

Gulfport Passes Pinellas County's First Domestic Partner Registry

The fire chief waited outside the room to make sure council chambers didn't exceed capacity. Once the room filled, more people waited in the hall. The television crews set up in the front of the room. Couples and children waited for their turn to speak in favor of the ordinance.

Mayor Mike Yakes asked first if anyone in the audience wished to speak against the Domestic Partnership Registry. When no one did, the room burst into applause.

"I know that a lot of consideration and work went into getting this just right,"

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Gulfport Council waited until Wednesday morning to sign the Domestic Partner Registry, a first in Pinellas County and the first time Mayor Yakes has publicly signed a new law.

Council members Sam Henderson, Barbara Banno and Jennifer Salmon applaud Mayor Yakes as he signs the Registry.

Hamilton Disston Teacher's Aide Arrested

Clearwater Police arrested a Hamilton Disston teacher's aide for having a sexual relationship with a 16-year-old disabled student.

Hamilton Disston is a K-12 school located on 11th Avenue South in Gulfport.

Police say Artia Patrice Davis, 30, started having sex with the student seven months ago. She met the student at Hamilton Disston school in Gulfport.

In response to rumors, Child Protection Investigations (CPI) and Pinellas County Schools started an investigation. Davis resigned in March.

On May 7, the Clearwater Police Department assisted CPI in its investigation. They arrived at Davis' Highland Avenue apartment and found the student in Davis' bed.

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As Clam Bayou Dredging to Start, Emotions Run High

The Southwest Florida Water Management District will start limited dredging east of Gulfport Shores Condominiums and by the kayak launch area.

"The reason they're dredging it out... [is to] get more room there for tidal water to move in and out," Public Works Director Don Sopak said.

The dredging, which will remove about 930 cubic yards of sediment, goes hand in hand with the creation of a ditch south of 29th Avenue South east of Miriam Street South. The ditch, Mr. Sopak wrote in a memo to city council, "help contain any yard waste or debris from entering the kayak launch area."

A March 2009 study of the sediments in Clam Bayou, performed by the Hillsborough County Environmental Protection Commission on behalf of the Tampa Bay Estuary Program, showed elevated levels of pesticides, some metals and automobile-related chemicals.

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Clam Bayou, from front page

The study concluded (on page 47 of the study; read this story online at theGabber.com for the link to the study) by suggesting reducing the contaminants by increasing shoreline plantings (called “vegetative buffer zones”) and capturing and treating stormwater before it enters Clam Bayou.

Local resident Al Davis, who lives on the Bayou, has long asked the council to address the sediment issues by dredging the sediment behind his property. He told the council that this type of dredging stemmed from communication between a local kayak livery, Kayak Nature Adventures, and local politicians several years ago. He said the city had neglected Clam Bayou.

“I would caution the people who are here for the domestic registry to keep their eye on the folks who would carry forward, because the ball has been dropped on Clam Bayou,” Mr. Davis said. He read an e-mail from former Vice Mayor Michele King to current councilmember Dan Liedtke, describing King as a real estate broker living in Puerto Rico. As he continued, Vice Mayor Sam Henderson broke in and objected to singling out a councilmember. Mayor Yakes did not allow the vice mayor to finish his objection but did tell Mr. Davis he needed to stop.

The dredging will start this summer, Sopak predicted.

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Final Vote Allows Dogs on Parts of Pass-a-Grille

After two votes and much discussion, St. Pete Beach commissioners took one final vote to allow dogs on the east beach on Pass-a-Grille.

"For a number of years people have been taking dogs down there, letting them run, letting them swim. The issue came up whether that was a beach or not," City manager Mike Bonfield said.

New resident David Kramer, who rents half of a duplex across the street from the bay beach at the tip of Pass-a-Grille, called the city and complained about dogs on the beach when city ordinances do not allow dogs on the sand.

Although city staff initially posted "no dog" signs on the sand south of Merry Pier, public outcry caused them to reconsider.

The commission voted unanimously to change the wording of the city ordinance to keep dogs off Gulf beaches only. This allows dogs on the

bay beaches, including the beach by Merry Pier in Pass-a-Grille.

Car Wash

YNOT Ministries will be holding a car wash on Saturday, May 19 from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. at the Regions Bank at 58th St. and Gulfport Blvd. S. They will be asking for a donation, which will be used to send their youth to summer camp for a week.

Transient Dock Discussion

ST. PETE BEACH – At Vice Mayor Marvin Shavlan's request, the city commission will discuss the city's recent approval to begin work on the 12-slip dock at the next commission meeting at 6 p.m., Tuesday, May 22. Although the commission approved starting the project and budgeted its portion of the money for the project (a state grant will pay for most of the cost), commissioners said they'd heard concerns and wished to discuss the project in an open forum.



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*No parking on Gulf Winds south of 2nd Street East

*16 coin metered spaces between 64th and 2nd Street East (east side of Gulf Winds)

*West side of Gulf Winds between 67th and 64th: B permit parking only

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*Gulf Winds between 67th and Bay Street: B permit parking only from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays (one side only)

*64th between Gulf Boulevard and Gulf Winds: no parking whatsoever

*67th between Gulf Boulevard and Gulf Winds: no parking whatsoever

*Bay Street Between Gulf Winds and 64th Ave, 67th Ave between Gulf Winds and Bay Street: B permit parking only from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

*No parking south side between Gulf Winds and 430 64th

*No parking between 1st Palm Point and 425 64th

*Gulf Winds to 3rd Palm Point and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Palm Point: B permit parking only from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

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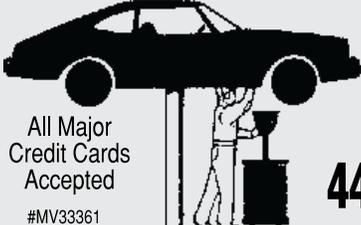
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The City of Gulfport Recreation Division will have open registration for teams to participate in the 2012 Women's Summer Softball League through May 18th from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Gulfport Rec. Center. The 10-game season will be played on Friday nights beginning June 1st with a 6-team minimum/maximum. It is on a first come sign up basis. League fees are \$385 or \$485 for teams with three or more non-residents, due at registration. For more information please call John at 727-893-1079.

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The Gulfport Community Players will be holding auditions for their 12th Annual Summer One-Act Festival on Monday, May 21st and Tuesday, May 22nd. Auditions will be held at the Players' Back Door Theater located at 1619 49th Street S. in Gulfport. They will begin at 7 p.m., but it's suggested that you show up a little earlier to fill out short audition forms.

This Festival is a great way to break into community theater. The plays are very short, so there are not a lot of lines to memorize. There are usually 12 or so plays at the Festival, running anywhere from 5 minutes to 20 minutes in length. The Players will need both males and females, ages from 18 to 70 for the Festival. All interested people are urged to try out for a part.

The Festival will run from July 12th through July 22nd at the Hickman Theater of Gulfport. Drop on by and try out!

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Art Show Features Dog Imagery

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from front page

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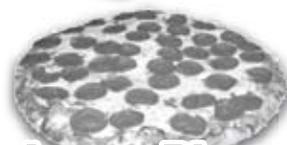


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So49 is also grateful to the artists who opened their homes and studios to the Tourists: Clinton Stone, Frank Strunk III, Monika Watson, Derrick Johnson, Cheryll Grogan, Carol Pieszchala, Owen Pach, Jonathan Schork, Patricia Hardwick, Cathy Lees, Janet Corrigan, Nancy Cervenka, Catherine Weaver, Byron Howes, Barbara Nicolazzo, and Melissa Schultz.

Kudos to the many volunteers who played many different and important roles during the five-hour event.

Happy art to all!

Andrea Royce
and Barbara Nicolazzo
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Spirits Rise

Dear Editor: Re: Jerry Meekins, a veteran who bought an airline ticket to visit his daughter in NJ and tried to get a refund after learning his cancer was terminal and his doctor told him not to fly.

Kudo to Jerry Meekins, a gentleman, a Vietnam vet and a true champion to his cause for winning his case against Spirit Airlines.

But then, this wasn't a case about winning. It had to do with compassion and sensitivity for the dying spirit. Lest we forget, any one of us could walk in Jerry's shoes.

Edda Howard-Hunter
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Stop the Negativity

Dear Editor: This is in response to Cathy Salustri's Hard Candy column: I Hear You.

I know much of the information in her column is true because I am one of the individuals who has said as much in recent months, both to Ms. Salustri and in discussions with more than a few of my friends and neighbors. I also find it quite ironic the truth of the column was so clearly proven with some of the ugly personal comments directed at Ms. Salustri on The Gabber's Facebook page and elsewhere.

It is quite clear there is an ugly element in this city these days. It consists of a very small, very loud, very negative group of citizens who have been vicious, personal and as nasty in their attacks using social media, city council meetings, and other means of communication as I think it is possible to be. The "1%," if you will, because it is certainly not the vast majority of the residents of Gulfport who are acting this way.

The 1% seems to operate on the "divide and conquer" methodology. Be louder than everyone else, make people shy away from expressing a different opinion for fear of mockery and retribution, isolate them from other like-minded people, and then railroad your own agenda through city channels in the absence of "opposition."

The bad news? No one is going to stop them from acting as they do because creating an atmosphere of chaos and fear is what they do best.

But the good news? We, the "99%" of Ms. Salustri's column, may not be able to change their behavior. But we absolutely have the power to change our own response to it.

First - our city council members and the mayor need to understand it is time for them to step up, man up and stop allowing negative behavior in city council meetings. Residents get a little emotional over issues sometimes and they may get a little heated during public comments or in workshops. That's okay. If it is not a personal attack and if it is respectfully done, there is nothing wrong with that. People should have passion for their city and the issues they feel are important to them. And difference of opinion is a wonderful thing. It forces us to think outside of our own little boxes and consider all the solutions, all the angles, all

the possibilities from a myriad of directions and viewpoints. But it cannot and must not be made into a war of personalities and personal agendas. The minute public comment turns ugly or personal or vicious, our elected officials need to put a stop to it immediately. Do you want more participation from the residents of Gulfport? They will attend more meetings and feel safer doing so if they feel secure in the knowledge there is a zero tolerance policy toward ugly behavior and personal attacks.

