an attorney from the very start it can really reduce your stress level as I can stop harassing creditor calls. I can also see if we can work out arrangements that a creditor might not consider when working directly with my client.”

“Since the initial consultation is

free, you really don’t have anything to lose to meet with me and we can assess your situation and see how it might be best for you to proceed. Bankruptcy can be one solution to getting back on your feet financially, but it may not be the best or only solution for you. As an experienced professional, I can help you sort through those issues and see what is right for you,” he noted.

Sanders has held a number of seminars and written professional papers concerning bankruptcy law in general, ECF requirements and new issues. He is a former director of the Bankruptcy Section of the State Bar of Georgia.

Outside of the courtroom, Sanders lives in an unusual home in Gulfport that was one of the featured properties in last year’s Pink Flamingo Tour of Homes. It has a tree growing right up through the floor and up through the ceiling of his kitchen. He has three dogs and a cat. When he was living in Atlanta he was very involved with helping raise funds for a number of AIDS service organizations. He is hoping to get involved with local charitable groups as soon as possible.

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## Trying Out the New Equipment



Newly elected Gulfport council member Sam Henderson gets some lessons on the use of the new exercise equipment at the Gulfport Senior Center from Richard Chapman, owner of Shapemaster. Shapemaster sold the equipment to the center at a discount rate. The new equipment is unique in that it lets the user set their own pace and exercise level. There is no "no pain no gain" philosophy, users exercise in smooth, fluid motions. The new equipment joins several treadmills and a stationary bike that were added to the Center's new fitness room recently. The Gulfport Senior Center Foundation has paid for all of the equipment. They hosted an open house on Monday for members and benefactors.

## Society of Young Magicians to Meet

The Society of Young Magicians (SYM) meets the first Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Victory Church of the Nazarene located at 58 Street N. at 44 Avenue in Kenneth City. SYM welcomes all children age seven to 16 to learn magic. Classes are free and taught by professional magician Dick Laneau. Clowns are also welcome to learn walk-around magic. Call 345-4323 or email to LuresWanted@tampabay.rr.com.

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## Volunteers Needed at the Free Clinic

Help the St. Petersburg Free Clinic to help others. They have an urgent need for volunteers in their health center, food bank, We Help Services and administration. Assist with patient registration, reception, food distribution and/or client interviews at varying times, Monday through Friday. Many volunteer opportunities are available to fit busy schedules.

Learn more about volunteering at the St. Petersburg Free Clinic at a volunteer orientation every second Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. or on the third Tuesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. Contact Rebecca Russell-Gootee at (727) 861-1200, ext. 114.

The St. Petersburg Free Clinic is located at 863 3rd Avenue N. and provides temporary assistance for families and individuals in need of such basics as food, shelter, health care, limited financial assistance and referral information.

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## **Breakfast with Dalí**

The Salvador Dalí Museum is pleased to announce the next Breakfast with Dalí program for children 6-11 years old and their families will be on Saturday, April 4 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. to explore the museum on a private interactive tour by a leading docent. A scrumptious breakfast follows the tour, along with arts and crafts. Additionally, each child receives a souvenir of the day's experience.

This is one of the Dalí Museum's most popular and rewarding programs which is available once a month. The next Breakfast with Dalí is scheduled for Saturday, May 2.

The program is limited to 20 children, plus their parents. There is a 10% discount for advance payment. General admission is \$15 per adult, \$10 per child; \$20 for all others. General admission for members of the Dalí Museum: \$10 per adult, plus \$10 per child; \$15 for all others.

To register, please call 823-3767 ext. 3024 or email Bethany Mead, Education Coordinator to bmead@salvadordalimuseum.org.

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## **USCG Safe Boating Classes**

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## **St. Petersburg Writers Club**

Anyone interested in writing, whether a seasoned professional or a beginner is welcome to attend a meeting of the St. Petersburg Writer's Club, the oldest writers' group in Pinellas County.

The Club meets on the first and third Thursday of each month at

6:30 p.m. in Room 101 at the West St. Petersburg Library, Eighth Avenue and 67th Street N., adjacent to St. Petersburg College. Come early and socialize with other members of the group. All writers and would-be writers are invited. Call Martha Dupes at 736-3355 or Pat First at 397-8833.

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## **Gulfport Lions Club**

The Gulfport Lions Club meets every second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Social hour at 6 p.m. and our meeting starts at 7 p.m. Board meetings are held after the first meeting of the month. We meet at 4630 Tifton Dr. behind the marina area. Call Art at 321-5717 for more information.

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### **LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:**

In last week's picture the Gulfport Public Library celebrated its thirtieth anniversary in 1965 by raising a new flag. Shown from the left are City Manager Nicholas Metzger, librarian Mrs. Marie Bryan, former Mayor and Mrs. Andrew Potter, and Mayor John Robinson. The old library building at 3050 Beach Boulevard was recently sold by the city and is now under private ownership.

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## **Annual Pesach Celebration**

The sixth annual intergenerational Pesach celebration will take place at Philip Benjamin Tower on Tuesday, April 7. Event sponsors include Pinellas County Jewish Day School, Gulf Coast Jewish Family Services, Benjamin Tower Foundation and Neighborly Care Network.

This collaborative community event brings students from PCJDS and seniors at Philip Benjamin Tower together to share Jewish traditions and values. Approximately 100 people attended a lively interactive Seder rendition of parody plagues, songs and dancing last year. This year's event will continue the Festival of Spring traditions that bring the promise of renewal to all in attendance.

For more information, contact Rebecca Horowitz at Benjamin Tower Foundation, 347-5191.

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## **Apply for Scholarship**

South Pasadena residents and high school graduating students of the City of South Pasadena, have until May 29 to apply for the City's annual scholarship award. Applicants must have been City residents for the past two years, and been accepted at an accredited college, university, trade or technical school.

A copy of the prior year Federal income tax return for applicant and any other person(s) who claimed applicant as a dependent on a Federal income tax return is required.

Applications are available at City Hall, 7047 Sunset Drive S., South Pasadena and at ci.south-pasadena.fl.us. For more information, call the City Clerk's office at 347-4171.

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## **Doggie Paws Rescue Needs Volunteers**

Florida Doggie Paws Rescue, Inc. is an all-volunteer foster-based organization. This grass roots rescue organization was formed one year ago by seven dedicated people with one common goal: to save the dogs. The group's mission is to responsibly rescue, rehabilitate, foster and find permanent loving homes for unwanted, abandoned and abused small-to-medium breed dogs throughout the state of Florida.

The Rescue was established at the end of January 2007 and by the end of December, over 130 dogs had been rescued, and over 100 of them had been placed in their "forever homes". Most of the dogs came from Levy County Animal Services where animals are euthanized after only six days if someone doesn't come to their

aid. All of these rescued animals have turned into happy, healthy, well-adjusted dogs because of the love, care and commitment of the volunteers of Florida Doggie Paws Rescue.

