

## Gulfport Police Investigate “Suspicious” Death

By Cathy Salustri



Shortly after 5 p.m. last night, Gulfport police responded to what Gulfport Detective Hanh Pham called a “suspicious death” at 5802 Gulfport Boulevard. Richard Cummins, 61, was found by his roommate, Zachary Logwood. Detective Hanh Pham told the Gabber that several factors led to Gulfport Police and the Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office treating the death as “suspicious.”

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## It Doesn’t Take a Category 5

By Shelly Wilson

What do you think is the biggest threat to the Tampa Bay Area during hurricane season? Is it the rain? The storm surge? Category 5 winds?

The answer is none of the above. You can haggle over statistics, but according to Pinellas County Public Information Specialist Tom Iovino, likely the biggest threat to you, your family and your home this season is not a storm. It’s complacency.

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## The Evolution of SoStudio

By Cathy Salustri

After three years, So49 has bridged the art gap between 49th Street and Gulfport’s arts district, at least for one weekend. The SoStudio Tour, which spanned two days over the Memorial Day holiday, branched out from working studios along 49th Street to the city’s historic arts district downtown.

“That was largely due to ‘go with the flow’ of what the community wanted to see happen,” Andrea Royce, vice president of the 49th Street South business association, So49, said Saturday. “This year it took on a whole new life.”

While locals and tourists have long thought of Gulfport’s Beach Boulevard as a place for the arts,



Grace, an intuitive artist, explains her technique as part of a live demonstrations at this weekend’s SoStudio Tour. Grace demonstrated her art at the Longhouse. While artists like Grace, shown in the photo, demonstrated their art in local businesses like the Longhouse, some, like Holly Harriman, preferred to display their artwork.

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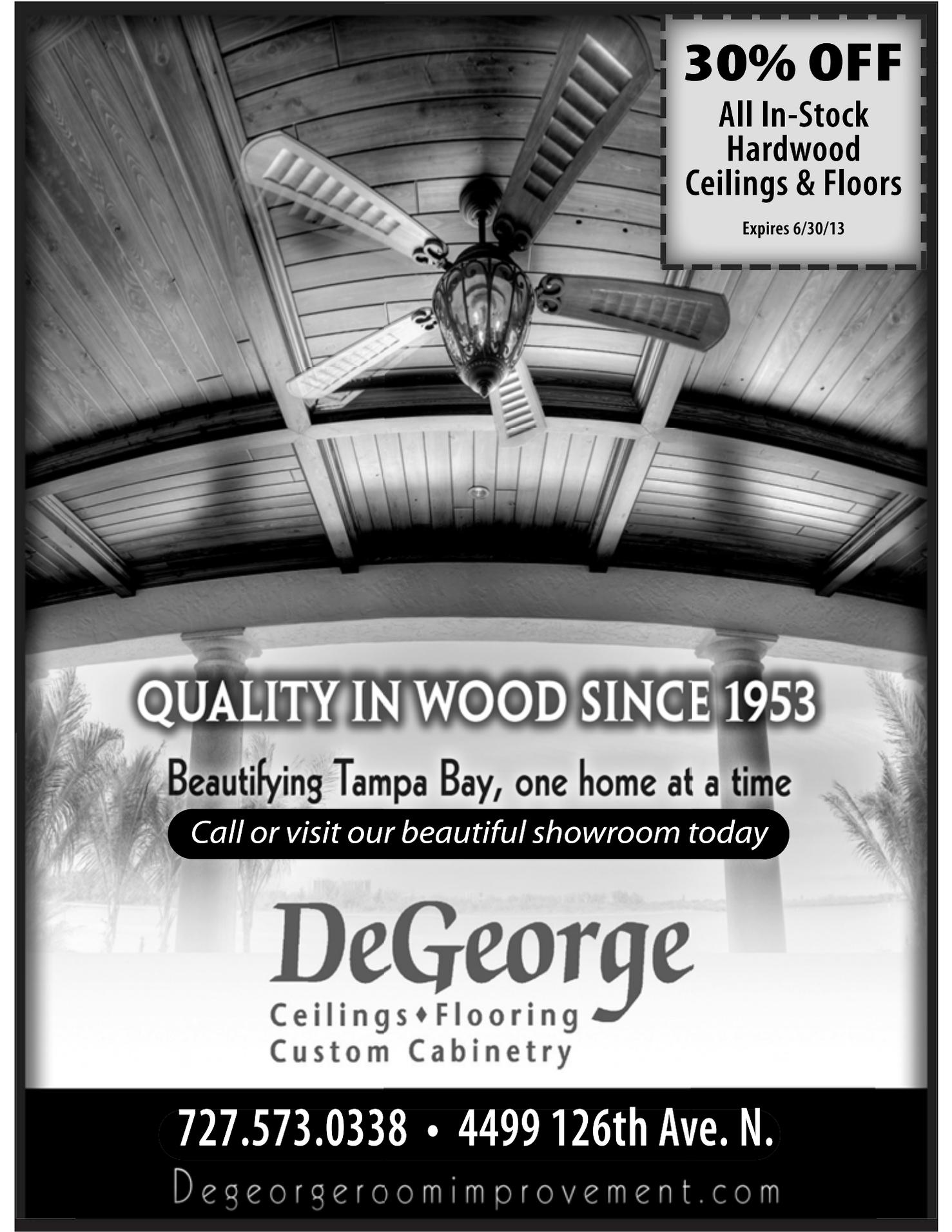


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So49's SoStudio tour brought awareness to Gulfport artists working in other areas of the city. In past years the tour focused on small studios in private homes as well as showings in So49 businesses. For the third annual tour, which now marks the start of summer for many Gulfportians, So49 featured artists in 19 locations, including the Beach Boulevard Industrial Arts Center of Gulfport (IACG). The first year, the studio tour featured five artists; last year, 16. For the first time, the Gulfport Merchants Association (GMA) co-sponsored the event, covering the cost of booklet printing.

Four nonprofits worked together on the event: the IACG, the GMA, So49, and City of Imagination/Gulfport Arts Center.

The studio tour created an informal "arts path" tying the 49th Street district to downtown, with studios, City of Imagination/Gulfport Arts Center and Alley of the Arts along the way from one area to the next.

The partnership sprang from working relationships between downtown artists and the businesses in So49. Although the GMA focuses on Beach and Shore Boulevard and So49 on businesses along 49th Street, local artists came together for this event.

"I saw it as a really positive interaction," Owen Pach, vice

president of the Gulfport Merchants, president and resident artist of the IACG said. "That's the way it should be. We need to work together."

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A suspicious death does not mean murder.

"When we label something as a suspicious death, it's more or less because the cause has yet to be determined and there's signs at the scene that we haven't been able to rule the death as an accident or natural until [there's] further investigation. If something doesn't appear natural at the time, we consider it suspicious," Detective Pham explained. An autopsy will determine whether or not there was "foul play" involved.

The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office forensics department processed the scene and the county medical

examiner will perform an autopsy to determine the cause of death, which remains under investigation.

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Summer Dive-In Movies are back at The St. Pete Beach Community Aquatic Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Dr. Bring your noodles, floats, and chairs to lounge by the pool while watching a movie on our big inflatable screen out under the stars! Their first Dive-In Movie will be on Friday, June 14th featuring "Shark Tale". If you can't make it on June 14th don't worry. They have Dive-Ins scheduled every Friday night through August 9th. Snacks, drinks and glow jewelry will be sold. No outside coolers or food allowed. Doors open at 8 p.m. Admission is only \$4 per person. This event will be canceled

in inclement weather. For the full schedule of Dive-In Movies visit [www.spbrec.com](http://www.spbrec.com). For more information call the Aquatic Center at 727-363-9264.

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## Music and Theater Summer Camp

The Performing Arts Consortium of St. Petersburg is presenting a Summer Camp at the Catherine Hickman Theater in Gulfport. The Camp will run from June 10th to June 21st, Monday through Friday, with two shows. One camp will be for elementary and middle school ages and the second camp for high school ages with a stage show at the end of the camp for each age group.