Second - the residents of this city need to step up as well and decide whether or not they are going to allow this behavior to affect them. If you don't like it, then start simply ignoring anyone or any group who uses fear, personal attacks or negativity as a weapon. Don't feed into it. "Unlike" their social media pages, especially the ones run by cyberbullies who use those pages to shame and invalidate other residents, but who hide behind a cowardly mask of "anonymous" and refuse to identify themselves. Don't respond to ugly criticisms or inflammatory comments meant to foster divisiveness rather than create positive change. Ignore it and ignore those who operate like this. Chaos and divisiveness thrives on attention. If you take away the attention and take away their audience, then you take away their power to create conflict.

This is all about our own personal responsibility. If we of the 99% continue to provide the oxygen to allow this kind of negativity to breathe, then shame on all of us. We can continue to empower those who are tearing the city apart--or we can make a conscious decision to belong to and empower the side that proudly loves this city, that has always loved this city, and that wants to use our diversity and our differences to continue to keep moving forward to make it an even greater city.

The choice is ours.

Tiffany Anderson-Taylor
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Understanding the Transient Dock

Dear Editor: I have been listening to the buzz about the city's proposal to build 12 transient docks and have been hearing so many inaccuracies and incorrect statements that I

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Letters (con't.)

thought a little clarification was in order.

First you must understand that the city won a federal grant to build a 12 slip transient dock through the Boating access program.

Second is that the building of the 12 slip transient dock includes all associated infrastructure that may be needed to expand in the future. The cost to the city to do this will not be determined till the actual contracts were awarded but should be in the \$30K to \$60K range above the amount of the grant.

According to comparable figures based on Gulfport's 10 transient slips, the pay back should only take 2 to 3 years of operation. In my book that is a great return on your money, I seriously believe there wouldn't be many of us who would turn down an investment like this. More on this in a minute.

Just last week Commissioner Marvin Shavlan and I had a meeting with Denis Frain who is the Harbor Master at the Gulfport Municipal

Marina. Gulfport has 10 transient slips that were added to their marina in 2006. Marvin and I asked Denis if he could break out what the income was from the 10 transient docks and here is the information he supplied.

- 2006 to 2007 \$13,566
- 2007 to 2008 \$29,003.55
- 2008 to 2009 \$29,465.00
- 2009 to 2010 \$34,107.94
- 2010 to 2011 \$29,217.98

So far this year \$26,864.00

Please keep in mind that the location of the Gulfport Municipal Marina requires you to leave the Intracostal waterway and seek it out. The docks we would build are right on the Intracostal waterway that all boat traffic passes. It's my opinion and that of Gulfport's Harbor Master that we should easily exceed the number of boats that stopped at their marina.

Most people not familiar with the boating world may be picturing small boats stopping for the day and using the dock but in fact that is not true. The boaters who use these type facilities are people in cruising boats that have sleeping accommodations that are either passing through or

seeking a weekend stay because of our accommodations, pool, beach, shopping, restaurants, and bars all within walking distance etc.

So if your investment counselor asked you if you wanted to make a 30% return on a \$100,000 investment would you do it?

Also heard on the street, was that people didn't want the city to be in business. If this was the case how would you explain the fact that we charge for parking or rent out the community center for weddings or parties or rent out the Merry Pier or concessions at Upham or Pass-a-Grille beach? Every dollar that the city can earn and put into the general fund is a dollar less of our property taxes that are needed.

One other note is that the city of Gulfport last year put over \$600,000 into their general fund from its Marina. So I for one can't understand why anybody would be against this project.

I hope that this helps in understanding what the 12 slip transient dock is all about.

Al Halpern

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The Craft Fair displaying the original work of local artisans, opens 10 a.m. Saturday, May 19th, at Palm Lake Christian Church, 5410 22nd Avenue N. in St. Pete. Proceeds will benefit local charities.

Over 60 vendors will be showcasing their exciting jewelry, oil and water color art, candles, sewn creations and other fabulous items. Stroll the booths to select appealing items for you or your home and as gifts for your friends. Just seeing what is currently being created is definitely worth the stop.

A live band will entertain you as you enjoy visiting with the exhibitors, checking out the various raffles and displays and, of course, trying a few tempting samples from the assorted food vendors. Rest areas and restroom facilities will also be available.

Free admission with off-street parking just north of the exhibitors, is also a plus. Turn north on 53rd Street, off of 22nd Ave. N. and you have arrived. The church and fair will be on your left.

Invite your friends to join you and your kids for a fun visit to the Fair Saturday. Besides finding some striking items you must have, you will be offering visible support for local charities.

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Summer Fun and Water Safety Day

ST. PETERSBURG- City of St. Petersburg Parks and Recreation kicks off summer fun with an informative day focused on water safety on May 19, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Fossil Park Pool, 6739 Martin Luther King Jr. Street N. Activities include in-pool swim evaluations for children 2 years old and up by certified swim instructors, diving demos and healthy cooking demos. Resources and guidance for water safety and swimming lessons, FSPA pool vendors, swim team information, prizes and refreshments are available. Sponsors include All Children's Hospital, Florida Safe Pools.org, Publix and 4th Street Chick-fil-a. Free and open to the public. Call 727-893-7732.

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Are you 13-19 years of age?

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Craft Beer and Food Truck Festival

ST. PETERSBURG- The Grand Central District will be the site of a craft beer and food truck festival on Saturday, May 19th from 1-6 p.m.

Approximately 40 craft beer breweries will be on hand to distribute tastings to event attendees. A large portion of these breweries are Florida locals ranging from Green Bench Brewery (Saint Pete) and Big Storm Brewery (Odessa) to Saint Somewhere (Tarpon Springs) and

Little Giant Brewery (Bradenton). Live entertainment will be provided throughout the festival, which will be held in the Grand Central District between the 2800-2900 blocks of Central Avenue.

Beer tasting tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 on the day of the event, and include \$9 in tickets to be used at the food trucks. Advance beer tickets will soon be available for purchase at local bars and breweries, and also through Ticketmaster. Beer tasting tickets do not need to be purchased to attend the event and/or

purchase items from the food trucks.

Proceeds from the event benefit D&B Ministries and the Grand Central District Association. Non-food vendor opportunities are available. For more information, please contact Lauren Ruiz, GCDA's Executive Director, at 727-828-7006 or via email at gcd@grandcentraldistrict.org.

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Exhibit Features Children's Art

ST. PETERSBURG- For Kids, By Kids is a family event hosted by Pollyzoom at Davidson Fine Art (Artful Living) in St. Petersburg on Saturday, May 19th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event is free and includes interactive art and dance activities, door prizes, snacks, face painting, and a kids art table with artist Paula Allen. Davidson Fine Art is located at 1100 First Avenue N. in St. Petersburg.

For more information on For Kids, By Kids by Pollyzoom, please contact Jacqueline Deschamps at jacqueline@pollyzoom.com or visit www.pollyzoom.com or www.facebook.com/pollyzoom.

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Kids 'n K9s at SPCA

SPCA Tampa Bay's own Sniff University presents a great fun day out for kids and their dog from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 19 at SPCA Tampa Bay, 9099 130th Avenue N. in Largo.

Kids 'n K9s is all about developing and strengthening that bond between dogs and kids. Plans for the day include the important stuff like basic dog handling skills and communication building activities. Plus there's fun stuff like dog tail and paw painting and relay games!

Open to children eight years and older with one canine partner. Lunch and snacks (did someone say S'mores?!) included. Kids must wear closed-toe shoes (no flip-flops), and sun block is encouraged, activities are outdoors.

Proof of current rabies vaccination is required for all dogs attending, this can be faxed to 727-499-0368 or presented at the event. Cost is \$40 per child with one dog. Visit spcatampabay.org or call 727-586-3591.

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Players Hold Annual Meeting

The Gulfport Community Players will be holding their Annual Meeting and Elections on Friday, May 18th at their Back Door Theater. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. The Back Door Theater is located at 1619 49th Street S. in Gulfport.

Board reports will be read and elections will be held for Board positions. The Nominating Committee has recommended the following individuals to fill executive and at-large board positions: Vice President: Jim Cartwright, Treasurer: Jim Tobin, Secretary: Preston Brock (1 year term). Nominations for at-large positions: Charles Alaimo, Miki Vaughan, Olga Kruse, and Cathy Culler. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Only current members with dues or earned membership paid prior to June 1, 2011 are eligible to vote in the election. In addition to the election, the Annual Audit Report and By Law changes will be on the agenda. The Players urge all members to attend this meeting and election.

While at this meeting, you can also purchase your tickets for the Players' 15th Annual Cathy Award Dinner, coming up on Saturday, June 9th at this same location. The tickets are just \$15 each and this includes your dinner. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Please note that all dinner tickets must be purchased (not just reserved) no later than June 2nd. If you can't be at the Annual Meeting, you can purchase these tickets at Eileen's Resale Boutique in Gulfport.

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Pictured (L-R): Steve Traidman, Sandy Wilson, Pat Seifried, Carol Hoesley, Muriel Desloovere

A check in the amount of \$5550.00 was presented to Muriel Desloovere, President, and Board member, Steve Traidman, of the Friends of the St. Pete Beach Library on Thursday, May 3rd by Pat Seifried, Sandy Wilson, and Carol Hoesley, all of SeaFreedom Travel. This amount was raised through a fund-raising cruise on Carnival's *Legend*, sailing from Tampa on March 11th with host, guest speaker and long time friend of the St. Pete Beach Library, Florida author, Tim Dorsey.

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Gulfport Garden & Bird Club

The end-of-the-year luncheon and installation of officers was held at the Neptune Grill in Gulfport on May 10th. The food was delicious and the staff was most accommodating, friendly and efficient. It was a delightful way to end their club year.

Officers installed were: President, Joyce McMahon; Vice-President Programs, Ralph Sly; Vice-President Membership, Elsie Crimaldi; Recording Secretary, Barbara Purtee; Treasurer/Publicity, Barbara Dye.

Josie Freeman is chairperson for the yearbook. Positions for Corresponding Secretary, flower show and scrapbook are open. The Club would really like to have members volunteer to fill these positions. It is important that everyone participate in the duties and events of the club as much as possible. Anyone interested in helping should contact Joyce McMahon at 321-9029.

Even though the club does not meet during the summer, you can still become a member any time between now and October. Your name will not be in the yearbook unless you join by the end of May, but membership dues will be accepted all summer. Just send a check for \$5 (made out to the Gulfport Garden and Bird Club) to Elsie Crimaldi, 2850 59th Street S. Gulfport, 33707.

A special "thank you" to the officers and committee members who put together this year's programs. Plans for the coming year will feature many new ideas as the Garden Club marks its 71st year. The Club wishes each of you a safe and happy summer. See you in October.

