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Archery at the Beach

By Melissa Lattman



The St. Pete Beach summer youth archery campers take aim and pose for a photo. Youth learned proper bow and arrow techniques while shooting at targets, balloons and other equipment at a week long camp. Instructor Dan McKaeg will lead another camp August 9 to 13.

For more information call 363-9245.

Beach Tourist Lodging Discussion Gets Heated

ST. PETE BEACH- The city commission approved density and conditional use changes so that 19 units at 600 71st Avenue can operate legally as tourist lodging. From about 8:45 p.m. until almost 10:30 p.m. the topic was debated and discussed with emotions intense at times.

The basics-In 2004 the building underwent a conversion from an apartment building to condominium ownership with condominium declarations saying the units

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St. Pete Beach Tax Rate Could Go Up

The tax rate could increase to 2.8718 mills from the current rate of 2.4834 mills. The commission set the tentative rate at its July 28 meeting The final rate to be set in September can go lower but not higher. The commission wants input from residents at budget workshops on

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Clam Bayou Restoration Update: Gulfport Council Woman Meets With Swiftmud

By Cathy Salustri

Last Friday morning, Gulfport councilwoman Michele King met with Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) representatives Brandt Heningson and Janie Hagberg to review the progress of the Clam Bayou restoration. Councilwoman King was, she said, impressed with the progress.

"The trip was extremely informative. It's going to be a fantastic thing when it's done," she said. Monday morning she met with *the Gabber*

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Councilwoman Michele King toured the restoration at Southwest Florida Water Management's (SWFWMD) invitation. The invitation came after Councilwoman King sent SWFWMD an e-mail about the progress of the restoration.



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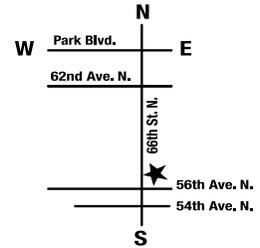
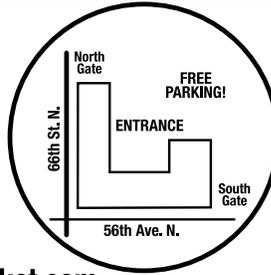
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The 3rd Annual Geckofest Pub Crawl will be on Saturday, August 7 starting at noon. This year the crawl includes 13 locations between Gulfport and St. Pete Beach. Cost is \$25 per person and includes free trolley between St. Pete Beach and Gulfport, t-shirt and one free drink at select locations. Tickets are available at Gulfport on the Rocks, The Outpost and Swigwam Beach Bar.

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Litigation Update

ST. PETE BEACH- City Attorney Mike Davis said the two big court cases involving referendum items related to the city's comprehensive plan and the language on the ballot for the plan are still scheduled for Aug. 19 and 20 and Sept. 24.

Commissioners asked about what could happen after the court cases. Davis said he was operating on the basis that there would be appeals and he did not expect an instant decision at the end of the court dates.

Davis said legal costs would be lower on an appeal since there is no introduction of evidence. There are

fewer motions and the parties have basically done their research, he said.

"We think you have good arguments in all of the issues," Davis said.

Mayor Mike Finnerty asked about the consequences if a verdict goes against the city and Davis said they would appeal and there may be other things the city could do like have another election.

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Beer Tasting Room with a Sparkle

ST. PETE BEACH- An 8th Avenue jewelry store plans to sell its specialty Evander Beer to its customers. The city commission made it so Evander Preston Contemporary Jewelry Design at 106 8th Avenue can get an alcoholic beverage permit from the state by granting a conditional use approval. The store plans to have a tasting room for customers to sample its brew. For more information go to www.evanderland.com

"I think it's a nice addition. I think it would be kind of neat," Mayor Finnerty said.

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ST. PETE BEACH- About 450 people attended the 2nd annual Whiffle Ball Tournament and Beach Bash BBQ at the Don Cesar Beach Resort on 4th of July weekend. Over 80 children played on Farm League teams and there were 32 major league two-person teams. The entire event was located on the beach including tents, seating, food, entertainment and fan misters.

More than \$170,000 was raised for children with primary immunodeficiency, which is when a defect in the immune system is carried through the genes. They received

additional funds through matching contributions. Local organizations benefiting included All Children's Hospital and the University of South Florida Department of Pediatrics.

Primary Immunodeficiency diseases can go undetected because they do not have unique symptoms of their own. Rather, they appear as "ordinary" infections, often of the sinuses, ears, or lungs. They can also cause gastrointestinal problems or inflammation of the joints. The infections can keep coming back and early diagnosis and treatment can prevent the infections from causing permanent damage, according to the

Jeffrey Modell Foundation Web site. For more information contact www.info4pi.org

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Park Honoring Homer Still

ST. PETE BEACH- One of the city's pocket park will be named for a local businessman, public servant, war hero, scholar and resident. Homer Still moved to St. Pete Beach in 1973 where he lived until he died in 2006. He operated a beach sports business on the local gulf beaches, which followed his work as an accountant, the state's first planning director and university research and teaching. The street end park is at 83rd Avenue and Boca Ciega Drive. A bench honoring Still will be moved from Upham to his new park.

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Reserve Space for City-Wide Yard Sale

ST. PETE BEACH- The City of St. Pete Beach is hosting its biannual community-wide yard sale on Saturday, September 18 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. at the St. Pete Beach Community Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Drive. St. Pete Beach and surrounding city residents can clean out their closets to make some extra money or come seeking great bargains on tons of items. Spaces 10' by 10' are \$10 for SPB residents and \$12.50 for non-residents. Registration begins Monday, August 2 and spots fill up fast! Call 363-9245 for more information.

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Correction

Last week the Gabber reported that Sam Henderson would fill a vacancy on the Pinellas Planning Council. While Councilman Henderson will serve as Gulfport's candidate for Group C but may not ultimately serve as the representative for Group C. The discussion at the meeting and, consequently, the item that appeared in last week's paper, indicated otherwise. The Gabber regrets the error.

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Beach Taxes,

from front page

Aug. 3 and 4 from 2-4:30 p.m. to find out if they want things like for example, holiday decorations, the library open on Monday and to help businesses by doing things such as special events.

If the commission kept the current millage rate there would be no money for reserves or additional pension costs. "What you set tonight can go down, but you can't go up," City Manager Mike Bonfield said. The city expects about 6 percent less in property values.

The good news is it's the second lowest decrease in the county. It represents about a \$400,000 possible

impact on the budget, if the city kept the current millage rate of 2.48 Bonfield said.

Bonfield also said there were two other things to consider. First there would union contracts in 2011 with possible pay raises and pension costs. Second he said there is talk out of Tallahassee about freezing local property tax rates.

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Can you Name that Area?

The City of Gulfport Waterfront Redevelopment Advisory Board is currently seeking residents to create an easily recognizable name for the area located on Beach and Shore Blvds. The name could encompass

the historic waterfront, dining, the beach, and shopping. A logo should also accompany the name. We're looking for something fresh and new. Groups and individuals welcome to apply. Submissions may be dropped off at the Paul Williams Public Service Building, 5330 23 Avenue S. in Gulfport. The chosen name and logo will be made public at the 100th anniversary celebration in October.

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Lodging, from front page

were for transient use with three-day minimum stays. The units apparently did not get licensing or zoning for the short-term use from the city. Although a letter from a city planner at the time said multi-family residential and limited transient accommodations are acceptable permitted and conditional uses within the district. There will still be a second reading on the ordinance, which assigns 19 units of tourist lodging density to the condominium complex. There would still be 156 tourist lodging units remaining in the Upham Beach Village District Temporary Lodging Unit Density Pool.

The discussion—Most people bought the condominiums to have a Florida vacation place by having transient rentals they could afford properties said a property owner Mark Scholl who spoke for the condominium association. “We kind of relied on the developer. That’s a long story in itself. He has since disappeared...we

want to provide good safe family type rentals ...we thought everything we were doing was right.”

Ruth Gallagher, a neighbor, said they have done an incredible job upgrading the place. “The type of people that come in (have been positive)... There’s crime, drugs, prostitution in my neighborhood,” Gallagher said. She expressed concerns about the place turning into transient hotels like those nearby. What is the future if some of these people do foreclose?

Resident Deborah Martohue an attorney and former commissioner brought up concerns that the change would go against the resident approved comprehensive plan and of the precedent set by the approval.

Commissioner Garnett said she did not see how the request complies with comprehensive plan regulations... “we have to look at the plan for the city,” she said.

Resident Rick Falkenstein said some thing needs to be done. There needs to be a real hard look because some thing is not right.

The meaning of the word “existing” was discussed. Vice Mayor Parent said he did not think this was about economics but looking at what the comprehensive plan said, which allows, “only existing temporary lodging”

“I have got to go with what I see. If that said licensed or legal it would mean something different to me...I think this is a potential disaster for 19 property owners...we could be hard (on the residents)...it’s not New York City. its St. Pete Beach.”

City Attorney Mike Davis said he thought there is a question if this is an existing lodging, which qualifies under the plan. “You have to determine what existing means,” Davis said.

City Manager Mike Bonfield said nowhere did city staff approve transient lodging, the response should probably be less user friendly, historically the city staff has tried to be helpful rather than just saying the code is the code, he said.

The discussion included the possibility of upcoming zoning changes in the area. Currently as written the approved request would still be allowed, city staff said.

The commission approved the request 3-2.

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Free Movie at Beach Theatre

Due to technical difficulties, the free movie “Christmas In July” was not shown last Saturday at Beach Theatre, St Pete Beach. They apologize for the inconvenience and will offer the free movie again this Saturday, July 31 at 10 a.m. Beach Theatre is located on Corey Ave just off Boca Ciega Drive. Free parking. Visit www.coreyave.com, www.beachtheatre.com or call 360-6697.

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Red Hot Beach Nuts

By Dee Ten Brink

The following is a list of what the Red Hot Beach Nuts will be doing for the summer:

• Aug. 16 Lunch at Billy’s Stone Crab in Tierra Verde

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Register for August Classes at IAC

Due to popular demand, the Industrial Arts Center in Gulfport has added two more weeks to its Creative Summer for Kids. One more Kids Glass Week has been scheduled for August 9-13, from 9 a.m. until noon, followed the next week by a new offering, Multi-Media Week, August 16-20, from 2-5 p.m.

Glass Week activities will include blown glass ornaments, glass casting from a clay relief sculpture, glass fusing, glass paperweights, and a painted glass block. Multi-Media Week activities will include mosaic, clay hand building, painting on canvas, and creating art with food.

The IAC's all day glass blowing classes -- Fun with Hot Glass and More Fun With Hot Glass -- are growing in popularity and will continue in August. Fun with Hot Glass, the IAC's next accelerated beginner glass blowing class, is scheduled for Sunday, August 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. More Fun With Hot Glass, scheduled for Sunday, August 22, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., takes the basic glass blowing instruction to the next level.

Also new at the unique non-profit teaching facility is a Mixed Media Clay sculpture/Mosaic classes taught by world class sculptor Crea Egan. Classes are scheduled to begin August 1.

For more information, call the IAC at 727-289-9365 or visit online at www.IndustrialArtsCenter.org.

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Galleries to Host Wine Tasting to Benefit CASA

The Sebastian Thomas Gallery, The Donna Gordon Gallery & Studio, MQC Gallery and Gallerias Bohemia, four of the galleries located in the 600 Block of Central Avenue in St. Petersburg are hosting a Progressive Wine Tasting to benefit Casa, the house that provides safe refuge from domestic violence. Each gallery will present a specific varietal, and guests will spend approximately 30 minutes tasting that varietal, and learning about the grape, the growing region and the winery. At the end of the 30 minutes they will progress to the next gallery, where they will be presented with the next varietal.

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The event sponsored by Ocean Imports LLC and The Hooker Tea Company is scheduled for Saturday, July 31 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. An RSVP is required, contact Tuesdi Dyer at CASA at 727-895-4912 or email Tdyer@casa-stpete.org.

Guests should gather at the Crislip Arcade, 641 Central Avenue for gallery assignments.