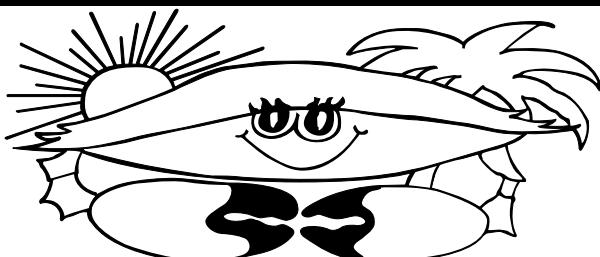
The Rescue promotes the realities of pet ownership, educating the public concerning pet overpopulation and the importance of spaying and neutering pets; humane treatment of animals through education and public awareness; and microchipping pets so that a lost pet can be reunited with its family.

Volunteers are always needed to accomplish the Rescue's mission. Foster homes for the dogs are an essential part of the Rescue. In addition, there are many other tasks to be completed - computer work, phone calls, event planning, fund-raising, correspondence, etc. All donations received go toward expenses for the medical care of the dogs and for keeping the web site, post office box and telephone functioning.

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## Rethinking Drinking

Forget the notion that older folks are smarter drinkers. When it comes to knowing whether you're alcohol-impaired, younger imbibers appear to know better.

University of Florida researchers conducted an experiment with 42 adults, half between the ages of 50 and 74, the other half ages 25 to 35. The participants were given either a carefully calibrated alcoholic drink (roughly the equivalent of a couple of glasses of wine) or a similar tasting placebo. Then they were asked to perform tests of motor skills and rate their level of intoxication.

The older participants typically performed worse on the motor skills tests, but consistently underestimated their drunkenness. One possible reason, said Sara Jo Nixon, the senior investigator: As people get older, they become inured to the effects of social drinking.

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A new study reports that between 1990 and 2006 an average of 2,800 children under the age of 20 visited emergency rooms after falling out of treehouses. The study did not say how many people older than 20 fell out.

The most common injuries were fractures (37 percent), bruises (20 percent) and cuts (20 percent) to the upper body. Researchers found that falls greater than 10 feet tripled the odds of hospitalization.

Study investigators suggest government intervention.

"Treehouse safety deserves special attention because of the potential for serious injury or death due to falls from great heights, as well as the absence of national or regional safety standards," said Lara McKenzie of the Center for Injury Research and Policy.

### OBSERVATION

If we can get our hands on this former president and subject him to some of our manipulations, it would be just a matter of time before he was really loving broccoli.

-- Elizabeth Loftus on George H.W. Bush and his famous distaste of broccoli. Loftus, a psychologist at the University of California Irvine, says food aversions are often false memories easily reversed.

### MEDTRONICA

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[girlshealth.gov/bones](http://girlshealth.gov/bones)

The site is operated by the federal Office on Women's Health, but the target audience is young girls. The message: Take care of your bones. It includes lots of age-appropriate advice about calcium-rich diets, exercise and avoiding a future of osteoporosis.

### LAST WORDS

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## **AMVETS Post #1**

By John Silva, PROI

We have been away for a spell and it is now time to come back and let you know what is going on at our Post. First of all, our Commander, Al Davidson sends his personal greeting to one and all, and a special invitation to all veterans. Our post, although quiet for a while is now experiencing a revival. We have many things going on, and we will keep you up to date as necessary. Some that come to immediate mind as a favorite to many is our Friday Barringo from 7 to 9 p.m., then topped off with music from 9-12 a.m.

Each Saturday we feature a band for your dancing pleasure. Come and show us your stuff, the music starts at 8 p.m. and you can put away your dancing shoes at midnight. Do we have meetings at our Post? You bet we do, and every member

should attend. Here's the routine: AMVETS -first Monday of the month at 7:30. Women's Auxiliary meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30. Sons of AMVETS meets the last Monday of the month at 7:30. We, like other veteran organizations, are always looking forward to new membership. We hope you will consider us. Should you have questions about membership contact John Silva, at 866-6289. Come visit and see our Medal of Honor portrait display. Also, remember, March 25 is National Medal of Honor day. Come join with your fellow veterans and help us grow. Get involved.

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**Robbery-** 2200 Blk 54th St. S.  
**Truant-** 1400 Blk 58th St. S.  
**Animal Complaint-** 2700 Blk 57th St. S.  
**Theft-** 4900 Blk 31st Ave. S.  
**Animal Complaint-** 2800 Blk 53rd St. S.  
**Trouble with Individual-** 5600 Blk 27th Ave. S.  
**Animal Complaint-** 2700 Blk 46th St. S.  
**Suspicious Circumstances-** 5100 Blk Preston Ave. S.  
**Domestic Verbal-** 1000 Blk 52nd St. S.  
**Noise Complaint-** 4900 Blk 12th Ave. S.

**Saturday 3/14**

**Noise Complaint-** 5500 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.  
**Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk Pine Grove Terr. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 800 Blk 60th St. S.  
**Accident with Injuries-** 5200 Blk 18th Ave. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 5700 Blk 18th Ave. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 5400 Blk 9th Ave. S.

**Battery-** 5700 Blk 16th Ave. S.

**Suspicious Circumstances-** 5900 Blk Shore Blvd. S.

**Drunk Person-** 2600 Blk 53rd St. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 5100 Blk 13th Ave. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 5100 Blk 15th Ave. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5400 Blk 30th Ave. S.

**Suspicious Vehicle-** 600 Blk 58th St. S.

**Criminal Mischief-** 1100 Blk Gray St. S.

**Sunday 3/15**

**Suspicious Vehicle-** 5200 Blk 18th Ave. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 3000 Blk 56th St. S.

**Threatening Bodily Harm-** 5600 Blk 11th Ave. S.

**Disabled Vehicle-** 700 Blk Gray St. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 1600 Blk 55th St. S.

**Burglary-** 3000 Blk 54th St. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 1000 Blk 51st St. S.

**Domestic Battery-** 5000 Blk 12th Ave. S.

**Narcotics/Drugs-** 5700 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 5800 Blk 27th Ave. S.

**Trespasser-** 3000 Blk 50th St. S.  
**Suspicious Vehicle-** 5500 Blk 28th Ave. S.

**Hit & Run-** 2600 Blk Upton St. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5400 Blk Shore Blvd. S.

**Drunk Person-** 5500 Blk Shore Blvd. S.

**Drunk Driver-** 2200 Blk 56th St. S.

**Drunk Driver-** 5600 Blk 28th Ave. S.

**Monday 3/16**

**Accident with Injuries-** 5700 Blk 17th Ave. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 1800 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 6000 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 4900 Blk 26th Ave. S.

