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## GulfportGeckofest Lives on with Geckoween



By Leigh Clifton

David Lemke and Lacey Glass dress up as Dog the Bounty Hunter and his wife Beth at the Gecko ween dance at the Casino Friday night. About 100 people donned makeup and costumes and danced to DJ music. Gift certificates to local businesses were given out as prizes for the most creative costumes which included witches, scuba guys, hippies and devils. Even Sarah Palin showed up, although "her" legs were quite hairy. According to new Gulfport Merchant's Association President Leslie Gilchrist, the money raised will go to the Gulfport Senior Center, the Gulfport Rec Center and ASAP, the aids-related division of Hospice. "This is just an extension of Geckofest," Leslie said. "It's yet another way we can give back to our community." Canned donations for the Senior Center Food Bank were also graciously accepted.

## All Four SPB Ballot Questions Pass

By Kate Bradshaw

ST. PETE BEACH – It was not the most contentious race in Pinellas County, but the four questions that constituted that St. Pete Beach ballot are ones that will likely have a lasting impact on the community. According to the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections Web site, results were not the same down the line.

The first question, a charter amendment that will "require voter approval of only those comprehensive plan amendments which change density or intensity of uses or height of structure, or which add or change land use category," passed by a 20 point margin, garnering exactly 60 percent of the vote.

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## County Slated To Run Gullfport Election

GULFPORT- Council voted to contract with the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections to run the city's March elections. The Supervisor of Elections estimates this election will cost Gulfport just under \$16,000.

Offices up for re-election include the Mayor as well as Wards One and Three (currently held by Judy Ryerson and Bob Worthington, respectively.)

## 49th Street Block Party/Safety Fair

There will be a block party/safety fair on the Tangerine Greenway (18th Ave. S. and 49th St.) on Saturday, November 7 from 10-2. Event features bike registration, child ID, fire safety, K-9 unit, "The Club" giveaways

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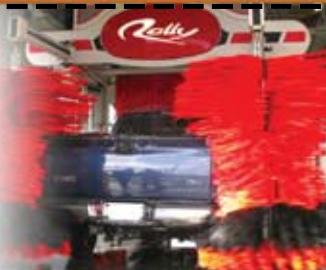
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## **Safety**, from front page

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### **Gulfport Lions Pancake Breakfast**

The public is invited to the Gulfport Lions first of four pancake breakfasts of the season on Saturday, November 7 from 7 a.m. to noon. Menu includes pancakes, eggs, sausage and tea, coffee or milk for \$4. Their address is 4630 Tifton Drive right behind the Gulfport Marina.

The money raised is used not only for state Lions projects such as Florida Lions Camp for the Handicapped, Southeast Guide Dogs and Lions Eye and Tissue Bank, but also for local projects. They have provided glasses for six area residents this year alone and are now working on the Christmas Toy Shop.

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## Two Week Stay Allowed At Marina

GULFPORT- Boaters cruising through Gulfport can now spend up to two weeks at the city's municipal marina. Prior to Tuesday night's vote boaters could only spend up to 72 hours at the marina's transient dock. Resolution 2009-14 passed unanimously.

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## Off-Shore Drilling Town Hall Meeting

There will be a Town Hall Meeting to discuss Off-Shore Drilling on Thursday, November 5 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Gulfport Casino, 5500 Shore Boulevard S. in Gulfport. Event features a panel of researchers, proponents and opponents of off-shore drilling. Sponsored by the Suncoast League of Cities and hosted by City of Gulfport.

For more information, contact Bernie Young at 727-864-4711.

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## Antiques in the Park and Classic Car Show

On Saturday, November 7 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Clymer Park will host the first in a series of "Antiques in the Park" events, an outdoor antiques and collectibles fair co-sponsored by the City of Gulfport and the Gulfport Lions Club. The annual Classic Car Show will also take place that day in the adjacent block of the park, co-sponsored by the City and CERTS, with cars from 1900 through today.

There will be a great assortment of vintage fun for sale at Antiques in the Park, including estate jewelry, old pottery, art, china and glassware, clocks, old beer signs, tools, linens, toys, Florida memorabilia, quilts, furniture, primitives, and even vintage Aloha shirts. Antique exhibitors will be set up throughout the first block of the park, at Gulfport Boulevard and Beach Boulevard, and admission and parking for the public is free. The rain date for the antique show is the next day, Sunday, November 8.

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## Community-Wide Yard Sale in St. Pete Beach

ST. PETE BEACH, FL: The St. Pete Beach Community Center will be hosting a community-wide yard sale on Saturday, November 7 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. You can sell your own items for extra cash or come browse for bargains. Cost for a vendor spot is \$10 for SPB residents and \$12.50 for non-residents. Tables are \$5 each while supplies last. Sellers can begin setting up as early as 6 a.m. that morning at the Community Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Drive. Registration will run from October 1 through November 6 or until all spots are full. Call 363-92455 with questions.

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## Corey Avenue Sunday Market Returns

The Corey Avenue Sunday "European Style" Market is back and boasts new hours this season: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Corey Avenue is blocked between Blind Pass Rd. and Boca Ciega Dr. featuring over 35 local vendors. Many Corey merchants and restaurants are open during the market offering relaxed dining and shopping pleasures while live music is being played for your listening enjoyment. Plenty of free parking and all within walking distance.

Corey Avenue is located just off Gulf Blvd. between 73rd and 75th Avenues. Free admission. Visit [www.coreyave.com](http://www.coreyave.com) or [www.suntanart.org](http://www.suntanart.org), or call 727-498-8778.

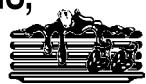
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## Theater on the Bay

The City of Gulfport's next "Theater on the Bay" will be held on Friday, November 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Field (the corner of Shore Blvd. S. and 58th St. S.). November's movie is "Ice Age: The Meltdown". Cartoons are offered before the special feature at 7 p.m.

The Teen Council will provide concessions for purchase. Movie will be cancelled in the event of rain with

no rain date. Free. Call 727-893-1118 for additional information.

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## Learn about Reverse Mortgages

An educational workshop for seniors will be presented at Gulfport Public Library 5501 28 Avenue S. on Tuesday, November 17 at 10 a.m. This workshop is designed to inform seniors who are considering whether

or not a reverse mortgage is a good fit for their retirement needs and wants.

Topics will include the effects of the stimulus package on the program, the pros and cons of reverse mortgages, what the requirements are and the associated costs. Information will also be provided regarding recent changes in the program affecting condominiums, loan comparisons, and amortizations.

This event is free to the public and sponsored by the Senior Learning Council, Inc. a Florida Not for Profit corporation. For more information please call Janet at 727-420-5257.

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## Community Yard Sale

Quality Self Storage of South Pasadena is hosting a Community Yard Sale on November 14 from 9-2 p.m. at 950 Pasadena Avenue S. in South Pasadena next to Sweetbay Supermarket. To register for your space or vendor call 345-2197. Great deals, lots of items up for grabs and donations accepted for refreshments.

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Qualifying begins at 8:00 am on Monday, December 7, 2009 and ends at Noon, Monday December 14, 2009. Candidates for Mayor shall be a qualified elector of the City and candidates for Councilmember shall be a qualified elector of the ward from which they are nominated and reside. All candidates shall have continuously been residents of the City of Gulfport for a period of one year prior to their nomination.

Please contact the City Clerk for further qualifying information and paperwork, 727-893-1012.

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## 5th Annual Senior Friendly Extravaganza

The 5th Annual Senior Extravaganza will be held on Wednesday, November 18 at the Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Dr. from 10-4 p.m. Come out early for the Senior Fun Walk at 9 a.m., \$3 donations for Meals on Wheels includes, muffins Perkins, coffee, juice, fruit and T-shirt! Doors open inside at 10 a.m. Event features senior friendly exhibitors, free coffee and goodies! Free Bingo for prizes. Win two nights at the BeauRivage, Biloxi! \$1,000's in prizes all day. Entertainment includes, Marti Carroll, Ken Brady, Richie Merritt and more. Free health screenings and the AARP/Walgreens Wellness Tour. Check out Verizon's exhibit and the GrandKids are the Greatest photo contest. Free admission and parking. Call 813-653-1988.

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## Town Shores Bocce Dance

The 2009-20 Bocce season opened on Monday with the Dover, Diplomat, Chatham and Hampton teams playing the first games.

The Bocce Dinner Dance is scheduled for Saturday, November 14. Lee Roy Selmon's will be catering with Alex Garrido providing music for dancing and the usual set ups will be available. Tickets are on sale for \$16 and tables of 10 people are being sold. See your building rep or call Judy at 344-7558. Reservations and money must be in by next Monday, November 9.

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## Teen Council Sets Meeting Dates

GULFPORT- Gulfport teens who want to take part in the city's Teen Council will now have the freedom to create their own meeting schedule. Prior to Tuesday night, Gulfport's Teen Council met on Tuesday nights. Many teens who wanted to participate in the Council couldn't

attend the Tuesday night meetings. The city voted to allow the Teen Council to set their own meeting dates so they could better accommodate their individual schedules.

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## City Purchases New Recycling Truck

GULFPORT- Environmentally sensitive Gulfportians will soon

recycle in style. The city voted unanimously to purchase a new recycling truck. The truck the city currently uses, Interim City Manager Jim O'Reilly told council, has some mechanical problems. The new truck will have one more bin than the current truck so the city could add another recyclable to its collection practices.

Although resident Margarete Tober complained that the city will spend more than it budgeted for the truck, O'Reilly said that the overage fell within 10% of the budgeted amount. According to city purchasing guidelines, O'Reilly said, city officials may spend up to 10% more than the budgeted amount on a bid item without having to get additional price quotes. The city budgeted \$192,500 for the truck by will spend \$194,853.

"I think we should buy a used truck that's been reconditioned, just to keep with the spirit of recycling," Mayor Mike Yakes joked.

Gulfport currently recycles plastic, light paper, aluminum and some glass. State law requires cities to offer recycling but offers no monies to help defray the costs of collecting recyclables.

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## Join the Senior's Chat Room

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GULFPORT- With ghosts and ghouls still warm in their holiday grave, the city is ramping up to deck the halls once again. Tuesday night council voted to spend \$30,465 to decorate the town's streets. Decorations will adorn roads, Clymer Park, and the Waterfront Redevelopment District.

"Hopefully, we'll keep the Grinch out of Gulfport," Vice Mayor Bob Worthington said.

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## **4th Annual Doll Show and Sale**

The 4th Annual Doll Show and Sale will be held on Saturday, November 7 from 10-2 p.m. at Regal Palms, 300 Lake Avenue NE in Largo. Doll appraisals and repair clinic available during the show. Free admission and parking. Lunch available. Sponsored by St. Petersburg Doll Club and The Palms of Largo. Call 585-5227.

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Submitted by Tina McIntosh

Please join us on Sunday, November 30 from 11-7 for a day of fun, friends and style while we support one of our own. Gina Burke is beginning her battle against breast cancer but she is not alone. Help us raise her family's spirits as we raise money and celebrate life's many blessings. Salon M at 2820 Beach Boulevard in Gulfport is hosting a Cut-A-Thon. Hair cuts will be performed for a \$25 donation. Also scheduled are manicures, pedicures and chair massages. There will be a bake sale, lemonade stand, and items for auction and raffle. All proceeds will go to Gina and her family. Anyone interested in helping or donating goods/services can contact Marta at 323-7870 or palmpass@aol.com or Tina at 424-4294 or tinahair9@gmail.com. Remember the more people who visit the more we can help. So please give this article to friends and neighbors. Thanks for your support!

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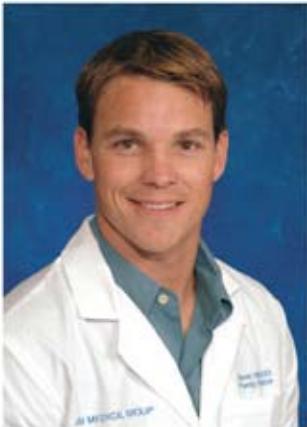
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The play's director, Victor Carr, has chosen another excellent cast for the play including Rebekah Sweet, Jim Russell, Ben Sandrowitz, Rikki Lewis, Walter Raine, and Kelly Smith. Join the Players for a night or an afternoon of outstanding comedy from Gulfport's original community theater group.

Tickets are just \$15 each and are available at Eileen's Resale Boutique, the Beach Bazaar, the Gulfport Casino, the Gulfport Chamber of Commerce, at the door, or by calling them at 727-322-0316 for advance sales.

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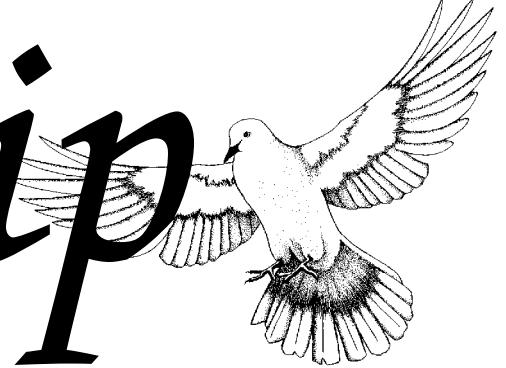
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# Worship



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## First Friday

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## Seniors Celebrate Halloween



Mr. and Mrs. Gifford dressed as hula dancers at the annual costume party at the Gulfport Senior Center

A ghoulish good time was had by Gulfport diners at the Gulfport Senior Center on Friday, October 30 as Neighborly Care Network celebrated Halloween with their annual Pajama/Costume Party. A variety of guests attended. There was an Uncle Sam, a lovely Hula couple, The Pick of the Litter, A Lion Trainer, Wonderful Witches, a Gorgeous Lady in Pink, a lady in Head to toe Halloween, a Funky Clown and a beautiful lady dressed in her native culture. You could also see some folks in flannel night-gowns, rollers, and jammies.

The Famous "Betty Reith" punch was served, along with cookies, pretzels and various treats! Lots of fun and prizes were awarded for the Pass the Pumpkin Game, the Twist Contest, and the costume contest. A frightfully fun time was had by all!



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- Submitted by Eunice Fisher

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## Holy Name 32nd Annual Oktoberfest



Four year old Jasmin Stanton holds on as she rides the carousel at Most Holy Name's Oktoberfest last Thursday night. Her grandfather Kenny Stanton holds onto her from behind, just in case...

By Leigh Clifton

Most Holy Name of Jesus Christ Church held their 32nd annual Oktoberfest over the Halloween weekend. Proceeds from the event are used to subsidize the Catholic children of the parish who wish to attend private Catholic school. Holy Name's own school was closed due to minimal attendance in 2003.

According to parish manager Eileen Plasse, the combination of the failing economy and Halloween made for a slower than usual attendance this year. The ride vendors were booked every other weekend in October, so Halloween weekend was the only one available for the celebration. Still, it was a successful one. Plasse said that every year is like a homecoming with the community; often people get to see friends they haven't seen in years.

"We're so grateful for the wonderful support Gulfport has given us over the years," Plasse said. "The City officials have been really helpful as well. Although attendance was down, we still view our Oktoberfest as a success!"

This was the first Oktoberfest for Mandrea Byrd and her family. Her eight month old daughter Yahirah's baby carriage was filled with stuffed animals and toys that her daddy Charles had won for her.

