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## Gulfport Council Says No To Annexation

GULFPORT - City council voted not to annex the unincorporated area of Pinellas County directly adjacent to the city's west end at the meeting Tuesday night.

The city received a petition with 334 signatures protesting the proposed annexation, according to Mayor Mike Yakes. Although Yakes reminded citizens that this ordinance does not automatically annex the unincorporated area, a bevy of unincorporated residents spoke against putting the measure out for vote. The ordinance, Yakes, explained, allows the city to place a referendum on the ballot that will allow the only residents who live in the unincorporated area to vote on the issue.

Unincorporated resident Robert Biasotti said that although previously he supported the annexation he has since visited Gulfport's web site and entered his property information on the city's "Truth in Annexation" page. Through that web page he determined his taxes would go up \$650 and he now told Gulfport will now vote against it.

Another unincorporated resident, Jerry Gitchel, said he would see an increase of \$318.

"I love Gulfport, but it's pretty obvious that the people in the Golf Club area do not want

to change our status. I wish we could just save the taxpayers some money and not have this vote, because it's pretty obvious it's not going to carry," Jean Kenlan told council.

See **Annexation**, page 2

## Gulfport Settled Pasadena Properties Litigation

GULFPORT- City council settled the six-year-long Pasadena Properties lawsuit Tuesday night.

The city and Pasadena Properties have wrestled with the legality of the way Pasadena Properties, Inc. used a building zoned residential but used as a sales office. Minkoff explained that the court had heard the lawsuit, Gulfport appealed unsuccessfully, and all that remained was to settle the legal expenses.

Initially Pasadena Properties, Inc. sued the city of Gulfport to use the building as an office space. They did this in response to city-issued code violations. Gulfport countersued

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Community Police Officer Sgt. Josh Stone grins as he shows Chris Keskeny (back seat) and Austin Hartner (front seat) what a criminal would see from inside a police car.

## National Night Out in Gulfport

By Leigh Clifton

About 60 citizens, police, firefighters and members of local safety and crime prevention groups turned out at Bob Caldwell Park Tuesday night to celebrate National Night Out. The initiative is a nationwide response to foster community awareness and policing neighborhoods in an effort to stop crime at the street level. Residents are encouraged to leave their porch lights on and come out to meet their neighbors. Representatives from the Gulfport Police

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# Annexation,

from front page

Other residents spoke against the annexation, and many Gulfport residents who favored the move last month came forward to change their opinion.

"I can see no justification- no justification- for spending the \$25,000 it will take to run this vote. Why spend 25 grand throwing good money after bad? Why do this? I'd rather live to fight again another day, when we're ready," Bob Newcomb told council

after hearing the objections of unincorporated residents.

After hearing opinions from city residents as well as unincorporated residents, council spoke their mind. Bob Worthington spoke against putting annexation out for vote.

"I think we ought to just fold up the tent and go home," Worthington said. Yakes agreed.

"We'll stay Gulfport; you stay unincorporated," Yakes said just before the vote. The vote tied at 2-2, with Judy Ryerson and Michele King voting to continue the annexation cam-

paign. Councilman Sam Henderson was not present.

According to Interim city attorney Tom Minkoff, with a tie the motion died.

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## 2009-2010 Tot Time Program

GULFPORT: Pre-registration for the 2009-2010 Tot Time Program will begin July 1st. Hours for pre-registration are from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. A non-refundable annual registration fee of \$15 for residents and \$100 for non-residents is required to secure a spot. Proof of residency is required for Gulfport residents. The Tot Time Program is a pre-school, hands-on program for children ages 3-5. The program aims to make learning fun for children and helps prepare them for Kindergarten. Two, three and five-day monthly options are available. Program hours are from 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Classes begin September 8, 2009. Call 893-1068 for more information.

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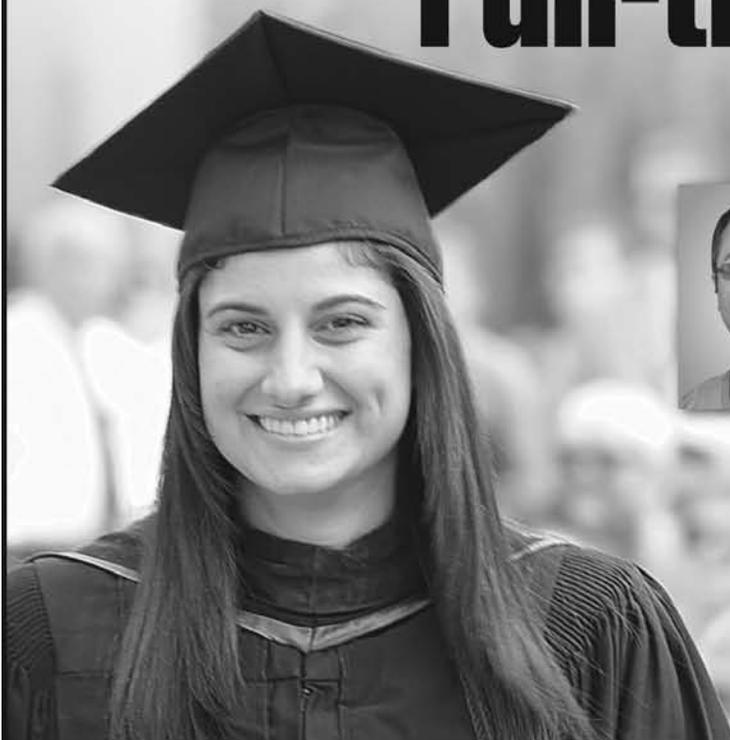
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## Art Exhibit at the Hickman Theater

Experimental artist and Tarpon Springs native Kim Dohrman thrives on exploring a variety of techniques, media, and styles. Entitled "Faces at the Hickman", this installation includes encaustic portraits on Clayboard, oil prints on paper and vellum, and encaustic monoprints on vellum and fabric. Ms. Dohrman chose Gulfport for first public showing of new works. The show runs August 3 through the 31st in the theater lobby, with an artist's reception during First Friday from 6-8 p.m. Theater is located at 5501 27th Avenue S. in Gulfport. Visit [www.cityofimagination.info](http://www.cityofimagination.info).

## Labyrinth Celebrates One Year Anniversary

The Gulfport Labyrinth celebrates its one year anniversary on Saturday, August 8. Please visit at 6 p.m. for the start of ceremonious labyrinth strolls.

Also, you are invited to participate in Great Chef Contest starting at 6 p.m. Cost is \$5 plus a dish to be judged by your peers or \$10 to just eat and judge. All proceeds go towards helping the Gulfport Recreation Educational Arts and Teaching Center. Live music till 11 p.m. The Labyrinth is located at 5001 20 Avenue S. in Gulfport.

## Helios Jazz Orchestra in Concert

The Helios Jazz Orchestra will perform on Sunday, August 16 at 3 p.m. at the St. Petersburg College Gibbs campus Music Center, 6605 Fifth Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. The Orchestra is a 20-piece modern big band directed by David Manson. Selections include "Smack Dab in the Middle", "Black Coffee", "Ague de Beber", "Jona Jam" and others.

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**Litigation,** from front page to get Pasadena Properties, Inc. to stop using the building as a sales office.

"That led to protracted litigation for six years," Minkoff said.

In the end, the court said Pasadena Properties may use the building for limited commercial purposes, according to Minkoff. However, the judgment says Pasadena Properties, Inc. cannot expand the uses beyond the sale and resale of residential properties in the Pasadena Yacht and Country Club. Pasadena Properties, Inc. may also allow Pasadena Yacht and Country Club homeowners and condominium associations use the building for their meetings. Finally, Pasadena Properties may allow Pasadena Yacht and Country Club to use the building.

Both parties attended a five-hour mediation on July 13. Interim City Manager Jim O'Reilly proposed a tentative agreement whereby Pasadena Properties, Inc. would pay the city \$15,000 in legal fees. The city is in the process of writing a "Declaration of Land Use Restrictions" that will conform to the terms outlined by the court (listed above).

In 2008 Pasadena Properties, Inc. also sued the city for loss of income. Under the terms of this agreement

Pasadena Properties, Inc. will withdraw that lawsuit and dismiss it "with prejudice," which means Pasadena Properties cannot sue the city for this matter again.

The city voted unanimously to settle the lawsuit under the terms outlined.

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## Register for School Year Child Care Program

Registrations for the 2009-2010 School Year Child Care Program

will begin on July 27th for children who will be entering Kindergarten thru age 14. Non-refundable annual registration fee is \$15 for residents and \$100 for non-residents. Monthly fees are \$133 for residents and \$266 for non-residents. Program hours are until 5:30 p.m. with extended hours available until 6 p.m. for an extra charge. Hours of registration are Monday-Friday from 9-5 p.m. Any further questions please call 893-1068.

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## Fright Flicks At Scout Hall

The Gulfport Arts Center (G.A.C.) announces the Gulfport Horror Film Festival, a fundraiser being held the weekend of August 7, 8 and 9 at historic Scout Hall located at 5315 28 Avenue S. in Gulfport. Three quintessential campy vintage horror genre films will be shown over the weekend, and G.A.C. invites the public to come enjoy these 1950s/60s era flicks while supporting the new Gulfport Arts Center. A different film will be featured each day.

On Friday, August 7, the feature film is "Tormented," a psychological thriller with a definite Alfred Hitchcock feel. In an island community off New England, Tom is preparing to marry the woman he loves. His plans are threatened by his old girlfriend, Vi, who secretly shows up. During a confrontation at the top of the island's lighthouse, the railing breaks and Vi falls. Tom has a chance to save her, but doesn't. His relief at Vi's accident soon fades when her vengeful spirit begins appearing

wherever he goes.

Saturday, August 8, the public will enjoy "She Gods of Shark Reef." In this horror-fantasy adventure, filmed on location in Hawaii and directed by Roger Corman, two brothers are shipwrecked on a paradise island with peaceful native women. One of the women is chosen by the others as a sacrifice to the sharks. Will she be saved?

The Film Festival wraps up on Sunday, August 9, with a screening of "The Screaming Skull." Newlyweds Eric and Jenni Whitlock retire to his desolate mansion, where Eric's first wife Marianne died from a mysterious freak accident. Jenni, who has a history of mental illness, begins to see strange things, including a mysterious skull, which may or may not be a product of her imagination. Suspicion falls on Mickey, the estate's mentally challenged gardener, who it seems was very attached to his former mistress.

Gulfport Horror Film Festival tickets will be sold beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, the doors will open at 7 p.m. and the film

will start at 8 p.m. On Sunday, tickets will be sold beginning at 12:30 p.m., doors will open at 1 p.m., and the film will begin at 2 p.m. In addition to popcorn and beverage concession, Smokin' Joe will be cooking up his delicious smoked salmon and pulled pork. Tables will be set-up outdoors for those who would like to come early and enjoy dinner beforehand on the lawns of Scout Hall. Sorry, no carried in food or beverages will be allowed inside, and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Admission is \$5 to each of the films, and tickets are available immediately prior to the screening. Members of G.A.C. will be admitted to this event free with their membership card. If you haven't had a chance to join G.A.C. yet, information and applications will be available if you'd like to sign up the day of the movie and take advantage of this free member benefit (only \$25 for membership good through 12/31/2010). Seating is very limited, so arrive early to purchase your tickets. If the first show is sold out, a second screening may be added afterwards.

The Gulfport Arts Center is a Florida non-profit corporation, dedicated to cultivating the arts in an historic community. Their website and schedule of fall classes is under development, but you may email us at [info@gulfportartscenter.org](mailto:info@gulfportartscenter.org) or visit [www.gulfportartscenter.org](http://www.gulfportartscenter.org) for more information.

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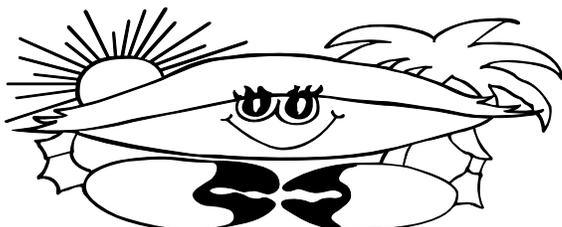
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By Natalie Leggette

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## Gulfport Amends Waterfront and 49th Street Corridor Redevelopment Plan

Gulfport- City council voted unanimously to amend the Waterfront Area Redevelopment Plan. The amendment includes 50% increase in density for mixed-use buildings. City council also voted amend the 49th Street Corridor Community Redevelopment Plan. This amendment will allow some mixed-use buildings along the 49th Street corridor.

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## ICT Auditions for "Educating Rita"

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A frustrated poet, Frank Bryant is a professor of English who drowns his disillusionments with whiskey. Bored with the humdrum of being a hairdresser and her unenlightened social circle, Rita enrolls in a literature review at the college. The two embark on a frequently funny, sometimes rocky mission of self

discovery. Written by Willy Russell (who also wrote Shirley Valentine and Blood Brothers), Educating Rita is often described as a modern-day Pygmalion.