**Tuesday 3/17**

**Fight in Progress-** 5400 Blk Shore Blvd. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5400 Blk 12th Ave. S.

**Burglary-** 2600 Blk 44th St. S.

**Theft-** 1400 Blk 61st St. S.

**Fight in Progress-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.

**Burglary-** 2800 Blk 45th St. S.

**Burglary-** 4600 Blk 29th Ave. S.

**Robbery-** 3000 Blk Beach Blvd. S.

**Wednesday 3/18**

**Trouble with Individual-** 5700 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 5300 Blk 10th Ave. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 3000 Blk 51st St. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 2400 Blk 58th St. S.

**Theft-** 5000 Blk 15th Ave. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 2200 Blk Hull St. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5600 Blk 21st Ave. S.

**Theft-** 5000 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 2600 Blk 54th St. S.

**Thursday 3/19**

**Suspicious Vehicle-** 2000 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Trespasser-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Fight in Progress-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk 11th Ave. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 1600 Blk Hull St. S.

**Fight in Progress-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.

**Theft-** 1000 Blk 49th St. S.

**Traffic Stop-Failed to Stop-** 4900 Blk 12th Ave. S.

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## Easter Egg Hunt in Treasure Island

The Gulf Beaches Rotary Club with the assistance of the Treasure Island Chamber of Commerce and the Isle of Capri Civic Association will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 11 at 10 a.m. in the Treasure Island Community Center and Park, Gulf Boulevard at 106th Avenue. Activities for children 10 year old and younger will include an egg hunt; bonnet and hat contest; and a visit with the Easter Bunny. Bring your cameras so that you can take your picture with the Easter Bunny. The event is free. For additional information please contact the Chamber of Commerce at 360-4121 or 367-2303.

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## Chamber Seeks to Lend a Helping Hand

The Gulfport Chamber of Commerce office located in the Bank of America Building at 2808 58 Street will now take donations of school supplies and non-perishable goods to assist local residents in need. "The Chamber has always participated in seasonal drives for back to school or holiday meals, now there is a year-round need and we want to be there as a resource," stated Lori Rosso, Chamber President. These donations will be distributed to the appropriate Gulfport entities to make sure they are used to benefit our neighbors.

Please drop off items at the Chamber office between 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays. For more information call 344-3711.

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## First Annual Gabber Garage Sale Awards

By Cathy Salustri

Twice a year Gulfport hosts a citywide yard sale. Traditionally *The Gabber* sends a reporter out to the sales armed with a wish list and asks that they report back. This year *The Gabber* created the quite unofficial first annual Gabber Garage Sale Awards. The incredibly unscientific judging process involved a reporter shopping as many garage sales as possible, including the Nautical Flea Market and the flea market at the Gulfport Recreation Center.

By morning's end, the judge awarded winners in the following categories.

**Best Value:** Full wicker patio set (loveseat, chair, ottoman, end table) for ten dollars.

**Quirkiest Item:** Faux dreadlocks, purchased and likely worn by Dallas Bohrer of Blueberry Patch fame.

**Most Useless Item:** Redneck wind chimes (beer cans strung together)

**Item a Fifth-Grader Has Likely Never Seen:** Cassette Tapes and VHS tapes

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By Mary Hunt

## Feeling Poor Is Not a Financial Condition

It's no secret that Americans are in credit card debt up to their eyeballs. To what can we attribute this colossal "living beyond our means" phenomenon? I don't think it's because we've had too many emergencies, and that's why we all have credit cards, right? It's because we don't ever want to feel poor.

Let me define the term "feeling poor." It's a sad, sorry feeling of inferiority. It's that feeling you get when faced with an invitation to join all of your rich co-workers for a chichi lunch and you've got \$8.43 to last until payday. It's that feeling you get when you see a commercial for the coolest car on earth and all you have is a 10-year-old clunker.

When you feel poor, the worst thing you can do is spend money. Sure, that might make the feeling go away for a time. But as soon as you realize you've plunged yourself deeper into debt and made your situation worse, you'll feel even poorer. It's a vicious cycle that comes to no good end.

I have a better idea: Stop feeling poor in the first place. Here are three things you can do that will help change your attitude:

1. Commit to a Clean Car. No matter how old, how scratched or how ugly, if you keep your car sparkling clean inside and out, you won't feel poor. Remove every coffee cup, every paper and every item other than the

emergency equipment in the trunk every time you leave the car. Wash it weekly. Make sure the windows are spotless, the tires scrubbed and the chrome shiny. You'll feel like a million bucks.

2. Curb the Clutter. I don't care how clean your house may be. If you have clutter, it's pulling you down. Clear your closets, drawers, cupboards, garage and counters of everything that you do not need. Open space, tranquility and simplicity will chase away feelings of poverty. Clutter invites chaos, which leads to depression and feelings of deprivation.

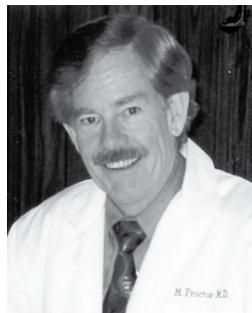
3. Tuck a C-note. A "C-note" is a \$100 bill. I want you to get one, fold it neatly and tuck it into a secret place in your wallet. Just like that, you no longer will feel poor. That C-note will make you feel prosperous, and you are not likely to spend it on a whim. In fact, you are not likely to spend it at all. Breaking a \$100 bill is a big deal. You wouldn't do that for a hamburger and fries. You sure wouldn't do that to convince the co-workers that you can afford to eat sushi with them instead of the bagged lunch you brought to work. That would be ridiculous, right?

If you don't have \$100 to spare, start with a \$20 bill. Then trade it for a 50. Before you know it, you'll have Benjamin in your pocket, hidden away.

Feeling poor is not a financial condition. It is a state of mind and something you can change.

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## Enter April Money Prize Show

By Mary Marsh

The Art Guild is seeking artists to enter its April money prize show. It will be awarding \$400 in prizes to the winners. Show is open to all. Entry date is April 2 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. at The Treasure Island City Hall Auditorium, 120 108 Avenue. Entry fee is \$10 members and \$20 nonmembers. Membership is \$30 yearly. There will be a reception for the winners on April 11 at 1 p.m. There will be an art demonstration. All artists are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

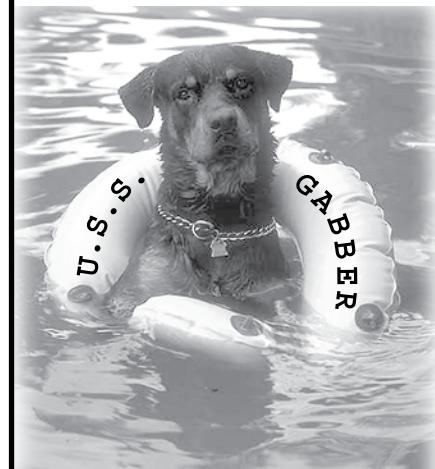
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Lent is here and so are the famous Fish Fry Dinners hosted by the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the St. Mary & St. Anne Society at Most Holy Name of Jesus Church, 5800 15 Avenue S. in Gulfport. This year dinners will be served on Fridays March 27 and April 3 from 5-7:30 p.m. Baked or fried fish dinners will cost \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, and shrimp dinners will cost \$10.