"We are really enjoying this tonight," Byrd said.

Next February, Holy Name will be celebrating their 50th year as a parish.

## Christmas Bazaar at Church and Thrift Shop

On Saturday, November 14 First United Methodist Church - Gulfport will hold their Christmas Bazaar in the Fellowship Hall and at Sophie's Attic Thrift Shop (28th Ave. S. and 53rd Street) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Event features gift baskets, jewelry, cards, decorations, white elephants, crafted items, plants, baked goods, and a queen size handmade yo-yo bedspread! Their Sophie's Attic Thrift Shop has clothing, sweaters, jewelry, books, dishes, glassware, holiday decorations, baskets, etc. Lunch is available and includes sandwiches, homemade chicken vegetable soup, soda/coffee, and dessert.

Check out their Sunday morning happenings: Sunday School for all ages starts at 9:15 a.m., Traditional Worship at 10:30 a.m., and Fellowship Time at 11:30 a.m. On Wednesday evenings their chef prepares a snack supper (reservations required by Monday noon) followed by their "Faith Plugged In" Contemporary Service.

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## Christmas Bazaar and Flea Market

The public is invited to a Christmas Bazaar and Flea Market on November 14 at Transfiguration Catholic Church located at 4000 43 Street N. in St. Petersburg from 8-4 p.m. Over 75 vendors, new and used merchandise, food, drinks, kiddie rides, bing ball game, raffle, bloodmobile, St. Pete police, Lealman fire and rescue, US Army and much more.

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In addition, there are two locations of art exhibition for 49 days. City of Imagination is featuring paintings by artist, author, actor and playwright John DiSanza in the lobby of the Wachovia Bank building during business hours, Monday through Friday and Saturday mornings. These new works are colorful, bold and energetic images of flowers. Wachovia Bank is located at 2001 49 Street S., Gulfport. Read more about Mr. Di Sanza on the Feature Page at [www.cityofimagination.info](http://www.cityofimagination.info).

City of Imagination and The Longhouse is also featuring paintings by artist Kim Dohrman at The Longhouse at 2309 49 Street S. Ms. Dohrman is an award-winning visual artist, is Associate Director of Arts Services at Creative Clay Cultural Arts Center and is 2008's Creative Clay Emerging Leader. Read more about Ms. Dohrman on the Feature Page at [www.cityofimagination.info](http://www.cityofimagination.info).

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Enter and park by the old Saffron's. Those who want to carpool may make arrangements with friends.

This should be an interesting, educational and fun afternoon. Mark your calendar and plan to be there.

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# The Gabs

By Leigh Clifton



**Carlos Yepes, St. Pete:** "Absolutely yes, I think it should be mandatory for the schools to notify parents about the potential risk of infection. It would possibly keep more kids from getting the flu, if parents could make an informed decision. I have a 24 year old daughter, who is pregnant and a lot of the warnings have been for pregnant women to get vaccinated. But my worry is that there just hasn't been enough testing, especially on the effect the vaccine might have for these women and their babies. My daughter read all the material and did as much research as she could. In the end, she got the Swine Flu shot. It made her lethargic and sick for the first day. After that, she had no problems with it, so now she feels like she and her baby will be protected."

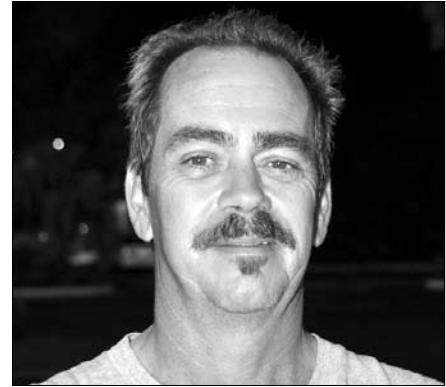
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**Do you think it should be mandatory for school officials to notify parents of students if one of their students contracts H1N1?**



**Susan Beai, St. Pete:** "I have a 12 year old son and I would definitely want to know if someone in his school had contracted Swine Flu. I feel that the school board should have an action plan to handle this situation and I think all parents have a right to know. Having said that, I'm still not sure whether or not I would get my child vaccinated; I need more information about the vaccine itself. It makes me extremely nervous that it's a live virus used for the vaccine. I don't think we've been given nearly enough information about it."

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**Tim Brown, So. Pasadena:** "Yes, I do think the schools should let the parents know if there's a possibility that their child could be exposed to the flu. Parents have the absolute right to be informed and to know if someone in their kid's school has been infected. I have a 10 year old son and he's going to get vaccinated. He's already had other flu shots before with no ill effects, so I'm not worried about him getting the vaccine."

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**Tess Lafeye, Gulfport:** "I think everybody should be told. I actually got the Swine Flu and it was really awful. If one kid at a school gets it, it can spread to everybody and those sick kids bring it home to the parents, who can then spread it at their workplace. I have three grandkids in school and if someone at their school had the Swine Flu, I would expect my son to get a note about it. But I told my son that there is absolutely no way those kids are getting a Swine Flu shot, because they just don't know if it will actually work. I've had several of my doctor and nurse friends tell me not to get vaccinated. Basically, they're putting a disease into your body and hoping that your body will fight it off. What if it doesn't? I've known people who got the shot and got really sick from it; sicker than others who actually had the flu. When I was sick, I had a really high temperature and finally went to the doctor, who tested me and found I was positive for H1N1. I was still sick and having symptoms like the cough for over a month. It just keeps hanging on. I've heard that some of the ingredients in the vaccine aren't even FDA approved. I think they rushed it into production without adequate testing and I think that's dangerous. When I have nurses and doctors tell me not to do something (like not get the shot) I usually pay attention. So I think the schools should definitely tell parents if their child has been exposed to Swine Flu. Not to do so is very irresponsible."

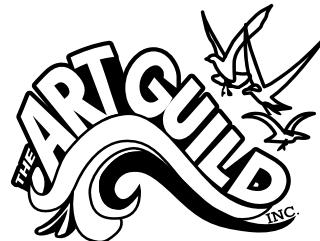
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## Halloween Spooktacular



People were lined up at the door anticipating the candy and fun inside during Gulfport Recreation's annual Halloween Spooktacular held Halloween night.

Treasure Island



By Frank Wilder

### November Money Prize Show

The Art Guild is seeking artists to enter its November money prize art show. It will be awarding \$400 in prizes to the winners. Show is open to all. Entry date is November 5 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. at The Treasure Island City Hall Auditorium, 120 108 Avenue. Entry fee is \$10 members and \$20 nonmember. Membership is \$30 yearly.

There will be a reception for the winners on November 14 at 1 p.m. Ruth Philpon is our guest artist. All artists are welcome and refreshments will be served. Call Fred at 360-8390.

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Opening Reception is First Friday, November 6 from 5-7 p.m. at the Catherine Hickman Theatre Lobby 5501 27 Avenue S. in Gulfport. Complimentary light refreshments and cash bar available. Admission is free.

The exhibition will run through November 30 and is available for viewing during normal lobby hours: Monday thru Friday, 9-5pm. FMI contact City of Imagination at [www.cityofimagination.info](http://www.cityofimagination.info).

## South Pasadena Civic Association

The South Pasadena Civic Association is sponsoring their annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday, November 7 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. Cost is \$12 members, \$14 for nonmembers. Call Agnes at 347-5292 for tickets. Ten games of bingo will be played after dinner.

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## Yes, It's A Giant Roach

Science Center of Pinellas Animal Curator Donna Vitale shows off one of the creepy-crawlies on display for the little ones at last week's Halloween Spooktacular.



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## Fall Concerts on the Point Continue

The Gulfport Merchants Association, the City of Gulfport and the Gulfport Chamber of Commerce are once again collaborate to host live free concerts the second Fridays throughout the Fall. The free concerts start at 7:30 p.m. with beer, wine and hot dog concessions. "The Party Time Band" will perform dance music on Friday, November 13 on the waterfront behind the Recreation Center at 5730 Shore Boulevard S. For more information contact 727-344-3711.

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## Free Seminars on Computer Technologies

Continually baffled by the world of computers? Think those "Dummies" books were written just for you?

You'll definitely want to mark your calendar for the first two Saturdays in November, when St. Petersburg College Information Services Librarian Chad Mairn will be at the St. Pete Beach Library to demonstrate and explain the latest technologies.

On November 7, the topic will "Tweets & Blogs"; on November 14, "iPhones, Blackberries & Other Mobile Devices."

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Solution on Page 18

## ACROSS

- 1 Author John Le
- 6 Throat sound
- 10 Route
- 13 To right or left, at sea
- 14 Enamelware
- 15 Fly alone
- 16 Western scout and impresario
- 19 Rds.
- 20 Dodger phenom Hideo
- 21 Obeah
- 22 Bombay dress
- 23 Football "pick": abbr.
- 24 "What's My Line?" regular
- 30 Scientist Curie
- 31 \_\_\_-pros
- 32 Conclude
- 34 Over, in Bonn
- 35 Adorable one
- 37 Spouse
- 38 Godfather
- 39 Bali \_\_\_
- 40 Bays
- 41 Ward's kid

## 46 Sea: Fr.

- 47 Farm measure
- 48 Lacking pigment
- 51 \_\_\_ -Disney
- 52 Besides
- 55 Tec created by H.C. McNeile
- 58 \_\_\_ vera
- 59 Muscularity
- 60 Golf rarity
- 61 Ungainly ship
- 62 Ollie's partner
- 63 Wagons
- DOWN**
- 1 Members of the hack pack
- 2 Touch on
- 3 Grid zebras
- 4 British pilots: abbr.
- 5 Issue
- 6 Part of AEC
- 7 Tramp
- 8 Inventor
- 9 "Omoo" author
- 10 Lumber
- 11 Actor Ray
- 12 Stringed toy
- 15 Glaswegians

## 17

- Australian parrot
- 18 Actress Anderson
- 22 \_\_\_-fry

## 13

- 24 Skewered meat
- 25 Actress Dunne
- 26 Escapade

## 16

- 27 King: Fr.
- 28 Split
- 29 Come in
- 30 Strong java
- 33 \_\_\_ Moines
- 35 Kentucky cigars
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- 37 Relocate
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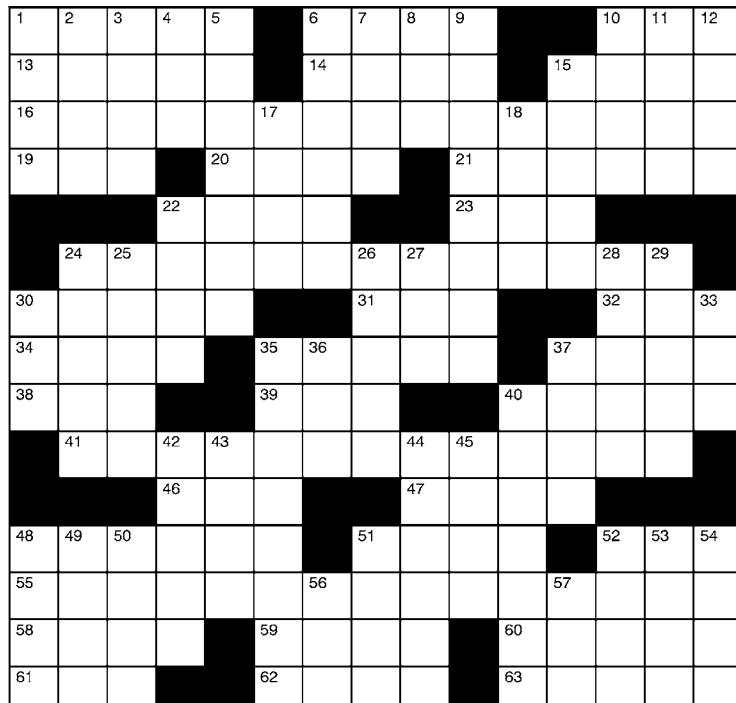
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- 43 Paddle
- 44 Ralph of fashion
- 45 Tan

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- 53 Merely
- 54 Lyric poems
- 56 Acquired
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# Points On Pets

By Matthew Margolis

## Fire-Proof Your Pets

California is famous for more than its Hollywood roots and sun-drenched beaches. It's famous for its fires. Monstrous, majestic, devastating -- California wildfires are often unfathomable feats of nature, at times triggered by inglorious acts of man.

But then there are the accidents waiting to happen, as was the case with the "Pack Rat" house fire in Riverside, Calif.

Riverside firefighters were first called to the home just after 6 p.m. on Oct. 6. They found the kitchen engulfed in flames, along with a back porch area that had been turned into a kennel. Fourteen Lhasa Apsos died, presumably of smoke inhalation.

Later that night, fire crews were called back to the home as the flames rekindled. The remains of 11 more dogs were discovered after the second fire.

Firefighters told KTLA they had "access problems in every room due

to the 'extreme clutter' inside the house." Riverside Fire Capt. Scott Wilson said, "All but the living room is full, ceiling-to-floor, wall-to-wall, with collected items." The kennel conditions matched those of the house, with dogs stacked in cages, one on top of the next.

The jaw-dropping circumstances that led to this fire and its many casualties indicate a lack of mental health on the part of the owner. But kennel fires happen even with the most stable at the helm.

On Oct. 18, in Excelsior Springs, Kansas, firefighters and a kennel owner snatched 16 dogs from a dire fate as flames engulfed the boarding facility and a neighboring business. In the words of kennel owner Barbara Baldridge, "If we would have been any later, there probably would not have been any dogs left."

Fires, of course, can ignite anywhere. On Oct. 21, a 2-year-old Labrador named Duke was rescued by firefighters when his normally quiet home went up in flames in Lubbock,

Texas. The family had been grilling the night before, and a wayward ember is thought to be the cause of the uproar.

In each of these fires, the dogs involved were home alone, with no way out.

If you have a dog and must leave him home alone from time to time, take the time to fire-proof your home to the extent it's possible:

- test smoke detectors monthly
- maintain your clothes drier, keeping the lint trap clean, as well as the areas below and behind the drier
- fully extinguish cigarettes
- unplug coffee makers and irons
- double-check that stoves, grills and ovens are turned off
- keep matches and lighters in separate sealed containers
- store flammable chemicals in separate sealed containers
- sweep up and dispose of wood chips and sawdust, which are flammable
- don't overload power outlets or chain extension cords
- unplug tree and house lights during the holidays
- blow out candles and jack-o'-lanterns
- keep areas around gas heaters and water heaters clear, especially of flammable items

Also, post a Pet Alert on your front and back porches. These stickers or static clings include a place for you to fill in the number and kind of pets living in the house. This alerts firefighters to the presence of your pets. A set of two can be purchased for \$5.95 at [theanimalrescuesite.com](http://theanimalrescuesite.com).

Finally, before leaving your dog at a kennel or boarding facility, find out whether the dogs receive 24-hour supervision or if there is anyone on duty at night. Often, especially with veterinary boarding, there is no one available after hours. It is up to you to decide whether you are comfortable with those circumstances, but know that dogs left alone in cages are extremely vulnerable to catastrophic events like fire.