Needed are one woman, age range mid to late 20s to 30s; and one man, mid to late 40s to 50s. No roles have been precast. Auditions will be cold readings from the script, but if you wish to prepare a monologue of no more than 2 minutes, the director will be pleased. Bring a theatrical experience resume if you have one.

ICT needs volunteers! Anyone interested in being a stage manager, working backstage, lights, sound, helping with costumes or set construction, publicity or fundraising? We would love to hear from you, too. No experience? No

problem! Teaching is part of what we do.

Eight performances of Educating Rita are scheduled for October 8-18 at the Catherine Hickman Theatre in Gulfport's Arts District. Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays, and 1:30 p.m. matinees on Sundays.

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## Flag Football For All Ages

The Pinellas Athletic Leagues inaugural season will be this October beginning with flag football. We are looking for athletes who reside in and will be representing the following towns; (North Teams) Clearwater-West, Clearwater-East, Palm Harbor, Tarpon Springs, Bellair, Dunedin, North Beaches, Indian Rocks Beach, (South Teams) S-t. Petersburg-West, St. Petersburg-East, Pinellas Park, Seminole, Largo, Gulfport, South Beaches, St. Pete Beach. There are eight age groups which are: 8-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-17, 18-24, 25-34, 35-44, 45+. Registration is now open visit us at [www.pinellasjocks.com](http://www.pinellasjocks.com).

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The menu features a great supply of freshly fried pollack, homemade hushpuppies and cole slaw, baked beans, grits, tartar sauce, coffee and iced tea. Cost is \$8 per person (for all you can eat) so bring the entire family. Plenty of tickets will be available at the door or contact any of your Lion friends.

This is a Gulfport Lions Activities Projects with all of the net proceeds generated to be allocated to their community outreach programs, especially Sight First activities, as are all of their fundraiser projects (spaghetti suppers, pancake breakfasts, shrimp boil, etc.).

Make sure you are a part of this popular annual social event. If you need directions, call them on Labor Day at 321-7859.

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## Attention Artists!

Several artists are needed to participate in the new adventure of Gulfport Galleria.

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see art. Also the art walk is booming so twice a month the customer base at the Galleria is increased. Plus Gulfport has several festivals and events nearly every month besides the art walk.

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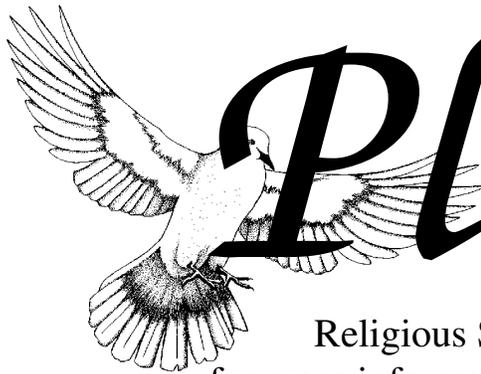
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## Trinity Nazarene to Host Cookout

Trinity Nazarene Church located at 1000 55 Street S. in Gulfport is having a cookout on Friday, August 7 at 6 p.m. Donation of \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Everyone is invited to attend.

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## Angel Outreach Talent Show Fundraiser

Tickets are now available for the Angel Outreach Talent Show Fundraiser on August 8, 7 p.m. There will be lots of great talent, including youth, dancers, some excellent local contemporary Christian performers and more. Proceeds will benefit homeless and other needy children in the community.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Tickets may be purchased by sending check or money order to: Pasadena Community Church,

227 70th Street, St. Petersburg, FL 33707.

For more information, please contact Barbara at 381-2499.

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## Concert at Pilgrim Congregational

Paul Fornatar, Gulfport resident tenor, will present a free concert next Sunday, August 9th, at 3PM at Pilgrim Congregational Church, 6315 Central Avenue. He will be assisted by soprano Rhonda Cofield, mezzo soprano Emily Daugherty and accompanied by Kay Mann.

Songs of the Thirties, show tunes, religious songs and duets, as well as arias will run the gamut from Irving Berlin to Mozart, from Andrew Lloyd Webber to Verdi. Le Miz selections will be highlighted.

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## Thrift Shop has Sales on Thursdays

St. Vincent's Thrift Shop is now featuring a sale every Thursday when all clothing is half off. Many items to choose from. Located at 5124 Gulfport Boulevard, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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# Worship

## Sophie's Thrift Shop

After their summer vacation, Sophie's Attic Thrift Shop (on 53rd Street, near 28th Ave. S.) is re-opened on Saturdays, from 9 a.m.-noon. It's a great time to get back-to-school clothes for all the kids. Most are \$1, or less.

They have clothes for women, men, and babies, too. Also, linens, kitchenware, and much more! They are an outreach mission of First United Methodist Church-Gulfport and would love to have you join them for Sunday Traditional Worship at 10:30 a.m. and at their Contemporary Praise Service on Wednesday at 7 p.m. each week.

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## Beth Moore Simulcast at Fifth Avenue Baptist

Fifth Avenue Baptist Church will air a simulcast of Beth Moore's "Living Proof Live" on Friday, August 28 at 8 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.) and Saturday, August 29 at 9:30 a.m. (doors open at 8:30 a.m.). Program features soul-stirring worship and life-changing teaching. The church is located at 4901 Fifth Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. Call 327-3353 to order tickets or go to [www.5thabc.org](http://www.5thabc.org).

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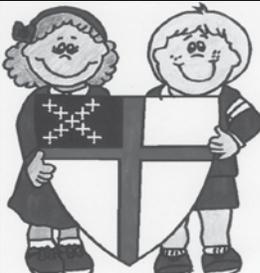
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## Night Out, from front page

Department, Fire Department, CASA, CERT, The Police Explorers, Identity Theft Shield, the Gulfport Senior Center, Catherine Hickman Theatre, the Rec Center, the Library, the Gulfport City Council and Mayor Mike Yakes all came to show support for the community and its hard work in helping to prevent crime in Gulfport's neighborhoods.

Acting Interim Police Chief Harold Coombs spoke to the crowd, and thanked them for their pro-active stance and tenacious efforts.

"Our community is large and diverse and it takes both the Fire Department and the Police Department to take care of the communities' needs. But it's the community policing, that personal involvement, that helps compliment what we do and helps us solve problems within our community. We all have our roles and responsibilities to keep our citizens and neighbors safe and we must all work together to that end," Coombs said. "And even if some of the people across the way (in unincorporated South Pasadena) don't want annexation, they are still a part of this community and we're here to help them as well. We all need to work together; we want our streets safe and we want people to know you can trust a guy with a gun and a badge."

Local residents Margarita and Miguel Abdo brought their two daughters, Ana and Cristina to Caldwell Park to learn about the community.

"We want them to understand that there are resources out there among the different organizations that are here to help us, if we need them," Margarita said.

Sixteen year old Samuel Smith, an Explorers Sergeant, joined Explorers a little over a year ago. He says he wants to become a police officer. He and the other Explorers go on ride-alongs with Gulfport police officers as part of their training.

"We don't go on any violent calls," he's quick to point out, "but we do go out on traffic stops and accidents."

National Night Out was first introduced by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and its Executive Director Matt Peskin in 1984, as a means of creating a heightened community awareness of the roles of the police and neighborhoods in a cooperative effort to combat crime. In 1984, participation included about 2.5 million people in 400 cities nationwide. Since then, National Night Out has steadily grown to involve over 35.4 million people in over 11,000 communities and cities all over US, Canada and military bases worldwide, according to the National Night Out 2009 website.

## Keep Gulfport Colorful Contest

GULFPORT: The Industrial Arts Center's mission to make Gulfport streets more colorful is taking off. Visit the IAC website now to see a few of the first entries! The non-profit arts organization invites Gulfport residents to submit photos of their decorative mailbox for its first "Keep Gulfport Colorful" contest. Winners will receive free glass blowing classes.

Need inspiration? Come to a fun 2-hour Paint Your Mailbox workshop at the Industrial Arts Center. Gulfport tribal painter Barbara Nicolazzo will lead the workshops. The nominal fee includes a brand new metal mailbox.

Creators of the three most "colorful" mailboxes will win free glass blowing classes at the IAC with a total value of more than \$300. First prize is a Fun With Hot Glass class, second prize is a Hot Glass Fast Track class and third prize is a Blow Your Own Glass certificate.

Mailboxes must be installed at an address in the Gulfport city limits. The decorative medium is up to the homeowner's interpretation. Submissions should be made via email to [info@industrialartscenter.org](mailto:info@industrialartscenter.org). Deadline is September 1, 2009.

For more information, visit [www.IndustrialArtsCenter.org](http://www.IndustrialArtsCenter.org). Email [info@industrialartscenter.org](mailto:info@industrialartscenter.org) or call 727-289-9365.

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Whether it's the local Gabber or other local websites, your email, your calendar or watching live government TV is your way to get connected to Gulfport, check out the City of Gulfport's new website to stay in touch with what is going on in your city.

If you haven't had the chance to visit Gulfport's newly designed website, the City welcomes you to take a look at [www.ci.gulfport.fl.us](http://www.ci.gulfport.fl.us). You will find many images on the site and if you take your mouse to each one of the light blue navigation bars, other menus will pop up for you to explore. Scroll down the page and see the list of City events from all departments. If you click on an event you are interested in, you can add it to your calendar. Also on the main page, you will find a little yellow box below "Join Our Mailing List" to get up to date emails from the webmaster to remind you of Gulfport events.

If you do not have Bright house digital cable, but have internet

access, go under City Departments, you can view the Gulfport station GTV615 on line. It lists the program guide, City YouTube Videos and a live web stream link. Webstream is the same information distributed as if you were watching on cable TV. You must have Windows Media Player to view and the webmaster has set up a link for you to install that program.

The City's website also refers you to other Gulfport related links in the "Search and Links" area. We invite all to visit the City's website to explore what is happening in Gulfport.

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## Protect Yourself from Summer Heat

Floridians are entering the hottest time of the year. With temperatures, humidity and heat indexes soaring, it's important for you to protect yourself from heat-related illness.

People suffer heat-related illness when their bodies are unable to compensate and properly cool themselves. The body normally cools itself by sweating. But under some conditions, sweating just isn't enough. In such cases, a person's body temperature rises rapidly. Very high body temperatures may damage the brain or other vital organs.

Because heat-related deaths are preventable, it's important to be aware of who is at greatest risk and what actions can be taken to prevent a heat-related illness or death. The elderly, the very young, and people with mental illness and chronic diseases are at highest risk. However, even young and healthy individuals can succumb to heat if they participate in strenuous physical activities during hot weather. Air-conditioning

is the number one protective factor against heat-related illness and death. If a home is not air-conditioned, individuals can reduce their risk for heat-related illness by spending time in public facilities that are air-conditioned.

To protect your health when temperatures are extremely high, remember to keep cool and use common sense. The Pinellas County Health Department offers these tips for preventing heat-related illness:

Drink more fluids (nonalcoholic), regardless of your activity level. Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink. Warning: If your doctor generally limits the amount of fluid you drink or has you on water pills, ask him how much you should drink while the weather is hot.

Don't drink liquids that contain caffeine, alcohol, or large amounts of sugar—these actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Also, avoid very cold drinks, because they can cause stomach cramps.

Stay indoors and, if at all possible, stay in an air-conditioned place. If your home does not have air con-

ditioning, go to the shopping mall or public library—even a few hours spent in air conditioning can help your body stay cooler when you go back into the heat. Call your local health department to see if there are any heat-relief shelters in your area.

Electric fans may provide comfort, but when the temperature is in the high 90s, fans will not prevent heat-related illness. Taking a cool shower or bath, or moving to an air-conditioned place is a much better way to cool off.

NEVER leave any person or pet in a closed, parked vehicle.

Visit adults at risk at least twice a day and closely watch them for signs of heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Infants and young children, of course, need much more frequent watching.

If you must be out in the heat:

Try to limit your outdoor activity to morning and evening hours.

Cut down on exercise. If you must exercise, drink two to four glasses of cool, nonalcoholic fluids each hour. A sports beverage can replace the salt and minerals you lose in sweat. Warning: If you are on a low-salt diet, talk with your doctor before drinking a sports beverage. Remember the warning in the first "tip" (above), too.

Try to rest often in shady areas.

Protect yourself from the sun by wearing a wide-brimmed hat (also keeps you cooler) and sunglasses and by putting on sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher (the most effective products say "broad spectrum" or "UVA/UVB protection" on their labels).

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## The Geckos are Coming!