In addition to baked or fried fish or shrimp, each dinner will include weekly varying side dishes of cole slaw and baked beans or parsley buttered potatoes and green beans. Also included with dinners are roll and butter, homemade desserts and coffee or tea. Sodas and water will be available at extra cost. Wine and beer will be available for a donation.

This annual event has been held for several years with all customers enjoying the delicious food and meeting many friends and gracious hosts.

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## **Happenings at ALA Post #305**

American Legion Post 305 would like to thank everyone who came out and participated in the last several months of activities that were presented in a joint effort of our family. It is sad to see many of our good friends depart one by one to return to their northern homes. All we can say is happy and safe traveling, we look forward to seeing you in the fall, till then we will miss you.

For all of us lucky ones who are still here, we invite you to keep on visiting our post at 6999 Gulf Boulevard for super entertainment, good food and amicable company. Remember our bingo is still going strong on Thursdays at 7 p.m. with lots of happy winners, see you there. In the very near future, Sunday, March 29, from 3-8 p.m. be sure you do not miss our next Blues Jam Session, which was a big hit the last time our SAL sponsored it. Donations made at this

function will be used toward the purchase of prepaid telephone cards for the troops in Afghanistan and Iraq as part of the "Support our Troops" program. We will have food, raffles, prizes, free admission and music from local Blues artists. Please call 367-1596 for more information. Musician inquiries - please e-mail [SALbluesPaul@aol.com](mailto:SALbluesPaul@aol.com)

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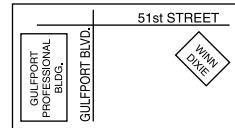
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Interested families may contact Walden School at 321-7441 or the directors Judi Jemison at 343-7708 or Cyndi Vickers at 824-8986. To find out more about Florida Pride, visit [www.floridaschoolchoice.org](http://www.floridaschoolchoice.org).

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# Hard Candy

By Cathy Salustri

**L**ittle tiny boxes. That's all life comes down to, really. You start it out in a hospital room—that's the first box--and, eventually, most end in some sort of box as well. Every stop along the way is just another box, really.

Which is why it amazes me that the world's economy tanked because of them. Change a few regulations about how people can finance their homes and all of a sudden—poof!—countries are collapsing, at least economically.

I never quite got the point of the boxes, to be honest. I think that's because my parents made sure I never really had to worry about a home to keep the rain out and the love in. We moved three times in my life, and my parents haven't moved since 1980. I always have a home with them if I need it (and if my mother and I can live together without one of us killing the other.). Home ownership ranks right up there with food and water for my parents.

Now, me, I'm another story. I possess what most kindly call "nomadic tendencies" and move as the mood strikes me. In two decades since I left home I've moved 12 times, not counting college dorms. Thank god for the invention of the computerized address book because I've used up all the "S" pages in my mom's paper one. I like to think of myself as steady but not necessarily stable. I'm not

sure my mother would agree.

Needless to say, when you move on the average of once every 17 months or so, mortgages aren't the smartest choices. I'm also staring down some negative credit repercussions and I'm self-employed, so I'll stick to renting, thank you.

Moving is really just switching boxes, if you think about it. Most people trade up when they move, but this time around I chose a view over space: a place on the beach.

My "studio" apartment—all 220 square feet of it—makes me smile. Kindly put, I'm renting a charming studio apartment a few blocks from the Gulf. Realistically stated, I live in an oversized broom closet with a kitchen. Had I wanted a housewarming party it would have consisted of a conga line in and out again with my friends arriving in shifts.

But you know what? My front door opens up to a jasmine-lined courtyard and it takes me two minutes to get to the beach for the sunset. I've squeezed my dresser in my closet and college students would reject my refrigerator because it won't hold a full case of beer. I don't care; I can leave my door unlocked while I check the mail or walk Calypso.

Going from a two bedroom house to a storage shed with great light necessitated some streamlining, and I've done two things that stop most people cold: I don't own a television or a microwave.

This doesn't bother folks as much as the next thing I'm about to admit:

I don't want a television or a microwave.

Everyone wants me to have one, it seems. People try and give them to me on an almost daily basis. When my parents first visited they, ever the good parents who worry about their slightly off-center adult daughter who makes what they describe on a good day as "peculiar" choices, inquire politely if the lack of a microwave is an issue of money.

I glance around the broom closet, shimmy sideways past my mother to get to a chair, and tell them no, that it is an issue of space. I then ask my mother how to reheat something on the stove, whereby she hangs her head in her hands and moans something that sounds suspiciously like, "All that money for your education... college... wasted."

It's not just my parents in shock, although before today they were the only ones who knew I lacked fundamental knowledge on how to reheat things on a stovetop. It seems to bother people on some primal level that I can't make a Lean Cuisine or watch House at will. These things—microwaveable dinners and first-run network programming—snuck into the American psyche somewhere in the last 50 years and became almost as unavoidable as death and taxes. I'm eating healthier and getting more exercise instead of letting my eyes glaze over in front of a TV, but that seems lost

on most people; I may as well tell people I surrendered my roof or sink.

Not so long ago, really, I lived in a much bigger house with two living rooms and three bathrooms. The family room dwarfed my current apartment and I wanted for nothing tangible. Funny thing, though: I've steadily traded down every move since and I've found I love the process of streamlining, of throwing things out and seeing what I can do without.

I doubt I would have made this move had the economy not failed us. I likely would have sold my house when things got too rough and bought some other house somewhere else. But then I wouldn't walk on the beach every night at sunset or learn how to reheat food the "old-fashioned" way or walk with Calypso down to the water in the morning.

No doubt I'd be happy wherever I ended up in that scenario, but right now I love my little apartment, which I painted aqua and coral and lime and teal. Right now it's home. Right now I don't need a microwave.

I'm sure I won't stay here forever. One day I'll pack my stuff in boxes and put it in a different box: perhaps a box with more space, or maybe a floating box. I may even find a box with room for a microwave. I'll paint over the pink and blue and green and yellow and pull the door shut behind me and surrender the keys and I'll head off for the next adventure.

It's just another box to me.