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# Horoscope Guide

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The different facets of your personality are emerging, each with a strong identity. That's why you may catch yourself talking out loud to yourself. This is no cause for alarm. There is a universe inside you. As you honor your inner diversity, you are developing a power that will startle, amaze and influence people.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It is easy to get ensnared by those who promise to lift you from the mundane. If you are searching for a spiritual connection, you'll find something that feels very much like the thing you want. However, it's probably not. The real connection comes when you stop searching. Believe that you are already whole.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You are in for a truly magnificent week. That said, there is one pitfall to watch out for: Beware of the person who talks to you about being ripped off. Take it as a red flag. Don't do business together. You can bet you'll hear a similar story from this person later, and he or she may cast you in the role of the "thief."

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You do enjoy the research and development phase of a project. In fact, you are tempted to stay in that mode for as long as possible so that you don't have to get down to the business of presenting your take on things. Alas, by Wednesday it's time to stop gathering information and start creating some of your own.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). There's a bit of apprehension going into this unusual week. That's what happens when you're willing to put yourself in strange and uncharted territory for the sake of personal growth. You may flounder in waters of self-doubt, but you'll soon realize that what you thought was an ocean is actually only a swimming pool.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Everyone experiences ups and

downs, but this week you'll take it to the extreme. Your peaks dwell in the Himalayas, and your disappointments wallow beside the Dead Sea. It's your passion that makes you this way. Embrace it, and know that whatever you feel in a given moment will soon pass.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You own a treasure. Do you know which item it is? You don't realize its rarity. With a bit of investigation, you could find out the dollar worth. Or you could simply stay on the safe side by maintaining all of your possessions to a high degree, which includes insuring them and not selling them until the time is right.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You're so good at keeping on the bright side that even private things like diary pages and inner dialogue are slanted heavily toward the sun. But is it all real? You're allowed your angst. You can't be totally happy unless you embrace the whole range of emotions. Give yourself permission to vent appropriately.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You may become slightly "bummed out" by the way things go in the early week, but you're likely to rise above the glitches and feel fantastic anyway. A few of you more intense Cancer people won't shift moods so easily. Remember that this hour, too, will pass, and when it does, you might even remember it fondly.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Yes, it's that time again. Book those potentially unpleasant appointments. Maybe it's time for the dentist or your annual physical. You're inclined to let these things slide lately, but you'll feel terrific about yourself when you take the steps to make sure that all aspects of you are running smoothly -- body, mind and spirit.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're sensitive. You realize that all matter has innate intelligence. That's why people with destructive tendencies

will disturb you at a deep level, even if they are only messing up their own inanimate objects. All you experience will increase your awareness of your own physical and emotional imprint on the world.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're naturally a gracious person, and you have this terrific way of remembering the things that are important to other people. Names, birthdays and random conversational details will be even easier for you to keep track of this week. Your thoughtfulness will be rewarded in an act of sweet reciprocity.

**This Week's Birthdays:** Suddenly your mental resistance to certain things you know are good for you will be lifted, and the path toward success and wellness, made smooth. In December, you'll take chances and communicate your heart's desire to powerful players. Your bravery will be rewarded. You display great strength and ability in April and, therefore, will be offered elite opportunities. There's a financial win in June. September brings important travel. Young people celebrate you in December.

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## Roser Park Art Festival

The Historic Roser Park Art Festival returns for its sixth year on Saturday, November 7 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, November 8, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Uniquely situated in the hilly environs of St. Petersburg's scenic Roser Park neighborhood, the festival brings together more than 70 artists from all over the country. Festival-goers will enjoy music by local bands and a variety of food and drink. Painters, sculptors, photographers and craftspeople will set up their booths along Booker Creek on Roser Park Drive (10th Ave. S.), just behind Bayfront Medical Center. Admission donation is \$1, children 18 and under are free with parent. A portion of the proceeds go to Brookwood Home for Girls. Free parking is available at Bayfront parking garage with shuttle to the festival. For more information, go to call 352-344-9657.

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### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Closed for Veterans Day:** The Senior Center & GEMS will be closed on Wed. Nov. 11 in observance of Veterans Day.

**Fitness Center:** Come try our new fully equipped Fitness Center every weekday, 8am-4pm and Tues. & Thurs. 8am-7pm. Must be a registered Senior Center member and at least 50 yrs. old. Registration/small fee required. Call for more info.

**Phone Distribution for Hearing Impaired:** Amplified phones will be available at no cost for Florida residents with a hearing loss on Tues. Nov. 17, 9:30-11:30am. This monthly service is made possible by Deaf & Hearing Connection.

**Luminaries on Sale at Senior Center:** The Senior Center will join the City of Gulfport in celebrating the holidays. Luminaries will be placed in Clymer Park during the Holiday Tree Lighting on Mon. Nov. 30 at 7pm. You can designate your luminary in one of three ways: In Honor of, In Memory of, or Holidays Greetings from – a dear loved one, friend or business. A program listing those honored will be available at the tree lighting. Luminaries are \$2 each and can be purchased at the Senior Center no later than Mon. Nov. 23. Make checks payable to the Gulfport Senior Center Foundation. All proceeds benefit the Foundation.

### A Weekend Wonderland Fundraiser:

Mark your calendar for Sat. Dec. 5th from 9am to 2pm for the Senior Center Flea Market and Better Boutique Shop. No entry ticket required. Low cost breakfast & lunch available. All proceeds benefit the Senior Center Foundation.

**Donations Needed:** Donations of new or gently used items with the exception of clothing are gladly accepted for our Weekend Wonderland Fundraiser.

**Computer Classes:** One-on-one training sessions are available at no cost. Call for an appointment.

**Diabetic Education Classes:** Mon. Nov. 9 & 23 at 10am.

### EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:

**AARP Driving Classes:** are held on the first two Tuesdays of every month from 1-4pm. Call 867-7888 to register and fee info.

**Wii Bowling:** Daytime Wii Bowling has been so successful we are offering two evenings (Tues. Nov. 3 & 17) at 6:30pm. Stetson students will be here to show you how easy it is! Fun is guaranteed!

**Thanksgiving Dinner Party:** Tickets (\$5) are now available for the Senior Center's annual Thanksgiving Dinner Party that will be held on Tues. Nov. 24 at 11:30am. Seating is limited.

**Free Memory Screenings:** will be

offered on Wed. Nov. 17, 9am-3pm. Appointments required. Courtesy of the Alzheimer's Association.

**Two Presentations. Wed. Nov. 18 at 10:30am:**

Investment Selections by Cliff Cook from Raymond James  
Helping Yourself Navigate the Medical System by Hospice

### RESUMING FOR THE SEASON:

**Spanish Classes:** Mon. Beginners at 4pm; Conversation at 5:10pm

**Quilting:** Tues. 10am

**Investment Discussion:** Wed. at 10:30am

**Bone Strengthening Exercise:** Wed. at 11:15am

**Yoga:** Wed. at 1:30am; **Chair Yoga:** Wed. at 3:45pm

**Line Dancing:** Thurs. at 9:30am

**Italian Language:** Thurs 6-8pm, all levels

**Writers Group:** Fri. at 10am

**Live Chat Room:** Fri. at 2pm

### Ongoing Support Groups:

Diabetic Support (1st & 3rd Mon. at 10am)

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Caregiver Support, Wed. 2pm

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# Gulfport Library

### PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS:

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

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

**Art Exhibit:** Pastels by Paul Nucci. Starts Friday, November 6.

**"Grandma Reads Stories at the Library!"**: Saturdays, 11:30 am. Starts November 7, with the "grandmother" of The Cat in the Hat!

**Author Talk and Book Signing:** Saturday, November 7, 2:00 pm. Philip Tropea, operatic tenor and author of Marco.

**Crafts Club for All Ages:** Saturdays, November 7 and 21, 2:00 pm. Presented by Pat Brinkley.

**LIBRARY CLOSED:** Wednesday, No-

vember 11, for Veterans Day.

**Suncoast Computer Users Group:** Thursday, November 12, 6:00 pm.

**Scrapbookers Club for Teens & Adults:** Make beautiful pages of memories. Saturday, November 14, 1:00 pm.

**Retirement Planning Workshop for Seniors:** Tuesday, November 17, 10:00 am. Presented by the Senior Learning Council.

**Coffee/Talk:** Thursday, November 19, 10:00 am. Discussion of The Book Thief, by Markus Zusak. Books and discussion guides available at the Reference Desk.

**Coffee/Talk Movie:** "Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport" (Warner, 2000). Thursday, November 19, 1:30 pm. Oscar-winning documentary about Jewish children transported to

Britain to escape the Holocaust, narrated by Dame Judi Dench. (2 hours)

Unless otherwise noted, all programs and meetings are held in

The Frances Purdy Friends Room  
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# Services

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#### Tomlinson Skate Park Sticker Purchase New Sticker due Oct. 09

Annual cost \$5 res./\$10 non-res. Registration: Age 17 and under must be accompanied by a parent, have proof of residency and fill a consent form. Availability to register: Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

#### ACTIVITIES

**Open Gameroom** - Tues. & Thurs., 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Adult Basketball** - Mon., Wed. & Fri, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. and Thurs., 6-9 p.m.

#### PROGRAMS

**School Year Child Care Program** - Grades K-5, (up to age 14 on in-service days).

**Teen Night** - Teens, age's middle school to 17. Mon., Wed. & Fri. 6-9 p.m.

**Tot Time Program** - Ages 3-5 year old, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

#### CLASSES - Call instructor for more information

- AAYA Dance – Thurs., 6 p.m.  
Call AAYA 813-885-2292.
- AAYA Cheerleading - Tues., 6 p.m.  
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- Body Sculpt-RETURNS IN NOVEMBER- Thurs., 6:30 p.m.  
Call Billie at 239-313-0876.
- Cane Self Defense Class-Mon., 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Call Mike at 320-5035
- Dog Obedience - Wed., 6:30 p.m.  
Call Lisa at 772-3631.
- Fencing - Wed., 4:30 & 5:30 p.m.  
Call Jim Campoli at 813-855-3112.
- Gymnastics - Fri., 5:30 p.m.  
Call Barbara at 804-9400.
- Karate - Mon. & Fri., 6:30 p.m.  
Call Diane at 459-1399.

- LAST DRAG smoking cessation workshop starting Tuesday Nov. 17, 6:30-8:30pm  
Call Betty at 727-642-6049
- Nia - Wed., 9:00 am.  
Call Kaluwa at 729-9410.
- Noisemakers - Mon., 6 p.m.  
Call Gabe at 345-7472.
- Sumyie - Wed., 6:30 p.m.  
Call Mike at 320-5035.
- Stretch and Tone - Tues. & Thurs., 9-10 a.m.  
Call Jean 302-9423
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Call Oletta at 344-5181 or Marge at 345-6708.
- Tennis - Tues., 4:30 p.m., 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.  
Call Jack at 430-0690.
- Watercolor - Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Call Patsi at 501-3559.
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Call Judith at 328-7490.
- Yoga - Thurs., 6:30 p.m.  
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6:30-10:30pm-**Argentine Tango** \$7  
6:30-8pm Lesson, 8-8:30 Practice,  
8:30-10:30pm Milonga

**Every Wednesday**  
6 – 11pm- **Swing Dance** \$7  
6-8 Lessons, 8-11pm Swing Dance

**Every Thursday**  
7-10pm-**Salsa**  
7-8:30 Lessons, 8:30-10 Dance \$7

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## **Bi-Yearly Gulfport City-Wide Yard Sale and “Antiques in the Park” & “Classic Car Show” at Clymer Park, Saturday, November 7, 2009**

### **What you need to know about the next City-Wide Yard Sale:**

Each 1st Saturday of each month, you can have your yard sale at your Gulfport residence and it's Permit Free. On this "special" Saturday, November 7th, a brochure will be created with your address – no charge! (Rain date, November 8th)

You can get the City Wide Yard Sale Brochure on Thursday, November 5 at all City facilities or a complete address list in the Gulfport Gabber in the garage sale section. On Saturday, November 7, Clymer Park (corner of Gulfport Blvd. S. and Beach Blvd. S.) will be the main hub to pick up your brochure at the day of the event. Visit the "Antiques in the Park and Classic Car Show" show as one of your stops! There will be food and drink vendors available.

The City-Wide Yard Sale is sponsored by the City of Gulfport. The Classic Car Show" is sponsored by CERT and the City of Gulfport. The "Antiques in the Park" is sponsored by the City of Gulfport and Gulfport Lions Club, and managed by Hula Hula Productions. Both Clymer Park events begin at 10 a.m.

(NOTE: For more information on the City-Wide Yard Sale, contact Gail at 727-893-1118. For more info on the "Antiques in the Park" event, contact Annette at 727-421-0441.)

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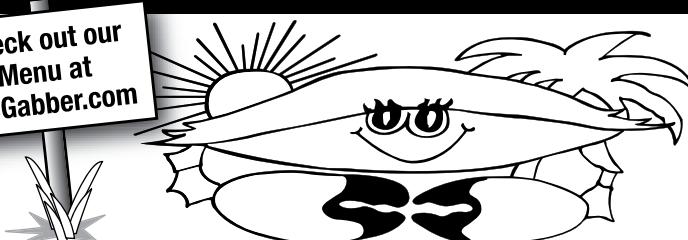
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## **Breakfast with Dali**

The Salvador Dali Museum is pleased to announce the Breakfast with Dali program for children 6-12 years old and their families on Saturday, November 7 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Enjoy an interactive tour through the galleries before it opens to the public followed by a breakfast buffet and crafts.

General admission is \$15 per adult and \$10 per child. Limited to 20 children plus their parents. To register and pre-pay to secure a spot, call 823-3767, ext. 3024 or email Bethany Mead at [bmead@thedali.org](mailto:bmead@thedali.org).

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Historic Kenwood will hold a BungalowFest Tour of Home on Saturday, November 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets (\$15 day of) and tour information will be available at Historic Kenwood's park located at 2900 Third Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. Pre-sale tickets for \$10 may be purchased at Craftsman House Gallery at 2955 Central Avenue N.

The tour highlights the history of the bungalow and will include a tour of 12 historic homes. The neighborhood was recently added to the National Register of Historic Places and was also named a top ten cottage neighborhood by Cottage living magazine in 2006.

For more information regarding tickets or the tour, please call Sue Heyen at (727) 323-8441 or [www.historickenwood.org](http://www.historickenwood.org).

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## BPW to Meet

Business and Professional Women will meet on Thursday, November 5 at 400 Beach Seafood and Tap House located at 400 Beach Drive NE in St. Petersburg. Dr. Karen Brown Dunlap, President of the Poynter Institute in St. Petersburg will be the speaker. Dunlap is also a member of the Board of Directors of the St. Petersburg Times Publishing Company and is also on the board of the Newspaper Association of America and Eckerd College's Board of Trustees. A former reporter and writer, Dunlap has spent more than 30 years aiding aspiring journalists and is the co-author of two books.

Networking begins at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting begins at 12 noon. Meetings are open to the public but reservations (see below) must be made by noon the Tuesday prior to the meeting. Cost is \$16 for members and \$21 for visitors.

For more information visit [www.BPWStPetePinellas.org](http://www.BPWStPetePinellas.org) or to reserve, email [RSVP@BPWStPetePinellas.org](mailto:RSVP@BPWStPetePinellas.org) or call 727-471-8248 or fax 314-602-7823.

