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Now You're Swingin'!



By Leigh Clifton

41 year old C.J. Marshall gets dipped at the big finish by 27 year old Jason Podalak at the Swing Dance at the Gulfport Casino last Friday night. Podalak, from Clearwater, enjoys the Casino and follows the local Swing Dance circuit. Marshall's regular dance partner is her 14 year old son Joshua; they've won the last two dance contests at the Casino.

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22% Sewer Increase

The city of Gulfport will raise the water rates 7.75% and sewer rates 22%.

"This is necessary to replenish and maintain our existing fund balance in these enterprise funds." O'Reilly said, but also added that because Gulfport purchased water from St. Petersburg the city may not resell the water or sewer services for less than what St. Petersburg sells those services to its other customers.

Detective Hanh Pham Named Gulfport Police Officer of the Year

"This award," Interim Police Chief Rob Vincent said "is given to one employee of the police department every calendar year to the one employee who has contributed significantly to the mission of the police department."



Officer of the Year
 Dective Hanh Pham

The police department unanimously voted to award this honor to Detective Hanh Pham.

"Most notably he's an excellent investigator," Vincent said, citing Pham's tireless work on a burglary with few leads. His work resulted in solving a case that officers say had a lower probability of being solved.

Grant Could See Gulfport Police Move to 49th Street

"What we're looking at is the opportunity to expand the use of the Neighborhood Center," Interim City Manager Jim O'Reilly told council as he explained how the Community Development Block Grant would help 49th Street South area residents feel safer.

The city will apply for a grant to help fund the police department's move from the Art District to the 49th Street Neighborhood Center.

"I want to strongly support this concept, not because 49th Street is crime-ridden or anything like that," Bob Newcomb said of the grant. "You're giving a sense of security to financial people there."

"I think it's a great opportunity for the city to build not only a police

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Special Easter Celebration

First United Methodist Church of Gulfport, 2728 53 Street S. in Gulfport invites you to join them for an exciting Easter Celebration as "The SpiritWalk" band from St. Lukes UMC joins "The Regular Joes" on Wednesday, April 15 at 7 p.m. in front of the sanctuary. Come experience a powerful message of hope, engaging drama and the wonderful sounds of two of the area's best worship bands.
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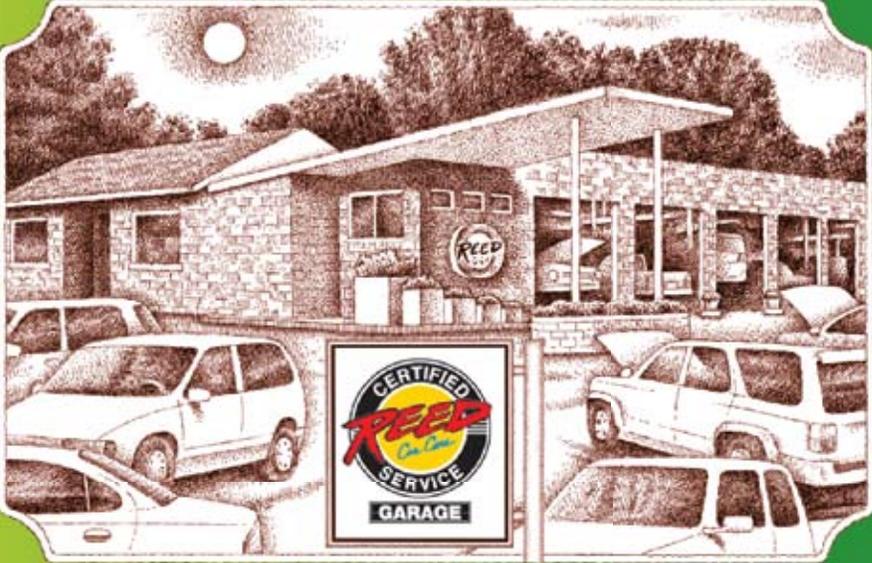


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Police from front page

complex but an emergency operations center for future use," Vice-mayor Bob Worthington said. Worthington works with CERT, the emergency response team that would be first on the scene in the event of a natural disaster in Gulfport.

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Gulfport Springfest This Saturday

The 14th Annual Gulfport Springfest Street Festival celebration is planned for Saturday, April 11 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. along historic Beach Boulevard in the heart of the City's quaint and charming downtown. The event is co-produced by the Gulfport Chamber of Commerce and the City of Gulfport.

The Spring Fest event is free to the public and dozens of vendors featuring a wide variety of arts and crafts have already signed up to participate. Local and area restaurants are scheduled to join with other food vendors offering an array of culinary delights to enjoy. Live professional entertainment is scheduled to perform on stage all day at the corner of Beach Boulevard and Shore Drive, directly in front of the landmark Gulfport Casino and Ballroom. City of Gulfport Children's Egg Hunt at Recreation Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Additionally, other venues downtown such as the Art Village Courtyard will also feature music and live demonstrations at the Industrial Arts Center.

Free parking is available in and around downtown and the City's historic Trolley will offer free rides giving access to more remote parking locations.

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Artists' Exhibition at Suntan Art Center

Suntan Art Center located next to the Don Cesar on St. Pete Beach will host an extraordinary exhibition organized by TESA (The Exhibition Society of Artists). Theme of the

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.

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Fun in the Sun Day

The "Fun In The Sun" Day children's event is presented by the City of Gulfport and Stetson College of Law Public Service Fellows. The event is Saturday, April 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Gulfport Recreation Center (5730 Shore Blvd. S.). The free festivities will include an egg hunt for children ages 8 and under, face painting, inflatables, entertainment, demonstrations and a barbeque. Children will also have the opportunity to climb into the driver's seat of their favorite vehicle: police car, police boat, fire truck, ambulance, garbage truck and many more. Remember to bring a basket for the egg hunt and a camera to capture a photo with Peter Cottontail. Please come join us for this wonderful event!

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Gulfport Will Apply For Grant To Fund Police Officers

Gulfport will apply for a Department of Justice Community grant that will fund three police officers, including one full-time marine officer.

The grant will fund the officers for three years and the city must commit to funding the officers for the following three years.

"If you look out six or seven years from now, we will be having officers retiring or possibly leaving or going to other positions. This is an opportunity... as professional staff we have now gets older, goes into retirement, we'll have people already in place," Vice Mayor Bob Worthington said.

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Clarification

Last week The Gabber ran a headline that, to some, suggested that Gulfport City Attorney Tim Driscoll had been arrested. The headline referred to Attorney Doss, who practiced in Gulfport, not city attorney Tim Driscoll. The Gabber apologizes to its readers, the city of Gulfport, and, most heartily, city attorney Tim Driscoll who remains in good standing with the Florida Bar as well as local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

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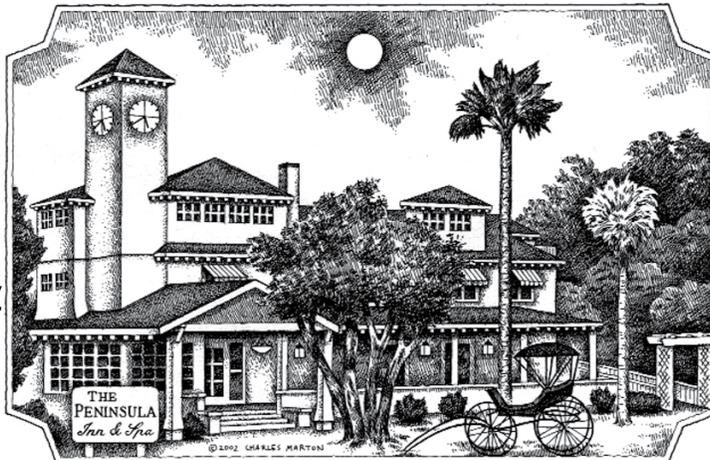
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Choice Awards. The vehicle owners arrive dressed in period costume to match their cars and talk about the history of America's love affair with the automobile and the open road.

To rev up the fun, swing dancing and musical entertainment is scheduled throughout the day. Children's activities and a food court top off the car show. Historical houses will be open for tours.

Admission is free, and gate donations will be used to help restore the Village's 1967 Seaboard Coast Line Caboose and complete

restoration of the 1917 LaFrance Fire Engine. The engine was used as the Belleview Biltmore Hotel's own fire department until 1934 on the grounds of the extravagant hotel. A dedication will be made in honor of Esther Morris who, in 1979, rescued the fire truck from years of neglect.

Free event parking and a shuttle to the event entrance are located on 119th St., between Ulmerton and Walsingham roads. Handicapped parking and drop off is available at the former Gulf Coast Museum of Art at 12211 Walsingham Road. For information, call 582-2123 or visit www.pinellascounty.org/heritage.

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St. Petersburg Shell Club Annual Auction

The St. Petersburg Shell Club will hold its annual Auction of Seashells and Shell Related Items on Friday April 10 at 7 p.m. at the Seminole Recreation Center, 2nd floor via elevator, located at 9100 113 Street N. in Seminole. Preview starts at 6:30 p.m.

This annual event features shells and shell related items offered for bid, the proceeds of which will go toward St. Petersburg Shell Club Annual Financial Award, presented each year to persons or institutions engaged in marine studies which promote or encourage conservation of shells. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. There is no charge. Plenty of free parking. Refreshments will be served. Contact 867-6861 or www.stpeteshellclub.org.

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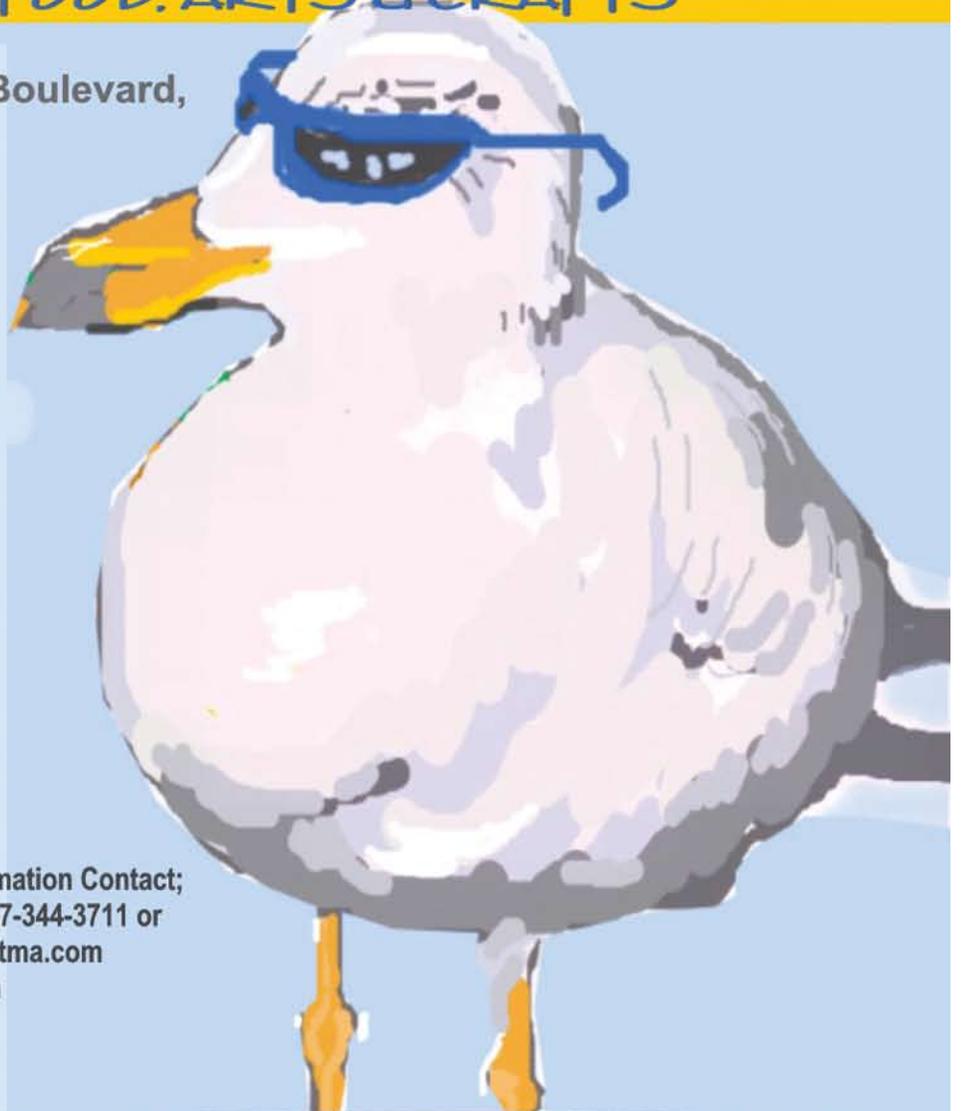
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Swing from front page

Gulfport was swingin' like crazy to the fabulous Juke Joint Kings at the Gulfport Casino last Friday night. As part of the ongoing themed dances offered at the Casino, last Friday night was Swing Night, 6-11 p.m. with an hour-long free Swing Dance lesson offered by dance pros. More than 100 people showed up to shake and strut their stuff on the Casino dance floor, many bringing their own dance shoes in bags slung over their shoulders.