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Annual Gecko Ball Returns

GULFPORT-Gulfport's annual Gecko Ball returns on Saturday, August 28. "Geckos in Wonderland" is the light-hearted theme of this year's festivities. The Ball will be held at the Peninsula Inn & Spa, 2937 Beach Boulevard. The party starts at 7 p.m. and lasts until 11 p.m. The Gecko Ball is an annual event leading up to the 10th annual Gecko Fest, Gulfport's largest street festival of the year on Saturday, September 4.

"Geckos in Wonderland" will be a celebration befitting Gulfport's quirky, funky, artistic nature. Larger than life décor will evoke

Alice's adventures in Wonderland. Food for the occasion will conjure elements of the Mad Hatter's tea party. Live music for dancing and entertainment will keep party-goers on their feet. Wonderland-related characters and activities will offer surprises throughout the evening. Silent auctions will also be held during the Ball, featuring gift certificates and merchandise from local businesses and artists. A portion of proceeds from the Ball and Gecko Fest will benefit the City of Gulfport's Centennial Celebration to be held in October.

Tickets for "Geckos in Wonderland" are \$25 each and are available in advance at The Outpost, 3007 Beach Boulevard. and Domain Home Accessories, 3129 Beach Boulevard.

The third annual Gecko Fest Pub Crawl is another event in the line-up of festivities leading to Gecko Fest. The Pub Crawl will be held on Saturday, August 7. Watch for more details about this and all things Gecko in Gulfport as they develop.

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Learn about Nesting Sea Turtles

Adults and families are welcome to a free presentation to learn about nesting sea turtles and their survival on Wednesday, August 11 at 7 p.m. at TradeWinds Island Grand Resort, 5500 Gulf Boulevard in St. Pete Beach. Visit nesting beach habitat with marine educator Joe Malo from Clearwater Marine Aquarium. The evening begins with an insightful presentation about their life histories, habitats, and conservation as well as a video of sea turtles laying eggs and some hatchlings. Following the presentation you will visit the beach habitats and learn more. Find out how you can help these fascinating creatures and help preserve their disappearing nesting habitat.

Event is sponsored by Friends of Pinellas Master Naturalists.

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Grand Finale at the Gulfport Public Library

Kids of all ages are welcome to the "Grand Finale" for Summer Reading Program at the Gulfport Public Library at 5501 28th Ave. S. on Wednesday, August 11 at 2 p.m. Come celebrate and dance with their fog machine! There is always something fun going on at the Gulfport Public Library! For more information on Library events, go to www.mygulfport.us/gpl or call 893-1074.

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Meet the Artist

Patrick Henry talks about his current exhibit, "Let's Face It", a series of sculpturally altered ceramic platters and plates that you would never put on the dining room table. The presentation will be held on Saturday, August 7 at 1 p.m. at A Little Room for Art, 111 8th Ave., Pass-a-Grille. Exhibit is through August 31 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

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Sign Code Enforcement

ST. PETE BEACH- The city commission, city staff and business owners discussed enforcement of sign codes at the July 27 regular meeting. The city's sign ordinances will be reviewed with input from the business community and the planning board process.

Sign ordinances are one of the most controversial things cities deal with on both sides between what businesses think they need to attract customers and what people just want to see when they drive by, City Manager Bonfield said. "Generally its about aesthetics...you can't regulate content you can only regulate size, location."

"We have been cracking down on something people have been doing for years... we had an issue with a chef (sign) and (the code enforcement officer) wanted to cut his hat off (because of the sign's size)", Commissioner Halpern said.

A pub owner shared how she had been fined yet neighboring businesses were allowed to keep similar signs. It is unfair some businesses can and some businesses can't, the pub owner said. If there's an enforcement issue that needs to be addressed Bonfield said.

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Pre-Register for Tot-Time Program

Ongoing pre-registrations are currently being accepted for the 2010-2011 Tot Time Program. The Tot Time Program is a pre-school, hands-on program for children ages 3-5. The program aims to make learning fun for children and helps prepare them for Kindergarten. Two, three and five-day monthly options are available. Non-refundable annual registration fee is \$15 for residents and \$100 for non-residents. Program hours are from 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Hours for pre-registration are from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. Proof of residency is required for Gulfport residents. Classes begin September 7. Call 893-1068 for more information.

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Happy Birthday, Margaret Hauptle



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Her daughter, Anne Hauptle Bazarsky, says Margaret is doing well and takes no medication other than a vitamin! The family currently lives in Asheville, NC. Congratulations!

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Rotary Club of St. Petersburg

The Rotary Club of St. Petersburg Suncoast meets every Thursday at noon, at Gigi's Italian Restaurant in South Pasadena, located at 6852 Gulfport Blvd. in South Pasadena. Guests are welcome to attend these lunch meetings.

Upcoming programs include Cindy L. Tully, Director of Planned Giving, St. Petersburg College Foundation who will present a program about Suncoast Rotary Scholarships on July 29. On August 12, Rebecca Appel, from Lifelink will speak. For more information, please contact Christy Wolf, at 727-822-2200, extension 1.

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Sizzlin' Summer Bash



By Melissa Lattman

ST. PETE BEACH- The Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce hosted the second annual Sizzlin' Summer Bash at the St. Pete Beach Community Center. The organization's fundraiser included gourmet food from local restaurants and auction and raffle items donated by local businesses and individuals. Pictured is Mary Ann Renfrow of Membership Sales with raffle items all around her.

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Seabird Fundraiser



By Melissa Lattman
 ST. PETE BEACH- Skeeter, the screech owl, (pictured with Karen Paulson) joined the Birdstock festival goers Sunday at the fundraiser for the Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary held in the 300 block area of Corey Avenue. Purchased wristbands provided all-day access to concerts at the Beach Theatre, Swigwam, Art Expo, Avenue Gourmet and The Wine Shop.

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The Gabs

By Leigh Clifton

Do you think Tony Hayward, the CEO of BP, should be given the \$18 million severance pay to step down in October?



Barbara Feeney, Gulfport: "I'm appalled, just appalled at BP's actions but I don't blame Tony Hayward directly for the spill. I've been following this whole thing since it happened. I'm very environmentally conscious and I can't believe that the employees who were on that rig didn't tell someone about the safety issues. Workers who work out there on the boats and on the rigs have what's called a stop work authority; they can refuse to continue their work if their safety is jeopardized in any way. I heard that workers on the rig told their superiors that there were problems, but I guess the higher-ups didn't want to hear about it. There actually were executives from the main companies on board that day of the accident, bragging about their safety record. BP just felt safe and the company just never thought anything like this would ever happen. They weren't prepared. The men in the ivory towers want THEIR life back? So do the people who live on the Gulf Coast. They will never have the way of life again that they've had there for generations. The oyster beds are dead, the wildlife is suffering terribly and so many people are out of business. It's a disgrace that they are living hand to mouth. I can't imagine living up there with all this. I've been up in that area and it's beautiful; great for camping right on the Gulf. If I went there I would just sit and cry. I think Tony Hayward should donate some of his severance to every guy that owns a shrimp or an oyster boat whose lives have been affected forever by BP's negligence!"

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Jeanie Nadozzi, St. Pete: "No, No, No!! You give a severance package to a person who has performed the job they were hired for! He's already a millionaire. The way I see it, he has a job which entails that whatever he is responsible to be doing for that job should be done. He's supposed to know what his job is that he was originally hired for. If he doesn't do that job, he should be fired, like anyone else would be for a poor job performance. Why is he being compensated for a job he did not perform? Did he have a contract with BP that outlined his duties? Did those duties include knowing what was happening on those oil rigs? Was he supposed to know about the safety problems, as CEO? If he did, then he failed his job obligations. He had to have known, as CEO, what was going on the whole time, especially with the amount of money he was making. I couldn't believe that they're giving him such a huge severance package while so many of the people affected by his and his company's ineptitude are starving and losing their businesses. The sheer massive amount of wildlife that's dying is just shocking; all the while he's being paid an enormous amount of money. Money that could be used to help the people directly affected by the spill!"

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Keith Muse, St. Pete: "It's a bunch of crap. I blame him for not having the safety features in place in the first place. They should have been honest from the beginning when the accident happened; they could have maintained some sort of credibility. They just made it worse, by downplaying the damage, both to the rig itself and to the environment. Now, no one would believe Tony Hayward or anyone else from BP. They just wanted the profits. Speaking of that, why are they still allowed to keep siphoning oil out of the well? It seems that they could have capped it permanently; I've heard that wells on land can just be blown up and closed. It seems like they weren't in any real hurry to cap it off. This cover for the top is merely a conduit that will still allow them to get the oil to their ships, where they will then process it and sell it back to us! I just can't understand why they are still allowed to get oil out for profit. I don't think Hayward or anyone from BP is telling the truth about this whole incident and for him to make all that money while others are losing everything just seems obscene."

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Local Obituaries

EVERETT, MARILYN J. (RUSSELL), 81, of Gulfport, FL and Bellingham and Humarock, MA died peacefully after a lengthy illness on July 21, 2010 in Florida. She was born and raised in Wakefield, MA, the daughter of Dorothy Hanright Mohla and Malcolm W. Russell. Her husband, Paul D. Everett, Jr. preceded her in death in 1998. Together they had three children. She leaves Nancy Rossini Monts and her husband, Marion, of Mendon, MA, Paul D. (Tim) Everett III and his wife, Hope, of Uxbridge, MA, and Holly Everett of Bellingham, MA. She was known as "Nini" to her grandchildren Keryn and Peter Rossini, Kevin, Kelly, Courtney, Paul and Daisy Everett and her great-grandchild. She also leaves a sister, Shirley R. Seavey of NH and was the sister of the late Malcolm W. Russell, Jr. She leaves many nieces and nephews and a former son-in-law, Jack Rossini of Medway, MA. She also leaves her special caretaker, Dottie Aarons, of Gulfport. Lyn worked for many years in the personnel field. She enjoyed cooking, entertaining, traveling and going to the theater and yard sales with her friends. She took great pride in her beautiful

gardens and her volunteer work for the Gulfport, FL Police Department. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that remembrance donations in her name be made to either the Gulfport Police Dept. "Operation Santa", 2401 53rd St. S., Gulfport, FL 33707, or The 200 Foundation, POB 3449, Framingham, MA 01705. The family will host a remembrance gathering in Gulfport in the fall.

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HAGER, CHARLES A., JR., 86, of St. Pete Beach, passed away Wednesday, July 21, 2010, at his home. He was a WW II Army veteran First Sgt. He is survived by his son Charles A. Hager Sr.; daughters Colleen Parker, Janice Hager, Joyce Zellanack, Sandy Knapp, and T.C. Vaughn; 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Services will be held Saturday, July 24, 2010, at 2:30 pm, from Beach Memorial Chapel, St. Pete Beach, with a gathering of family and friends beginning one hour before. Burial will be at Woodlawn Memory Gardens St. Petersburg, with Military Honors.

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JALLOWAY, EDWARD, 87, of St. Petersburg Beach, FL, died July 24, 2010. He is survived by his loving family. Holloway Funeral Home, Inc., Oldsmar, 813-855-2439.

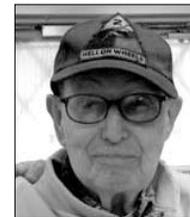
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MARTIN, MATILDE, "ANNA", 71, of Gulfport, died Monday July 19, 2010 at Palms of Pasadena Hospital of complications from respiratory arrest and congestive heart failure. She was born in Naples, Italy, married Louis O. Martin III (deceased) in 1960 and moved to the United States in 1963. She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church. She enjoyed praying the rosary, needlecrafts, sewing, and her two granddaughters. She is survived by her two daughters, Mary Karbowski and Paula Rodriquez; two sons-in-law, Steven Karbowski and Eric Rodriguez; and two granddaughters, Laura Aine and Nichole Marie of Gulfport and St. Petersburg. Funeral Mass, July 31, 10 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church, St. Petersburg. Gee & Sorensen Funeral Home.

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PRICE, ROGER M., 47, of St. Pete Beach, passed away Sunday, July 18, 2010. Born in Chicago, he came here in 1972. He was a long time resident of Pass-a-Grille and St. Pete Beach. Survived by sisters Susan Conry and Nancy Denicourt and brothers Tom Price, Gary Price, Mike Price and Paul Price. His celebration of life memorial was held on July 22, 2010 at Pass-a-Grille Beach.