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# Public Comment & Council Quotes

*"When you tell citizens what they can and cannot say, I think you're philandering with one of our most precious rights: freedom of speech."* - Margarete Tober, about recent changes to public session

*"Your clerk is on the three most highly trained in the county and we should daily say a prayer about how happy we are to have her."* - Lee Stapella

*"I'm very concerned about what I heard at those workshops. I think you have one councilmember who is leading you down a very bad path."* - Al Davis, questioning what he called limits on Gulfport's freedom on speech

*"I think the March date is a problematic thing and I think we ought to consider strongly a switch to November so we would be in sync with the state and national elections."* - Bob Newcomb. Resident Al Davis suggested that this move would save the city \$10,000.

*"I think what was being said there was being wrongly directed. It should have been directed at me."* Vice-Mayor Bob Worthington, who said at a recent meeting that he would not want to see Gulfport elections part of a national election. Resident Al Davis had expressed concerns that another unnamed city council member had nefarious motives for wanting the elections held separately from the national elections. Worthington said he wanted to make it clear that he, nor "another council member" made the comment.

*"I love the holidays as much as anybody... I'd like us to consider that... anything we light up down here has an impact in somebody else's backyard."* - Council member Sam Henderson, about mountaintop removal associated with coal mining

*"There's five of them in the state of Florida with no accountability to the voters whatsoever."* - Vice-Mayor Bob Worthington, on the water management districts such as Southwest Florida Water Management District (known to some as Swiftmud)

*"Saturday, get up early, 'cause you're going to need to, to attend everything... Sunday you can sleep if you want to."* - Councilmember Judy Ryerson

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KOSTHORST, ANTHONY G., 87, of Gulfport, passed away Oct. 27, 2009. He is survived by his loving family. R. Lee Williams & Son, Gulfport Chapel 345-7797.

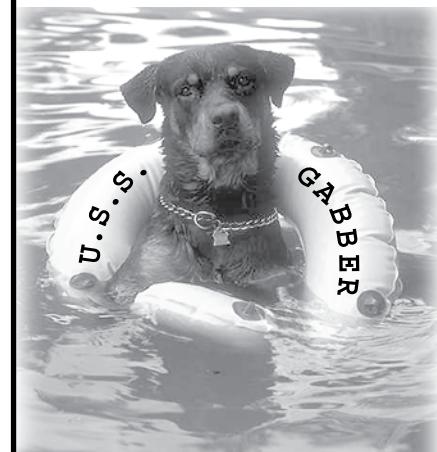
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METZGAR, GRACE K., 89, of Gulfport, passed away Monday, Oct. 26, 2009. Survivors include sons Craig Robert Metzgar (Theresa) and David Martin Metzgar (Susan); daughter Jane Kahranamidis (Gus); sister Beatrice Edwards (Jack); six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Services 10 am today (Wednesday) at First United Methodist Church of Gulfport, 2728 53rd St. S. Donations in memory appreciated to American Cancer Society or First U.M. Church of Gulfport. Online guestbook at [davidcgross.com](http://davidcgross.com) David C. Gross Funeral Homes, 6366 Central Ave. 727-381-4911.

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## **Montessori by the Sea Annual Fish Broil**

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An Alumni Reception and Museum Tour at the Gulf Beaches Historical Museum on 10th Avenue will be held on Friday, November 6 at 6 p.m. Sunshine School Alumni and Gulf Beaches Elementary Alumni are invited to attend. Live Blue Grass entertainment, refreshments and light hors d'oeuvres will be offered.

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## **Bowl to Benefit Gulfcoast Oncology**

Ten Pin Lanes, 1453 Pasadena Avenue S. in S. Pasadena, will hold a Bowling Benefit for Gulfcoast Oncology Foundation on Sunday, November 8 from 1-4 p.m. Entry fee is \$25 each and \$10 for children age 10 and under includes three games of bowling. Event features prizes, silent auction items and raffles. There will be an After Bowling Event at Gigi's Italian Restaurant, 6852 Gulfport Boulevard in S. Pasadena. Gulfport Oncology Fouindation is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that raises funds to develop and foster community resources, provide education as well as non-medical financial assistance to cancer patients throughout Pinellas County. Email to barbarapaonessa@yahoo.com.

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## **Community Preschool Yard Sale**

Community Preschool located at 1665 25 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg is having their annual yard sale on Friday, November 6 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, November 7 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Proceeds will go to Community Preschool, one of St. Petersburg's oldest nonprofit preschools. Donations are tax deductible and tax receipts are given upon request.

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## **H1N1 School Vaccination Starts November 9**

By Leigh Clifton

In an effort to stem the outbreak of Swine Flu in the local public schools, the Pinellas County Health Department will begin vaccinating at the schools beginning November 9th. Students will be handed out a very detailed Flu Vaccine Screening form to take home to their parents, which will have to be filled out and signed before any student can be vaccinated. Clinics will be set up in the schools and only students and school staff will get the vaccine. There will be both the Flu nasal mist and the vaccine shot available. The vaccinations are free to all children in Pinellas County private and public schools.

According to Pinellas County School Board Health official Rita Beccetti, the incidences of Swine Flu have flattened or leveled out in the county.

"Where we once were getting up to 50 reports of flu-like symptoms a day, that number has dropped off dramatically," Beccetti said. "There seems to have been a decrease; this week we had no calls from parents about their child having flu-like symptoms."

While the decreasing numbers are encouraging, Beccetti warns there could be a resurgence and encourages all students to take advantage of the free vaccinations at their school.

Regular flu kills more of the elderly and adult population, so flu shots have traditionally been targeted towards that age group.

"The H1N1 virus seems to target kids more," Beccetti explained. "That's why we need to get the vaccine to these children now."

Children nine years and younger will require two shots; the initial vaccination and a booster a month later. Beccetti says that testing has shown that because most younger kids have not had a regular flu shot, there is a need to boost the immune system with a second dose.

A vaccination clinic will be set up at Boca Ciega High School on November 16th and 20th. Thurgood Marshall Fundamental is scheduled for November 11th, between 7:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. and Gulfport Elementary Montessori School will be doing vaccinations at the school on November 11th and 16th. All information about the vaccination clinics, as well as a downloadable information packet can be found at PCSB.org.

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## Luminaries on Sale for Christmas Tree Lighting

The Gulfport Senior Center is joining the City of Gulfport this season in the celebration of the holidays. Luminaries will be placed along the sidewalks in Clymer Park accenting the Holiday Tree Lighting on Monday, November 30 at 7 p.m. You can designate the luminary in one of three ways: In Honor of, In Memory of, or Holiday Greetings from - a dear loved one, friend or business. A program listing those honored will be available at the tree lighting. Following the program, your luminaries are yours to take home to display throughout the holidays. Please fill out the form below by printing all information very clearly. Return the completed form with \$2 per luminary to the Senior Center at 5501 27 Avenue S., Gulfport, FL 33707. Make checks payable to "The Gulfport Senior Center Foundation". Orders must be received by Monday, November 23. All proceeds support the Senior Center Foundation. If you have any questions, please call (727) 893-2237 or (727) 893-1231.

### Holiday Luminary Form

Designation (circle 1)    In Honor    In Memory    Holiday Greetings  
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or  
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Roberta Whipple figures she's spent about 35 years around St. Pete Beach's downtown---first as the daughter of a drug store owner on 75th Avenue and, most recently, as the administrator of the public library on 73rd Avenue. Now she's gathered all those memories, combined them with some research, and created a brand-new book called St. Pete Beach's Corey Avenue.

Chapter topics include "The Corey Causeway," "The Upham Company," "First Arrivals," "The Post-War Boom," "The Beach Theatre," "City Operations" and "Special Events." The title, published by Arcading Publishing as part of its "Images of America" series, is available for sale at local stores, on amazon.com, as well as at the St. Pete Beach Library.

Roberta is donating all her earnings as author to the Friends of the St. Pete Beach Library.

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## The Garden Club of St. Petersburg

The Horticulture for Weekend Gardeners (aka the "Night Bloomers" Circle) meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10 at 7 p.m. at the Garden Center, 500 Sunset Drive S. in St. Petersburg.

The program will be "Creating Fruit & Veggie Garnishes for the Holidays" (i.e., tomato roses, radish mice, eggplant penguins, etc.). Instructor will be Rosalie DiMento.

For more information, contact Derri Davisson at [derridavisson@hotmail.com](mailto:derridavisson@hotmail.com) or call 727-423-7644.

Meetings are open to the public but there will be a \$5 charge for non-member of the Garden Club to help cover speaker expense.

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## Club to Hold Annual Sea Shell Sale

The St. Petersburg Shell Club will hold its annual Sea Shell Sales Bourse on Friday, November 13 at 7 p.m. at the Seminole Recreation Center, (2nd floor via elevator), located at 9100 113 Street N. in Seminole. Meet and Greet starts at 6:30 p.m. This annual event features shells and shell related items offered for sale by club members at drastically reduced prices. A very popular annual event, table sales benefit their educational fund. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. There is no charge. Plenty of free parking. Refreshments will be served. Call (727) 867-6861 or visit [www.stpeteshellclub.org](http://www.stpeteshellclub.org).

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## Foster Wins St. Pete Mayoral Race

By Kate Bradshaw

In a contest that was heated even in its dullest moments, former St. Pete City Council member Bill Foster won the St. Petersburg mayoral election by a margin of nearly 2,500 votes. Kathleen Ford, Foster's opponent as well as a former Council member, mingled with supporters at the Garden Club of St. Petersburg as the results rolled in.

Around an hour after the polls closed, Ford ascended the stage and told everyone who was gathered that she had conceded victory to her opponent. There was an air of disappointment among the bipartisan crowd, many of whom had spent the day waving signs on St. Pete's roadsides.

"I was waving signs until the very last moment before I came on over," said Ford Campaign Treasurer Gaelynn Thurman, a republican.

Thurman said that she joined the campaign out of concern for the issues rather than party politics.

"It is a no-brainer," she said. "(Ford) is incredibly fiscally responsible and that is very core to who I am and that is not a party choice, and therefore it's not a party choice to support Kathleen. It's one hundred percent about her policies and her thoughts about how government should be approached."

While both lawyers and former Council members, Ford and Foster differ greatly on many of the city's major issues.

Key differences between the two include their opinions on the Council's vote to privatize the sidewalk that fronts Baywalk (Ford was against it; Foster was in favor of it) and the question of whether to use taxpayer money to build a new stadium for the Tampa Bay Rays (Foster is open to it; Ford isn't).

Thurman said that the media's portrayal of Ford hurt the campaign substantially.

"The biggest challenge has been the lack of balance that has been represented by the media overall," she said.

Ford later joked that the media caused the downfall of her campaign, but said that she believes her campaign was not a total loss, given the attention it drew to certain issues.

"Obviously I would have liked to have won," Ford said. "But I'm very proud of the race we ran and the volunteers and my family were just fantastic I'm really excited about what we did, and we already made a difference."

Ford said that she is not planning on running for office any time soon.

"Kayak ride, Weedon Island," Ford told reporters when asked what was next for her.

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# Somethin' on my mind

By Bill Northrop

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## Global Warming vs. the State of Education

The sky-is-falling environmental computers model a world of earthly catastrophe if we earthlings don't get off our carbon fuels diet. For instance, by the end of the century, Florida will be underwater like it once was, or at least its coastal areas will be flooded.

Actually, there's no chance to stop the world's use of carbon fuels because even if the U.S. taxes it out of existence, China and India aren't going to be a part of the deal. And, their economies are in the infant stage and their populations are about eight times ours. Project that out.

So, while we're fretting about a world catastrophe that might not be happening at all and that we can't do anything about, we've got a real one on our hands that we can do something about. It's called education...actually, lack of education.

We do a lot of talking about it, of course. Schools are all around us and so is failure. Not all schools are bad, but each year 25 per cent of the kids coming through the public system aren't competent in English or Math. In some schools, half don't graduate, and those that do aren't prepared for anything. I'm not going to go through a lot of statistics – they're buried in piles of papers and books somewhere in the vicinity of my desk.

However, we know what's going on and we're doing nothing but talking about it. We keep throwing money at the problem, but don't change the tactics. It's like the definition of stupidity: doing the same thing the same way over and over and expecting different results.

We won't seriously take on "choice" programs in which families are given the option of going to private schools with public money. Such programs have started working well in Washington, D.C., but congress, with the

Obama administration concurrence, is defunding the program.

Everyone knows that part of the problem is discipline, or lack of it within the institutions and within families, but we put the educators and those being educated on the same level. You can't educate individuals who don't want to be educated. It is not a matter of saying "educate me". "Me" has to get off his or her duff and work to be educated.

I was happy to read the other day that residents of our area blamed a lot of the problems on the parents and the students. Right on. I sometimes think we should tell people they don't have a right to an education. Then they'd want it. I remember going to Kenya 20 years ago and finding young boys in tiny villages outside of Nairobi hustling trinkets. They spoke correct English (and Sawhili) and kept accounts in their heads. Education there (then) was only free through the sixth grade. And in Malawi, where our church had a school mission, children walked miles to the schools and then worked the fields later. They had no desks, few books, crude facilities and little food.

In other words, students here take much too much for granted and have it too easy when it comes to education. And it is a potential catastrophe. We're in world competition, not for sports or for money, but for brains. That's what's moving the world these days. The Asians recognize it. We already missed out on the computer revolution having to import thousands of people from across the world to fill jobs here.

I won't go on and on, but I'd advise we quit worrying about Global Warming and start seriously worrying about the state of education. It's a REAL problem.

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## GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays" Seminar

This one day seminar is helpful for people facing the holidays after a loved one's death. It will be held on Saturday, November 7, from 10 a.m. until noon at Cornerstone Community Church, 6745 38 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. Coffee and goodies will be served. There is no charge for this event. No child care available.

Those who attend will receive a free book with over 30 daily readings providing additional insights and ideas on holiday survival. For more information, call 343-7747 or email [vkillion@cdp.com](mailto:vkillion@cdp.com).

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## Smoking Cessation Workshop

Last Drag Smoking Cessation Workshop will start Tuesday, November 17 at the Gulfport Recreation Center. Classes will be on Tuesdays and will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The workshop will be for six weeks and each session will detail a specific area. The cost is \$120 for the 6 week workshop and is facilitated by Betty Havey, M.A. For more information or to sign up please contact her at 727-642-6049.

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## Discovery Weekend

November 13-15

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# American Legion Activities

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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Lunch Served 11am-3pm  Ron's Karaoke 7pm	Southern Knights Band 7-11pm  Kitchen Open 11am-7pm	Southern Knights Band 7-11pm  Free Pool 'til 5pm	Breakfast 8:30-11am Kitchen Open 2-5pm	No Lunch Served	Lunch Served 11am-3pm  Ron's Karaoke 7pm	Lunch Served 11am-3pm Euchre 1pm Bingo 6pm Kitchen open

Early Bird Dinner 11/9, 5-7pm. Veterans Day Celebration 11/11, Earl's famous BBQ following ceremonies. Color Guard Dinner 2nd Sat., SAL Dinner 4th Saturday.

New Year's Eve tickets are now on sale. The cost is \$30 per person which includes dinner, party favors, & champagne at midnight, followed by breakfast. The Southern Knights band will be playing for your listening & dancing pleasure. A seating chart is located in the lounge.

