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John Calhoun, 8, of St. Petersburg gets help from U.S. Rep. Gus Bilirakis to cut the ribbon to start the St. Pete Beach Walk for Wishes. The fundraiser at the Tradewinds Resort had a three mile beach. Walkers collected pledges to help children like John get their wishes. The Make-A-Wish Foundation grants wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions. John's wish was recently granted as he met Spiderman at Universal Studios in Orlando.



**St. Pete Beach Library Welcomes Phyllis Ruscella**

By Melissa Lattman

The city's new library administrator always knew she wanted to be a librarian. As an elementary school student in Pittsburgh, Phyllis Ruscella helped deliver books and with circulation



Phyllis Ruscella, St. Pete Beach Library Administrator.

cards "I come from a family of readers. I grew up with a love of books," Ruscella said.

As a high school librarian for 17 years Ruscella had summers off so she pursued her interest in British Literature by studying several summers in England getting a second master's degree. She did her master's thesis on Thomas Hardy and two kinds of fate.

"I find him to be very intriguing. Sometimes you make your own fate

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**Litigation Update**

ST. PETE BEACH- A recent settlement offer by the city to resolve land development litigation was rejected and met with a counter offer. In a shade (closed) meeting before its May 11 meeting the city commission authorized a settlement to Bill Pyle, Bruce Kadura and Richard McCormick that included another election.

Basically under the city's proposal the voters would vote again on comprehensive plan changes and development regulations approved in a June 2008 election.

**Katana's Hope**

By Leigh Clifton

At 2 ½ years old, Katana Morgan looks just like any other little rambunctious child, on the go, a hundred miles an hour, giggly and sweet with big, doe eyes and curly red hair. But by looking at her, you wouldn't know that she's almost died- twice or that she suffers from the silent disease of Type One Diabetes. Her blood sugar is so off, that the range seems impossible; from 40 to over 800, measured in small drops of blood her grandmother, often in tears, has to quietly withdraw from her grandbaby's tiny fingers at least four times a day.

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# Litigation,

from front page

The lawsuits included concerns on the ballot language in that election.

They want more specifics about height and density in each district on the ballot, said Mayor Mike Finnerty. The city commission will review the counter offer at a shade meeting on May 20 which precedes a commission workshop session.

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# Accreditation Celebration Thank You's

Were you at the Senior Center Accreditation Celebration on Wednesday May 19? If not, you missed a grand event!

We are ever so thankful to the many people who helped make accreditation possible: Senior Services Coordinator Cynthia Dean for spearheading the Accreditation project and her determination and dedication in

bringing it to fruition; the Gulfport Senior Center Foundation Board of Directors who provided facility improvements throughout the year and paid all of the fees associated with accreditation; Jay Morgan, Director of St. Petersburg's Office on Aging and representative of the National Institute of Senior Centers for his support and encouragement through our struggles to become nationally accredited; Ruth and Robert Chapman for helping us develop the Fitness Center and their ongoing support which was a huge factor in increased membership and healthier seniors; Lori Rosso for providing accommodations for the Accreditation Peer Review Person at Seabreeze Manor; Gulfport Chamber of Commerce, Quality Self Storage, Senior Center Foundation and the City of Gulfport for sponsoring the Accreditation Celebration; City of Gulfport Technical Events Specialist Gail Biron for creating our Accreditation Celebration DVD; for all members of the Senior Center and Senior Center Foundation who generously support our Center. Thanks to all of you for helping make our Accreditation dream a reality!

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# Centennial Events Calendars

Souvenir Centennial events calendars are still available at Gulfport City Hall and the Gulfport Historical Museum. There are many events going on all year long; don't miss them! All proceeds benefit the Gulfport Historical Society scholarship fund.

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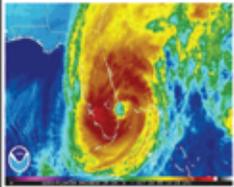


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**Librarian**, from front page and sometimes you have no control," she said.

Ruscella then transitioned to college libraries for 25 years including Georgia State, University of Central Florida, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and University of South Florida.

"We are very fortunate to have someone of Phyllis' caliber coming to our community," said City Manager Mike Bonfield at a recent city commission meeting.

After retiring briefly from academic libraries Ruscella who turns 64 this year rediscovered she really enjoyed the day-to-day contact with patrons while filling in for seven months at a public library in Clearwater. So she decided to come to St. Pete Beach, "...where I can really be a librarian again as well as manage a smaller staff and really get to know the community," Ruscella said.

Ruscella hopes to do a collection assessment and talk with the Friends

of the Library and Library Council about their goals for the near future. There has been some talk of a minor library renovation, she said.

"I am hoping to do a real collection assessment to make sure it's meeting the needs of the community," Ruscella said.

Ruscella said she has been listening to some of the library's audio books as she commutes home to her two cats in south Tampa. She also enjoys golf and movies in her free time.

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## Gulfport Endorses Get Ready Tampa Bay

"I think that this is very cool and very forward for our region," Vice-Mayor Michele King said of the "Get Ready Tampa Bay" initiative, which will support getting cities ready for electric and hybrid vehicles.

Although the city voted to support the initiative, spearheaded by the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, it does not mean that the city will have to provide charging stations for the vehicles. It instead supports businesses doing so.

"The idea is to make sure that our region is prepared; people can't buy them unless they can recharge them," the vice-mayor explained. "I'm very pleased that the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council has jumped on this."

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## Gulfport Gives Land to School Board

The city will give the right-of-way along (and south of) 7th Avenue South and the Gulfport Spur of

the Pinellas Trail to the Pinellas County School Board to help create a drainage easement. City Council voted to approve Ordinance 2010-07 at Tuesday night's council meeting; this ordinance lets the city vacate the land and helps Boca Ciega High School consolidate its property as part of the school's remodel.

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## Fireworks at Upham Beach

ST. PETE BEACH- Red and green falling leaves, silver swirls, thundering salutes and more will be part of this year's 4th of July display. The city commission approved \$20,000 for the 20-minute firework show to be shot from Upham Beach. About \$4,000 of the cost comes from the Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce and the rest of the expense comes from the city budget.

"People will have to vacate the beach about an hour before the show," Bonfield said. "We visited the beach... the show can be shot from the land."

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## Drop-off Donations for Seabird Sanctuary at Gulfport Library

The Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary and the City of Gulfport would like to thank all that participated in the donations for items for the Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary. Gulfport employee and Library Assistant, Diann Morningstar donated her time and delivered a van full of much needed items to the Sanctuary last week.

Other items have been updated on the sanctuary list: bottled water and Gatorade, kennels (small to extra large), thick moving boxes, shovels, gas gift cards (for rescuers), paper towels, toilet paper, heavy duty trash bags, large plastic totes with lids or you can make a donation online at Seabirdsanctuary.com. The Gulfport Public Library, 5501 28 Avenue S. is still a drop off location for Southern Pinellas. Hours of operation are

## Audition for Summer One Act Festival

The Gulfport Community Players will be holding auditions for their ever popular Summer One Act Festival on May 24 and 25. Auditions begin promptly at 7 p.m. All interested people are urged to try out for a part in one or more of these relatively short plays. These plays offer a variety of both comedy and drama, and might well be a perfect opportunity for newcomers to get their feet wet in community theater. The sets and blocking are rather simple, and there is not a lot of dialogue to memorize. If you have a resume, bring it with you to the auditions. There will be a total of seven short plays and they will run at the Hickman Theater from July 8 through July 18.

There are several directors for these plays and they will need a number of male and female actors, ranging in age from 18 on up. Feel free to stop by their Back Door Theater, located at 4919 17 Avenue S. in Gulfport and try your luck landing a part. This theater is just off 49th St. S. and there are signs at the turn off to their parking lot. Good luck!

Monday-Friday from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary, please email jessicag@seabirdsanctuary.com or call 727-392-4291.

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## Go West on 10th Avenue

ST. PETE BEACH- The St. Pete Beach City Commission paved the way to make 10th Avenue one way between Pass A Grille Way and Gulf

Way. The ordinance to make the street one-way westbound passed on first reading at the May 11 meeting. If passed on second reading the road will be striped to accommodate parallel parking on both sides.

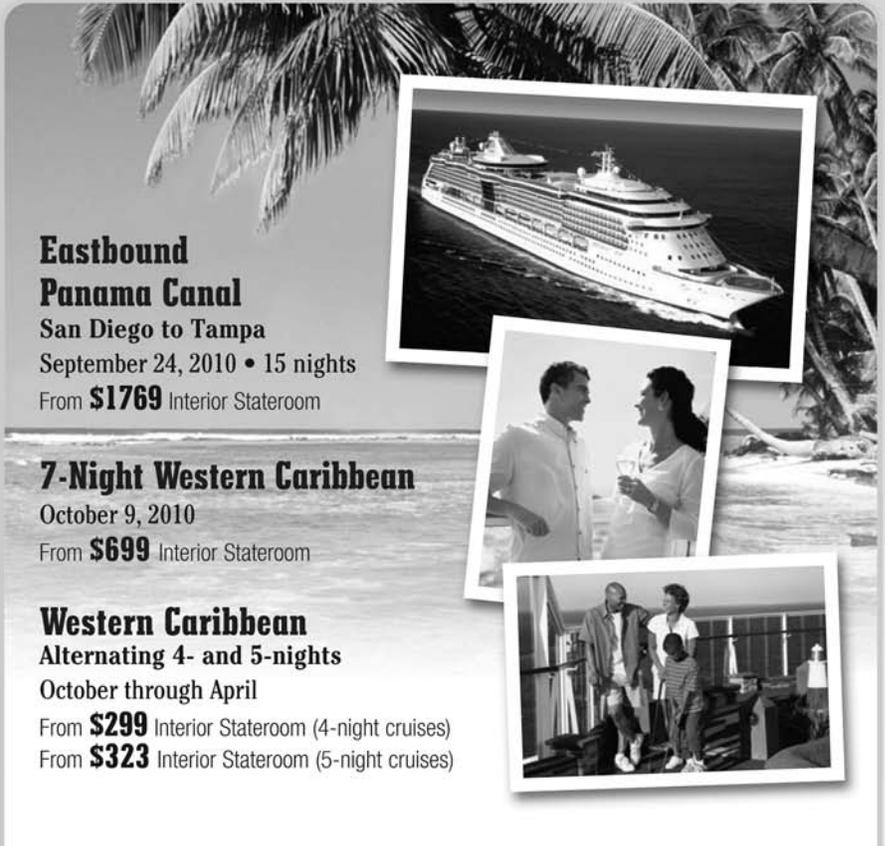
A separate related ordinance if passed on second reading would add metered parking on the south side of 10th Avenue. Several spaces would be designated for park users and not metered. There would be one handicap only parking space, as well.

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## Talking Continues on Traditional Hotel District

ST. PETE BEACH- The commission will focus on the Traditional Hotel District in the Pass-a-Grille area at a workshop May 20 at 6:30 p.m. In 2008 the city commission established a special land development code standards to allow and guide redevelopment of hotel and motel establishments in the Pass-a-Grille area.

Commissioner Bev Garnett said she did not think people understood the ramifications of the ordinance and she had asked the commission at its May 11 meeting to put a six-month hold on rezoning property to the traditional hotel district. "I think we need to relook at what's allowed. There's a wonderful fabric down there."

The commission decided not to put a moratorium on the traditional hotel district. "I don't think we need a moratorium at this time," Finnerty said. "To put a moratorium right now seems to continue the burning fire of separation in the city."

Vice Mayor Parent said he thought the moratorium was reactionary. "To me it almost sounds like lets hold off on everything in Pass-a-Grille... I am a great believer in planning ahead. I think this is a reaction to something that's not comfortable." Parent added, "If someone wants to put a personal nuclear power plant in their backyard, maybe we ought to have a moratorium on that."

"I can't see a reason for a moratorium," Commissioner Al Halpern said. "All the requests have to come before the commission anyway. It's not automatic. Let's have the planning board and historic preservation board look at the ordinance and bring back suggestions."

A resident said during the public comment on the ordinance, originally most of the homes in Pass-a-Grille were summer homes. People decided to tear them down. All this stems back to people wanting to live out there year round.

The commission will discuss at the workshop areas of the traditional hotel ordinance that may need more details on May 20. Then they plan

to provide the planning board and historic preservation board with guidance for making changes.

"I think this is not a loss. I think this is a win-win to look at this," Garnett said.

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## Pension Planning

ST. PETE BEACH- The city plans to have a consultant look at the unfunded liability in its pension funds that will have to be funded in future years. The amount was reported in March at \$14 million. Actuarial Concepts of Jacksonville will look at the ways to address this future shortfall.

City Manager Bonfield said it's critical to understand the actual cost and savings with the various options.

"Our pension funds are in dire straits right now, ... (I) strongly recommend approving (this study) to know exactly where we stand," Mayor Finnerty said.

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## Don Cesar Area Improvements

ST. PETE BEACH- The city commission approved about \$24,000 of engineering design work to make the Don Cesar area safer including sidewalk, crosswalk and roadway improvements. City Manager Bonfield said the study involves the entire road network around the Don Cesar. Once designed the project will go out to bid. "The plan is to do the work this summer," he said.

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At its May 4 commission meeting, the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners passed a 180-day moratorium on the establishment of pain management clinics in Pinellas County. The moratorium goes into effect June 6, 2010.

During the time of the moratorium, no new pain management clinics shall open for business, unless exempted within the ordinance. Furthermore, any existing pain management clinics must register with Pinellas County and obtain a permit from the Department of Justice and Consumer Services. Applications to the department must be postmarked by June 6. Those who fail to do so may face a \$500 fine or court-ordered shut down.

Permit applications are available from the Pinellas County Department of Justice and Consumer Services website. Applicants must:

1) Provide proof of having registered with the Florida Department of

Health (as required by Florida statute) prior to May 7, 2010.

2) Provide proof that the company had been operating as a pain management clinic prior to the enactment of the ordinance.

3) Furnish a sworn statement attesting to the truth and accuracy of the information provided.

The Pinellas County moratorium on pain management clinics continues through Oct. 1, when standards adopted by the Florida Legislature go into effect to regulate the operation of pain management clinics.

Interested parties may call the Pinellas County Department of Justice and Consumer Services at (727) 464-6200 for more information, or go online to [www.pinellascounty.org/consumer](http://www.pinellascounty.org/consumer).