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Jean Andino, Gulfport: "We almost always leave 20%."

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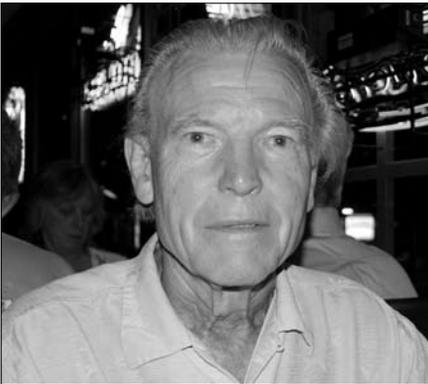
Andrea Royce, Gulfport: "I always tip 20%. It has to be really bad for me to tip less."

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Karin Martin, St. Petersburg: "It's like pornography. You know it when you see it."

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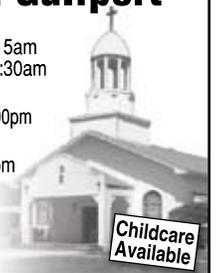
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Crossword Puzzle

Solution on Page 18

ACROSS

- 1 Anjou, e.g.
- 5 Short-legged cattle dog
- 10 Declines
- 14 Concerning
- 15 Bulb plant
- 16 Diamonds, e.g.
- 17 Feline PGA luminary?
- 19 Highly spiced stew
- 20 Sun-dried brick
- 21 Hotel name
- 23 Eject
- 26 Observed
- 27 Fruit peddler
- 31 Scan
- 34 Lawyers' org.
- 35 Dine at home
- 37 Warning signal
- 38 Decays
- 40 Carries
- 42 Libyan neighbor
- 43 Turkish bigwig
- 45 Type of spray
- 47 Pub offering
- 48 Canadian capital
- 50 Played a banjo
- 52 At all times
- 53 Long adventure story

- 54 Updated version
- 57 1972 hurricane
- 61 Yemen seaport
- 62 Ursine football coach
- 66 Engine noise
- 67 Kelly or Grumman
- 68 Nautical greeting
- 69 Hardy girl
- 70 Cosmetician Lauder
- 71 Abnormal breathing sound

DOWN

- 1 Bread with a pouch
- 2 Novelist Bagnold
- 3 Jason's ship
- 4 Nike competitor
- 5 Moo maker
- 6 Lennon's partner
- 7 ___ Grande
- 8 Deities
- 9 Shoe part
- 10 Abstruse
- 11 Bovine Costner film?
- 12 Liver secretion
- 13 Celebrity
- 18 Employ again
- 22 Affirmative votes
- 24 RBI, e.g.
- 25 Wyoming mountain range

- 27 A Marx brother
- 28 German WWII sub
- 29 Feline folk-rock singer
- 30 Gam and Coolidge
- 32 Black Panther name
- 33 Stopped
- 36 Retreats
- 39 Thin slices of wood
- 41 Author Paretsky
- 44 Fills with wonder
- 46 Hoosier senator
- 49 Suitable for plowing
- 51 Hungarian
- 54 Completely absorbed
- 55 McClurg, of TV
- 56 Peggy and Robert E.
- 58 Okinawa seaport
- 59 Tautomerism compound
- 60 Eyelid infection
- 63 Louvre contents
- 64 Caviar base
- 65 Cricket term

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Come early and purchase food and drink from some of the St. Petersburg Saturday Morning Market's most popular vendors, or enjoy your own picnic while listening to music before the movie. A limited number of chairs will be available or bring your own blanket or seat. Convenient parking is located at the Baywalk garage or in the Pier parking lots.

The schedule is as follows:

- May 17: "Rear Window" (1954) a Hitchcock thriller, nominated for 4 Oscars, with James Stewart and Grace Kelly. Music performed by Grant Peeples.

- May 24: "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993) with Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan...you will probably be smiling but clutching tissues at the movie's end! Local favorite Rebekah Pulley plays before the film.

- May 31: "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" (1986) directed and written by John Hughes...one of the great comedy classics! Music by Lance Lubin and the Clearwater Bluegrass Review.

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The two-day event from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. is open to the public; admission is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children. Parking is free. Numerous cat-related vendors as well as food vendors also participate in the popular show. For more information visit www.skywaycatclub.com or call 727-289-1989.

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Rally for the Cure

The City of Treasure Island is taking part in Rally for the Cure, a breast cancer awareness campaign that began as a grassroots women’s golf program in 1996 and this year has expanded to include tennis events.

The Rally for the Cure Tennis Mixer will be held at the Treasure Bay Golf and Tennis facility located at 10315 Paradise Boulevard in Treasure Island on Saturday, May 19th at 9 a.m. for a fee of \$20 per person. The event is open to the public and to reserve a spot please call the Treasure Bay Golf and Tennis facility at 727-360-6062. Each participant will receive a one-year subscription to one of a selection of Conde Nast Publications magazines including SELF, Bon Appetit, GQ or Architectural Digest. As part of the Rally for the Cure tennis mixer, a fastest-serve contest will be held. A prize will be awarded to the winner. Participants should wear pink! All proceeds will benefit the Susan G. Komen for the Cure.

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Horoscope Guide

By Holiday Mathis

The annular solar eclipse announces the week with a dramatic flourish. For the opening act, the sun's crossing into Gemini and the new moon bring auspicious beginnings, and everything flows from there. On Thursday, Mercury enters Gemini, too, which is a favorable placement, as Gemini is ruled by the communication planet. Word and deed are locked in alignment. People understand one another, so express freely.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A special event will be your focus. Getting ready will probably be the best part of the whole thing, so have fun with all of your preparations. Do what makes you feel fabulous, and then revel in your fabulousness. The actual event may be a close second to getting ready if you have only mild expectations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Sometimes wanting a particular outcome too much makes you unwilling to back away from things even when you sense that the timing is off. Help yourself become more objective by doing what it takes to return to a state of relaxed neutrality. This may mean giving yourself a little treat of some kind.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Even though you have 100 billion high-speed neural processors in your brain to help you with the countless functions it takes to be human, you can still only pay attention to one thing at a time. You'll take care to focus well this week, eliminating distractions and choosing the most compelling subject matter.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You are sensitive this week, and your body needs good rest to keep up with your schedule. Your eyes will respond to the computer screen in much the same way they respond to sunlight. So turn off the computer at least two hours before bed to ensure you get the quality of sleep you need during a week as busy as this one.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Just as Earth's strong magnetic field is crucial to maintaining a life-

sustaining atmosphere, your personal magnetism is crucial to maintaining your environment. Any and all time you spend on becoming more attractive to yourself and others is actually essential to creating your preferred experience.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You may realize that you respond to a cue with a particular action every single time and that, for better or worse, you've created a habit out of this action. You're at liberty to alter this habit at any time, but this week is especially stellar for establishing a more suitable pattern.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It doesn't matter how long it takes you to achieve your special goal; just get there in the end. You have grit: the attitude necessary to keep propelling you toward your goals in spite of the obstacles. Make a Plan B, and you'll have greater confidence in your pursuit of Plan A, making it that much more likely to pan out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You should in no way take it personally when people don't respond to you with their usual good cheer. Rather, you'll find it effective to figure out their problem (which is not you) and help them try to solve it. You'll have the opportunity to score points and win the favor of a VIP on Wednesday and Thursday.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You needn't be too obvious, as your subtle wishes and preferences are clear to all this week. Because your personal power is turned up, people naturally are inclined to notice what you want and try to provide it. Next week, you'll have to work harder for this attention, so make the most of it now!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are uncomfortable with the idea that life will change you without your consent; therefore, you spend most of the week controlling as many variables as you can, essentially changing yourself before life even has a chance. Trying to change too many factors simultaneously won't work. You'll win by focusing on one habit.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You find yourself in a position of need, and it's good that you're here. Otherwise, you'd have no excuse to interact and bond with certain people. Besides, people love to assist you, so in a sense, you'll be giving them a gift by letting them solve your problems and make your life better.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Too often, strangers get the extra-charming version of an individual, while loved ones at home get a lower-energy version. That's not true in your case, though. You'll bring your best, sweetest and most exciting self home, and your stellar social skills will translate into top relationship skills.

This Week's Birthdays: You'll like the strange way your year unfolds. Unusual communications lead to your most interesting work to date. In June, you'll shake an anchor that's been weighing you down. Your open, sharing attitude pulls a beautiful someone into your life in July. August will be favored for its financial potential. Invest in yourself, your education and the tools you need to do excellent work. There will be domestic improvements in September. You'll handle key details and simplify your scene.

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of tropical cyclone impacts that include storm surge, damaging wind, fresh water flooding, and tornadoes.

Vendors scheduled for this conference All Florida Weatherproofing & Construction, Carrollwood Window & Door, Inc., CAT 5 Archive, City of Gulfport Community Development, City of Gulfport Fire Department, City of Gulfport Police Department, Gulfport CERT TEAM, The Gabber, Gulfport Patch, Home Depot, Hurricane Windows and Doors, Lowes, Proximity Communications, Red Cross, TLC Herbal Therapy, and WhitCo Insurance Agency.

Daniel Noah has been a meteorologist

with the National Weather Service for over 22 years and is currently the Warning Coordination Meteorologist at the Tampa Bay office at the National Weather Service. He has been a member of the Florida Governor's Hurricane Conference Program Committee since 2006 where he works to organize and teach trainings and workshops (<http://www.flghc.org>) to educate others about the impacts of hurricanes and to promote changes to NWS hurricane products and services. "You can count on another hurricane in the Tampa Bay area," National Weather Service Meteorologist Dan Noah said. "We just can't tell you when."

So you won't miss dinner, the Senior Center Foundation snack bar, adjacent to the Theater, will open at 5 p.m. They are running a special: 2 slices of Pizza and a drink for \$3.00 so you can come early to view the vendors before the seminar begins. Vendors open at 6 p.m. and the Seminar starts at 7 p.m.

Admission to this event is free and open to the public. Call Gail Biron at 727-893-1118.



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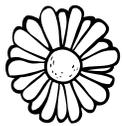
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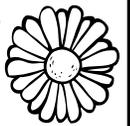
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PROGRAMS

2012 SUMMER PROGRAM- Resident Registration begins Tuesday, May 1s from 9 a.m. -5 p.m. for the 2012 Summer Recreation Program for children who have completed Kindergarten thru age 14. Proof of residency is required for registration. Hours of registration for Monday-Friday are from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Non Resident registration starts Monday, May 21st from 9 a.m. -5 p.m. You can pick up your packet at the Rec. Center or log on to www.mygulfport.us and follow the links to City Departments, Leisure Services, Rec Center. For more information call 893-1068.