This camp will be a good learning experience for students interested in the performing arts and live theater. The musical show will be "The Little Mermaid" adapted from Hans Christian Andersen's story with original music composed by James Weaver. The show was originally performed at the Catherine Hickman Theater in April with students from St. Petersburg College.

Students will learn acting, singing, stage design and production. There will also be a filmed documentary of the camp. Students will learn acting and speaking in front of the camera with all students participating in the documentary. This is a chance to take part in a musical production and documentary from start to finish. Call 727-258-8315.

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Are you familiar with "The Secret" and some of the great things that you can wish happen in your life? Join Life Coach Kathy Lane as she discusses the Law of Attraction on Wednesday, June 5th at 1 p.m. at the Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Ave. S.

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## Players' 2013 - 2014 Season

The Gulfport Community Players are looking forward to another great season in their 33rd year of existence. They have, once again, tried to select plays that they hope the audiences in the Gulfport area will enjoy. Here's their new season:

- "The Cooley Girls", , a comedy/drama by Brad Stephens; Runs Nov. 7-17th, 2013
- "Inlaws, Outlaws, and Other People (That Should Be Shot)", by Steve Franco. A Farce, Mystery/Thriller. Runs Jan. 9th-26th, 2014
- "Visiting Mr. Green", Jewish family comedy/drama by Jeff Baron. Runs Feb. 20th-Mar. 9th, 2014
- "Stepping Out", by Richard Harris. Runs April 3rd-20th, 2014
- "14th Annual Summer One Act Festival". Comedies and dramas by

various playwrights. Runs July 10th-20th, 2014.

Don't forget! The Players still have their current season to finish first. They have just finished auditions for their "13th Annual Summer One Act Festival", have selected their casts, and rehearsals start next week. This Festival, which has 11 original short plays, will run at the Catherine A. Hickman Theater of Gulfport from July 11th through 21st. Tickets will be just \$15 each and will go on sale soon. See you at the Hickman!

## Wednesday Morning Yoga is Moving

Yoga with Valerie on Wednesday mornings will be at Scout Hall starting Wednesday, June 12. Class starts at 9 a.m. and cost is \$10 a class. Class suitable for all levels, yoga meets you where you are at. For more information call Valerie at 727-557-4258 or go to her website-getfitwithvalerie.com. Please bring a yoga mat and a bottle of water.



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While Disability Achievement Center serves individuals with disabilities of all ages and disability types in both Pinellas and Pasco counties, recipients of this specific equipment must live south of Ulmerton Road in Pinellas. Call 727-539-7550.

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## Summer Camps For Kids

Get ready for Hook, Line and Summer 2013 at The St. Pete Beach Community Center. Summer camps

are available for ages 3 years old and up. The full-day 8 week camp program runs from June 17th to August 9th. Pre and Post Camps are also available the weeks before and after for an additional charge. All summer long campers will participate in activities such as games, crafts, swimming, weekly field trips, and special events. Over 10 half-day specialty camps such as Cheerleading, Fishing and Windsurfing are also available. All camp information and paperwork can be found online at [www.spbrec.com](http://www.spbrec.com) or call 727-363-9245. Registration is going on now at The Community Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Drive.

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## Adopt a Feline this Month

Pinellas County Animal Services and shelters across the country are inundated with litters of kittens during the spring and summer months. The month of June is

dedicated to promoting cat adoption, in hopes that this will reduce the number of unsterile feline pets in Pinellas County.

As part of the Adopt a Shelter Cat Month special, \$5 rabies vaccinations with the purchase of a license will be available on Thursdays, 1 to 4 p.m. The adoption fee in June for cats will be reduced to \$25 during normal shelter adoption hours. The fee includes medical checkup, spaying/neutering, vaccinations, internal and external parasite control, heartworm testing and feline leukemia testing and micro chipping. The required Pinellas County license is also provided.

Pinellas County Animal Services is located at 12450 Ulmerton Road in Largo. Normal hours of operation are Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., with the adoption center closing at 5:30 p.m. Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and services include adoptions. Rabies vaccinations are administered on Thursdays from 1 to 4 p.m. The facility is closed all Pinellas County holidays.

For information on how to adopt, donate or volunteer, join Pinellas County Animal Services on Facebook. To learn more about the shelter, visit [www.pinellascounty.org/animalservices](http://www.pinellascounty.org/animalservices), or call 727-582-2600. The lost or found pets hotline is 727-582-2604.

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## Music is Coming to the City of Imagination!

In an effort to expand the scope of the arts at the City of Imagination at 2726 54th Street S., organizers have been soliciting local musicians to perform during art walks. Their first official act has signed on, performing on Friday, June 7th, from 6-8 p.m.

After his year-long place on the center stage at the Artists' Village Courtyard, Stone Handy is bringing his unique style of casual tunes and spoken word poetry to the City of Imagination. Handy expects to have guest musicians joining him

throughout the evening.

The June 7th artwalk is also the opening of the Imaginarium's June show: "Live from the Industrial Arts Center", featuring glasswork by Owen Pach, Tony Vouis, Elise Paultre, and others. Revealing another facet of his character, Handy will be contributing to the show with a collection of his whimsical pottery. Most of the artwork will be for sale, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the City of Imagination. Light refreshments will also be available.

Musicians, story tellers, poets and performers interested in scheduling

stage time should e-mail schork.jonathan@gmail.com. Meantime, come out and show your appreciation for your artist friends and neighbors, and "like" the City of Imagination on facebook to follow this and other events.

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## Senior Center Summer Hours

As of Monday, June 3rd, the Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center will begin new summer hours. Monday and Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tuesday and Wednesday evening classes are still available at the Senior Center. Wii Bowling on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., Italian Class for Beginners on Tuesday at 6 p.m., Italian Dance Practice on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., and Card Games on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

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## Summer Reading Program for Teens

The Gulfport Public Library's summer reading program for Teens, Beneath the Surface, age 6th grade to 12th grade, is every Wednesday from 4-6 p.m., starting June 12th. Signups for this amazing fun packed Summer Reading program begin at our summer kickoff party June 8, noon to 3 p.m. at the Gulfport Library.

Some highlights for this years "Beneath the Surface" teen reading program will include Zombie tag, making survival bracelets, a mustache party, movie and ice cream and special speakers. Each teen will get a prize for every book they read this summer, up to six books. If you read a total of six books, you will get invited to an end of the summer final party exclusively for Summer Reading Program readers.

Spark your imagination this summer and get a head start on school by reading at the Gulfport Library "Beneath the Surface" Summer Reading program. For more information, please call the Youth Services Librarian, Cailey Klasson at 893-1074.

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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 Friday, June 14th at 10 a.m. at Veterans Park on the corner of 54th St. S. and Shore Blvd. S. in Gulfport. This event is free and 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, please contact city of Gulfport Technical Events Specialist Justin Shea at 727-893-1118.

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## Hook, Line, and Summer on St. Pete Beach

Erica Steinke and her son Evan, 10, attended the St. Pete Beach summercamporientation Tuesday night. The Steinke family lives in St. Petersburg; it is their first year at summer camp on the beach. The summer program, "Hook, Line, and Summer" includes swimming, field trips and, if parents and kids so desire, specialty camps like fishing and journalism.



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### Summer Reading Program, K-5th grade

The Gulfport Public Library's summer reading program for kindergarten through 5th grade age kids, Dig into Reading, is every Wednesday from 2-3 p.m., starting June 12th. Signups for this amazing fun packed Summer Reading program begin at their summer kickoff party June 8, noon to 3 p.m. at the Gulfport Library.