Reminiscent of the late afternoon tea dances of the '50s, the ladies were "swellegant," in flared skirts and glittering skirts that swirled as they did rapid-fire turns. The men swaggered around the tables sizing each other up. Once the band cranked up, couples paired up and the whole dance floor began to shake. Age was no consideration; 20 year olds danced with 70 year olds and there was every combination in between.

Some couples had obviously danced together for quite some time. Some were married, some came for the social aspect, and some came just to dance the night away with anyone who wanted to dance. Although there was a full service liquor bar, the most appreciated beverage was the bottled water; everyone worked up quite a thirst by the time they had shimmied and strutted, twirled and dipped across the dance floor.

The evening ended with a dance contest and subsequent dance off with the audience noise determining the winners, who won free passes to the next week's dance.

The Gulfport Casino offers different

types of dancing almost every night of the week. For info on the Swing dances, check out www.Swingtime.info or call 813-274-4950 for more info about events.

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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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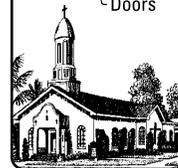
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Caldwell, Jr. and R.W. Caldwell, III, and each has been notable and well thought of in the development of our beautiful City of Gulfport, Florida.

This historical event is opened to the public.

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Seabird Sanctuary Offers Easter Fun

Children can learn while hunting for prizes and candy at the Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary's Easter Egg Hunt & Basket Contest on Sunday, April 12 from 2-4 p.m. at 18328 Gulf Blvd., Indian Shores.

Along with bird-smart clues leading to larger prizes, eggs and individual prizes will be hidden throughout the Sanctuary and directly on the beach. At 3 p.m., A Cutest Easter Egg Basket Contest will be held and prizes will be given for a 6 year-olds and under category, and for a 7 year-olds and older category.

Also available will be a large "Bird Wishes Basket" available for children who want to donate items for the birds such as towels, newspapers, detergents, and batteries. Additional items the birds always need can be seen on the Sanctuary's website, www.seabirdsanctuary.com. An educational program is planned with question/answers for little ones and a special tour at 3:30 p.m.

The event and admission is free. Please call 391-6211 or 391-2473 for more information.

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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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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 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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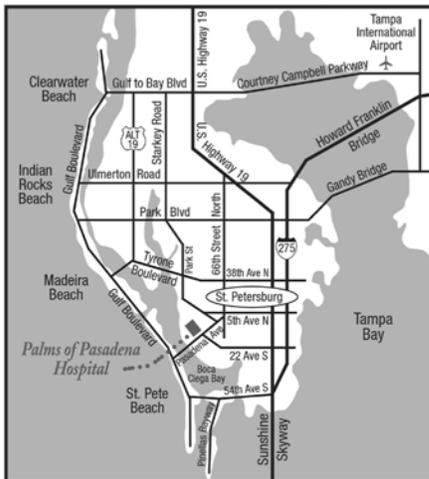
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Easter Egg Hunt in Treasure Island

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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Gulfport Women's Softball League

The City of Gulfport Recreation Division will have open registration for teams to participate in the 2009 Women's Summer Softball League on April 27-May 8 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Gulfport Recreation Center. The 10-game season will be played on Friday nights beginning June 5 and ending August 7 (there will be no game on Friday, July 3), with a 6-team maximum. It is on a first-come sign up basis. League fees are \$385 or \$485 for teams with three or more non-residents, due at registration. For more information please call John at 893-1079.

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The Gabs

By Leigh Clifton

Will you be doing anything special for Easter Sunday this weekend?



Ethan VanSlyke, 3, Gulfport: "I go to church and then pick up all the eggs in the basket. I have to look for them in the grass, and there might be toys inside my eggs. Maybe candy, like vanilla chocolate. The Easter Bunny brings the eggs. I already ate a egg today, it was scrambled! But I want chicken nuggets for Easter dinner..."

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Andy York: "My wife and I just moved here about six months ago from Charlotte North Carolina, so this will be our first Easter here. We usually used to go to my mom's. I know my wife will make us got to church at St. Alban's for the Easter Sunday service. Then we'll do an Easter egg hunt for the kids at home. The kids will get their Easter baskets. We don't have any other family here. I'm sure my wife will make ham and green beans and other stuff. I also hope she makes chocolate chip cookies with extra chocolate chips, because it's Easter!"

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Joanne McRoberts, Gulfport: "I'm not sure what I'll be doing... We own a small vacation home up in Weeki Wachi, on the waterfront of the Mud River, which opens to the Gulf. I think we'll go up Friday and take our kayaks. We have two small grandchildren; Ella who is two and Linco Easter Egg Hunt in Treasure Island

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... In, who is 16 months; I'll make them Easter baskets. Their Mother will probably take them to the Easter egg hunt at the Rec Center in Gulfport on Saturday. We'll probably come back here to



Michelle Fithian, schoolteacher on Spring Break from Catskills, N.Y.: "I'm here in Gulfport for the week. When I get back home, I'll be going to my sister's for the day on Sunday. There'll be about 20-25 people, with family and friends. We used to have four generations for the holidays, but my father recently passed away, so now we have three. My sister has a big stone wall in her backyard, so she always likes to hide Easter eggs inside of it. While the kids play, the adults are playing too. We play yard games like the ball toss, Frisbee, horseshoes, stuff like that. At dinner, my sister and her fiancé are usually the ones cooking; he likes to help her in the kitchen and is a good cook. We usually have a turkey and a ham, mashed potatoes, (we're Irish), and the usual standard fare. But for dessert we always have apple pie; my father loved apple pie so we'll have one in his honor, of course. We might have a lemon meringue too; after all it is spring, even if the weather in New York is kind of nasty right now. Then we'll just all hang out, maybe take a walk around the neighborhood after dinner... it's very low key. It will be tough to leave Gulfport, though. It's my first time here and I really love it here..."

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Letters

Anyone for a Sunday Market?

Dear Editor: I was driving by the shopping center at 49th St. and 22nd Ave. S. at 9:30 a.m. To my shock, I noticed only four cars in the parking lot. I assumed the cars belonged to the people manning the existing stores. It seemed to me as a "ghost town" ready to happen.

So I have a suggestion to revive this part of Gulfport by creating a Sunday Market in the parking lot of this property with fresh vegetables, food vendors, etc. To my knowledge, there are no markets in the area on Sunday. This would create business for vendors and a place to purchase items after church hours on Sunday.

This is a win-win situation. After Easter, many snowbirds go back up north. Think about what happens then.

The location is ideal and the property is ready for something to happen.

Carol Ehrenkranz

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Concentration of Burglaries Concerning

Dear Editor: Lately, anyone keeping track of recent burglaries in the area bordering 28th Ave. S. to 30th Ave. S. from approximately 57th St. to Beach Blvd. as reported weekly in the Gabber, would conclude there is a problem beyond "random" infrequent incidents. If these burglaries were pinpointed on a map, just during the past eight weeks, it would appear as a heavy cluster in this approximate 4-6 block area.

One homeowner, year round resident, who was a victim in mid-January, out of fear, has not returned to her home since. This very house was again burglarized sometime on the night of March 30. The intruder blatantly chiseled and pried open the front entrance which is located just a few feet away from the street. As a resident, I received notification from the police that the above burglary had been committed because it was

an adjacent property, but nothing about the others. By "connecting the dots" it appears that this quiet, little section of Gulfport is going through an epidemic.

Are the Gulfport police doing anything beyond responding and reacting to these as individual incidents? Are there similarities or patterns? Is the neighborhood being targeted by someone or individuals who are familiar with the area? Does the timing suggest that someone or individuals have recently moved into the area and find it easy pickings?

I write this to alert residents in the area and ask that they police patrol the area more frequently. Hopefully with good old fashion police work and neighbors who are vigilant in their crime watch, we will break this cycle.

Paul Innis

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With Many Thanks and Deepest Appreciation

Dear Editor: We wish to express our sincere thanks and deepest appreciation to all the people who made Sal's "Celebration of Life" such a wonderful turnout. Special thanks and gratitude to Lori Rosso for a very lovely ceremony and beautiful eulogy, to Sherrye and her staff at "On the Rocks" for a job very well done, to the town of Gulfport - thank you for caring and loving Sal as much as we did.

A special thank you to the fishermen who gave up their space for us. You know who you are. Again, thank you.

With deepest sorrow and loving hearts,

The Family of Sal Gillogly

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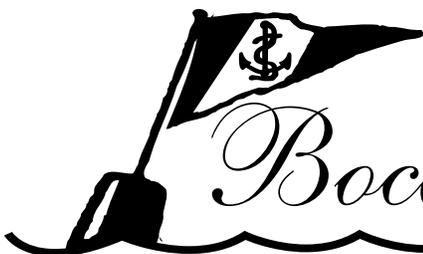
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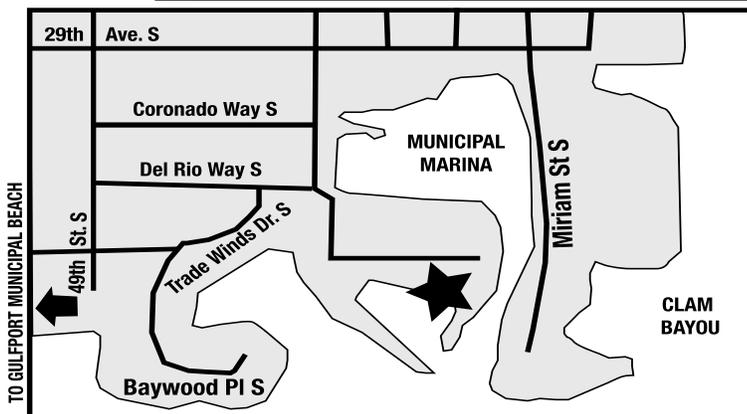
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Your Personal Injury Rights (Part 2)

In our last article, we explored basic coverage issues for personal injury protection (PIP) benefits. In this article, medical payments/benefits and certain exclusions to PIP coverage will be examined.

MEDICAL PAYMENTS

PIP pays eighty percent (80%) of the medical benefits for reasonable and necessary expenses for surgery, medical services, x-rays and rehabilitative services. Reasonable and necessary hospital, ambulance and nursing case services are similarly covered. Wheelchairs, neck braces, splints and crutches are also normally covered.

DISABILITY BENEFITS

PIP coverage compensates a named insured for sixty percent (60%) of disability benefits for loss in income

and a loss of earning capacity which results because of an injury sustained in a motor vehicle accident. Disability benefits also cover other expenses for household services which, but for the motor vehicle-related injury, the injured person would normally perform.

EXCLUSIONS

An insurance company may deny PIP benefits to someone who operates a motor vehicle without the consent of an insured. Similarly, an insurance company may prohibit benefits to be paid to someone who is injured while driving a motor vehicle if: (1) they are injured while committing a felony or (2) injuries occur when a person intentionally causes injury to himself/herself.

PIP BENEFIT PAYMENTS

When reasonable proof of a loss and expenses are provided to an insurance company, PIP benefits are payable as losses are incurred. Generally, PIP benefits are primary coverage over other insurance coverages. However, workers' compensation coverage may be primary in some circumstances. PIP benefit payments are required to be paid within a thirty (30) day period after an insurance company receives writ-

ten notice of a covered loss that is adequately documented with the total amount of the claim.

by Robert J. Myers, Esq.