2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR CHILD CARE PROGRAM - The School Year Child Care Program is for children entering Kindergarten thru age 14. It is also a quality program which provides a nurturing atmosphere where each child has the opportunity to experience many recreational, social, creative and enriching activities at a cost affordable to families. The program

is licensed by the Pinellas County License Board. Non-refundable annual registration fee is \$17 for residents and \$110 for non-residents. Program hours are until 5:30 p.m. with extended hours available until 6 p.m. for an extra charge. Hours of registration are Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

2011-2012 TEEN NIGHT PROGRAM - The Teen Night Program is a great hang out for teens in middle school to age 18 (if still in high school). It provides recreation and social activities. It also offers monthly field trips, cooking projects, guest speakers and service projects. The teens utilize the gymnasium, gameroom and outdoor area. Program hours are Mon., Wed. & Fri. 6-9 p.m. Annual reg. \$2 res/\$8 non-res.

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

CLASSES - Call instructor for more information.

- Braveheart Bootcamp- Tues., 6:30 p.m. Call Ally at 727-748-6612
- Cheerleading - Call Alison at 410-2227.
- Conversational Spanish- Mon., 6:30-7:30. Call 482-2125 for more info
- Fencing - Wed., 4:30 p.m. Call Jim Campoli at 813-855-3112.
- Gymnastics - Fri. 5:30-6:15 p.m. Call Barbara at 804-9400.
- Hula Dance Class - Wed., 11 a.m.-Noon. Call Kalina at 727-251-0424

- Karate - Mon. & Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Call Diane at 459-1399.
- Live Music with Yoga- Starts Mon., May 7th, 10 - 11:15 a.m. Call Valerie at 557-4258
- Tai Chi -Tues. & Thurs., 9-10:15 a.m. Call Marge at 345-6708.
- Tennis - Tues., 5 p.m. & 6 p.m. Call Jack at 280-4276.
- Watercolor with Patsi - Beginners/Intermediate - Thurs., 6:30-8:45 p.m. Call Patsi at 501-3559.
- Yoga in the A. M. - Wed., 9-10 a.m. Call Valerie at 557-4258.
- Yoga- Wed., 6:30-7:30 p.m. Call Tamara at 512-2763.
- Zumba- Thur., 7:45 p.m. Call Rachel at 727-748-6612

TOMLINSON SKATE PARK

Effective October 1st, all skaters/bicyclists MUST purchase a new City of Gulfport Skate Park sticker to use the City of Gulfport's Tomlinson Lake Skate Park. Stickers MUST be visibly placed on the helmet. Annual fee for stickers is \$5 for residents and \$10 for non-residents. Also, all skaters/bicyclists 17 years of age or younger MUST have a signed parental consent form filed at the Gulfport Recreation Center which is located at 5730 Shore Blvd. S. Availability to register: Monday - Friday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Stickers valid from October 1, 2011 - September 30, 2012.

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Citizenship Classes: Mondays, 5-7 p.m. FMI, contact Adriana Santos, 727-222-8883 or 727-442-6881, email asantos@umcm.info.

Coffee/Talk Book Club: Thursday, May 17, 10:00 am. Discussion of One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich, by Alexander Solzhenitsyn, over coffee & light refreshments. Stop by the Circulation Desk to pick up a copy of the book. Please call 893-1073 FMI.

Voter Registration training for vol-

unteers: Saturday, May 19, 1:00 pm. FMI, call 727-488-4197.

One-on-One Computer Instruction: Mondays and Wednesdays, 10:30 am-1:00 pm. First come, first served.

Free Thinkers Open AA (Twelve Step) Meeting: Tuesdays, 5:45-6:45 pm. FMI: Call 727-360-9069.

Gulfport Creative Short Story Writers: Wednesdays at 10:00 am.

Game on! Teen Board Game Afternoons: Wednesdays from 2:30-4:00 pm. Stop by after school to challenge your opponents!

Business Debtors Anonymous Meeting: Thursdays, 4:30 - 6 pm, starting June 7. FMI, call Bren, 727-238-1688.

Services *City Sponsored Activities* *in the Community*

Senior Center

5501 27th Ave. S. 893-2237

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mini Flea Market: Come check out the great bargains at our Mini Flea Market on Friday, May 18, 9am to 1pm.

Voting Information: Voting information, registration and re-registration forms will be available on Fri. May 18 from 10am to noon. Take advantage of this convenient service.

Variety Show: The month of May is Older Americans Month and the Senior Center wants to celebrate YOU! Come to our free Variety Show on Wed. May 23 at 1:30pm in the Senior Center Dining Hall. Includes great entertainment, refreshments, door prizes and an opportunity drawing. Our Gulfport Community will also celebrate Older Americans Month from May 21 through May 25. Look for details in the Gulfport Gabber.

Senior Center Rays Fan Club: Come have lunch at the Senior Center Snack Bar on Wed. May 23 and stay to watch the Rays play the Blue Jays on our flat screen TV at 1:10pm. Free snacks included. It's great fun to watch the Rays with other enthusiastic fans!

Senior Trips: Many day trips are available such as Hard Rock Casino on May 27(\$20) or Ybor City Tour including lunch at Gaspar's Grotto on May 22 (\$45). Call Carolyn at 347-0806 for details and info on other 1 & 2 day trips.

Hurricane Seminar: The City of Gulfport's annual Hurricane Seminar will be held in the Hickman Theater on Thurs. May 24th at 7pm. Meteorologist Daniel Noah will share how to best prepare for a natural disaster. Come early to receive info from the hurricane related vendors. So you won't miss dinner, the Senior Center Snack Bar, adjacent to the Theater will be open at 5pm. They are running a special: 2

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slices of pizza and a drink for \$3.00.

Beach Party Bingo: Mark your calendar now for Beach Party Bingo on Wed. June 27 at 1pm. Games, refreshments, and more! Tickets: \$3.00. (No Bingo on Fri. June 29)

SPECIAL SERVICES

Senior Center Snack Bar: Lunch To Go: Enjoy your fun at the beach and pick up a boxed lunch to go at the Senior Center Snack Bar. Ham or Turkey Sandwich, Chips and Beverage only \$3.00. Call 893-2259 to place your order.

Transportation Service: GEMS Door-to-door transportation service for Gulfport seniors 55 and over is available Mon. thru Fri. 8:15am to 4pm. Annual registration fee is \$55 and each one way ride is \$1. Call GEMS at 893-2242 for more info.

AARP Driving Class: are offered on the first two Tuesdays of every month at 12:45pm. Must attend both days. Call 727-341-0130 for fee and registration info.

Support Groups

- Diabetic Support on Mondays at 9:30am.
- Grandparent Grandchild Connection, 4th Tues at 6:30pm
- Hearing Support 1st & 3rd Mon. at 2pm
- Visually Impaired Support, 2nd & 4th Mon. at 2pm.
- Caregivers: Every Wed. at 2pm

More Activities: To view the Senior Center calendar in its entirety, please log onto [HYPERLINK "http://www.gulfportseniorfoundation.org"](http://www.gulfportseniorfoundation.org).

Neighborhood Center
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7-8pm East Coast Swing Lesson
8-11pm Swing Dance, \$7

Every Thursday
Salsa Dance
6:30-8pm Beg. & Inter. Lessons
8-10pm Dance, \$7

Jewish Genealogical Society to Meet

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Tampa Bay will meet at Gulf Coast Jewish Family Services, 14041 Icot Blvd. in Clearwater on Sunday, May 20 at 2 p.m. with a presentation by Debbe Hagner, Accredited Genealogist, on using emerging technologies to improve your genealogical research. Ms. Hagner recently attended the annual Rootstech Conference in Salt Lake City where emerging technologies for genealogists were featured.

Debbe Hagner is a full-time professional genealogist who is accredited through the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS) in Salt Lake City. She is one of the few fully credentialed professional genealogists in the Tampa Bay Area. Ms. Hagner has been doing genealogical research on her own family for over 30 years, and she has a Certificate in Family History Research & North American Research from Brigham Young University.

The pre-program social with refreshments and library access

begins at 1:30 p.m. and the featured program starts at 2 p.m. For information about the organization or directions to the meeting, call Linda Zolinsky at 727-372-0646.

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Artlink 2012 Opens at American Stage

On Thursday, May 17th at 7 p.m., Creative Clay, Inc., will unveil Artlink 2012 at American Stage, 163 Third Street N., St. Petersburg. The reception will exhibit the work of five Artlink teams, a pairing of professional artists from the community with Pinellas County Transition students.

Creative Clay, Inc., a non-profit, opened in 1995 with the expressed mission to make the arts accessible to every interested member of the Tampa Bay community regardless of age, gender, ability and/or race.

In addition to its daily arts program, Creative Clay created Artlink in 2000 to pair professional artists with its member artists who work as a team for six months to create collaborative work in a variety of mediums. This year's pairing features the work of Pinellas County Schools, exceptional education students, extended transition, ages 18 to 22. Transition students attend the art program, which is under the auspices of the Pinellas County School Board, but housed at Creative Clay headquarters.

Artlink 2012 features large format acrylic painting, ceramics, graphic art and digital photography. The exhibit runs through May 25. Artlink teams will be present at the opening reception and will be available to discuss their art.

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Amvets Post 698 News

Amvets Post 698 wishes to say hello to everyone, especially their members and future new members. They are looking forward to presenting a special Memorial Day Celebration on May 28th. All are welcome to stop in and say hello at 5864 Park Blvd., Pinellas Park or call 727 548-0698.

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29th Annual Senior Hall of Fame

ST. PETERSBURG- The Office on Aging will present the inductees into the prestigious 29th Annual Senior Hall of Fame honoring volunteers over the age of 65 on Wednesday, May 23 at 5:30 p.m. Nominees are residents of Pinellas County and have dedicated their service to benefit the community of St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg Mayor Bill Foster will emcee the awards ceremony at the Sunshine Center, 330 Fifth Street N. Certificates for all nominees and prizes for the inductees will be awarded.

Previous inductees include volunteers from various non-profit organizations such as the Florida Orchestra, museums, schools, churches, neighborhood associations, military groups, police, and many more. Free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

Please call 727-893-7101 or visit the website <http://www.stpeteparksrec.org/office-on-aging.html> for more information.