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STANLEY, FRANCIS A., age 90, a long time resident of Gulfport, FL died July 6, 2010. He was born in Charlestown, MA and was a graduate of Suffolk University. He was a veteran of World War II and proudly served with the 2nd Armored Division. He was a Boston Police Patrolman and later worked as an investigator for the Commonwealth of Mass Alcohol Beverage Control Commission before retiring to FL in 1981. Predeceased by his first wife Pauline (Lundbohm), stepson John P. Jacobs, and his second wife Clare (Grassa). He is survived by his son Joseph Stanley, daughter Kathryn Stanley, brother Roy Stanley and his wife Eileen, many nieces and nephews and devoted long time family friend Carol McCarthy. Services will be private. ALifeTribute FuneralCare - Gulfport.

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WEISGERBER, CHARLES, of Treasure Island, died July 21, 2010. Charles Weisgerber was honored at the TI Vision Steering Committee on July 8th, with

Proclamation in his honor issued by Mayor Bob Minning. Receiving the Proclamation was Charlie's wife Jan, and 3 of his 5 sons. Charles was able to watch from his home. To say that Charlie knew everyone is an understatement. He was close friends with all who knew him, and as a friend, Charlie would do anything for you. His contacts in the political arena were wide, and he was especially proud of his friendship with Congressman Bill Young. Charlie worked on many a political campaign from local elections all the way to Washington. Charles H. Weisgerber, his grandfather, was an artist who painted the famous picture of Betsy Ross presenting the first US Flag to President Washington. (This picture was recently printed in USA Today, on the Fourth of July edition.) Charles worked tirelessly to make sure that this famous picture received proper attention, and his success led to having the picture hang in the State Museum of Pennsylvania. Charlie loved the American Flag, and distressed that there were no flags to fly in Treasure Island, he saw to it that the City received the flags and the proper holders to display Old Glory on all our patriotic holidays. Charlie loved Canadians too. He was responsible for the community involvement in Canadian/American Week, which has been held in TI for the past ten years. David Chubb, a high school band director, started bringing his students to visit Florida, and specifically Treasure Island, because he fell in love with TI as a child traveling with his parents from Niagara Falls to the warm sunny beaches. This trip, which has evolved over the years, is held over Canadian Thanksgiving week, which coincides

with our Columbus Day in October. Last year, two bands visited, along with Niagara Falls Mayor Ted Salci, and Rob Nicholson, the Attorney General of Canada. He broke the news to all of his friends last year, that through a check up, his doctor had discovered lung cancer. Charlie went all around town, with his usual vigor, providing details of the disease, and even organized an event at his home to stress to us all the importance of early screening. Aaron Fodiman, publisher of Tampa Bay Magazine, was there, as well as Ambassador and Mrs. Mel Sembler. Charlie had lost his first wife to cancer. Sadly, on early Wednesday morning, July 21st, Charlie left us. Jan said he died peacefully, with her and his sons at his side. Charlie was our Patriot.

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I M B A C H - Z I N K A N D , JOANN, July 19, 1953-July 19, 2010. Born in Riverside, CA to Martin and Pearl Imbach, she moved to Severna Park MD. in 1964

and attended Severna Park Senior High School. She began her career in Annapolis, MD. working on computers for the U.S. Air Force and subsequently was employed by GTE/Verizon. She also worked for Aetna for several years. She relocated to St. Petersburg in 1985. JoAnn loved many activities including fishing, camping, cooking to arts and crafts. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Martin in 2004. Survivors include her husband, Paul Zinkand, St. Petersburg, three wonderful children, daughters, Jennifer and Aiyanna and son Michael of MD., sisters Susan Miller and Valerie Imbach, St. Petersburg, and brother Michael Imbach of MD., three grandsons and a granddaughter all of MD. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m., August 7, 2010 at Veteran's Park in Gulfport followed by a pot luck celebration of life at O'Maddy's.

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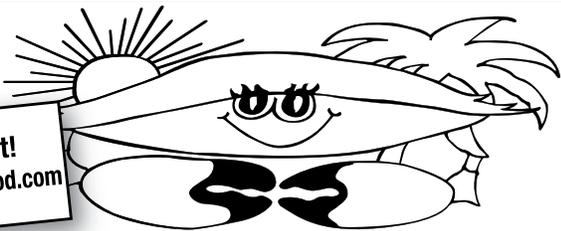
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Points On Pets

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"Lucky warmed up to my husband by day two and to me by day five. When he is around my father and son-in-laws, he will climb up into their laps. But they have to use caution when petting him, or he will attempt to bite them. He will have nothing to do with my daughter or with any other

females who come into the home. Usually, he just barks and growls at them. One of my daughters, though, has to be careful if she gets too close. He will attempt to bite her.

"Just last week, he began charging at her and anyone else who entered the house. Because of his assertive aggression, my husband or I have to hold him or put him in his pin when others are around. He bit me yesterday when I picked him up to answer the front door. We now tell him to 'go lie down.' He will still attempt to bite, though, before going to his pin.

"Last weekend when my niece was visiting, Lucky walked out of my bedroom with me, saw her standing in the dining room, and ran and bit her. We have a 10-month-old

granddaughter, and now we are thinking we can't trust him around her. "We also have a 6-year-old female Chihuahua, as adorable as can be, and Lucky has started showing aggression toward her. She defends herself, but I can tell she's getting tired of it. Can we break him of this behavior, or should we give him up?"

Three things come to mind when I read this letter: 1) People will tolerate almost anything from a little dog. 2) These people knew Lucky was aggressive and adopted him anyway. 3) This is a clear case of child endangerment.

Why would a person expose people they love to this kind of treatment? What is it about people that makes them believe they deserve to live like this? Recently, I spoke with a woman who had taken to walking her dog while pushing her baby in its stroller. The dog, however, lunges at everybody who walks by. This is fear aggression, and it's a problem. Sooner or later, that stroller will be tipped over. And dog aggression, left unchecked, gets worse, not better.

After talking for a while, the woman confessed that she felt the dog's behavior problems were a reflection of her. She said, "It means I'm a bad person."

Why can't it simply be a dog with a problem? Why can't we see these situations for what they are? In both of these cases, the safety of a child is being threatened by the presence of a dog with a behavior problem.

When baby's on the way, most parents make a big to-do of baby-proofing the home. By the time the kid's on the verge of crawling, every room is thoroughly childproofed. Yet in too many of these same households, a little dog with a big problem is given free reign to terrorize the inhabitants.

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Horoscope Guide

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There will be instances this week in which you will prefer to be left alone to handle matters privately. However, this isn't always going to be possible. Fortify your personal boundaries so that even when you are with others you'll feel safe and secure in the bubble of your own energy field. This can be done through meditation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). All relationships require space. The trick is to figure out the amount of space that will bring about the most beneficial feeling for both parties. Consider the harmony of voices: As the distance between two tones widens and contracts, the chord changes from minor to major. Play with this idea in a relationship this week.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). In this digital age, much can be accomplished according to your own personal clock. You can communicate and work in the wee hours, and others answer and contribute when it's convenient for them. This week you'll find there are some things that absolutely have to happen at the same time. When possible, meet in person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll grapple with larger issues. Perspective will be everything. Grace and timing go hand in hand. The glare of the sun can make things appear harsh and difficult. Likewise, the dark always makes problems scarier. Morning is your best thinking time. Everything will look better in the soft, early morning sunshine.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You might mess up. It's proof that you're stretching. If you were to stay within the boundaries of what you know, you wouldn't make such mistakes. The mistakes prove your desire for expansion, knowledge, experience -- your winning spirit. You'll take responsibility and try not to do the same thing again.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The world will be better off this week because you assume a position of power. The amateurs assume that this is the front of the line, the first row of the classroom and the driver's seat. You, however, might find that you have more influence when you take things in from the back of the line, the room or the bus.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Challenge motivates you, as does the promise of attention. You will be greatly admired when you complete this monstrosity of a task. Of course, once you get into it, all your original motivation fades away and you devote yourself solely to the work. The work itself is where all the sweetness of life is released.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll wear yourself out trying to make sure everyone is taken care of, while less hospitable types order everyone around as though the rest of the world is filled with their servants. And the funny part is, there are those who are more comfortable being ordered around than being taken care of. Strive for balance.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You may be dealing with circumstances that seem less than ideal -- bad service in a restaurant, no help at the hardware store, a lack of cooperation from the general public. Uphold your own standards of character and you will turn this into a win. You treat people well, and they will do the same for you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). If everyone's self-esteem were as high as yours is at times this week, the world would be a better place. Just because you have high self-esteem doesn't mean you think others are less valuable than you. You stand for equality. You want to offer your best. Believing in yourself makes it possible for you to do this.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). As you talk about the world from your point of view, you'll attract attention. Others don't see it your way. They may disagree or even insult you with an argument. You can learn from all the other points of view, and this may influence you some. You'll mentally expand and still be your own person.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be swept into a mission of your own making. Does this mean you're selfish? You might appear that way to some, but the truth of the matter is that everyone will be better off because you have the confidence and motivation to pursue your dreams and make them real. Stay kind and compassionate along the way.

This Week's Birthdays: There is nothing complicated about your personal life. Any quirks, glitches and confusing aspects will quickly become a thing of the past as you hunker down and do the work to make relationships rich, meaningful and close. You'll be celebrated over the next three weeks. October brings an award or a reward of some kind. December brings a renovation or a move. March is passionate. You won't mind traveling or spending a good deal of money to quench your heart's desire.

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TOT TIME PROGRAM - PREREGISTRATION for the 2010-2011 Tot Time Program are currently being accepted. Hours for pre-registration are from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. A non-refundable annual registration fee of \$15 for residents and \$100 for non-residents

is required to secure a spot. Proof of residency is required for Gulfport residents. The Tot Time Program is a pre-school, hands-on program for children ages 3-5. The program aims to make learning fun for children and helps prepare them for Kindergarten. Two, three and five-day monthly options are available. Program hours are from 8:30a.m.-12:00p.m. Classes begin September 7, 2010. Call 893-1068 for more information.

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 – Returns in the Fall. Call Billie at 239-313-0876.
- Fencing - Wed., 4:30 & 5:30 p.m. Call Jim Campoli at 813-855-3112.
- Gymnastics - Fri., 5:30 p.m. Call Barbara at 804-9400.
- Karate - Mon. & Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Call Diane at 459-1399.

- Noisemakers - Call Gabe at 345-7472.
- Tai Chi -Thurs., 9 a.m at Scout Hall. Call Marge at 345-6708.
- Tennis - Tues., 4:30 p.m., 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. Call Jack at 430-0690.
- TIPS ON GETTING A JOB IN A TOUGH ECONOMY- Thurs. 6:30-8pm The topic for July 29 is Interview Skills Training
- Watercolor with Patsi –Beginners/Intermediate>Returns in the Fall. Call Patsi at 501-3559.
- Yoga in the A. M. – Wed., 9 a.m. at 49th Street Neighborhood Center. Call Valerie at 557-4258.
- Yoga - Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Call Tamara at 512-2763.
- Zumba – Returns in the Fall. Call Daniela at 561-302-6174.

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Our "Afternoon Specials": Thursday, August 5, 2:00 pm—Our Final Scrapbook and Crafts program! Wednesday, August 11: Our "Grand Finale" for Summer Reading Programs is for ALL AGES! Come celebrate with us (and dance with our Fog Machine!) on Wednesday, August 11 at 2:00 pm!

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.

SummerCoffee/Talk Movie: "Charley". Thursday, August 12, 1:30 pm. Based on the novel Flowers for Algernon by Daniel Keyes, and starring Cliff Robertson and Claire Bloom. This Emmy-nominated TV film is not rated, and contains mature subject matter. (MGM, 1968, 104 minutes).

Suncoast Computer Users Group (SCUG): Thursday, August 12, 6:00 pm.

Scrapbookers Club for Teens & Adults: Saturday, August 14, 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.