The Auxiliary is collecting non-perishable food for the St. Petersburg Food Bank. A container is in the lounge, any donations will be greatly appreciated.

Veteran's Day is November 11. Our ceremony will be at 1 p.m. After the ceremony, hamburgers & hot dogs will be available. Please remember to fly your flag in honor of our Veterans.

We will be taking a bus tour to see Christmas lights on December 14 from 6 to 11 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person, which includes drinks on the bus. We will also be visiting Post 119 in Largo. Sign up chart is in the lounge.

## Post 305

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

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Bar Bingo at 7pm Food Served	Fish Fry 6-8pm Bob & Pegs 7-10pm	Early Bird Dinner 6pm Music 7-10pm	Open 12-6pm	Bucky Burgers 5-8pm Renegade Karaoke 7:30 pm	ALA Exe. Meeting 5:45pm Reg Meeting 6pm  Harry 7-10pm	Veterans Day Ceremony 11am Lunch following Dee Karaoke 7pm

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## Gulfport Centennial Countdown Continues!

# Gulfport's Centennial

## 100 Week Countdown to 100 Years!



This building started its life somewhere else in town. Can you guess when and where it was built, when and where it was moved, and what finally became of it? Answer next week.

### Think you know the answer?

Send us an email with your answer, name and phone number to [News@theGabber.com](mailto:News@theGabber.com)

In just 49 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:**

Frances Purdy and Catherine Hickman are names well known to anyone who has lived in Gulfport for any time at all. Frances was born the same year as the town, 1910, and retired here in 1970 after a distinguished career in nursing administration. She was named Pinellas County volunteer of the year in 1999 for her work with many Gulfport organizations, including the Senior Center, the Library, and the Historical Society. She died in 2006. Catherine, named a Great Floridian in 1998, was a founder of both the Historical Society and the Community Players, and donated time to the Scouts and Little League. She died at 65 in 1994.

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*News from the  
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## November Meeting

The Gulfport Historical Society would like to invite you to join them for their November 14 meeting. The meeting will be a trip to visit Heritage Village. Heritage Village is a collection of more than 25 historic structures and features that create a 22 acre living history museum. They will explore the history of the Pinellas Peninsula with a guide along the winding paths through the native pine and palmetto landscape to tour these structures.

They will also have the opportunity to visit the Pinellas County Market in the Park which will be held at Heritage Village the same day.

They will meet at the Gulfport Historical Museum at 9:30 a.m. to car pool to Heritage Village. Cost is \$2. Please call 345-1501 to make reservations for this wonder event.



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# City Whys?

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Compiled by Cathy Salustri

**Q:** Who is Gulfport's newest interim city attorney and what is the status of the consultant who is supposed to be creating a job description and helping the city find a permanent attorney?

**A:** The newest face sitting on the dais is Andrew J. Salzman. He's from the firm Zimmet, Unice and Salzman, P.A.. Gulfport City Council opted to use this firm while they wait for the consulting firm, Governance Services, LLC, come up with a job description and search parameters for a permanent attorney. Interim city manager Jim O'Reilly reports that council and staff continue to wait for Governance to update them on the status of the project.

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# WellNEWS

All the news that's fit.

By Scott Lafee

## Shoes Blues

OK, this probably isn't news to most females, but science has confirmed that women who make poor shoe choices early in life (and we're not talking about Manolos vs. Jimmy Choos) suffer severe or chronic foot pain later in life.

Men, on the other hand (or foot), generally do not.

The Farmington Foot Study surveyed 3,372 surviving members of two earlier Farmington studies launched in 1948 and 1972. They found that almost one-third of the women ages 65 to 74 reported general foot pain on most days compared with 19 percent of similarly-aged men. Two-thirds of the women said they had regularly experienced heel and ankle pain in their lives.

Not coincidentally, virtually all the women said they had spent

much of that time wearing "high-risk shoewear," such as high heels, sandals and slippers lacking support and sound structure. Less than 2 percent of the men said they had worn "poor shoes."

The researchers offer a few shoe-choosing tips to avoid later pain: Select for comfort rather than style. Measure both feet and fit for the longest. Fit shoes at the end of day when feet are longest. Avoid high heels. Make sure you can wiggle your toes.

## BODY OF KNOWLEDGE

There's a region in your brain called the Island of Reil.

## GET ME THAT. STAT!

Health care providers are twice as likely to discuss the benefits rather than the risks associated with Prostate-Specific Antigen (PSA) testing, says a new report in the Archives of Internal Medicine. PSA testing has long been controversial,

because there's no conclusive evidence the screening actually reduces deaths from prostate cancer, and numerous factors can create false positives, prompting men to have needless invasive procedures for a disease they do not have.

The study urges doctors to make sure patients are fully informed about both benefits and risks before taking the test.

## ACTIVATE

One hour of energetic ballroom dancing burns 374 calories (based on a 150-pound person) or the equivalent of 1.5 grande Starbucks caffe lattes, one-half of a McDonald's Big Mac with cheese, four glasses of wine or 12.5 whole carrots.

## MEDTRONICA

Gout pal interactive  
[gout-pal.com](http://gout-pal.com)

In literature and history, gout was known as the disease of kings and rich men -- a painful, debilitating and mysterious ailment. These days, it's much better known as a condition marked by elevated levels of uric acid in the blood, which creates painful attacks in the joints, tendons and surrounding tissues.

Gout remains an obscure but still relevant medical condition, with plenty of current sufferers. They can find information and some solace here: a blog devoted to describing symptoms, treatments and news.

## DOC TALK

Asystole -- A bad word, and not because it suggests something else. Asystole is a condition in which the heart no longer beats (no cardiac electrical activity) and cannot be restarted. It is one of the conditions required to certify a patient has died.

## PHOBIA OF THE WEEK

Chaetophobia -- fear of hair

## OBSERVATION

I'm Jewish and I don't work out. If God had wanted us to bend over, he'd put diamonds on the floor.

-- Comedian Joan Rivers

## EPITAPHS

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Then a coffin they carried me off in.

-- Boston tombstone

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# Attorney Keith Sanders Handles Bankruptcies with Experience and Sensitivity

By Greg Stem

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

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

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

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

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



afford because of a job loss or some other situation,” he noted.

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

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

“Since the initial consultation is free, you really don’t have anything to lose to meet with me and we can

assess your situation and see how it might be best for you to proceed. Bankruptcy can be one solution to getting back on your feet financially, but it may not be the best or only solution for you. As an experienced professional, I can help you sort through those issues and see what is right for you,” he noted.

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

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

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

**Friday 10/23**

**Noise Complaint-** 2600 Blk 53rd St. S.

**Battery-** 5900 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Battery-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.

**Traffic Stop-Failed to Stop-** 2000 Blk 49th St. S.

**Threatening Bodily Harm-** 2700 Blk 57th St. S.

**Drunk Person-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 4900 Blk 23rd Ave. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 5700 Blk 17th Ave. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 5000 Blk 9th Ave. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5900 Blk Seabird Dr. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 5000 Blk 24th Ave. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 5600 Blk 28th Ave. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk 8th Ave. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 2800 Blk Beach Blvd. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 5600 Blk Newton Ave. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 5100 Blk 14th Ave. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 5200 Blk 30th Ave. S.

**Sunday 10/25**

**Drunk Driver-** 2100 Blk 54th St. S.

**Drunk Person-** 5900 Blk Tangerine Ave. S.

**Domestic Verbal-** 5600 Blk 28th Ave. S.

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

**Domestic Verbal-** 5400 Blk 12th Ave. S.

**Theft-** 2800 Blk Kipps Colony Dr. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 5800 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 2100 Blk 59th St. S.

**Monday 10/26**

**Animal Complaint-** 4600 Blk 26th

## Crime Awareness Meeting

The next City-wide Crime Awareness and Prevention meeting will be held on Monday, November 9 at 7 p.m. at the Neighborhood Center located at 1617 49 Street S. Ernie Stone has volunteered to teach a class on volunteer neighborhood patrolling. Even if you are not interested in patrolling, please attend. You will learn how to tell if that vehicle you see going up and down your street is a Crime Watch patrol or someone you need to report to 911. We will also collect non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry at the Senior Center at this meeting.

We encourage everyone to attend and participate. For more information, contact Jeri Reed at 727-548-5566 days and 727-327-3509 evenings or at Jrvolunteer@aol.com.

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**Domestic Verbal-** 5600 Blk 28th Ave. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 5200 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Battery-** 4600 Blk Tifton St. S.

**Tuesday 10/27**

**Domestic Verbal-** 5800 Blk 21st Ave. S.

**Burglary-** 4900 Blk 29th Ave. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 1200 Blk Freemont St. S.

**Wednesday 10/28**

**Noise Complaint-** 2700 Blk 58th St. S.

**Drunk Driver-** 1800 Blk 53rd St. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 1400 Blk 49th St. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 3000 Blk Beach Blvd. S.

**Truant-** 5400 Blk 27th Ave. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5600 Blk 31st St. S.

**Burglary-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 5000 Blk 14th Ave. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 1700 Blk Freemont St. S.

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**Trouble with Individual-** 2600 Blk 54th St. S.

**Drunk Person-** 2600 Blk 54th St. S.

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## **Ballot**, from front page

"No" voters constituted 40 percent of the turnout on a bill the will, which will, according to city officials, eliminate the necessity of voter approval on items like Capital Improvements Plan updates and the Evaluation and Appraisal Report.

Passing with a nearly 54 percent approval, a charter amendment that limits the number of times a change in building height can be voted on will also make it onto the St. Pete Beach City Charter. Currently, St. Pete Beach City Manager Mike Bonfield recently told the Gabber, changes to the comprehensive plan involving height can potentially make it onto the ballot twice – as a comp plan amendment and as a change to the land development code, even though what's in the comp plan should prevail.

The third item on the ballot, which will essentially establish a community redevelopment district for Pass-A-Grille's Eighth Avenue, passed with about 62 percent of the vote, according to the Supervisor of Elections Web site. This will essentially bring a number of businesses in the district into compliance with the comp plan by "including increases in residential density and commercial floor area ratio and method for calculating permitted density, allowing residential and commercial land uses to be supported inclusively by same underlying land area." Bonfield said that there would not likely be a lot of change in the area if this item was approved.

Finally, garnering the highest percentage of votes (67) is a procedural referendum question that, because the first item on Tuesday's ballot was approved, will never have to be voted on again. Question four existed to gain voter approval of "...to address and resolve recommendations based upon the review of the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) by the State Land Planning Agency." The report addresses any inconsistencies with state law that may be present in the city's comp plan. The state has already approved of the report, but current law requires that voters approve it anyhow. "It's kind of like a cleanup exercise, if you will," Bonfield says. The document addresses issues like current maps and the need for increased sea turtle protection. "Kind

of a laundry list of things," Bonfield says. "I would describe them as uneventful." Now, questions like this will no longer be required on the ballot.

Around 40 or 50 fewer voters gave their two cents on the latter two ballot items. Question two received the most votes, with a total of 2,462.

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## **Operation Santa**

If you are a Gulfport resident and could use a little help, the Gulfport Police Department is now accepting applications for Christmas assistance through November 30 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday at

2401 53 Street S. in Gulfport. Each family's head of household must bring photo identification, proof of Gulfport residence as well as the name(s) and age(s) of child(ren) living in the home. Operation Santa will collect Christmas gifts for children ages 0 to 10 years of age.

There will be no home deliveries and you must pick up your gifts at the Police Department between December 14 through 18, so it's important that we hear from you right away. For more information on Operation Santa, please call either Francine at 893-1653 or Cindy at 893-1049. A home visit is required.

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# Everyday Cheap\$kate

By Mary Hunt

## How To Turn Scrap Gold Into Cash Without Getting Ripped Off

I promise not to ask whether you remember when the price of gold was fixed at \$35 an ounce or when U.S. currency was tied to the gold standard. (Hint: The Gold Standard Act was

passed March 14, 1900, but later suspended.) Things have changed drastically over the years, with gold now hovering around \$1,050 per ounce.

Let's turn to your jewelry box, shall we? Remember all that gold you bought in the 1980s, when QVC and the Home Shopping Network were coming into their own? And when you

could buy gold chains by the inch at county fairs and community swap meets? All of those chains, bracelets and earrings may be broken now, but they're not junk after all. They're not worth much as jewelry in their sorry state, but the gold content can be turned back into cash.

Before you haul off and send your scrap gold to a TV pitchman who promises to send you a check or you agree to attend a "gold party" at which the host says you can get cash instantly for your old gold, let me tell you about a conversation I had with Kevin Stevenson, owner of Johnson Jewelers in Bellflower, Calif.

First, let's talk about value. Scrap jewelry is valued by the weight of its gold content. Pieces that are 10 karats are not as valuable as ones that are 18 karats. A reputable jeweler can test a piece to determine its gold content, weigh it and determine its value as scrap.

When talking "scrap," jewelers do not take into consideration beauty or functionality. If you have good pieces, do not attempt to sell them as scrap. You'd do better on eBay or Craigslist. However, if you have mismatched and broken pieces that are truly nothing more than junk jewelry to you, you should consider packing up all of the pieces and turning that gold into cash.

You never should mail scrap gold to a gold dealer, Stevenson says. That's a rip-off just waiting to happen. Gold parties, which are popular these days, are not much better. Instead, he suggests, take the time to have your scrap evaluated by more than one reputable jeweler. Take your scrap gold to three jewelers, asking each one to give you an offer. Once you have determined the highest bid, don't be afraid to haggle. These jewelers are not going to offer the going rate of gold; they'll offer a lower amount that will allow them to have the metal melted down so that it can be reworked into new pieces of jewelry. Remember, jewelers are looking to make the best deal, too.

You will not get anything close to \$1,000 an ounce for the gold content in your scrap gold, but you'll get a lot more than you have right now while it languishes in the back of your jewelry box. Knowing how to get the best price for all your junk jewelry should make the prospect of cleaning out those drawers that much sweeter.

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"We're the only flood insurance agency that offers cash rebates back to all our customers," Jeff explains.

So if you buy your flood insurance through Premier Choice, you'll get at least seven percent of your annual premium (before fees and taxes) back in the form of a rebate check.

"We give the money back to our customers either at inception--if they're new policy holders--and then again every subsequent year they renew... forever," Jeff says.

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Jeff DeNight, Co-owner of Bentley-DeNight insurance shares commissions with his customers.

Nope, Jeff says. FEMA is the only flood insurance provider, so the cost is the same no matter what flood insurance company you use. The policies written by his agency are supported by the federal government through FEMA.

FEMA pays a commission to the agencies that write their policies. Jeff and his agency are sharing that commission with their customers.

Jeff says, things are tough for everyone, and if his company has a little to share with the community, it's happy to do so.

"With the economy the way it is, we thought it would be nice to give something back, especially since insurance has such a negative connotation," Jeff says.

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## Woman's Club Celebrates 80 Years

The GFWC St. Petersburg Woman's Club at 40 Snell Isle Blvd NE will hold their monthly meeting on Friday, November 13 at 1 p.m. The International Affairs department of the club has invited Brian MacHarg, Director of Service-Learning at Eckerd College to be our guest speaker. His topic will be the project of students providing volunteer services in foreign countries. Refreshments will be served at the end of the business meeting.