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## Sign Up for Pancreatic Cancer 5K Run/Walk

The St. Pete Road Runners Club is teaming up with the Tampa Bay Affiliate of the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network to host the Second Annual "PurpleStride" 5K Competitive Run and Family Walk. This event is to raise awareness and funds for pancreatic cancer research will be held on Saturday, May 22 at 8:30 a.m. at the War Veteran's Memorial Park. Enter as a team or individual. Great fajitas and ice cream post-race party made possible by sponsors Cody's Original Roadhouse and Unilever.

For more details visit [www.PurpleStride.org](http://www.PurpleStride.org) or to inquire about sponsorships or volunteering please contact Tracy Connolly at [Tracy\\_Connolly@yahoo.com](mailto:Tracy_Connolly@yahoo.com).

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## PAWS for Patriots Golf Tournament

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 305 will present a PAWS for Patriots Golf Tournament on Tuesday, May 25 at Isla Del Sol Yacht & Country Club, 6000 Sun Boulevard in St. Petersburg. The event is a 4 Person Scramble with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. Their goal is to raise \$5,000 to assist veterans with visual impairments and those recovering from serious injuries. All proceeds will benefit PAWS for Patriots, a program that provides guide or therapy dogs to increase mobility and independence for injured veterans.

The Auxiliary will hold a dinner, raffle and auction at Post 305, 6999 Gulf Boulevard in St. Pete Beach at 6 p.m. A round of golf, cart and dinner is \$70. Dinner only is \$20. Hole sponsorships are available for \$100. Checks should be made payable to ALA Unit 305 and mailed to Dee Bell, 326 72 Avenue, St. Pete Beach, FL 33706. RSVP by May 18. Call 727-360-1423 for more information.

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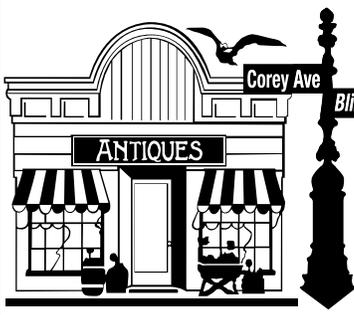
## NARFE Chapter 1140 to Meet

All Federal retirees and active Federal employees are encouraged to attend an upcoming meeting of NARFE Chapter 1140 that includes the Gulf Beaches and Southern Pinellas County. The May meeting is being held on Wednesday, May 26 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.

The special guest speaker is Attorney Joseph F. Phippen Jr. who will speak on "Legal Issues for Seniors". Following there will be a discussion of up-to-date issues particularly relevant for active and retired Federal employees. For reservations please call 727-446-1619.

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## 2010 City of Gulfport Hurricane Seminar

The City of Gulfport will be hosting the 2010 Hurricane Seminar on Thursday, May 27, 7 p.m. at the Historic Gulfport Casino Ballroom at 5500 Shore Boulevard S. in Gulfport.

The City of Gulfport's guest speaker for this year is newly arrived meteorologist from News channel 8, Brooks Garner. Garner was the chief meteorologist at the biggest station in South Carolina, WIS-TV in Columbia for five years, where he's covered seemingly countless hurricanes including Katrina. Brooks was the consulting meteorologist for the movie, "Nailed" (2009), starring Jake Gyllenhaal and Jessica Biel, filmed in South Carolina. The film is still in post-production. Brooks holds the National Weather Association and American Meteorological Society Seals of Approval.

This informative seminar is open to the public. For more information on this event, please email [gbron@mygulfport.us](mailto:gbron@mygulfport.us) or call Gail Biron at 727-893-1118.

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## How Safe is your Boat?

When was the last time you checked your fire extinguishers, made sure that your visual distress signals were in date or even your (life jackets) PFDs are in proper working order? All of these and more items are checked in the Coast Guard Auxiliary Vessel Safety Check program.

Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 7-16 will be doing vessel safety checks at the Gulfport Municipal Marina on Sunday, May 23 at 8 a.m. and ending at 2 p.m. Come one and all for a free vessel safety exam. If you can not make it to the Gulfport Marina for a vessel safety check, then please call Don at 546-1514 or Jim at 322-1505 to schedule an exam.

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## Rescue Groups to Hold Adopt-a-Thon

On Saturday, May 22 join SPCA Tampa Bay and local area rescue organizations for a one-day Adopt-a-thon at SPCA Tampa Bay in Largo. The event is to help the many homeless canines in the Tampa Bay area find their forever homes. There

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will be a tent sale with pet accessories, toys and supplies (Frontline and food not included) for up to 50% off, gift drawings and food vendors for pet owners and potential adopters to enjoy.

Rescue groups attending include: Florida Boxer Rescue, Florida Poodle Rescue, Florida Great Pyrenees Club, Golden Retriever Rescue Mid Florida, Pug Rescue of Florida and Tampa Bay Beagle Rescue. For additional information or for a rescue group to attend the event, contact Megan Trethewey, Communications Manager at 727-586-3591, ext. 145.

SPCA Tampa Bay is located at 9099 130th Avenue N. in Largo. For more information call 727-586-3591 or to

view adoption specials, see [www.SPCATampaBay.org](http://www.SPCATampaBay.org).

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## Free Family Movie at St. Luke's

St. Luke's United Methodist Church will open their community room for a free showing of "Astro Boy" (PG) on their large wide screen Friday, May 21.

Cartoons begin at 6 p.m. and the movie at 6:30 p.m. Chairs available or bring your own. Pizza and snacks available for purchase. St. Luke's is located at 4444 Fifth Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. Call 727-321-1335 or visit [www.st-lukesumc.com](http://www.st-lukesumc.com).

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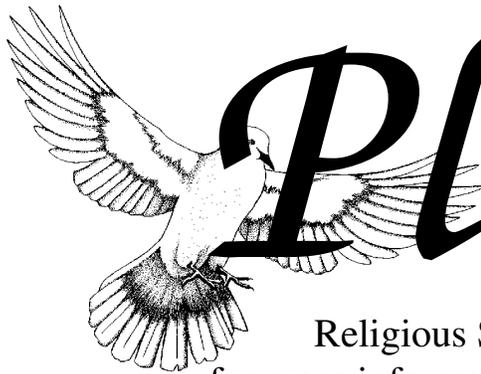


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# Worship

## Widows Social Club to Meet

The widows social club will have a covered dish luncheon and meeting at 12:30 p.m. on the last Wednesday of the month at Palm Lake Christian Church, 5401 22 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. Contact Joe at 397-0920 or Fran at 896-9207.

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## Help Send Youth to Retreat

Most Holy Name Youth Group at 5800 15 Avenue S. is holding a rummage sale featuring over 5000 items for sale on May 29 and 30 to raise money for their teens to attend a retreat in Lake Wales at the end of June. Due to the economy many families cannot afford to send their teens on this trip so the youth have decided to hold a massive rummage sale to defray the cost of this trip so that all may have the opportunity to attend. The sale hours are Saturday, May 29 from 8-4 p.m. and May 30 from 8-2 p.m. Please come support the Gulfport teens. Also on May 29 The Tampa Bay Symphony will be performing at 5800 15 Avenue S. and part of the proceeds will be given to the youth group for their retreat. The price per ticket is \$15 per person and you can purchase these tickets at the church. Please call 727-347-9989 for further information.

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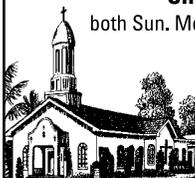
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## Deadline Nears for Scholarship Award

South Pasadena residents and high school graduating students of the City of South Pasadena, have until May 28, 2010 to apply for the City's annual scholarship award. Applicants must have been City residents for the past two years, and been accepted at an accredited college, university, trade or technical school.

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

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## Flatlanders Four Wheel Drive Club to Meet

The Suncoast Flatlanders Four Wheel Drive Club invites the public to join them for a special "Show and Shine" event on Saturday, May 22 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Dayton Andrews Dodge-Jeep Dealership, 2301 34 Street N. in St. Petersburg. The club is composed of owners of off-road vehicles and their families who

see to foster a greater appreciation of off-road driving through a variety of activities.

A "Show and Shine" event gives members a chance to show off these specialized vehicles to each other and to the public. This family-friendly event features door prizes, free hot dogs and hamburgers and disc jockey playing music old and new.

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## National Safe Boating Week

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 72, St. Petersburg will have members in the following locations on May 22 to perform free Vessel Safety Checks of you boat, hand out safety info and answer questions that you may have. Locations in St. Petersburg include West Marine, 2000 34 Street N., and 119 First Avenue N., O'Neill's Marina and Demens Landing.

Boating Skills and Seamanship Programs are presented by the U.S.C.G. Auxiliary, Flotilla 72 each Tuesday night, 7:30-9:30pm, 1300 Beach Drive SE, St. Petersburg.

Call 727-898-1324 for information. Completion satisfies the state of Florida boater I.D. safety education requirements.

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## What Senior Consumers Need to Know

Are you a senior who wants to stay informed on financial tools for your retirement? Do you know that Reverse Mortgages are government insured but not a government program? Do you want to know the pros, the cons, how to qualify and the details of programs available?

The Senior Learning Council, a Florida not-for-profit providing education to seniors regarding financial, insurance and long term planning programs, is sponsoring a series of free educational workshops of particular interest to area seniors. The June series "What Consumers Need to Know" covers the topic of Reverse Mortgages and is presented by the "Are You 62 Yet?" Seminar Gals. This seminar is an entertaining, fun and informative presentation of senior statistics and reverse mortgage facts. The following events are open to the public:

- Bethel Community Church, 2901 54th Ave. S., St. Petersburg, Wednesday, May 26, 1 p.m.
- Gulfport Public Library, Wednesday, June 2, 2 p.m.
- Pinellas Park Senior Center, Tuesday, June 8, 1 p.m.

Call Donna at 727-831-3416. Reservations are appreciated to assure material availability and room set-up.

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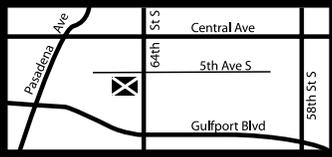


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## Learn Something New at the IAC this Weekend

GULFPORT- Space is still available in the latest classes at the Industrial Arts Center this weekend, including Found Metal Sculpture with James Oleson Jr., creator of the IAC's 14-foot tall horse sculpture on Sunday, May 23, noon - 6 p.m.

Glass Fusion with Ronna Rogers and clay Handbuilding for Kids are both scheduled on Saturday, May 22. Students bring home one or more finished pieces from every class.

The Industrial Arts Center is located at 2902A Beach Boulevard S., in the Gulfport Art Village Courtyard. Information about any of these classes and the IAC's Creative Summer for Kids is available at [www.IndustrialArtsCenter.org](http://www.IndustrialArtsCenter.org) or by calling 727-289-9365.

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## Library to Present Final Program of the Season

Bruce B. Blowers, ultimate musician and composer of rock to classical music, oboist, pianist, dancer and teacher will be the star performer at 2

p.m. May 22 in the auditorium of the Main Library, 3745 Ninth Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. This is the Friends of the Library's final program of the season and is free and open to the public. For information, call Sharon Centanne at 522-1950.

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## Help for Homeowners to Make Repairs

If you've been putting off home repairs due to limited financial resources, Pinellas County may be able to help. A low-interest loan program is available to assist low-income homeowners make necessary home repairs. The loan is at 0 percent interest and will be amortized for up to 20 years. Homeowners may receive up to \$30,000 to replace roofs, windows, doors, repair termite damage and more.

Up to \$3,500 for an independent living grant is available to help disabled homeowners remove barriers and add features that will make their homes easier to navigate. Improvements may include the addition of wheelchair ramps, grab

bars in bathrooms, flashing lights for doorbell rings for the hearing impaired or anything that will remove a barrier to their disability.

According to Anthony M. Jones, director of Pinellas County Community Development, "These programs have been instrumental in helping residents improve their homes, which in turn helps to enhance the rest of the neighborhood."

Income limits apply as outlined below.

- 1 Person - \$20,700
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- 3 People - \$26,650
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- 5 People - \$31,950
- 6 People - \$34,350

Properties located inside the city limits of Clearwater, Largo, St. Petersburg, and Belleair Shore are not eligible for this program. Please contact those cities for information about their programs.

This is a limited-time offer. Additional information is available by calling Community Development at 727-464-8210 or e-mail [cdprograms@pinellascounty.org](mailto:cdprograms@pinellascounty.org).

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# Letters

## Another Point on Oil

**Dear Editor:** In regards to the recent Letter entitled A Point on Oil, I really have no idea where Mr. Orlandella is coming from or trying to say! But the point he made about oil always oozing from the soil may be true over eons but certainly nature never intended barrels of it to gush from the Gulf sea floors into the environment. He has an old 1776 quote on government regulations that may seem true, but we are the people who vote in the government representatives and so who is to blame? And as to the 'high wire' and 'windmills to oil'... maybe BP should go out of business. I myself would like to see a boycott of BP and also, a slap made to Publix for its recent offer of a discount credit for BP in one of their fliers. What were they thinking and what are you thinking, Mr. Orlandella?

Jennifer Gardner  
South Pasadena

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## Good Hard Candy

**Dear Editor:** Just wanted to let you know that last week's *Hard Candy* is the best I've read yet. My experience is similar.

I've lived in Florida for over 30 years now, and I've always felt that I've been surrounded by folks who just didn't understand what they had here, or what they were doing with it. What most displaced northerners envision as 'Florida' is a concept drawn from postcards, spring break misadventures and chamber of commerce dreams of avarice. Most would probably raise an eyebrow and turn away upon hearing that few palm trees are actually native here, flamingoes are African imports, and that barrier island beaches, without

desperate local municipalities spending fortunes (our taxes) to prevent them from escaping, crawl like tired serpents down the coastline and out to sea.

My Ft. DeSoto moment came when, back in my old life as a teacher, I was walking along some trails in the park that I planned to take some students down later for an outdoor class. I heard a rustling in the leaves behind me and turned to see a raccoon following me at what she must have thought of as a discrete distance. When I stopped and turned to look at her she ran over to a hose bib at the side of the path and stood up, leaning on it with her front legs. At first I didn't get it but, after I walked further along and she kept following me, I once again turned to look at her and she again ran over to the closest pipe sticking out of the ground and stood up against it again. Oh. I walked over to the pipe, turned the handle and backed away a few feet so she could run over and get a drink. It was an awfully hot day. Apparently she realized that water came magically from pipes, and that the big animals in pants knew how to make it flow. You just had to get their attention!