SummerCoffee/Talk Book Club: Thursday, August 19, 10:00 am. Our summer series, "Pushed to the Limit," continues with Flowers for Algernon, by Daniel Keys. Stop by the Reference Desk to pick up a discussion guide and reserve a copy of the book.

Genealogy Discussion Group: Saturday, August 28, 1:00 pm. This is not a formal class, just an opportunity to meet and share experiences and information with others interested in delving into their family history.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Game & Card Party a Great Success!

Special thanks to Julie Fuce for spearheading the Senior Center's Game & Card Party on Wed. July 21st as well as Pam McGinnis for creating the gift baskets and numerous volunteers who supported Julie in putting on a great fundraising event. We would also like to thank our sponsors: Well Care and Brentwood Senior Living Community.

Lunch & Learn about Medicaid and

Long Term Care: Come enjoy a free lunch while hearing about Medicaid and paying for long term care. Certified Elder Law Attorney, April Hill, will speak and then be on hand to answer questions. Bring a friend and enjoy this informative seminar. The event will take place on Tuesday, August 17 at Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Avenue South. Please submit your RSVP to 893-2237 or 893-1231 by Friday, August 13th.

Senior Center Looking for 100 Year

Olds: We only have two residents who are 100 years old? Please let the senior know if you are that age so we can honor you, too!

Items Needed: The Senior Center is looking for the following items for upcoming projects: greeting cards of any kind, gift wrap, bows, ribbon, gift bags, stationary, regular and costume jewelry. Also, anything seasonal: Halloween Thanksgiving, Christmas and patriotic items. If you have any of these items on hand and no longer need them, please consider passing them our way! Thank you.

Lighthouse of Pinellas Visits Senior

Center: A special presentation will be offered on Mon. Aug. 9 at 2pm by Lighthouse of Pinellas to help seniors who are blind or visually impaired learn how to manage day-to-day tasks and personal needs using special techniques and devices. Learn how to travel safely and independently, use low vision magnifying devices, and much more! Future classes may be offered at the Senior Center that will focus on living independently if there is an interest. Call the Senior Center for more info.

"StartWithYourHeart" Presentation:

Come join us for a special presentation on Tues. Aug. 24 at 10am on improving your Cardio-Vascular System. It all starts with your heart! Courtesy of the Pinellas County Health Department.

GEMS Health & Wellness Day Pass:

Gulfport seniors are invited to take *Gabber July 29 - August 4, 2010*

advantage of our new Health & Wellness Day Pass on the first Tuesday of every month. The \$50 GEMS membership fee is waived for this monthly occasion. Round trip: \$1.00 to one of the following areas: Senior Center Fitness Room; Gulfport Beach; Gulfport Art Village Courtyard; any of Gulfport's lovely parks; and Gulfport Public Library. (Small fee connected with the Senior Center Fitness Center). Trips are subsidized by the Gulfport Senior Center Foundation. Call GEMS at 893-2242 for more information.

Fitness Center: Summer hours: Mon. Tues. Wed. 8am - 7pm; Thurs. & Fri. 8am-3:30pm.

Tai Chi: Tai Chi Classes are offered at Scout Hall (5315 28th Ave. S.) every Thursday at 9am. Must be a registered Senior Center member to participate.

Visual Support Group: meets every 2nd & 4th Monday at 2pm. Newcomers welcome.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Patio Party: The Senior Center will hold its first Patio Party on Fri. Sept. 3 at 11:30am. Hot Dog Lunch, Entertainment, Flea Market, Door Prizes and more! Tickets: \$3.00.

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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.

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 368-3199 to register and fee info.

Diabetic Support: Our Diabetic Support Group meets every Mon. at 10am. A special presentation will be offered on Mon. July 26 by a diabetic educator. Newcomers welcome.

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Art Practice: Mon. at 4pm; Wed. at 1pm, Thurs at 9am. No instructors but come and work on your own project while enjoying the company of other artists.

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Letters

Dissatisfied With The Police

Dear Editor: My home was burglarized in June. Someone broke into the screened-in porch at the back of my home and stole my new laptop computer. The neighbors on either side of my home witnessed the crime and identified the thief who happened to be related to one of my neighbors.

The handling of this felony by the Gulfport Police was preposterous. After 21 years in Gulfport this is the first time that I've had to call on the police and I was astounded at their inability to do anything but point fingers, make excuses, drop the ball, blame the victim and do nothing. I had planned to write an exposé of my experience. I was going to name names, provide quotes, detail a timeline and shed some light on Gulfport's dirty little secret. But after being scolded for calling to find out how my case was progressing and being admonished by the lead detective that "I'm on light duty and have more important cases to handle" I realized that avoiding responsibility, passing the buck and intimidation was a way of life for these folks and

that I'd just be opening myself up for future harassment.

The Gulfport Police told me there was nothing they could do because the crime took place in Gulfport and the thief lived in St. Petersburg. This was two felonies; Grand Larceny and Burglary but Gulfport claims their hands are tied because the thief lives in St. Pete. When I objected to this excuse they said that they had been to the thief's house but he wasn't home. In their eyes that was all they could do!

I'm retired and living on social security. I bought the computer on credit so I could communicate with my grandchildren. I'll be paying on it for another 10 months. A friend suggested I call the mayor so I called the mayor one morning and by that afternoon I'd received two phone messages telling me not to make anymore phone calls if I knew what was good for me.

I'm upset, frustrated and disappointed by the way the Gulfport Police treated me and handled this case. There are so many people working at that police station making big salaries and from what I've seen - doing absolutely nothing worthwhile.

Bill Tanchette

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In Favor of Whitted Taxiway

Dear Editor: On Thursday, August 5 at 9 a.m., the St. Petersburg City Council will hold a public hearing on Proposed Ordinance #986-G. If accepted by a super majority (6 of 8 members), Ordinance 986-G will allow the Mayor or his designee to apply for and accept a FAA Grant of \$966,550. The City will match the FAA Grant with 5% from the airport operating fund. Total being authorized by Council will be \$1,007,040.

This grant will allow construction of Taxiway D parallel to Runway 7-25, ramp improvements north of the runway, and construction of Runway End Identification Light System (REILS) for the approach end of Runway 7. REILS are already in place for the other runways.

With acceptance of this grant, the FAA, State, and City have invested over \$10 million in support of the airport since the 2003 referendum. It does not seem that seven years have passed since many of us sat through hours of discussions between City Council and City staff over the future of the airport. August 18 will be the seven year anniversary of Council's decision to put two questions on the ballot, so the citizens could decide the airport's future.

If you have the time on August 5, come to City Hall (175 5th Street N.) and speak in favor of Council accepting the ordinance.

Jack W. Tunstill

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Letters to the Editor

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Summer Sunset Art



By Melissa Lattman

ST. PETE BEACH- Young artists explored painting, drawing and sculpture in weeklong summer art camps with Linda Griffin at the Sunset Art Center at 3300 Gulf Boulevard. A recent theme was Africa, pictured are children making paper mache masks. On August 14 from 4 until 6 p.m. there will be a reception featuring art from the children's summer art program. Call (727) 367-3818 or click on Don Vista on the St. Pete Beach city Web site for a complete list of art and exercise classes for children and adults.

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Drum Magic



Photo by Leigh Clifton

Trisha Freiermuth (left) and her five year old son Ian came from Pinellas Park to join in the drumming. Cathy Lees of Gulfport joined them and drummed as well.

Hands are a blur of motion as over 30 people gathered near the Pier in Gulfport last Sunday morning to join Janna Broder and Heather DeRigo, of Drum Magic to drum together. The event was billed as a way to “heal the Gulf and heal the heart”, according to Broder, who led the drumming with chants and encouragement.

“I’m just so tired of all the negativity,” Broder said. “I thought if we could get a collective group together, we might send some positive energy out to the water.” Broder brought extra drums for those who didn’t have any. The event was global; all over the world people were expected to join in the drumming last Sunday morning.

101 Reasons to Celebrate Life



ST. PETERSBURG— Native Floridian and St. Petersburg resident, Olli Cunningham, will turn 101 on July 31st, 2010. A special birthday celebration is planned at 2 p.m. in the Friendship Room at The Fountains at Boca Ciega Bay, her home since November, 2004.

According to Marguerite Hubbs, The Fountains’ Community Life Director, Olli’s celebration will include a harpist, a champagne toast, and birthday cake, of course. Olli’s family members and friends from church will join the celebration along with Olli’s extended family from The Fountains at Boca Ciega Bay.

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Bill and Jan Riley went to “The Alamo” in San Antonio, Texas. Bill is a history fanatic and enjoyed walking the grounds and reading all about it.

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So49 is seeking sponsors and fine art and craft vendors for the third annual event. So49 members who wish to participate will receive first right of refusal and a member discount. Community sponsorships are available from \$100 and up. Vendor information and applications can be found under the vendor info tab at www.sikpromotions.com or by calling 727-322-5217. To become a sponsor or a 49th Street South Business member please visit www.So49.org.

Emergency Energy Assistance for Seniors

Pinellas County Health and Human Services Department provides emergency energy assistance of up to \$600 to senior citizens unable to pay their power bills.

Funds from the Area Agency on Aging of Pasco/Pinellas Inc. can help residents 60 and older in danger of having their power disconnected during the designated cooling and heating seasons when demand and bills are higher than normal. Eligible seniors must have a crisis with a delinquent notice from the utility company or a notice that power has been shut off to be considered for help. They may also qualify to receive repairs to a cooling unit or a voucher for fans, heaters and blankets.

Eligible seniors can receive help up to twice a year during each high-demand season. Health and Human Services staff members screen applicants to determine if they meet income limits. The income limit is 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Guideline. For a household of one, the limit is \$16,245 a year. For two
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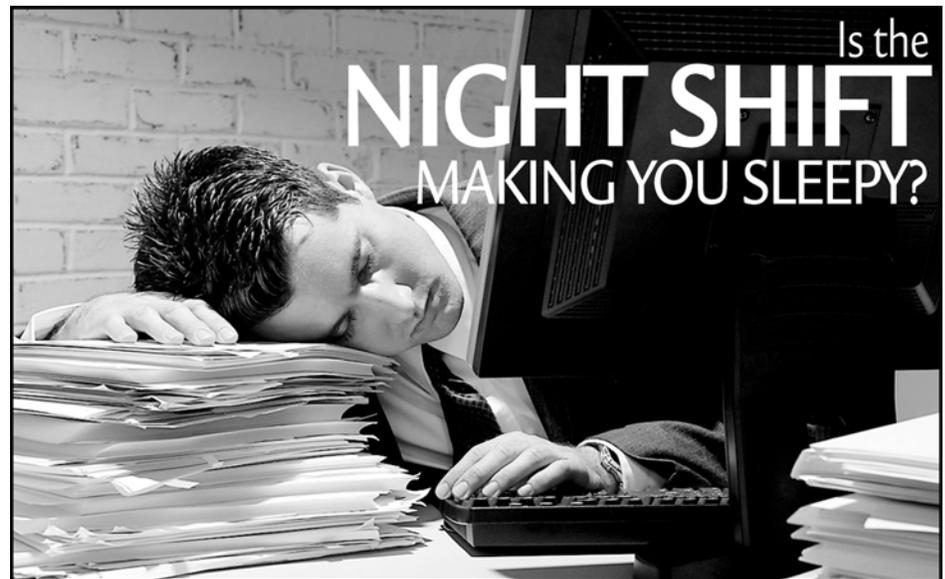
people, the income limit is \$21,855 (add \$5,610 for each additional member of family units with more than eight members.)

Prospective clients can either stop by a Health and Human Services office or call for an appointment and information. Call Annie Shaw at 727-464-8400 in Clearwater or Anne Eicher at 727-582-7781 in St. Petersburg. Health and Human Services offices are located at 2189 Cleveland Street, Suite 230, Clearwater and at 647 First Avenue N. in St. Petersburg.

This program is funded by Area Agency on Aging of Pasco/Pinellas, Inc.

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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Somethin' on my mind

By Bill Northrop

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Health Care for the Government

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said a few months back that Obama Care had to be passed before we'd know what was in it. Now, we're beginning to know.