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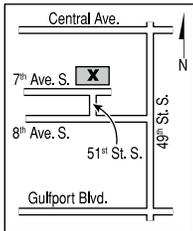
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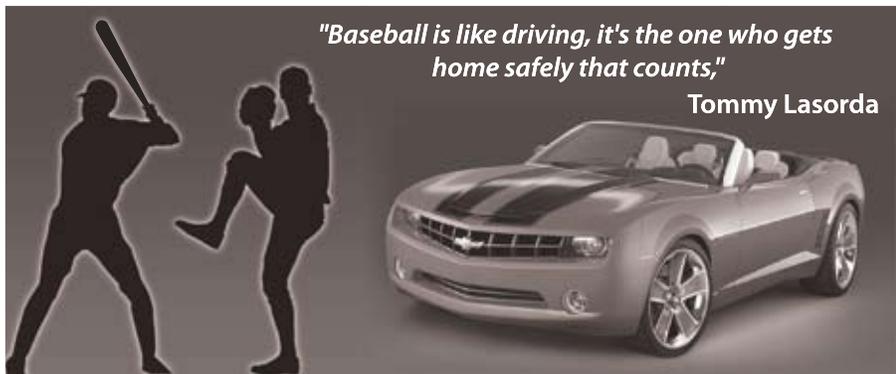
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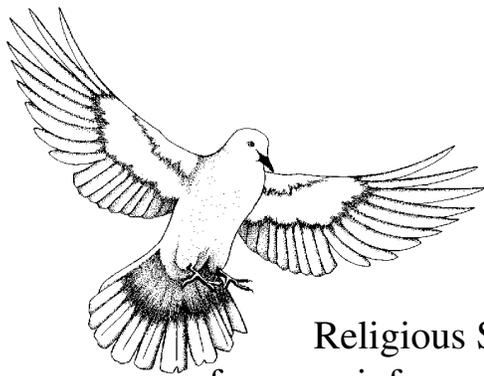
  
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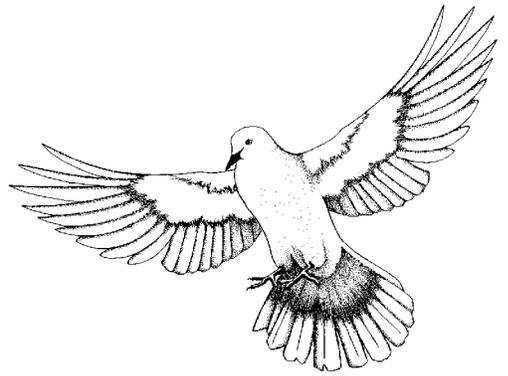
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## What's Happening at the City of Imagination?

Following up on their successes in producing entertainment for the Spring Faerie Fest at Clymer Park, and their inaugural art show "Radca & Glueck: shamanic pathways...", the City of Imagination is launching some exciting new programs for the spring/summer season.

In June the City of Imagination is hosting a curated show of work from the artists at the Industrial Arts Center of Gulfport. Whilst glass can be expected to dominate the collection—featuring items by Owen

Pach, Tony Vouis, Elise Paultre, and others—steel, stone and pottery pieces will round out the exhibit.

Launching their first annual kids' summer camp, TM&AF producer Ciara Carinci and SMS2 owner Jonathan Schork will be offering "Acting & Stagecraft Camp". The weeklong program, from July 8-12, is for children from 8-13 years old, and will explore hands-on every aspect of theatre from plot and script through props, costumes and sets, to casting, rehearsals and performance, with a special show on the 12th at 7 p.m. for friends and family of students and the City of Imagination.

For more details, and to follow the development of these and other projects, "like" the City of Imagination on Facebook and join the party!

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- 54 A Ponderosa son
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- 2 Take \_\_\_ from me ...
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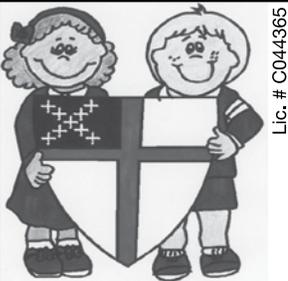
By Cathy Salustri

## City of Gulfport: Sales Tax

**Q:** How much sales tax revenue does Gulfport receive?

**A:** Last year the city received \$352,773, according to the city manager. This comes from restaurants, retail shops, fuel sales at the marina, slip rentals, local gas stations, and any other business operating in the city that collects sales tax. The marina paid \$68,000 in sales tax; unfortunately, the city does not have figures on how much private business collects and contributes.

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## Come See Antique Wedding Gowns

An exhibit of antique wedding gowns dating from the Victorian Era through the 1930s is scheduled for display from Wednesday, May 29 to Sunday, August 4, at Heritage Village. Favorite vintage wedding gowns from Heritage Village's permanent collection will be on display in the parlors of the House of Seven Gables during regular half-hour tours.

To help promote the exhibit, the program, Portrait of a Bride: An Evolving Silhouette is scheduled for Saturday, June 8 at 1 p.m. in the Magnolia Room of Pinellas County Parks and Conservation Resources, located at 12520 Ulmerton Road in Largo. The program will focus on the ever-evolving history of the American bride from the 1890s to the present as told through 25 to 40 vintage and contemporary wedding gowns that will be on display.

Through her collection, Leigh Anne Brown shares the stories of different wedding gowns and their importance in American history. Substantial emphasis is given to the social, economic and political events that surround each bride in her day and textiles used as influenced by the times in which the gowns were created.

The program is a fundraiser for the Pinellas County Historical Society and all proceeds will benefit Heritage Village. Tickets are on sale now in the Heritage Village gift shop; open Wednesday through Saturday, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. A \$10 entry fee includes entry into the program, cake and refreshment beverage. Limited seating is available; tickets must be purchased before day of program. For more information, call 727-582-2233.

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## Put your Two Cents in St. Petersburg Budget

Residents are invited to help city leaders determine funding priorities for the FY14 budget during the final public budget summit on June 12 at the Enoch Davis Center, 1111 18th Ave. S. The forum begins at 6 p.m. City administrators will provide a short summary of the proposed budget before allowing public comment on proposed reductions. Leaders are hoping to maintain the same level of quality service provided to residents over previous budget cycles without additional reductions. City Council will consider the final budget and tax rate for approval in September.

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# Horoscope Guide

By Holiday Mathis

Venus glides into emotional Cancer this week with treats for relationships that she parcels out like goodie bags filled with brightness and fun. Some of her past solutions were too shallow -- like goodie bags stuffed with candy and cheap plastic toys, stuff you really don't need. This time around, go for simple, wholesome choices, and avoid the shallow and unnecessary "answers" that will ultimately complicate your life.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Who needs external sources of entertainment when you have such a rich fantasy life? Dreaming is productive, especially when you dream in detail. Whether waking or asleep, there is power in your imaginings. Write down your visions, and later you'll find entertainment and solutions in these mental sprees.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You'll be a stabilizing influence on someone who usually plays that role for you. This doesn't mean you'll be stoic or fixed in your responses. You may help out by showing your feelings when the other person is closed off to emotion, or by providing a voice of reason to the other person's irrationality.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). How you talk to yourself inside your head is more important than the events going on in your life. For now, it's better to work on trying to see the bright side than trying to change the weather of your circumstances. The weather has its own agenda. If you're relentlessly positive, that agenda will be no match for you.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). What's going on behind the scenes is distracting you whether or not you consciously even know what it is. You may find yourself frequently flowing off topic in conversation or drifting away from the work you're supposed to be doing. The way back to your purpose is through addressing the elephant in the room.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). What do you do when the winds of fate offer to give you a ride, but you don't really like the direction they are headed?

Put down your sail. Lay low. Let them blow over. When things calm down, you can put up your sail again and steer your vessel toward the destination you were aiming for in the first place.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Relationships can't be forced into a better place, but they perhaps can be coaxed, humored or tempted to go there. Relationships can, however, be forced toward stiffness, weirdness and awkwardness. So take it easy. Relax, and the whole world relaxes with you -- or at least the easygoing ones!