This month their clubhouse which is on the State & National Historic Registry, will be celebrating 80 years since its construction at the beautiful waterfront site on Coffee Pot Bayou. Guests are welcome to attend their festivities. Also as a special project, they would appreciate any gift of money or items to help fill boxes that will be sent to their active duty men and women of the 37th Engineering Battalion. Remember, wear red to this meeting to honor the men and women in service to our country.

For more information on monthly meetings, diverse activities including arts and craft projects, monthly excursions, book discussions, weekly sewing and card games or rental information of their clubhouse, please call 822-4982. Guests are welcome to attend all their events.

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## Town Shores Red Hatters

Their Sunday afternoon coffee and meeting was well attended and several ideas for future functions were discussed.

The November breakfast will be on Monday, November 16 at the Cracker Barrel on 54th St. Call Judy at 344-7558, Bev at 381-2122 or Marsha at 384-0188 for a reservation. Those wishing to carpool will leave the clubhouse at 9:10 a.m. Wear purple and red.

The holiday luncheon will be on Monday, December 7 at Lee Roy Selmon's. Call Carol at 345-2303 or Bev at 381-2122 for a reservation.

Keep Friday, December 18 open as they are planning an afternoon activity if enough members are available.

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## NARFE Chapter 1140 to Meet

All Federal retirees and active Federal employees are encouraged to attend an upcoming meeting and luncheon of NARFE Chapter 1140 that includes St. Petersburg and the Gulf Beaches on Wednesday, November 18 at 11:30 a.m. at the Fountains of Boca Ciega Bay, 1255 S. Pasadena Avenue in South Pasadena in the Key West Dining Room. The cost for lunch is \$5 and spouses and guests are welcomed. There will be a discussion of up-to-date issues particularly relevant for active and retired Federal employees. This will be the Annual Meeting & Silent Auction with election of officers and announcement of their Committee Chairs. Reservations need to be made in advance by calling (727)368-8569 or 367-5256.

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## Nina Harris School Annual Auction

Nina Harris School (a public school for special needs students) will hold their annual auction on Friday, November 13 at 6000 70 Avenue N. in Pinellas Park. Previewing of items and dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. Bidding on live items will begin at 6:30 p.m. All proceeds to benefit the

programs, activities and equipment of this school. Public is welcome.

Call Chris Stuckey at 547-7850 for more information.

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## MARSP

The St. Petersburg Chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel will hold its first meeting of the year on Tuesday, November 10 at 11:30 a.m. at the Piccadilly Cafeteria, 1900 34 Street N. in St. Petersburg. Barbara Shimer, president of the Pinellas County Yoga Teachers, is the guest speaker. Those who are retirees and are not yet members are invited to attend. Call President Wendy Risk at 572-9854.

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## Temple Beth-El Sisterhood Game Day

Temple Beth-El, 400 Pasadena Avenue S., will hold a Game Day on December 9. Play of bridge, mah jongg and other games will begin at 10:30 a.m. with a break for lunch at noon and then resume play. Door prizes.

Call Jean Diamond at 360-5359 or Madeline Belkin at 381-8306. Deadline for reservations is December 1.

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# Hard Candy

By Cathy Salustri

**R**emember riding your bike when you were seven? Pretty awesome, right? I had a red three-speed I got one Christmas, and I rode it all over my neighborhood with my friend Maria. After school and over the summer we went everywhere we could in a five-block radius, returning home only for lunch, dinner and twilight.

30 or so years later I still like to ride my bike. I've traded the three-speed for a blue cheap-o one-speed with fat ol' tires and a basket on the front for Calypso. Sometimes I ride it to work, or to the pool, or to the store. Other times I'll take the bike path at Fort DeSoto. I still love the way it feels when I stand up, pedal real hard, then coast a few hundred yards. Nothing feels as good as taking my feet off the pedals and letting them stick out as I whiz along the roadside.

Somewhere along the way I think some local bicyclists have lost that feeling of joy. The biking world rides on two disparate paths: slackers like me who ride a bike at our leisure and stick to sidewalks and bike lanes, and the intense cyclists who insist that it is their legal right to ride their über-expensive lightweight racing bikes on the road. You know these folks; you've seen these folks. They generally wear stretchy bike shorts and flamboyant spandex shirts as they tool down the road, heads down, puffing with exertion.

Tool, of course, is the operative word here. I understand cycling for fitness, I do, but these folks do it at the expense of everyone else on the road. I think of them as vigilante bicycle groups, like people used to think of Hell's Angels before we realized they were all just a big group of tattooed teddy bears in leather, donating kidneys to sick children or whatever it is Hell's Angels do.

These cyclists have hijacked our roads and I say it's time we took them back. I do not accept the idea that they have as much right to the road as a motorcycle, car, or truck. As my friend Richard said last week,

if someone invented the bicycle five years ago, no way would we allow it on the road. It isn't safe. That's why god invented bike lanes.

Of course, our vigilante cyclists will not use these lanes. These men and women ride five or more abreast, blocking any traffic from passing. What's more, they ride in groups of, oh, I don't know, a thousand, and when one guy in the front stops for a stop sign, the 999 riders behind him decide that they're covered, too, and therefore do not need to stop. Red lights? If one rider makes it through on green or yellow, you can bet your Huffy that the rest are going through, too—even if the light turns red. In my world, that behavior is acceptable only at funeral processions. Given their risky behavior, perhaps these cyclists are training for such an event.

What really gets me—and pretty much everyone I talked to when I mentioned this subject to my editor and he called me a cranky old lady—is that these are the same cyclists who insist they can ride on the road because the law says so. Seems rather arbitrary, doesn't it? I would love to be able to pick and choose what laws I obey. Sorry, Officer, I know I was going 120 on I-275, but, hey, I'm not drunk, so we're good, right?

Every week I drive up the beaches to see my parents in Clearwater. Along the way I see something I think took a lot of foresight: Indian Rocks Beach and Indian Shores re-worked their roadways to include one lane for passenger vehicles, one lane for pedestrians, and one for bicyclists. This impressed me from the first moment I saw it. What failed to impress me, though, is the number of vigilante cyclists pretending the bike path doesn't exist as they pedal down the middle of Gulf Boulevard. It is illegal for cars to pass them in the same lane and since these roads sacrificed their passing lanes for the bike and pedestrian lanes, cars must stay behind these riders until the cyclist reaches his destination or someone runs her off the road. Which, by

the way, I am totally not endorsing.

Because, you know, they're correct when they argue it's their right to use the road. So much so, I think, that in the spirit of taking back our roads, we should treat them just as we would any other vehicle on the road.

When someone's driving too slow in front of you—I'm talking 10 or 15 miles under the speed limit—what's the best thing to do? Take deep breaths? Oh, no: the time for civility passed long ago with these bicycle terrorists. Pass them—in fact, cut them off—and then drive slow in front of them. I'm talking three miles an hour. Actually, just put your car in neutral. After all, it is their right.

Oh, or hey, when they run a stop sign? Just go ahead when it's your turn. Of course, this will mean you'll have to blast your horn and probably slam on your brakes (you don't want to actually hit them; the spandex shorts just make a mess of your front grill), but, as they like to say, it's their right.

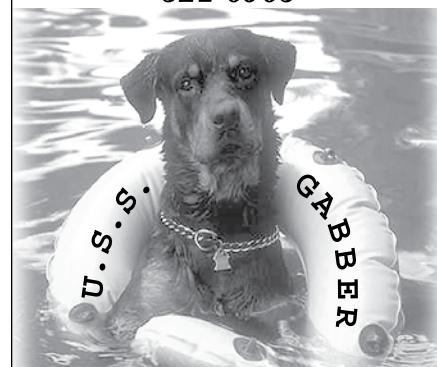
I cannot imagine this will win any points with these cyclists. Since you're in a car, though, you have the upper hand. What choice do they have? Well, there's always that nice, cushy bike lane. Who knows, they may even have the chance to slow down enough to look around, take their hands off the handlebars, and coast for a few hundred yards. Isn't that the best part of riding your bike, after all?

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## Shop Local and Support Our Troops

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Kick off the traditional holiday shopping season with a very special daytime event along Beach Blvd. in Gulfport. Support your local shop owners and artisans, and give thanks to our American Troops at the same time. The festival will provide shoppers with one-of-a-kind gifts that cannot be found anywhere else, and all of your holiday shopping can be done in one place! No running around to different stores or wandering through acres of mall space. Shopping can be done at a leisurely pace while finding unique gift items. Featuring art, crafts, jewelry, clothing, glass, wood, music, photography, toys, home décor, and much more makes this a gift buyer's delight. Exhibitor fees will be used to ship goods to service members from our community.

With this collection for our troops, they wish for simple things, nothing expensive, items such as magazines, puzzle books, reading books, gently used DVD's, snacks, toiletries, phone cards, etc. Many items can be from your home or a dollar store. No cans or glass please. Collection boxes are located from now until November 28 at Domain Food and Spirits, 3129 Beach Blvd., and Gulfport On The Rocks on Shore Blvd. Free. Visit <http://gulfportma.com/>.

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## Red Hot Beach Nuts

Members had a Bake out at the home of Josie Freeman. There were over 25 people in attendance all with good food ranging from meats, vegetables, salads and drinks. They voted on most colorful dish and gave prizes for best tasting. Red Hot Beach Nuts is a charter member of the Red Hatters Society.

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## A Weekend Wonderland Fundraiser

Hold the Date! The Gulfport Senior Center and its Foundation are sponsoring a Weekend Wonderland Fundraiser on December 4 and 5.

*Gabber November 5 - November 11, 2009*

Friday, December 4 will feature a live and silent auction and an opportunity raffle for theme baskets and will also include appetizers, beverages, and a chance to win a large door prize give away. Admission tickets are \$5 and are now available at the Senior Center. On Saturday, December 5 there will be a large flea market which will include a Better Boutique. All proceeds support projects of the Senior Center Foundation that directly benefit the Senior Center.

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## Black Cat Adoption Fees Reduced

November is Black Beauty Month at Friends of Strays. The shelter does not adopt out black kittens in the month of October and they have a huge selection of black cats. Adoption fee is reduced to \$20 and all cats are spayed/neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and have a county license. Adoption Center is open Tuesday-Sunday from 10-3 p.m. at 2911 47 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. Call 727-522-6566 or visit [friendsofstrays.com](http://friendsofstrays.com) for more information.

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## Discover Egmont Key

The Egmont Key Alliance will hold its 12th Discover Egmont Key on Saturday, November 14 and Sunday, November 15. Come out and visit one of the areas hidden treasures, stroll along roads and sidewalks that are over 100 years old. Along the way visit interpretive sites on island history, wildlife, military history and nature. Enjoy Civil War re-enactors and the 151 year old lighthouse.

Shuttle boats will leave Fort DeSoto Park from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. with the last boat returning from Egmont at 4:30 p.m. Hot dogs, water and souvenirs will be available for purchase on the island. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased on line or at the gate. Children 11 and under are free accompanied by an adult. Group discount tickets of 10 or more are also available. For more information go to [www.egmontkey.info](http://www.egmontkey.info).

Proceeds to benefit Egmont Key Alliance, a citizen support organization dedicated to protecting, restoring and preserving the island.

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## Legal Transfers of Control and Decision-Making

By Robert J. Myers, Esq.

This week, let's take a look at how legal transfers of control and decision-making work.

### Guardianship

This is a legal process in which the court places an individual or agency in control of someone else's affairs. Since establishing a guardianship requires action by the Court system, it can be expensive and cumbersome. In addition, guardianship reduces an individual's legal rights to those of a minor.

### Conservatorship

This is a type of guardianship that applies only to a person's property and not his or her personal matters. As such, its scope is less restrictive, and the individual involved retains many of his or her legal rights.

### Durable Power of Attorney

By establishing a power of attorney, you authorize someone else to act in your behalf. You can give very limited powers, such as authorizing someone to sell property for you, or very broad

powers, such as paying bills, making investment decisions, or making all decisions for you.

A durable power of attorney remains in force even if the person who establishes it becomes incompetent. While a power of attorney is generally established to ensure that your affairs will be handled for you, it must be durable to be effective in the event of your incapacity. Any power of attorney, including a durable one, becomes null and void when either the person granting it or the person to whom it is granted dies.

You should be sure to specify exactly what functions are to be covered by the durable power of attorney. For example, medical decisions, investment choices and property care can be named specifically.

Of course, a durable power of attorney should be given only to someone you trust implicitly to act in your best interest. You should consult an attorney for the specific requirement of a durable power of attorney.

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## Gulfport Recreation Thanks You

Thank you to everyone in the community who answered our need for supplies. Our storage area is overflowing with the many donations and we are no longer in need of supplies. The children are having a fantastic time making many different art projects because of the generosity of our many donors. Thank you from the Gulfport Recreation Staff and children!

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## Massachusetts Society to Meet

The Massachusetts Society will meet Wednesday, November 11 at 1 p.m. at the Lions Club, 4630 Tifton Drive in Gulfport. All Bay Staters are welcome to attend. They meet the second Wednesday of the month November through April.

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## Genealogy and Family History Series

Beginning November 14, a free series of talks on Genealogy and Family History is held on the second Saturday of every month from 10-11 a.m. at the West St. Petersburg Community Library at the corner of 8 Avenue N. and 67 Street. Items discussed include GEDCOM and computer genealogy programs and converting family data into genealogy reports. Learn how to turn family history into an interesting and exciting hobby. Call Charlie Grandmaison at 343-2776.

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## AutumnFest at Ukrainian Catholic Church

Epiphany of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church, 434 90 Avenue N., St. Petersburg will hold their 29th annual AutumnFest on Saturday, November 14 from 3-9 p.m. and Sunday, November 15 from 11-6 p.m. Donation of \$2, children under 12 free. Event includes Ukrainian food and beer, games for children, church tours, Ukrainian vendors and silent auction. Music by "Cathy's Lorelei Band" with performances by the Kalyna Ukrainian dancers. For information contact 576-1001.

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## Bear Creek and Pinellas Trail Cleanup

Come out and help your neighbors clean up Bear Creek and the Pinellas Trail on Saturday, November 14. Plan to meet at Grace Bible Church, 555 61 Street S. at 8 a.m. Cleanup is scheduled until 12 p.m. Get in the creek, walk the trail, help on the shore or just give moral support. Call Tonilynn or Aaron at 343-5583 with any questions.

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## Forever Young Dancers to Appear in Gulfport

The Forever Young Dancers will present "Under Cover" at The Back Door Theater, 4919 17 Avenue S. in Gulfport on Saturday, November 14 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, November 15 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are only \$15 and are available at the door or in advance at Eileen's Resale Boutique, 5401 Gulfport Boulevard S. in Gulfport. One hundred percent of all ticket proceeds go to Homeless Outreach, a non-profit endeavor that supplies blankets to Tampa Bay's homeless. Patrons are encouraged to donate blankets at the door in an effort to provide even more warmth to those in need.

This Tampa Bay dance troupe of senior men ages 60-79 delights audiences of all ages. Their 2010 calendars are just \$12 and are available at the show and by going onlinetowww.ForeverYoungDancers.com.

Show tickets and calendars are also available by calling Founder Fred Clausen at 360-4406.