After she drank, and splashed water all over her face, she looked at me again, expressionless, and then ran off into the trees. I could so hear her in my mind shouting, "Sucker! Guilted you into it!"

I knelt down in the wet sand, took a drink myself, splashed water all over my face too, and turned the valve off. I told that story to students for years afterwards, often with my eyes welling.

I would pay many times the proposed fee to, from time to time, not wearing out my welcome, re-enter this world, the real world, and I would volunteer to stand by the gate with a baseball bat to keep the pigs out.

Maybe we'll see each other in 'church' sometime. Thank you so much for reminding me!

Jon Pettay

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## Right on the Money

**Dear Editor:** With regard to *Hard Candy* "Spin, Baby, Spin." in the May 6, 2010 edition of *the Gabber*, congratulations on a very well written professional article. Besides that it was right on about the media outlets bowing to advertising revenue rather than just reporting the news. The media and, in particular, cable news does not take any responsibility for ruining careers, real estate values and whatever collateral damage occurs on+ the way to more revenue.

I was living in the Bay area when the Loma Prieta quake came during the World Series. We lived in Saratoga about 15 miles from the epicenter in the Santa Cruz Mountains. We had some damage but it did not exceed the earthquake deductible (turns out very few households did). We camped out in our driveway without power for about a day eating what was in the fridge.

The next day I heard we had power in the village so we went down. When I saw the news on TV I thought this was a hell of a lot worse than I thought. After another day of watching commentators standing in front of the same old damage I told the wife "these guys are really pumping this". Well, just try selling some of that Bay Area real estate after that reporting.

It turns out there was no significant damage to the high rise buildings in San Francisco because the buildings were designed to withstand a quake. Bet nobody heard about that!

Lloyd Hodge  
Tierra Verde

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### Letters to the Editor

Please keep letters to the editor as brief and to the point as possible. Letters must be typed in upper and lower case on plain white paper or emailed to publisher@thegabber.com. One letter per author every four weeks.

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## Players to Hold Annual Membership Meeting

The Gulfport Community Players will hold their Annual Membership Meeting and Elections at the Back Door Theater on May 28 at 7 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Reports will be read and elections will be held. You must be a member of the Players to vote in the election. The meeting will be held at the Players' Back Door Theater, located at 4919 17 Avenue S. in Gulfport.

The Board approved a new "Earned Membership" class recently and, from now on, any person who devotes 25 or more hours of volunteer time to the Players (including actors and stage crew) from June 1, 2009 through May 31, 2010 will earn a one year paid membership to the Gulfport Community Players for the following year. This free membership allows the person to vote in the annual elections held on the last Friday of May each year.

Tickets to the Players' 'Cathy' Awards Dinner will be available at this meeting. The dinner and award ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 12 at 6 p.m. Tickets are just \$15 each, and can be purchased at Eileen's Resale Boutique, 5401 Gulfport Blvd. S.

The Board welcomes any of its members in good standing to serve on the board. Please contact Eileen Navarro at 727-322-1422 for more information.

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## Free Memorial Weekend Beach Concert

The biggest beach concert in Pinellas County is Treasure Island's free Memorial Day Weekend Beach Concert "Bands on the Sand 2" on Saturday, May 29. A huge variety of live bands play from noon until 10 p.m. with professionally produced sound and concert stage lighting. A spectacular fireworks show lights up the Treasure Island skies at 10 p.m. Additional activities include a children's area, arts and craft vendors, food and beverage concessions and much more.

Reserved seating is available in the Ricky T's Sand Box for \$150 per table of six (6) persons. For additional information or to reserve

a table, please call the Treasure Island Recreation Department at 727-547-4575, ext. 237.

"Bands on the Sand 2" is on Treasure Island's beach at 104th Avenue and Gulf Boulevard behind the Bilmar Beach Resort. All-day parking on the beach for \$10. Parking entrance at 112th Avenue and Gulf Boulevard. Details at [www.mytreasureisland.org](http://www.mytreasureisland.org).

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## Foster Homes Needed for Felines

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# Katana, from front page

Hers is a tentative existence; measured in half-bananas and insulin, water and exercise all designed to keep Katana alive long enough to get an \$8500.00 insulin pump that could save her life.

Arque (R.K.) Morgan, Katana's grandmother, is a persistent, tenacious woman who knows the healthcare system. She heads a company that, among other things, provides living assistance for the disabled and helps the medically challenged. So on February 18, when her 15 month old granddaughter Katana got very sick, she rushed her to All-Children's Hospital's ER. Katana was almost comatose, with a fever and unresponsive. She was diagnosed with an ear infection and bronchitis, as well as having had a mild case of food poisoning from a local restaurant. She was given antibiotics and sent home. But she wasn't well. On March 20th, she was again rushed to the hospital, nearly comatose. This time, one of the doctors noticed a really sweet smell on her breath, but never checked her blood sugar.

Arque has Type 2 Diabetes and recognized the signs... Katana most certainly had Diabetes and she needed treatment right away. By that Saturday, Katana couldn't hold her bottle and was fading. Arque rushed her back to the hospital

where she insisted they test her for diabetes. By the time they tested her, for diabetes and meningitis, Katana's sugar was over 800 and the doctors told Arque she should get her family members together. For six days she laid in ICU, comatose for four of them, hooked up to an insulin IV trying to regulate her sugar.

After the fourth day, Katana's sugar finally came down to 200 (normal range is 90-140). She came home to start a life of endless shots and testing every day, of bruises on her legs and raw finger tips.

Arque called her relatives in North Carolina and had a friend help her get Katana into Duke University's medical program, where they gave her a definite diagnosis of Type I Diabetes. They suggested that Katana get an insulin pump, but there were differing opinions between Katana's Florida doctors and the ones at Duke. Duke felt she could tolerate a pump; USF felt she was too young, (average age is around 5). Either way, Katana, who was originally covered under her grandfather's health insurance from his work, was dumped from that insurance after her grandfather was laid off suddenly. Because Arque made too much money, Katana wasn't eligible for Medicaid and no regular health insurer would take her on because of her pre-existing condition.

"I thought what if we just bypass the insurance and buy the pump

outright," Arque said. "But when they told us it was \$8500.00, we knew we couldn't afford that. They were stuck and Katana was getting more and more difficult to regulate her sugar.

The family made do with the insulin shots; Arque silently weeping when Katana cried from the skin pricks and shots in her legs.

"She would just look at me and say 'all done, thank you' to me," Arque said. "It just about broke my heart."

Katana must now go up to Duke University Hospital every three months, staying for 10 days for testing; they've already had her on a trial period for an insulin pump. So far, she's done well, but it's the cost of the pump itself that's prohibitive.

Last Saturday, Arque's husband, who is a musician in the band that plays at the American Legion 125, organized some of his musician friends to play at a fundraiser so they could buy that insulin pump for Katana. Nine bands showed up, the Legion sold raffles tickets and ribs and chicken on the BBQ were selling like hotcakes. The place was overflowing with people, who just wanted to come out and see this little red head who stole everybody's hearts.

In all, almost \$10,000 was raised from the generosity of others; Katana will get \$8500 to pay for the pump that will save her life. The rest of the money will go into the Wounded Warriors Fund the Legion has established to help soldiers injured in Afghanistan and Iraq.

The Morgan's have started a fund for other children who may be suffering a similar fate.

"I figured, she can't be the only child who has had this much trouble getting help for this disease," Arque said. "So we've started a fund in her name called Katana's Hope. Anyone can donate or mail to: 4898 - 163rd Ave N. It is a non-profit that will use the donations for family support of the sick child and for the insulin supplies and doctors visit if they are uninsured or underinsured."

At that moment, Katana decided to run for the Bouncy House. She climbed up and jumped right in, just like any other normal 2 year old would do.

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They are seeking donations for the food and raffle items from the business community to support this event. The Special Operations Warrior Foundation Fund is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization, and donations are tax deductible. They are expecting approximately 200 people to attend this event. The music line up is as follows: The Stumble B's, Mason-Alvares with Doug Bliss, Ms. Goody Haines, The American Horse Band, Kristine Allman & the Sweet Tea Band, The H.A.V.E (Helping American Vets Endure) Band. Special Guests: Chaplain Glen Launey & car from Sp. Ops Racing Team, The Lutz Patriots and Color Guard from American Legion Post #125.

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Road" June 8, "Boating Safety" June 15, "Piloting Your Boat-Part A" June 22, and "Piloting Your Boat-Part B" June 29..

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## Gulfport Garden & Bird Club

Before the installation of officers, a point of order was made regarding the election process at the April meeting. According to the By-Laws, a Nominating Committee is to be selected at the meeting and a slate of officers presented. A Nominating Committee was not selected at the meeting; therefore, a special meeting will be called as soon as possible to select a Nominating Committee. All members will receive a letter regarding a date and location for this meeting.

The Garden Club donated books in memory of Evelyn Mahoney and Mary Jane Brylinke to the Gulfport Library.

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# The Gabs

By Leigh Clifton

## Several local school boards are revisiting the idea of closing schools on Good Friday due to low attendance. Do you think they should?



**Tawana Cook, Gulfport:** “I don’t think they should because the kids already get a lot of days off, including half-days on Wednesdays now. I think they should be in school. It’s the Sunday of that weekend that’s the most important, with Easter. I always have to work on Good Friday. It’s the way they’ve always done it.”

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**Dagmar Milroy, St. Pete (teacher):** “I feel they should because it’s an important holiday to a great number of people. Look at the record and see how many students are absent and how many teachers call in sick. If they close, it will save money as well. I think we try so hard not to offend people, but the fact is we just can’t keep one minority happy. Besides, it saves the school district money; it’s a strict budgetary time right now. It doesn’t seem right that on Good Friday, a bus should ride with only 10 kids or less on it when there are usually 25 or 30. For me, it’s quite an important day anyway. I would like to have it off, but strictly objectively thinking, it just makes fiscal sense to close.”

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**Bruce Bartlett, St. Pete:** “Absolutely! I think we should close. When I went to school, we were always closed on Good Friday. I don’t think it’s inappropriate to have religion in the schools; I think it’s part of our lives and heritage. A few others may argue that it shouldn’t influence our children, but I think that’s how we got to where we are today. We’re losing our belief in God and the striving for a better life with better values. We’ve sort of lost our identity. Growing up, a lot of our lives evolved around the church and our local community. Back then, you could count on a neighbor to say hello, you didn’t have to lock your doors. Everyone helped one another. I think that’s because we were instilled with a sense of family values and respect; traditional values of helping one another in times of need. But now it seems we’ve lost our way. Now you wouldn’t even think of leaving your doors unlocked, some neighbors live their whole lives without speaking to one another and if someone sees something, they take it, without a thought. A lot of that is because we’ve lost the concept of church instilled beliefs- beliefs that tell us to love one another, help one another. The kids aren’t getting taught the family values that would keep them from getting into trouble; that would instill in them the importance of respect, generosity and faith. I think we’ve really lost our way and need to get back to the fundamentals of the Ten Commandments. We need our kids to know right from wrong.”

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**Chris Knowles, Gulfport:** “My kids are now grown past that point but I would have to say I think they should close on Good Friday. I think it would be good to give families a long weekend together to celebrate the Easter holiday.”

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Steve Jerve, Chief Meteorologist for WFLA, News Channel 8, will serve as the ceremony's emcee.

Guest speakers will include Congressman C.W. Bill Young (FL-10-R) and representatives from VA. An invitation is extended to all veterans, their family and friends, and the general public to take this opportunity to remember the men and women who served and gave so much to protect our nation.

Clearwater High School Marine Corps JROTC Silent Drill Team will perform as well as post and retire colors. The ceremony will also include musical performances, a firing salute, and taps performance.

Parking is available nearby and shuttles will provide transportation for guests from parking lots to the National Cemetery. Venue is handicapped accessible. A sign language interpreter will be available for the hearing impaired. Venue is outdoors, please dress appropriately for inclement weather. For further information, please contact the cemetery office at 727-398-9426.

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## St. Pete Blood Donor Room has Moved

Please come visit the new Florida Blood Services St. Petersburg Donor Center. Starting May 17, their St. Petersburg location on MLK and Gandy is moving one block south. They are now located at 9900 Martin Luther King Jr. Street N. Donor parking is right out front.

Hours of operation are 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, Saturday 7 a.m.-2 p.m. and Sunday, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Current blood drive promotions include the Subway Restaurant, 2004 66 Street N. in St. Petersburg on Saturday, May 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donors will receive a coupon for a free foot-long sub and a beach towel; and Hooters, 2250 Tyrone Square in St. Petersburg on Monday, May 24 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Donors will receive a coupon for 10 free boneless wings and a beach towel.

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"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 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 usu-

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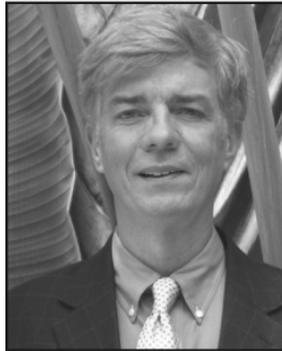
"You know, in 99 percent of bankruptcy cases the situation is that bad things happen to good people. They have gone through an expensive health crisis or a divorce or just got in over their head with debt."

He began his career as a staff attorney for the U.S. 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.

"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.

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.

The firm also handles Short Sale negotiations, defense against foreclosures, wills & trusts, and civil litigation.

Outside of the courtroom, Sanders lives in an unusual home in Gulfport that was one of the featured properties in a recent 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 five dogs and a cat.

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## Gulfport Rec Summer Program Information

Get ready to splash into summer as registration for the 2010 Summer Program has begun for children who have completed Kindergarten through age 14. Registrations for Gulfport residents and for non-residents currently enrolled in the School Year Child Care Program are currently being accepted. Registrations for non-residents not enrolled in the School Year Child Care Program begin Monday, May 24 for 30 children max. Hours of registration are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Annual registration fees are \$15 for residents and \$100 for non-residents. The 8-week program (June 21 - August 13) cost is \$250 for residents and \$504 for non-residents, which does not include field trips. Pre Camp (June 14-18) and Post

camp (August 16-20) cost is \$70 for each week, which includes field trips. Pre and Post camps are limited to 60 Gulfport residents only. Summer camp hours are from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. with extended hours available until 6 p.m. for an extra charge. Detailed pricing and registration packets are currently available at the Recreation Center, 5730 Shore Blvd. S. or on-line [www.mygulfport.us](http://www.mygulfport.us) and follow the links: City Departments, Leisure Services, Rec Center). Call 893-1068 for any questions.