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You never want to be so consumed with your own desires and interests that you can't see the big picture. That's why you keep assertive people around you and remain open to their opinions. Doing what they want to do a few times this week will give you the edge of a boosted perspective.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Approaching a new group of people is always daunting no matter how socially adept you may be. Your brave heart will have you moving into circles of people you know nothing about. The adventure of it brings on such an adrenaline rush that your experiences this week could set a tone for future behavior.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You have a healthy sense of wonder, and you're willing to entertain the other side of an argument. But don't buy into ideas that rub against your intuitive knowledge of what is correct. The omens suggest there will be rewards for open-mindedness, but don't bend over at the same time lest your brain tumbles out.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). The friends who tempt and intrigue you make it harder to be "good," but consider this: "We have to keep company with supposedly bad characters if we are to survive and not succumb to mental atrophy. People of good character, so called, are the ones who end up boring us to death." -- Thomas Bernhard

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Attitude is everything. Too bad

changing your attitude also happens to be one of the hardest things to do. It's mostly a process of letting go of ego, fear and a negative "story." The steady climb of your good attitude this week is something to really celebrate. Over time, positivity will absolutely change your life.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). A keen intellectual energy pushes you along this week. You'll be so clear-headed, in fact, that it will feel like you can solve the toughest problems by just thinking them through. Also, you'll do twice the mental work you usually do in half the time. By the weekend, you'll need to recharge with mindless fun.

**This Week's Birthdays:** Listen to your mind. Your birthday gift from the universe is a thought translator with which you can break your consciousness into categories of "helpful" and "unhelpful." You'll have many realizations and will begin a process of knowing and accepting yourself on deeper levels. Your outer world will reflect this new inner organization and calm. As the year progresses, it's easier for you to make money, build fortifying bonds and take care of yourself. You will truly come into your own.

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## Music at Gulfport Beach Pavilion #6

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Karaoke by Dave and Cookie

**Friday, 2-4:00 p.m.**

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**Sunday, 1-3:00 p.m.**

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## Get your Tickets to Cathy Awards Dinner

The Gulfport Community Players will be having their 16th Annual Cathy Awards Dinner and Ceremony on Sunday, June 16th, at the Players' Back Door Theater. The Players must know just how many people will be attending the Cathy Awards, so tickets must be purchased before June 10th! No tickets will be sold at the door! Tickets are just \$15 per person. All interested people are urged to attend, but in order to attend, you must send the Players a check to cover the number of people you're bringing to: Gulfport Community Players, 1619- 49th Street S., Gulfport, FL 33707.

Once again, no tickets will be sold at the door on June 16th so get those checks in the mail! Your ticket(s) will be waiting for you at the door on the night of June 16th.

The Cathy Awards is the Players' own tribute to all the hard working actors, directors, back stage people, etc. who have all made their past season so successful. It will be a real celebration and can be compared (a little) to the Tony Awards. Tension will be in the air and fingers will be crossed by many hoping to win one of the awards that night. Your ticket includes the dinner, ice tea or coffee, and the Awards Ceremony. There will be no take outs available. Beer and wine will be available at an additional cost.

The Players' Back Door Theater, located at 1619 49th Street S. in Gulfport, will open its doors at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. The Cathy Award Ceremony will follow the dinner. There will be plenty of free parking at the theater. Join the Players and your friends for a fine night of great food and celebration!

See you at the Back Door Theater!

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This year's freshwater license-free fishing day is Saturday, June 8.

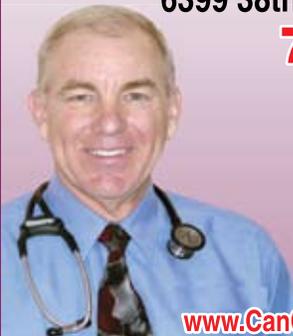
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## Thanking those who served

Nine year old Sandra Mestas had breakfast with her dad at the Wafflehouse in St. Pete Beach. She remembered her her 4th grade teacher, Mrs. Danette Valenti, recently talking about veterans. She approached two color Guard veterans at the next table, who are from the Gulfport Post, and thanked them for their service to our country then gave them a snappy salute.



Not many current American elementary school students were ever exposed to war, but Sandra was. Just five years ago on August 8, 2008, Sandra was with her mother in her home country, the Republic of South Ossetia, when neighboring Republic of Georgia brutally attacked on the opening night of the Olympics in China. Two bombs fell just 100 meters away from grandmother's house. She hopes that no children should ever have to endure that terror.

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## Take a Safe Boating Course

Flotilla 72 of the USCG Auxiliary will present a one day safe boating program "America's Boating Course" (ABC) from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 8th in the Flotilla building located at the USCG South Moorings, 1300 Beach Dr. SE, St. Petersburg. Topics will include Getting to Know Your Boat, Necessary and Practical Considerations Before you Get Started, Operating/Handling, Navigating the Waterways (Aids to Navigation & Rules), Boating Emergencies, and much more!

The program is open to adults and children at least 14 years of age. Program cost is \$24 per book. Seating is limited to the first 35 to sign up! A drawing will be held during the class for a gift certificate to the famous Boating Skills and Seamanship (9 week) Program.

Registration must be emailed or called in no later than June 1.

Successful completion of the program will qualify one to receive a Florida Boaters ID card. Additional information and sign up may be obtained by emailing [foglejcgau@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:foglejcgau@tampabay.rr.com).

## Forget-Me-Not

Loss can be devastating and often individuals are unsure as to how they should process their grief. What can a grief support group offer you? A focus group is being created for opportunity to share your experiences with others who are struggling with similar grief. Discuss feelings and learn appropriate ways to express your bereavement while learning techniques for coping with the feelings associated with the loss and gain a sense of empowerment.

If interested, please call the Gulfport Senior Center at 893-2237 or 893-1231 to get on the list. This is provided by Coast's Older American's Program. For more information, contact Meagan Flores at 727-272-7771.

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## Summer Heats Up in Gulfport

By Cathy Salustri



Susan Gott and Doug Bialluca (right) make a graphite-cast piece with a Buddha head in the middle, with help from Owen Pach (left). They did this as a demonstration during the Summer Heat fundraiser.

In a complement to the annual SoStudio tour over the Memorial Day weekend, the Industrial Arts Center of Gulfport (IACG) held a membership and fundraising drive. The weekend-long event included “celebrity glass blowing”, including a “Mayor’s Cup” blown by Gulfport mayor Sam Henderson (with help from resident artist Owen Pach). The city manager, Jim O’Reilly, and Gulfport Merchant’s Association President Mike McCue also tried their hand at the hot, delicate craft. The “celebrities” donated their pieces to the IACG, which the nonprofit then raffled. The IACG also had a silent auction.

Resident Artist Owen Pach also picked people out of the crowd to try their hand at glass work, and well-known glass caster Susan Gott demoed her work and donated two pieces to the center. Other artists gave demonstrations as well.

Mike Hanson, studio coordinator, Jeff Green, studio tech, Emma McMahon, silent auction coordinator, and volunteer Kenny Toombs coordinated the event. The IACG needs more volunteers like these people; to help out, please call Owen Pach at 320-4051. Memberships start at \$75 a year, which includes one free “make-your-own” piece; other memberships offer more benefits.

## Gulfportians Making Movies

The 48 Hour Film Project is coming back to the Tampa Bay area, and Ciara Carinci’s Three Muses & a Fool and jonathan schork’s SMS2 are taking up the challenge.

The 48 Hour Film Project, started in 2001, has a simple premise. Participating artists are randomly assigned a film genre on Friday night and have exactly 48 hours to script, cast, shoot, edit, & deliver their entry. Films cannot be longer than 7 minutes, and must include three key elements: a character, a prop, and a line of dialogue... also randomly chosen.

Working with a hand-picked cast and crew last year—including such notable locals as Stone Handy, Rob McCabe, Ian Tracey, & Shawna Savani—schork created “a rose for cecile”, a romantic suspense thriller about—as schork puts it—“scary people”.

“Our big achievement last year,” schork remembers fondly, “was that we took care of each other. There’s some incumbent stress built into an event such as this, and we never let that affect the way we treated each other.”

This year Ciara Carinci is joining the party. The longtime Gulfport designer and theatre producer is eager to try her hand at exercising her own cinematic vision. Tracey, Handy and McCabe plan to return, and, as with last year’s film, viewers should expect to see some local landmarks as well.