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## Class of 1984 Plans 25 Year Reunion

Boca Ciega class of 1984 announces their 25 year reunion, Friday, July 17 and Saturday, July 18. Friday night's festivities will begin at 7 p.m. at Gators on John's Pass and Saturday's celebration will continue at the Sirata Beach Resort, 5300 Gulf Boulevard in St. Pete Beach. For more information call Cindy Brawner Nagel at 813-250-3007 or to register, visit [www.bchs1984.com](http://www.bchs1984.com).

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## Pasadena Card Club

The Pasadena Card Club has Duplicate Bridge on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12:30 p.m. and Party Bridge at 12 noon Tuesday and Thursday. For information, call 381-5944.

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## But Who is the Killer?



photo by Greg Stemm

The cast of "And then there was One" poses for a group portrait immediately following their dress rehearsal on Tuesday. The one act mystery is being produced and performed by members of The Walden School. The play will be presented on Friday, March 27 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 2728 53rd Street South in Gulfport. Tickets are \$5.00



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# Somethin' on my mind

By Bill Northrop

The Gabber welcomes Bill Northrop to its editorial staff. Bill is a retired newspaper publisher and journalist from Western Pennsylvania. His over fifty year career was with the Beaver County Times in Beaver, PA and the Observer Reporter in Washington, PA.

Bill can be reached at:  
B\_Northrop@theGabber.com

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**W**hatever has happened to sex education? Not that I really care one way or another whether it's taught in schools or not. However, my question is what is it supposed to accomplish?

Recent statistics, if I recall correctly, (in other words, don't hold me to it) indicate that 35 per cent of whites and 70 per cent of blacks are born out-of-wedlock. I can't recall reading the statistics for Pinellas County. However, the most recent statistic (this I'm sure of) is that nationwide 40 per cent of all births are out of wedlock. This late statistic doesn't mean that all the births are to single mothers, but that many don't choose to get married. Guess they don't want to make a big commitment.

However, it's the "uh-oh I'm pregnant" that is the problem. There is a direct link to single mothers and poverty and all sorts of social problems. Children aren't cheap so the first observation is probably obvious. Second, fathers are getting free rides in addition to ditching their normal responsibilities.

Now, where does sex education come in? When mandatory sex ed came to schools it was to provide factual information so that we all would know about sex and how it happens and what happens so that we all would know, and if we know.... Anyway, knowing supposedly means better decisions and all that. Does it?

I read a story this week about two teenage sisters (in an all white, rural school), who simply chose not to use protection. They were upset and scared at first, but got good family, community, school support, and, for now, boy friend support. Everyone seems happy. Just like the Palin family. (Not a dig at Sarah Palin. I think she's cool)

I also read articles making fun of abstinence (just say "no") and commenting how ineffective that movement has been. Extend that criteria to the sex education movement and the present day statistics and where does that lead you? In the 50s, 60s, and even 70s, getting pregnant was a big deal. Having an abortion was a big, big, big deal. Having the baby and keeping it wasn't considered. Not much support anywhere. Not exactly kinder and gentler, but pretty darn effective.

I'm not sure I'd like it that way now, but it does make me wonder if we'd be better off with "you better not" rather than "just say no", or "here's something you should know".

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## The Garden Club of St. Petersburg

The Garden Club of St. Petersburg will hold a Coffee & Garden Crafts Workshop on Monday, April 6 from 10-12 noon at the Garden Center, 500 Sunset Drive S. in St. Petersburg. A materials fee of \$3.50 for Garden Club members and \$4.50 for guests and the general public will be charged to cover supplies. The workshop will cover two crafts "How to Make Fancy Bows & Making Flower Pens".

All craft workshops are open to the general public, potential new members and guests. Please bring your own scissors, pencil and small paint brushes. Coffee and tea will be furnished. Call Mary Frances Lawrie at 397-8719.

They will hold its Horticulture for Weekend Gardeners (aka the "Night Bloomers" Circle) on Tuesday, April 7 at 7 p.m. at the Garden Center. The program will be "Painting your Rain Barrels". Contact Bobbi Siebold at bobbi33702@yahoo.com or 463-4203. Meetings are open to the public but there will be a nominal charge for nonmembers of the Garden Club to help cover speaker expense.

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## 7th Annual Roser Park Tour of Homes

The 7th Annual Roser Park Tour of Homes takes place Saturday, April 11, 2009, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in St. Petersburg, Florida. Sponsored by the Historic Roser Park Neighborhood Association, this year's event showcases seven (7) homes including the International Home Stagers Project, the west Ronald McDonald House and a guided walking tour of the neighborhood's unique Outdoor Museum. Tickets are \$10 if purchased before April 11th via our website or \$12 on the day of the tour. Free parking is available in the medical parking garage at 8th Street and 7th Avenue South in St Petersburg. The tickets on the day of the tour will be sold at the first stop: 702 8th Avenue South. For information call 898-9229 or www.roserpark.net.

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## Bayfront Gift Shop Needs Volunteers

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## Rabbi Israel Dvorkin turns 100



By Leigh Clifton

Gulfport Mayor Mike Yakes(rt) delivers the proclamation of recognition from the City to Temple Beth Shalom's Rabbi Israel Dvorkin,(cntr) who turned 100 in March. Then Deputy Mayor Michelle King(rt) congratulates him for his long history of service to the community.

Presenting an official Proclamation from the city, Gulfport Mayor Mike Yakes and Vice-Mayor Michelle King declared March 7, 2009 Rabbi Israel Dvorkin Day, in honor of the Rabbi's 100th birthday. Friends, family and the congregation of Gulfport's Temple Beth Shalom celebrated the Rabbi's birthday with a reception after Temple. Rabbi Dvorkin, who's been at Temple Beth Shalom since 1980, was born in London in 1909. He helped house orphans of the Holocaust and has been involved in several humanitarian causes over the course of his long, illustrious life. Rabbi Dvorkin also received congratulations and recognition from Governor Charlie Crist, Congressman Bill Young and Representative Rick Christman on his milestone birthday.

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## Gulfport Safe Boating Program

Plan to attend the Boating Skills and Seamanship program offered by the Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 7-16 Gulfport. The program will be held in the building on Clam Bayou Park Point located east of the Gulfport Municipal Marina. This program is continuous every Tuesday from 7:9:30 p.m. every week. Start any Tuesday and 13 weeks later you will complete the program. A certificate of completion will be issued to those participants successfully completing the program.

Cost for materials is \$40 per person. Successful completion of this program could increase boating pleasure and in many cases qualify you for a discount on your boating insurance.

Please call 321-4455 or Kevin at 822-7232 for more information.

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## Fill the Box for a Troop in Iraq

American Legion Post 125 Auxiliary has adopted two more platoons serving in Iraq and is seeking donations for a total of three now. Items needed include candy, batteries, snacks, beef jerky, slim jims, tuna packets, white socks, dry food items. A box has been provided at the Post located at 6440 Fifth Avenue S. in St. Petersburg. For more information, call Shirley at 510-1919. Let's show them our support!