The 9th Annual Gulfport Gecko Fest is on the way on Saturday, September 5 from 12-10 p.m on Beach Blvd. in Gulfport. This free event sponsored by the Gulfport Merchants Association, GEICO, Gulfport Chamber of Commerce, Industrial Art Center, Sail Away Realty and the City of Gulfport is a full day of fun for everyone. Proceeds will benefit the St. Petersburg Aids Walk. This quirky celebration brings together strolling street performers, main stage performers and vendors with all types of weird and wonderful wares up and down Beach Blvd. Over

190 vendors are expected to be in attendance at this year's event!

Join the o-FISH-al GECKO Goddess and the Gecko Court along with Belly Dancers, clowns, magicians, pirates, Mimes, Imagination, Theatre, and Fire throwers, who will all be roaming the streets and entertaining the crowds!

If you want to stay in one place, free live entertainment will be provided on three main stages from noon till 10 p.m.

Don't forget this is an audience participation event especially the

parade at 6 p.m. They are expanding the Gecko Walking Parade (think wacky, noisy, and costumed) with non human, adults and children's costume contests at the end. Additional activities include sidewalk chalk art, face painting, drum circle, belly dance lessons and much more.

The day culminates in Gulfport's famous street dance at 8 p.m.! Bring your dancing shoes and beach chairs! Visit [www.geckofest.com](http://www.geckofest.com) or [www.Gulfportma.com](http://www.Gulfportma.com).

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## First Friday Art Walk

Chill out at Gulfport's First Friday Art Walk on August 7, featuring over 50 fabulous artisans, crafters, antiques dealers, authors, and entertainers along Beach Blvd., from 6 to 10 p.m. Live entertainment including Rock 'N Chair Band, Paul Anthony, Gail Biron, Free Range and more can be heard throughout the Waterfront District. The Industrial Arts Center features demonstrations by award-winning glass blower Owen Pach, and offers Blow Your Own Glass mini-classes. Art Walk takes place on the First Friday and Third Saturday of every month, year round. Chill out and enjoy an extraordinary shopping and dining experience on Beach Blvd. in Gulfport, Tampa Bay's "best kept secret". Free Gulfport trolley rides, free parking, pet and family friendly. Vendors can download the application at <http://gulfportma.com>. For more information call 866-ARTWALK.



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96ELDER (1-800-963-5337).

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## Annual SPCA Pet Walk Needs Vendors

Vendors interested in supporting homeless animals and exhibiting their products/services to more than 2,000 pet lovers at the 19th Annual SPCA Pet Walk should apply now. The early bird deadline to register booths for the October 24 event, for a nominal fee of \$175, has been extended through August 15. After this date the fee will increase to

\$225.

This crowd-drawing event is sure to bring attention and new customers to local businesses. Festivities begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 1 p.m.

Stage events will be hosted by official media sponsors: The St. Petersburg Times; WQYK 99.5FM, Q105, La Maxima 92.5FM, Wild 98.7FM; 820AM NewsTalk radio; and, Tampa Bay on Demand. Activities include: The St. Petersburg Times Adoptable Pet Parade, IAMs Pet Costume Contest, Frontline/Heartgard Pet Boutique tent, PetSmart Amateur Agility course and more. Tech Data Corporation is the presenting sponsor again this year.

This event is not made solely for animal-related businesses; diverse companies will see enhanced interest in their booths since pet lovers come in all shapes, sizes, and consumer needs. Pet owners will be glad to know that non-pet related companies are joining the cause to save animals.

For more information and to register contact Janet at 727-586-3591, ext. 168. Visit [www.PetWalk.org](http://www.PetWalk.org) for event details.

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## Meals on Wheels Needs Drivers

Volunteers are needed to deliver hot, nutritious meals to the homebound throughout Pinellas County. Volunteering for the Neighborly Meals on Wheels program is a hands-on, front line experience. If you have 1½ hours midday to help in your own neighborhood, you could help improve someone's life and make a real difference in this critical area of need. Meals are picked up at a site near you and delivered to the homebound in your area (maps and directions are provided).

Many Pinellas County seniors are living alone, too poor to buy food, or too frail to shop and cook for

themselves. And the need is growing every day. Do someone else a favor and you will be doing yourself one!

Neighborly needs compassionate, caring volunteers to share their time with lonely, isolated seniors. Please call Pat Hazell at 727-573-9444, ext. 291 to start helping your community today.

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## Auxiliary Happenings Unit 125

By Cyndy Adams

Have you ever wondered what the American Legion Auxiliary is all about? Well, now is the time to come in and find out! We are hosting a "Meet and Greet" with our new Auxiliary officers this Tuesday, August 11 at 7 p.m. during our general membership meeting. We will have brochures of Auxiliary membership benefits, info on what our Auxiliary does for the community and also what our Officers and committee people do.

Did you know that as an Auxiliary member you are entitled to discounts

on life insurance, prescriptions, eye care and travel (just to name a few) at no additional cost to you? Bring a friend and a dish if you wish! Refreshments will be served immediately following the meeting. Now is a good time to meet some new friends or catch up with some old ones. Hope to see you Tuesday!

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## Free Acupuncture Clinic for Veterans

Acupuncturists Without Borders is offering a free acupuncture clinic to provide treatment for veterans, their families, and their health care workers. These acupuncture treatments address stress, insomnia, post-traumatic stress syndrome, depression and anxiety. The clinic is held at Unity Christ Church, 6168 First Avenue N. in St. Petersburg at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday. The clinic is free, donations are welcome. For further information, please call 727-204-5203.

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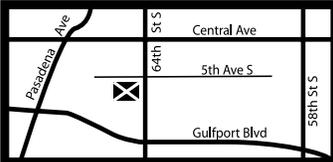


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## New Outdoor Antique Fair Seeks Vendors

A new outdoor antique show is coming to Gulfport "Antiques in the Park," co-sponsored by the City of Gulfport. This series of four outdoor antique shows will be held in Clymer Park, at the intersection of Gulfport and Beach Boulevards. The dates for "Antiques in the Park" will be the first Saturdays of the month in November, January, March and May. The rain date is the following day, Sunday. The first show date is Saturday, November 7. Antique dealers interested in participating may call 321-8454 for information, or visit [www.hulahula.biz](http://www.hulahula.biz).

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# The Gabs

By Leigh Clifton

In these days of electronic media, do you still get a Sunday paper, and if so, what parts of it do you actually read?



**Ed Esielionis, St. Pete:** “I think the St. Pete Times has gotten really ragged lately; it’s very concerned with fluff and not a lot of substance. The only sections I read are the Perspective, Sports, Front Page and the Neighborhood Times. I don’t bother with the coupons, although with this economy I probably should. But the first thing I do is pull out Section B; there’s never any good news in Section A anyway. I read about local businesses in the Neighborhood Times. The Perspective section really gives you something to think about, it gets your mind working. I used to read Sports a lot more, because I used to play a little baseball. But I’m so tired of reading about overpaid athletes. I really like college ball a whole lot more. I agree that the art of reading the Sunday paper has been lost. Most people these days don’t even have time to read the paper anymore, and it always has a lot of negative stories anyway which just bring you down. I used to study the stocks, but the St. Pete Times always seems to be the last paper to get any real info.”

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**Eric Harvey, St. Pete Beach:** “I don’t get the St. Pete Times delivered, but I don’t need to because we always have one at work at the restaurant. The first thing I read is the sports, to check up on the Rays and Bucs games. Then I look at the lotto numbers, to see if I won. I read the obits, just to see if I knew anyone who has passed away. Then I read the local news section. Since I do a lot of fishing after work, I read the weather section, to check tides and to see what the weather will be like on my days off. That way I can know whether I can go swimming, go to the beach or visit my brother in St. Pete. I like the sales ads; there are always a lot of coupons, especially for Walgreens. People don’t realize how much money you can save using coupons, you’d be surprised. I don’t get a chance to read the daily paper because I’m normally working daytime.”

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**Nicole Wilson, St. Pete Beach:** “We get the Sunday paper delivered and I always read the front page, the ads, and the Parade. My husband Christopher always grabs the sports and then we’ll read whatever else we have time for. We have two young kids, age three and one and they’re very demanding of our time. We never seem to have enough time to get through the whole paper. If I ever had a Sunday just to myself, I would read it all the way through. But I think my husband reads the daily paper online as well. But the Sunday paper is different; there’s just something about the ritual of it, of sitting around the table and sharing it together that seems to be lost. Now, no one has the time to just sit and relax with it.”

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**Amy Murphy, Winterhaven, visiting Sunset Beach:** “I read our Sunday paper front to back; coupons, sales ads, even the sports. I teach reading to 5th graders at Bartow Academy in Bartow. I tell my kids to read the paper all the time and we actually have it delivered free at school to my classroom. Our paper is the Lakeland Ledger and I encourage the kids to read the whole thing... I tell them there’s more to reading than just books; almost anything that has words is worth reading. With the boys, it’s mostly sports and stats, which we then plug into math lessons. It teaches them in way they can relate to. With the girls, they read more of the Life and Style section, and entertainment news, which we can then discuss. They all can learn from reading the paper, whether it’s politics, news, sports, or entertainment.”

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# Letters

## Looking for an Easier Way to Pay

**Dear Editor:** From time to time, for years, I've inquired as to when Gulfport residents would be able to have their monthly water bills paid electronically by automatic charge to either a bank checking account or a credit card account. The City already accepts credit card payments so it shouldn't be too much of a stretch to make them automatic. But time and again I've been told "they're working on it," or that the current computer system is not yet sophisticated enough.

With all the upgrades to the City's Website, software and other elec-

tronic communications of late, it seems "the system" should be capable of simple bill payments. I suspect the problem is not "the system," but "the lack of will" to institute auto-pay, which would save stamps for mail payments or gas for trekking down to City Hall. Auto-payments would also allow folks worry-free travel knowing the water bill, like the phone, electric, cable, mortgage and every other conceivable bill, would be paid automatically while away.

Isn't it about time Gulfportians can employ and enjoy this small convenience? It's not rocket science!

Jude Bagatti, JD, LMT  
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## Special Vendors Needed for Corey

Special vendors are wanted for Cool Down on Corey every Friday evening from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Corey Avenue merchants will start staying open later on Friday evenings and promoting a "Cool Down on Corey" during the Dog Days of Summer. They are looking for special vendors to set up on the sidewalks during this time. Electricity is provided in some areas. No tent required, most areas under large awnings. They are looking for prepackaged food (salsas, hot sauce, etc. - permit required), face paintings, magicians, plants/flowers, etc. Little or no set up fee. If interested please contact Kathi Hansen, Corey Corners, 350 Corey Avenue or call 727-366-2003.

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## Beta Sigma Phi

Laureate Epsilon Theta members will meet for a ways and means meeting on Wednesday, August 12 at 7 p.m. at the home of Sharon Ingram. Members will be painting ceramic Christmas mice ornaments. This is the last issue of the mice as this has been their project of the past 30 years. The ornaments are sold for \$3 and can be personalized for \$3.50.

Members of Sunshine City Council chapters are looking forward to the Beginning Day Luncheon hosted by Preceptor Epsilon Nu. This year's theme is "Fabulous Fifties" and will be held at Banquet Masters in Pinellas Park on Saturday, August 22. The luncheon is always a big hit with members as it is a wonderful way to begin the new sorority year.

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

## Salvation Army Seeks Donation of Personal Items

The Salvation Army is seeking donations of regular and travel sized personal hygiene items for men and women that are given out to clients through its Social Services. The list of items needed include deodorant, razors, toothpaste and toothbrushes, soap and body wash, shampoo and conditioner, combs and brushed as well as creams and lotions. Additional personal hygiene items such as feminine hygiene products and baby diapers are always needed.

Donations can be dropped off at the Social Service office located at 1400 Fourth Street S. in St. Petersburg. For more information please contact Luis

Rosa at (727) 822-4954 or by email at Luis\_Rosa@uss.salvationarmy.org.

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## Volunteer Opportunities with Benefits

Seniors in Service has openings for seniors to serve in its Foster Grandparent Program. The positions involve helping at-risk and special needs children in public school classrooms, Head Start centers and after-school programs. Volunteers spend their time one-on-one or in small groups with children. Ideal candidates love children and are patient and supportive.

Foster Grandparents must be 60 years old or older. They serve for 15-40 hours per week and receive a transportation reimbursement, training and other benefits.

Seniors with a monthly income of \$1128 (single) or \$1517 (couple) are eligible to earn a tax-free stipend of up to \$424 per month. This stipend

does not count as income and does not affect eligibility for food stamps, housing, Medicaid or any other assistance.

Other incentives include love, admiration and the knowledge that you are making a difference in the lives of children.

What a difference you can make by sharing your time and attention with children. Check them out at [www.seniorsinservice.org](http://www.seniorsinservice.org) and call (813) 932-5228 for more information.