For instance, we now know that the provision requiring everyone to have medical insurance or pay a penalty is a tax. Of course that's what many of the opponents said at the outset. It's also what President Obama denied, vehemently, in an interview with George Stephanopoulos on ABC. Now, the Obama administration is agreeing with Stephanopoulos. The penalty, they argue in response to lawsuits against ObamaCare, is indeed a tax and the federal government has the right to tax. There. That settles that.

Then there's the issue about medical records. Records weren't a direct part

of the ObamaCare bill, but a \$19 billion part of the 2009 first stimulus bill. It requires that by 2014 all physicians and all related medical facilities have in place an interactive electronic medical records system.

This had two professed goals. One was to enable care givers to go on line and acquire complete medical records for their patients. The other was to provide the government with enough data to determine best practices for specific medical conditions. These would then be passed on to the medical community to reduce the costs of care. Patients and care givers would be given clear directions for the best care. No need to mess around. The answer is in the data base.

Of course, one of the concerns is that you may be different. That is, your physical system, your chemical system, your mental system might be different than what the consensus data show. Data from 300 million

people can be helpful, but ultimately has to be applied to individuals.

Latest news from the administration is that the patient doctor relationship will not be breached. Some people have been worried about their obesity being an identifiable part of the data base. In other words, your BMI, a calculation relating your weight to your height and thus your obesity (or not), would be established and something done about it. Specific treatment, taxes, no treatment, part of a data base for rationing? We don't know.

However, what we do know is that the government is now saying that not everything has to be in your records. For instance, your being HIV positive would not, or your having had an abortion. Other exemptions are coming, it was indicated. Well, so much for helping out on medical emergencies (instant access). I would think HIV positive is pretty important.

Also, I could argue that since abortion rights are established under the privacy aspects within the U.S. Constitution (Roe vs. Wade), then no one should have to provide the government with bodily information. However, there's another problem. If you order your doctor to withhold information from the government, that doctor isn't going to get financial help for his or her electronic system. Worse, the doctor could be kicked out of the Medicare or Medicaid system.

There will be more to come, but don't count on what's to come in the health bill to be about you and your health. It's not about the individual. It's about the government.

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In just 11 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:

The shelter on Gulfport Beach has a history that goes back at least to 1928, when Councilman Marion Jones claimed credit for it during his race for mayor (which he won). It must have been rethatched periodically, but doesn't make the news again until R.W. Caldwell donated funds for it in 1946, by which time "the appropriate materials could not be found" and the roof was replaced with metal panels.



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Back-to-School Shopping Special

Sophie's Attic Thrift Shop at First United Methodist Church is located on 53rd Street, near 28th Ave. S. They are open every Friday and Saturday morning from 9-12. They want to help you enjoy back-to-school shopping without putting a big hole in your budget! They have new-to-you clothes for very little money! We have many blouses, slacks, skirts, shorts, and some lingerie for women. They also have men's slacks, shorts, and shirts, kid's clothes, shoes, hats, purses, and jewelry. They are having a "Bag Sale" which means you can fill a paper grocery bag with clothes and/or shoes for just \$5! Stop by on Friday or Saturday morning, between 9 and 12, to find out what's on sale and save some money while you're having fun!

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Oktoberfest Seeks Vendors

If you are a food vendor, craft vendor or local eatery interested in participating in Most Holy Name's Fall Festival, send your contact information to nolelover1@aol.com or fax to 727-343-6420. In the subject line enter "Oktoberfest 2010" and a reservation form with fees and details of the festival will be e-mailed or direct mailed to you.

Food vendors will be stationed outdoors and the Arts and Crafts Fair will be held inside the Maria Center throughout the 4-day festival. Space is limited both outside and inside and will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. Reservation forms are also available in the rectory office of Most Holy Name Church at 5800 15 Avenue S. in Gulfport. The "Oktoberfest" fall festival has been an annual event in Gulfport for over 30 years and will be held October 7 through October 10. This is a fun weekend including rides, games, food, dancing and entertainment.

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Help Improve USCG Building in Gulfport

Donations are needed for improvements to the USCG Auxiliary Building in Gulfport. Gulfport Marine Training & Rescue Group

(GUMTARG) established in 1962, is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. Unlike most non-profit corporations that are only 50%, GUMTARG is 100% non-profit and has no paid employees or directors.

GUMTARG financially supports the Gulfport Auxiliary 7-16 building solely. Every penny of all donations are tax deductible and will go toward building improvements. They accept car, boat, and cash donations. GUMTARG has kept the Gulfport auxiliary building afloat since 1962. They would like to thank Home Depot, Kevin Yeaton, and Jim Newman for their recent donations. To help, call Jim at 727-742-5140.

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Towns Shores Red Hatters

Just a reminder that the next get together to make root beer floats will be this Friday July 23 at 2 p.m. It will be held in the clubhouse lounge. Come join them and cool off a bit. Guests are welcome for a nominal fee.

Upcoming activities for August are: monthly Bunko on August 13 at

1 p.m. and a trip to the Red & Purple Shoppe and lunch at the Tick-Tock on August 24. They'll leave the clubhouse parking lot at 9:45 a.m. if anyone needs a ride.

Please call Carol at 345-2303 or Carole at 343-4483 to RSVP.

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Meals on Wheels has Urgent Need for Drivers

You can make a difference, one meal and one hour at a time. Can you spare an hour and a half to deliver noontime meals to those in need? Neighborly Care Network has an urgent need for Meals on Wheels drivers throughout Pinellas County. Meals are picked up at one of Neighborly's dining sites are delivered to seniors in your neighborhood (maps and directions are provided). They are looking for special people to provide life-sustaining nourishment to homebound seniors. Whether you can deliver on a daily, weekly or occasional basis, they need your help. It's easy, it's rewarding, it's lifesaving!

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Let The Games Begin



By Leigh Clifton

Fierce Canasta players (Left to right): Petie Pawlikowski, Carol Ringland, Phyllis Miller, organizer Julie Fuse, Sharon Stewart, Jan Fuse and Sandy Adams came to the fundraiser for the Senior Center last Wednesday afternoon.

The Gulfport Senior Center held a very successful Card Game and Party Fund Raiser last Wednesday afternoon, as almost 60 seniors showed up with various card and board games to play for bragging rights and raffle prizes. Organized by Julie Fuse, a Senior Center volunteer, the \$10.00 entry fee was applied to the Gulfport Senior Center Foundation and along with several local business donations, Fuse said that almost \$700.00 was raised. Special thanks go out to Oyster Shucker, Kohl and Childs, Java Nirvana and Perfect 10 who either donated gift certificates or merchandise. The new Brentwood Center on Central Ave. and Wellcare were community sponsors.

Mariners Asked to Use Caution

ST. PETE BEACH- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be conducting dredging operations by the Blind Pass and Johns Pass vicinities. Its part of the beach renourishment and erosion control. The work is planned for July 19 through December 16.

Mariners should operate vessels with caution in the area due to potential for floating debris, increased traffic due to dredging operations, floating pipeline and large equipment working in and along the navigation channels. Mariners can monitor channels 13/16 or call (904) 232-2258 for more information.

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Dive-In Movies are Back!

ST. PETE BEACH- The St. Pete Beach Aquatic Center is bringing back its popular "Dive-In" movies just in time for summer! Bring your noodles, floats and chairs to the Family Aquatic Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Drive, every Friday night of the summer. Doors open at 8 p.m. and admission is just \$3 per person but is limited to the first 150 guests. Drinks, snacks, and glow jewelry will on sale at the pool. Don't miss out on this awesome summer event. Call the Recreation Department at 363-9245 for more information.

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Be a Foster Mom or Dad for Save Our Strays

Save Our Strays is a no-kill non-profit organization dedicated to re-homing abandoned cats and kittens. It does not maintain a shelter facility and is in serious need of additional foster homes for its felines. They are not able to accept new felines when they have no available foster homes for them. They also need volunteers to transport felines to/from veterinarian appointments etc. If you are interested in helping, please call 727-481-5262. The rewards are great.

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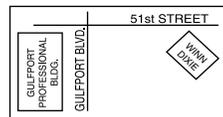
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A Greener View

By Jeff Rugg

Tips to Keep Container Plants Alive During the Summer

Q: The plants in my patio containers are getting plenty of water and the soil is staying moist, but the plants wilt every afternoon. They perk up each evening and morning, but I am sure this is not good for them. What can I do to prevent this?

A: Some days are so hot. With a patio area in direct sunlight, plants have a hard time keeping enough water in the leaves. A plant's leaf evaporates water to help cool the leaf as well as to move water and nutrients throughout the plant. If the water is leaving the plant faster than it can be resupplied, the plant will wilt. Even though the plant recovers on its own each night, it may still have some tissue that dies. The leaves could develop brown edges or whole leaves may fall off the plant.

Next year, use larger containers or put fewer plants in each container to allow the plants to develop larger root systems within the pot. Hopefully, the larger root system will be able to keep up with the demand for water. Plants that like some shade will wilt when exposed to a lot of sun, so look for plants that prefer full sun.

Using water-retaining crystals in the soil will help the soil hold more water, but if the plant can't move enough water, they won't eliminate the problem.

Spraying the patio surface with a small amount of water will cool the

whole patio -- the lower temperature may be enough to prevent the plants from wilting. This is how many greenhouses are cooled.

Q: We have a small pond where ducks have started to come. The water is green, but the bigger concern is that some of the fish have died. Should we try to keep the ducks away?

A: It is possible that one of the ducks flew from another pond and brought in a disease or parasite, but that is not very likely. They sure can pollute a pond. You said the pond is green. Algae, which bloom in ponds, are often fed by animal fertilizer and can kill fish indirectly.

Algae, like all green plants, produce oxygen through photosynthesis during the day. Plants also consume oxygen 24 hours a day. In a closed environment like a pond, this can be a problem. A pond that is stuffed full of algae can deplete the oxygen level

at night, causing the fish to die. If the pond has a floating fountain that only pulls in water near the surface, it doesn't help nearly as much as a fountain pulling in deeper water or a recirculating waterfall that plunges water back into the pond.

The duck waste material is very high in ammonia, which is toxic to fish. Over a period of time, it damages their gills, causing them to have a difficult time when breathing. A pond low in oxygen from an algae bloom would now be even more deadly. Ammonia is broken down by bacteria into nitrite, which is even more toxic to fish. It is absorbed into the bloodstream where it binds to the iron in the blood, thus inhibiting the intake of oxygen and making the low oxygen problem worse.

The nitrite is broken down by bacteria into nitrate, which is used by plants (algae) as a nutrient for growth. So, the algae are just using the available fertilizer to grow. Too much algae remove too much oxygen from the water for the fish to survive. You have to reduce the amount of algae in the pond -- that may mean getting rid of the ducks.

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Friday 7/16

- Cruelty to Animals-** 5500 Blk 29th Ave. S.
- Suspicious Circumstances-** 3000 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- DUI Investigation-** 5400 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Criminal Mischief-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 2600 Blk Tifton St. S.

Saturday 7/17

- Animal Complaint-** 2700 Blk 52nd St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 1400 Blk 49th St. S.
- Violation of Court Order-** 5600 Blk 28th Ave. S.
- Accident with Injuries-** 2200 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Hit & Run-** 2100 Blk 58th St. S.
- Noise Complaint-** 4900 Blk 29th Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5200 Blk 18th Ave. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 6400 Blk 10th Ave. S.
- Domestic Verbal-** 5300 Blk 8th Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Battery-** 4600 Blk 29th Ave. S.

Sunday 7/18

- Stolen Vehicle-** 5800 Blk 21st Ave. S.

Join Them for National Night Out

GULFPORT- National Night Out is Tuesday, August 3 at 6 p.m. Gulfport Crime Awareness and Prevention has planned an event along with the Gulfport Police Department. Participants are gathering at the Neighborhood Center (1617 49th St. S., Gulfport) for a kick off of the "Give Neighborhood Crime and Drugs a Going Away Party".