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# Water Restrictions are Complex, Vary by City

*Everyone in Pinellas County agrees that we are under a severe drought and there is a need to conserve water. How that is accomplished however is a patchwork of different rules and regulars that vary by what municipality you live in and what each local government has put into place. Here is a sampling of the water restriction regulations around the county.*

## St. Petersburg/Gulfport

The new modification specifies that "Restaurants and public dining facilities shall serve water to customers only upon customer request."

In addition to continuing to restrict watering to one day a week, local governments are to enforce the following rules:

### New Outdoor Water Restrictions:

An automatic shutoff device must be installed on your hose and used at all times:

- Hand watering of non-lawn landscape is prohibited from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m.
- Hand watering of lawn / turf is allowed ONLY during your designated watering day and times (see below).
- Micro-irrigation (low-flow or drip irrigation) is prohibited from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m.

• Aesthetic fountains and waterfalls, including for aeration of stormwater ponds (unless augmented by reclaimed water) shall be operated no more than four (4) hours per day.

• Irrigation of new sod installations and lawn renovations (sod, plugs, and other turfgrass material) requires a variance from the St. Petersburg's Water Resources Department and is limited to the following watering schedule during establishment:

• A 30-day variance may be obtained by calling 892-5020 or emailing WRDCustomerService@stpete.org and submitting appropriate documentation along with the customer's request. Include your name, address and phone number. Eligibility requirements apply. Only one variance is al-

lowed within a six month period. No extensions will be granted.

- On days 1-15, beginning the day of installation, the new or replacement turfgrass may be watered every day of the week during designated hours (5 a.m. to 9 a.m. and/or 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.).
- On days 16-30, the new or replacement turfgrass may be watered every other day during designated hours. Even-numbered addresses may only water on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Odd-numbered addresses may only water on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

### No Warnings!

Violations observed by Enforcement Personnel will result in a citation. A violation is subject to a fine plus court costs. Failure to comply with current watering restrictions is a Class II municipal ordinance offense subject to a \$175 fine plus court costs. Court costs range from \$13 for uncontested violations to \$58 for contested violations. Subsequent violations are subject to higher fines as assessed by the court up to a maximum fine of \$500 plus court costs.

Watering with potable (city) water, water from private wells or private connections to surface water sources (lakes, ponds, etc.) is restricted according to property address as follows:

### Allowable watering days based on property address...

**Potable Water, Private Well or Surface Water;** Saturday for even addresses. Sunday for odd addresses.

Irrigation is allowed from 5 to 9 a.m. and/or from 7 to 11 p.m.

Watering of the same area twice within the same day is NOT permitted.

- Addresses ending in an even number or the letters A through M may irrigate on Saturday only.
- Addresses ending in an odd number, the letters N through Z, or and locations with no address may irrigate on Sunday only.

Check your rain sensor to assure it is functioning properly. Residents may obtain one free of charge by visiting the Water Resources Department at 1635 Third Avenue North between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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## Pinellas County

- Irrigation of established lawns and landscaping is authorized for one day per week

If your house number ends in: Then you may water on:

- 0 or 1 Monday
- 2 or 3 Tuesday
- 4 or 5 Wednesday
- 6 or 7 Thursday
- 8 or 9 Friday

Mixed or No address Friday

- Watering is limited to one application per week.

Morning Hours Evening Hours

12:01 AM to 8:00 AM OR 6:00

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- Watering is prohibited between the hours of 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM

• PROPERTIES TWO ACRES OR GREATER in size may irrigate during the hours of 12:01 AM to 10:00 AM or 4:00 PM to 11:59 PM on the authorized day. Residential Car Washing

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ing per week. If your house number ends in: Then you may wash your vehicle on:

EVEN number (0, 2, 4, 6, 8)

Tuesday or Saturday

ODD number (1, 3, 5, 7, 9)

Wednesday or Sunday

- Low volume methods only, such as a hand-held hose equipped with a trigger (selfcanceling) nozzle

## New Lawns

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From day 1 to day 15, new or replacement turfgrass may be watered every day of the week.

From day 16 to day 30, new or replacement turfgrass may be watered 3 days per week.

- Even addresses only on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday

- Odd addresses only on Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday
- Only during authorized hours.
- Isolated to new lawn area only.

- Exemption begins on the day of installation.

- On the day of installation, new turfgrass may be irrigated once without regard to the allowable watering times.

- An entire zone of an irrigation system may be used if the zone waters an area that contains at least 50% new turfgrass material.

- Partial zone or dispersed plantings shall be watered by some other, more targeted means of supplemental irrigation.

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# Your SOCIAL SECURITY

By Tom Margenau

## Sometimes the Rules Just Don't Seem Fair

**Q:** I am 63 and my husband is 62. I am getting my own Social Security already, but my husband plans to work until he's 66 and won't take his Social Security until then. I understand that I can't get any of my husband's Social Security until he starts his own. But a friend just showed me an old column of yours that says a divorced woman can get some of her ex-husband's Social Security even if he isn't collecting benefits himself. Why do divorced women get a break that a married woman like myself can't get? It just doesn't seem fair!

**A:** I'll admit that on the surface it doesn't seem fair. But if you consider the rationale for this policy, the rules begin to make sense.

You must remember that anything you receive as a spouse on your husband's Social Security record is a benefit based on dependency. In other words, a woman can collect Social Security benefits as a wife on her husband's account if she is dependent on his Social Security for at least part of her livelihood.

Your husband is still working, so you are probably dependent on his earnings for part of your livelihood. But you are obviously not dependent on his Social Security. At least, not yet. When he does retire and go on Social Security, then you would be dependent on those benefits and that's when you can get a wife's benefit on his record.

However, the law assumes a divorced woman cannot depend on her husband's earnings for her livelihood. That's why Social Security policymakers decided she should be allowed to get part of his Social

Security to live on -- even if he isn't getting benefits himself. He must be old enough to be eligible for Social Security. But if he's still working and not getting his retirement checks yet, his ex-wife would be allowed to get her portion of them.

And by the way, during my 35 years of working on Social Security issues, I've met more than a few bitter women whose mean-spirited ex-husbands purposely didn't take retirement benefits just to try to keep their ex-wives from getting any of their Social Security money. These women were always thrilled to learn about the rules that let divorced women get around the shenanigans of their stingy ex-husbands.

**Q:** I am a 62-year-old woman getting Social Security disability benefits. I heard that Social Security beneficiaries can work and earn about \$15,000 per year and still get their benefits. Can you be more specific?

**A:** Normally, I'd answer that you could make up to \$14,160 per year and still collect all your Social Security benefits.

But those rules apply to retired beneficiaries. You are getting disability benefits, and those benefits come with an entirely different set of rules regarding work and earnings.