Assignments will be handed out Friday, July 26th, at 7 p.m., in Tampa; Schork and Carinci expect to have their plots worked out during the ride home. Shooting will commence Saturday, July 27th, with the projects completed and delivered by 7 p.m. Sunday, July 28th. All entries will be screened several days later at the Muvico Cineplex in Ybor.

Anyone interested in joining the cast & crew should e-mail schork.jonathan@gmail.com. Just want to follow the excitement? “Like” Three Muses & a Fool and the schork~munsell studios2 on facebook.

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June's program includes: "Powering Your Boat" June 4, "Knots" June 11, "Weather" June 18, and "Your Boat's Radio" June 25.

Cost is \$40 for 13 weeks and includes new 400-pages of materials. Call Jim at 360-4846.

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## Gulfport Rec Summer Camp

Get ready to splash into summer as registrations for the 2013 Summer Program begins Wednesday, May 1st for Gulfport residents. Registration is for children who have completed Kindergarten thru age 14. Hours of registration are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registrations for non-residents not enrolled in the School Year Child Care Program will begin Monday, May 20th for 30 children max. Annual registration fees are \$17 for residents and \$22 for non-residents. The 8-week program (June 17 - August 9) cost is \$275 for residents and \$550 for non-residents, which does not include field trips. Pre Camp (June 10-14) and Post camp (August 12-16) cost is \$77 for each week, which includes field trips. Pre and Post camps are limited to 60 Gulfport residents only. Summer camp hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 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](http://www.mygulfport.us)) and follow the links: City Departments, Leisure Services, Rec Center). Packets now available. Call 893-1068 for any questions.

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

*The city meeting got a late start as the Government-in-the-Shade meeting ran late.*

**"We overslept."** – District Two Commissioner Jim Parent, about the late start

**"We're a very friendly group."** – District One Commissioner Lorraine Huhn, to Commissioner Parent

**"There are a number of small, medium and large lots that have been vacant... It would be really nice with all the money spent on these little improvements to think about tourists, who bring the money...[and get some] free public parking."** – John Michael

**"If you guys remember, bath salts were the thing that that man was high on when he ate the face off that man... I am not going to take out a weapon unless I feel I have to kill somebody."** – Deb Edney, about bath salts left on her porch and the fear it inspired in her and her perception that the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office deputies laughed and joked and did not take her concerns seriously.

**"We're asking residents to voluntarily limit usage to maybe two days a week."** – City Manager Mike Bonfield, about a paucity of reclaimed water in Pinellas County

**"I also want to encourage planning to look into PACE. I know Gulfport [has PACE]."** – Commissioner Parent, about a program that allows property owners

to borrow money against the value of their homes to make environmentally-appropriate improvements.

About parking issues on St. Pete Beach:

**"The beach was crowded this weekend... I am also aware that the Sheriff was very busy... it seems like this has been a change from what we had before. Maybe our police were enforcing parking than they were doing other stuff, which I'm not crazy about prioritization... but I just wonder if on big weekends... is there some other way we can augment coverage of parking?"** – Commissioner Parent, about how the city could best handle parking issues in residential areas during peak times.

**"There's no doubt that there's no cars – we're getting more parking money than ever."** – City Manager Mike Bonfield.

**"Melinda put it well: we need to think strategically about this."** – Commissioner Parent

**"There are some retired people around who might... want a couple of bucks. I know I don't get a big enough allowance."** – Commissioner Parent, about hiring extra parking help during peak times.

**"I don't see our beach use going down anytime soon."** – Mayor Steve McFarlin

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## Message from Mayor Sam Henderson



“This month, I come to you with good news and a call to action. The good news is that the city of Gulfport was recently awarded two different grants totaling just over \$750,000. The first of these is a federal Brownfields grant for the 49th St. Redevelopment District. These grants are provided to fund environmental investigations, assessments and remediation of potentially contaminated lands. Thanks to the hard work of city staff, we will have \$400,000 to address qualifying properties in the 49th St. district. The other grant of approximately \$350,000 has been

awarded from the federal and state government for the much needed refurbishment and replacement of the Casino docks. Congratulations to the City of Gulfport for securing these highly sought after funds!

The call to action this month is for a truly worthy cause - the Neighborly Care Network. This group is in need of delivery drivers for the Meals on Wheels Program, and particularly this summer when many of the regular volunteers have headed north for cooler weather. I have picked up a Friday shift through August, and I am hoping to gather reliable volunteers to share the load. If you are interested in helping, please call 727-573-9444 to get started. Deliveries are handled through the Gulfport Senior Center, Monday through Friday, and all volunteers are welcome. Thank you, and have a great June.”

## Aquatic Summer Camp

Make a splash during summer break at Aquatic Summer Camp 2013, an aquatic adventure for youth age 8 to 12 at North Shore Aquatic Complex, 901 North Shore Dr. NE. The campers explore our waterways and learn how to be safe in, on, and around the water. This camp includes fun activities such as kayaking, sailing, paddle boarding, a trip to Adventure Island and a visit to see Winter the dolphin at the Clearwater Marina. Space is limited so sign up now. Swim test will be required prior to registration. Camp Session 1 - June 17 to 21 or Session 2 - July 15 to 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost \$200/session plus Park & Recreation ADVANTAGE Membership from \$12.50 to \$15. For more information about all summer camps and things to do see [www.stpeteparksrec.org](http://www.stpeteparksrec.org).

## Summer Reading Program for Adults

The Gulfport Public Library's summer reading program for Adults, Groundbreaking Reads, is every third Thursday at 10:30 a.m., starting June 8. Signups, for this amazing fun packed Summer Reading program, begins at their summer kickoff party June 8, noon to 3 p.m. at the Gulfport Library.

Some highlights for this years "Groundbreaking Reads" adult reading program will include book discussions, light refreshments and gift card giveaways. Log two books with reference staff by July 2 and be entered into a drawing to win a gift card. Then, log two more books by August 2 and be entered into a second drawing for another gift card.

Spark your imagination this summer with these historic reads at the Gulfport Library Adult Summer Reading program. For more information, please call the Youth Services Librarian, Cailey Klasson at 893-1074.

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## GEMS Summer Schedule

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GEMS members, check out our new Terrific Tuesday Trip on the second and fourth Tuesday. It leaves from the Senior Center on the hour from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. to the Tuesday Market and stops at the Gulfport Beach at the round pavilion #6. This trip will run in one hour loops and you will receive your lime green schedule card when you arrive on the bus. You must have this card to give back to your driver for your return trip.

If you are a Gulfport resident 55 or older or have a disability, you can take advantage of GEMS door to door service for a yearly membership of \$65.00 plus \$2.00 per ride. Trips to the Center are free! Got Questions? Call the GEMS office at 727-893-2242 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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## Beta Sigma Phi

Laureate Epsilon Theta will be celebrating the end of another sorority year with their annual Awards Luncheon. The luncheon will be held on Saturday, June 1 at the Three Oaks Café in Clearwater at 11 a.m. Pam Puskas and Barbara Bofferding are the hostesses for this social. The Chapter Woman of the Year and Sweetheart will be honored along with the announcement of the Chapter Ideal Sister.

The chapter members will once again be painting Christmas mice ornaments over the summer. The first ways and means meeting for painting mice will be held on Wednesday, June 12 at the home of Joyce Keller at 7 p.m.

Members are looking forward to a relaxing summer.

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

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## Hurricanes and Natural Disasters Expo

The Science & Technology Education Innovation Center (formerly the Science Center of Pinellas) (7701 22 Avenue N, St Pete) is having a FREE storm preparedness expo on Saturday June 1, 2013, from 9:30am until 2:00pm. Featured at the expo will be seminars with speakers who will offer Q and A afterwards. At 10:30 Tom Iovino from Pinellas County Communications will be talking about "Busting Hurricane Myths" and at 11:30 Kate Wentzel from Channel 10 TV will speak on getting prepared. There will be activities like touring the Salvation Army Disaster Response rig on site, among other activities. Commercial vendors will display safety products and talk with attendees about how

to harden their homes, and you can get questions answered about what to do about insurances. This is a day of learning about what to expect this summer. Will you be caught off-guard with disastrous weather incidents, or be prepared? National Hurricane Center predicts this will be a very active season. This could be the year Mother Nature targets the Bay Area for a hurricane. Don't you want to be ready? This is a fun way to do that. Further information 727 384-0027 or 727 825-0018.