The event will begin with a walk to show a united effort of both Gulfport and St. Petersburg to include residents and businesses from both sides of 49th Street. The walk will start at the Neighborhood Center, 1617 49th St. S.) and go south to the Tangerine Greenway (Tangerine Ave./18th Ave. S.). Expected guests include a representative from Congressman Bill Young's office, Senator Charlie Justice, Representative Rick Kriseman, Mayor Mike Yakes and Vice-Mayor Michelle King.

The Tangerine Greenway will then be the site for the "Going Away Party" featuring bike registrations, free helmets, child ID, safety tips, bounce house and other free fun! Music by JD Burrell, food by Hungry Howies. The intent is for community building and education with a united effort.

If you would like more information or to assist in the cause, feel free to contact Jeri Reed at 727-548-5566 (days), 727-327-3509 (evenings) or by email at JRvolunteer@aol.com.

- Recovered Stolen Vehicle-** 5700 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
 - Domestic Verbal-** 1300 Blk 53rd St. S.
 - Trouble with Individual-** 6300 Blk 11th Ave. S.
 - Burglary-** 5800 Blk 20th Ave. S.
 - Theft-** 5000 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
 - Trouble with Individual-** 1400 Blk Fremont St. S.
- Monday 7/19**
- Drunk Person-** 5200 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
 - Burglary-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.
 - Theft-** 2600 Blk Upton St. S.
 - Noise Complaint-** 700 Blk Gray St. S.
 - Domestic Verbal-** 4900 Blk 14th Ave. S.

Tuesday 7/20

- Harassing/Threat/Obscene Calls-** Location Withheld.
- Robbery-** 5700 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 5600 Blk 28th Ave. S.
- Criminal Mischief-** 5900 Blk Tangerine Ave. S.

Wednesday 7/21

- Animal Complaint-** 5200 Blk 14th Ave. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 5400 Blk Newton Ave. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 700 Blk Fremont St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5000 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Criminal Mischief-** 800 Blk 60th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 2200 Blk 49th St. S.
- Stolen Vehicle-** 2200 Blk 49th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 700 Blk 59th St. S.
- Noise Complaint-** 5200 Blk 15th Ave. S.
- Traffic Stop Failed to Stop-** 2200 Blk 49th St. S.

Thursday 7/22

- Animal Complaint-** 5200 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Animal Complaint-** 5400 Blk Newton Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 1200 Blk 59th St. S.
- Arrest on Warrant-** Clam Bayou.
- Theft-** 2500 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Burglary-** 1200 Blk 60th St. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 5900 Blk Tangerine Ave. S.
- Trouble with Individual-** 3100 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Burglary-** 5700 Gulfport Blvd. S.
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By Mary Hunt

Summertime Tips for Kids and Parents, Too

What could be better during these lazy, crazy days of summer than to discover new ways to save a buck or two? Today's batch of great reader tips is bound to bring a smile to your face and pay you back with a little time and money, too.

FREE KIDS CLUB. We take our kids to Home Depot's monthly "Kids Workshops." These workshops are free how-to clinics designed for children ages 6-12 and are available the first Saturday of each month at all Home Depot stores. Children, accompanied by adults, construct projects, from prefabricated kits -- for example, wooden birdhouses, step stools and sailboats -- to more educational projects, such as the plastic bag recycle box and window bird box, where kids can watch the birds build their nests. Each kid leaves with a finished item, an orange apron and an achievement pin. -- Brian O., California

POT REPAIR. Don't throw out that busted terra-cotta pot. You can repair it quite easily. Moisten the breaks with water. Squeeze carpenter's glue onto the broken edges, and reset the pieces. Circle the pot with strips of masking tape to hold the pieces in place. Let the bond harden. Soon your pot will be as good as new, with more character! -- Victor G., California

SELF-GRATING CHEESE. If you freeze a block of cheese and then thaw it, it will crumble. You don't even have to grate it! -- Tanley M., e-mail

GROW YOGURT. My kids love yogurt, so I make my own. Boil 1/2 gallon of milk, and allow it to sit in a cool place. When it's lukewarm, add 1 tablespoon of Dannon plain yogurt, and then stir and cover it. Let it sit on top of the stove overnight. It will be done the following day. This makes sugar-free yogurt. You can add fruit, honey or granola to sweeten it. -- Aruna S., Illinois

HOMELY BUT USEFUL. Don't toss that bleach bottle with a handle. When it's empty, just rinse it thoroughly and trim the bottom at an angle and you've got a heavy-duty garden scoop. -- Dwayne E., Colorado

SPRINKLER STAND. Turn your spade into an extra pair of hands. Whenever you need to direct a flow of water onto a portion of your garden, simply stick the spade into the soil and nestle your hose into the

V-shaped notch where the handle begins. -- Naomi D., Nebraska

PLANT VACATION CARE. Before taking off for your summer vacation, thoroughly soak and feed your houseplants. Then cluster them together in an empty bathtub or a child's swimming pool. Set your plants in a sunny location or provide them with artificial lighting while you are away. Cover them completely with a sheet of lightweight clear plastic (for example, a dropcloth or a shower curtain), and tightly seal it with tape on all sides. No more water necessary. This will work for up to two weeks. -- Lara P., Georgia

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Submitted by- Gulfport City Council member Michele King



Friends, last Tuesday, July 20th, I boarded a bus at 5:30 in the morning with other concerned Pinellas citizens, young and old, and took a ride

to Tallahassee. Our hopes were by showing the Florida legislature our concerns; we would prevail and they would agree to put a referendum on the ballot in November to ban off shore drilling in Florida water.

Both the House of Representatives and the Senate instead decided it was more important to play politics and deny the voters of Florida the right to choose their own fate in November.

With the feeblest of excuses they made outrageous claims as to why banning oil drilling in Florida waters was not a good idea. They tried to tie their denial of the ban to economic relief for our panhandle brothers and sisters, when in fact; if the desire existed they could have expanded this special session to include economic relief with just a super majority vote. They claimed that the ban only included oil and should have encompassed other mineral rights when one of the several bills on the table that day did include oil & gas.

Because of the timing, a referendum would have had to be approved by August 4th to be included on the November ballot, our window has almost closed. If not by August 4th, the next earliest it could be considered would be 2012. To me that's a very long way off.

Thank you, Senator Jones District 13, Justice District 16, Fasano District 11, Joyner District 18 for representing the people of Pinellas and Representatives; Kriseman, District 53, Heller, District 52, Long,

District 51, Rouson, District 55, for supporting the wishes of their districts and voting to debate the constitutional amendment to ban oil drilling in Florida water.

After many months of claiming they were against off shore drilling 3 of our Pinellas delegation members voted the opposite and backed their republican leadership and big oil instead of the people of Pinellas. In voting against debate for a November referendum, Rep's. Frishe, District 54, Hooper, District 50, and Nehr, District 48 deserted the people of Pinellas County. The number one industry in our county is tourism. Many Pinellas residents make their living either directly or indirectly from tourism. 30% of our sales tax revenue comes from tourism.

There are many things as Florida republicans, democrats and independents we can disagree on. Oil drilling within 10 miles of our shore line is not one of them. 71% of the people of our state confirmed this in the latest poll taken. The Suncoast League of Cities, comprised of Pinellas, Hillsborough and Pasco county cities and led by Gulfport's Mayor Mike Yakes, all voted and sent resolutions urging our Tallahassee representatives to ban oil drilling in Florida water.

Those that voted against debating the ban think we'll forget before November, that they'll be able to speak loudly over us with their weak excuses and we'll believe them.

They say a constitutional amendment is not necessary, we already have a law, yet just last year the Florida house voted to forsake that law and open Florida state waters to drilling, that means as close as 3 miles from our shore.

The people of Pinellas must not forget. This is our livelihood and our quality of life. When it's time to cast your vote, remember the slight and disrespect we were shown in Tallahassee by these elected officials. They didn't listen to us in Tallahassee, maybe we can make them listen in November.

Pinellas Fertilizer Ordinance In Effect

Pinellas County's ban on residential use of lawn and landscape fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorous took effect June 1. The summertime ban will last until October 1. A corresponding summer ban on retail sales of the prohibited fertilizers begins in June 2011.

The Pinellas ordinance is based on one developed by the Tampa Bay Estuary Program to reduce nitrogen pollution carried in stormwater runoff to the bay. Nitrogen is the major pollutant in Tampa Bay, and residential runoff (including fertilizer) comprises about 20% of the stormwater load. Hillsborough County also is weighing restrictions on use of residential fertilizers and will vote on several options on July 15.

Pinellas County has produced brochures, displays, doorhangers and Public Service Announcements to inform homeowners of the summer fertilizer ban, and TBEP is assisting in funding and distributing educational materials. Additionally, TBEP has hired Salter-Mitchell, a marketing firm whose credentials include the popular "Chesapeake Club" fertilizer education campaign in the Chesapeake Bay, to develop a 2-year fertilizer education plan for Tampa Bay.

To learn more about proper fertilizer use, and alternatives to nitrogen-based fertilizers, visit tbep.org or pinellascounty.org.

Reduced Fees to Adopt a Cool Adult Cat

Friends of Strays, a no-kill shelter, is offering their program "Adopt a Cool Adult Cat during the Hot Summer" for a reduced adoption fee. Their shelter is overflowing with kittens and they need to make room for more strays. Cats three years and older qualify and make wonderful companions. Stop by the shelter located at 2911 47 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg Tuesday - Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., call 727-522-6566 or visit www.friendsofstrays.com.

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By Leigh Clifton

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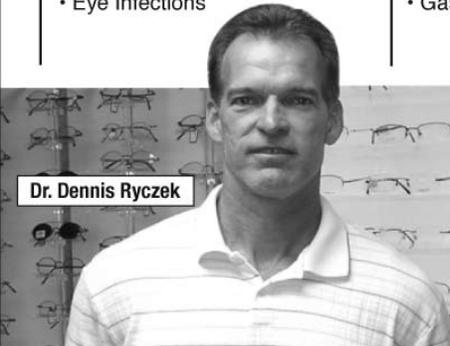
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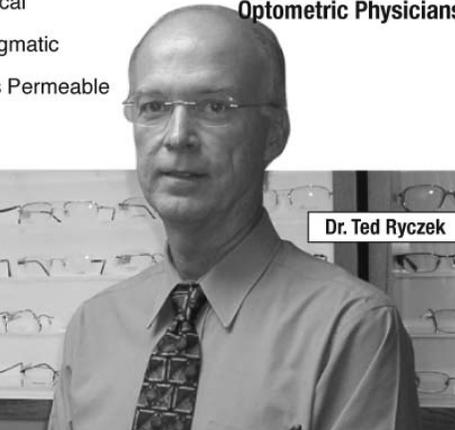
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Why Buy-Sell Agreements are Important (Part 2)

ENTITY AND CROSS PURCHASE AGREEMENTS

The entity-purchase agreement is a contract within the company, not one among the partners or their families. In the case of XYZ, Ms. Smith and Mr. Gonzales would enter into a binding agreement with XYZ for the purchase and sale of their respective interests. Upon death, disability, retirement or resignation, Ms. Smith and Mr. Gonzales are obligated to sell their stock to XYZ and XYZ is obligated to buy that stock.

To fund this agreement, XYZ can obtain life insurance contracts on

both Ms. Smith and Mr. Gonzales. XYZ pays the premiums and is the owner and beneficiary of the policies. When Mr. Gonzales dies, his stock passes to his estate. At the same time, the insurance company pays a death benefit to XYZ as beneficiary of the policy.

Pursuant to the entity-purchase agreement that Ms. Smith and Mr. Gonzales entered into with XYZ, Mr. Gonzales' estate will transfer his entire interest in XYZ back to XYZ in return for the cash payout on Mr. Gonzales insurance policy. The entity-purchase agreement allows the value of the stock for estate tax purposes to be determined and gives the Gonzales family the liquidity they need.

Entity-purchase agreements do have some disadvantages. There will often be a build up of the value in the life insurance policy which may, along with the policy death benefits, be subject to the claims of corporate creditors and susceptible to alternative minimum tax.

In a cross-purchase agreement arrangement, XYZ is not a party to

the agreement. Instead, Ms. Smith obtains a life insurance policy insuring Mr. Gonzales. Ms. Smith pays the premiums and is both owner and beneficiary of the policy. Mr. Gonzales does likewise. Under the terms of the cross-purchase agreement, each agrees to buy the other's stock in the event of death using the proceeds of the life insurance policy.