Theoretically, you are getting disability benefits in the first place because you are unable to work. So that would imply that if you can work, you shouldn't be getting disability payments.

However, the law isn't so dogmatic. It recognizes that some people with disabilities may want to try going back to work. So the rules allow you to have a "trial work period." During that time (normally nine months long), you are usually allowed to keep getting disability benefits no matter how much money you're earning.

But after those nine months, if you're able to make a "substantial" wage, your disability benefits can be stopped. The law currently defines substantial as \$980 per month or more.

This is a much-abbreviated explanation of an extremely complicated set of rules regarding how work and earnings impact people getting disability benefits. You should contact your local Social Security office for more information.

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# Community Unites To Help Veteran

By Leigh Clifton

The house wasn't even noticeable from the street. All that was visible was a huge overgrowth of trees, bushes and vines. The solitary mailbox by the side of the road was the only sign that there might be a house and a person living there. Emilio Candia would often look in on his neighbor, Tom Curley, a 65 year old Veteran and former Navy Seal, who lived behind those trees and vines and bushes, in a house that was falling down around him. Curley had been gone for a few months recently, caring for his dying mother in New Jersey and ultimately putting her affairs in order. Curley himself was a medical mess; four heart attacks, suffering from cataracts, macular degeneration and legally blind, in bad shape. He had fallen several times in his home and on the property and Candia was always worried that he might seriously hurt himself, living alone like that.

When he got back from New Jersey, Curley told Candia that he had heard what he thought were raccoons, knocking things over on the porch and climbing on the roof. Because his eyesight was so bad; he could only see vague shapes and shadows, Curley had no idea how bad it was. But Candia came over and saw right away that the problem was a lot more serious. There were colonies of rats, some as large as small dogs that had not only invaded Curley's home, they were eating the food in his cupboards and had completely taken over the house, embedding themselves in the attic, spare bedroom and the back porch.

Remembering an ad, Candia looked up A-Plus Restoration and found a sympathetic ear in Sharon Butler, a state-licensed trapper. A-Plus owner Alex Pemberton, whose company

traps critters for free. She told him they just couldn't walk away from this guy; he needed their help. But even Pemberton wasn't ready for what he and his workers found when they got to Curley's house.

"There were gnawing marks at the patio door, where the rats had tried to eat their way into the house, he said. "There were already several colonies in the eaves and attic and it was really clear that they were in the walls of the house. It was terrible and we knew right then that we would do much more than just trap a few rodents; we knew we had to help this man because he really needed it."

Curley's house sits in an unincorporated part of St. Petersburg, so no one seemed to know whose jurisdiction the rat problem fell under. True to his giving nature, Gulfport Mayor Mike Yakes heard about Curley's plight and got involved, making calls and trying to get the help this veteran so desperately needed. The house needed a serious landscaping and tree cut-back; Pemberton thought the rats were coming in from under all the brush and using the trees as access to the roof. There were several open areas that the rats had chewed through to get into the house. A Plus Restoration went to work, sealing the openings and trapping the rats. Inspector/trapper Ray Ostman and Sharon Butler were among the first to see the damage.

"While I was up in the attic, I had a rat run right across my arm," Ostman said. "Sharon had one scurry right by her too. There were way too many rats up there!"

Sharon had ties to the American Legion Post 125 and she called in some reinforcements for help. The Legion called in Stan Melnick, whose company, Serve Pest Control, services the Legion.

"I knew right away this



Tom Curley, (rt) stand with Col. McGlamory and the Bogie ROTC members of Alpha, Bravo and Charlie Companies. The kids volunteered their time and efforts to help Curley, a veteran, get his house in order.

guy really needed help," Melnick said, after a daytime inspection yielded evidence of major infestation. "God put us here on this earth to help others who can't help themselves and we're proud to be helping one of our American Veterans."

Enter in the Boca Ciega ROTC program; Colonel Wayne McGlamory is a good friend of Mayor Yakes and when he got the call, he didn't hesitate. As a former Army veteran of 22 years, McGlamory knew that Curley's resources were probably pretty limited and so the ROTC kids got recruited for a clean-up day at Curley's home last Saturday. Coordinating with the restoration teams, the ROTC companies Alpha, Bravo and Charlie sent reps from each group and the work at first sight was daunting. They arrived at Curley's house by 8 a.m.

"We came out here and it was just awful, we couldn't even tell that someone lived here," Stephan Oster, ROTC student with Charlie Company said. "He couldn't even get to his mail because the yard was so full of trees and bushes."

The city will come out and collect the piles of brush and tree limbs and A Plus Restoration brought out a huge dump truck to haul

off old furniture and cinder blocks. Sharon Butler's husband, who worked for Elvis Towing, came and towed an old Cadillac from the side of the house. It really was a community effort. Butler said that the American Legion will provide a house cleaner and Butler herself called Meals on Wheels, trying to get Curley into a food program.

"I know there are so many more vets out there that need help," Butler acknowledged. "But at least for today, we know we made an impact on the life of one of them, and that feels really good."

After a long, hot morning that turned into afternoon, Melnick the exterminator became Melnick the BBQ chef and cooked up hot dogs and BBQ for the ROTC kids and other volunteers. Curley sat in a canvas rocker that Stan had bought for him and took it all in. He stood up quietly, turned to the people who had unselfishly given their time and efforts to help him and was humbled.

"Today I feel like I have a whole, new family," he said with tears in his eyes and a trembling voice. "I am incredibly grateful and honored to call you my friends. Thank you, thank you from the bottom of my heart!"

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## Bogie Ladies Softball Stage a Coup against North East

By Leigh Clifton

The Bogie Lady Pirates held off a late offensive in the seventh inning by North East to retain the lead, 3-2 and finish with a hard fought win Tuesday night at North East. With a home field advantage, North East was favored to win, but with some stellar pitching from Mallory Allen on defense and the very strong bats of Lauren Cindric, Brittney Wolfenbarger and Nicole Zell offensively, Bogie was able to keep a determined North East team at bay and win the game, furthering their District record to a respectable 8-4.

"These girls brought their A game tonight, especially Lauren Cindric, who's been in a bit of a slump lately, said Coach Beckert. "She rocked a ball down the third base line and rattled their pitcher pretty good. That's just what we needed to get us fired up. And Mallory Allen pitched

a great game; she's really come along as a young pitcher and we've been cultivating her. They all just played outstanding tonight."

The last time the Bogie girls met

North East, they got shellacked 8-0, so this is an exceptionally sweet win for them.

The Bogie Lady Pirates next play Osceola Thursday night at 7 pm.

## Bogie Girls Football Endures another Tough Loss



Receiver Yondrese Floyd lies on the field at Lakewood after being hit during a play. She was taken to All Childrens as a precaution but was later released with a minor headache and some lower back pain. She will sit out a few practices until she feels better.