Robert J. Myers is managing attorney of the Estate and Trust Division of Maney & Gordon, P.A., located at 1135 Pasadena Ave. So., Ste. 140, St. Petersburg, FL. The telephone number is 727-347-5131. Mr. Myers welcomes calls regarding this article and other related legal topics. This column outlines general legal principles and is not intended to give you legal advice. If you have a specific question about the law, please consult an attorney.

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Points On Pets

By Matthew Margolis

Till Dog Do You Part

For the longest time and for reasons that escape me, this column used to be titled "Dogs, Cats and Other People." Not a week went by where I wasn't lambasted by some flummoxed cat person with a bone to pick over my gross neglect of felines. Who could blame 'em? Bad title.

And now, with the column at last more aptly named "Dog Talk With Uncle Matty," I finally have cause to advise a cat person:

"Here's my problem, and I hope you can help me out. My wife recently said to me, 'We need to get a dog.' But if you feed that through the translation matrix, the actual thing she said to me was, 'We should get a dog so I can dump 100 percent of the work and care of a dog on you.'

"The main issue is that I hate dogs. I'm a cat person. I love cats and have three. They don't smell bad, they cuddle in my lap, and they sleep 16 hours a day. Before I was married, a then-girlfriend of mine and I got a dog. I ended up hating the thing because, as a puppy, he soiled the house at every step. As an adult dog

he destroyed everything in sight. I know, you say 'dogs need training.' And they do. But I'm not the person to give the dog training, as you can see. My wife, who wants to get a dog, also wants to dump all of the work on me, someone who hates dogs. Do you see what's going to happen next?"

"How can I convince my wife that I don't have the time for a dog?"

My advice: Show her this letter. Print it out or cut it out of the newspaper, and leave it on her pillow. Tell her to give as much weight to your words as to mine, and Uncle Matty says under no circumstances should either you or your wife get a dog. That is unless your marriage vows were "for better or worse, till dog do we part."

My intent is not to be unfeeling toward his wife's desires, but rather to spare a pup from the cold environment of an absentee "mother" and a cat-loving "father." If animal adoptions were as carefully considered as human adoptions, these two would never make it past the initial home visit. And that's not because they couldn't, as individuals, become good "parents," but because they aren't, as a couple, on the same team.

I'll give credit where credit is due, though. At least Hubby has the good sense and decency to recognize his limitations.

Dogs need and deserve love and lots of it. But love isn't enough. They require time, patience and training on top of all that love. It's the time and patience put into training that will prevent a recurrence of Hubby's previous unpleasant living conditions -- not the love.

While his wife may feel a love that knows no bounds for all canines, great and small, it sounds as though her time constraints are much greater and her attention span much smaller. For a true happily ever after, she ought to instead consider joining the other team. They can be ornery, but for the most part cat people aren't all that bad.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). When you give as much as you do to an endeavor, it's challenging to stay unattached to the outcome. However, you will notice this week that you can't control everything and that you wouldn't want to anyway. Stress goes away because you resolve to do your part and then let go. Life will surprise and awe you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). What would you like to see happen in your relationships that would make you feel loved? Figure it out and give it to yourself instead of waiting for another person to provide it. Others will soon echo your fine treatment of yourself, contributing the things that bring you comfort, security and pleasure.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Between your family, work, faith, friends and community, you are involved in many different social circles. One group stands out as being extremely important and enjoyable lately. You would miss it if it weren't a part of your life. Do everything you can to be an effective member of that team.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you don't understand why people behave as they do, you're not alone. You'll have to work extra hard at listening in order to set things right with the world. One loved one in particular is having a difficult time communicating. You'll hear his person clearly when you do not anticipate what is going to be said.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). If you find yourself obsessing on the way others are acting, it's a sign that you need to do what's necessary to change your focus. Maybe you need to have a talk, change your agreements or decide on a different kind of relationship. Do what needs doing, and do it quick. Don't let problems fester. Handle them fast.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll be part of a team. You must rely on both your offense and defense. Stay

aware of each person's talents. There is a delicate balance here. Seize your chance to be the star, but only when you're sure it's your turn. Realize when to back down and let your teammate make the winning move.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are certain rules that you follow, even though you have no idea what purpose your compliance will serve. You will be filled with curiosity this week, and you might be moved to pursue a better understanding of the structures by which you blindly abide. What you learn will help you to act with greater purpose.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'd like to discuss where a relationship is headed. You may be worried that the other person will be surprised by your feelings and not in a good way. Put off this conversation until next week -- you'll understand your heart more clearly then. Concentrate on treating yourself well. Everything will resolve for the best.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The people who are supposed to be in your support system may seem to have the opposite effect, draining your energy. Try not to take on too much. Be a little more selfish with your time, doing the things you want to do. After you make yourself happy, you'll find that you like other people better.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're fascinating, it's true. Your friends, family and colleagues will ask you for more juicy details about your life this week, and you'll come up with one tantalizing story after another. It's important that you reciprocate social generosity. Be careful not to imagine that your travails are the only important ones.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It would be prudent to imagine the history of a relationship in a new light. Things haven't always been smooth. Think about what your sign

mate Pulitzer Prize winner Wallace Stegner once wrote: "Most things break, including hearts. The lessons of life amount not to wisdom, but to scar tissue and callus."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You could be caught in a power struggle. To come out a winner in this one it will be necessary to see the situation from the other person's perspective. Figure out what he or she is afraid of and also what really might be gained. Reduce your opponent's fear, and he or she will soften. You prevail through compassion.

This Week's Birthdays: Your ambitions will be embraced by the powers that be. You are apt to think of ways to help other people succeed, and in the process you will be promoted. Lucky events happen after you attend a seminar, convention or exposition. You'll get to know an intriguing someone in June. Your priorities shift in the fall, and you may decide that you need to relocate or retrain in order to pursue new horizons. Celebrations in August, October and December will be sweetly memorable.

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The Gulfport Yacht Club Spring Racing series continued on Saturday, April 4th with the Howard Snyder Memorial Club Race. Howard Snyder was an early member of GYC. He was also a Past Commodore and was responsible for teaching sailing to many Gulfport youth in the 1940s and 50s.

Gordon Isco of Gulfport dominated the day's racing, capturing 1st place in all three races to take the overall top spot. Olli and Kelly Jason placed 2nd and Cheryl Johnson grabbed 3rd place by 1 point with a very strong 2nd place finish in the final race of the day.

Next up for GYC is the GYC Spring Multihull Regatta, co-sponsored by the City of Gulfport. The regatta will feature approximately 40 boats from across Florida and the East Coast competing in two days of racing on Saturday and Sunday, April 18 and 19. Come on down to Gulfport Beach and see the action.

The next Club Race will be Saturday, April 25 at noon. For more information about Gulfport Yacht Club, please visit Gulfportyachtclub.com.

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Annual Meeting at Woman's Club

The Annual meeting of the GFWC St. Petersburg Woman's Club at 40 Snell Isle Boulevard N.E. will be held on Friday, April 17 at 1 p.m. Public Affairs Department have invited Elise Minkoff, the 2008-2009 president of the League of Women Voters of

the St. Petersburg branch to be the guest speaker. She will speak about pending Florida legislation that will affect women, children and families. Election of officers will take place during the business portion of the meeting. Members are encouraged to attend guests are welcome, refreshments will be served.

For further information on monthly meetings, Saturday Group, art & craft workshops, monthly excursions, book discussions, weekly sewing group, card games and rental information on their Historic Clubhouse please call 822-4982. The St. Petersburg Woman's Club has been serving the community since 1913.

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REMINDERS & UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Adult Dance/Exercise class-Rock, Latin, Release/Fun! 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the game room, \$7 a class or \$25 for 4 classes, call Sarah 727-510-7231 for more information.

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. (Be-

ginners), 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

Noisemakers-Mon., 5-6 p.m. ages 4-7; 6:15-7:15 p.m. for ages 7 and up and 7:30-8:30 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., 10:15-11:30am 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.

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.



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SPECIAL PROGRAM: Meet "Bogie" the standard poodle and his owner Lynda Lippman-Lockhard. Each week, Bogie and Lynda visit the Ronald McDonald House at All Children's Hospital, where they play with and read to children awaiting or recovering from treatment. They also frequently visit Menorah Manor, an assisted living and nursing home. Lynda will be reading from her new young adult/children's book titled Oodles of Poodles of Dark Corner (inspired by Bogie, of course), followed by a book signing. Saturday, April 18, 10:30 am.

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 Café: These monthly discussion 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).

SPECIAL PROGRAM: "The Story of the Panama Canal"--Join us for a fascinating and informative PowerPoint talk presented by the Panama Canal Museum (Seminole, FL). Learn about the history and current operations of one of the largest and most difficult "http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Engineering" engineering projects ever undertaken. Wednesday, April 22 at 3:00 pm.

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, April 25 at 1:00 pm. FMI, call Kay Boatwright at the Library, 893-1074.

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

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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.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Spring Shorts - an Hour of Comedy!- The Gulfport Senior Center's new Theatre Troupe will present an hour of comedy on Monday, April 20 at 2pm in the Center's Dining Hall. Admission is free. Bring a friend.

Movies-Come and See *Marilyn Hotchkiss Ballroom Dancing & Charm School* on Mon. Apr. 27 at 12:45pm in the Theater. Also, an Italian Movie with English subtitles is shown every 2nd Tues. at 7pm in Dining Hall.

Fitness Room Open House - Tues. May 19, 9am-4pm. Watch for details in the next Gabber.

Hurricane Dinner Party-Tickets (\$5.00) are now available for our Hurricane Dinner Party on Thurs. May 28 at 6pm.

SEMINARS & PRESENTATIONS:

Falling and You-The second session of a four-week presentation "Falling and You" will be held on Fri. Apr. 17 & 24 at 10:30am.

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.

All About Bone Density - Wed. Apr. 29 at 10:45am. Free stretch bands with exercise demonstration. Must call to reserve space.

Long Term Care - Wed. May 13 at 10am courtesy of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs

CLASSES & CLUBS:

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 10:45am

Yoga every Wed. at 1:30pm

Line Dancing every Thurs. at 9:30am

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Beginning Spanish every Mon. at 4pm

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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.

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

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.

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Local Obituaries

COWEN, STEPHEN D., 66, of St. Pete Beach, died April 1, 2009. He was a St. Pete police officer for 20 years; a Pinellas County deputy for 11 years. Survived by wife Vanessa and family. Neptune

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HELBIG, DOROTHY KENDRICK, 102, of South Pasadena, died Sunday, March 29, 2009, comfortably at home holding the hand of a friend. Born in Columbus, OH, she spent the first years of her life as a trunk baby. Her parents, Agnes Burhard and Anthony Aquino were vaudeville/burlesque actors. She moved to Queens, NY in 1922. She worked as a dental assistant to Dr. B.C. Grunewald, NYC for 39 years. She came to St. Petersburg in 1980. She was a member of St. Paul's Women's Guild, past president of St. Paul's Senior Citizens and past president of AARP Chapter 1693. She loved to travel, tell stories, play bingo and meet new people. A memorial mass will be said at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 1800 12th St. N, on April 27 at 12:30 p.m. with reception to follow. Survivors are four nieces, Michelle Thomas of Bowling Green, KY, Therese McLean of Columbus, OH, Ruth Carlock of

Columbus, OH and Lea Kendrick of Seattle, WA. She is also survived by many lifelong friends around the world. Donations may be made to James A. Haley Veterinary Hospital, 13000 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., Tampa, FL 33612. ALifeTribute FuneralCare - Gulfport, 347-5521.

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SHEPPARD, MARIA W., 79, of Gulfport, died April 3. Mass 10 a.m. Monday, April 13, Holy Name Church, Gulfport. Guestbook: davidegross.com, David C. Gross Funeral Homes, 6366 Central Ave., 727-381-4911.