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Donation to "Angels Against Abuse"



The Women's Chamber of Commerce of the Greater Gulf Beaches held their last luncheon till October, at the Wine Cellar on North Redington Beach on May 2nd. A check was presented to Angela Gonzalez of "Angels Against Abuse".

Left to right President Joanne Dilworth and Angela Gonzalez of "Angels Against Abuse".

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Public Comment & Council Quotes

“You want to make money in the Casino? Gay marriage? You would have a wait!” –Charlene Metrano, who said she hoped that the registry was the first step towards legalizing gay marriage

“It has been said that the Domestic Partnership Registry is symbolism... and I agree. And so is marriage. Except that symbol of marriage... carries rights.” – Mike Schnippering

“Some of the comments I heard tonight are some of the best comments I’ve heard in this room. I promise not to suck any joy out this room like I did last week.” – Councilman Dan Liedtke, who voted no on the first reading but yes on the second reading

“It’s OK to do it some cases and [not in others.]” – Cindy Davis, about public sentiment against dredging that was missing as council discusses dredging a small section of Clam Bayou

“It would be really nice if one of our city buildings had a solar panel.” – Councilwoman Jennifer Salmon

“I don’t want to touch RVs again until the budget’s done... if even then.” – Vice Mayor Sam Henderson, about councilwoman Jennifer Salmon’s request that the city revisit RV parking issues with an eye toward “liberalizing” the rules.

“We’ve had some rough patches here... Divisive behavior has intensified... not only up here. The fact is, we’re not at war. When sides get picked, you’re trying to beat somebody. Gulfport’s too small for sides. I’d like for us – I think we started tonight, to tell you the truth – to close that divide. I’m hoping we can start fresh and work together for the good of the city.” – Vice Mayor Sam Henderson, in what he called his “get along” speech. Looking at Councilwomen Barbara Banno and Jennifer Salmon, he said he understood that they may have felt he had wronged them.

“I’m totally right behind you. I think maybe how we felt wronged, maybe you felt wronged, too and tonight is a high that we really should stick to... thanks for bringing that up tonight.” – Councilwoman Barbara Banno, to the Vice Mayor

“In light of your statement, I would really would love it if all of council would walk in Pride’s Promenade. I can already see the banner: ‘First in Pinellas’...” – Councilwoman Jennifer Salmon

Suncoast Hospice Teen Volunteer Fair

Join Suncoast Hospice at their south-county teen volunteer fair on May 31 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the St. Petersburg community service center, 3050 First Avenue S. in St. Petersburg. Teens in south-Pinellas County ages 14-18 and their parents or guardians are invited to learn about the many volunteer opportunities at Suncoast Hospice. Snacks and door prizes will be provided.

Suncoast Hospice is Pinellas County’s nonprofit hospice care agency with talented volunteers, including more than 400 active teen volunteers. Come out and find your niche. For information about the volunteer fair, call Fabiana Compas 727-564-5920 or e-mail fabianac@thehospice.org.

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6th Annual Bikers n Boobs Poker Run

The Bikers n Boobs Poker Run will be held on Sunday, May 20th at Quaker Steak and Lube, 10400 49th Street N. in Clearwater hosted by Radical Randy. Event includes a special blessing of the bikes, bike show, Poker prizes of \$500, \$200 and \$100, silent auction, drawings, 50/50, live entertainment, survivor celebration ceremony, vendors, chapter challenge, and more. It provides a great scenic route open to all vehicles! Non riders/drivers are welcome to participate. Preregister now through May 16th for \$30 (includes shirt and four poker hands) at www.bikersraisingawareness.org. Registration at the event is 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. For more details and registration: info@bikersraisingawareness.org or call 727-698-0078.

All proceeds benefit BRA Bikers Raising Awareness®, a 501 (c) 3 not for profit organization. BRA’s breast cancer funds pay for a local patient’s living expenses going directly to the source, such as utility company, rent, mortgage, insurance, etc. Donations of nonperishable foods, old cell phones and ink cartridges will also be gratefully accepted at the event.

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Beach Views: A Guest Column



By Jim Parent,
St. Pete Beach Commissioner

About the proposed dock by the city's community center

St Pete Beach has a unique opportunity.

Installing docks by Horan Park improves one of our City properties, takes advantage of our natural geography, and follows policy and objectives in our Comprehensive Plan.

I've talked to many people concerning this project and I hear solid support, a few who are not in favor of it, and some good questions. I am not preaching to the choir or the firing squad. Here are my answers to the most common questions.

Is there too much risk?

We have already been awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Interior for \$219,750. We need to spend \$73,250 in matching funds. When we finish construction we will have an asset worth \$290,000. This is similar to receiving a brand new house worth \$290,000 by paying \$73,250. We will supervise and administer construction. We are not adding people to build this. I don't call that risk, I call it opportunity.

Will this cost the City in ongoing expense?

Gulfport installed a transient dock (about the same size as we are building) in 2005. They have spent nothing (\$0.00) in maintenance costs. Our City Finance Director estimates no added insurance costs; our current umbrella policy should cover this dock. Automatic pump-out stations are no more difficult to operate than car wash vacuums, and if we charge for dockage we could use parking meters like St. Petersburg. We do not plan to add any people to operate the dock. We do not plan to add any other amenities.

Can we make any money on this?

Talking to the Gulfport Harbormaster, looking at usage numbers in Gulfport and St Petersburg, and conservatively discounting expectations indicates that one dock could net around \$30,000 to \$50,000 a year on an ongoing basis; returning our initial investment in about two years and building up funds for possible self-funded future expansion. Ultimately we could bring in over \$150,000 per year, in my opinion.

Should the City be competing with private business?

Cities exist to provide services to those residents that choose to live in them; localized services we cannot get from the County, State, or Federal government. SPB "operates" two beach grills, Merry Pier, the Don Vista Building, Community Center, Warren Webster and the Municipal Pool. We

receive income from all of these in the form of rental, usage fees, or expense payments. They are each in some form of competition with business. Depending on which ones you count we make between a half (\$500,000) and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) a year. This is revenue that not sourced from our real estate taxes and goes to offset City expenses.

Evidence indicates that docks would increase local businesses' economic activity. Boaters can walk to a grocery store, drugstore, restaurants, a movie theatre, and other local shops. Taxi and Free Beach Rides can cover our entire City in minutes. The type of tourist this dock will attract could spend more money in our community, per capita, than our spring breakers and families.

Does anybody want a marina?

The majority of residents I have talked to are in favor of this dock project. Most people live on an island to enjoy water. A barrier island, our City is about 2.2 square miles land (88%) and about 17.6 square miles water. This project provides an attractive addition to our waterfront, does not significantly add to City traffic, provides alternate access to future redevelopment areas, and makes the City more attractive for commercial and residential investment. To Dock or not to Dock This project, this unique opportunity, is a positive accomplishment regarding our Comprehensive Plan, which I support. That Plan was developed with tons of citizen input. This project

meets residents' wishes to "maintain public access to our beaches and waterfronts using environmentally sensitive design." It also addresses the Comp Plan call to encourage land development which highlights scenic amenities and ensure public access to the waterfront.

Most directly, this project addresses the Comp Plan Objective that states: "Public waterfront access shall be pursued and expanded."

During development of the 2012 Capital Budget, after good discussion, questions and concerns, the Commission was unanimous in support. I never stop analyzing. The more I look into this project, the more I talk to residents and local municipal harbormasters and go over usage and financial reports, the more I am in favor of it as a sound addition to our community and the more I appreciate our grant award.

There are, of course, more questions. Is the boating industry dying? Will the Corey Bridge be open more? Why no fuel? Why would people stop?

If you want more detail, and my findings and opinions on these other questions, visit my website at www.JimParentSPB.com or send an email to me at J.Parent@StPeteBeach.org

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Big Bank Games

Back to the barricades, Tea Party. Oops, it's the Occupy Wall Street group that is now on the barricades. However, it was the Tea Party common folks who first objected to the nearly trillion dollar bail-outs the banks got during the financial crisis of four years ago. They objected, too, to the huge government deficits that were and are piling up. The Occupiers are late comers and bomb throwers and anarchists no more interested in a stable banking system than a bank robber. Tea Partiers, on the other hand, went on to actually elect people who don't want to throw your money around. Keep that in mind when the media and democrats are quick to praise and even defend the Occupy movement.

Anyway, the banks, or at least one bank, is at it again. It's pretty boring, but J.P. Morgan, one of the bailed out banks, just lost \$2 billion messing around with its money. The bank is so big that \$2 billion doesn't really hurt it, supposedly. How many other banks are throwing their depositors' money around isn't known, so still this is a big deal.

It's a big deal for the politicians in an election year. Democrats and the Obama administration are cheering

because this is an excuse for more government regulation of the financial system. The banks are evil and need to be controlled by the anti-evil federal government. Yeah. Right. There were plenty of regulations in place for the financial implosion in 2008. The problem was that the regulators and the banks and the regulations and the government and politicians themselves (Freddie Mae and Mac) were all in the same bed. The banks and some Republicans are yelling "no mas" to regulations.

They are both wrong. It's not regulations that are needed, but a new look at the financial system - top to bottom. Not something doable in the short term and certainly not in an election year. The problem before was that banks were "too big to fail". That was the argument for the TARP funds that bailed out all the banks that bet on the housing market. If the big banks failed everyone would go down with them. By the way, big finance was a big financier of the Obama administration and still is, but appears to be switching alliances. None of it is good.

Most of the TARP money did get paid back, but apparently, if J.P. Morgan is an indication, banks are gambling again. They're called "instruments" and some are

legitimate investments, some short-term betting on interest rates to try and smooth out the ups and downs of the market. However, some are bets on bets that are already bets on bets. Like a Vegas casino operation. High salaried operatives (like \$5 million dollar executives) get incentives and bonuses for transactions and someone, somewhere gets commissions on everything that is done.

What we're talking about here is the Big Banks: Morgan, Chase, Bank of America, Wells Fargo, Goldman Sachs. They're not your neighborhood banks. The Big Banks deal in lending and investing and insurance and real estate. There's no separation between depositors' money and risks in the market. Regulators try to make sure banks hold back enough money to cover losses. What's enough when dabbling in global markets?

There was a wall set up in the big Depression and it was called the Glass-Steagall Act. It was repealed during the Clinton administration when banks were again permitted to be investment banks. By all accounts the Act was already dead, but the concept died with repeal. It needs to be looked at again. And we need to determine (supposedly that has been done) what is too big to fail. Anti-trust laws are supposed to keep companies from controlling too much of the market which promotes competition and keeps government from having to do bail-outs. It goes for car companies, too.