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Faced with the magnitude of damage a hurricane can do, however, those seem like pretty shaky arguments. And that's exactly the point Iovino came to make at last Thursday's Hurricane Seminar at the Hickman Theater in Gulfport.

In his lively hour presentation, Iovino did not discuss hurricane shutters, evacuation routes or how much water to have on hand. He did not discuss generators or canned food or batteries. Those things are for people who know that they need them; instead, Iovino focused on getting us there.

Iovino's presentation, "Does it take a Category 5?", was a chilling reminder of the damage that all hurricanes – and even "no-name" and tropical storms – can cause. Part history lesson, part scare tactic, the presentation used pictures and statistics to prove that if you're waiting for "the big one," you're missing the point.

"Storms do unpredictable things," said Iovino, flashing pictures of

Category 1 Sandy's destruction last fall. "Particularly in the early season and the late season.... Don't think a Category one can't do damage."

Past storm damage, and even the Saffir-Simpson Scale, are simply not accurate indicators of what a storm can do, Iovino warned. Tracking technology has come a long way, but predictions about the intensity of a storm and its local effects are "imperfect."

Sadly, Iovino noted, many people don't realize that every storm is a singular threat. "Many people in Katrina remembered Camille," he said, "and they died because they didn't take the right steps to protect themselves."

It's just better safe than sorry, cautioned Iovino. "If you evacuate, and the storm doesn't come, be thankful," he said. "When you came here tonight and you put on your seatbelt, were you sorry you didn't get in an accident?"

Points and highlights from the seminar:

- The Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Scale was developed in 1969, but withheld from common usage until

1975 because of fears that the public would pay less attention to "smaller" storms.

- The names of storms that cause major devastation are retired. There will never be another "Katrina" or "Andrew."

- Floodwater and storm surge are often the most destructive forces in a storm. A cubic yard of water weighs nearly a ton and, says Iovino, will sweep you off of your feet. The only way to protect against storm surge is to be well out of the way.

- The Galveston hurricane of 1900 was the single most deadly disaster in US history, killing more Americans than Normandy and 9/11 combined.

- Hurricane Katrina caused \$108 billion in damages; the estimated pre-Katrina cost to upgrade the levee system to Category 5 standards was \$4 billion.

- Only three Category 5 hurricanes have made landfall in the continental US since record keeping began in 1853.

- There are only three pet-friendly shelters in Pinellas County; besides being stressful for pets, these shelters fill up fast and will only take cats and dogs. If you have a pet, Iovino's recommendation is to find a friend or a pet-friendly hotel in a non-evacuation zone. "Love your pet enough to have a plan."

- How far away is safe? You don't have to leave the area, and it may be best not to. There are shelters and non-evacuation zones just half a mile from downtown Gulfport.

There is a wealth of information to help you prepare for the hurricane season, online and in print.

- Pinellas County's official guide: [www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/hurricaneguide.htm](http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/hurricaneguide.htm)

You can also pick up a copy of the guide at the Gulfport Library.

- NOAA's Extreme Weather information sheet for West Central Florida:

[www.nccdc.noaa.gov/NEWIS](http://www.nccdc.noaa.gov/NEWIS)

- A complete guide to Gulfport flood and hurricane protection:

[www.mygulfport.us/Flood\\_and\\_Emergency\\_Management/Flood\\_and\\_Hurricane\\_Protection.html](http://www.mygulfport.us/Flood_and_Emergency_Management/Flood_and_Hurricane_Protection.html)

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## Local Obituaries

**CHERRY, CARL C.**, 82, of South Pasadena, died Thursday, May 16, 2013. He was born in Marianna, and came here in 1966 from Lake Wales. He was a Relay Technician at Florida Power and was a Navy veteran of the Korean War. He was a member of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, a former member of First Christian Church of Lake Wales, and a long time member of Central Christian Church. He is survived by his daughter, Jeannie M. Cherry of South Pasadena; his son, Clifton R. (Sandy) Cherry of St. Petersburg; 2 grandsons, Benjamin (Amy) and Eric (Kristin); and his great-granddaughter, Audrey. Friends may call 11 a.m., to service time at 11:30 a.m., Saturday, June 1st, at E. Dale Gunter Funeral Home, 4100 16th Street North. Interment will be Monday, June 3rd, at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell. Full obituary and guestbook at [www.gunterfuneralhome.com](http://www.gunterfuneralhome.com). E. Dale Gunter Funeral Home St. Petersburg 727-528-288.

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## From the Desk of Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

### Hurricane Preparedness



Hurricane season is officially here! Be prepared! That is our overriding message to all Pinellas County residents this month.

If you have not yet taken time to make a safety plan with your family, we urge you to do so. While we can assure you that law enforcement is here to assist you in any way possible in getting through the emergency, knowledge and prior preparation on your part can make the difference in keeping you and your loved ones safe in the event of a storm.

Here's how you can get started:

Pinellas County Emergency Management has developed a webpage with a series of tips and resources on surviving the storm. The checklist includes:

- **Know Your Zone** – In order to know when to evacuate for a hurricane find out what the evacuation zone of your residence is. This will help you to determine if you can stay; or must go in order to avoid deadly surge flooding.

- **Prepare Ahead** – This means develop a plan of action for your family, where to meet, where to go. Prepare and protect your home and your business from the oncoming storm. Pack your personal emergency survival kit, to include important papers. Know what to buy and what to stock to get through the days after the storm.

- **Special Needs** – Remember preparations for the elderly and those with special needs rest primarily with families and caregivers.

- **Pet Preparedness**- Plan ahead for the safety of your animals.

- **Shelters**– Consider your options on where to stay: with relatives or friends; a hotel; or a temporary shelter.

- **Putting Your Survival Plan into Action**- Watch the forecast.

- **After the Storm** – Assess damages, follow food and water safety guidelines, stay informed

about road closures and other emergency instructions.

In the event of an impending storm, the Sheriff's Office urges you to obey evacuation orders. Leave sooner, rather than later. Do not wait until it's too late to get out safely. Resist complacency. In addition to enforcing evacuation orders, we, along with other law enforcement agencies will be involved in directing citizens to navigate traffic routes to safety. Be patient. Know in advance that traffic will be slow moving and roads will be congested.

By the time the storm hits, all citizens should be at a safe location and take cover until it has passed. Please be aware that during the storm law enforcement and emergency services also must take cover when sustained winds reach a certain point.

Following the storm, damages will be assessed; roads and bridges will be checked prior to allowing traffic to re-enter the county. Wait for direction on how to proceed. As Sheriff, it is part of my constitutional responsibilities to authorize re-entry into the county and to the Barrier Islands once it is safe to do so.

Also, post-storm our focus will shift to security, from enforcing curfews to controlling civil disobedience if necessary. The Sheriff's Office may also be called upon to assist in search and rescue or search and recovery efforts.

Citizens should know that the Sheriff's Office is ever mindful of its own preparedness for a hurricane response. We conduct training exercises regularly and work closely with County Emergency Management Services to maintain our skill and readiness.

For more detailed information and additional helpful links and resources to help you better prepare for the 2013 Hurricane season visit their website at [www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/](http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/)



# Somethin' on my mind

By Bill Northrop

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## Declaring the War Over

**Y**ou may be surprised to know that the war on terror is over. As President Obama said in his latest foreign policy speech, "This war, like all wars, must end." Well, maybe it does and maybe it doesn't. Certainly we can't just declare it over. The other side has to agree unless we're talking surrender.

The irony is that we were never at war with anyone. We were attacked before 9/11 and after by a group known as Al Qaeda. This is not a "state or nation" group, but an organization now representing radical Islam to apply one phrase. Not that it or its many affiliates and individually acting proponents consider themselves the radical element. From what I read and understand, the Al Qaedans (my word) consider themselves representatives of the way the world should be: totally Muslim. Death to the infidels who won't submit.