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## Volunteers Needed for Friends of Strays

Friends of Strays needs you if you love cats! Friends of Strays no-kill animal shelter is presently seeking volunteers for positions at the Shelter & Adoption Center location at 2911 47 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. Hours are 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday-Sunday. Call 727-522-6566. A volunteer application is available on line at [www.friendsofstrays.com](http://www.friendsofstrays.com) or at the shelter.

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Kids will learn a variety of media and make two projects each day. They will be encouraged to explore how they can create unique works of art from materials and objects they can find in their everyday environment.

Media will include wire sculpture, soap sculpture, rock sculpture, collage, mosaic, caricature and more. The week long art experience will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 14-18 and July 5-9.

Beginning on June 21, from 2 to 5 p.m. will be Kids Glass Week. Kids will experience a variety of glass arts in a series of five 3-hour workshops: blown glass ornaments, hot glass paperweights, glass fusing, broken glass mosaic and glass painting. This week long glass art experience will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday-Friday, June 21-25 and July 19-23.

The third offering for kids this summer will be Hands On Sculpture from 2 to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. In this fun series, kids will explore a variety of hands on sculptural techniques including handbuilding with clay, papier mache, working with armatures, relief sculpture and glass casting. Hands On Sculpture will be held 2 to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday, June 28 - July 2 and July 12-15.

For information or registration, visit the Industrial Arts Center online at [www.industrialartscenter.org](http://www.industrialartscenter.org). The Industrial Arts Center is located at 2902A Beach Boulevard South, in Gulfport's Art Village Courtyard.

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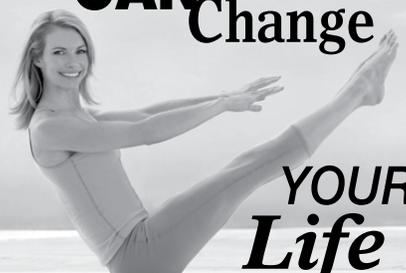
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# Crossword Puzzle

Solution on Page 18

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- 4 Granary
- 8 Was curious
- 13 Buffalo
- 14 Follow
- 15 Watered silk
- 16 Tiny intelligence?
- 18 Dinesen's "\_\_\_ Africa"
- 19 Punish, legally
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- 22 Plaything
- 23 Explosives
- 25 Busy as \_\_\_
- 27 "\_\_\_ consummation devoutly ...": "Hamlet"
- 28 Old TV series
- 31 Western capital
- 34 Comic Sahl
- 36 Just
- 37 Mrs. Cantor
- 38 Short heat waves?
- 41 Charged particle
- 42 Hanks role
- 44 Bridge coup
- 45 Marnar's adopted daughter

- 47 Galaxies
- 49 Ionian gulf
- 51 Cuddled up
- 52 More than satisfy
- 56 "Mighty \_\_\_ a Rose"
- 58 Vault
- 61 Archeologist's find
- 62 Bay window
- 64 Small wildflowers
- 66 Painting category
- 67 Irani money
- 68 Entertainer Adams
- 69 Let up
- 70 Advantage
- 71 Desire

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- 1 Wharton's Ethan
- 2 Cove
- 3 Certain ester
- 4 Chargers
- 5 Fleming
- 6 Have ess trouble
- 7 Margarine
- 8 Unicellular creature
- 9 Trifle
- 10 Tiny aromatic herb?
- 11 Smash ender
- 12 Resist

- 13 Put \_\_\_ on: limit
- 17 Emulate a miser
- 21 Gala
- 24 Taste
- 26 Kind of trip
- 28 Ibsen works
- 29 Patron saint of artists and smiths
- 30 Ms. Daly
- 31 Omen
- 32 Together, musically
- 33 Small diplomas?
- 35 Sheherazade's room
- 39 Treatment
- 40 Arguments
- 43 Play on words
- 46 Patterned fabric
- 48 Pacified
- 50 Church money raiser
- 53 Stage whisper
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- 57 Region
- 59 Farm unit
- 60 Receipt stamp
- 63 Before, to poets
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# Points On Pets

By Matthew Margolis

## TLI

In today's abbreviated world, LOL (laugh out loud), BFF (best friends forever) and my personal favorite BBILFM (be back in like five minutes) get a lot of screen time, even beyond the private AIM (AOL instant message) chats of pre-teen girls. TMI (too much information) gets a lot of press, too. But unfortunately, its cousin TLI (too little information) gets far too little.

As the number of dog owners steadily rises, so does the number of people deciding to scrap it all and "do what they love."

What do they love? Dogs! What do they want to do? Train dogs! What qualifies them? Nothing! Why should you care? You shouldn't! ... Until you have a real problem with your pup and need it solved. TLI on the part of your trainer can be a VBT (very bad thing).

The advent of televised dog training, which uses the magic of editing to make cajoling the most unruly of beasts into blissful submission look as easy as eggs on toast, has helped push the number of people calling themselves dog trainers through the roof. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, that number has tripled since the year 2000, making dog training among the most popular second-career choices, along with winemaking and sportscasting.

So what's the problem? After all, we're just talking about a little Emily Post for pups, right?

NOMW (not on my watch).

As dog behavior expert Brian Kilcommons put it when interviewed by The New York Times for a recent

article on the onslaught of dog trainers: "This is a profession where you are making life and death calls. The dog who isn't euthanized and needs to be could hurt a person. On the other hand, a dog that has solvable problems but proves beyond the skill set of a trainer might end up in a shelter."

By the time they call me, most people living with canine behavioral problems have let those problems go on too long. Which means they're bigger and more difficult to solve. Not unsolvable, but more deeply ingrained, more complicated, and perhaps with more side effects. In other words, the problem is now over the head of someone who hung their dog-trainer shingle based on having "grown up with dogs." An abbreviated text message is one thing; an abbreviated education in your field of expertise is quite another.

Recently, I received an e-mail from someone citing "37 years experience working with Labs, including basic and intermediate obedience training." This person went on to diagnose their 3-year-old Lab rescue as having been "seriously abused; beaten, tortured, the works." This diagnosis was made three days after bringing the dog home, and this person has been living with these problems for the last eight months -- behavioral problems that, in my book, could be attributed to any number of things, all of which should be explored. An excerpt:

"He walks around and pees -- in zigzag lines like he doesn't realize he's doing it. He has access to outside 24/7, but won't go out without permission. He holds it all night and day, but when he seems to be fine and happy, he starts walking through the

house peeing all the way. He also needs permission to eat and drink. If left alone he won't drink all day. He flinches at the slightest sound. If you raise your voice at all he starts peeing. I can't even pick up a broom to sweep the floor without him running away and peeing.

"I've consulted my vet and he said it's all behavioral. I don't know what to do. He's destroying all my carpet and hardwood floors. I have worked with dogs that pee when scared, but he does it when he appears to be happy and when he's scared. He's petrified of crates. I don't know what to do with him. You can't raise your voice or use loud noise for discipline. And I can't keep him on a leash all the time. He is petrified of people in my house, especially large older men. If I take him to the park he's wonderful: social, outgoing, obedient. He just does this at home. He doesn't have any of the normal crazies like barking, chewing or digging.

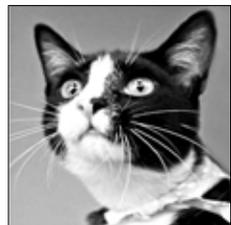
"I need to know how to help him get over this constant fear and to get him to stop walking through the house peeing. I'm afraid of any corrections because I don't want to perpetuate his abuse. He doesn't have any aggression, and he knows when he's done something bad because he refuses to come when called. Outside, he does very well with on-leash and off-leash obedience. Please help me with Toby. He's a wonderful dog and just wants love and to please."

Not having spent any time with Toby, I can only speculate as to what the underlying causes might be: improper socialization, phobias, incontinence, nerves, submissive wetting or possibly the residuals of prior abuse. This person is clearly a dog lover who has grown up around dogs. But that's not enough. If you get a rescue, you've got to believe it will have some issues. At some point along the way, someone said, "I don't care." And you've got to know it will take more than love to solve those problems. Unfortunately, LALOLUV (lots and lots of love) can't make up for TLI.

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# Horoscope Guide

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Professional jealousy is one of those things that can either help or hinder. To the extent that it compels you to do better and better work, it's a positive. You can let it drive you in this way this week. But it's a fine line. If you're staring in the mirror wondering why not you, then you probably need to let it go.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). People love you. Young and old, rich and poor, you just have that uncanny ability to connect to all different types. It's not complicated -- they love you because you are interested in their stories. Now someone you barely know wants to tell you his story, and you'll be intrigued enough to listen a long while.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Whoever said hard work was its own reward was missing a screw on his cranium cap. You are not afraid to bust a gut working on something, but it's usually to achieve something else you want or need. Working for its own sake is called futility and is most aptly filed under the category of sickness, not virtue.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). No friend of the banal, you still find yourself in circumstances where you must deal with ideas and people that are not very inspiring. Remember that everyone has something to teach you, even the dull, and strive to work with the most creative people you can find.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Good friends are sometimes all you've got. After all, they are the ones in the day-to-day trenches with you, watching you make your way as best you can through this world of glorious and frightening uncertainty. This week one of your buddies makes a clutch move. It would be best to thank this person in writing.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Feelings are mercurial. The daily pitch and yaw can be more harrowing than a Six Flags rollercoaster. Yes, you're tall enough to ride, but it's critical that you understand the inevitability of this endless up and down. Call it a survival skill. Now throw up your hands and yell as the thrill goes straight to your belly.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Some people prefer the phone; others hate it. Some like to communicate via e-mail, and others thrill to the hard copy. Then there are the face-to-face types... You will be successful when you research those you want to befriend and influence. Find out the mode that is preferred before you make your move.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Though it's said that opposites attract, in most instances people will choose to hang out with the ones most like themselves. Still, there will be some exceptions this week, and you'll enjoy them. It turns out there is something very intriguing offered by the one who is strikingly different from you.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll be getting to the heart of things, even in relationships that do not right now seem too impactful. Your conversations will have great significance. You'll affect someone deeply, though neither of you may realize it in the moment. Time reveals the profundities of seemingly routine interactions.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The thing about adding new experiences to your life is that sometimes you get more than you bargain for. And in matters such as love, if you're doing it for real, you absolutely can't get into it without being affected forever. You can read and pontificate all you want on this one, but the only way to learn it is to dive in.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You know what you want, but do you have what it takes to actually have it in your life? The care and feeding of your dreams will cost more than you think. Luckily, you are also deeper, stronger and richer than you think, so it may all just even out. Keep going even when things get challenging this week.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). We know your sign mate Leonardo da Vinci as a genius for the ages. It might surprise you that he spent his last years wondering whether he had made a difference with his life. You're not alone in your feelings of self-doubt. Persevere anyway. Those beside you and those who come after you will be grateful.

**This Week's Birthdays:** The year is marked with optimism. In the next seven weeks, you will be busy doing the things you enjoy the most. Social and romantic relationships fill your schedule and your heart all at once. August will test your determination. This is just the trial you need in order to find your niche. You'll take a risk in September, and there will be financial rewards in November. A strong man (perhaps a boss or teacher) figures prominently in your stellar plans for the new year.

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## GTV615 Web Streaming Returns

The City of Gulfport local cable channel (GTV615) is once again available through the internet. Web streaming for GTV615 was cancelled last December after technical issues caused problems with our web streaming provider. The Information Technology Department has designed the new web stream without the need of a web streaming provider, saving the City \$3,600 per year.

If you wish to view GTV615 on line, just go to [www.mygulfport.us](http://www.mygulfport.us) and hold your mouse over City Departments, then click on GTV615. There you will find their program guide, City YouTube Videos and a live web stream. Web stream is the same information distributed as if you were watching on cable TV.

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

The City's website also refers you to other Gulfport related links in the *Gabber May 20 - May 26, 2010*

"Search and Links" area. They invite all to visit the City's website to explore what is happening in Gulfport.

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## Good Reasons to Adopt an Older Cat

Friends of Strays has a special offer for the months of May and June for all adoptions of older cats. Anyone adopting a cat that is over three years old will receive a gift basket with everything needed to take kitty to their new forever home. All cats have been neutered or spayed and have been vaccinated.

There are many good reasons to consider adopting an older cat, including:

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2. Cats are already past the rambunctious stage and are more peaceful and calm than young kittens.

3. Older cats are very grateful for a home and usually make the transition easily.

4. Finally, if you are older, having an older cat makes just makes an excellent choice.

Friends of Strays has several beautiful, older cats that have been at the shelter for some time. If you can open your home to one of them please come meet them! The shelter is located at 2911 47 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. For more information call 727-522-6566 or go the website [www.FriendsOfStrays.com](http://www.FriendsOfStrays.com).

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## Bipolar Support Group

A Bipolar Support Group meets every Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. at Suncoast Community Mental Health, 4024 Central Avenue in St. Petersburg. All are welcome. Free. Call 656-3848 with questions.

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### 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.

**2010 SUMMER PROGRAM**- Non Resident Registration begins on Monday, May 24th at 9 a.m. Ongoing Resident Registration continues for the 2010 Summer Recreation Program for children who have completed Kindergarten thru age 14. Proof of residency is required for registration. Hours of registration for Monday-Friday are from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. You

can pick up your packet at the Rec. Center or log on to HYPERLINK "http://www.mygulfport.us" www.mygulfport.us and follow the links to City Departments, Leisure Services, Rec Center. For more information call 893-1068.

**NEW CLASSES- Interested in teaching a class? Call John at 727-893-1079 for more info**

**CLASSES - Call instructor for more information**

• Belly Dance - Starts April 13th, Tues., 6:45 p.m. Call Daniela at 561-302-6174.

• Body Sculpt - Tues., 6:30 p.m. Call Billie at 239-313-0876.