In the meantime, Morgan's CEO Jamie Dimon fired Ina Drew, the woman in charge of investments, after much praise for her dedication to the company. Dimon was contrite about the losses which, a couple of weeks before, he denied had happened. A Wall Street Journal story uncovered the mess. Dimon ranted and railed about the story then, but is open and disarmingly matter-of-fact now. Why hasn't he been fired?

It's a mess that will get messier. The problem is that the mess might get passed onto us whether through defaults or regulations. It's difficult not to be cynical.

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- Domestic-** 2500 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Trespass-** 1200 Blk 49th St. S.
- Juvenile Trouble-** 900 Blk 58th St. S.
- Hit & Run-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Fraud/Forgery-** 5100 Blk 13th Ave. S.

Unknown Problem- Tangerine Ave. & 49th St. S.

Friday 5/4

- Person Under Influence-** 59th St. & 30th Ave. S.
- Noise-** 4600 Blk 27th Ave. S.
- Juvenile Trouble-** 55th St. & Jersey Ave. S.

- Animal Call-** 2600 Blk 46th St. S.
- Fraud/Forgery-** 2500 Blk 51st Way S.
- Domestic-** 5000 Blk 28th Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 5800 Blk 13th Ave. S.
- Disorderly Conduct-** 5700 Blk 30th Ave. S.
- Animal Call-** 30th Ave. & 58th St. S.
- Domestic-** 2900 Blk 57th St. S.
- Hit & Run-** 58th St. & Gulfport Blvd. S.

Saturday 5/5

- Prowler-** 5300 Blk Newton Ave. S.
- Animal Call-** 2200 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Disorderly Conduct-** 700 Blk 59th St. S.
- Noise-** 1800 Blk 21st Ave. S.
- Juvenile Trouble-** 51st St. & 15th Ave. S.
- Assault Battery-** 1000 Blk 60th St. S.
- Noise-** 2900 Blk Beach Blvd. S.

Sunday 5/6

- Person Under Influence-** Beach Blvd & 23rd Ave. S.
- DUI-** Shore Blvd. & 58th St. S.
- Reckless Driver-** 460 Blk 29th Ave. S.
- Alarm Hold Up-** 5200 Blk Dellett Ave. S.
- Noise-** 4600 Blk 27th Ave. S.
- Disorderly Conduct-** 2800 Blk Beach Blvd. S.

Monday 5/7

- Person Under Influence-** 1600 Blk 58th St. S.
- Animal Call-** 5100 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Domestic-** 2800 Blk 49th St. S.
- Assault/Battery-** 5700 Blk 21st Ave. S.
- Prowler-** 4900 Blk 23rd Ave. S.
- Trespass-** 2500 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
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Wednesday 5/9

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HOPE Expo 2012 is sponsored by the U.S. Dept. of HUD; state, local and community-based housing

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Garden Club of St. Petersburg

The Garden Club of St. Petersburg welcomes all adults to their crafts programs which are offered the first Monday of the month from September through June and the following dates in the summer. It is \$3.50 per member and \$4.50 for guests. They meet from 10-12 in their building at the corner of 5th Ave. S. and Park Street. A sense of enthusiasm and a wish to meet new people is all that is necessary, though your own scissors and a pencil are always good.

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Friday Flicks in the Park

The City of Treasure Island will present its Friday Flicks in the Park on the 2nd & 4th Friday in June

and July in the Treasure Island Community Center Park located at 106th Avenue and Gulf Boulevard. The event begins at 7 p.m. with food vendors and activities for the children, with the movies beginning at 9 p.m. The schedule is as follows: June 8th, "Dolphin Tale"; June 22nd, "Puss in Boots"; July 13th, "Big Miracle"; July 27th, "Sherlock Holmes, A Game of Shadows".

The movie will be shown under the stars on a giant outdoor screen. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and enjoy the show. Snack vendors and children's activities will be available for before and during the movie.

The event is free to the public. For additional information, please contact the Treasure Island Recreation Department at 727-547-4575, ext. 237 or visit the City's website at www.mytreasureisland.org.

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St. Petersburg Aglow Lighthouse

St. Petersburg Aglow Lighthouse invites you to its meeting on Saturday, May 19 at 11:30 a.m. in the Piccadilly Restaurant, 1900 34th Street N. in St. Petersburg. Irene Gibson from Aglow International Florida Southwest Area Board will be the guest speaker. In order to use the restaurant facility, a food purchase (large or small) is required. Call 327-9070 or 348-3587.

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Fresh Market Coming to Azalea

Starting July 7th the Azalea Recreational Center is becoming the home of the Azalea Community Fresh Market. Located in the Tyrone area, the market plans to have fresh produce, arts and crafts, foods of all sorts, activities for the kids, a variety of music and much more.

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By Scott Lafee

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For years, researchers focused on perfecting a test that analyzed the presence of a particular, telltale biomarker called carcinoembryonic antigen, or CEA. But CEA is also found in the blood of healthy people, and its level of concentration varies by genetic background and lifestyle.

McGill scientists stepped back to get a bigger -- and hopefully better -- picture. They want to create a molecular portrait that simultaneously measures multiple blood proteins and identifies the combination of signature molecules that make up cancer's characteristic "fingerprint."

No such test current exists, but writing in the journal *Molecular & Cellular Proteomics*, the McGill researchers say they've developed the beginnings of one. They tested an early version on 17 volunteers already diagnosed with a type of breast cancer and 11 healthy controls. The test identified a subset of six of 32 surveyed proteins that could, in combination, reveal the presence of cancer.

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Source: Judith Bentkover, Brown University

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By Robert J. Myers, Esq.

What is a Guardianship? Part 2

This article is a continuation of our previous article regarding "What Is A Guardianship?"

WHO MAY SERVE AS A GUARDIAN?

If someone is an adult resident of the State of Florida, that person is potentially qualified to serve as a guardian in Florida. Likewise, a close relative of a ward who is not a resident of the State of Florida may also be qualified to serve as a guardian. However, if a proposed guardian is incapable of performing the duties of a guardian or has been convicted of a felony, that person cannot be appointed by the Probate Court as a guardian. Generally,

the Probate Court will give careful consideration to the wishes and desires expressed by a ward as to the selection of a guardian.

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A GUARDIAN?

Guardians are required to be bonded and may be required to complete a Court-approved training program for guardians. Guardians are required by the Probate Court to be represented by a lawyer. All guardianship reports are presented to the Probate Court for review and approval. In the event a guardian does not carry out his or her duties in a responsible manner, the guardian is subject to removal by the Probate Court.

ARE THERE LESS SEVERE ALTERNATIVES TO A GUARDIANSHIP?

Guardianship is an expensive and time-consuming process. Use of less severe alternatives to guardianship is highly recommended. For example, the use of a durable power of attorney, a health care directive and/or a revocable living trust may eliminate

the need for a guardianship thereby reducing the costs and time delay associated with guardianships.

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Seminar to Aid Veterans

LARGO- The Armed Forces History Museum will host the Maggi Veterans Solutions Seminar for Veterans and surviving spouses on Saturday, June 2nd from 11a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Officers' Club of the Museum. Admission is free. Global Mobile Diagnostics will also be on hand to provide complimentary free thyroid tests. Refreshments will be served.

Veterans and spouses sometimes miss out on unclaimed financial reimbursement for Aid and Attendance. Aid and Attendance is a Veterans Affairs (VA) income benefit designed to provide supplemental income to older veterans who have low income or have high medical expenses. Those most likely to qualify are veterans and surviving spouses in assisted living, nursing facilities, or those receiving at-home care. To qualify for Aid and Attendance, veterans and surviving spouses must prove they need assistance on a daily basis. There are many conditions that may be considered by the VA in determining eligibility including assistance with bathing and other hygiene, assistance with dressing, undressing and grooming, and supervision with daily living activities so as not to harm themselves or others around them.

Maggi Veterans Solutions offers valuable information regarding Aid and Attendance. Through their partnership with professionals across the nation, they assess, at no cost to veterans and surviving spouses, eligibility for the benefits and evaluate the best course of action to qualify for federal long-term care assistance. Maggi Veterans Solutions complimentary services may help veterans and surviving spouses earn up to \$1,950 per month tax free.

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In honor of Older Americans Month the following local businesses will provide special discounts during the week of May 21-25 for seniors 50 and over. For specific specials you may either call the Chamber office at 344-3711 or Senior Center 893-2237.

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Sky is for kids from Kindergarten to 6th Grade and will run from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. each day. The cost is \$25/child, with discounts available for families with multiple children. Call the church office at 727-344-1501 or visit www.tradewindschurch.org.

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Beta Sigma Phi

Six members of Laureate Epsilon Theta will travel to Port Canaveral on May 17-20 for the Annual Florida Beta Sigma Phi State Convention. It will be at the Radisson at the Port with the theme for the weekend "Shipwrecked." Several other members of other chapters will join them. They will be making the final presentation for hosting next year's convention in St. Petersburg. Lucy Brushaber, Val Rankin, Joyce Keller, Barbara Bofferding, Pam Puskas and Sharon Ingram will all leave on Thursday for the weekend.

The last regular chapter meeting for the sorority year will be held on Wednesday, May 25 at the home of Paula Lyons. Paula will present the program for the evening. At this meeting, members who participated during the year in the "Beta Buddy" secret sister exchange will be revealed. They will be drawing names for the new year.

Once June is here, LET members will meet on the second and fourth Wednesday to paint Christmas Mice ornaments.

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Summer Camps in St. Pete Beach

ST. PETE BEACH- The St. Pete Beach Recreation Division is offering awesome summer camp programs, inviting residents and non-residents alike to fill their "Passport to Summer Fun" with us. The W.A.V.E. Camp is for those who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grades; the T.W.E.E.N.S. camp is for older kids who have completed 6th through 8th grades; and brand-new this summer is our Junior Counselor program for those finishing 9th or 10th grades. Junior Counselors assist with camp operations and can get valuable work experience and volunteer hours.

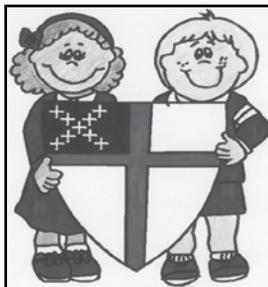
All summer long campers will collect stamps on their keep-sake passport as they participate in activities such as games, crafts, swimming, weekly field trips, and signature special events such as All Camps Day, Beach Olympics, Kid's Triathlon, Fishing Derby and much more. The full 8-week camp program runs from June 18th to August 10th. Pre- and Post-camps are also available the weeks before and after for an additional charge.