## Boca Ciega High School Scoreboard

Week of 3-17 to 3-24. compiled by Leigh Clifton

### Boys Baseball:

3/18/09	
Boca Ciega High School.....	2
Dixie Hollins High School... 8	
3/20/09	
Boca Ciega High School.....3	
Lakewood High School...5	

### Girls Varsity Football:

3/17/09	
Boca Ciega High School....0	
Gibbs High School.....13	
3/19/09	
Boca Ciega High School..... 0	
Lakewood High School...13	

### Girls Varsity Softball:

3/17/09	
Boca Ciega High School...10	
Dixie Hollins High School.....0	

3/18/09

Boca Ciega High School.. 5  
Dunedin high School.....2

### Boys Varsity Tennis:

3/17/09	
Boca Ciega High School .....	0
Pinellas Park High School..7	

### Girls Varsity Tennis:

3/17/09	
Boca Ciega High School.....2	
Pinellas Park High School..5	

### Boys Varsity Track:

3/18/09	
Boca Ciega High School....70	
Lakewood.....71	

### Girls Varsity Track:

3/18/09	
Boca Ciega High School...45	
Lakewood.....78	

By Leigh Clifton

The Bogie Lady Pirates took another beating Friday night as they fell to rival Lakewood 13-0. It was the second Pirate loss in as many games for the girls, but Coach Tim Henson still had some positive things to say about his team.

"These girls really have big hearts," he said proudly. "They played well and were very strong up until the fourth quarter. That's where we got caught last week against Gibbs. But even though we lost to Lakewood, I saw cohesiveness to their play this week. We're coming together; we're getting more in sync with one another."

But Coach Henson has already looked ahead to Tuesday night's game against East Lake High, who comes to Bogie 2-0.

"I know if these girls come to play in body and sound, in the state of mind as one unit, they will be tough. With all this talent, I can't see anybody stopping them. What I saw on that field against Lakewood was a team that is starting to read each other. But the offense has to lighten up; if they do that, things will start to fall our way."

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# Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce Provides Year-Round Support to Wealth Building Coalition

By Greg Stemm

"The Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber is delighted to support the Wealth Building Coalition/Pinellas Prosperity Campaign (WBC)," said Robin Grabowski, president. "We feel like this can really benefit many of the people who work out here on the beach. While the Wealth Building Coalition is a member of the chamber, the program is not limited to chamber members. Virtually anyone with an income of less than \$42,000 can benefit."

The Wealth Building Coalition/Pinellas Prosperity campaign is a collaboration of public, private and non-profit sectors working together to promote awareness and increase understanding of the federal EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit) program through an ongoing and coordinated marketing campaign. They also strive to expand and improve community access to free income tax preparation at eleven sites throughout the county, including at the Tampa Bay Beaches chamber office where tax help is offered once a week.

"We are pleased to have the support of the Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber in promoting awareness of EITC and free tax preparation," said Cherin Stover, coordinator of the Wealth Building Coalition/Pinellas Prosperity Campaign (WBC). "The Chamber has spread the word to employers who have shared the information with their employees. The Chamber effort has been a tremendous asset for our program."

Stover said the coalition also emphasizes and supports linkage to essential asset building programs for low and moderate

income households through financial education training utilizing FDIC MoneySmart curriculum, promoting homeownership education for new home ownership and refinancing existing mortgages and through additional asset building strategies.

"We have a lot of large employers on the beach because of the big hotel properties," said Grabowski. "Many of the people who work there are eligible for the program and we've been very pleased with the response we've gotten. Of course, it's not just hotel workers who are taking advantage of the benefits this program offers...we're getting people from all walks of life."

There are similar organizations in dozens of cities nationwide. Locally, the program began in St. Petersburg in 2002 and was expanded countywide in 2004. In the last tax year (2007) the coalition helped 3696 Pinellas county residents file their taxes for free and helped them receive a total of \$1,568,442 in EITC refunds.

"That's money that goes directly into people's pockets," said Stover. "It's money they can use to buy all sorts of things, which puts that money into circulation into the local economy, benefiting businesses as well. It's a win, win for everybody."

Stover noted that because the coalition provides a free tax preparation service it also saved local residents over \$535,000 in filing fees as well. "That's additional money people have to spend on everything from the necessities to saving money to eventually buy a home," said Stover.

In addition to the Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce, the WBC

is supported by JWB Children's Services Council, the United Way of Tampa Bay, Bank of America, Wachovia Foundation, Internal Revenue Service, FDIC, Federal Reserve Bank, WorkNet Pinellas, other chambers of commerce, local employers, local governments, not-for-profit organizations and others.

"Employers in particular can become real heroes to their employees by helping to educate them on the benefits of the EITC," said Stover. "In essence, by enlightening them on how to capitalize on the returns, employers are giving their employees a raise without any additional money of their own coming out of their pocket."

Stover said that more than 60 percent of people working in Pinellas County are eligible for the EITC, yet only about 25 percent take advantage of it. That's federal money that should be pumped into the local economy that is staying in Washington simply because people are unaware of how to claim it. She noted that almost half of the 25 percent who do claim the EITC are paying to have their taxes done when they could put that money back into their pocket by utilizing the free tax preparation service that the coalition offers. She says that all of



Robin A. Grabowski, president of the Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce said that she was very pleased with the response they have received to their participation in the Wealth Building Coalition.

the coalition's tax preparers are IRS certified.

Stover also noted that you can talk to your employer and get an advanced EITC which puts a little more money into your pocket with every paycheck rather than receiving a lump sum when you file.

"We like to say 'Earn It. Keep It. Grow It.' It's great to be part of such a successful program that is helping so many people and helps bring more financial resources into our community," said Stover.

"This was our first year participating in the program," said Grabowski. "As you know we cover a large area...from Pass-a-Grille all the way to Sand Key. We hope that we will be able to expand the program up the beach next year."

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### CITY OF GULFPORT MEETINGS

City Clerk's Office  
**April 2009**

**April 1, 2009 Planning and Zoning Board/LPA Meeting**

\*\*\*Meeting to begin at 6:30pm

**April 7, 2009 Regular City Council Meeting**

\*\*\*Meeting to begin at 7:00pm

**April 8, 2009 Board of Adjustment**

\*\*\*Meeting to begin at 6:30pm

**April 9, 2009 City Council Workshop - Budget**

\*\*\*Meeting to begin at 2:30pm

**April 21, 2009 Historic Preservation Committee**

\*\*\*Meeting to begin at 5:30pm at the Historical Society

**April 21, 2009 Regular City Council Meeting**

\*\*\*Meeting to begin at 7:00pm

**April 30, 2009 City Council Workshop**

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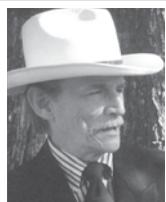


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