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VANARDOY, NELSON A., passed away Saturday, April 4, 2009 at his residence. He was born in Long Island, NY and came here many years ago. He was a motorcycle mechanic. He is survived by his daughters Wendy, Paula and Lena; a son, Jake, and brothers Brett and Caesar. He is also survived by his mother, Lillian Frisse and father Caesar. To celebrate his life there will be a gathering of family and friends at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 11 at the R. Lee Williams & Son Funeral Home, 5730 15th Avenue S.

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Blooms of Spring

By Luba Robinson

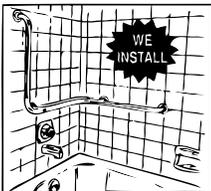
Members of the Treasure Island Art Guild continue their exhibit at the Community Center through mid-May. This week we highlight the work of Arlene Kitchin and Eleanor Pence.

Arlene Kitchin, a watercolor artist, originally from Nova Scotia, treats us to a world of boating and an excellent composition in "My Son the Windsurfer" which transports the viewer into a blustery day. The softness of "Catamaran" successfully brings us to a place of repose. "Lunch" shows dramatic value contrasts as the stoic egret prepares to chow down. Arlene shows her versatility, shifting from the traditional to the contemporary in "Saturday Night".

As a teacher and student of extensive training, Eleanor Pence exhibits four acrylic paintings. Two portraits, "Ms. Florida Senior" and "Lady in Green", exude brilliant color and luminosity. A thought provoking sculpture in Vinoy Park, downtown St. Petersburg, was her inspiration for "Truth". The flowing red ribbons in "Celebration" enjoy a striking contrast against a pristine snowscape. They are placed on a lamp post to signify special occasions, a long-term family tradition.

Don't miss this exhibit at the Community Center located on 106th Avenue just east of Gulf Boulevard. Please call the Recreation department, 547-4575, ext. 238, for hours of operation.

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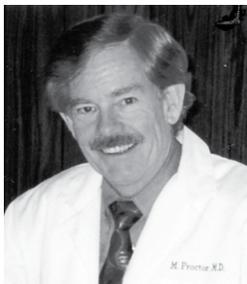
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The city's rate will decrease by almost 40%, or roughly \$440,000, for the coming year.

Both Interim City Manager Jim O'Reilly and Mayor Mike Yakes thanked city staff for their safe working habits which allow for lower rates.

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Retired Officers Wives Club to Meet

The Retired Officers Wives Club of St. Petersburg will meet for lunch on April 14 at Treasure Island Tennis & Yacht Club, 400 Treasure Island Causeway, Treasure Island. Social hour is 11:30 with lunch at 12:15. The program will be a hat parade by members with Steve Middents on the keyboard. Call 595-4619 or 397-4146. for reservations.

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Attend Monthly CERT Meeting

The public is invited to attend the monthly CERT meetings. The day, location and time have changed to the third Monday of the month at the 49th Street Neighborhood Center, 1617 49 Street S. in Gulfport from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Come if you would like to learn more about the CERT program. For more information, call Larry at 328-9277.

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The Hard Rock Casino trip scheduled

for April 21 needs a few more people to join us on the bus. We need 25 reservations and we have only 20 at this time. The cost is \$25 for the bus, but you get back a voucher for \$25 to use in the Casino. Don't delay. Call today if you are interested in joining us. Please call Bev at 381-2122 or Carol at 345-2303 to reserve your spot or if you have any questions. Reservations need to be made by April 13 or we cancel the trip.

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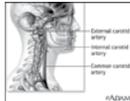
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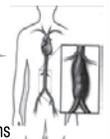
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The children from the School Year Child Care Program at the Gulfport Recreation Center participated in Older American's Month by collecting over 180 cans to donate to the Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center's Food Pantry. The children competed amongst each other in their assigned groups to see who could donate the most. The winning group received a pizza party at the end of the week.

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Time Point Stop	Location	Arrival/Departure Time
1	26 th Ave. So. & Beach Blvd.	50 minutes after the hour
2a	Gulfport Casino	52 minutes after the hour
3	58 th St. & 28 th St. So.	56 minutes after the hour
4	61 st St. & Gulfport Blvd.	59 minutes after the hour
5	Pasadena Shopping Center	05 minutes after the hour
6	Palms of Pasadena Hospital	09 minutes after the hour
7	Corey Ave. & Blind Pass Rd.	13 minutes after the hour
8	75 th Ave. & Blind Pass Rd.	15 minutes after the hour
6	Palms of Pasadena Hospital	20 minutes after the hour
5	Pasadena Shopping Center	25 minutes after the hour
4	61 st St. & Gulfport Blvd.	28 minutes after the hour
3	58 th St. & Gulfport Blvd.	30 minutes after the hour
2a	Gulfport Casino	35 minutes after the hour
2b	30 Ave. & Beach Blvd.	38 minutes after the hour
1	26 th Ave. & Beach Blvd.	40 minutes after the hour

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Trolley Token Purchase Locations

The following locations offer tokens to ride the Gulfport/St. Pete Beach trolley: Domain Home Accessories, 3129 Beach Blvd. S., The Outpost, 3007 Beach Blvd. S., Gulfport Recreation Center, 5730 Shore Blvd. S., in Gulfport and Bluewater Outfitters, 341 Corey Ave. in St. Pete Beach.

If you are a Gulfport or St. Pete Beach business that is interested in having your shop participate as a Gulfport-St. Pete Beach Trolley token purchase location, call Brian VanSlyke at 893-1069. Soon, flamingo window cling signs will mark your business as a "Trolley Token" location!

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This N' That in South Pasadena

By Sibylle Stajich

ArtSpring

The 23rd ArtSpring Exhibition was very well attended. Almost 300 people came on opening day to view all the beautiful 235 paintings, photographs, and sculptures juried by Arthur Skinner, Chairman & Professor of the Department of Visual Arts at Eckerd College. Many visitors then crossed over to the park to partake of sweet refreshments. Mayor Holmes welcomed all, introduced the City Commission and thanked members of the Administration and Public Works Department and all the many volunteers for their work.

Music on the electric piano was furnished by James Weaver who played many well known selections. The following artists were winners and exhibitors of the show: Best of Show: "Time Worn" by Neil Adamson; 1st Place: "Feathers & Pride" by Jeanne Sarkis; 2nd Place: "Maya" by Sue Ryan; 3rd Place: "River Sunset" by Shirley Lucas; and the Mayor's Award: "All that Jazz" by Dora Irequi.

In the Sculpture section, 1st Place: "Joys of Winter" by Dr. Erol Bastug; 2nd Place: "Lady & Child" by Walter Walsek; and 3rd Place: "Untitled" by Lee Wolters. There were 12 Honorable Mention awards given out. Everyone agreed it was a beautiful exhibit of talents and variety.

Doc Talks

"Evaluation & Treatment of Voice Disorders & Hoarseness" will be the topic under discussion on Wednesday, April 15 at 12:30 p.m. at St. Alban's Episcopal Church in St. Pete Beach. After a light lunch at 12 noon, Shelley Jaquish, MD (Diplomat of the American Board of Otolaryngology) and Dea Deming, MS (Speech Language Pathologist) will discuss testing and common problems that can affect the voice. Please call to RSVP at 800-667-4576 for a reservation.

Civic Outing

Don't forget that on April 18 the Association will sponsor a dinner theater outing. The play is "Natalie Needs a Nightie", cost is \$32 for members, \$34 for non-members. Please call Agnes at 347-5292 for more information and reservations.



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Gulfport Beach March Water Quality Report

By Cathy Salustri

Each week the City of Gulfport tests the water quality in the waters off Gulfport Beach. Gulfport has contracted with the City of St. Petersburg for the tests.

Every month *The Gabber* publishes the results of those tests. If, at any time, the tests show that the water quality poses a health risk, the City of Gulfport will issue a Health Advisory. Gulfport typically receives test results within a week of taking the sample.

Currently, the City tests for two things: *enterococcus* and fecal coliform. Scientists consider *enterococcus* a common bacteria found in animal and human intestines, and, resultingly, in human and animal excrement. Federal standards used to require agencies to measure water quality by the amount of fecal coliform along public beach waters but recently have replaced fecal coliform with *enterococcus* as the standard. Fecal coliform also comes from the waste of warm-blooded animals, including humans.

The City of Gulfport currently tests for both types of bacteria. Test results will help classify Gulfport Harbor as "good", "moderate", or "poor". *Enterococcus* of less than 35 parts per 100 milliliter and fecal coliform of less than 199 per 100 milliliter of saltwater indicate good water quality. For more information, contact the City of Gulfport at 893-1000.

You can reach Cathy Salustri at
CathySalustri@TheGabber.com



Sample Date	<i>Enterococcus</i>	Fecal Coliform
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March 10	2	7
March 17	4	7
March 24	2	7



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CURRENT WATER RESTRICTIONS

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SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ORDER SWF 80-044 FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 40D-21

Schedule for irrigation of lawns and landscaping is authorized for one day per week as follows:

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**AUTHORIZED LAWN WATERING HOURS/TIMES FOR ESTABLISHED LAWNS AND ESTABLISHED LANDSCAPING
APRIL 3, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2009**

- **IRRIGATION USING CITY WATER/POTABLE WATER PHASE IV RESTRICTIONS.**
 - 12:01 AM to 4:00 AM for properties less than one acre in size using in-ground irrigation system.
 - 12:01 AM to 4:00 AM and 8:00 PM to 11:59 PM for properties more than one acre in size using in-ground irrigation system.
 - 6-8 AM and 6-10 PM for properties of any size, using sprinkling cans, hand-held hose equipped with automatic shut-off nozzle, or using a hose equipped with a portable sprinkler. Note: The same lawn area may not be watered by multiple means, in other words, persons may not use an irrigation system and a hand-held hose to water the same area twice on their day.

- **IRRIGATION USING WELLS / LAKES / PONDS UNDER PHASE III RESTRICTIONS STILL APPLY:**
 - 12:01 AM to 8:00 AM OR 6:00 PM to 11:59 PM

- **LANDSCAPE (NON-LAWN) WATERING SCHEDULE (LIMITED DAYS):**
 - Watering of landscapes using an in-ground irrigation system (rotor and spray sprinkler heads) or a hand-held hose equipped with a portable sprinkler remains limited to the same once-per-week schedule as lawn watering. Watering of landscapes (non-lawn) using a sprinkling can, hand watering with a hose equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle, or microirrigation is now limited to three days per week. Microirrigation includes soaker hoses, drip tubes, microjets and other forms of low-volume irrigation technology. Even addresses may use any of these forms of efficient irrigation on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Odd addresses may do so on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

- **FOUNTAINS:** Aesthetic fountains and other water features are now prohibited.

- **CAR AND PRESSURE WASHING:**
 - Residential car washing is now prohibited.
 - Charity car washes are now prohibited.
 - Commercial car wash operations are allowed. However, cars for sale or lease may not be routinely washed; they may be washed immediately prior to sale or lease.
 - Pressure washing conducted by commercial businesses is allowed for certain purposes, which include cleaning to eliminate a safety hazard, preparation for painting or similar activity, maintaining a paint or material warranty, and as needed to meet federal, state or local health and safety standards.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, INCLUDING RESTRICTIONS ON NEW/REPLACEMENT LAWNS AND NEW LANDSCAPING, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OF GULFPORT OR THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AS OUTLINED BELOW.

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Somethin' on my mind

By Bill Northrop

There's a cartoon making the e-mail rounds depicting president Obama scattering dollar bills around the streets. A smiling man is watching this while his wife wryly observes, "He's got your wallet".

Prior to that, I kind of felt like someone left open the U.S. Treasury vault; or that the wild boars had gotten into the garden; or that the pigs were rooting in the garbage. Pick your own image.

First it was the \$700 billion crisis bank rescue plan proposed by the Bush administration. Congress asked for a brief delay so that they could skim off a couple billion for earmarks. Those are supposedly for important congressional district causes. Both presidential candidates, McCain and Obama approved.

Then came the nearly \$800 billion stimulus bill that no one read. It deliberately provided for the payment of the AIG bonuses. Only Democrats voted for it, but not until politicians of both parties scooped up several

billions in earmarks.

When the AIG bonus became public then the administration and Democrats and Republicans reacted in horror. Even then, no one mentioned that most of the bonuses went to workers who actually made money for the big insurance company.