There's no tolerance, there's no compromise, there are no negotiations. There is only murder for all who oppose or disagree. It's

an all or nothing proposition. It's an idea propelled by a powerful religion that is subscribed to by an estimated 1.5 billion people only a fraction of whom subscribe to the radical path. They, too, are victims of the radicals although many might sympathize with some aspects of the jihadists to use another name sometimes associated with the movement.

Anyway, our "war" version came about because we attacked countries who accommodated the extremists (another handy word) - Afganistan, then run by the Taliban an Al Qaeda sympathizing group. Worries about weapons of mass destruction owned by Iraq, another aider and abettor of Al Qaeda, led us into that country. These are the wars we are really weary of. The problem is that "ending" these wars doesn't end anything. On a small scale, the Boston Marathon bombing and beheading of a British soldier in London last week tells us this.

I also suspect that changing the Obama drone strike policy to kill fewer civilians won't do much good either.

My point: the "war" is going to go on with or without us. We can't retire from it. We're a target. It might be fought in individual or street battles, it might be fought economically or diplomatically (diplomatically with whom?). Certainly, the side war with Christianity goes on independently of Al Qaeda. There's also the internal, active and violent wars within the Muslim faith (Shia vs Sunni), as well as the wars within the Muslim nations themselves. Again this is independent of the specific jihad against the West.

However, President Obama is correct in implying that we need a new strategy. Former Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld noted a week or so ago that we are fighting an idea, not a military. Yet, having a strong, effective military that we are unafraid to use is essential to the "idea" idea. Perception of strength is critical in the world of ideas. So is energy independence which provides an economic weapon however resented that will be. So is world leadership.

A Morrocan acquaintance (a Christian who lives in the U.S.), argued that the Arab countries have to sort themselves out and that it might take a long time. We should stay out of the fights, but continue to provide foreign aid to whomever is in power. Unfortunately, we didn't have time to continue the conversation, but I suspect he would have provided some exceptions to his case.

Nor, did we get a chance to address the world's expectation that we ultimately are the world's policeman. I often get the impression that the so-called "world opinion" likes to have it both ways: don't use your power except when we call for it in our own interests. Certainly, Afghanistan and Pakistan want us to be on hand so they can use our weapons, manpower, and power when they need it.

While we search for a new strategy and hone our ideas to be used against theirs, count on more terrorism collectively and individually. Maybe we won't send in the soldiers. Maybe we'll have to rely on the local "well-armed militia".

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# American Legion Activities

## Post 125

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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Lunch Served 11am-3pm  Ron's Karaoke 7pm	Kitchen Open 11-2pm Dinner 4:30-6:30pm Southern Knights Band 7-11pm	Southern Knights Band 7-11pm  Dinner 4:30-6:30pm	Breakfast 8:30-11am	No Lunch Served	Lunch 11-3  Ron's Karaoke 7pm	Lunch Served 11am-3pm Euchre 1pm Bingo 6pm Kitchen Open for Bingo

The Legion Riders meet the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

We invite Auxiliary members to attend our meetings the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. We welcome your ideas.

Service Officer, Bob Cannon is at the Post on Thursday's from 9 a.m. till noon to offer assistance.

Dinners are now served 4-30-6:30 Friday and Saturday.

## Post 305

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

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Bar Bingo 7pm  Food Served	Fish & Chicken 6-8pm  Stan Johnson 6:30-9:30pm	Steak Dinner 6-8pm  Lee Jay Nelson 6:30-9:30pm	Sports & Pizza 12-6pm	Bucky Burgers 5-8pm  Frank Karaoke 6:30-9:30pm	House Comm. Mtg.- 6pm  Pizza available all day	Wednesday Dinner Special 6-8pm  Music 6-8pm

Check with the Post for any upcoming events

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

**Friday 5/17**

**Person Under Influence-** 1400 Blk 61st St. S.

**Trespass-** 5000 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Burglary-** 5600 Blk 18th Ave. S.

**Domestic-** 2700 Blk 49th St. S.

**Domestic-** 2100 Blk 56th St. S.

**Animal Call-** 27th Ave. & 46th St. S.

**Saturday 5/18**

**Animal Call-** 1700 Blk York St. S.

**Theft-** 5200 Blk 27th Ave. S.

**Vandalism-** 5400 Blk 19th Ave. S.

**Burglary Residence-** 1900 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Sunday 5/19**

**Juvenile Trouble-** 5400 Blk Tangerine Ave. S.

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

**Domestic-** 5200 Blk 8th Ave. S.

**Juvenile Trouble-** 12th Ave. & 49th St. S.

**Monday 5/20**

**Juvenile Trouble-** 58th St. & 11th Ave. S.

**Trespass-** 1300 Blk 58th St. S.

**Animal Call-** 49th St. & 17th Ave. S.

**Burglary Residence-** 2700 Blk 45th St. S.

**Animal Call-** 5400 Blk Shore Blvd. S.

**Drug Call-** 54th St. & Tangerine Ave. S.

**Animal Call-** 5000 Blk 23rd Ave. S.

**Tuesday 5/21**

**Trespass-** 5600 Blk 16th Ave. S.

**Domestic-** 5200 Blk Jersey Ave. S.

**Burglary Residence-** 1100 Blk 55th St. S.

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

**Animal Call-** 2300 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Trespass-** 1600 Blk 58th St. S.

**Wednesday 5/22**

**Prowler-** 1200 Blk 63rd St. S.

**Animal Call-** 13th Ave. & 60th St. S.

**Theft-** 1000 Blk 49th St. S.

**Robbery-** 5700 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Disorderly Conduct-** 4900 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Assault/Battery-** 1600 Blk 44th St. S.

**Juvenile Trouble-** 5300 Blk 18th Ave. S.

**Animal Call-** 2600 Blk 47th St. S.

**Thursday 5/23**

**Burglary Vehicle-** 2200 Blk 49th St. S.

**Animal Call-** 5300 Blk 21st Ave. S.

**Theft-** 2100 Blk 52nd St. S.

**Accident with Injuries-** 4900 Blk Tangerine Ave. S.

**Trespass-** 5700 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.

**Animal Call-** 5300 Blk 21st Ave. S.

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**Lithuanian-American Club Lunch**

The Lithuanian-American Club is serving lunch every Thursday at 1 p.m. at 4880 46 Avenue N. in St. Petersburg. The spring schedule of luncheons are one week koldunai and the other week cepelinai. The cost is \$7 for entree, side, dessert and coffee. Today's menu is cepelinai (grated potato meat dumplings) served with bacon and/or sour cream, dessert and coffee. As usual, they have Lithuanian beer and fresh baked Lithuanian bread to buy every Thursday. Call Vida at 866-7936. Everyone is welcome.

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**Art Centers Looking for Volunteers**

The City of Imagination and The Industrial Art Center of Gulfport want you!

Since expanding activities at the City of Imagination in April to include a monthly curated art show, regular art classes, theatre work, live music, and more, organizers would like to schedule regular weekend hours during which the public can drop in.

Volunteer duties at the air-conditioned Imaginarium are uncomplicated: ambassadors should be prepared to greet visitors, answer questions, hand out brochures, and promote arts activities. Shifts are from 4-6 hours long, and volunteers are encouraged to bring a book or project with which to entertain themselves during slow times.

Meanwhile, the Industrial Art Center of Gulfport has a lot of roles to fill. Since expanding their hours of operation last fall, Owen Pach and his floor team need help with everything from cleaning and answering the phone to manning the welcome desk and managing customer traffic on art walks and other events. In addition to making themselves part of the IACG family, volunteers will get discounts of classes and activities, invitation to closed events, and shop time with the floor team.

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## Summer Reading for Toddlers and Preschoolers

The Gulfport Public Library's summer reading program for toddlers and preschoolers, Read to Me, is every Thursday at 10:30 a.m., starting June 13th. Signups for this amazing fun packed Summer Reading program begin at their summer kickoff party June 8, noon to 3 p.m. at the Gulfport Library.