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# Sustainable Living

By Shawn Dell Joyce



## Carbonless Cooling

Climate change has brought warmer temperatures and searing heat waves across swaths of our country. Many electric utilities just raised their rates considerably, making air conditioning a luxury that most of us can't afford. Other cultures have perfected many ways of dealing with the heat. Here are a few low-tech ways from around the world to keep cool this summer without adding more carbon to the problem:

**South America:** Dampen a sheet, and hang it in the window. The water evaporates in the breeze, cooling the room in the process. Another method is to place frozen 2-liter bottles of water in front of fans for instant AC.

**India:** Yogis practice shitali pranayama, in which they sit cross-legged and breathe deeply. Shape your tongue into a tube like a snorkel, and put the tip outside your mouth. Breathe through your "snorkel" with your chin on your chest. The air moving over your tongue cools you from the inside out.

**Egypt:** Egyptian nights stay in the 90s. Dampen a bedsheet, and use it as your "blanket." Evaporation does the trick.

**China:** Keep bamboo mats between your skin and hot or hard surfaces, such as car seats and chairs. The

bamboo allows air to circulate and keeps bare skin from sticking to hot plastic.

**Tropics:** In humid climates, people often dress down and get wet. Getting wet reduces your core body temperature by 3 degrees and lasts up to an hour. If you wear clothes that can get wet, as well, the cooling effect lasts longer. You don't have to have a pool. A water hose, faucet or misting bottle will work.

**Middle East:** You can stay cooler in arid climates by covering up your skin. Picture desert dwellers in their turbans and flowing white garments; the white reflects the sun, and the natural, loose fabrics shade the skin where there is no shade. Bedouins often wear two layers in the heat of the day. Skin exposed to direct sun is hotter than skin insulated by clothing. Turbans and bandanas shade the eyes and soak up sweat from the head, which evaporates and helps cool you off.

**Cities:** Apartment dwellers in cities often move bedding onto fire escapes to sleep in the cooler night air. Their rural counterparts can sleep on screened-in porches or outdoors. Another trick is to fill your bathtub with cold water and take periodic dips to keep cool. If you live on the top floor, turn on the ceiling fan (or attic fan) and open the windows to draw out

the hot air. If possible, go downstairs to the basement in the heat of the day. Turn off incandescent lights, as they generate 90 percent heat and 10 percent light. Use compact fluorescents or LEDs instead.

**West Indies:** Spicy foods make you perspire more, which cools the body. Spices also help stop foods from spoiling as quickly and give you an endorphin rush, which feels good in any temperature.

**Italy:** Train grapevines over window trellises to provide shade in the summer and let in light in the winter. Slightly opening windows on the bottom floor and fully opening upstairs windows maximizes Mediterranean breezes through your villa.

**Southern comfort:** Front porches are part of the cooling system of a Southern home. Sitting in a lawn chair or rocker that has slats or openings (for airflow) on a shady porch with iced tea is a Southern tradition. You hold the iced tea against your neck to cool the blood going to your brain. Also, hold it on your pulse points on your wrists. Blow into the iced tea and cool air will rush around your face and neck. In temperatures higher than 105 degrees, soak your clothes, and then sit in the lawn chair with iced tea.

**Women's wisdom:** Women in hot climates always carry folding fans in their purses. Another secret is to dampen a handkerchief and tuck it into your cleavage. It is very cooling and keeps sweat from running down your chest. Southern women often spritz themselves with rubbing alcohol and then stand in front of fans. Follow that with a sprinkling of baby powder at your pulse points and you're as cool as a cucumber.

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# Crossword Puzzle

Solution on Page 18

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- 1 \_\_\_ Bill
- 6 Tale
- 10 Bird's crop
- 14 \_\_\_ garde
- 15 Bound
- 16 Castor's mother
- 17 French physicist born 1867
- 19 Sharif or Khayyam
- 20 Stop sign shape
- 21 Singles, socially speaking
- 22 Most capable
- 24 Fa follower
- 26 Actress Peeples
- 27 Pronoun for Miss Piggy
- 28 Sponge up
- 31 Lea
- 33 Expert ensemble
- 36 More conceited
- 38 Subject for 17 Across
- 42 Perspectives
- 43 Like some seals
- 45 See 68 Across
- 48 TVA project
- 50 Knock one's socks off
- 51 Judge in 1995 headlines
- 52 Teachers' org.
- 54 Manet or Monet, e.g.

- 57 Formal jackets
- 59 Spanish treasure ship
- 62 Clear leaves
- 63 Award for 17 Across in 1903
- 66 Inlets
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# Points On Pets

By Matthew Margolis

## Dog Eat Dog

What better time to discuss dog-fights than on the heels of Michael Vick's readmission to the NFL?

On July 20, the former Atlanta Falcons quarterback completed his 23-month federal sentence for bank-rolling the Bad Newz Kennels dog-fighting operation. Seven days later, NFL commissioner Roger Goodell granted Vick conditional reinstatement to the NFL. Now all he needs is a team that will have him. Any-one?

Dogfights, however, are not limited to grisly underground matches orchestrated and attended by sociopaths. They happen every day -- in nature, on the streets, in quaint, fenced-in dog parks and in homes across the globe. Consider the following story from a reader:

"My 6-year-old dog, Bosley, is aggressive toward our other dog, Rocco, and often redirects this aggression toward my wife or me when we try to break up a fight. We have both been bitten six times. My wife wants to relocate Bosley or have him euthanized. We hope to avoid the latter, but we are trying to have children and everything I have read says this is not possible with him in the house. I also understand that many shelters and most people will not take him because of his aggression.

"We have worked with trainers since we got him when he was 9 months old. Nothing seems to work. My wife is a dog walker, and we are

both pretty diligent about giving him exercise, as well as training. We love him dearly and want him to lead a happy life, and I find the thought of euthanasia unbearable. Please help."

And another:

"About a year ago, a black Lab mix we dubbed "Joe" wandered into our garage, skinny and scared and looking like he had been lost for some time. We checked the neighborhood to see whether he belonged to anyone, to no avail, so we called the local shelter to come pick him up. During that time, Joe interacted with our other dogs, Dooder and Meathead, with no problems.

"The shelter came to get Joe, and since he was so sweet, we put our name on the list to adopt him if nobody claimed him. Fourteen days went by, and the shelter called and said we could adopt Joe. They neutered him, chipped him and made sure he had all his shots. We brought Joe home, and he fit right in with our family.

"Two weeks went by before the first fight broke out. Joe and Meathead went at each other's throats and were not going to quit until one of them was dead. Luckily, my father-in-law and I were able to pry them apart, with quite a bit of injury to both dogs. Since then, we've done everything in our power to keep the two dogs separated, but every now and then, there is a slip in our routine, and they get together for one of their horrible battles. I recently or-

dered muzzles for both dogs, which should help, but both my father-in-law and I have been bitten while breaking up dogfights. Each dog weighs nearly 100 pounds.

"We love them very much and do not want to get rid of either one of them. They have the best temperaments -- when they are separated or with Dooder, a neutered male Newfoundland weighing about 160 pounds. Having to keep one locked away so the other can have the run of the house, and visa versa, is getting old, but we don't want to give up any of the dogs. Can you please help us?"

Between Dooder, Meathead and Joe, these people are living with 360 pounds of dog, 200 pounds of which are drawn to potentially lethal conflict.

Dogfights are dangerous. Dogs get injured. People get injured. Many times seriously. Sometimes fatally. And the more fights a dog participates in, the more of a loose cannon he becomes. This is why so many of Vick's dogs were ineligible for adoption.

If you live with dogs that don't like each other and you don't have an easy and certain way to keep them apart, the best course of action for everyone involved is to find a new childless, petless home for one of them. Both dogs will thank you.

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**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). If you expect others to bring the fun, you'll be disappointed. You're the most exciting one around! The social scene gets absolutely stale unless you take control and issue some personal invitations. Don't be afraid to blend your creativity with a dash of daring and a cup of controversy. Your fans are depending on you.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You won't be spending much time on the couch, as you'll be inspired to fill up your days. Research and investigation will be required. You won't automatically know what is likely to be the best experience. Some of the paths you choose will be less than exciting, but you'll soon figure out the best choices available.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll make impressive progress with a project, if you do say so yourself. In fact, that is probably what will happen, as the people around you are either too jealous to offer their props, or they are not aware or educated enough to understand the complexity of what you're doing. Continue on the path of greatness.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Even if you know a person very well, you can never know all of them. There will be changes in your environment that trigger a different response from your loved one than you expected. It's nice to be surprised, and this twist could be just the spice that makes a relationship suddenly more interesting again.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have a full plate this week. Resist the urge to rush around. If you have to let some activities drop, go ahead and don't feel guilty. The point is not how much you can accomplish in seven days; it's how well you enjoy yourself. If you can let your personality shine through your every endeavor, you've won.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your work has been largely self-

motivated, and the result has been deeply fulfilling and also successful. Even in your personal life, you are strong and refuse to lean on others for your happiness. You seldom admit, even to yourself, that you need others. This week, bring the guard down and let yourself be loved.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be among sleepwalkers whose primary aim is to stay comfortable and do the very minimum to get by. Don't be lulled into that zone. Stay aware. To be wise is to recognize what's in front of you. If you seize your opportunities, you'll be given more. If you decline them, you'll be given fewer.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). With Neptune as your guide, you're a dreamer. But when you feel the timing is right, you're also a doer. Others may urge you to move before you're ready. Go with your own sense of flow instead. You will be intuitively guided, which will probably seem illogical to more reasonable types. Believe in your powers.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You're the favorite of the moment. It's as though the universe has given you extra points, but you have to use them this week or they go away. Call in a favor and you'll be spoiled rotten. Behave badly and you'll be instantly forgiven. Act in a way that's totally off the wall and you will be, inexplicably, understood.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You may be at odds with someone, but that isn't necessarily a bad thing. It doesn't even have to cause unrest in your world. Do one of three things: 1. Agree to disagree and leave it at that. 2. Sever the relationship and revel in your own ways. 3. Convince the other person to back down because you're right.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Steer clear of distractions. Whether it's video games, Internet shopping or a certain flirty someone, you'll be overly

susceptible to enticements that take too long and are too expensive to fit into your original plans. There are times when the detours are sweeter than the main path. This is not one of those times.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Hopefully you don't mind being emulated because that's just what happens this week. You have excellent ideas about how best to spend your time. Those who observe you see someone who is having a jolly old time being a productive and generous person, and you'll gain admirers, as well as followers.

**This Week's Birthdays:** In the past, you believed that you didn't have time to take part in certain leisurely activities. However, this year things change. You realize that when you hang out with others you're not wasting working hours -- you're actually working. You'll make fortuitous connections this year that help you expand your personal horizons, enrich your relationships and increase the number of them, and win in business. This month brings a windfall. October highlights education. Travel in March.

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"We saw the notice in the paper so we came on over to St. Pete Beach," Annie said. She also LOVES pink flamingos and has thousands of them in her home. Fortunately for them, there was very little competition, and they won best wacky tropical shirt hands down.

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- Submitted by  
 Jean Colton,  
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# The Boys of Summer

Photo by Leigh Clifton



Joe Cortez (blue shirt) from Clearwater and Richard Smith of Gulfport battle it out for frisbee dominance in Clymer Park last Sunday afternoon. Smith, who lives right across the street from the Park, had a bunch of friends over for a birthday weekend celebration for one of his buddies.

# Congratulations, Nicholas!



Nicholas R. Hughes has been awarded the Mattioli/Noble Achievement Award of 2009 in recent recitals. This award is given annually as a memorial to the late Ruby Noble, a teacher of Eileen Mattioli. The award consists of a plaque, \$150 and his name engraved on the studio plaque. Nicholas, 15 years old, has been attending Mattioli School of Music and Arts for two and a half years under the guidance of Eileen Mattioli. His latest accomplishment of memorizing Beethoven's Sonata 1 Op. 2 the first movement, and having the highest studio grades led to his award. He attends Lakewood high school and is currently going into the 10th grade in the CAT program. In middle school he began his musical triumph by playing trumpet for his middle school band and quickly ascended to the highest level, then took part in the extra-curricular jazz band. After starting lessons with Eileen, he undertook the art of guitar and voice also as his endeavors. He wishes to continue his studies on a higher level of education in college and hopes that in his musical achievements he will attain a scholarship.

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AFS students come from more than 40 countries and represent many different cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds. Local AFS Volunteers enroll students in high school and support students and their families to help both gain the most from their experience. In addition to host families, AFS needs people who are interested in becoming volunteer liaisons to work locally with families and their hosted students. Anyone interested in learning more about hosting or volunteering with AFS should visit [www.afsusa.org/hostfamily](http://www.afsusa.org/hostfamily) or call 1-800-876-2377.

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# FEMA, Gulfport Development Department Meets with Residents to Explain Flood Insurance Issues.