• Dog Obedience - Call Lisa at 772-3631.

• Fencing - Wed., 4:30 & 5:30 p.m. Call Jim Campoli at 813-855-3112.

• Floral Design - Call Laurie at 289-4818.

• Gymnastics - Fri., 5:30 p.m. Call Barbara at 804-9400.

• Karate - Mon. & Fri., 6:30 p.m. Call Diane at 459-1399.

• Knitting Class- Thurs. 10:30

a.m. Call Latoya at 823-0437

• Nia - Wed., 9:00 am. Call Kaluwa at 729-9410.

• Noisemakers - Call Gabe at 345-7472.

• Sumyie -Wed., 6 p.m. Call Mike at 320-5035.

• Tai Chi -Thurs., 9 a.m Call Marge at 345-6708.

• Tennis - Tues., 4:30 p.m., 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. Call Jack at 430-0690.

• Watercolor with Patsi -Beginners/Intermediate- Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Call Patsi at 501-3559.

• Yoga in the A. M. - Wed., 9 a.m. Call Valerie at 557-4258.

• Yoga - Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Call Tamara at 512-2763.

• Zumba - Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Call Daniela at 561-302-6174.

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ALL skaters must purchase a sticker. Annual cost is \$5 res. /\$10 non-res. Skaters 17 years of age and younger must be accompanied by a parent, have proof of residency and fill out a consent form. Availability to register: Monday - Friday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.



## Gulfport Library

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**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.

**Coffee/Talk Book Club:** Thursday, May 20, 10:00 am. Discussion of The Scarlet Letter, by Nathaniel Hawthorne. Books / discussion guides are available at the Reference Desk. (Discussion title for June 17 will be Wuthering Heights, by Emily Bronte.)

**Genealogy Discussion Group:** Saturday, May 22, 1:00 pm.

**What Consumers Need to Know About Reverse Mortgages:** Wednesday, June 2, 2:00 pm. A free 2-hour seminar presented by the Senior Learning Council. FMI: Call 727-831-3416.

**Summer Crafts for All Ages:** Wednesday, June 9, & Saturday, June 12 at 2:00 pm. Presented by Pat Brinkley.

**Suncoast Computer Users Group (SCUG):** Thursday, June 10, 6:00 pm.

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

**Our "Ducky & Waterful" Summer Reading Programs and "Summer Wednesday Afternoon Specials":** kick-off date is Wednesday, June 16 at 2:00 pm

Unless otherwise noted, all programs and meetings are held in The Frances Purdy Friends Room

Open Monday-Friday: 10am-7pm & Saturday: 10 am-4 pm  
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# Services *City Sponsored Activities* *in the Community*

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Personal Health Station Machine

Have you seen the new Health Station Machine located in the Senior Center Fitness Room? It's awesome! Come and check your blood pressure, oxygen level, pulse rate, weight and body fat. It's very accurate and even provides a health assessment based on your age, weight and level of exercise. Hurry over! It's only on loan until the first week of June!

**Fitness Center:** New summer hours for the Senior Center Fitness Room: Mon. Tues. Wed. 8am – 7pm; Thurs. & Fri. 8am-3:30pm.

**Lobby Renovations:** The last phase of our cabinetry project at the Snack Bar was completed this week. We now have ample storage space for all of our Snack Bar supplies. Thank you, Senior Center Foundation!

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Free Pass to the Fitness Center:** The Senior Center will celebrate National Health and Fitness Day on Wednesday, May 26. A free pass to the Fitness Room will be available on that day from 1-4pm for those 50 and over. Bring sneakers!

**American Red Cross & You:** Are you ready for Hurricane season? The American Red Cross would like to share their expertise with you on Wednesday, June 9 at 1pm at the Senior Center.

**Thrills & Chills Carnival and Ice Cream Social:** Come to our old fashioned Carnival with games, prizes, entertainment, ice cream, opportunity drawings, and much more to help raise funds to purchase new and more accommodating tables & chairs at our popular Snack Bar. Carnival tickets are on sale now for only \$3.

**Card & Game Party:** Mark your calendar now for Wed. July 21, 1-4pm for the Senior Center's Card and Game Party. Donation: \$10 for munchies, beverages & fun. Play Bridge, Canasta, Euchre, Pinochle or Scrabble, Tiles, etc. Name your game! This event is sponsored by the Gulfport Senior Center Foundation.

## SPECIAL SERVICES:

### Grandparents

**Grandchildren:** A support group for grandparents raising their grandchildren meets on the last Tuesday of every month (May 25) at

### Raising

10am. Learn about available resources to make care giving responsibilities easier.

**Elder Law Clinic:** Seniors 60 and over who are income eligible can receive free legal assistance with wills, living wills, powers of attorney, and health care surrogates on Friday, May 21 at 9:30am. Call for more info.

### Transportation for Gulfport

**Seniors:** Gulfport seniors 55 & over who would like door-to-door transportation service for medical appointments, grocery shopping, beauty/barber shops, etc. please call GEMS at (727) 893-2242. Annual membership: \$50 and \$1.00 for each one way trip. All rides to the Senior Center are free. Also, free rides to Gulfport's Fresh Market on the first Tuesday of each month. (No membership fee required for this special trip).

**Telephone Reassurance:** A friendly phone call each morning is available for Gulfport seniors who live alone. City volunteers offer this free service with your safety in mind. Call now for more information.

**AARP Driving Classes:** are held on the first two Tuesdays of every month from 1-4pm. Call 343-9044 to register and fee info.

### Ongoing Support Groups:

Diabetic Support (Every Mon. at 10am)

Hearing Support (1st & 3rd Mon at 2pm)

**Spanish Practice:** Beginner and Intermediate Spanish students will meet on Mondays, 3-5pm through the summer months to practice their language skills. Regular Spanish classes will resume in the fall.

## JUST FOR FUN

**Free Movie:** (All the Presidents Men) in the Hickman Theater on Mon. May 24 at 12:45pm. Bring a friend!

**Bingo:** Fridays at 1pm.

**Wii Bowling** every Thurs. at 1pm and every first and third Tues. at 6:30pm. More bowlers are needed for the evening sessions so come and join the fun! Thanks to the students at Stetson College of Law for being a part of this activity.

**Join our E-mail List:** Send us your e-mail address at cdean@mygulfport.us or sfrank@mygulfport.us and we will send you our monthly activity calendar and notices on special events.

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# Local Obituaries

**GODFREY, BRIGHT STAR**, 86, of Gulfport, died Friday, April 30, 2010, at Boca Ciega Center. She is survived by a loving family. ALifeTribute-Gulfport, 727-347-5521.

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**MAYER, GROVER C.**, 90, of Westminster Suncoast, formerly of St. Pete Beach, passed away May 13, 2010. Born Sept. 26, 1919 in Brooklyn, NY, he was a U.S. Army Captain in the Signal Corps during WWII. After the war he earned an art degree from Pratt Institute in New York and worked in commercial art in New York City. He and Helen, his wife of 67 years, were married in October of 1942 in NYC and started their family there. In 1952 they moved to St. Pete Beach and operated the Gulf Palms Hotel in Pass-A-Grille. He also became active in real estate and worked for Humpey Roney and Realty Executives as an agent/broker for many years. He was an active member of the community, holding civic positions over the years. Grover was a founding director of the St. Pete Beach Chamber of Commerce, member of the Board of Trustees of the Pass-A-Grille Community Church, founder of Boy Scout Troop 62, St. Pete Beach, Secretary of St. Pete Beach Little League, member St. Pete Beach & National Board of Realtor, and secretary/member of Alcoholic Anonymous Holiday Isles Group. He recently celebrated 46 years as an active member of the fellowship. In addition to his real estate career, Grover was well known as one who helped many others regain and maintain fulfilling lives again. He is survived by 3 children, Christine, Douglas (Pamela) and Steven; 3 grandsons; and 7 great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Barbara and nieces and nephews.

Grover was known and loved by many people and will always hold a special place in their hearts. Beach Memorial Chapel, St. Pete Beach, 727-360-5577.

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But unfortunately the Lord called you home,  
he knew you needed rest.  
I will always remember you,  
You will forever hold a place in my heart.  
And when I am called home to be with you,  
I promise we'll never part!  
Love & miss you,  
Terry

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**A Tribute to Vic  
VICTOR YESKE  
May 22, 2008**

Poker was his game,  
Vic was his name.  
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and Vic was down the hall  
with cards or a cue stick in his hand.  
Vic was the man.  
His smile and jokes  
infectious to all.  
We will miss you, Vic  
as we continue our game,  
but your laughter and smile  
will always remain.  
GF  
I will always love you, Fran

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# Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren offers support groups on the second and fourth Thursday from 6-7:30 p.m. at Family Resources, 3821 Fifth Avenue N. in St. Petersburg and at the Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27 Avenue S. in Gulfport on the last Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. They provide support, referrals, legal guidance, and resources.

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# Volunteers Needed for Soup Kitchen

The Salvation Army of St. Petersburg is seeking volunteers to staff its community soup kitchen on Saturdays and Sundays from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Volunteers will assist staff in serving meals to the clients who come to the soup kitchen each day for the noon and evening meals. They will be involved in serving, and clearing tables as clients arrive and depart during the meal hours.

To volunteer call Gail Stark at 550-8080, ext. 332 or by email at Gail\_Stark@uss.salvationarmy.org.

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# Operation Military Camp Needs Donations

Operation Military Camp is coming up and is open to all children 8-13 years of age who have a parent deployed. Contributions are greatly needed. Please contact American Legion Post 125 at 347-6085 to help.

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## Support Our Troops

Donate items such as candy, cookies, microwave popcorn, peanut butter or cheese crackers, small canned fruits, canned meats and tuna, Kool-Aid, Crystal Light, beef jerky, slim jims, any small microwave products (soups, pastas, etc.), ladies hygiene products, baby wipes, chapstick, sunscreen, bandanas, socks, zip lock bags and Q-tips. Drop off goods at the Army Recruiting Office in

Seminole Mall, VFW Post 4256 at John's Pass, American Legion Post 7 in Clearwater, Extra Storage Space on Duhme Road in Madeira Beach or VFW Post 9273 in Seminole.

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## Care Givers Support Groups

Do you find yourself "caring" for the health concerns of another? If so, consider coming to one of Pasadena Community Church's Care Giver Support Groups in the Life Enrichment Center at 227 70 Street S. One group meets on Tuesday

evenings from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and the other meets on Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Both groups are open to the public and provide a confidential setting for those attending to share with others who are in like situations their experiences, joys and concerns of "care giving". The person may be a relative or just a good friend. It is not necessary that the individual reside in the same house with you or even the same state.

Call Pam Lanning at 347-2809 or Barbara Posey at 381-2499, ext. 214.

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## Gulfport's Harmonica Club Plays at Rays Game



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The Gulfport Senior Harmonica Club opened the Rays vs. Cleveland Indians baseball game Tuesday with the National Anthem at Tropicana Field. The Rays beat the Indians 6-2, with a record of 28 wins and 11 losses, currently the best record in Baseball.

## SPCA Offers Tours

The SPCA Tampa Bay offers private shelter tours to school groups and visitors to educate those about the importance of animal responsibility and how it relates to compassion and respect towards other human beings. To learn more about the SPCA Tampa Bay education programs including in-school presentations or Camille's Summer Camp, contact the SPCA Tampa Bay. Wish list items for animals are appreciated. Reservations are required for school and group visits. No more than 30 guests per group tour. To learn more or sign up for a tour, contact 727-586-3591 x 126 or email Sharon@spcatampabay.org.

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## Tampa Bay Walk Like MADD 5K

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) will host the 2010 Tampa Bay Walk Like MADD 5K, noncompetitive fundraising walk on Friday, June 4. The walk begins at 7 p.m. at the USF Campus in Tampa and will raise funds and rally support for MADD's Campaign to eliminate drunk driving.

For those who want to participate, there are three options: 1. You can register to walk or form a team; 2. If you are unable to attend, you can sign up as a virtual walker; 3. You can give a one-time donation to the Walk Like MADD in your area. Please visit [www.walklikeMADD.org](http://www.walklikeMADD.org) to register, donate or get more information. For sponsorship information, call 813-935-2676 ext 5.

To learn more about MADD or to receive free victim services, please visit [www.madd.org](http://www.madd.org) or call 1-877-MADD-HELP.

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## Enter the Labyrinth

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There is no such thing as a typical host family. They accept single parents, retired couples, families with small children, teens or no children at all! You can have a great experience hosting an International teen. The students are prescreened, speak English and are looking forward to learning about our culture while teaching Americans about theirs. Students will have medical insurance and their own spending money to cover clothing, school expenses, entertainment, etc. Host families should provide not only a loving home and food for their daily meals, but also a quiet place to be able to study and bedroom to rest. Although host families are not paid, one is eligible to claim a charitable tax deduction of \$50 per month for every month the student is in the home.

Visit their website at [www.pieusa.org](http://www.pieusa.org) or call 1-877-534-3144 or email to [patlittrell@pieusa.org](mailto:patlittrell@pieusa.org).

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## Become a Mentor

Gulf Coast Community Care needs volunteers age 30 and older for its mentoring program. Volunteers are matched with children who need a positive adult role model.

Many of the children are in kinship care or live with a single parent who is going to school and working. There is a special need for volunteers for children of all ages. Volunteers give the gift of time to one child and are provided social events and support by agency staff. No experience is necessary. There are no costs.

Volunteers spend a few hours a week in simple activities such as reading, fishing, baking, teaching a craft, or visiting a park with a child. We have children throughout Pinellas County waiting for mentors!

To learn how you can make a difference, call Adults Mentoring Children at (727) 479-1841.

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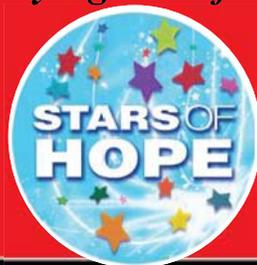
## Pre-teen Receives Spirit of Gulfport Award



12 year old Elizabeth Brown-Worthington received the Spirit of Gulfport award at Tuesday night's council meeting. Miss. Brown-Worthington, a seventh-generation Gulfportian, recently played her own great-great-great-great-great aunt in the city's centennial musical, "Gulfport: The Musical." In addition, she has sung the national anthem at sporting events and requested canned foods for those less fortunate than herself at her most recent birthday party. Ms. Brown-Worthington received both the award and Mayor Mike Yakes' gentle teasing about her intended mayorship with smiles and grace Tuesday night.