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## Beginner Tai Chi in Gulfport

New classes in Taoist Tai Chi for Beginners will start on Tuesday, November 3 and Thursday, November 5 at 9 a.m. at the Gulfport Gabber November 5 - November 11, 2009

Recreation Center located at 58 St. S. and Shore Blvd. S. For Town Shores residents, the new class begins on Monday, November 9 at 9 a.m. in the clubhouse. It is best to wear sneakers or shoes that will not slip off. There is a suggested donation of \$2 per class which goes to the Taoist Tai Chi Society. Call Marjorie Grudzinski at 345-6708.

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## 24th Annual Holiday Craft Bazaar

It's not too early to start thinking about holiday shopping. The 24th

Annual Craft Bazaar is back at Fossil Park on Saturday, November 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., 6635 Dr. M.L. King Jr. Street N. The bazaar features a variety of hand crafted items, one-of-a-kind decorations and gifts for the holidays. The sale is free and open to the public. Rain date is Sunday, November 15. For more information, or to join over 30 current vendors, register and pay a nominal fee at 727-551-3272. Concessions available. Proceeds benefit TASCO Teen Programs.

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# Just Passing Through

By Kate Bradshaw



They do it every autumn on Treasure Island's broad stretch of sand, and the effect is always eerie; especially when they do it at dusk. The seemingly impenetrable bird blanket they form may invoke horror-flick images for some, but Ann Paul, Regional Coordinator for Audubon of Florida, says that the thousands of seabirds that congregate here are just resting.

Spook them and they take to the air in practical unison, forming a squawking curtain that covers the evening sky. After swooping and circling once or twice they land close to the same spot.

The flock comprises numerous migrating species, including terns, dowitchers, greater and lesser yellow legs, gulls, black-bellied plovers and many others, "some of which are pretty rare," Paul says. Some, like the red knot are in the middle of journeys that have originated as far north as the Arctic Circle and have destinations as far south as Tierra del Fuego.

All that needless flying away from perceived predators may be affecting their energy stores these birds maintain for their long migrations.

"With so many people scaring those birds it's starting to have an impact on their capacity to survive," she said.

Paul says that it is best to avoid disturbing these huge flocks.

## 1960 Class of Largo High Reunion

The 1960 Class of Largo High School will hold their 50th class reunion in May 2010. Anyone who knows someone in that class please contact them as they are still missing addresses. Other years may also attend. For information email [DKLEAL@aol.com](mailto:DKLEAL@aol.com) or call Dee at 727-743-3944 or visit [largohigh1960.com](http://largohigh1960.com).

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## Beta Sigma Phi

Sunshine City Council will host the Fall Bay Area Luncheon on Saturday, November 7 at the St. Petersburg Hilton in downtown St. Petersburg. Beta Sigma Phi members from around the bay area - Bradenton, Sarasota, Clearwater, Tampa, New Port Richey, and St. Petersburg are invited to attend. This is an annual event hosted by one of the five bay area Councils. This year's theme will be "Passport to the World" thus providing an international theme.

Beta Sigma Phi is an international sorority to provide women with a social and cultural outlet. The 12 chapters of Sunshine City Council meet at various times depending on the chapter format. Chapters may participate and support a variety of service projects in the area. If you would like to learn more about Beta Sigma Phi, please contact Sharon Melton at 595-9625.

There will be a vice presidents' meeting on Monday, November 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Sharon Melton. The Sweetheart/Preferential Tea plans will be discussed at this time.

Laureate Epsilon Theta chapter will have their regular meeting on Wednesday, November 11 at the home of Joyce Keller at 7 p.m. The program for the evening will be presented by Val Rankin.

The chapter members and guests will gather at Joyce Keller's home on

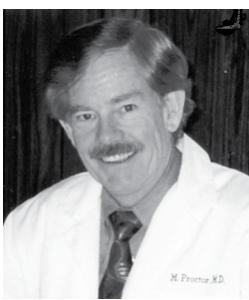
Sunday, November 15 at 6:30 p.m. to enjoy a Dinner Around the World social. Members will bring a dish representing a country of their choice.

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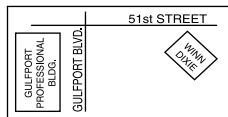
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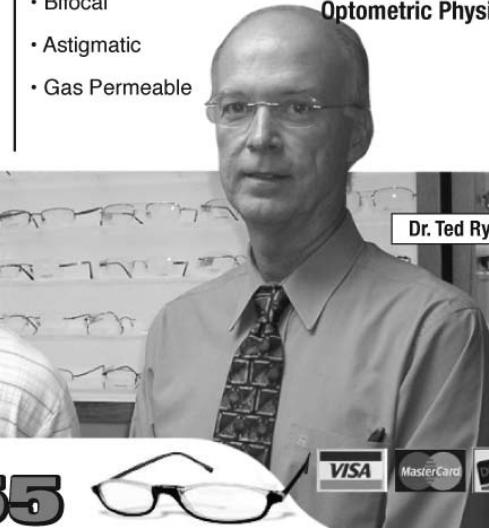
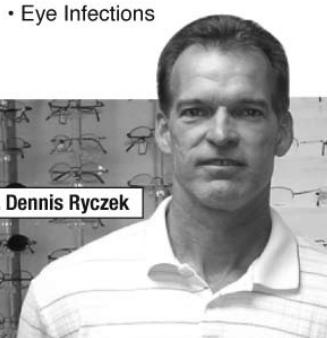


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## Holiday Hoopla Needs Vendors and Sponsors

GULFPORT-The Gulfport Merchants association presents the first annual Holiday Hoopla! The event will take place on Beach Blvd. in Gulfport from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on December 5. A portion of the proceeds from the event will benefit Operation Santa and Gulfport families in need.

Holiday Hoopla is a celebration of arts, crafts, foods, live music and roving holiday characters set in a waterfront atmosphere amid bright, twinkling, colorful lights, and Santa Claus. No running around to different stores or wandering through acres of mall space, shopping can be done at a leisurely pace while finding unique items. Featuring art, crafts, jewelry, clothing, glass, wood, music, photography, toys, Christmas décor, and much more makes this a gift buyer's delight. The event will also feature holiday-themed music, holiday carolers, dance performances, and roving street performers. Downtown restaurants, pubs, and cafes will be open during the festivities.

The Gulfport Merchants Association is seeking vendors and sponsors for this holiday themed event. To download the application, please visit <http://suzieking.com/>.

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## Meet the Authors

Gulf Beaches Historical Museum has invited four local authors for you to meet as you enjoy dinner. Salad, seafood, rice, vegetables and dessert will be catered by The Hurricane.

Nino Fabiano, whose "Egmont Passage" novels blend local geography and lore with a captivating tale, a mystery, a ghost, and a continuing cast of characters. Intended for young adults, the stories compel readers of all ages to follow their dreams, no matter where they might take them!

Roberta Whipple's addition to the Arcadia Publishing "Images of America" series brings her unique perspective on the history of Corey Avenue, having grown up as the daughter of one of the original shopkeepers. Full of wonderful pictures, this is one for your coffee tables!

Robert Stanton tells the story of how the streetcars built the city of St. Petersburg and made it grow. In recent years he has become well known for a series of books he has published about trolley car transportation in Camden and Philadelphia.

Frank Hurley Jr. is a local legendary historian. If you need an answer, he has it in his numerous books.

Cost for members \$12, non-members \$15. Please bring your own table setup (disposable plate and silverware).

The event will be held at the Warren Webster Community Center, 1500 Pass-a-Grille Way on Sunday, November 15. BYOB cocktail social at 5 p.m., dinner to follow.

RSVP no later than November 12 by leaving a message at the Museum, 727-552-1610. Space is limited to 80 guests. Make your reservation now.

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## Thanksgiving Dinner and Program

Thanksgiving is fast approaching and Holy Name is again providing a Thanksgiving Dinner for all Gulfport residents to enjoy. The event will be on Sunday, November 22. The menu will include turkey and stuffing and all the trimmings including desserts and coffee. Beer and wine will also be available. Tickets will be \$7.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12 years old.

St. Vincent de Paul Society will be distributing Thanksgiving dinners to Gulfport residents again this year. Donate a food item such as can vegetables and fruit, soups, instant potatoes and stuffing or personal items. Exchange for a raffle ticket to win great prizes.

Please call Marjorie Hynish at 347-8611 for information or the church office at 347-9989.. First prize will be a weekend at the Tradewinds Resort on St. Pete Beach. Must be registered to receive the prizes. Dinner will be at the Maria Center at Holy Name Church, 5800 15 Avenue S. in Gulfport.

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# Your SOCIAL SECURITY

By Tom Margenau

## Your Number is Up

**Q:** My employer recently contracted with a private company to do some kind of research into our insurance benefits. I was asked to supply this outfit with my Social Security number. I thought I remember reading somewhere that there are only three or four times when I am legally obligated to provide someone with my Social Security number. Do I have to give these folks my Social Security number?

**A:** No one is holding a gun to your head and forcing you to give this company your Social Security number. But if you refuse to do so, you'll have to live with whatever consequences your employer has in store for people who don't cooperate with this research firm.

As you alluded to, there are a small number of legally authorized uses for the Social Security number. At last count, I think it was about a half dozen times. For example, employers are authorized to use your Social Security number to report earnings and other information to the government. And the Internal Revenue Service can use the Social Security number for income tax and record-keeping purposes. Obviously, the Social Security Administration uses the SSN to maintain its records and to pay Social Security benefits.

Those, and a few others, are the instances when a Social Security number is legally authorized to be used. But Congress has never passed a law preventing other government agencies and private businesses from using the SSN for their own internal record-keeping purposes.

Don't think they haven't tried. Over the years, there have been many attempts to restrict the use of SSNs, especially when private companies want those numbers. But powerful business lobbyists have always prevented that from happening. That's because the SSN is a very convenient record-keeping number for them to use. After all, it's the one national

identifying number that everyone has and tends to remember.

**Q:** Awhile back, I started getting widow's benefits from Social Security. I've noticed that on any correspondence I get from the Social Security agency, they always used my husband's number for reference purposes. Recently, I signed up for Medicare and see that my Medicare card has my husband's number on it, too, followed by the letter "D." Does that mean my deceased husband's number is now my Social Security number?

**A:** No. You will always keep and use the number originally assigned to you as your own Social Security number. So, if you are ever asked for your number on tax returns or credit card applications, for example, you should give them your own Social Security number.

But the Social Security Administration has issued you a "claim number" that is different from your own Social Security number. That is because you are claiming widow's benefits on your husband's Social Security account. Your claim number is your husband's Social Security number with the letter "D" following it. "D" is the symbol that the SSA uses to denote widow's benefits. (Don't you think a "W" would be a more logical symbol for widow's benefits?)

By the same token, you are also claiming Medicare coverage on your husband's Social Security record. So, the number shown on your Medicare card will be your husband's Social Security number with the letter "D" suffix.

**Note:** After I e-mailed my reply to this reader, she had a follow-up question:

**Q:** I have a friend who also gets widow's benefits. But her Medicare card has her Social Security number with the letter "A" after it. Why does this widow get to keep her own Social Security number, but I have to use my husband's number?

**A:** Your friend must be receiving a combination of her own Social Security benefits and a widow's benefit. If a woman has worked and earned her own Social Security retirement benefit, she will almost always be paid that benefit first. Then if she is due extra money off her husband's record, she gets that, too.

Even if she's due only 10 cents on her own Social Security record, and all the rest of her monthly Social Security payment comes from her husband's record, her own account is still the primary one. This means her Social Security claim number -- and Medicare number -- is her own SSN with an "A" suffix. "A" is the symbol SSA uses to denote retirement benefits.

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# Sustainable Living

By Shawn Dell Joyce



## Green Heat

Recent hikes in the costs of fuel oil and natural gas have many of us looking to alternative sources for home heating. But what is the "greenest" alternative? That is a tough question because it depends on where you live and what fuel is abundant locally. If you live in the Midwest, corn is more abundant than wood and may have less of an environmental impact because it doesn't have to be shipped to you.

If you live in the woods, then wood is a logical heat choice for you and is carbon-neutral, meaning that burning the wood doesn't add any more carbon to the atmosphere than the tree would have sequestered during its lifetime. Most people who live in the woods can use windfall trees and standing deadwood and don't ever have to cut down a living tree. However, if we all

burned wood, it quickly would deforest our country and add to climate change dramatically.

Biomass heat is gaining in popularity and can be a greener choice in some cases. Corn pellet stoves and wood pellet stoves look the same and heat equivalently. Because they are highly efficient, they don't need chimneys; instead, they can be vented outdoors by 4-inch pipes through outside walls. You also can tie a corn stove to your thermostat so that glow plug igniters automatically light it. It has a hopper capacity big enough to hold several days' worth of corn. Both stoves use blowers to create vacuums inside the stoves, keeping smoke from seeping into your home.

What you burn is also crucial. Wood smoke can contain many tars, creosote and other chemicals that degrade our air quality. Burning wood as hot as possible helps reduce

contaminants in the smoke. Corn burns so cleanly that you won't see a wisp of smoke from the stovepipe. However, corn requires many chemical inputs to grow and can be environmentally devastating.

Wood pellets burn the most cleanly but are not necessarily as renewable a resource as corn. Look for corn that is grown locally and has low pesticide and fertilizer use, such as transitional corn, for a truly environmentally friendly alternative fuel.

There are also multi-fuel stoves, which burn almost anything that fits in the 2-inch hoppers. This type of stove may be a good choice if you live in an agricultural area. Farmers are discovering a new use for waste crops, such as wheat shafts and hulls, cornstalks and moldy hay. These crop wastes can be pelletized and sold as biomass heat pellets for multi-fuel stoves. This may be a local source for home heating fuel in areas where wood is expensive and corn is needed as food.

Many farmers have started growing biomass crops, such as switch grass, specifically to pelletize and burn them for home heating use. You can use grass pellets in pellet stoves, as well as in high-efficiency wood stoves. If you have enough land, you can make grass pellets out of just about any type of hay or straw. You even can use last year's moldy hay bales to make next year's pellets. Finding a pelletizer may be the hardest part of the process. Some farmers in New York pitch in together and rent one. You could make your own pellets and save substantially on home heating. This could become a popular home-based business that helps wean Americans off fossil fuels so that they can enjoy real homeland security.

Traditional open masonry fireplaces aren't effective or efficient heating devices. A traditional fireplace draws in as much as 300 cubic feet per minute of heated room air for combustion and then sends it straight up the chimney. This is the same as having a 4-foot hole in your wall that is sucking your precious heat straight outdoors! Only high-efficiency fireplace inserts have proved to be effective in increasing the heating efficiency of older fireplaces. The insert functions like a wood stove, fitting into the masonry fireplace or on its hearth and using the existing chimney.

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## Salvation Army to Hold Annual Holiday Market

The Salvation Army Ladies Fellowship will hold its annual Holiday Market on Saturday, November 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at The Salvation Army located at 3800 Ninth Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. Vendors will be on hand selling gently used household items, arts and crafts, jewelry, antiques, collectables and other crafty home decorations.

Hot dogs and chips will be available for \$3 and a sit down spaghetti dinner will be available for \$5 each. A silent auction will also be conducted throughout the course of the day.