By Leigh Clifton

FEMA representative Bob Durrin, Mike Taylor of the Gulfport City Planning office and representatives from the insurance industry spoke to about 70 Gulfport residents last Thursday night about flood insurance for coastal communities. The City of Gulfport participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, sponsored by FEMA that gives reductions of flood insurance rates to the City of Gulfport based on 10-1 point scale of the Community Rating System or CRS. These standings are established by adhering to a set of criteria, set by FEMA that the City must meet in order to get a positive or advantageous CRS rating. These include storm water management, risk identification, flood plain management, and development/activities that change or enhance the City in its efforts to reduce flooding by establishing parks, beach fronts, and natural barriers. The more participation in these fields by the City, the lower the CRS score; Gulfport is currently at a 7. Lower CRS ratings result in lower rates for the National Flood Insurance Program or NFIP, which usually translates into lower premiums to city residents for flood insurance purchased from local Insurance agencies.

Gulfport residents are supposed to get a 15% reduction in their flood insurance premiums, based on the City's participation in the NFIP and its CRS rating, but as Bob Durrin of

FEMA soon found out, several residents told him at the meeting that they only saw a reduction of 10% or less on their individual policies.

"That's something you will have to ask the individual agents who wrote the policy," he told annoyed residents. "FEMA rates are the same for everyone; it's the assessment of the property and amount of improvement and/or the so-called flood plain maps devised by FEMA engineers at the time. These maps may be 20 years old, but they are the maps (of the flood zone areas as determined by the engineers) in place when the flood insurance rates were being assessed."

These maps were a sore point of contention among some of the residents; some maps were very outdated and consequently the residents were charged flood insurance premiums well above what the current maps delineate as the flood zone. The premiums did not take into account the many improvements since the last CRS mapping.

City Planner Mike Taylor admits that there is no perfect solution to the oftentimes uneven premiums some Gulfport residents are being charged. He cites the individual insurance agents with not keeping up to date on the newest mapping of the city's flood zones. Many residents are charged too much for their policies and some are totally unaware of it. He stresses that FEMA provides constant education to agents and that the individual insurance agencies should take advantage of it to help



their clients make better flood insurance choices and so that the agents can more accurately rate a property.

Gulfport's participation in the CRS program is supposed to help in the reduction of those premiums for home owners. Those that live in evac zones V and A must carry flood insurance. One waterfront homeowner said he was charged \$12,000 a YEAR for his insurance; another was charged almost \$8000 for a year's premium. Both Taylor and Durrin suggested that ALL homeowners review their policies and check that they are receiving the 15% discount that Gulfport residents are eligible for. Most agents should take advantage of FEMA

"If you don't see that discount," Durrin said, "then you should change your insurance agent."

He also stressed that while FEMA is the overseer of the NFIP, it is the

City of Gulfport that the residents should call if they get flooded, NOT him.

"It's the City that runs this program here, not FEMA. They should be your first contact."

Residents left the meeting grumbling about rates and assessment inequalities. There still were a lot of unanswered questions.

Local insurance agent Mike Whitman, of Whitco Insurance said that in the ten years he had been in business, he had never written a flood insurance policy for more than \$8000. He says that \$12000 quote sounded suspiciously high.

"We do a lot of FEMA education," he said. "We have to, to keep up with all of the changes."

FEMA's Bob Durrin's final message; ALL homeowners in Florida need flood insurance.

"It's not a question of if, but when the water will come. You better be prepared."

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# Your SOCIAL SECURITY

By Tom Margenau

## Follow These Tips to a Successful Disability Claim

**Q:** I was recently injured in a car accident that put me in the hospital for about two weeks. While there, a social worker suggested I apply for Social Security disability benefits because I won't be able to go back to work for quite a while. But a friend told me it takes two years to get government benefits. I figure why bother because I should be back to work by then. Is there any reason why I should file for my Social Security disability?

**A:** You should file for Social Security disability benefits because if you don't, you could be throwing away thousands of dollars per month in government help that you might be due.

The Social Security Administration does take too long to process disability claims. But the time frame is more like three months, not two years. And, of course, the longer you delay filing, the more time it will take to get your benefits started.

Here are four tips to help speed up the process and improve your chances of collecting Social Security disability benefits:

1. You're going to be given a medical report form that asks questions

about your disability. Complete that form as thoroughly as possible. Don't simply list your primary disability. For example, if you are filing for disability benefits because of a back injury you sustained in the accident, you should obviously note that on the application. But list all other physical AND mental problems you have, no matter how insignificant you think they are. If you have high blood pressure, put that down. If you get frequent headaches, tell SSA. If you occasionally feel depressed, put that in the report.

Listing all your impairments is important because one disabling condition might not be enough to meet the strict legal definition of disability. But a combination of impairments could put you over the top.

Tip 2. Another part of the disability questionnaire asks how your condition(s) prevent you from working. Once again, be as thorough as you can when answering this question. Describe in specific terms how each impairment you have keeps you from doing your job. For example, don't simply say, "I can't do any heavy lifting." Instead, you might say: "My job requires me to lift 20 pound boxes and move them about 100 feet from one room to another. I estimate I have to move these boxes 10 times each day." The disability evaluators have to document specifically how your

condition keeps you from working.

Tip 3. In the medical sources section of the questionnaire mentioned above list every doctor you've seen, every hospital or clinic you've been to, and every lab you've visited. For each medical source, list your patient number or any other identifying information you have.

The primary reason disability claims take so long to process is a long wait for medical evidence. SSA requests patient records from most sources you list. That usually involves a letter sent to the medical provider. So, any information you provide, such as patient numbers, will help the provider locate your records and get them to SSA.

Tip 4. Get involved in the disability claims process. A week or two after you file your application, call SSA. By that time, your local Social Security office should have shipped the claim to their medical evaluators. Ask the SSA representative for the name and phone number of the evaluator who is processing your claim. Make that person your new best friend! Call him or her occasionally to check the status of your claim and to find out if there is anything you can do to speed up the process. Usually, you will be told that they are waiting for medical evidence from one or more of your providers. It wouldn't hurt if you called your doctor's office or the hospital records office and "goosed" them a bit!

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# Gulfport Leisure

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

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

### REMINDERS & UPCOMING EVENTS

**2009 SUMMER PROGRAM-**Ongoing registration continues for the 2009 Summer Recreation Program for children who have completed Kindergarten thru age 14. Proof of residency is required for registration. Hours of registration for Monday-Friday are from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. You can pick up your packet at the Rec. Center or log on to [www.ci.gulfport.fl.us](http://www.ci.gulfport.fl.us) and follow the links to City Departments, Leisure Services, Rec Center. For more information call 893-1068.

**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-**Ongoing registrations continue for the 2009-2010 School Year Child Care Program for children who will be entering



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

### PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS:

**Adventures in the Market:** Amateur investor Jim Joiner hosts this informal meeting to share personal experiences and helpful market strategies in these uncertain times. Every Monday at 6:00 pm.

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

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

**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, August 8, 1:00 pm.

**Socrates Café:** These monthly discussion groups were inspired by the book

Kindergarten thru age 14. Non-refundable annual registration fee is \$15 for residents and \$100 for non-residents. Monthly fees are \$133 for residents and \$266 for non-residents. Program hours are until 5:30 p.m. with extended hours available until 6 p.m. for an extra charge. Hours of registration are Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

**Teen Night - CURRENTLY NEW REGISTRATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE 2009-2010 YEAR-**Teens, age's middle school to 17. Mon., Wed. & Fri. 6-9 p.m. Annual reg. \$2 res/\$20 non-res.

**Tot Time Program - Preregistration-**Pre-registration for the 2009-2010 Tot Time Program are currently being accepted. Hours for pre-registration are from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. A non-refundable annual registration fee of \$15 for residents and \$100 for non-residents is required to secure a spot. Proof of residency is required for Gulfport residents. The Tot Time Program is a pre-school, hands-on program for children ages 3-5. The program aims to make learning fun for children and helps prepare them for Kindergarten. Two, three and five-day monthly options are available. Program hours are from 8:30a.m.-12:00p.m. Classes begin September 8, 2009. Call 893-1068 for more information.

### CLASSES

**Body Sculpt-**Thurs. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 per class. This class is a combination of aerobics and strength

training designed to get your heart rate into the cardio zone. For more info call Billie at 239-313-0876.

**Dog Obedience-**For more information on upcoming classes, contact Lisa at 772-3631.

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

**Gymnastics -** Fri., 5:30-6:15 p.m. for ages 5-12. Cost is \$5 per class. Call Barbara at 804-9400 for more info.

**Karate-**Mon. & Fri., 6:30-8 p.m. (Beginners), advanced students stay until 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$35 per month. For more information call Diane at 727-459-1399.

**Noisemakers-**Children ages 4 and up. Adults please contact Gabe for information. Cost is \$15 per class or \$105 for an 8-week session. Please call Gabe at 345-7472 for more information and to be placed on a list.

### Tai Chi - MOVED to the CASINO

Tues. & 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.

**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. Call Maureen at 381-2166 for more info.

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, August 13 at 10:00 am.

**Suncoast Computer Users:** Thursday, August 13 at 6:00 pm.

**NOT YET CONFIRMED: The G & O Book Club:** A philosophical discussion group based on the works of early 20th century mystic G. I. Gurdjieff and philosopher P. D. Ouspensky. Saturday, August 15, 1:30 pm.

**Summer Coffee/Talk:** Summer series of monthly book discussions, "Grace Under Pressure," continues with Charles Dickens' Hard Times. 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, August 20 (coffee's ready at 10:00 am, talk starts at

10:15).

**Attention Coffee/Talkers (and other books-into-movies fans)-**We'll be showing "Hard Times", a 1994 BBC-WGBH film based on Charles Dickens' classic novel. This version stars Alan Bates as the self-made, self-important banker Josiah Bounderby. Thursday, August 20, starting at 1:30 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, August 22, 1:00 pm. FMI, call Kay Boatwright at the Library, 893-1074.

Open Monday-Friday: 10 am-7 pm & Saturday: 10 am-4 pm  
All meetings and programs are free and open to the public.  
Programs and dates are subject to change.

# Services *City Sponsored Activities* in the Community

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

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FLEA MARKET:** Friday, August 7, 9:00 – 1 pm in the Senior Center Dining Room. Proceeds in aid the Senior Center Foundation's plans to offer more fitness related programs to its regular schedule.

**Craft Club With A New Focus-**The Senior Center's Craft Club is now under new leadership with a focus on creating care packages for our troops in Afghanistan and Iraq. If you would like to be a part of this meaningful project, we will need your ideas and helping hands. Fridays at 9:00.

**December Sale-**The Senior Center is now collecting items for an upscale sale/silent auction which will be held in December. If you have any items you would like to donate, please contact the Senior Center. Proceeds will benefit the Senior Center Foundation.

**English as a Second Language-**Interested in improving your conversational English skills? Call to reserve space in our upcoming class.

**Computer Classes-**One-on-one computer training sessions are available. Call for reservations.

### Websites of Special Interest

www.ci.gulfport.fl.us  
www.gulfportseniorfoundation.org  
www.aaapp.org

### SPECIAL EVENTS:

**Movie of the Month-**Mon. August 17

**Ice Cream Social-**Mark your calendar now for our Ice Cream Social on Wed. Aug. 12 at 1pm. Entertainment included. Tickets are \$1.00 and one can of food for our Food Pantry. Sponsor: Westminster Suncoast

**New Yoga Chair Exercise** – For active, older adults. Focus on breathing, balance and flexibility. No floor work. Fri. Aug. 28 at 2:45pm. Bring a friend. If you like this form of exercise, we will try to offer it on a regular basis.

### SEMINARS & PRESENTATIONS

**Get Connected for Health Living-**3 Part Series on Healthy Aging -Starts Thurs. Aug 6 at 10:30 am – then August 13 & 20

**Attorney Amanda M. Wolf:** VA Benefits that pay for Home Care, Assisted Living facilities and Nursing Care. Wed., Aug 24 at 1:00 pm

**All About Medicare** - every 2nd Tue. at 11:15am. Starts Aug. 11.

**Managing Money in a Tight Economy,** Tues. Aug. 18 at 1pm by Consumer Credit Counseling Service.

**Toastmaster Info Meeting** – Tues. Aug. 18 at 6:30pm.

**Holocaust Museum Presentation** –Thurs. Aug. 27 at 2pm in the Catherine A. Hickman Theater in memory of Sophie Friedlander. Refreshments provided.