Now comes a budget that will in 10 years increase the total U.S. debt four times what it is now and that includes the \$700 billion bailout plus the \$800 billion stimulus plan. In simpler terms your per household debt is now \$8,000. It will rise to \$32,000, and that is if the economy grows aggressively.

It supposedly will solve all the national problems of education, energy and health. Six hundred billion is provided as a down payment on "reforming" health care. That's in addition to the \$19 billion in the stimulus bill to be used to implement an electronic (everyone's registered) all-inclusive medical system. Green energy will be enhanced by a cap and trade or carbon tax system. Again

in simple terms, it means all energy users (that means you) will be taxed to pay for green energy. I don't know how the education and health care programs will be paid for except that those earning \$200,000 or more are going to be big contributors. Unfortunately, there aren't enough of them to cover it.

Anyway, we're talking about dollars in the trillions. I was having a hard time grasping how much a billion dollars was. So how much is it? A billion is 1000 million. But, a trillion is 1000 billion dollars. Visualize this: if you laid one dollar bills end-to-end they would stretch nearly to the sun. That's 94,000,000 miles. Or it would pay for 20,000,000 jobs at \$50,000 each; or buy 5,000,000 homes at \$200,000 each. We're talking about only one trillion dollars in our example.

However, we're talking about a 2009-2010 budget of \$3.6 trillion and a debt of 12.5 trillion dollars (written \$12,500,000,000,000) over the next 10 years.

That's heavy math, folks, and that's without any wars, catastrophes, terrorist attacks, economic down turns along the way in the next 10 years. And, it's all directed and controlled by politicians.

Oh, by the way, we have to borrow all that money from someone. Think China. That means interest on the debt, just like a mortgage. Remember, as the federal government has already demonstrated to General Motors and Chrysler, if you hold the purse strings you control the purse.

After that, think taxes.

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In just 79 weeks, Gulfport will celebrate the centennial of its incorporation, October 12, 1910. We'll be reminding you every week with an interesting old photograph from the collection of the Historical Museum. See if you can identify the people, places, and above all the decade of each picture as it comes along. To make it a little bit of a challenge, we won't publish the correct caption until the following week.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

Last week's photo: 5150 Tangerine is not standing today, but the large old home with a widow's walk on the roof belonged to Wesley and Nancy Stowell from at least 1910. Nancy lived there into her 90s, as late as 1944. Charles and Ruby Baker lived at 1623 52nd Street with their three children, Charles, Vina and Esther. He was a carpenter and town council member in the 1920s.

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By Don Phipps, Commander

We would like to wish each and everyone a very Happy Easter.

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This Friday, April 10, the Auxiliary will be holding a bake sale from 4 to 7 p.m. Come get your baked goods for your Easter dinner.

Friday, April 10, dinner will be baked or battered haddock, fries, cole slaw, roll and butter for \$7.75. The second entrée will be vegetable lasagna, cole slaw, roll & butter for \$6.50.

Saturday, April 11, the Color Guard will be grilling their New York strip steaks with baked potato, salad, roll, butter and dessert for \$7.75. 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.

Mondays and Fridays, Marlin will be playing and singing in the lounge from 3 to 6 p.m. Come in and listen to some good entertainment.

Lunches are served on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Fridays from

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sundays from 2 to 5 p.m. Lunches are not served on Mondays or Saturdays.

Tuesdays and Thursdays come in and sing with Ron's karaoke at 7 p.m. Darts are played every Saturday at 8 p.m. Play pool for free on Saturdays until 5 p.m.

Bingo is played every Wednesday starting at 6 p.m. Fourteen \$50 games are played, plus two progressive cover-all games for \$250. The kitchen is open during bingo where you can order hamburgers, hot dogs, fries, onion rings, etc. Join us for an evening of fun, games and good food.

The Auxiliary is collecting donations for troops in Iraq. Items needed include candy, personal hygiene items, batteries, snacks, dry food

items, etc. A collection box is provided at the post. For more information call Shirley at 510-1919. Let's show them our support!

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Easter Musical at Park Place Wesleyan

Park Place Wesleyan Church, 4400 70 Avenue N. in Pinellas Park, will present its annual Easter Musical "May We Never Lose the Wonder ...the Wonder of the Cross" on April 10 at 7 p.m. Free admission. Nursery provided. Visit ppwc.org or call 526-3674.

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By Scott Lafee

Red Means Stop

The flushed, red faces of some drinkers could be a sign they're at greater risk of throat cancer, say researchers at the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

The flushing response, which can be accompanied by nausea and a rapid heartbeat, is primarily caused by an inherited deficiency in an enzyme called ALDH2, which results in difficulties in metabolizing alcohol and an accumulation of toxic acetaldehyde in the body.

That toxic buildup may lead to squamous cell esophageal cancer, said Dr. Philip J. Brooks, which can be surgically treated. The survival rate, however, is very low.

Moderate drinking increases the risk, but heavy consumption is especially problematic. An ALDH2-

deficient person who has two beers a day is six to 10 times more likely to develop esophageal cancer than a person not deficient in the enzyme.

ALDH2 deficiency is a trait shared by more than one-third of people of East Asian ancestry (Japanese, Chinese, Korean).

BEST MEDICINE

A surgeon was checking on a patient who had a hernia operation three days earlier. The doctor asked the man why he hadn't yet gotten out of bed.

"I hurt," answered the patient. "You don't know how it feels."

"Yes I do," replied the doctor. "I had the same procedure last month, and I was back at work two days later. There's no difference in our operations."

"Oh yes there is," said the patient. "You had a different surgeon."

OBSERVATION

What we feel and think and are is to a great extent determined by the state of our ductless glands and viscera. -- British writer Aldous Huxley

PHOBIA OF THE WEEK

Gephyrophobia -- fear of crossing bridges

BODY OF KNOWLEDGE

Palak Vyas of Great Britain is believed to have managed the world's quickest recorded birthing. She was in labor just 2 minutes, giving birth to a healthy 7-pound, 2-ounce daughter after just one push.

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There are lots of online body mass index (BMI) calculators out there; this one by the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute is very simple to use (and has a Spanish version).

CURTAIN CALLS

The Roman emperor Claudius I (10 B.C.-A.D. 54) choked to death on a feather stuck down his throat to help him vomit up some bad (possibly poisoned) mushrooms served to him by his wife.

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Friday 3/27

- Arrest on Warrant-** 1500 Blk 52nd St. S.
- Drunk Driver-** 4900 Blk 17th Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 1200 Blk 57th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.
- Domestic Battery-** 4900 Blk 10th Ave. S.
- Battery-** 5400 Blk 30th Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5900 Blk Tangerine Ave. S.

Saturday 3/28

- Trouble with Individual-** 5200 Blk 18th Ave. S.
- Domestic Verbal-** 5200 Blk 20th Ave. S.
- Stolen Vehicle-** 2900 Blk 50th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 6200 Blk 11th Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** Tomlinson Park.
- Trouble with Individual-** 3000 Blk 49th St. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 5100 Blk 23rd Ave. S.
- Reckless Driver-** 2900 Blk 53rd St. S.

- Animal Complaint-** 5500 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Narcotics/Drugs-** Clam Bayou.
- Recovered Stolen Vehicle-** 2500 Blk 51st Way S.
- Violation of Court Order-** 3000 Blk 50th St. S.
- Arrest on Warrant-** 5700 Blk 15th Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** Tomlinson Park.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5200 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Sunday 3/29**
- Trouble with Individual-** 5400 Blk 29th Ave. S.
- Drunk Driver-** 5500 Blk 27th Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 5100 Blk 8th Ave. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 5400 Blk Shore Blvd. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Domestic Verbal-** 5500 Blk 19th Ave. S.
- Monday 3/30**
- Animal Complaint-** 2900 Blk 52nd St. S.
- Domestic Verbal-** 5100 Blk 28th Ave. S.
- Recovered Stolen Vehicle-** 2800 Blk 48th St. S.
- Noise Complaint-** 6000 Blk 11th Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 3100 Blk 59th St. S.
- Battery-** 5300 Blk 8th Ave. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 4900 Blk 14th Ave. S.
- Harassing/Threat/Obscene Calls-** Location Withheld.
- Vessel Stop(s)-** Waterfront.
- Noise Complaint-** 5900 Blk Skimmer Pt. Blvd. S.

- Harassing/Threat/Obscene Calls-** Location Withheld.
- Tuesday 3/31**
- Animal Complaint-** 1800 Blk 52nd St. S.
- Burglary-** 5500 Blk 29th Ave. S.
- Domestic Battery-** 5300 Blk 8th Ave. S.
- Theft-** 5500 Blk 28th Ave. S.
- Hit & Run-** 5700 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Violation of Court Order-** 3000 Blk 3000 Blk 50th St. S.
- Theft-** 5900 Blk Shore Blvd. S.
- Noise Complaint-** 1100 Blk 55th St. S.
- Wednesday 4/1**
- Burglary-** 1300 Blk Hull St. S.
- Battery-** 6300 Blk Vista Verde Dr. E.
- Animal Complaint-** 2900 Blk 57th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5300 Blk 14th Ave. S.
- Confiscated Property-** 2100 Blk 53rd St. S.
- Theft-** 1900 Blk 53rd St. S.
- Reckless Driver-** 2900 Blk 50th St. S.
- Harassing/Threat/Obscene Calls-** Location Withheld.
- Burglary-** 4900 Blk Newton Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Thursday 4/2**
- Trouble with Individual-** 5800 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Suspicious Person-** 700 Blk 51st St. S.
- Battery-** 2500 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Criminal Mischief-** 1300 Blk 56th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 2100 Blk 53rd St. S.
- Theft-** 5900 Blk Pelican Bay Plaza.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5000 Blk 20th St. S.
- Theft-** 5700 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Drunk Person-** 2600 Blk 54th St. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 900 Blk 59th St. S.

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Spring Shorts at the Senior Center

The Gulfport Senior Center's newly formed Senior Theatre Troupe will present an hour of comedy on Monday, April 20 at 2 p.m. in the Center's dining hall. Admission is free. Actors with experience in the Community Players and other local theatre groups have graciously come forward to perform but future shows will be open to all. Appearing in Spring Shorts will be Judy Ryerson, Carol Valdes, Jan Taylor, Robert Friedman, Gail and Kiltz, and Bonnie and Don Jarmoska. Jeanne and Dave Smith are directing. Don't miss it!

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Florida Author to Speak at Arts Council

On Thursday, April 16 from 3-4 p.m. The South Pasadena Cultural Arts Council (7047 Sunset Drive S.) will host Florida author Jacqueline Clarke, who will speak on her book "The Book of Nathan", a humorous adult parable about a troubled tomcat's adventures in pursuit of happiness

and spirituality. Call 347-4171.

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Town Shores Golf

Just a reminder that the Golf Scramble will be here before you know it. All men and women residents and renters and guests are welcome to play.

Join us for the last golf scramble of the 2009 spring season at Terra Ciega Bay Country Club in Palmetto. The course is a short drive over the Sunshine Skyway Bridge.

Reservations have to be made and money in by Monday, April 20. You do not need foursome as you will be paired in a group.

The April price is \$38 which includes golf, cart, lunch, beverages and prizes.

Don't delay, call today. Committee members are Gene Marckini at 345-4483, Lew Lamb at 343-3046, Chester Halgas at 384-2093 or Jim Walters at 343-0459.

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Used Pet Supply Drive

Gulfport residents are collecting items for Friends of Strays. They

are in need of used items such as shoe boxes, blankets, towels, sheets, crates, leashes, collars, scratching posts, frisbees, toys and heating pads. New items needed are cleaning supplies, Iams dog food, canned cat food, dog/cat treats, cat litter, paper towels and newspapers. Friends of Strays also has a non-profit thrift shop so used household items are fine, too. Call 520-3670 for pick up or bring items to 1508 52 Street S. through April 26.