For more information on the Holiday Market please contact Eileen Conte at [Eileen\\_Conte@uss.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Eileen_Conte@uss.salvationarmy.org) or by phone at (727) 323-2222.

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## Free Foreclosure Prevention Workshops

St. Petersburg Neighborhood Housing Services (SPNHS) will begin offering free foreclosure prevention workshops on Mondays at 1600 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street S. in St. Petersburg from 6-7:30 p.m. HUD certified counselors will be on site to provide struggling homeowners an overview of the foreclosure process and offer individual counseling opportunities to develop an action plan to avoid foreclosure. All homeowners, regardless of circumstances, are encouraged to attend. Call 821-6897 for more information.

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Classes include: "Handling Your Boat" Nov. 10; "Your Highway Signs" Nov. 17; and "Rules of the Nautical Road" Nov. 24.

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## **Rotary Club of St. Petersburg**

The Rotary Club of St. Petersburg Suncoast meets every Tuesday at noon, at Gigi's Restaurant, located at 6852 Gulfport Boulevard (Pasadena Shopping Center). They encourage those interested in becoming members to attend as welcomed guests.

Upcoming programs include Lori Knox from Suncoast Hospice, Richard Clarke from the city of St. Petersburg and the city's Recycling Program and speaker Richard Stahl highlighting Consumer Protection.

Current projects of their group include Gulfport Food Bank, celebrating arts locally at the Morean Arts Center and so much more.

For more information, please contact Jerome Hendrickson at 727-321-8719.

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## **Calling All Crafters**

The American Legion Auxiliary St. Petersburg Unit 14 will be holding an indoor Craft Show on Saturday, November 21 at 1520 Fourth Street N. They are looking for vendors to sell handmade crafts. Spaces are limited so call early.

Interested crafters can contact Bonnie Carter at 727-521-4049, email dincwaz2@tampabay.rr.com or Helen Butler at 727-526-9977. Proceeds raised from this event will be used to fund the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State program.

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## **Salvation Army Needs Holiday Volunteers**

The Salvation Army of South Pinellas County is seeking holiday volunteers to assist with the registration of clients who will receive gifts and food for Christmas. Volunteers will meet and greet clients, help them complete paperwork for assistance, complete

Angel Tree Tags, answer telephones and much more.

Registration takes place from October 13 through November 13, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Volunteer hours are flexible with shifts available from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Registration will take place at The Salvation Army located at 1400 Fourth Street S. in St. Petersburg.

For more information on all holiday volunteer opportunities please call Gail Stark, Community Relations Coordinator at (727) 550-8080, ext. 332 or email her at Gail\_Stark@uss salvationarmy.org.

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## **DBSA Support Group**

Are you depressed or bipolar or have another disorder? Come to a support group that meets every Thursday evening from 7-9 p.m. at Northeast Presbyterian Church, 4400 Shore Acre Boulevard NE. They also have a teen group that meets from 6-8 p.m. Call Mary at 727-204-2608 for more information.

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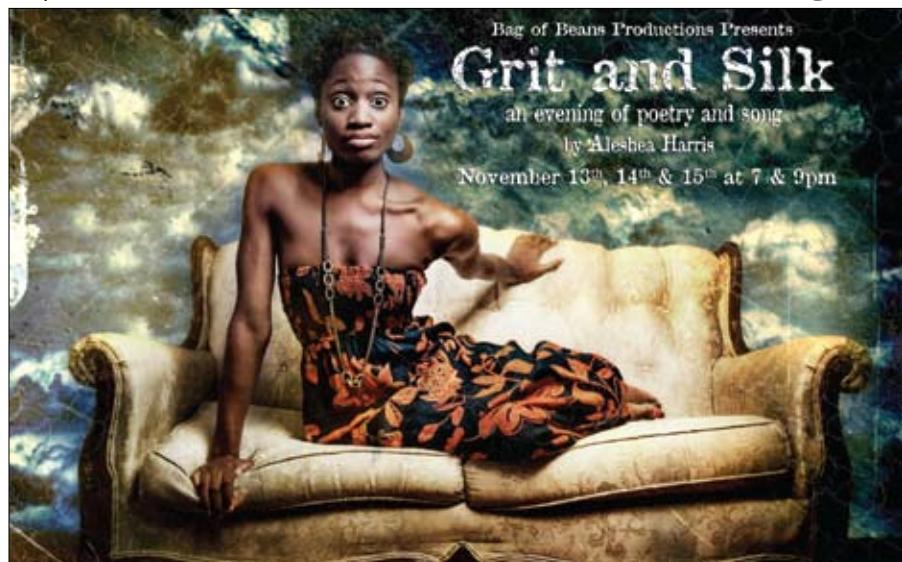
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## **After Hours At American Stage**



Aleshea Harris stars in the After Hours Cabaret, Grit and Silk. American Stage sells tickets for this show on a "pay-what-you-can" basis.

By Cathy Salustri

Complaining that St. Petersburg rolls up the sidewalks after 9 o'clock? American Stage answers that complaint with its After Hours series. The After Hours series, brainchild of Todd Olson, American Stage's Producing Artistic Director came about when Olson wanted to enlarge American Stage's "artistic identity," according to Olson.

"When we choose our mainstage plays, we have to choose plays that are going to be satisfying to over 3000 subscribers, but when we choose these, we can chose things off the beaten track. There is an audience for this out there, but we don't have the pressure of 'Oh my god, we're going to make the subscribers mad,'" he says. Some of the plays, such as New Century, deal with mature themes and have nudity, while others explore homosexuality and other same-sex issues. Sandwiching these shorter, sometimes more exploratory pieces between the mainstage productions allows American Stage to offer more kinds of theatre to more kinds of audiences.

"It was kind of a stroke of genius on his part," American Stage's Director of Marketing, Andy Orrell says. The After Hours series consists of shorter shows: some plays, some musicals, and some cabaret-style entertainment. American Stage mounts these productions in between its main stage productions as well as after certain shows.

The After Hours shows run the gamut from this week's Manifesting Soul, a cabaret-style show featuring poet/singer Erica Sutherlin, to last week's End of the Road, a one-man show about Jack Kerouac. American Stage calls some of the shows "edgy" and others "soul-grabbing," but the one constant in every After Hours production remains the disparity between American Stage's season of main stage shows and these more unusual works.

"We kept on talking about these shows that we really wanted to do, things that we felt artistically we needed to do because if we didn't do them there wasn't anyone else in the Tampa Bay area who could do them," Orrell explains.

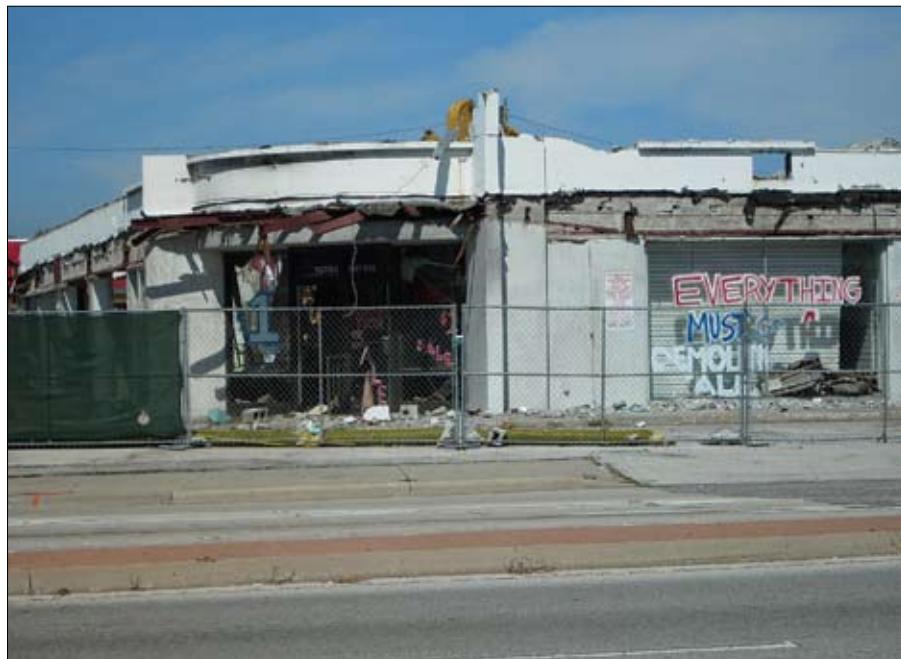
Different show draw different types of audiences, Orrell says. He adds that all the shows exceeded the regional Equity theatre company's expectations.

"Originally we thought, 'We probably won't make any money on this, but it's what we should do,'" he says. But the very first show, The Vagina Monologues, turned out large crowds and, Orrell says, "was a huge, huge success."

"We're really impressed and really excited about the support that the people in the community have given to this," Orrell says. "We've found a niche."

Future After Hours shows include The Dumb Show, From Havana to Hell's Kitchen, Grit and Silk, and A Truman Capote Christmas Story. Call American Stage at 823-7529 or visit [AmericanStage.org](http://AmericanStage.org) for tickets and more information.

# Treasure Island Building Renovation Runs into Complications



By Kate Bradshaw

**TREASURE ISLAND** – Every week the site looks different. First there was the “Demolition Sale”. Then the structure, which sits at the northeast corner of Gulf and Causeway Boulevards, was vacant. Now, with only a portion of its storefront remaining, the structure that for years as housed the Treasure Island Surf Style location looks to be a goner.

But that wasn't the owner's original intent, says Treasure Island City Planner Lynn Rosetti.

This past Wednesday the Treasure Island Planning and Zoning Board will hold an emergency meeting to address changes to a plan that originally entailed a renovation; one that was supposed to retain some of the original structure for historic and stylistic purposes.

Initially, Edlan, Inc., the Hollywood, Florida-based owner of this and numerous other Surf Style stores, had planned to leave the external wall that fronts the 57-year-old art moderne structure intact, Rosetti said. The building would serve as updated digs for the same Surf Style location; not condos as many passersby seem to assume.

“They want it to continue to look old Florida,” Rosetti said. “They do want it to have that same look of the old building.”

Major changes included raising the roof, demolishing the portion of the building that once contained a Chinese restaurant and beefing up the structure's disaster readiness. They will likely add restaurant space to the side of the building that fronts Gulf Boulevard.

Yet as the “renovation” began, Rosetti said, the developer began to unearth some severe structural problems.

“The building portions that are to remain are literally falling down,” she said. “It's really just a mess.”

Rosetti added that she and others could see the walls of the building sway when up close.

“A good breeze would blow it down and we can't have that,” she said.

Rosetti said that the structural integrity of the 1952 building has nothing to do with the work of the developer and that it may cause some delays in construction; something Wednesday's meeting, the result of which was not available by press time, aimed to mitigate. The developer hopes the update will be completed in time for the 2010 spring break season.

# Boca Ciega High School Scoreboard

By Leigh Clifton

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## Gulfport's City-Wide Yard Sale!



**Saturday, November 7 Rain Date - November 8**

The City of Gulfport is sponsoring their semi-annual  
City-Wide Yard Sale, from dawn to dusk, on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Below Are The Participating Gulfport Homes

#### Stetson Area

707 59th St. S.  
808 59th St. S  
812 59th St. S.  
1115 61st St. S.  
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#### 28th Ave. S. to Gulfport Blvd.

5139 24th Ave. S.  
5813 24th Ave. S.  
5712 25th Ave. S.  
5126 25th Ave. S.  
5108 26th Ave. S.  
5814 26th Ave. S.  
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5050 27th Ave. S.  
5136 27th Ave. S.  
5227 27th Ave. S.  
5843 27th Ave. S.  
2411- #15 Beach Blvd. S.  
2408 50th St. S.  
2714 52nd St. S.  
2838 53rd St. S.

2601 ½ 54th St. S. (Rear alley)  
2601 56th St. S.  
2626 56th St. S.

2808 Clinton St. S.

2502 58th St. S.  
2408 59th St. S.

#### Marina District

2834 Tifton St. S. (29th Ave. side)  
2648 45th St. S.  
2900 45th St. S. (Gulfport Shores)  
2706 Upton St. S.  
2644 49th St. S.  
2702 49th St. S.  
2838 Miriam St. S.  
4768 Baywood Pt. Dr. S.

#### North of Gulfport Blvd.

5402 8th Ave. S.  
5301 10th Ave. S.  
5144 12th Ave. S.  
5602 12th Ave. S.  
5139 16th Ave. S.  
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5130 Preston Ave. S.  
5213 17th Ave. S.  
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5619 18th Ave. S.  
5210 19th Ave. S.  
5814 Tangerine Ave. S.

4923 20th Ave. S.  
4917 20th Ave. S.  
5001 20th Ave. S.  
1925 49th St. S.  
5829 20th Ave. S.  
1601 54th St. S.  
1201 55th St. S.  
1208 55th St. S.  
1520 55th St. S.  
1901 56th St. S.  
1806 57th St. S.  
1325 59th St. S.

#### Shore Blvd. S.

to 28th Ave.  
5725 Shore Blvd. S.  
5980 Shore Blvd. S. (Diplomat  
Building)  
2937 53rd St. S.  
2914 54th St. S.  
5112 28th Ave. S.  
5019 29th Ave. S.  
5137 29th Ave. S.  
5425 30th Ave. S.  
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**GULFPORT, 4768 BAYWOOD PT.**-and Neighbors. Sat. 8am.-? Pool Table, Hobie, Zodiac, Marine Equipment, Tools, Stereo Equipment, Speakers, Art Work, Vintage Items, Riding Lawn Mower.

**100 PARK ST. S.**-Fri. & Sat. 8am.-4pm. Jewelry, Furniture, Clothes, Washer/Dryer, Books, Art Work, Good Stuff No Junk.

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Various items at good prices!

**2105 52ND ST. S.**- Friday & Saturday, 8-? Furniture & Misc.

**2707 54TH ST. S.**- Pride Electric Wheelchair, Like New. Glassware, Dolls, Jewelry, Clothes, Shoes, Infant to Adult. Toys, Lots of Misc. Sat. 9-3p.m.

**PILGRIM CHURCH FLEA MARKET**-6315 Central Ave., Sat., 11/7, 9-1, Silent Auction, Snack Bar.

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**NEIGHBORHOOD SALE**-6600-6700 12th Ave. N. Sat. 8am.-1pm. Childrens Books and Clothing from size 0-2yrs. Furniture, Tools, Storage Cleanout and More!

**4929 9TH AVE. S.** Friday, Saturday, 8a.m.-3p.m. Sunday 9a.m.-2p.m. Produce, Clothing, You Name It!

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### FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Richard Trinque, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name SÖFR located in Pinellas County, Florida, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes. November 5, 2009.

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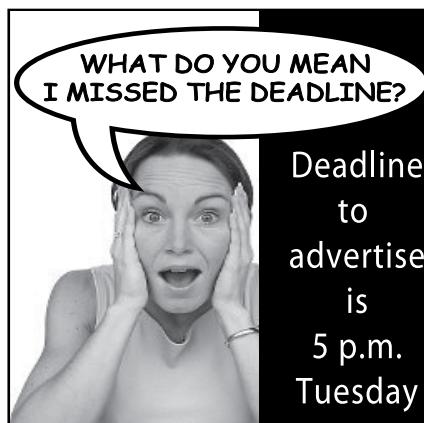
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