### FUN & GAMES

Bingo, every Fri. at 1pm

Contract Bridge, every Tues. & Thurs at 2pm

Canasta, Pinochle, & Beginning Duplicate Bridge, every Wed. at 6:30

Mah Jongg, Mon. at 1pm

Wii Bowling, every Thurs. at 1pm

### CLASSES & CLUBS

**Chair Exercise with Phil** every Tues. at 10:45am

**Bone Strengthening Exercise** every Wed. at 11:15am. Courtesy of Coventry Health Care.

**Fitness Center:** Treadmills, Recumbent Cycle, Easytone Exercise Chairs, 8am-4pm

### Exercise Off Site:

Tai Chi every Tues & Thurs. at 9am (Gulfport Casino)

Total Fitness every Mon & Wed. at 1:30pm (Gulfport Neighborhood Center)

**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 (727) 343-9044 to register or visit www.aarp.org/drive.

### SPECIAL SERVICES

**GEMS Door-to-Door Transportation-**Transportation for Gulfport seniors, 55 yrs. or over. Service provided Mon. thru Fri. 8:30am-4pm. Annual membership: \$50. Rides: \$1.00 each way. All rides to the Senior Center are free. Call for more info.

**Blood Pressure Screenings** – every Tues, 10:30-11:30am. Thanks to Egret Cove, Boca Ciega Rehab, Ace Homecare, Alliance Care, and ResCare Home Care for providing this much appreciated service on a monthly basis.

**Phone Distribution for Hearing Impaired** – Tues. Aug. 18, 9:30-11:30am. Call for more info on how to qualify.

**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 classes: July 27 & Aug. 10

**Elder Law Clinic-**Free legal assistance on Fri. Aug. 21 at 9:30am. Includes help with wills, living wills, powers of attorney, health care surrogate, etc. Must be 60 or over, reside in Southern Pinellas County and meet income guidelines. Call to register.

**Health Insurance Questions?**-Do you have Medicare/Medicaid questions or billing problems? Confused about Medicare Part D? Call for 1:1 appointment. Courtesy of SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders).

### Support Groups

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

Support for Visually Impaired, 2nd & 4th Mon. at 2pm

Support for Caregivers, Tues at 6pm; Wed. at 2pm

**Neighborhood Center**  
1617 49th St. So./893-1070  
**VitalLife Exercise Class-**Monday & Wednesday, 1:30-2:30 p.m.  
**Overeaters Anonymous-**Sunday, 6:30 p.m., www.oapinellas.org



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### **ART RECEPTION**

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### **"STEVE ARVEY BAND"**

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1-2 p.m., Beg.-Slow Dance

2-3 p.m., General Dancing

### **Tues., ARGENTINE TANGO**

7-8 p.m. - Lesson

8-10 p.m. - Dance, \$15

### **Wed., SWING DANCE**

6-8 p.m. - Lesson

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

### **Thurs., SALSA DANCE**

7-8:30 p.m. - Lessons

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

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## Local Obituaries



**DI GIOVANNI,  
LUCYANNE  
MARY,** Born  
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Died suddenly  
on 8/1/2009.  
Predeceased  
by her father

Lucien DiGiovanni, Sr., and mother Josephine K. Bridgeman (Wiese), and her brothers, Lucien, Jr. and Daniel. Survived by her daughters Autumn Roman (Greeley) and Amanda Greeley, four grandchildren, Michael, Anthony, Drew and Amaya. Also her other siblings Anita, Cynthia, Ross and Christopher. Memorial services being held on Thursday, August 8 at 6 p.m. at Veterans Park followed by reception at On the Rocks. Also on August 10 at 2:15 p.m. at the Palazzo Di Oro located at 3600 34 St. S. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimers Association.

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**MAHONEY, EVELYN H.,** 91, of Spring Hill, FL, died July 29, 2009. She was born to the late William

and Elsie MacDonald, August 13, 1917, in Plainfield, New Jersey. She was the oldest of two children. Her younger brother, Edgar MacDonald, died in 1956. Evelyn graduated from North Plainfield High School in 1935. She married the late Richard C. Henderson in 1940. While in New Jersey, they lived in Plainfield and Highland Park. Their last 16 years in New Jersey, they resided in Green Brook, where she was active in the local Garden Club and the Girl Scout Organization. She served as a Troup Leader for the Girl Scouts for many years. Evelyn held numerous jobs over the years. She worked at the Telephone Company, Bamberger's Dept. Store and Sears, to name a few. When her husband retired in 1973, they relocated to Gulfport, FL, where he passed away in 1980. Evelyn lived a total of 33 years in Gulfport, FL, where she served as president for The Woman's Club and Garden Club and was active at the Senior Center. She did volunteer work for the American Lung Association and

other organizations. She was also a member of the "Self Help for Hard of Hearing" organization. In 1982, she married the late William Mahoney. They were married for nine years before his passing. While living in Gulfport, she was an active member of St. Vincent Episcopal Church. In 2006, she moved to Spring Hill, FL to be closer to her family, where she was a resident of Atria Evergreen Woods. She enjoyed spending time with the other residents and all the activities that Atria had to offer. In June 2009, she moved to an adult residential living facility. For many years at Christmastime, Evelyn enjoyed playing the part of Mrs. Santa Claus, complete with an outfit she made for herself. She helped distribute gifts at different parties and events. She always enjoyed bringing joy to others. Evelyn was a selfless, kind and giving person and always had a smile on her face. All of our lives are brighter for having the privilege of knowing her. She is survived by her three daughters, Gale Farro of Brooksville, FL, Jean Hutton of Spring Hill, FL and Carol Maddox of North Fort Myers, FL. She is also survived by six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. There will be a funeral service held for her at St. Vincent Episcopal Church in St. Petersburg at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 13, 2009. ALifeTribute Funeral Care-Gulfport, 347-5521.

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**THOMPSON, LORRAINE SWAIN,** 91, of Gulfport, died Sunday, July 26, 2009. She is survived by her sons, Roger and Wesley Thompson and a loving family. ALife Tribute-Gulfport 347-5521.

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# Gulfport Beach July 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 |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|
| June 7      | 4                   | 7              |
| June 14     | 2                   | 7              |
| June 21     | 12                  | 71             |
| June 30     | 2                   | 71             |

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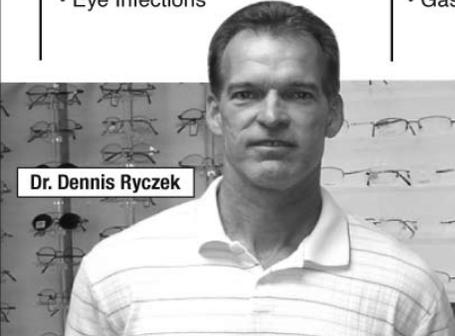
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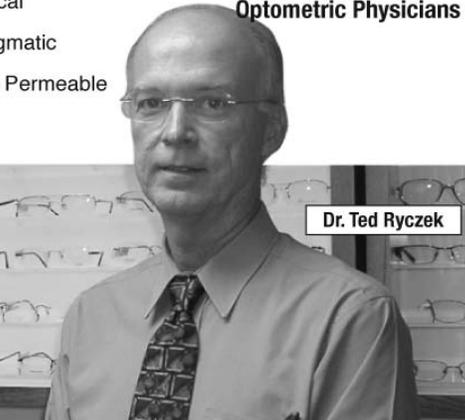
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# Somethin' on my mind

By Bill Northrop

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## Summer Fly Fling

It's the summer doldrums. Heat stays and stays, and the kids won't be in school for almost a month, the pace of life slows. Summer nights are summer nights and big bugs are big bugs. It's the south and that's the way it is.

I suppose today most of us hunker down in air conditioned houses, cars, restaurants, and what not. Kids crouch over electronic devices. Not much takes place out-of-doors. Kind of boring and taxing to the imagination over what to do.

In summers past, I used to fly flies. I haven't done it in years, but it was good entertainment at the pool, or with a group of kids escaping rain storms. Actually, I wasn't a kid when I did it, but no matter. Here's how it goes: Catch a fly, shake it up in your hand, drop it in a glass of water. Find a girl with really long hair and pluck out a strand. This was easier in the 1960s and 70s and no one seemed to mind, but it's doable now though the girls are likely to be a bit more irritable now. Get one to act as an assistant.

Anyway, once you have all the ingredients you make a loop in the hair and then slip it over the head of the fly. Tighten the loop a little and voila! You have a fly on a leash. It's pretty cool because most people can't see the hair and it looks like you have a tamed fly. The only draw back is that the fly gets pretty tired with that long (relatively speaking) leash its hauling around. So, it has to land pretty frequently.

Caution, though. Don't pull the loop too tight. It's a good idea to have on hand a spare fly or two. At any rate, it seems to keep everyone's attention for a time even though holding the fly and slipping the loop around the fly's

head can be a bit tedious and gruesome. I don't recall what we did with the pet flies.

I don't recall, either, where I learned this, or who taught it to me. However, I do remember southern nights in Kentucky with friends who like to fly June bugs. They'd catch a June bug off the screen door, get a spool of thread and a pencil to hold the spool, tie the thread to the hind legs of the June bug and let go. Zoom, like a rocket to the moon, although this preceded rockets to the moon by decades. Only problem is that June bugs thrash around a lot. Kind of icky.

Mark Twain relates the tale of the frog races and I know people have turtle races, and cricket jumping contests. In Pennsylvania, where I spent my non-formative years, I knew some country folk who held chicken flying contests. It was unique. They'd take old mail boxes, cut out the back, and back the chickens in. At the sound of the whistle, they'd push the chickens out vigorously with a toilet plunger and away they'd go. We used to send a photographer to cover the contests, but I think the summer gimmick died out.

It really wasn't cruel. When I was about eight I had three pet ducks (Huey, Dewey and Louie) whose wings were clipped. We lived on a small farm then and it had a two story barn. We'd take the ducks to the second floor, shovel hay out of the barn onto the ground, then we'd toss the ducks out and see how well they'd fly. Then we'd jump ourselves. They flew better than we did.

Some have asked whether these are true stories or not. They are. That's the way I remember them, anyway.

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## Laugh with a Child!

Gulf Coast Community Care needs volunteers age 30 and older for its mentoring program. Volunteers are matched with children who need a positive adult role model. Many of the children are in foster care or live with a single parent who is going to school and working. There is a need for volunteers for children of all ages.

Volunteers give the gift of time to one child and are provided social events and support by agency staff. No experience is necessary. There are no costs. Volunteers spend a few hours a week in simple activities such as reading, fishing, baking, teaching a craft or visiting a park with a child. We have children throughout Pinellas waiting for mentors!

To learn how you can make a lasting difference in the life of a child, call Beverly at 479-1841 or Fanya at 479-1831.

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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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## Bayfront Gift Shop Needs Volunteers

The Bayfront Medical Center's Gift Gallery is in need of volunteers. There are three convenient 4-hour shifts daily. You will receive a meal ticket to their cafeteria, and free parking at the hospital when you work. If you are interested in becoming a Gift Gallery volunteer or would like more information, please contact Cyd Hendrick at 893-6878.

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| Lunch Served<br>11am-3pm<br><br>Ron's Karaoke 7pm | Southern Knights Band<br>7-11pm<br><br>Lunch Served<br>11am-2pm | Southern Knights Band<br>7-11pm<br><br>Darts 8pm<br>Free Pool 'til 5pm |        | No Lunch Served | Lunch Served<br>11am-3pm<br><br>Ron's Karaoke 7pm | Lunch Served<br>11am-3pm<br><br>Bingo 6pm<br>Kitchen open |

Next Tuesday, August 11, the Auxiliary will be having their general meeting. They would like all Auxiliary members to come in and meet & greet the new Officers. If you can bring a dish to share, it would be appreciated. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. Hope to see you there.

If you will check out the parking lot, you will see that we are still in desperate need of having it re-paved. If you can help us with a donation, it will be greatly appreciated.

## Post 305

**6999 Gulf Blvd., St. Pete Beach 367-1596**

| THURSDAY                        | FRIDAY                               | SATURDAY        | SUNDAY        | MONDAY                         | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY                          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Bar Bingo<br>7pm<br>Food Served | Dinner 6-8pm<br>Bob & Pegs<br>7-10pm | Music<br>7-10pm | Open noon-9pm | Dinner 5-8pm<br>Karaoke<br>7pm | Auxiliary Executive<br>Meeting 5:45pm<br>Auxiliary Regular<br>Meeting 6pm<br>Harry 7pm | Executive Committee<br>Meeting 6pm |

## SHINE as a Volunteer

Do you want a volunteer position that is truly fulfilling and mentally stimulating? Then consider counseling seniors and the disabled with the SHINE (Service Health Insurance Needs of the Elders) program. Volunteers assist clients with Medicare, Medicaid, private health insurances, long-term care options, benefit and claim issues, prescription drug assistance programs and much more.

SHINE volunteers are both active and retired individuals from diverse career and cultural backgrounds. As a volunteer, you will receive initial training, continuing education and a supportive environment with dedicated colleagues.