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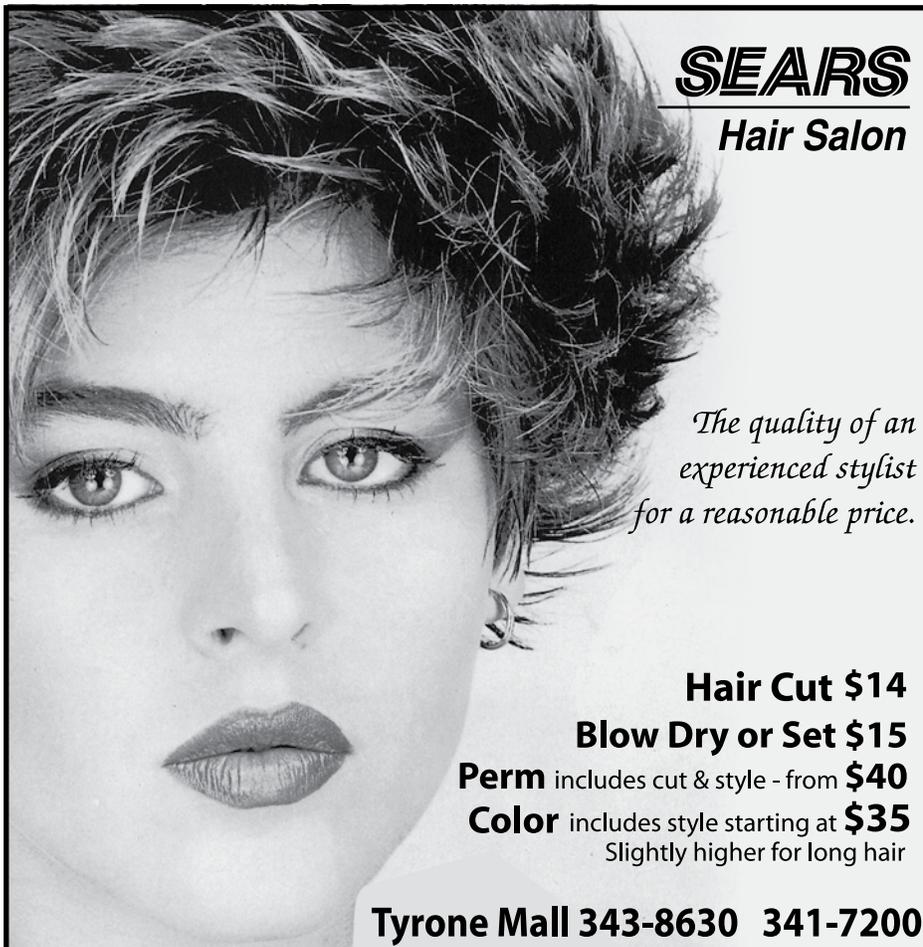
St. Pete Beach Community Club

The St. Pete Beach Community begins its 70th year of service this year and is always looking for new members to continue their charitable work. Founded in 1939, the club has grown and evolved into a position to give financial support to such projects as the Summer Recreational Program and scholarships for children to the rec center, Elementary School Discretionary Fund, Gulf Beach Historical Museum, fire and police departments, stuffed toys to be given to children in times of crisis, library, CASA, Hospice, Goodwill, Salvation Army, Free Clinic, Happy Workers Day Care and many other projects.

You do not have to be a St. Pete Beach resident year-round to become a member. The club meets September through June on every third Tuesday of the month at noon. Call Elain Ghormley at 384-8017.

The next meeting will be on April 21 at Warren Webster, 1500 Pass-a-Grille Way, St. Pete Beach. Speaker is Roberta Whipple, the St. Pete Beach librarian.

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Library Hosts Free Jazz Concert

In honor of Jazz Appreciation Month, St. Petersburg College will host Jazz in the Stacks, a free concert featuring the Helios Jazz Orchestra on April 21 at 7:30 p.m. at its West St. Petersburg Community Library, 750 66 Street N. in St. Peteresburg.

The Helios Jazz Orchestra, a 22-piece jazz big band that performs swing, bebop and Latin jazz , is led by Director David Manson.

Visit www.heliosjazzorchestra.blogspot.com or www.splibraryblog.blogspot.com.

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FUNDAY Open House on the Waterfront

On Saturday, April 25 from 1-4 p.m. Gulfport's Boca Ciega Yacht Club invites area residents to enjoy a free party at the Club and on the bay! The annual event is appropriately called FUNDAY.

Free hot dogs (while supplies last), sailboat rides, (first come, first served during event hours), club tours, demonstrations, exhibits and a kids' coloring contest (ages 1-12) along with door prizes makes FUNDAY a very popular event. Over 600 attended last year.

"People will learn about the Club's active cruising program and its challenging racing opportunities. Of equal importance is the Club's outreach to the community through its regionally famous Sail School and Youth Sailing Program. Area teens will learn how they can join the club's recently established Sea Scout Boat 915 to become experienced sailors while having a lot of fun," says



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During the festivities a membership team will be on hand to show people how easy and inexpensive it is to become a part of Boca Ciega Yacht Club and enjoy its boating, social and community service activities. Membership is open to sailboat owners, want-to-be sailboat owners and those who have a love for sailing. Most fees are discounted for Gulfport residents.

Boca Ciega Yacht Club is located one block south of the Gulfport City Marina off 49th Street S. Turn left onto Del Rio Way to 4600 Tifton Drive S.

Save the date of Saturday, April 25 to meet BCYC members on beautiful Boca Ciega Bay in Gulfport.

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Learn about the Panama Canal

The Panama Canal Museum (Seminole, FL) will present a fascinating and informative PowerPoint talk "The Story of the Panama Canal" on Wednesday, April 22 at 3 p.m. at the Gulfport Library,

5501 28 Avenue S. Learn about the history and current operations of one of the largest and most difficult engineering projects ever undertaken.

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Sailing Expo for People with Disabilities

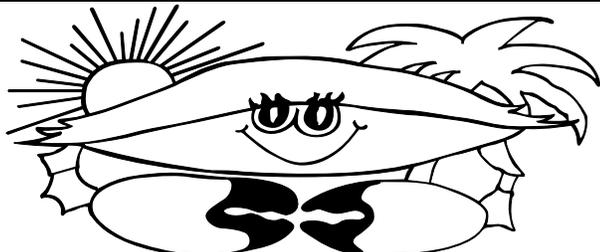
A sailing and water sport expo for people with disabilities is offered at the St. Petersburg Sailing Center, 250 Second Avenue SE on Saturday, April 25. No experience necessary. Participants age 7 and above will be given a tour of the facility, basic instruction on the sailboats and the opportunity to get out on the water with an instructor. Enjoy the sailing expo, plus a paddleboard and kayaking clinic. Life jackets provided. Bring a hat, sunscreen and sunglasses. Two sailing times: 9 a.m. to noon, sailing for people with physical disabilities or noon to 3 p.m., sailing for people with developmental disabilities. Paddleboard and kayak opportunities will be available throughout the day. Free with reservation by April 19. Call 892-5196 for details.

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Local Sailing Phenom wins the 28th Annual Prestigious Michelob Cup

By Leigh Clifton

Bruce Bingham learned to sail before he could walk. The son of a Naval architect, he literally grew up in the boat-yards; his father built the family an apartment over top of the ship building factory, complete with a skylight in the floor that afforded not only a view for his father to check on his workers' progress, but a convenient hole where young Bruce would throw toys and junk, provoking his father's disapproval more than once. But the designer bug was in his DNA and Bruce designed his first boat at age 8, a 10-foot mahogany wood boat that would be the portent of the future, later as a boat designer and then protégé of legendary yachtsman and boat builder Charlie Morgan here in St. Pete.

Fast forward a few years and Bruce was racing on other people's boats competitively, perhaps a bit too competitively.

"For some reason, maybe because I'm a perfectionist, I became a really mean Captain and I was really hard and very demanding on my crews. After a while, I decided to quit racing all together, because I didn't like who I was turning into. So I became a cruiser, someone who sails on trips around the Caribbean and the Islands."

Bruce lives aboard *Nikki*, a 38 year old 28 ft. Cape Dory; a small, compact boat that he's taken pretty much everywhere. He lives locally on the water in Gulfport and has been a member of Boca Ciega Yacht Club for a few years. But that old competitive spirit had found its way back to Bruce's heart and he began racing again. And then the Michelob Cup beckoned.....

"Most people think I'm a racer, but I'm really a cruiser who likes to race," Bruce smiles.

With his standard crew of Sean Ness, Brian Brownsell, and friend Bill Morse, Bingham convinced them all that entering the prestigious St. Pete Yacht Club Michelob Cup would be a good thing. But *Nikki* is a small boat; Bruce knows every inch of her and keeps her finely tuned... (Did I mention the perfectionist part?), so he felt he and his crew would be prepared for almost anything.

On race day, Saturday March 28th, the weather was prepared to throw anything at the racers, as the winds started out around 20 knots, with seas building to six feet. Conditions were deteriorating rapidly as 44 boats from 22 to over 45 feet, rounded the starting line at the St. Pete Pier. Bruce and his crew had a picture perfect start and were relatively unfazed by the huge amounts of sea spray that continuously flooded *Nikki* as she pointed up the course. Luckily Bruce had had the foresight to put a smaller storm headsail or jib on the front, which allowed *Nikki* to sail much more steadily than the larger boats, whose sails were too big for such high winds. Many of larger boats tore right through their mainsails and had to drop out of the race altogether. There were three boats that lost their masts outright; the wind had put so much pressure on the sails that the mast just snapped over at the deck.

As Bruce and his salt spray soaked crew looked around the course, they began to realize that they were alone; they



Bruce Bingham holds the Michelob trophy as winner of the 28th annual Michelob Cup.

had made such good time that they were ahead of the next competitor by more than eight minutes, a remarkable feat considering that *Nikki* had a sailing rating, much like a handicap in a horse race, that should have counted her out of the running altogether.

All the water that *Nikki* was taking on during the race actually acted like ballast for the boat and helped steady her in the rising winds and seas as the race wore on. At one point, Bruce looked over at Sean, who was trying in vain to get to some cable on the low side of the boat and realized that Sean was in water well above his knees on the deck, which meant that *Nikki's* bow was being swallowed up by the ever-increasing waves. It was a mad moment... cruising at over 10 knots on the down leg and to the finish, Bruce Bingham and his crew began to realize that not only had they won their class, they had won the whole crazy race, beating out much bigger, and by rights, faster boats.

After the boys dried off and warmed up, the euphoria began to set in and Bruce realized that he and his crew had accomplished quite a feat. The Michelob Cup is a perpetual trophy and is kept at the St. Pete Yacht Club, with the current winner's name engraved on it. When you look at it next, you'll see Bruce Bingham's name, a truly remarkable bit of sailing from one of BCYC's and the area's best. Congratulations Bruce, well done. Hopefully your heater will dry out soon.

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Hard Candy

By Cathy Salustri

I am one of those “boat people,” as I think someone called them at a Gulfport city council meeting a few years back. No, I don’t live on a boat and no, I don’t own a boat but yes, I love being on boats and yes, I believe Gulfport’s history is so enmeshed with the water that the narrow-minded dismissal of a mooring field by an elite few with a peculiar agenda is a bastardization of the political process and a stellar example of manipulating government for one’s own good rather than the good of the people.

Does that make my bias clear enough for everyone concerned?
Good.

See, I’m in a tough spot here. I’ve covered the mooring field since its first appearance as part of the city’s Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan in 2004 and will continue to do so. But I’ve reached my threshold of how many lies I hear about the marina and the mooring field before it becomes fodder for this column.

I crossed that threshold a couple of weeks ago at the marina’s flea market. Someone approached me and started spitting out lies about the mooring field and how the city would lose money and never fill the slips and the marina was mismanaged and... and, well, I’m certain they said more but I stopped listening.

I stopped listening because I heard it all before at election time and before you believe what any political hopeful may tell you to impress you with his or her knowledge of budgets and before you join the stampede to make the marina and mooring field the popular dog to kick, consider this:

The Gulfport Municipal Marina is the reason that every property owner in the city doesn’t pay higher ad valorem taxes. Although the elected officials suggest tax cuts and vote for lower taxes (when you’re an elected official it’s pretty much political suicide to do otherwise), the reason that Gulfport can actually do that is because the marina is the goose and

the boats her golden eggs. As marinas statewide suffocate under a blanket of cookie-cutter condos the ones that remain reap the benefits.