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Hearing Connection offers amplified telephones and related equipment at no cost to permanent Florida residents who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind or speech-impaired.

This telecommunications access program is funded by a surcharge currently on all Florida telephone consumers' bills. Equipment is

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The Deaf and Hearing Connection, Tampa Bay's only non-profit hearing center, also offers free hearing screenings by appointment, low cost hearing aids, cleanings and repairs. The Deaf and Hearing Connection specializes in communication access for deaf, hard of hearing or late deafened people.

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## Low-Cost or Free Mammograms

If you are a woman 40-64 years of age of low income without health insurance living in Pinellas County you may be eligible for a free or low cost Mammogram. For additional information please call 820-4117. The guidelines and eligibility requirements will be provided to you at that time.

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## SPCA Offers Pet Adoption Packages

SPCA Tampa Bay is offering Mother's Day Pet Adoption Packages throughout the month of May including: Cat Combo: adult cat (1 year or older), carrier and snoozy kitty blanket for \$50. Doggie's Day Out: adult dog over 25 lbs., leash and collar for \$50. Shelter is located at 9099 130 Avenue N. in Largo. For more information or to view adoptable animals, check us out at [www.spcatampabay.org](http://www.spcatampabay.org) or call 727-586-3591.

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# City Whys?

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By Cathy Salustri

## City of Gulfport

**Q:** (This question is an extension of the article the Gabber ran two weeks ago about harassment complaints surrounding former interim attorney Minkoff)

Does Gulfport's current council know what to do now if they receive a complaint? What is the process for them? Does the city require employees, management, and city council to take a class on sexual harassment?

Another aspect is the implication of third party contractors. Tech Data fired a firm because their construction workers were making catcalls at female employees as they came to and from work. Is there language in the City's contracts that protects the City?

**A:** The short answer is yes, they should. City Manager Jim O'Reilly answered these questions for the Gabber. Here's how the city of Gulfport's hierarchy works, as set forth by the city charter: employees fall into one of two classes: regular and charter. The city attorney, manager, and clerk are charter employees. Everyone else is a regular employee. The city charter says that all regular employees work under the direction of the city manager. Charter employees answer directly to the City Council. The city's charter defines council's roles and responsibilities, one of which is that they can't direct or counsel regular employees. Council does have direct access to all charter employees.

If there's a formal complaint about a charter employee, the process now is this: the city manager then makes the city council aware of the complaint through the city clerk. At that point it would be appropriate for the council to address the complaint, either in private or at a council meeting.

All regular employees and city management attend classes that include harassment education when they're hired, and the city provides this program at a minimum on a bi-annual basis to all employees.

As a condition of their contract, third party contractors agree to appropriate work place actions and to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances, including, but not limited to, certain civil rights and anti-discriminatory laws.

If they do not do so, the city can legally terminate the contract.

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# Somethin' on my mind

By Bill Northrop

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## Drill Baby Drill

With a tsunami of oil threatening to wipe out the beaches and all water-related industries from Mobile, AL to Jacksonville, FL, I'm still for drill-baby-drill. Pretty awful, huh? Well, nothing is absolute, so drilling can't be indiscriminate and can't be on a "trust me" basis. But, not drilling at all? Not realistic.

It seems that we have enough regulations, but the government agencies enforcing the regulations, simply waived them. Then, the drillers, platform operators, and contracted safety services made a whole lot of assumptions. Actually, tens of thousands of oil holes have already been dug without this happening. That's why all the assumptions and finger pointing,

political and otherwise.

But, banning off-shore drilling forever? Not going to happen and shouldn't. Other countries including Venezuela and Brazil are doing it and Cuba, just over the horizon, is getting ready to. Not that we should do it because they are doing it. As for banning drilling in Alaska because of the mistake in the Gulf, doesn't make sense - unless you're for stopping oil drilling nearly everywhere. There's a valid argument for that, but only if you're in favor of grounding airlines and putting pedals in place of engines on cars.

Simply put, we need oil to keep the economy going. Without a decent economy tourism won't happen and the fishing industries won't have much of a market. There's nothing on the horizon that's going to replace oil. Wind and batteries and sunshine

aren't going to put a dent in the industrial needs of this and every other country in the world.

Oil replacement is only going to come with a major discovery. Maybe gravitational power, or magnetic power (nearly the same), or power extracted from the air, will revolutionize the world but, it won't be tomorrow. Natural gas can cut into coal use and some petroleum use, too, but it won't do the trick. Too bad we can't capture political hot air.

In the meantime, we're stuck with today. Today, we need to cut back and conserve and preserve, and ration. Nothing like gasoline at \$5 or \$6 a gallon to make that happen. Same thing with scarcity. Anyone remember the oil embargo of the 70s? That changed things until it got back to normal and we went back to normal. How would high prices come about? One cause would be government taxes. Another would be a Mid-East war or another Arab oil embargo. And, another might be the cap-and-trade bill congress is contemplating now. Oh, that's right, they changed the name to something about energy so you wouldn't know it was the same thing. Raise the cost of everything and send the money to the government and that should do it.

Of course, we've already conserved a lot of energy by depressing the economy. We're using less fuel, polluting less, emitting less carbon dioxide, just by knocking people out of their jobs. We're at 10 per cent unemployment. Just think how good it would be at 15 per cent.

Drill-baby-drill, might sound obscene now, but relying on the rest of the world for our supply will be more than obscene.

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We are sorry to announce that bingo has been canceled until October 6, due to lack of attendance.

It is time for another blood drive on Sunday, May 23 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. If you can donate blood, your breakfast is free.

Tuesday, May 25 is the next \$1,000 drawing at 8 p.m. Better hurry and get your tickets before they are all gone.

Join us for dinner on Friday & Saturday nights from 5 to 7 p.m. The Southern Knights band plays after dinner both nights. Wednesday nights we have bingo starting at 6 p.m. Food is available during bingo. Every Wednesday at 1 p.m. join us for euchre. Breakfast is served every Sunday from 8:30 to 11 a.m.

Also, we are still accepting donations for troops in Iraq. Items needed include powered drink mix for bottled water, personal hygiene items, socks, batteries, snacks, dry food items, etc. A collection box is provided at the post. For more information call Shirley at 510-1919. Let's show them our support!

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## Gulfport's Centennial

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In just 21 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:

Once in a while the class officers at Boca Ciega High School got creative with their "official" pictures. Last week we saw the 1970-71 senior class officers in an unusual pose. They were: Jeff Tudeen, president (lying down); Kai Warren, vice-president; Sandy Wickwire, secretary; and Glenn Cunningham, treasurer.



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## Boating Classes in Gulfport

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Boating Skills and Seamanship (BS&S) - start any Thursday 7:30-9:30 p.m, 13 week revolving course, \$40 for materials. Sailing Skills and Seamanship (SS&S) and Weekend Navigator (WN) will be offered on Tuesday nights when enough people have signed up. For information, email [auxgulfport@yahoo.com](mailto:auxgulfport@yahoo.com) or call Leonard at 686-6940.

They also offer one-day seminar courses including About Boating Safety (ABS) which meets the minimum requirement for a new FL Safe Boating ID card, GPS for Mariners (GPSFM), How to read a Nautical Chart (HRNC) and Suddenly in Command (SIC). These courses vary in price and will be offered on Saturdays when enough people have signed up.

For more details on course content visit <http://cgauxed.org/completcourses.html>. The ABS, BS&S, and SS&S courses give you the knowledge needed to obtain a boat license or safety certification in many states and all three offer Florida safe boating certificate upon successful completion. Boating insurance companies also offer discounts.

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## Live Music Offered at Gulfport Fresh Market

GULFPORT: Frank Hewlett plays guitar, cracks jokes, tell stories and sings tunes that originated in the days

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before iPods. Some of the questions posed on his website offer clues to what music you might expect from him: "Are Turtles and Monkees more than just animals in a zoo to you?" or "When I say Puff, do you think Dragon rather than Daddy?" It's no wonder he has nicknamed himself "The Geezer." Frank "The Geezer" Hewlett is the featured musician at the Gulfport Tuesday Fresh Market, each Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Beach Blvd. in Gulfport's Waterfront Arts District.

Choices at the Market have grown tremendously over the last few months. There are new vendors and new choices each week. At the Market, the Gulfport Merchants Association offers a booth with information about upcoming events, as well as local shops and eateries. Stop by to find out about upcoming Art Walks, festivals and many other events. The Merchants' booth also accepts donations of non-perishable food and toiletries for the Gulfport Senior Center Pantry. Donations go to local families in need.

For more information about the Gulfport Tuesday Fresh Market, or if you are interested in becoming a vendor, contact Daniel Hodge at 727-366-4086. More information is also available at [www.GulfportMA.com](http://www.GulfportMA.com).

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## Teach Teens About Money

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If you trust your teens with some amount of money and then allow them to make their own independent financial decisions on a level commensurate with their ages and abilities, you will address the five key motivators that influence kids:

**Power.** Knowing their parents trust them with money empowers kids, particularly teens, to control some of their environments. This encourages maturity. It develops the ability to make good decisions.

**Freedom.** Managing their own money gives teens the freedom they want to make their own decisions, but it gives it to them gradually, as they are able to handle it. Just make sure that your teens are clearly aware of your family's values when it comes to clothing, entertainment and similar things. Freedom does not mean unbridled behavior. It means knowing the rules and boundaries and then being trusted to live and operate within them. Kids want to know the limits. That gives them a sense of security.

**Fun.** Teens think managing money and being responsible for how they spend it (or don't) is fun. Makes sense. Money is a precious commodity, and having the freedom to choose how to spend it can be fun. Allowing a teen to experience this sense of joy that comes with having money is a good thing. It's even better when done while that teen is still within

the safety net of his/her parents and home.

**Belonging.** A teenager's participation in managing the family's financial resources creates a sense of community. Teens need to belong and to know they are important parts of things that are bigger than themselves. Just watch your teen mature before your eyes as he/she comes to realize that with this privilege comes responsibility.

**Mastery.** Once your young adult understands the significance of his/her role as a money manager, that teen will be open to concepts such as compounding interest, consumer debt, handling a checking account or credit card, and the basics of investing. Fortunately, teaching does teach the teacher.

Our role as parents is to know our children, to discover their gifts and abilities, and to encourage and train them in keeping with those characteristics and tendencies. Money is an excellent tool to help get the job done. As a bonus, your children will go into the real world well-equipped to manage effectively the resources entrusted to them.

Be forewarned: The hardest part in all of this is to allow your teen to make his/her own financial decisions and then take a complete hands-off approach. That means requiring your teen to live with the consequences of those decisions. Just like real life.

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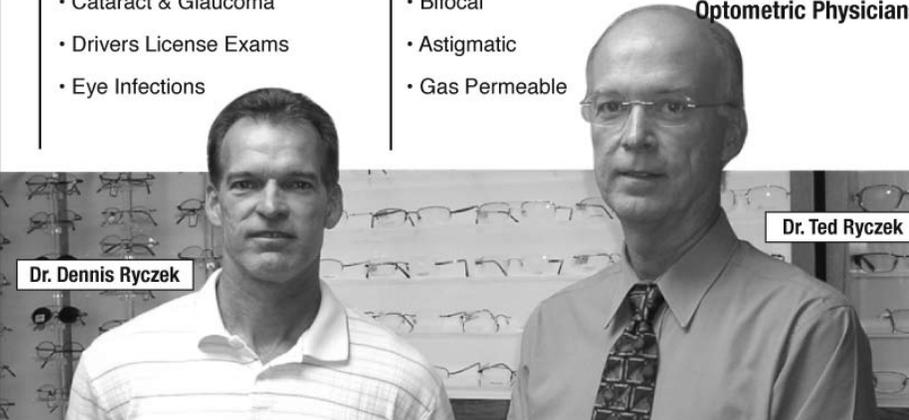
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## Calling All Future Big Brothers

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pinellas County needs at least 125 Big Brothers to meet the needs of their current waiting list. Make a difference in a child's life. There are several different programs to suit your preferences including their Sports Buddies Program. Take a child to sporting events (like the Rays game) for which they supply the tickets and watch or participate in sports activities together. Not interested in sports? That's OK! Sports Buddies is just one option. You can select mentoring activities to suit your preferences and the child's.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Big Brother, please email your contact information to ShirleyN@bbbspc.org or call 727-518-8860 for more information.

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## Meals on Wheels Needs Drivers

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

Many Pinellas County seniors are living alone, too poor to buy food, or too frail to shop and cook for themselves. And the need is growing every day. Do someone else a favor and you will be doing yourself one!

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

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## St. Pete Beach City Commission Meeting Public Comment & Council Quotes

***"I feel it's my civic responsibility to continue coming before you until something is done...the problem is the lighting at the intersection."*** -Resident Tom DeYampert - on crosswalk safety by Blind Pass Road near the Sweetbay Supermarket. He shared how a woman was hit within the last week with crosswalk lights on and how a man hit in February is paralyzed from the waist down. He shared about safer crosswalk lighting with rapid flashing beacons that is available and state approved. The cost is \$26,000 to \$28,000 per intersection, he said

***"I would like to have a discussion on how to expedite this."*** -Commissioner Al Halpern on seeing what could be done about getting safer crosswalks in town. The city is going to get a different color light in this week, Mayor Finnerty said.

***"Is there something we can do to raise our joint voices to FDOT... That seems to be the nastiest location in town."***

-Vice Mayor Jim Parent, on working more aggressively with the state on fixing the intersection.

***"Can we go out and buy these lights for Blind Pass Road.. if we wait four or five months we may have another (accident)."***

- Commissioner Marvin Shavlan, on having the city go ahead and improve the intersection instead of waiting through the state process. The city decided to approach the state again on the process of improving the crosswalk.

***"I am compassionate about that crosswalk but how about hiring a policeman (assigned to the crosswalks)."***

-A resident asking for a look at crosswalk safety throughout the city.

***"The rec center is still taking applications for the summer program."*** -City Manager Mike Bonfield, on that space is still available in the city's summer youth recreation programs that start June 14.

***"A big thank you to Holly Apple... She jumped in and saved this child's life."*** -Commissioner Bev Garnett, on thanking a resident for saving the life of a child caught in the current on Mother's Day.