If you have an inquiring mind, tact and sensitivity as well as a strong desire to help a vulnerable population, then SHINE may be the perfect volunteer opportunity for you.

Call 570-9696, ext. 234 and speak with Area Agency on Aging Program Coordinator, Susan Samson.

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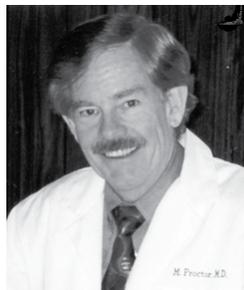
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In just 62 weeks, Gulfport will celebrate the centennial of its incorporation, October 12, 1910. We'll be reminding you every week with an interesting old photograph from the collection of the Historical Museum. See if you can identify the people, 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.

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

Shown last week: The Womens' Town Beautiful Association was formed in the late 1910s by Mrs. Julia Lucky, a prominent do-gooder of the era (no idea which of the ladies she is in last week's picture). Their first project was to raise the \$11 it would cost to build a "rest house" on the pier.

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## Volunteer Advocates Needed

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program administered by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs is seeking volunteer advocates for residents living in nursing homes and assisted living facilities to investigate complaints concerning their rights on issues such as food, staffing, funds, medication, abuse and neglect. Volunteers are trained to assess these facilities for federal and state law compliance.

Anyone with advocating and administrative abilities may apply. Retired individuals and couples are welcome. Mileage and meal reimbursements are provided at the state rate for all official ombudsman duties.

Please call 588-6912 or 1-888-831-0404 to volunteer.

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# WellNEWS

All the news that's fit.

By Scott Lafee

## Speed Kills

The repeal of the federal speed control law in 1995, which had restricted the maximum highway speed to 55 miles per hour, has boosted more than just how fast cars move down the road these days. It has resulted in a marked increase in the number of road fatalities and injuries.

In a new study out of the University of Illinois Chicago's Public School of Health, researchers found that in the 10-year period following the law's 1995 repeal, approximately 12,500 deaths in the United States could be attributed to increased speed limits.

The original 55 mph law was passed in 1974 in response to the oil embargo and had an immediate impact: a drop of almost 17 percent in highway fatalities. Nonetheless, in 1987 the law was modified to allow states to raise the speed limit to 65 mph on some interstate highways, and then completely revoked in 1995. States now set their own speed laws.

The researchers say the total repeal was wrong. "This is a failed policy because it was, in essence, an experiment over 10 years," said Lee Friedman, lead author of the study. "People assumed that increasing the speed limit would not have an impact. We've shown that something has happened and it's quite dramatic."

Friedman says the federal government should again consider restricting highway speeds to 55 mph. It would save lives and gas.

### GET ME THAT. STAT!

Although the absolute risk is low, babies born to older mothers have a slightly greater risk for many childhood cancers, according to research out of the Masonic Cancer Center at the University of Minnesota.

Risk of contracting seven of the 10 most common childhood cancers increased slightly, about 7 percent to 10 percent, with every five-year increase in maternal age. The father's

age appears to be irrelevant.

### MEDTRONICA

Addiction inbox  
addiction-dirkh.blogspot.com

A review of news about drug addiction, alcoholism, drugs of abuse and new scientific and medical treatment options by Dirk Hanson, author of "The Chemical Carousel."

### STORIES FOR THE

#### WAITING ROOM

Fetuses that are 30 weeks old may have short-term memory, according to a paper in the journal Child Development. Researchers at Maastricht University in the Netherlands produced harmless sounds and vibrations next to the wombs of pregnant women. After 10 minutes of exposure, fetuses reacted measurably less than they did initially, suggesting that they had become used to the stimuli.

### PHOBIA OF THE WEEK

Nyctophobia -- fear of darkness

### OBSERVATION

If I was in a family that had the familial form of Alzheimer's -- where half of individuals have it by age 60 -- I would definitely be taking in 500 milligrams of caffeine a day and I would be doing it in coffee. -- University of South Florida researcher Gary Arendash on his study that suggests coffee might reverse memory problems caused by Alzheimer's disease

### CURTAIN CALLS

In 1989, an Illinois college student on spring break was playing "balcony Frisbee" at a popular Daytona Beach, FL hotel. The game consisted of players tossing and catching the flying disk from different balconies.

The Illinois student leaned too far out for a catch and fell to his death, becoming the only Frisbee fatality on record.

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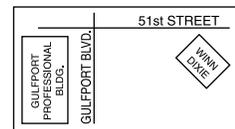
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## Gulfport City Council Meeting

# Public Comment & Council Quotes

*"We made a little plaque for you guys... in recognition of all the hard work you do."*- Krista Chapin, Sea Scouts Ship 951, to Gulfport Council.

*"Councilwoman King has been opposed to Mr. Driscoll for years. I have gotten the impression in council meetings that it was because of the cost of the litigation regarding Pasadena Properties, but that is her right and she is open about it. When I first moved here I read something in The Gabber that alluded to Pasadena Properties being in their location for some time, and it only became important when councilwoman King joined the council and brought up the issue. So, even though all, or a majority, of the council voted to pursue litigation, I have always been under the impression—rightly or wrongly—that we would not have had this expense had it not been important to councilwoman King."*  
-Dotty Wolski

*"I believe that every citizen has a right and a duty to instruct our elected officials. I am here to night to do just that...I'm here tonight to instruct you that you did not have to blindly rubber stamp everything the city manager (puts) before you..."*  
- John Freiburger

*"She counseled the sweet little old lady who answered the door until she said yes," Debbie Blake about a member of the Merchant's Association*  
*"Who does the city manager work for - the Merchant's Association or the city?"*-Debbie Blake

*"I think the people in the unincorporated area that we're talking about here actually have a right to vote on this,"*-Michele King

*"We're getting a lot of litter; where's Dawn?" Councilwoman Judy Ryerson asked as she implored Gulfportians to pick up litter on the beach if they saw it.*

*"She's away for the summer," Councilwoman King said.*

*"That explains that," Ryerson responded.*

*"At... what we call the old Winn-Dixie complex... it will be redone and it will come back as a Save-A-Lot food store," - Mayor Mike Yakes. Yakes also said he hadn't seen a contract to support this.*

*"The point being we just let someone go...if you're hiring someone on a 1099 basis how is that hiring a full-time attorney?"*-Margaret Tober

*If your government is going to do that to us and we're not even part of your government, why would we want to be a part of your government?"*-Frank VanBibber

*"I think the people have a right to vote. I'm sorry. I see the people who come in here and talk and the people who don't come in here and talk are entitled to their vote."*-Judy Ryerson  
Gulfport Will Not Attempt Annexation

*"I am here tonight to instruct councilmember Worthington that he needs to stop pushing his 'special interest' agenda in regard to the mooring field. We just don't have the need or the funds to pursue this project. I am here tonight to instruct all councilmembers to request complete disclosure from the city manager as to any other phases for the city's marina and to request the transfer of all excess marina funds to the general fund."*-John Freiburger

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Persons with pets must also register for pet evacuation and shelter needs. Registration forms for pets are also available at the Center.

The Center's staff volunteers also have telephone numbers for agencies and services that may be needed during a hurricane threat. Call 866-7177.

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## Near Fatal Gulf Boulevard Accident



Photo Courtesy Michael L. Handoga

ST.PETE BEACH- Just after 10pm Tuesday evening St. Pete Beach firefighters and police were dispatched to the intersection of Gulf Winds and Gulf Blvd for reports of a serious vehicle crash. When rescuers arrived on scene they found a a Ford pick up truck had struck large vehicle that was set up doing roadway striping. The driver of the Ford pick up truck was found to be unconscious and trapped. Additional personnel from were called in to assist in freeing the victim. Firefighters and Police worked quickly and were able to use the Hurst "Jaws of Life" tool to make enough room to perform a rapid extrication of the patient. The patient was transported to the local trauma center by Sunstar and St. Pete Beach Paramedics. St. Pete Beach Police are investigating the accident.



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Following are some of the calls that Gulfport Police responded to during the past week.

**Friday 7/24**

- Suspicious Vehicle-** 5800 Blk 7th Ave. S.
- Domestic Verbal-** 2900 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Abandoned Vehicle-** 5800 Blk 9th Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 4800 Blk 29th Ave. S.
- Theft-** 2700 Blk 52nd St. S.
- Domestic Verbal-** 2200 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Saturday 7/25**

- Animal Complaint-** 5800 Blk 28th Ave. S.
- Arrest on Warrant-** 2200 Blk 54th St. S.
- Burglary-** 6200 Blk 10th Ave. S.
- Domestic Verbal-** 5000 Blk Newton Ave. S.
- Battery-** 5800 Blk 9th Ave. S.
- Open Door/Window-** 4900 Blk 9th Ave. S.

**Sunday 7/26**

- Noise Complaint-** 6300 Blk Vista Verde Dr. E
- Arrest on Warrant-** 5900 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Trespasser-** 5400 Blk Shore Blvd S.
- Domestic Battery-** 6200 Blk 11th Ave. S.
- Accident with Injuries-** 2200 Blk 49th St. S.

**Monday 7/27**

- Trouble with Individual-** 4900 Blk 29th Ave. S.

## Crime Awareness Meeting

Crime Awareness & Prevention meetings will now be held at the Neighborhood Center, 1617 49 Street S. at 7 p.m. starting August 10 at 7 p.m. They are asking all the crime watch neighbors who have started their own programs to attend this meeting as it pertains to unattended properties in the city as well as other information of concerns. They are asking those of you who live in the Zone Two area which borders 49th St. and 7th Ave. S. west to 55th St. S. south to Tangerine Ave. S. east from Tangerine to 49th St. S. to attend as they are hoping to get a crime watch started in this area.

For more information, contact Jeri Reed at 548-5566 days and 327-3509 evenings or at Jrvolunteer@aol.com.

- Theft-** 3000 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Drunk Person-** 1900 Blk 55th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5600 Blk 27th Ave. S.
- Battery-** 1600 Blk 58th St. S.

**Tuesday 7/28**

- Domestic Battery-** 1000 Blk 58th St. S.
- Abandoned Vehicle-** 1300 Blk 59th St. S.
- Battery-** 1800 Blk 49th St. S.
- Theft-** 5400 Blk 30th Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk 24th Ave. S.
- Domestic Verbal-** 1000 Blk 52nd St. S.
- Drunk Person-** 5800 Blk 27th Ave. S.

**Wednesday 7/29**

- Animal Complaint-** 2800 Blk 49th St. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 2000 Blk 59th St. S.
- Vessel Stop-** Waterfront.
- Theft-** 3000 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Violation of Court Order-** 5500 Blk Shore Blvd. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Thursday 7/30**

- Prowler-** 5200 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 5200 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Battery-** 1900 Blk 49th St. S.
- DUI Investigation-** 4900 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Theft-** 4600 Blk Tifton Dr. S.

- Drunk Person-** 4900 Blk 31st Ave. S.
- Arrest on Warrant-** 5200 Blk 9th Ave. S.
- Battery-** 3000 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Theft-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Narcotics/Drugs-** 900 Blk Hull St. S.
- Hit & Run-** 1200 Blk Fremont St. S.
- DUI Investigation-** 1400 Blk 49th St. S.
- Noise Complaint-** 5400 Blk 15th Ave. S.

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## Attention All Veterans

The Disabled American Veterans Chapter 13, with the cooperation of the City of Treasure Island, has established an outreach program to help all veterans who feel they have a justified service connected claim or appeal to receive the benefits they have earned in their service to our country.

These claims may be recent or older. We urge all veterans who would like more information or to make an appointment to call 526-9870 between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. Monday through Friday or drop in at the Garden Room at the Treasure Island Community Center on the first and third Thursdays of the month between 6-8 p.m.

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## You Can Make a Difference

The St. Petersburg Police Department is currently conducting interviews for Volunteer Road Patrol positions. This elite group of nationally recognized volunteer police professionals is looking for good men and women to join our team. If you think you have the "right stuff" and want to make a difference in your community, call 893-7141 today to schedule an appointment.

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## Historical Museum Seeks Volunteers

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Do you love visiting with people? Volunteers teach touring visitors and assisting in the gift shop. You represent to the public a friendly, inviting experience!

By contributing your time and sharing your wealth of experience the Museum will continue its proud tradition of being an “all volunteer operated” organization. No special skill, talent or knowledge is needed, other than an interest in our island history. The rewards of volunteering are many, including the friendships you’ll make.

As a Pinellas County Volunteer you will receive special benefits, invitations and rewards for committing six hours a month. Training is provided at the Museum. It is their goal to place volunteers into activities they will enjoy. They couldn’t open our doors without the help of volunteers! Please join today!

If you would like to be a part of this vital group please leave a message at the museum, 727-552-1610. Gulf Beaches Historical Museum is located at 115 10 Avenue in Pass-a-Grille, St. Pete Beach.

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## Attention Shutterbugs!