Right now the city’s marina has a waiting list for its smaller slips, none of its larger slips available, and six or seven 40’ slips available. If we had a mooring field—when we have a mooring field—some of those boats could go to the mooring field, or maybe some of the boats in the marina would jump at the chance to move to a less expensive mooring and open up spots in the marina. As long as the marina’s turning away boats for lack of space no one can successfully argue that the mooring field would sit empty.

I don’t know how a mooring field could be unsafe, which is the other argument I’ve heard. Right now Gulfport has the equivalent of a white trash boat graveyard burgeoning just off the beach. Don’t misunderstand; some of the boats anchored on the Gulfport side of Boca Ciega Bay remain well maintained and securely anchored, but not all of them. One made it up to the beach this week, as I understand it. So those of you who oppose the mooring field on safety grounds, please tell me how a mooring ball properly secured to the bottom makes for a dangerous alternative to throwing all manners of anchors in a sand bottom and hoping they hold. Council heard and debated this numerous times before

voting in favor of a mooring field.

Speaking of council, it has only one active opponent of the mooring field, Michele King, and while I like Michele very much, I’ve watched her allow emotion to cloud her thinking about issues when she feels passionately.

Does King want what she believes is best for Gulfport? I believe she does, but I also believe people with their own less-than-noble agendas try to manipulate her emotions for their means not related to the best interest of the city but perhaps their business.

These people disgust me, but I believe that King is smarter than they think she is and definitely smarter than any of them. I also believe she will do what the majority of her constituents ask of her rather than heed the bitter vituperative of a disingenuous few.

Other than that group I suspect the biggest opponents of the mooring field simply do not want to look out on the bay and see boats. These folks need to check their history and then look towards the future.

Gulfport started as a fishing town, and from Civil War blockade runners to the Aylesworths to Tropical Island Getaways, Gulfport’s legacy is built on the water. It’s what sustains the city now and what Gulfport can bank on in the future. If you reject the mooring field because you don’t want to look out and see boats, might I suggest that one of our fine Realtors put you in touch with one of their offices in Colorado, Iowa, or another such state?

Because, quite honestly, Gulfport’s a fishing village all grown up, but it’s still a fishing village and if you don’t get that, you don’t get Gulfport at all.

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Preparing for the Big Race



The St. Pete Road Runners prepare for their Tuesday night run. Some of the runners will run in the April 20 Boston Marathon; others are training for the Chicago Marathon. This past Tuesday night the runners training for the Boston Marathon ran ten miles under the guidance of their coach and president, Ben Fudge. Fudge, a Boston Marathon veteran, didn't run the 10 miles with his fellow club members, but he did meet them at Vito and Michael's on St. Pete Beach for pizza after they completed their run. The group meets for a running session every Tuesday night at the Fit For Life parking lot on St. Pete Beach; for more information visit SPRR.org.

Dine Out - Fight AIDS

Dining Out for Life is a unique event, a fund raiser to support organizations providing services to individuals impacted by HIV/AIDS held simultaneously in 53 cities on Thursday, April 30. Since 1991, "Dining Out for Life" has raised over \$30 million for local non-profit HIV/AIDS organizations like AIDS Service Association of Pinellas (ASAP). This year marks ASAP's, and the Tampa Bay area's, third year of participation in "Dining Out for Life".

To take part simply dine out at any of the participating restaurants on Thursday, April 30, 2009; in turn, these restaurants donate 25% of their chosen shift's receipts to ASAP. All proceeds raised locally stay in Pinellas County to benefit clients of ASAP. Each restaurant will be staffed by a Volunteer Ambassador who will answer questions and highlight the day's special fundraising campaign.

AIDS Service Association of Pinellas, Inc., a division of The Hospice of the Florida Suncoast, is a non-profit 501c (3) organizations that provide children, adults and families impacted by HIV/AIDS access to comprehensive medical, social, financial, educational, mental health and support services as well as a food pantry, transportation and case management services.

For more information including a list of restaruants visit www.diningoutforlife.com/tampabay.

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Suncoast Center and Help A Child Merge

Tuesday, March 31 at 5 p.m. Suncoast Center for Community Mental Health, Inc. and Help A Child, Inc. made their merger official with a ribbon tying celebration. Leadership of both agencies decided to tie a ribbon as an act of commitment and unity. The event was held at Help A Child's office at 4000 Gateway Centre Blvd., Pinellas Park. JWB Children's Services Council Executive Director Gay Lancaster and Pinellas Park Mayor Bill Mischler both spoke at the ceremony and outlined the positive impact this merger will have on the children and families of Pinellas County. The event was standing room only with agency employees, board members, local officials and supporters of the agencies.

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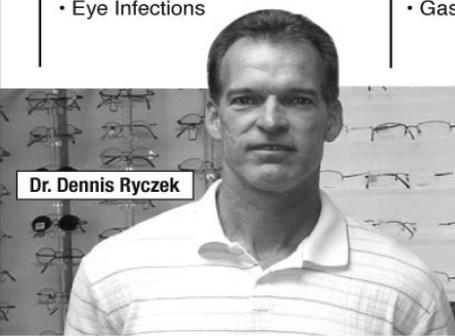
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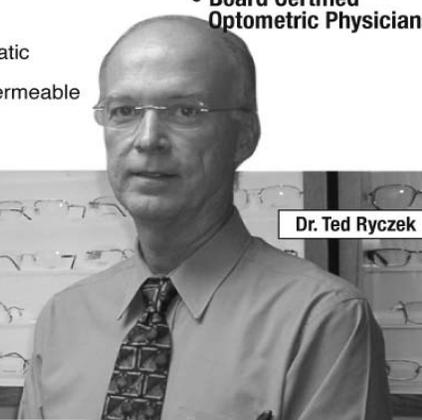
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Beta Sigma Phi

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

The children's age groups will be from infant/toddler to age 11. Children participating should bring a basket in which to gather the plastic eggs filled with candy. Beta Sigma Phi members will meet at 8 a.m. to "hide" the plastic eggs and the egg hunt will begin promptly at 9 a.m. This annual event has been enjoyed by many over the years.

On Friday, April 10 the Beta Bozos clown members will distribute cookies and Easter goodies to the residents of the Pasadena Manor Nursing Home. The residents look forward to the monthly visits, bringing much joy and happiness.

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

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Career and Job Search Workshop

The Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater are offering a free 2 part Career and Job Search Workshop to all members of the Tampa Bay Community. The workshop will help participants to identify ways to build bridges from their current experience to potential employers, and will uncover ways to tap the hidden job market and engage

people in supporting their search. The workshop is provided on a complimentary basis by Pegotty Cooper, a certified leadership and career strategy coach located in Tampa. The workshop will be very interactive and participants should be prepared to roll up their sleeves to work on developing a plan and structures to support them in their job search.

The 2 part workshop is being offered on Thursday, April 16, 6:30-9 p.m. and the following Thursday, April 23rd 6:30-9 p.m. and both will be held in the Patio Room at the Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater Campus on 2470 Nursery Rd., Clearwater.

Check the UUC website link for directions and to register: <http://www.uuclearwater.org/adults.htm>

Call 531-7704 Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon for directions

and to register in advance to ensure that the workshop materials are available for each participant.

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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 on Thursday, April 16, 7- 9 p.m., at the St. Petersburg Sailing Center, 250 Second Ave 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 or 525-0968.

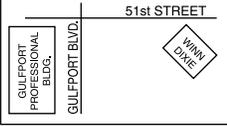
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American Cancer Society's Relay for Life

Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's signature event. Teams of people camp out at a local school or park and take turns walking around a track or path. Relays are an overnight event, up to 18 hours in duration.

Treasure Island is the host city for the 2009 Relay for Life of the Gulf Beaches on April 17-18 on the beautiful beach of Treasure Island located at Gulf Boulevard and 104 Avenue. The event runs from 6 p.m.

on Friday to 12 noon on Saturday. Eleven teams have signed up for this event.

The public is invited to come out to the event to learn about Relay for Life and to participate in the many on-site fundraisers to benefit the American Cancer Society. Each team has on-site fundraisers such as children's activities; games of chance; food and beverage concessions, and much more. Additionally, the public may view the beautiful Relay for Life sand sculpture sponsored by Sanding Ovations.

For additional information please contact Katie Hatcher at 812-7009 or katiehatcher@cancer.org or the City of Treasure Island Parks and Recreation Department at 547-4575, ext. 237.

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USCG Safe Boating Classes

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 78 has a 13-week continuous cycle of Safe Boating Classes every Tuesday, 7:30pm, Warren Webster Community Center, 1500 Pass-a-Grille Way, St. Pete Beach (1 mile south of Don CeSar) Start at your convenience. First class, come at 7 p.m. to register. Begin any Tuesday and finish 13 weeks later or take up to 2 years to finish.

April classes include: "Which Boat is for You" April 14, "Equipment for Your Boat" April 21, and "Trailing Your Boat" April 28.

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News from VFW Post 39

By Stacy McBeth

Hello to all from everyone at VFW Post #39. Grab your pad and pen and jot down this week's schedule. Saturday, April 11 is a full day starting with breakfast from 8-11 a.m. Miss Jean's specialty is a "Plate of Luv". The Ladies Auxiliary meets at 1 p.m. The Saturday movie starts at 2 p.m. We normally have bar bingo at 3 p.m. on Sunday, however due to Easter it will not be played this Sunday. Easter dinner will consist of baked ham, potatoes, veggies, roll and dessert. Serving time is 4-6 p.m. There will be advance tickets for donations of \$6 per single person and \$10 per couple. Monday the Post is not open. Tuesday the Men's Auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m. We observe happy hour Tuesday through Friday from 4-6 p.m.

If you have not been to see us in a while you will be in for a treat. We have remodeled and the Post is looking good!

Ladies, don't forget new meeting date the second Saturday each month at 1 p.m. April 11 is nomination and election of officers. Everyone have a safe and healthy week. Come see us soon!

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"I'd like to say thank you for all the support the city of Gulfport has extended to us over the years. Gulfport has become very well known over the years in the catamaran community."—Mary Ann Robertson, Gulfport Yacht Club

"Council has no oversight of the Clerk's office."—Lee Stapella, who says she is currently suing the city of Gulfport over a partially unfulfilled public records request

"I'm afraid that hate has won over public safety. The letters were a concerted effort saying the same thing in the same way... the words were filled with hate. Perhaps playing a role was the defamatory letter that the Gabber chose—chose—to print. In my opinion it was a sad and irresponsible piece of journalism."—Christine Brown, about Gulfport City Council's decision to refuse Al and Cindy Davis' donation of an RV for CERT to use during emergencies.

"It's a very exciting day on Gulfport Beach!"—Interim City Manager Jim O'Reilly, encouraging everyone to attend Springfest this weekend.

"Taxpayers need to know our taxes aren't paying for things,"—Dottie Walksi about the city's taking money from enterprise funds (such as utilities and the marina) and not allowing the funds to keep enough money to maintain the needed levels of services.

"Instead of having a 2% increase annually, which they probably should have done, they used the fund balance, and now it's caught up with us."—Judy Ryerson, about the utilities rate increase.

"People are driving up and down the streets polluting our air looking for parking places,"—Jim Greenwald, who suggested the "derelict buildings" behind O'Maddy's give way to a parking structure.

"Evidently you've brought this forward and I think it's really terrific,"—Councilmember Michele King, publicly thanking Interim Police Chief Rob Vincent for bringing forward the idea of applying for the grant that, if awarded to Gulfport, would allow the police department to relocate to the 49th Street Neighborhood Center.

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Sustainable Living

By Shawn Dell Joyce



Where Are the Green-Collar Jobs?

What is a “green-collar” job? “A green-collar job is, in essence, a blue-collar job that has been upgraded to address the environmental challenges of our country,” according to Lucy Blake of the Apollo Alliance, which is helping to transition the economy from fossil fuels to renewable energy.

Green-collar jobs that are generated by encouraging energy efficiency include home energy auditors, insulation installers, weatherization workers, retrofitters for buildings, and installers of solar electricity and solar hot water systems. Other green-collar workers are brewing biofuels, building hybrid cars, and erecting giant wind turbines. Labor unions view these new jobs as replacements for positions lost to overseas manufacturing and outsourcing. Urban groups view training in green jobs as a route out of poverty. And environmentalists say they are crucial to combating climate change. Obama considers them part of the economic stimulus plan.