All camp information and paperwork can be found online at www.spbrec.com. Registration begins April 2nd in the Recreation Office, 7701 Boca Ciega Drive.

Several specialty camps and programs will also be available this summer and can be taken alone or in conjunction with our regular camp program. "Archery for Kidz" will be offered the weeks of June 11th and July 9th, contact Coach Dan McKaeg at 727-536-6207. Summer Painting Classes will be offered every Thursday, contact Caroline Duvoc

at 727-647-8294. Swim Lessons for kids of all ages are offered all summer long at the Aquatic Center; registered campers in the W.A.V.E. or T.W.E.E.N.S. programs receive a discounted rate. Information on all specialty camps and lessons can be found online at www.spbrec.com or call for more information at 727-363-9245.

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By Cathy Salustri

City of St. Pete Beach: *Smiley's and Hotel*

Q: What's up with Smileys Snacks? Are they open or what? Every time I drive by they seem to be closed with no cars in the lot except for the free Beach ride jitneys, although their signs are lit. And, what about that abandoned hotel across the street? The construction got off to a good start, then slowed to a crawl and now seems to be abandoned.

A: The Hotel Zamora, across the street from Smiley's Snack Shack (which is still open), at 3701 Gulf Boulevard is going through foreclosure.

"We have met with people who are interested in acquiring it. I don't know if it has to go through the foreclosure before they can buy it," St. Pete Beach Senior Planner Catherine Hartley told us.

To keep as a hotel, Hartley says, the city commission would have to grant "Temporary Lodging Density" (TLD) status to the building, which allows the owners to operate as a hotel. When someone abandons a property, under city rules the use automatically reverts to residential. If the commission denies the TLD status, the building use will remain residential.

Between unpaid building permit fees, fees to transfer the building permit to the new owner, and transportation concurrency fees (a fee for the impact the development would have on transportation), the property owners owe St. Pete Beach over \$100,000. This property sold in May 2005 for \$2.2 million.

The property also has a code enforcement lien, which adds to the money owed to the city.

Gulfport Rec Summer Program

Get ready to splash into summer as registration for the 2012 Summer Program has begun for Gulfport residents. Registration is for children who have completed Kindergarten thru age 14. Hours of registration are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Registrations for non-residents not enrolled in the School Year Child Care Program begin Monday, May 21st for 30 children max. Annual registration fees are \$17 for residents and \$110 for non-residents. The 8-week program (June 18 - August 10) cost is \$275 for residents and \$550 for non-residents, which does not include field trips. Pre-camp (June 11-15) and Post-camp (August 13-17) cost is \$77 for each week, which includes field trips. Pre and Post camps are limited to 60 Gulfport residents only. New this summer is Weekly Rates- \$50 for residents, \$100 for non-residents (excluding Pre and Post Camp). Summer camp hours are from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. with extended hours available until 6 p.m. for an extra charge. Detailed pricing is currently available at the Recreation Center, 5730 Shore Blvd. S. or on-line (www.mygulfport.us) and follow the links: City Departments, Leisure Services, Rec Center). Packets are now available. Call 893-1068.

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Immerse yourself into the movement of yoga complemented by a musical journey Mondays May 21 and June 4 from 10-11:15 a.m. at the Gulfport Recreation Center, 5730 Shore Blvd. S. Class fee is \$20. Joel will play a myriad of healing vocal and guitar sounds.

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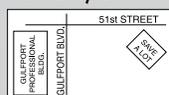


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Gulfport residence joined members of the council and mayor for an historic photo celebrating the signing of the Domestic Partner Registry on Wednesday morning.

Domestic Partner Registry, from front page

Denise Wimmer Lowe said. "This" referred to the city's creation of a way for unmarried couples to take part in a domestic partnership registry.

The city's registry will allow the following rights for registered domestic partners within city limits:

- Healthcare facility visitation
- Medical decision making power for an incapacitated partner
- Ability to make funeral arrangements for one another
- Emergency notification
- Designation as a pre-need guardian
- Within the parameters of state and federal law, participate in the education of a dependent's education

"This is not a replacement for marriage equality," Jan Lowe said "However, it is a step in that direction."

"When it comes to equality, this community stands proud and it stands together," Doug Hudson said, commending the council on leading the way.

Councilwoman Barbara Banno suggested that people designate a healthcare surrogate and set up a power of attorney even if they signed on to the registry.

Councilman Dan Liedtke voted no at the first reading of this ordinance. Tuesday night he said his "no" vote was because he worried that someone might be excluded from making funeral arrangements or visiting a sick partner because they thought they'd taken all the steps they needed to take.

Vice Mayor Sam Henderson confirmed that people who signed the registry would be advised to create a power of attorney and designate a healthcare surrogate.

The council voted unanimously to create the registry, which the audience received with a standing applause.

The registry will cost \$25. Registered domestic partners will get a certificate and two wallet-sized cards. The registry will be public record.

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So Studio Tour

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Last year the tour had one point of departure and five studios. That wasn't enough for Gulfport's enthusiastic arts community.

"It was very well received and people asked us to consider expanding," So49 Vice President, SoStudio Project Coordinator, and owner of the Longhouse Andrea Royce said.

This year, the SoStudio Tour, organized by the So49 Business Association, had 16 studios, even more artists, and three points of departure. Here's only a few things you may have seen along the trolley route on this year's tour.



Pictured from top: Vivi Steinfeld talks about the challenges of working with film and a darkroom in the digital age.



John Shevlin welcomes visitors to the Chamber of Commerce with his tropical fish and other paintings.

Carol Watson uses imprints from garden foliage in her brightly-hued work.



Tour Barbara Gilberg Habitat

By Natalie Leggette

Tour the park on May 17th at 10 a.m. and learn about plant health and when to use chemicals. Pick up free brochures. Anyone who has a group can contact me at 384-0701 to tour the park. Barbara Gilberg Habitat is located at 1600 Pasadena Avenue next to the electronic billboard on Shore Drive.

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The City of Gulfport Celebrates Flag Day

Flag Day commemorates the adoption of the flag on June 14, 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. To the original members of the Continental Congress, red stood for hardiness and courage, white for purity and innocence, and blue for vigilance and justice for the American flag.

This special and moving event is held Thursday, June 14th at 10 a.m. at Veterans Park on the corner of 54th St. S. and Shore Blvd. S. in Gulfport and is open to the public. The City of Gulfport and the American Legion Post 125 will host a very moving Flag Day ceremony as they retire old American flags by proper ceremonial burn. Special guest vocalist and former Broadway singer and author Victor Helou will perform. For more information, contact 727-893-1118.

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Aquatic Summer Camp

ST. PETERSBURG- Make it marine week June 18 to June 22. The new Aquatic Summer Camp is an adventure for children age eight to twelve to experience marine life, explore our water ways and learn how to be safe in, on, and around the water. Activities include kayaking, sailing, fishing, and a trip to see Winter the dolphin at the Clearwater Marina. Camp is daily Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at North Shore Aquatic Complex, 901 North Shore Drive NE. Cost is \$200 weekly. Space is limited. ADVANTAGE Membership and ability to swim required. Limited spots. For more information, contact Stuart Burns at 727-893-9689.

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Spanish Classes are Forming

A new Spanish Class is forming for all levels at the Gulfport Recreation Center. Learn everyday Spanish for work, travel or as a hobby. Translation services will also be available. Classes are \$10 each and are on Mondays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Call 727-482-2125 after 5 p.m. for more information.

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Woman's Club Installs New officers

On Friday, May 11th, the GFWC St Petersburg Woman's Club at 40 Snell Isle Boulevard N.E. hosted their Annual Installation of Officers and Luncheon. Past President (1978-80) Mary Wheeler, presided over the installation ceremony. Officers installed were: President: Carole Groll; President Elect: Laura Sharpe Brock; 1st Vice President: Sue Deveney; 2nd Vice Pres: Pat Bonnano; 3rd Vice President: Bev Nahon; 4th Vice President: Sue McEwen ; Recording Secretary: Beth Timberlake; Corresponding Secretary: Evelyn Wilty; Treasurer: Teresa Hartley; Bookings Treasurer: Marty Hallas. Although their club meetings will be on hiatus until September, their Friday afternoon card games will continue.

The St. Petersburg Woman's Club which has been active in the community since 1913, is affiliated with the General Federation Of Woman's Clubs. They are a not-for profit volunteer organization committed to serving the community through hands-on projects and fund raising as well as leadership development. Come visit and find out more information about their club-membership, monthly meetings, weekly sewing group, card games or information on renting their Historical Clubhouse. Call 727-822-4982 or check out their website: www.StPetersburgWomansClub.org.

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Local Obituaries

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HARRISON, HELEN MARGARET, Our Mom was born March 26, 1924 in Blue Earth, Minnesota to

Norwegian-American parents. When her dad died she was just 5 years old. Her mom sold the farm and moved young Helen with her sister Janice and brother Philip to Hubbard, Iowa where she grew-up. She attended Hubbard High School, and as a member of the girls' basketball team she broke the record for most-points-scored. A record she held for decades! Her friends called her Mike – short for Michaelson her maiden name. Her Sea Captain husband, Curg Wilson Harrison (aka: CW/Bill/"Captain" – an Elizabethtown, Kentucky boy) called her Mike too. That was her name all her life. At the Gulfport Senior Center Bridge Club everybody knew her as Mike. And she loved her Bridge days. There was always a foursome to be found less than a mile from her Marina District home, which was just perfect for Mom. In fact during her most recent memory test her doctor asked her to write a complete sentence--as Geriatric doctors do. And Mike wrote, "I play Bridge twice a week, and I love it!" Did she ever! Mike loved a lot. She loved to read. She was a member of the Gulfport Library and she read *The Gabber* every week. She loved sewing, decorating, playing and teaching piano, listening to classical music. And she loved to laugh. I remember sitting next to her on the banks of Church Lake in Odessa, FL after a family barbeque. Watching the sunset I said "Wow!" And Mom, looking toward the West, said "Yes, it's always better when the meat's done." Ain't that the truth. Mike liked to cook. Dad would bring home recipes from around the world for Mom to try out. And we would have to eat them: Fried Rice,