When Mr. Gonzales dies, the insurance company pays the death benefits to Ms. Smith that she uses to buy back Mr. Gonzales' interest in XYZ from Mr. Gonzales' estate. Again, the Gonzales family gets the liquidity they need to settle his estate.

A cross-purchase agreement carries with it several advantages. First, it insulates cash values and death benefits from the imposition of corporate alternative minimum tax and corporate creditors. Second, it provides a step-up in cost basis for the surviving shareholder and the decedent. These are significant benefits when the surviving shareholder intends to sell the business following the death of the other partner.

One clear disadvantage of cross-purchase agreements occurs if the partners who are entering into the agreement are of different ages because the younger partner will pay more to insure the older partner.

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Clam Bayou,

from front page at Clam Bayou and discussed the progress.

At the North Pond, heavy equipment continued digging out the pond in hopes that it will divert stormwater runoff away from the Bayou and into the pond, assisting in cleaning it of contaminants before the water enters Clam Bayou's estuarine system.

King said the District's plans for enlarging the North Pond involve removing what it deems invasive vegetation and replanting the non-invasive vegetation.

"They are reusing some of the plants that they can. They have a whole line of full-grown palms that they moved. They're trying not to destroy anything," she said, crediting Janie Hagberg for preserving the trees.

"The way Janie drew her ponds, she actually drew her ponds around some of the

trees they wanted to save," Ms. King added.

While touring Clam Bayou, she said she was amazed at the vast scope of the project. "We talk about it being three retention ponds, but it is so much more than that, it really is," Councilwoman King said. "The thoughtfulness of nature taken to insure a project that not only captures and cleans stormwater runoff but also provides habitat for bird, fish and mammals-including us. When the project is complete kayakers will be able to travel to almost all of the preserve."

The tour was also a learning experience for her, the councilwoman said as she explained that two freshwater ponds would provide food for birds not quite old enough to eat food that comes from saltwater.

Along the tour, Ms. King said she witnessed life existing in tandem with the backhoes and other machines.

"I saw blue crabs in there and little tiny fish... it was amazing to me. We saw osprey hunting, tri-color herons, great blues, and ibis on this trip," she said. As she reviewed the list of creatures seen on the tour, an immature black-crowned night heron perched on a remaining tree limb above the dry pond.

In determining how to try and fix the damage to the Bayou, King said the District opted to use a baseline from 90 years ago.

"In spite of things that were done to the bayou in the 50s and 60s, this project brings it back as close as possible to what nature intended. This project uses the 1920s as a baseline, which enables the project to be more natural than using any time after," she explained.

At this point, the councilwoman said, the city has the chance to address other stormwater issues.

"We have an opportunity

with them, at this point, to resurrect the other stormwater project. If they do that project there's a couple of other things that they want to address in Clam Bayou," including adding baffle boxes or something similar in two areas by 29th Avenue and 45th Street, where the roads drain directly into Clam Bayou. If SWFWMD can resurrect the 49th Street project, they will add that in, she said.

If all those things happen, the District "will have done everything they can to restore that Bayou," according to the councilwoman.

For more information and updates on the Clam Bayou restoration, please visit swfwmd.state.fl.us/projects/clambayou. Future updates on the restoration will detail other areas of the bayou.

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Seafarer Sails at American Stage



(L-R) Steve Garland, Richard Coppinger, Brian Webb Russell, Tom Nowicki and Christopher Swan star in the Tampa Bay area premiere of Conor McPherson's dark Irish comedy, "The Seafarer."

By Cathy Salustri

The *Seafarer* could depress you. It could annoy you. It could drag on far too long, leaving you squirming in your seat.

It could, but, thankfully, it does not. This show, the final in American Stage's 2009-2010 season, runs close to two and a half hours, but the superb acting moves the playwright's potentially laborious pace moving along swiftly.

The *Seafarer* takes place on Christmas Eve in the home of two brothers who love to drink. The older brother, Richard Harkin (played by Richard Coppinger), lost his sight relatively recently and needs the help of his brother, Sharky (played by Christopher Swan), to navigate life. A visit from a stranger complicates what should be an enjoyable, if not a little too drinky, Christmas Eve, filled with friends, cards, and lots and lots of Irish whiskey.

As is custom with American Stage productions everything runs flawlessly. Sets, lights, sounds and acting all merge together to create live theatre. Nuances of lights, effects, and set design, like the red glowing light over the picture of Jesus, or the snowy television set at the opening of the show, enhance the performance rather than distract.

However, the first few minutes of the show seem to take forever as the playwright, Conor McPherson, takes his time belaboring the point that these two brothers are loud, drunken losers- he could have made that clear with half the words. Since Swan, Coppinger and Brian Webb Russell (who plays Richard's friend, Ivan Curry) play their roles masterfully, this impatience is not born of incompetence; it is born of wanting to get to the part about the mysterious stranger.

When Steve Garland and Tom Nowicki finally make their appearance onstage, as Nicky Giblyn and Mr. Lockhart, respectively, the energy onstage shifts and things start to happen. Throughout the loud, boisterous apartment (if you have sensitive ear drums, ask for a seat towards the back of the house) and out into the unseen alleyway, the quartet (minus Mr. Lockhart) create quite a ruckus; when things quiet down so Mr. Lockhart can tell Sharky what he wants, it seems as if they've started to whisper.

The theme of *The Seafarer* is not new; it's been done before, with different settings and people and words. It runs the risk of almost being depressing, despite director Todd Olson's introductory speech on opening night, during which he

talked about laughing as he watched rehearsals. Certainly, there is laughter. But don't think for a moment that this is a comedy: it's a far cry from the company's last mainstage production, November. This is a serious play with serious themes, and even the levity is somehow serious. The comedy is dark, and at some points you may wonder why you chose to sit in a dark theatre and edge dangerously close to depression.

But it's delightful in its sobriety, and Swanson – you may remember him from his one-man show, *This Wonderful Life* – is dynamic onstage. Coppinger, too, has a powerful stage presence; the two are well-matched in their strength onstage. Brian Webb Russell offers the majority of the comic relief, and Garland and Tom Nowicki are more than up for their roles. If director Todd Olson could have done one thing differently, it would have been nice to see more of the underlying dynamic between Sharky and Nicky, because the two almost master their conflict onstage.

In all, *The Seafarer* finishes American Stage's season strongly and sets the right mood for audiences to eagerly anticipate their next season where, hopefully, patrons will have the chance to see talent equal to what the company put onstage for *Fences*, *This Wonderful Life*, and *The Seafarer* this season.

The *Seafarer* runs through August 15 at American Stage in downtown St. Petersburg. Call 823-7529 or visit American Stage online at AmericanStage.org for ticket prices and show times.

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Herman T's Smokehouse BBQ (Sauce) is Back!

By Leigh Clifton

From 2004 through 2008, Herman T's BBQ Smokehouse flourished in the South Pasadena Shopping Center, renowned for their famous BBQ sauce on succulent ribs, chicken and pulled pork. The restaurant, owned by Chef Brian Lewis, was an instant hit with the community, the sauce attaining legendary status. When the economy hit hard in 2008, Herman T's like many others had no choice but to shut its doors. But there still remained a high demand for the famous Herman T's BBQ sauce, perfected by his Prairie View, Texas grandfather Herman T Jones, for whom the restaurant and the sauce was named.

"My grandfather spent countless hours perfecting his creation; he was a science professor and loved the chemistry of the hunt for the perfect combination of spices. He inspired me to become a chef," Brian said smiling.

Once people realized their favorite restaurant had closed, requests started pouring in from customers and friends of customers for the popular sauce so Chef Brian set out to market it. He began shipping it out to his many loyal clients all over the US, Canada and Europe. But with demand so high, he realized it just wasn't monetarily feasible; with a global client base, the cost of shipping to other countries was prohibitive and he was reluctant to raise the prices of his product. So he did what any self-respecting chef would do; he took a walk on the beach.

"I was walking along the water one day and it hit me;" he said. "Make a

dried, reconstituted version of the sauce that people could just add ketchup and water to. It would be easy to ship and people could make as little or as much as they want."

Chef Brian has a formal culinary education; he is not only a graduate of the Baltimore Culinary Institute, but studied abroad in Italy as the first American to be accepted to Villa D'Este, a very prestigious culinary institute. He was an apprentice there for two months. He graduated with a whole different philosophy of food. It changed him for the better.

"I was all about fine-dining; that's my culinary background. But there just isn't enough of a calling for that here in Florida. So I decided to change directions."

Starting in his own home kitchen, he began the journey for the perfect dry BBQ sauce mix.

"I did a lot of research," Chef Brian said. "And there was not one dried BBQ mix on the market; I knew my idea was a good one."

It took him a year to complete the finished product, but the results are an amazing blend of spices that, when mixed with water and ketchup, makes the famous Herman T's BBQ Sauce come to life.

The dehydrated sauce is packaged in a 6 oz resealable packet, which will make $\frac{3}{4}$ of a gallon of sauce. That's the equivalent of six



Chef Brian Lewis sits at his desk, where he packages and mails out the orders for his Grandfather's famous BBQ sauce. He has perfected the dry version and is so swamped with orders that he will soon need a larger distribution center.

bottles of traditional sauce. It also makes it a great deal.

"That's the beauty and ease of it," Lewis said smiling. "You can make as little or as much as you want! It has a one year shelf life, so there's no waste, no messy bottles with junk around the rim. You always make it fresh. It's convenient, quick and easy. And BBQ sauce is the second most used condiment in the world, next to ketchup. I've heard of people putting it on scrambled eggs!"

And it's reasonably priced; \$7.95 for one 6 oz package of the dried sauce or two for \$15.00. Shipping is about \$4 bucks. And has two flavors; mild, a more traditional flavor, and spicy, which has a kick with chipotle peppers, for the more robust and adven-

turous griller. Both are fabulous, mouthwatering and flavorful. A whole package can season 20 pounds of ribs, 10 whole chickens or 3 dozen burgers. The possibilities are endless! The sauce has earned high praise from the many internet food bloggers he has also test-marketed the product to. He even had a rave review from a blogger in Hawaii.

Chef Brian Lewis has gone back to his roots to bring you the absolute best BBQ sauce you will ever eat on a rib, piece of chicken or maybe even eggs, if you're so inclined. Using his grandfather Herman T. Jones' mouthwatering BBQ sauce recipe, he has perfected it in the dry version. Do your ribs a favor; go online and get some. Now..... I think I hear a grill calling.....

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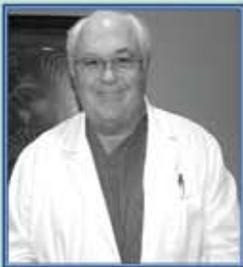
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Your SOCIAL SECURITY

By Tom Margenau

Alcoholics, Addicts and Social Security

Q: I have had chronic and debilitating pain for years. I filed for Social Security disability benefits three times and was turned down each time. How can this be fair? Especially, when there are drunks, druggies and other deadbeats automatically given Social Security the first time they apply.

A: If you've been turned down once for Social Security disability benefits, there is a chance the Social Security Administration might have made a mistake and I would encourage you to appeal your claim. If you've been turned down twice, I'd suggest you might get a lawyer who specializes in Social Security cases. But if you've been turned down three times, then I'd say the odds are the government is right -- your condition simply doesn't meet the legal definition of "disability" for Social Security purposes. You still have every right to file more claims and appeals, but I wouldn't lie awake nights waiting for the Social Security disability checks to come rolling in.

In past columns, I've offered tips to help people who are trying to get Social Security disability benefits. But today, I want to address the other subject you brought up: the people you inelegantly refer to as "drunks, druggies and other deadbeats."

I will do that in the context of something I discussed in last week's column. I pointed out that literally hundreds of changes were made to Social Security in the last 75 years, and that almost all of those changes resulted in an expansion of the Social Security program. And I listed the small handful of benefits that had been cut, including those to student-

age children of retired and deceased workers. I promised that in today's column, I would discuss one of the most controversial Social Security cuts ever made. And that's where we get to your so-called "drunks and druggies."