***"Remember we've got 20 percent off for medical prescriptions."***

-Mayor Finnerty, on cards available at city hall for reduced cost prescriptions.

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**Noise Complaint-** 3200 Blk 58th St. S.

**Recovered Stolen Vehicle-** 1800 Blk 53rd St. S.

**Theft-** 5000 Blk 29th Ave. S.

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

**Trouble with Individual-** 2000 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** Tomlinson Park.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 5600 Blk 19th Ave. S.

**Hit & Run-** 2300 Blk Beach Blvd. S.

**Saturday 5/8**

**Noise Complaint-** 6300 Blk 7th Ave. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 2400 Blk 58th St. S.

**Traffic Stop Failed to Stop-** 2400 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 2400 Blk 58th St. S.

**Theft-** 5500 Blk 28th Ave. S.

**Theft-** 4900 Blk Tangerine Ave. S.

**Battery-** 5200 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Noise Complaint-** 3200 Blk 58th St. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 5700 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Sunday 5/9**

**Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk 13th Ave. S.

**Theft-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.  
**Fight in Progress-** 700 Blk 58th St. S.

**Theft-** Waterfront.

**Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk Pine Grove Terr. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 6300 Blk Vista Verde Dr. E.

**Animal Complaint-** 700 Blk Freemont St. S.

**Monday 5/10**

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

**Domestic Verbal-** 2500 Blk 50th St. S.

**Domestic Battery-** 1600 Blk 58th St. S.

**Tuesday 5/11**

**Narcotics/Drugs-** 1700 Blk 57th St. S.

**Fight in Progress-** 2000 Blk 51st St. S.

**Arrest on Warrant-** 2500 Blk Beach Blvd. S.

**Hit & Run-** 5400 Blk Shore Blvd. S.

**Wednesday 5/12**

**Open Door/Window-** 1400 Blk 58th St. S.

**Domestic Battery-** 5100 Blk 8th Ave. S.

**Trouble with Individual-** 4900 Blk 14th Ave. S.

**Reckless Driver-** 3200 Blk 58th St. S.

**Thursday 5/13**

**Drunk Driver-** 1200 Blk 59th St. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 1400 Blk 61st St. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Theft-** 1700 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Burglary-** 1700 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Animal Complaint-** 5700 Blk Shore Blvd. S.

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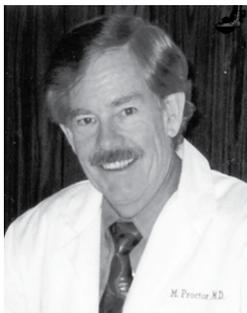
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St. Petersburg Free Clinic is located at 863 3rd Avenue North and provides temporary assistance for families and individuals in need of the basics of food, shelter, health care, limited financial assistance and referral information. For more information about the Free Clinic visit [www.stpetersburgfreeclinic.org](http://www.stpetersburgfreeclinic.org).

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## Rotary Club of St. Petersburg

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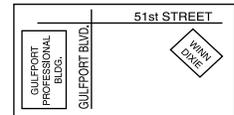
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## The Community Garden is Ready for Planting!

GULFPORT-A brand new community garden is ready to be planted! The garden is available to residents of both Gulfport and St. Petersburg; providing the opportunity to grow vegetables, annuals and other non-

permanent plants in a plot of their own.

The garden is a grassroots endeavor being coordinated by a group of local gardening enthusiasts. It is supported by the City of Gulfport and the South 49th Street Business Association. It is intended to provide a sustainable, educational, and

aesthetically appealing garden in the Gulfport community. The garden is located on Preston Avenue between 51st and 52nd Street South. Plots are available for \$50 for a season, with two seasons a year (March-August and September-February). Organizers hope that eventually the garden will offer educational courses for both youth and adults on topics ranging from organic gardening to xeriscaping. The focus will be on sustainable and organic gardening.

The grassroots community group is currently seeking gardeners with interest in having their own plot as well as volunteers to help with the garden. Plots are currently available for planting (sunny plots, approximately 60 square feet, water provided). More information is available by visiting [www.so49.org](http://www.so49.org), or to sign up and reserve your own plot please visit BanyanScapes Nursery, 932 49 Street S. in Gulfport.

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## Beta Sigma Phi

Sunshine City Council members attended the 2010 Florida State Convention at the Orlando Marriott - Lake Mary on Friday, May 14 through Sunday, May 16. Twenty-seven members attended and enjoyed all the festivities for the "Come Fly With Us" theme. Friday evening was a luau complete with native dancers for entertainment. Members participated in a "Lost Luggage" activity prior to the entertainment. Saturday lunch was a tour of Italy and the business meeting. The bids for future conventions were presented and Sunshine City Council will host the 2013 Beta Sigma Phi Florida State Convention at the St. Petersburg Hilton Downtown. The costume judging was done and there were many creative costumes.

Saturday evening was "Dinner in Paris" and everyone looked lovely. The chapter and council women of the year were presented with winners from each degree named. Sharon Ingram of Laureate Epsilon Theta was chosen "State Laureate Woman of the Year." The overall State Woman of the Year was Sandy Scionti of Tampa City Council. Congratulations.

Sunday morning breakfast brought us back to New York for our closing activities. The following awards were won: 1st Place Best Ways and Means - Laureate Epsilon Theta chapter for their Christmas Mice ornaments and 2nd Place Best Ways and Means - Sunshine City Council for the Annual Spaghetti Dinner held in January. Sunshine City Council received Honorable Mention for the Best Service which was for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Laureate Epsilon Theta won 3rd Place in the Best Social category for their reciprocity social held this year and Sunshine City Council received an Honorable Mention for the Sweetheart/ Preferential Tea.

Laureate Epsilon Theta won first place for the Chapter Achievement Award and Sunshine City Council won first place for the Council Achievement Award. Sunshine City Council also won 3rd place for the Best Use of Convention Theme in costume as all 27 members were a member of the Mile High Club as they were all dressed as stewardesses.

Congratulations to all the winners as it was a wonderful convention and a time for new friendships to be made and old ones renewed. We are looking forward to the 2011 Convention to be held in Jacksonville next May with a them of "Once Upon A Time".

Sunshine City Council's last regular meeting will be held on Monday, May 24 at 7 p.m. in the ROTC Room at Dixie Hollins High School.

Laureate Epsilon Theta chapter will hold the last regular meeting for this year on Wednesday, May 26 at the home of Marsha Ward and

Marsha will present the program. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Members will be exchanging "Beta Buddy" gifts. New Beta Buddies will be drawn to begin another year.

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By Robert J. Myers, Esquire

## Am I Under Arrest?

If you are arrested in the State of Florida, the first decision you need to make is whether or not you should speak to a law enforcement officer. This is a critical decision because any oral or written statements you make may be used against you in your criminal court case. You are under arrest when a law enforcement officer takes you into custody in order to hold you to answer for an alleged criminal offense.

Under Florida law, a law enforcement officer is normally required to identify himself or herself as such and to advise you that you are under arrest. Remember, you may be under actual arrest even though no law enforcement officer has stated "you are under arrest." Legally, if you have been significantly deprived of your freedom of movement, you may be under arrest.

If a law enforcement officer has reasonable suspicion that you are involved in criminal activity, that officer may require you to provide identification and explain your whereabouts at a particular time without arresting you. At this point in time, a law enforcement officer may ask questions of you in order to complete her/his field interrogation. You are not legally required to answer these questions. However, if you refuse to properly identify yourself, a law enforcement officer then may claim she/he has grounds to arrest you for loitering under Florida law. At the end of any temporary detention by a law enforcement officer, you must be arrested or released.

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## Divorce Care Group at Tradewinds Church

Divorce Care Group is a 13 week program for those who are separated or divorced designed to help you face the challenges and move toward rebuilding your life. Classes will meet each Thursday from 7-8:30 p.m. at Tradewinds Church, 6740 Park Street S. in So Pasadena. For more information, please call (727) 344-1501.

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## Yoga Classes in St. Pete Beach

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## Donations Needed for Kittens and Puppies

SPCA Tampa Bay is requesting donations from the community in preparation for kitten and puppy season. Donations include dry and wet kitten and puppy food, kitty litter, new puppy and kitten toys, towels, paper towels, blankets, collars, leashes and crates. Low cost spay/neuter programs available. Location is 9099 130 Avenue N. in Largo For more information or to view adoptable animals, visit [www.spcatampabay.org](http://www.spcatampabay.org) or call 727-586-3591.

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## Community Food Pantry

The Community Food Pantry housed in the Senior Center is available for Gulfport residents of all ages who are in need. Proof of address and income is required. Thanks to the wonderful individuals and businesses in the great City of Gulfport who so generously supply food items for the pantry on an ongoing basis.

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## Help for Preschoolers at Home

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## Attention All Veterans

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

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

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Business and Professional Women St. Petersburg/Pinellas has elected its officers for 2010. Committee Chairs are: Public Relations, Marie R. Stempinski; Scholarship, Beth Knowles; Young Careerist, Deborah Connelly; Individual Development, Amy Grashel; Equal Pay Day, Kristin Guenthardt; Bylaws, Tami Simms Powel; Historian, Lily Alcott; Web Mistress, Amy Grashel; Technology, Vickie Fawlkner; and Luncheon Reservations, Becky Duffy.

BPW St. Petersburg/Pinellas is the local organization of Business and Professional Women, Inc., which was founded in 1919 and is a multigenerational, nonpartisan membership organization that focuses on issues affecting working women. For more information, visit [BPWSt.PetePinellas.org](http://BPWSt.PetePinellas.org) or call 727-471-8248.

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By Scott Lafee

## The Afterglow of Forgotten Memories

New research shows that the feelings and emotions associated with an event or experience linger even after the actual memory fades or disappears.

Researchers at the University of Iowa studied patients with amnesia, each unable to convert new memories from short term to long term. The inability is considered to be an early sign of Alzheimer's disease.

The patients were shown clips of happy and sad movies, and then asked about them later. Though they couldn't recall what they had watched, all retained lingering emotions prompted by the clips. The finding has direct implications for Alzheimer's disease and treatment.

"A simple visit or phone call from family members might have a

lingering positive influence on a patient's happiness, even though the patient may quickly forget the visit or phone call," said Justin Feinstein, lead author of the study, published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. "On the other hand, routine neglect from staff at nursing homes may leave the patient feeling sad, frustrated and lonely even though the patient can't remember why."

### GET ME THAT. STAT!

An 11-year follow-up study of 219 extremely preterm children (born at less than 26 weeks gestation) by British researchers found that improved survival rates were accompanied by higher risk for later cognitive, neuromotor and sensory impairments. The most frequent psychiatric conditions were Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (12 percent), emotional disorders (9 percent) and autism spectrum

disorders (8 percent). The scientists also reported a threefold overall greater risk of subsequent mental health problems in those children born prematurely.

### PHOBIA OF THE WEEK

Novercaphobia -- fear of your stepmother

### BODY OF KNOWLEDGE

Some people never develop fingerprints at all. Two rare genetic defects, known as Naegeli syndrome and dermatopathia pigmentosa reticularis, can leave carriers without any identifying ridges on their skin.

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This organization promotes better health and health policies in the world's poorest countries, focusing on family planning, maternal health, AIDS/HIV and gender equity.

### BEST MEDICINE

Actual doctors' notes from the charts of hospital patients:

Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.

On the second day the knee was better, and on the third day it disappeared.

The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.

The patient refused autopsy.

She is numb from her toes down.

Patient was seen in consultation by Dr. Blank, who felt we should sit on the abdomen, and I agree.

The lab test indicated abnormal lover function.

Skin: somewhat pale but present.

Patient has two teenage children, but no other abnormalities.

### CURTAIN CALLS

In 430 B.C., a pre-Socratic Greek philosopher named Empedocles jumped into an active volcano (Mount Etna in Sicily) to convince followers that he had been taken up by the gods of Olympus.

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## Doggie Paws Rescue Needs Volunteers

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

The Rescue was established at the end of January 2007 and by the end of December, over 130 dogs had been rescued, and over 100 of them had been placed in their "forever homes". Most of the dogs came from Levy County Animal Services where animals are euthanized after only six days if someone doesn't come to their aid. All of these rescued animals have turned into happy, healthy, well-adjusted dogs because of the love, care and commitment of the volunteers of Florida Doggie Paws Rescue.

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

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

For more information, visit [www.floridadoggiepaws.org](http://www.floridadoggiepaws.org) or call Vicki at 727-992-5079.

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## Gulfport Girl Scout Troop 987 Surprises Pet Pal Shelter



By Leigh Clifton

The girls from Gulfport Girl Scout Troop 987 are all smiles as they present Scott Daly, Operations Director for Pet Pal Animal Shelter, with a \$1000 check. Pet Pal is a no kill, non-profit shelter in south St. Pete.

Gulfport Girl Troop 987 had a very nice surprise for Pet Pal's Operations Director Scott Daly last Saturday afternoon; they arrived as newly minted Cadets with a bunch of giggles and a check for \$1000.00 for the shelter. The troop had combined the cookie sale's donated change, along with money raised from a fundraiser the girls threw with their Brownie troop... It totaled almost \$500.00.

"These girls worked so hard to raise this money," Troop Leader Karen Macauley said. "We had a small fundraiser when we helped our Brownies earn their badges. Then we used the extra change left as a donation from our cookie sales. It really added up and people were so generous."

Even more generous was Mary Ann Bruton, a friend of Macauley's. She and Karen were in her kitchen talking when Macauley mentioned that the girls were trying to raise money for the Pet Pal Shelter.

"She didn't even blink an eye," Karen said. "She turned to me and said something incredible; that she would match any donation from the Scouts, up to \$500.00! Isn't that awesome? The girls were thrilled and really worked hard to get to their \$500.00 in a hurry."

The Pet Pal Shelter, like most in the area, operates on a shoe string budget and relies heavily on donations and assistance from the community. In fact, while the Girl Scout troop was admiring a room full of kitties, a mother cat and her kittens were dropped off at the shelter.

"This money will come in so handy right now," Daly said. "These kitties will need to be neutered and get shots. All that costs money, so I am so very grateful to these wonderful girls."