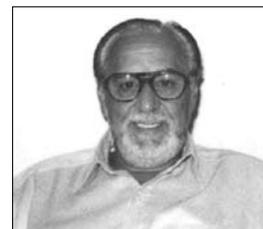
Moussaka, Sukiyaki, Curry, Tacos, Pansit Guisado, Sauerbraten, Moo Goo Gai Pan, Kringla and Lefsa, Scrapple, and Burgoo. And for a treat Mom made cinnamon rolls. Mike got hooked on Bridge as a student at Iowa State University and met her husband Bill in 1948 at a Hockey match in Seattle, Washington. They partnered-up at the Bridge table, and they partnered-up for life too. Mom and Dad played together all the time. From their first home on the Charles River in Boston, MA, to the Navel Base at the Canal Zone in Panama; to Bridge tables in San Diego and Long Beach, California; to Great Lakes, IL, to Odessa, Florida, and years later at the retirement community, Fleet Landing, in Atlantic Beach, FL; to their final home together in Hampshire, IL, with daughter Cathy. Mike and Bill raised five daughters – Cathy, Becky, Randi, Sara and Kim in that order. While stationed at the U.S. Navel War College in Newport, Rhode Island, Mike had Cathy and Becky. I, Randi showed up in Charleston, SC. Sara Jane—or "Girlie" as we called her--was born in Norfolk, Virginia. Baby Kim came along during their last tour of duty while we were residents on Brick Row at the Great Lakes Navel Center where Bill retired at the rank of Captain as Commander of the Recruit Training Center. When Bill died in 2006 Mike stuck around Hampshire for a few more years, but it was hard for Mike to keep a weekly Bridge game going--the closest one was 20 miles away. In 2010 Mike moved back to Florida and her last years were spent in Gulfport on a block with several other neighbors named "Mike". Mom and daughter Becky lived together--in my opinion--in the cutest house on the block. It's painted pink and green with silhouettes of diving dolphins on the front wall. When I was visiting Mom and Becky, the defining moment of life in Gulfport was seeing this beautiful Great White Egret show up nearly everyday by the front door. Mom named it "Big Boy", (You can see Big Boy and Mike in a video on YouTube at: http://youtu.be/6yL_u0P7pTk.) Mom once said she wanted her obit to read: "She loved her Bourbon." Only one Bourbon Cocktail a day, but it

was tradition. Mike will be inurned with our Dad at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia—date to be announced. Mike is survived by her five daughters, ten grand children and seven great-grand children. The most recent great grandson, Jacob Thomas Smith, was born May 3, 2012. Since Mom's passing on April 24th, Becky has a new canary and named it "Mike."

SULLIVAN, MARC L. "EVIL", 66, of Gulfport, passed away April 13, 2012. He served in the army in Vietnam, retired from GTE in 1998. He is survived by Sandy Griffith; son, Dutch Sullivan; sister, Kathleen Guy; stepson, Eric Kabler; 2 granddaughters and his extended family, Mike, Bryan, Chris Griffith; and 2 grandchildren. Memorial service, Suncoast Cathedral, 2300 62nd Avenue N., May 12th, at 11 a.m.

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The adventure includes regular Deep Sea Voyages into the Bible, crafts, music and dinner. To be a part of all the excitement call the church office 321-3620 and sign-up. Pre-registration is a requirement so we know how many to expect for dinner.

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Summertime News from Sons of Italy

The Sons of Italy Lodge located at 2500 34th Street S. in St. Petersburg will remain open from 4-8 p.m. on Mondays and will continue their "All You Can Eat Monday Night Pasta Dinner" for \$6.

On Thursdays from 4-8 p.m. the Lodge will be open serving fried cod fish with steak fries or fried chicken tenders with steak fries for \$6 each dinner.

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"Most attorneys have never been in a situation where they have been worried about how to keep the lights on, but I have been there myself so I can really relate to what people are going through," said Sanders. "Plus, many people are very embarrassed when they come to me, but when I tell them how embarrassing it was for me to have to stand in front of judges and colleagues who knew me

and go through the process myself, that usually helps to put people more at ease and understand that I have been there and done that MYSELF."

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

He began his career as a staff attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice in Atlanta. He is licensed to practice law in both Florida and Georgia.

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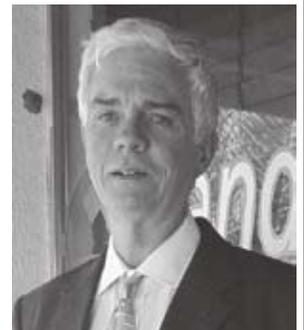
Sanders has held a number of seminars and

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written professional papers concerning bankruptcy law in general, ECF requirements and new issues. He is a former director of the Bankruptcy Section of the State Bar of Georgia. **The firm also handles Short Sale negotiations, defense against foreclosures, wills & trusts, civil litigation and loan modifications.**

Outside of the courtroom, Sanders lives in an unusual home in Gulfport that was one of the featured properties in a recent Pink Flamingo Tour of Homes. It has a tree growing right up through the floor and up through the ceiling of his kitchen. He has four dogs and a cat.

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Center, 1500 Pass-a-Grille Way, St. Pete Beach (1 mile south of Don CeSar) Start at your convenience. First day, come at 6:30 p.m. to register. Begin any Tuesday and finish 13 weeks later or take up to two years to finish.

May's program includes: "Weather" May 22 and "Your Boat's Radio" May 29.

June's program includes: "Which Boat is for You" June 5, "Equipment for Your Boat" June 12, "Waterway Watch/Trailer Your Boat" June 19, and "Handling Your Boat" June 26.

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

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Lithuanian-American Lunch this Thursday

The Lithuanian-American Club at 4880 46 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg is changing its menu during the summer months. They will be tryout out various Lithuanian ethnic entrees. This Thursday our menu is an ethnic surprise. The cost is still \$7 for entree, side, dessert and coffee. They still have Lithuanian beer and now fresh baked Lithuanian bread to buy. Call Vida at 866-7936 for more information. Everyone is welcome.

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Ashtanga Yoga Classes in Gulfport

Gulfport Recreation Center will be offering a Primary Ashtanga Yoga Class every Friday night, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. through July 27. Fee \$15 per class. If you have any question, call Marisha at 727-871-1251 (marisha.francis@yahoo.com) or Tamara 727-512-2763 (tharte@tampabay.rr.com).

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Saint Somewhere Brewery: Liquid Florida

By Cathy Salustri

“Are you sure we’re going to a brewery and not some guy’s backyard?”

My friends aren’t joking, and they aren’t asking an unreasonable question. I promised them a brewery tour and then proceeded to lead them pretty much to the dead center of nowhere. We drove away from the quaint sponge docks and into what one could best call a rural/industrial area of Tarpon Springs. I have directions but no clear idea of where I’m taking them.

I expected something not unlike the old Busch Gardens brewery tours.

This is not that tour.

WHAT: Saint

Somewhere brews craft beer. They advertise a tour on their web site, but think of it as more of an open house. An open house that takes place in an industrial park, under a tent. It doesn’t matter; it’s still a don’t-miss Florida brewery. You walk into a small office, pay your tour fee, and get your glass. The staff (which consists of the brewer and couple volunteers) will fill your glass once from each of the three taps. What’s on tap depends on what’s brewing.

Saint Somewhere gets its name from the Buffett anthem *Boat Drinks* (not, as my friends suggest, the remote location of the brewery), but this beer tastes nothing like brews sponsored by the artist who penned that song. These are beers created by a man who loves beer. The three we tasted – the Caitlin, the

Saison Athene and the Lectio Divina – all had strong flavors. A brewery event here is one part tasting and one part beer school, because you’ll learn how Saint Somewhere brews its beer and why it tastes the way it does.

WHO: Bob Sylvester started out as a home brewer, but his operation quickly outgrew his garage and he started brewing professionally. He uses a trial and taste method of brewing, which means he tries different things and tastes the result, deciding what to keep, what to change, and what to throw away. It may not be a precise science, but he creates brews like Pays du Soleil, which smells like suntan oil but tastes sharp and sweet all at once.

WHY: If you’re a craft beer fan, you’re probably already making plans to head to the next tour. Everyone else may wonder why on earth they should drive to an industrial park in one of Tarpon’s lesser-known areas to try Saint Somewhere.

Bob can tell you how his brewery’s proximity to the Gulf of Mexico changes the taste of his beer, but it’s more than just salt air that makes Saint Somewhere a Florida experience. Whether its three guys smoking mullet caught on the bayou or a family selling fresh -picked Ruskin tomatoes at a roadside stand, it’s the Sunshine State’s stamp that makes this special. It’s a liquid Florida experience, brewed in small batches close to the sea.

WHEN: You can tour the brewery on Thursday and Friday nights. Tastings start at 6 p.m. and last two hours.

WHERE: 1441 Savannah Avenue, Suite E, Tarpon Springs.

BEST part: Well, you know, it’s beer, lovingly made in small batches. At our tasting we tasted Saint Somewhere’s Saison Athene, which I called “chicken beer” because the rosemary and black pepper called to mind roasted chicken, mashed potatoes, and asparagus. That’s not to say the beer tasted like any of those things, but it tasted divine. Another beer that makes this a great brewery is the Pays du Soleil, which smells like suntan lotion but has quite a different taste.

WORST part: You get three glasses of beer. While it’s awesome, don’t go expecting to drink the night away – you can’t buy a second ticket. Which, come to think of it, is actually pretty responsible of these guys.

MAGIC Question: \$10 buys you a glass, which the Saint Somewhere guys will fill for you three times.

Contact Cathy Salustri at CathySalustri@TheGabber.com.



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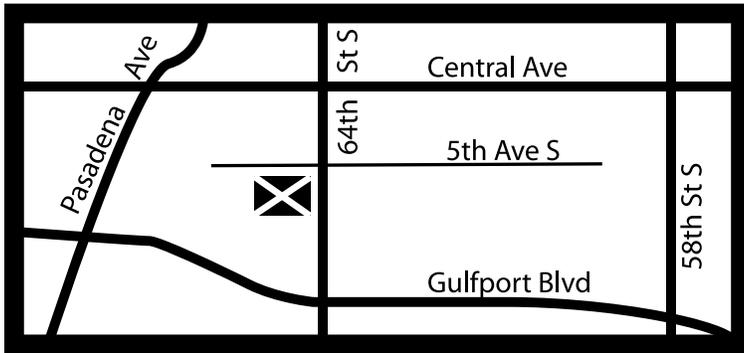




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