Ever since disability benefits were added to Social Security in 1956, the law has always said that you qualify for benefits if you have a physical or mental impairment that is severe enough to prevent you from working. The law never discriminated between one kind of disability and another. As long as the impairment was severe and kept you out of a job -- and these facts could be documented by medical or other evidence -- you qualified for benefits. The impairment could be cancer, heart trouble, mental depression, or it could be hundreds of other problems that afflict the human body and mind.

And sometimes those problems were caused by alcoholism. And sometimes those problems were caused by drug addiction.

But beginning in the late 1980s and continuing into the early 1990s, a wave of conservatism was sweeping the country. People were growing tired of government "handouts" and were looking for ways to cut government spending. Two of their targets became drug addicts and alcoholics who were collecting Social Security disability benefits. The prevailing mood was epitomized by a question I remember getting at the time I was conducting a forum on Social Security: "Why should these derelicts be on the government dole when they brought on their own problems by drinking booze or taking dope?"

I always thought these arguments were rather spurious for two reasons. One: If you're on Social Security, you're not really on the "dole" in the conventional sense of the term. After all, the people with alcohol or drug problems had at one time worked and paid Social Security taxes just like everyone else getting benefits. In fact, they wouldn't have been receiving

monthly checks if they hadn't worked long enough to be "insured" for Social Security purposes. And two: Sure, these guys brought on their problems themselves by drinking or taking drugs to excess. But using that argument, should we forbid a guy with lung cancer from getting disability because he smoked all his life? Or should we cut off Social Security benefits to a woman with severe heart trouble because she ate too many Twinkies?

Anyway, no one listened to me. And in the mid-1990s, Congress banned the payment of Social Security disability benefits to drug addicts and alcoholics.

But oddly enough, all the hoopla and media attention over these cutbacks turned out to be just a lot of political theater. Even though the "get the government off my back" crowd applauded the new law, and conservative politicians patted themselves on the back for a job supposedly well done, not much really changed.

You see, they wrote the law to essentially say: "You can't get Social Security disability benefits if alcoholism or drug addiction is the main factor in determining your disability." But most alcoholics have severe kidney or liver trouble. And many drug addicts have critical or even dangerous mental problems. So, they were still able to qualify for Social Security disability benefits, not because they were alcoholics or addicts, but because they had some pretty severe physical or mental impairment. And they still qualify for Social Security today.

Finally, I should clarify that alcoholics and drug addicts are not "automatically given Social Security the first time they apply," as the letter writer alleged. Each and every person who applies for Social Security disability benefits -- no matter what the impairment might be -- has a unique set of circumstances that determines whether he or she will be eligible for disability.

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Sustainable Living

By Shawn Dell Joyce



Food on a Global Scale

We Americans complain bitterly about the rising cost of food. Most Americans don't realize just how good we really have it in the land of plenty. In countries where people make much less money, they spend a much higher percentage of their incomes on food.

Wealthier industrialized nations spend a small percentage of their weekly budgets on food. According to the Economic Research Service, we spend only 5.7 percent of our total household budgets on food. In the U.K. and Denmark, people spend about 10 percent, compared with 40 to 50 percent for people in less developed nations. Azerbaijan tops the chart at 50.4 percent.

In their delicious book, "Hungry Planet: What the World Eats," photographer Peter Menzel and writer Faith D'Aluisio document the weekly food budgets of 24 international families in full-color photos. A family of eight in Guatemala spends about \$75.70 in groceries each week. The average yearly income is about \$4,000, making groceries the greatest expense for most families. Most families grow a good portion of what they eat and barter with the excess.

Meanwhile, back in the states, a family of five can spend a whopping \$242.48 per week on groceries out of an average income of \$35,000 per person. Though the cost sounds much greater, if you include income and other expenses, Americans eat the cheapest food in the world -- and lots of it.

We humans need about 2,000 calories per day to be healthy. We've moved from an average of 2,358 kilocalories available per person each day in 1965 to 2,803 kcals in 1999 to a projected 2,940 in 2015, according to the World Health Organization. But not everyone has equal access to the all-you-can-eat buffet. In developing countries, only 2,681 kcals per person were available each day in 1999, while industrialized countries had 3,380 kcals per person available each day.

D'Aluisio writes: "Here we have the great irony of modern nutrition: at a time when hundreds of millions of people do not have enough to eat, hundreds of millions more are eating too much and are overweight or obese. Today ... more people are overweight than underweight."

In the U.S., 72 percent of men and 70 percent of women are overweight. Cheaper food does not translate into healthier food. In fact, our current

agricultural policy is to subsidize corn to the point that it is ridiculously cheap and ubiquitous in our food system -- so cheap that we even burn it as fuel for our automobiles, a crime against humanity when you consider all the starving people who could be fed.

Corn is one of the cheapest food additives and the most highly subsidized crop in the world. This mountain of cheap corn is used primarily in processed foods. Corn and corn syrup products as sweeteners can be found in almost every product on supermarket shelves, and they are primary ingredients in most fast foods. That makes processed foods much cheaper than whole, natural and nutritious foods. Plus they don't spoil as quickly as fresh produce and taste better to humans, who are already evolutionarily inclined toward sweet and fatty flavors.

Looking back at our Guatemalan family cited above, their weekly diet consisted mainly of potatoes, rice and beans, and vegetables from their garden. Meat was added to a meal less than once a week. The American family ate mostly processed foods -- such as canned soups, frozen meals, packaged cookies, cakes and crackers -- and lots of meat. Another major difference is cooking. The Guatemalans eat every meal at home, and one person spends most of her time cooking, preparing and purchasing ingredients for meals. Americans eat 1 in 3 meals at home.

How can we curb our national eating disorder?

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By Scott Lafee

Escape from Eating

Everywhere you look, there's food. And everywhere you look (including the mirror), there's evidence that this is not such a good thing.

A recent study by researchers at the University of Buffalo found that the greater the number of restaurants within a five-minute walk of a woman's home, the higher her body mass index (BMI). "The interaction of the food environment and the built environment in a neighborhood carries significant consequences for obesity," said study leader Samina Raja, a professor of urban and regional planning at the University at Buffalo.

Interestingly, the study also found that women with homes closer to a supermarket than a convenience store had lower BMIs.

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PHOBIA OF THE WEEK

Koniophobia -- fear of dust

STORIES FOR THE WAITING ROOM

The famed neurosurgeon Bronson Ray was out for a stroll one day when he saw a boy on a scooter smash headfirst into a tree. Realizing that the boy was seriously injured, Ray ordered a bystander to call an ambulance before turning his attention to the injured boy. As he
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began to administer first aid, a second youngster nudged his way through the growing crowd. "I'd better take over now, sir," the lad declared. "I'm a Boy Scout and I know first aid!"

DOC TALK

Incidentaloma -- Something found on a scan that requires action, even though it was not what the discoverer was looking for in the first place and cannot be immediately identified. To wit: "I found an incidentaloma in the adrenal gland." Most likely the mysterious object is benign in nature, but also fraught with liability risks.

GET ME THAT. STAT!

For people who take exercise seriously, the traditional measurement used to assure a strong workout was getting the peak heart rate up to 220 beats per minute minus age. The formula, in use for almost four decades, was based on studies of men. But while it may still be true of males, researchers

at Northwestern University have amended the formula to more accurately reflect the peak heart rate that a healthy woman should attain during exercise.

It's 206 beats per minute minus 88 percent of age. (The real workout now might be doing the math.)

"Now we know for the first time what is normal for women, and it's a lower peak heart rate than for men," said cardiologist Martha Gulati, noting that the new standard will also be used by doctors in stress tests. Women are not small men. There is a gender difference in exercise capacity that a woman can achieve. Different physiologic responses can occur."

LAST WORDS

"I wish the whole human race had one neck and I had my hands on it."
-- Unrepentant American serial killer Carl Panzram (1891-1930) just before his execution

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Your Health

By Rallie McAllister M.D.

Refreshing Summer Fruits Offer Important Health Benefits

Summer offers a perfect opportunity to enjoy a bounty of delicious, fresh fruits. Like other plant foods, fruits are packed with vitamins, minerals, enzymes and antioxidant compounds known as phytochemicals.

These health-promoting agents help protect plants from environmental hazards, including insects, fungi and ultraviolet radiation from the sun. Although the human body isn't capable of producing many of the natural compounds found in plants, we can enjoy their protective benefits by consuming a variety of fruits, vegetables, legumes and grains.

When the weather is hot and sunny, eating a serving of chilled fruit can be satisfying and refreshing. It's an easy and inviting way to improve your health and nutrition.

Summer picnics and barbecues wouldn't be complete without a few slices of ice-cold watermelon. The juicy, red fruit is rich in citrulline, a compound that is converted to an amino acid known as arginine in the body.

Arginine offers a number of important cardiovascular benefits. Because it helps enhance blood flow and lower blood pressure, it's been used as a natural remedy in the treatment of hypertension, erectile dysfunction and peripheral vascular disease.

If you love the flavor of sweet, succulent pineapple, it's a great time to treat your taste buds. Pineapples are rich in bromelain, an enzyme with potent medicinal properties.

In laboratory studies, bromelain has been found to inhibit the growth and spread of cancerous cells in tissues of the breast, lung and skin. The enzyme's anti-inflammatory and pain-relieving actions make it an effective natural remedy for the treatment of arthritis and tissue damage caused by burns, muscle strains and surgical incisions.

In Germany, bromelain is a popular homeopathic remedy for sinusitis. In

addition to reducing swelling of the nasal passages, the enzyme acts as a natural decongestant and cough suppressant.

Because of its ability to break down proteins, bromelain has long been used as a meat tenderizer and a natural digestive aid. Eating a few bites of pineapple at the beginning of your meals can reduce the likelihood that you'll experience troublesome gastrointestinal symptoms, such as indigestion, bloating and flatulence.

If you want to boost your brainpower this summer, eating more blueberries may be a step in the right direction. Natural compounds in the colorful fruit can help prevent -- and even reverse -- age-related memory decline.

Research indicates that phytochemicals in blueberries, known as anthocyanins, fight inflammatory and oxidative changes in the brain that contribute to Alzheimer's disease. Some experts speculate that these beneficial compounds may even stimulate the growth of new brain cells.

Like blueberries, cherries are rich in anthocyanins and other natural compounds that help alleviate pain and swelling related to arthritis and gout. In animal studies, anthocyanins from cherries reduced painful inflammation significantly better than aspirin and other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications.

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R.S.

Card of Thanks

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

City Clerk's Office
AUGUST 2010

- August 3, 2010** **City Council Meeting**
CANCELLED
- August 4, 2010** **Planning and Zoning Board/LPA**
***Meeting to begin at 6:30pm
- August 11, 2010** **Board of Adjustment**
***Meeting to begin at 6:30pm
- August 16, 2010** **City Council Workshop - Budget**
***Meeting to begin at 5:00pm
- August 17, 2010** **City Council Meeting**
***Meeting to begin at 7:00pm
- August 18, 2010** **Historic Preservation Committee**
Meeting to begin at 5:30pm at the Historical Society Museum - 5301 28th Ave. S.
- August 26, 2010** **City Council Workshop**
***Meeting to begin at 5:00pm

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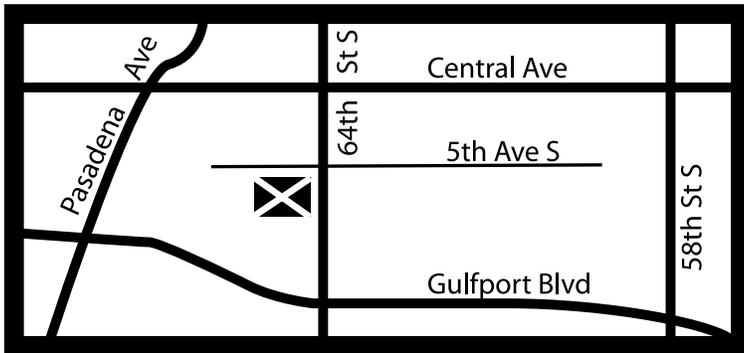


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