According to Van Jones -- who is the founder of the Ella Baker Center for

Human Rights and of the Oakland (Calif.) Apollo Alliance and who also is an adviser to President Barack Obama for green jobs -- green-collar jobs are manual-labor jobs that can't be outsourced.

“You can't take a building you want to weatherize, put it on a ship to China and then have them do it and send it back,” Jones said in a recent New York Times interview. “So we are going to have to put people to work in this country -- weatherizing millions of buildings, putting up solar panels, constructing wind farms. Those green-collar jobs can provide a pathway out of poverty for someone who has not gone to college.”

Many people have been laid off or have lost jobs in the recent economic downturn. Young people coming out of college are facing a challenging job market. Some of these people are opting for entry-level green jobs -- such as a \$12-an-hour job weatherizing senior housing, which has the potential to grow to a \$40-an-hour job as a certified home energy auditor. You could start at \$18 an hour working as a solar technician and work your way up to \$50 an hour as a certified solar

installer, as another example.

“If we can get these youth in on the ground floor of the solar industry now, where they can be installers today, they'll become managers in five years and owners in 10. And then they become inventors,” Jones said to the Times. “The green economy has the power to deliver new sources of work, wealth and health to low-income people -- while honoring the Earth. If you can do that, you just wiped out a whole bunch of problems.”

Meanwhile, job training for millions of green-collar jobs has to happen right away. Infrastructure needs to be set up for training, and funding for that has to come from somewhere. Funds could come from taxes on global warming pollution or from revenues from a cap and auction system, in which heavy polluters buy pollution rights and the money is used to fund green-job training centers.

Jones' Oakland Apollo Alliance helped to raise \$250,000 from the city government to create a union-supported training program that will teach young people in Oakland how to put up solar panels and weatherize buildings. Jones is partnering nationally with other environmental activists, such as Majora Carter from Sustainable South Bronx in New York, for congressional support of \$125 million -- far less than most corporate bailouts -- to train 30,000 young people a year in green trades.

“The green economy needs Ph.D.s and Ph.-do's,” says Jones to our nation's youth. “You can make more money if you put down that handgun and pick up a caulk gun!”

Here's what you can do:

--Ask Congress to support a “carbon tax” and “cap and auction” system to make big polluters fund our transition away from fossil fuels. (Go to <http://www.1Sky.org>.)

--Ask your town board to mandate Energy Star guidelines in the building code to encourage energy efficiency.

--Create a national Clean Energy Corps -- expanding national service opportunities within AmeriCorps, Senior Corps and Learn and Serve America -- to combat climate change. (Go to <http://www.GreenForAll.org>.)

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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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Walden School Accepting Applications

Walden School, a private middle school in Gulfport, is now accepting applications for the 2009-2010 school year. Walden is a small school offering a challenging academic curriculum, individual attention

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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.

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Bogie Girls Softball Drops a Heartbreaker to East Lake, Gets Redemption against Seminole

By Leigh Clifton

The Bogie girl's softball team has been a force to be reckoned with lately and even a seventh inning heartbreaking loss to East Lake High Monday night couldn't dampen the spirits of Coach Michelle Beckett et al. The reason? According to Coach Beckett, Bogie mounted an amazing defensive game against #2 District rated Seminole Tuesday night.

Seminole led from the start, with their number two hitter slamming a run in the first inning. But the offense rallied in true Pirate fashion and Britney Wolfenbarger singled, with Alex Lenczyk driving her in for the run. Britney is batting over .600, and Michelle Laorenza is batting .500. Alex Lenczyk has picked her average up overnight with her RBIs.

The Lady Pirates Softball team plays at St. Pete High next Monday night at 7 p.m. Tuesday evening's home game against Clearwater will be a special one; its' Senior Night and the team's three seniors, Britney Wolfenbarger, Piggy Middleton and Alex Lenczyk will be honored. That game will also begin at 7p.m.

Bogie Football on a Roll, Cruise past Seminole, St. Pete High

By Leigh Clifton

The Bogie Lady Pirates proved to Coach Tim Henson that a week off was just what they needed; they came back after a week of sun and fun and handily trounced Seminole Monday night, 27-0, then came back Tuesday night to beat St. Pete High 13-6.

"These girls here played pretty decent," said Coach Henson, understating his pride just a little. "Actually I was really surprised at how strong they came out! In last night's game against Seminole, these girls just ran all over their defense. We scored 27 unanswered points and Seminole was supposed to be pretty tough. And tonight? Tonight they all played like a real team, I saw some real unity, some real strength in this team."

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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.

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Class of 1979 Plans 30 Year Reunion

Boca Ciega class of 1979 announces their 30 year reunion June 26-28 at the Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort. Information located on Facebook under Boca Ciega H.S. Class of 79.

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Rotary Club of St. Petersburg Suncoast

The Rotary Club of St. Petersburg Suncoast meets every Tuesday at noon in the Palm Terrace Grill at the Peninsula Inn & Spa located at 2937 Beach Boulevard in Gulfport. Guests are welcome to attend these lunch meetings. Call 898-9653.

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Boca Ciega High School Scoreboard

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Document Pros, Inc.: Low Cost Document Preparation for All Sorts of Needs

By Greg Stemm

"I think the best part of our business is being able to help people," said Valerie Duncan, one of the owners of Document Pros, Inc. "It's particularly rewarding to offer lower cost assistance to people who don't have the financial resources to accomplish what they need to do."

Document Pros, Inc. is a business that offers guidance on necessary legal documents, provides instructions on how to complete these documents and helps you file them at the appropriate locations. They handle things like wills, incorporation, fictitious name registration, divorce petition, divorce response, child custody or support, name change, chapter 7 bankruptcy, small claims filings, passport application, citizenship application, real estate transactions, marriage services, notary public services and more.

"We aren't attorneys and we don't offer legal advice," said Valerie. "But without that high cost overhead, we can offer document preparation services for just a fraction of what you would pay at an attorney's office. The difference for some services is literally a savings of thousands of dollars."

"In a lot of legal transactions knowing what paperwork is necessary, how to complete it and where to file it can be very confusing," said Valerie. "For instance, we handle a lot of citizenship applications and spend a

lot of time on the phone with immigration. Some of those individuals have trouble understanding the language and we walk through it with them step by step. It's very rewarding to be able to offer assistance to someone like that who really needs it." "To give you an example of how much you can save, our bankruptcy filing costs are \$175," said Valerie. "At an attorney's office it might cost you upwards of \$3,000 or more for the same paperwork."

Valerie says that one of the best parts of the service they provide is personalized service...that an individual can actually speak to a person face to face. She says that their service is unique in the bay area.

Document Pros, Inc. has been in business for about six months, but has already helped hundreds of people with document preparation needs. Valerie says that she and her partner Vince got started in the business when they met someone in Winter Haven who was providing a similar service to that community. She said the business here has taken off now that word is getting out about how affordable her services really are.

"There are a host of instances when we can help," she noted. "Take for example a young couple who needs a will, health care surrogate paperwork, marriage paperwork and other items. If they went to an attorney they would end up spending thousands of dollars



"... one of the best things about our business is being able to help people," says Valerie Miller, Co-owner of Document Pros.

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about English and American holidays.

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Nancy Cervenka – making art from discarded film



Nancy Cervenka prepares her art for a show at the Emerson Art Gallery later this month.

By Leigh Clifton

Film has many definitions: a movie, a layer or coating, a sheet, to record or capture on film, to take a picture, using a coated strip or sheet of cellulose with a light-sensitive emulsion. Most artists who work in film either work with it as a photographer or videographer, a movie director or journalist. Even the most creative artist would be hard-pressed to have rendered yet another use as intensely unique as the creations of Gulfport artist Nancy Cervenka. With a Masters of Fine Arts in Cinematography from USF, Nancy started her career as

a filmmaker, but through the editing process she found herself becoming more enamored of the film material itself than of its content.

“I really liked the feel of the film and the emulsion, which is delicate and easily scratched,” she said. “I started noticing the way the light would catch the mini-images on the film surface as I would feed it through a projector. There were tiny flashes of color and looking closely at it, I realized that the film could actually be an artist’s tool to create sculptures with... so I started rolling the film in my fingers and the sculptures

took on a life of their own.”

Originally Nancy started out with small pieces; making sculptures of 8mm, 16mm and 35mm film left over from the cutting room floor. Several director friends and fellow videographers started bringing her their leftovers from their film projects; mounds of celluloid in every size and color. One local director gave her a bunch of surplus film from a movie filmed in St. Petersburg. Nancy actually knew some of the actors on the footage, which she said makes her art have a distinctly personal feel.

The film and its emulsion themselves have distinctive colors; to create texture and more color, Nancy will scratch the film, bleach it, color it with Sharpies or colored pens. The bleaching or scraping can produce beautiful yellows and greens; certain other types of film produce vivid blues and browns. Old industrial film emits a pinkish glow.

“Various emulsions will have different colors when they hit the water,” she said. “After I wash them, it’s always a surprise to see what color comes up.”

After Nancy has the color she wants, either by painting, scraping, bleaching or staining, she then will roll the film, starting with the point, wrapping it into itself until a “horn” or film sculpture is formed. To stabilize the piece, she uses glue or polyurethane, pouring it inside the piece to form a protective interior shell on the cellulose. This keeps the sculpture firm, but still very light-weight. She has been sculpting with film since 1980, only taking time

off to have her two daughters, who are now grown.

“Home Depot is my playground,” she laughs. “I use a lot of wire, tapes, copper elbows, whatever I see that strikes my imagination.”

She will even use tape or staples to hold a piece together, such as her wearable art, which won Best of Show at the Gasparilla Art Fest this year, along with a well-deserved prize of \$15,000. She has won Best of Show twice at the Mainsail Arts Festival as well. One of her dresses is made entirely of slides, culled from a plastic surgeon’s trash; “before” pictures of people wanting to be beautiful. It was out of these pictures that her beautiful clothing art was made. Nancy scratched out the faces, but left the colors of the slides to show through; stapling the slides together to form a dress. It is a stunning piece in its simplicity. Her Gasparilla Best of Show art is a black two-piece top and skirt. The top is woven small film strips, the bottom pinched cellulose with wrapped tape and black paint. Amazing, inspired, innovative.

Nancy will be premiering a new show of her art at the C. Emerson Fine Arts Gallery, 909 Central Avenue from April 11-May 30. Included will be several large area installations, hanging weavings, pedestal pieces, vases and lamps (all made of film) as well as projection video displays. The opening reception will be Saturday, April 11, 7-10 p.m. For more information on Nancy’s show, please call the gallery at 898-6068.

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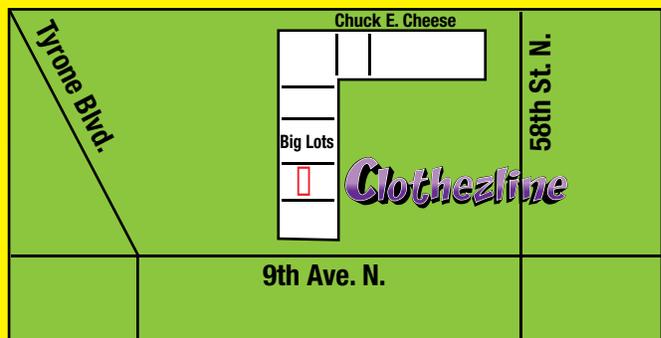
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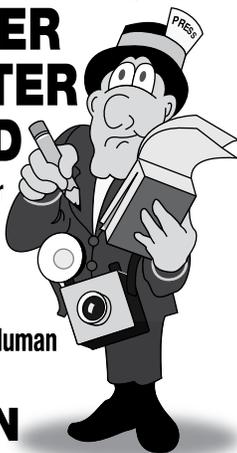
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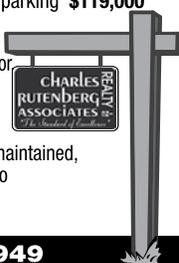
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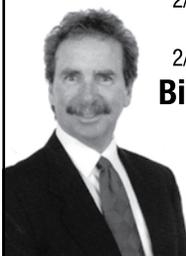
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