Pet Pal will be hosting their 8th Annual "Puppy Love Benefit" on Saturday, May 22, from 7-10 pm at the Dolphin Beach Resort on St. Pete Beach. Tickets are \$50.00 in advance and can be purchased online at [petpalanimalshelter.com](http://petpalanimalshelter.com), or call 727 328-7738. All proceeds go to the Pet Pal Animal Shelter's Emergency Medical Fund, which rescues and rehabilitates sick and injured pets. Pet Pal is a non-profit, no-kill shelter and is located at 405 22nd Street South in St. Pete.

## Congratulations, Rebekah!



On May 8 The Art Guild of Treasure Island held its last meeting of the season where they gave awards for the May show and presented their annual \$1,500 scholarship award. This year's recipient of the scholarship award is Rebekah Kirkman of Seminole, FL. She is the daughter of Jim and Sharon Kirkman.

Rebekah has letters of acceptance at Ringling College of Art Design, Savannah College and Maryland Institute of Art. She has chosen Maryland Institute. She will go there this fall.

Her proud parents accompanied her to The Art Guild's May meeting with three of her excellent paintings. She gave a speech on her art and goals. Arlene Kitchen, the Guild's scholarship chairperson presented her with the award.

Rebekah has been a volunteer for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation since her freshman year in high school. She has been on her school's academic team since her sophomore year, this year she is the team's captain. She has been a member of the National Honor Society since her junior year. She is in honors and AP classes and has been on the honor roll every grading period of high school.

She has had works exhibited in Mainsail Young at Art Show, the Student Surrealist Exhibit at Salvador Dali Museum, Temple Beth-El and Florida State Fair. She has won numerous awards.

The Art Guild hosts various fundraisers during the year to fund this award. This is their way of giving back to the community.

## Book Donations Needed

Donations of books are needed by the Bookstore of The Friends of the West St. Petersburg Community Library located on the St. Petersburg College Gibbs Campus, corner of 8th Ave North and 67th Street North. The proceeds from the sale of these items are used to fund special children's and adult programs to benefit the community. They are a volunteer non-profit c-3 organization and can provide a receipt to you for your possible tax deduction. Please call Elaine Wenstrom at 253-6904.

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## PARC Thrift Store Needs Donations

Due to an increase in community need, the PARC Thrift Store at 5825 66 Street N. in St. Petersburg is immediately collecting electronic and furniture donations. The PARC Thrift Store is able to pick up large donations with advance notice. Donations of electronics and furniture may be delivered to the PARC Thrift Store seven days a week during daytime hours. Opened in 1963, all proceeds from the PARC Thrift Store benefit the children and adults with developmental disabilities at PARC.

For more information, please call Ron Hoover, PARC Thrift Store Manager, at 727-541-4493.

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## Donations Needed for Save Our Strays

Save Our Strays, Inc., which provides foster homes and adoption services for abandoned cats and kittens throughout Pinellas County, needs the following donations: Canned kitten food, scoopable litter, catnip toys, plus volunteers to transport kitties. Call 727 481-5262 for drop off locations.

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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 727-204-9343 for more information.

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# Sustainable Living

By Shawn Dell Joyce



## Sustainable School Budgets

We are all concerned about our schools and our rising school taxes. Most districts are facing a decline in state funding of 10 percent or more -- which can be \$3.6 million in real dollars. That's a lot of money, and we all wonder where it will come from.

Teachers are concerned about larger classes and less funding for teaching materials, salaries and lower educational standards. Parents are concerned about less funding for the classes that keep kids interested in school, like music, art, sports and extracurricular activities. Taxpayers are concerned about an ever-increasing burden that is already difficult to bear. Kids face crowded conditions, increased bullying and less attention from teachers.

It's a difficult situation for all, without an easy answer. Many school districts across the country are in the same pickle, and some have come up with a few creative solutions that could be applied here.

-- The Newburgh, N.Y., school district has hired an energy-efficiency consultant to show faculty and students how to conserve resources and save money. Simple measures like turning off lights in empty classrooms, lowering the heat after hours and reducing paper waste can more than pay the consultant's salary, and save school resources over the long term. Engaging the student population in the school's efforts to conserve teaches children an important lesson to take back to the home and community.

-- Batavia, N.Y., schools have found methods for pooling resources and sharing specialized staff and equipment. This sharing cuts down on individual school district's costs and helps keep learning standards high.

-- In Fairfax County, Va., the school board is asking parents to pay fees for tests like the PSAT and SAT. They are also planning to charge \$50 per student to participate in high-

school sports. The most ingenious suggestion was to raise class size by a half of a student. You have to wonder where they put the other half!

-- Texas schools find themselves with a decreasing tax base (as property values plummet) and an increasing student population. Instead of building more schools, the districts are encouraging home-schooling by providing an online curriculum, free computer and Internet, and a teacher with an online class size of 500.

-- Other states also encourage home-schooling by offering home-schooled children the use of the school for certain classes that parents may not be able to provide at home. For example, a high school science lab course would be easier to pay for than to recreate at home. This piecemeal approach to education also brings

in additional revenues from home-schoolers already paying school taxes.

-- California high school students will soon be working from free digital textbooks online rather than the expensive hardcover textbooks at the district's expense.

Perhaps the best approach to solving the school budget crunch is the one right under our nose -- and most likely to be missed. Why not have the children come up with the solution? One of the biggest complaints about schools is that they don't prepare children for the "real world." Here's our chance. Let's give the kids a "real world" scenario and see what they come up with.

Thomas Kerston of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration has created a helpful module that could be applied to any classroom. It's available free online at [cnx.org/content/m14281/latest/](http://cnx.org/content/m14281/latest/).

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# Hard Candy

By Cathy Salustri

## Teachers

As the school year winds down to a close, I anticipate the onslaught of summer break--some things eagerly, like the lack of 217 individual school zones along 49th Street, each timed to make the 15 minute trip to the Gabber offices last roughly two and a half days, and others not-so-eagerly, like public pools filled with children who smell like wet puppies, minus the cuteness and any sort of ability to behave. I look forward to the hottest days of the year, summer fireworks, and late sunsets. I view, with eager anticipation, my cousin Michele's annual visit, which invariably involved a close examination of beach bars and swimsuit shops from Clearwater Beach south to Pass-a-Grille.

Michele teaches music in New York, and she shows up every summer looking remarkably pale, seeking sun and something cute to wear under it. Her trips offer me an excuse to act like a tourist: we go looking for dolphin, on deck boats, sailboats, and speedboats. We sample every restaurant that catches our eye, and doesn't matter if it's a tourist trap (say, Shepherd's in Clearwater Beach) or a superb locals spot (think the Sandbar on St. Pete Beach). Of course, I can do any of these things any time I'd like, but she can't. While I typing on this column, sitting in a swimsuit and trying to hurry so I can take Calypso for her mid-day walk along on the beach, Michele has to shape young minds. That much time around kids makes me shudder, but she loves it. Of course, she doesn't get much time for herself, so the least I can do for her when she visits is buy her a burger at a beach bar.

Michele loves teaching. She buys supplies with her own money and spends hours of her own time working on her lessons and (she teaches music) concerts. I wonder how many kids appreciate her effort. How many of her students will one day say, "Remember Ms. Salustri? I loved her class; it made me want to sing all the time." I had a few teachers like that.

Marie Grein taught 5th-grade

math, and while nice, she let nothing slide. Aside from certain educational building blocks, she taught us about consequences. She told one of my classmates she wouldn't give her permission to go to a skating party because she performed poorly on a test. Shouldn't she study, instead?

Her counterpart, Ernest Johnson, held us to the same standards. He taught language arts, and this included book reports, research papers, and 50 vocabulary words a week. We had to define each word, identify its part of speech, write it out five times, and use it in a sentence. I had my first vestiges of anxiety in Mr. Johnson's class, but I learned a crapload of words. Crapload, I should note, was not one of them.

Sporadic exposure to a teacher can mold students, too: I decided to be a writer because the elementary school librarian told my class she thought I would. I doubt Ms. Penny Lawrence remembers that comment, but I remember thinking, "Hey, I'll try that!" and, well, it stuck. Feel free to send any complaints about this column to her, care of Belleair Elementary.

Dave Byers and Gus Haynes, a middle school social studies teacher and a high school history teacher, respectively, showed me how to appreciate history. Mr. Byers led our classes in campaign songs from Herbert Hoover's election and war songs from the wars (He once led the entire school in a rousing chorus of "Over There" in assembly.) Mr. Haynes became "Gus" after I passed the Advanced Placement exam and received college credit for his course. Gus taught us how to think about history, and he taught us that sometimes you had to read between the lines of history books.

Of course, not every teacher leaves a positive mark. My sophomore year English teacher, a colleague later joked, scarred me for life. Mrs. Parker did not much care for passive voice, and strictly prohibited the use of "to be" and other helping verbs. Any composition that used any of the following verbs failed instantly: be,

being, been, is, am, are, was, were, has, have, and had. Even today, if I use one of these verbs, it hurts. Mrs. Parker and I did not see eye to eye on the craft of writing; she told me I wrote poorly. It gives me great comfort to know that she WAS wrong, although her traumatic grammar lesson made me a better writer.

English class improved with Frank Black, the Unofficial World's Best English Teacher. He taught me how to structure a thesis and topic sentence and taught me more about professional writing than anyone else until my senior year of college. I could not feed myself as a writer without his expertise.

One last teacher made a stirringly profound impact on me: Dr. Jerry Smith, who taught a college class called "Identifying Florida Biota." I took it to get out of dissecting things, but I left his class with an enduring appreciation for the the Sunshine State. Dr. Smith, a biologist who also taught, had real-world experience in Florida, and every class involved a field trip. Along with the rest of our class, I made my first pilgrimage to the Florida Keys with Dr. Smith. In this class I learned how, despite of or in spite of civilization, Florida's muggy wildness exists in tandem with people, sometimes as close as the overgrown lot next to the Wendy's. I became a writer because of my grade school librarian; I became a Florida writer in love with the state because of Dr. Smith.

These men and women shaped my life as much as my parents. They did so for remarkably little money, and they certainly did so by giving of themselves relentlessly to students who, myself included, did not (at least at the time) appreciate or understand their efforts. It will not try to contact them each and thank them; I am one student of thousands. They do not remember me, and that's OK. I can pay it forward in my own way, however minute, and honor them every summer when I buy my cousin a burger as I show her the life teachers like her gave me under the hot Florida sun.

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# Vascular Screening Could Save Your Life at Bay Surgical Specialists

By Cathy Salustri

Vascular Technologist, Jamie Corbett RDMS, RVT says, "it's a matter of life and limb," and she's not making a joke. The Technical Director of the vascular lab at Bay Surgical Specialists knows how important vascular health is to someone's overall health.

"Vascular disease," she explains "is one of the leading causes of death—and disability—in the United States. Sadly, it's often left untreated until someone has a stroke or a ruptured aneurysm, or until they have to have a leg amputated."

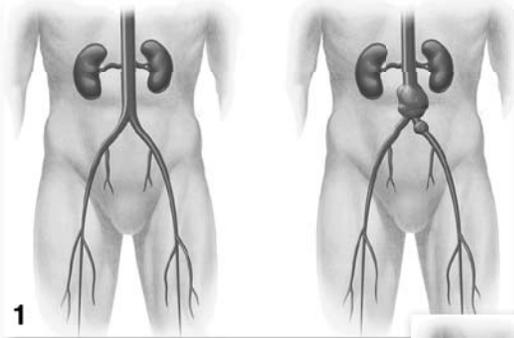
Dr. Paul Steven Collins, Jamie, Erin and the entire team at Bay Surgical Specialists are working to change that. Using state-of-the-art GE equipment, Bay Surgical Specialists offers a vascular screening that, while not covered by insurance, costs only \$99.

Why should you get this screening? Well, over 150,000 people in the United States die from a stroke every year, one out of every 20 Americans over 50 has peripheral arterial disease (PAD), and over 15,000 Americans die from a ruptured aneurysm every year. Vascular screenings can detect all of these things before they threaten to kill you.

Who should get vascular screenings? Anyone can get a vascular screening—you don't need a referral from a doctor. People who have a family history of abdominal aortic aneurysm, currently smoke (or used to smoke), have had open-heart surgery, heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol, or leg cramps while walking should consider getting a screening.

Other warning signs include dizziness, severe headaches, a change in personality, or a change in mental ability. People who have constant leg pain, pain during exercise that goes away after they rest, and people who experience numbness or tingling on one side of their body should also have a vascular screening to see if those warning signs are related to cardiovascular disease.

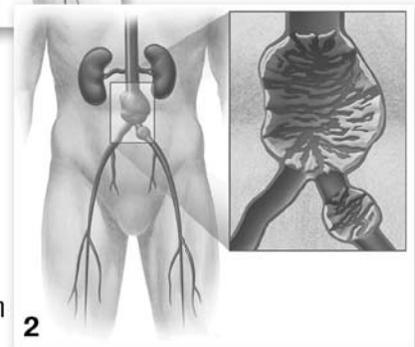
Two-thirds of people who have had an abdominal aortic aneurysm did not know they had one until it ruptured. People with PAD – over eight million Americans – can end up losing a leg (or both) if the disease goes untreated.



Picture #1 compares healthy aorta to unhealthy aorta



Picture #2 Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm



Finally, almost ¾ of people who have a stroke had no clue that they suffered from carotid artery disease.

If these statistics scare you and you think you could be at risk, you can take comfort in knowing that a vascular screening is a safe, non-invasive way to put your mind at ease or find out what you need to do next to get treatment. Remember, once a doctor knows what he's dealing with, he can design an effective treatment program. And, while insurance companies don't cover the \$99 screening, most will cover much of the treatments for the diseases the screening can reveal.

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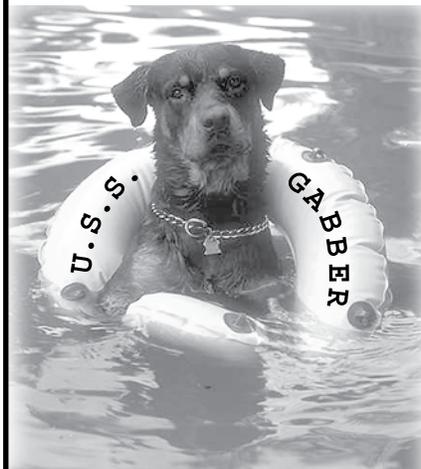
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