How do you see your town and your life? Send us your best photo--it can be of anything, from a picture of your pooch or a mailbox you think is cool--and we’ll choose one to run every week starting July 2.

E-mail your photo to news@thegabber.com. Photos should be at least 200dpi and in JPG format. Alternately, bring or mail your printed photos to The Gabber, 1419 49 Street S., Gulfport, FL 33707. The Gabber cannot guarantee printed photos will get returned.

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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, 7:30 p.m., 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.

August classes include: “Your Highway Signs” August 11; “Rules of the Nautical Road” August 18 and “Piloting Your Boat Part-A”.

Cost is \$40 for 13 weeks and includes a new 400-page manual. Call Jim at 360-4846, or Warren at 321-7801, or Phil at 865-2226.

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## Gulfport Tuesday Market

Every Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. you can find the Gulfport Tuesday Market on Beach Boulevard south of 28th Ave. S. in Gulfport in the Waterfront District. It is a free and family friendly event. Each week you will find produce, music, and craft and art vendors like Anne Painted Signs who offers custom painted and decorative signs for your home, office and garden. Contact: <http://gulfport-market.com>, [info@gulfport-market.com](mailto:info@gulfport-market.com) or Leslie Gilchrist at 727-439-1485.

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- Submitted by  
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# Undoubtedly Amazing: American Stage's *Doubt*

By Cathy Salustri

Director Todd Olson deserves high praise for American Stage's production of *Doubt*, the final play of their 30th season. Every aspect of the show, from the lighted stained glass set pieces to the richness each actor brings to his role, supports American Stage's reputation as the top local professional theatre.

*Doubt* deals with a priest suspected of molesting a young boy at a parochial school. Sister Aloysius, played by Christine Decker, plays the school's principal who expresses concern over Father Flynn's (Eric Davis) alleged actions with a young black boy at the school. Decker and Davis share the audience's sympathies throughout the 90-minute show; one minute it seems that Sister Aloysius knows the real story about Flynn's actions with the boy, the next Flynn convinces the house of his innocence.

Although the plot centers around the alleged abuse, the issue of whether or not the molestation occurred isn't what moves the show. The characters' convictions and doubts sweep the audience along with the storyline.

Decker unquestionably turns in a stunning performance and sets the pace for the other actors to follow, which they all do quite well. Her character scares the students, encourages the young novice, Sister James (Samantha McKinnon Brown), to inspire fear rather than confidence, and lies in an attempt to elicit a confession from a priest. Despite her icy exterior, Decker shows how these actions reinforce rather than negate Sister Aloysius' compassion and love for her students and the lengths she will go to protect them.

Davis, too, evokes sympathy, although Aloysius casts doubt on him not just for the other actors but the audience as well. Davis plays a charming young priest who claims he just wants to reach out to the students.

Brown spends the most time



Christine Decker delivers a riveting performance as Sister Aloysius in American Stage's production of John Patrick Shanley's *Doubt*.

onstage with Decker, matching her intensity beautifully. She delivers a thoughtful performance that allows the audience, no matter what they believe about the allegations, to identify with her.

Erica Sutherlin plays Mrs. Mueller, mother to the boy in question. She, too, evokes empathy despite her character's unexpected response to Sister Aloysius' allegations.

From a technical perspective American Stage has all good things going on in their new space. The sets are artistically crafted with attention to detail seldom seen locally. Lighting Designer Ben Williams and Set Designer Scott Hooper create not only a stunning set but use the lights and set to advance the show during the brief scene transitions.

The ending of the show might throw some, although don't go into this show expecting plot twists or any great resolution. Expect to see a great show and have a wonderfully thought-provoking, if not a little too short, of an evening. Nothing about this show that disappoints, and it

easily outperforms many of the touring shows that come through town.

American Stage extended the run of this show through August 23. Shows run Wednesday through Sunday. Wednesday and Thursday evening shows have a 7:30 p.m. curtain; Friday and Saturday night shows start at 8. The theatre has a 3 p.m. weekend matinee.

Tickets cost \$24-\$39 depending on the performance date and time. Students can buy \$10 rush tickets 30 minutes before each show, although last Thursday night American Stage didn't have many seats left.

You can buy tickets from the American Stage Box Office at 823-7529 or on their web site, [www.americanstage.org](http://www.americanstage.org).

American Stage has moved to 163 3rd Street North in St. Petersburg.

*Cathy Salustri works as a stage manager and sound designer for local professional theatre companies, although she never works on shows she reviews. You can contact her at [CathySalustri@TheGabber.com](mailto:CathySalustri@TheGabber.com).*

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## Weekly Sudoku Puzzle

Enter digits from 1 to 9 into the blank spaces. Every row must contain one of each digit. So must every column, as must every 3x3 square.

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# RUSH'S Reality

A satirical look at the world around us.

By Anne Rush

## Why am I Smiling?

Go ahead! Ask me. OK. I'll tell ya. I'm smiling because of an event that happened last week.

No, it was not that the Beer Summit happened at the White House and I just know in the very core of my being that there's a joke out there that goes "A Policeman, a Professor and a President walk into a bar..."

And it wasn't that Florida is now better known for its python-a-mania as opposed to say, shark attacks or hurricanes.

I'm smiling, (quite giddy truthfully) because the most monumental event that happened last week was that training camp opened. That means football season is coming!

God, I love football! Love it! So much so that I find it hard to live without it. I was pondering a few weeks ago about the pros and cons of football being year round. I'm talking real football now. Not some lame league. Not even arena football. But the NFL.

The pros for year-round NFL went something like this:

1. NASCAR
2. Basketball
3. Baseball
4. Tennis
5. Bowling
6. Golf
7. Olympics (some years)
8. Rodeo
9. Nathan's Hot Dog Eating contest which I actually watched this past 4th of July.

The cons went like this:

1. If it was on year round, I fear that I would become complacent and that it would be less meaningful for me. I wouldn't feel my heart racing or my blood pumping or be as excited as I am right now. And I like this feeling. Don't get me wrong. I'd love the opportunity to test this theory, but I fear it would be true.

And the only other reason against year-round NFL would be that some players probably need some down time in the off-season to show up for court dates and to do their community service and all.

That's it. That's all I could come up with.

But none of that matters today, because it's coming! Training camp means coverage from the media. Which means pre-season games are right around the corner. Which means the SEASON is about to start! And soon.

I now have a purpose for my Sundays. I feel a little guilty because I was raised Catholic (and that's what they do), but the only time I think about joining a church is in February after the Super Bowl because right then I really am a lost lamb. I don't know what to do with that day. And lots of people have suggested to me that I could surely go to a 10:30 a.m. service and be home in plenty of time for a 1 p.m. kickoff.

But what they don't understand is that I can actually begin pre-game at 11 a.m. on ESPN, then switch to FOX at noon, then kick-off for the early game at 1 and then the late game at 4 and oftentimes an 8:00 game, which means... I can watch football for 12 hours straight in one day! It just doesn't get any better than that if you're like me! Eternal salvation can wait.

Besides, it's not as though I don't have my own personal relationship with Him on Sundays in the fall. Why, I've been known to alternately pray to God and take his name in vain several times during the games, especially the play-offs, so I feel as though we're still talking to each other. I know that lightning may strike me at any time now, but you know what? As long as I'm wearing a Steelers shirt when it happens, I think I'd be OK with it.

I remember back in the early 80s I played in an office pool. Every week I studied each team's record, considered home field advantage, took into account the injury lists - all those scientific facts. I could have been a well-paid sports announcer on a pre-game show. But all my efforts were in vain because the ditz in the office who didn't know diddly about football would often times pick the teams from the paper by which helmets she liked best. She won the pool 12 times that year. I hated her. I still hate her.

But all that's beside the point today because it's coming up on Any Given Sunday, people! And all is right with my world. :)

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## Legal Notices

# NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on 8/20/2009 at 10:30 am the following mobile home will be sold at public auction pursuant to F.S. 715.104. 1972 HOLI TV S72227226304 Last Tennant: Wiliam Clyde Leighton. Sale to be held at: Belle Haven MHP 27554 US 19 N. Clearwater, FL 34621. 727-799-4906

**NOTICE OF NON-JUDICIAL SALE-** Pursuant to FLA statute 328.17 at Bay Pines Marina, 5000-92nd St. N., St. Petersburg, FL 10:00a. m. Monday, August 17, 2009, 1984 Murray Chris-Craft, owned by John A. Check, for unpaid storage fees..

## Yard/Garage Sale

**7000 HIBISCUS AVE.** - S. Pasadena. Apt. 2, Sat./Sun. 8a.m.-?

**534 39TH ST. S.** - Boys & Girls Clothes, New & Old. Size 2-16, Shoes, Misc. Items. Saturday, 7:30-?

**BIG YARD SALE** - Inside and Outside house, 6820 Mango Ave. S. Fri., Sat. & Sun.

**7540 14TH AVE. N.** - (Behind Azalea School off Russell) Saturday 8a.m.-4p.m. Household, Clothing & More.

**2202 57TH ST. S. APT. 107** - Sat. & Sun. 10-3p.m. Open House Moving Sale, 2nd Floor, Couch, Bed, Entertainment Center, TV, Coffee Table, Computer Desk, All Modern, & other misc. Cash Only. Call Jason for Viewing. 543-8147.

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### Card of Thanks

**ST. JUDE'S NOVENA** - May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 8th day, your prayer will be answered. Say it for 9 days. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. My prayers have been answered. M.A.

**NEVER FAILING PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL** - St. Michael, the Archangel, Defend Us In Battle; Be Our Defense Against the Wickedness and Snares of the Devil. May God Rebuke Him We Humbly Pray; and Do You Oh Prince of the Heavenly Host, By the Power of God, Thrust Into Hell Satan and the Other Evil Spirits Who Prowl About the World For the Ruin of Souls. Amen. St. Michael, I Resort to Your Protection and in My Faith, Offer This Light Which Shall Burn Every Tuesday. Comfort Me in My Difficulties and While Lodging in the House of Our Savior Intercede for Me and My Family That We Will Be Able to Hold God Close to Our Hearts and Be Provided for in All of Our Necessities. I Beseech You, to Have Infinite Pity in Regard to Favors I ask of You (Name Them) So That I May Be Able To Overcome All Difficulties as You Did the Dragons at Your Feet. Our Father (Say 3 Times). Hail Mary (Say 3 Times). Glory Be (Say 3 Times). This Prayer is to be Said 9 Tuesdays, in Succession and Each Tuesday a Candle Shall Be Lighted and a Copy of This Prayer Lft in the Church to Help Another Soul in Distress and Support the Devotion to St. Michael. This Miraculous Saint Grants Everything, No Matter How Difficult, Before the Termination of 9 Tuesdays. G.F.

**POWERFUL PRAYER TO HOLY SPIRIT** - Holy Spirit, you who solves all problems, who lights all roads so that I can attain my goal, you who give me the divine gifts to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances of my life you are with me, I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things and confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you, even in spite of all material illusions. I wish to be with you, in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. G.B.

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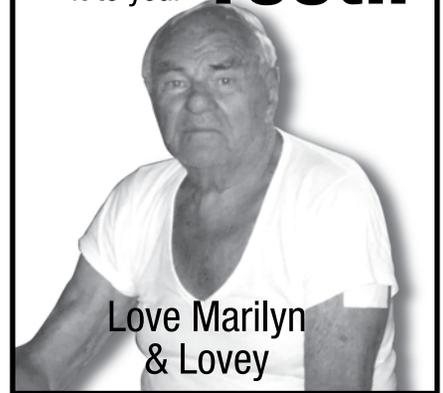
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**2/1 HOUSE 5163 4TH AVE. S.** - W/D Hookups, \$750/Mo. PASSMORE & COX, INC. 727-459-3596.

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**2BR/1BA HOUSE** -Garage, Fla. Room, CHA, Utility Room, 4313 9th Ave. N. \$875/mo. First & \$800 Deposit. Betty. 433-0221, 321-5949.

**DUPLEX**-631 73rd Ave. N. 2BR/1BA, CHA, W/D Hook-up, New Carpet, Paint, Blinds. Nice. Fenced yard. \$675/mo. annual, +\$675 Sec. 727-527-3542.

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**FIVE TOWNS 55+**- 2BR/2BA Deluxe Corner Unit, 1400SF, \$800/Mo. & Security. Swimming Pool, Clubhouse, Gas Cooking, Water, Cable Included. 1BR/1BA \$600/Mo. 727-343-7343, 727-455-8998.

**TOWN SHORES KENMORE**-1BR Deluxe. Immaculate. Parking at Security Door. Annual \$700/Mo. 1st/Last, Security Deposit. Cable/Gas/Water Included. Non-Smoker. 978-649-6562 or 978-621-2059.

Gabber August 6 - August 12, 2009

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