Some highlights for this years "Read to Me" program will include musical story time once a month, a Summer Storytime Garden Jamboree, singing songs, and prizes for books read to your child. For every book you read the Gulfport Library will give you a sticker. Collect 15 stickers, and you and your toddler will be invited to a final end of the summer party.

Parents give the gift of imagination to your child by reading to them this summer at the Gulfport Library "Read to Me" Summer Reading program. For more information, please call the Youth Services Librarian, Cailey Klasson at 893-1074.

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## Learn how to keep Fido Healthy

Dog lovers around the county will have an opportunity to learn more about their best friends during a series of Health and Wellness lectures sponsored by Florida Poodle Rescue.

The once-a-quarter lecture series, which is free to the public, will feature animal experts discussing everything from health care, to behavior, to training and exercise. Along with valuable information on keeping their dogs healthy, visitors will get an opportunity to ask the experts questions on the lecture series presented that day.

The first seminar will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday June 22nd and will feature Dr. Javier Vicente, owner of Haines Road Animal Hospital in St. Petersburg, who will discuss "Keeping Your Dog Healthy and Happy."

Seminars will take place in the education center at Coundouriotis Surgical Center, 5600 22nd St. N., St. Petersburg. The center is conveniently located at 54th Ave.

N. and Interstate 275, at exit 26 off Interstate 275. The use of the facility is being donated by Dr. Andrew Coundouriotis.

Seating is limited; visitors are asked to register for the free event by calling 727-209-7614. Please stay on that line until you hear the message asking for your information. You may also go to fprevents@gmail.com to register.

The series is offered by Florida Poodle Rescue, a non-profit, all volunteer organization founded in 1994. Since its beginning Florida Poodle Rescue has found forever homes for more than 8,000 dogs. Inspired by Maggie, a black standard poodle, Tricia Bonati and Martha Harrington, both of Pinellas County, worked diligently to help find permanent homes for unwanted and/or abused poodles.

Originally focused on dogs living in Florida, the group has expanded to help animals throughout the Southeastern United States.

For more information on Florida Poodle Rescue or the Health and Wellness Series, check the website at [www.floridapoodlerescue.org](http://www.floridapoodlerescue.org) or contact FPR to make your reservation by calling 727-209-7614.

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## Toddler Story Time

Check out Toddler Story time at Gulfport Library every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Come read stories, sing songs and meet other caregivers in the community! For more information please contact Cailey, City of Gulfport Youth Services Librarian, at 727-893-1074 or [cklasson@mygulfport.us](mailto:cklasson@mygulfport.us).

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## Get your Organization in on the Fun!

Every year the City of Gulfport hosts its annual 4th of July Celebration in downtown Gulfport. This vibrant all day, 4th of July, Event begins at 8 a.m. and last until the Spectacular Fireworks display at 9 p.m. Fireworks, parades and red, white and blue are part of the United States' 4th of July tradition. Celebrate the holiday in our city by participating in the City of Gulfport Parade. March down Beach Blvd. in Gulfport displaying your patriotic themed float on Independence Day. We are asking local businesses and organizations to participate in this year's parade.

If interested in participating, parade registration forms are available at the front desk inside Gulfport City Hall at 2401 53rd St. S., Gulfport, FL 33707. Or, online, under latest news on the City of Gulfport Website's homepage, [www.mygulfport.us](http://www.mygulfport.us).

For more information, please call Justin Shea, City of Gulfport Technical Events Specialist, at 727-893-1118. Celebrate the 4th of July with our community. We want your business or organization to be a part of the City of Gulfport's 4th of July Parade!

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Tax collector employees help register potential organ donors by asking all driver license customers if they would like to join the registry. Last year's Donate Life Challenge led to more than 66,000 new donor registrations throughout Florida.

Florida's organ registry recently reached a milestone of 7 million registrants. It is the second largest state registry in the nation, which gives hope to families of patients like 10-year-old Hope Kienle, who received a liver transplant before she reached age 2.

"Although my husband and I were both registered organ donors, we didn't give much thought to organ donation until Hope was 64 days old," said Hope's mom, Amy Kienle. "That was the day we found out she may need a liver transplant. We don't know much about Hope's organ donor, but we feel like they are part of our family. Their loved one saved our Hope."

More than 4,500 Floridians currently await organ transplants, and more than 118,000 patients are on the nationwide list.

Florida offers four simple ways to register as an organ, tissue or eye donor.

- On Donate Life Florida's website at [www.DonateLifeFlorida.org](http://www.DonateLifeFlorida.org).
- When renewing your driver license online at [www.GoRenew.com](http://www.GoRenew.com).
- When obtaining a new or renewed driver license in an office.
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## Free Family Movie Night

The City of Gulfport Recreation Division and the Gulfport Public Library is presenting a free Family Movie Night on Friday, June 7th at 7 p.m. at the Catherine Hickman Theater located at 5501 26th Avenue South, Gulfport. The movie is a 1942 American romantic drama film starring Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman, and Paul Henreid. For more information, please call 893-1068.

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## New Senior Excursions

The St. Pete Beach Community Center has extended their Senior Excursions. The excursions are a great way for local seniors to travel

with their friends. The new trips are as follows: June 7th SS American Victory and Lunch at Channelside, July 19th Tampa Bay Downs Horse Racing, and August 16th Hard Rock Casino.

All excursions will depart from the St. Pete Beach Community Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Dr. at 9 a.m. and returning by 4 p.m. All participants must pre-register by the Wednesday prior to the excursion. Each trip is \$12 for residents and \$15 for non-residents of St. Pete Beach. Visit [www.spbrec.com](http://www.spbrec.com) or call 727-363-9245.

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# Industrial Arts Center of Gulfport Bids Artist-in-Residence Farewell

By Cathy Salustri

"I'm going back to Gulfport," 22-year-old glassblower Mia Shea Williams says while she's waiting for her first cup of coffee to brew. "There's so many opportunities here."

The recent Eckerd college graduate and the Industrial Arts Center of Gulfport's (IACG) first artist-in-residence (not to be confused with resident artist Owen Pach) needs to pack up some things at the IACG, finish her coffee, and hit the road. She's headed on a road trip, first to Asheville, then to parts north.

She started blowing glass as part of an independent study at Eckerd College in January 2011. Just over two years later, she found herself honored by Owen and the IACG. Owen says he knew of Williams but didn't know her work; when he saw it, he asked her to be the first artist in residence at the IACG, a non-profit teaching facility.



Mia Shea Williams, 22, has an impressive glass portfolio, perfected at Zen Glass and, more recently, the IACG. Here, she talks about her feminine form work, a predominant theme in her work. The recent Eckerd College graduate says she wants to work in Hawaii as a yoga teacher and also continue to blow glass, although she says she wants to return to Gulfport as well.

"For us, it was an opportunity to move in the right direction," he says. "We're promoting this as a teaching facility."

Mia told him she didn't feel sufficiently experienced to teach but agreed to work in residence and create pieces at the IACG. For her, the path she's found herself on differs dramatically than her early-college plans for her life.

"In high school, I knew I was artistic but I wasn't focused on it," she says "I was focused on psychology and alternative medicine."

When she signed on for an independent study blowing glass at Zen Glass in St. Petersburg, she didn't do so with a career as an artist in mind. Her grandfather had just died and she says she thought, "let's do something fun and creative."

It turned out that she had a knack for glass, and even though she had some frustrating moments ("At first, everything breaks!" she says), glass became her avocation. She landed a summer apprenticeship at the Glass Shack in Kauai, Hawaii that summer. There, she says, she studied under "two guys who completely changed my perspective... when I came back I was more skillful."

She worked for Zen to get more "torch time" and she started taking more advanced lampworking classes. She started turning out goddesses, many of which the arts community saw this past weekend at the SoStudio tour.

"It just stuck, it just fit," she said. "All my work is really feminine."

And it is: mermaids, winged ladies, and dancing goddesses. As with an artist-in-residency, she's leaving a piece with the IACG: a gnarled tree twisting into the graceful female form, which in turn gives grace back to the tree. It's not for sale, though, according to Owen.

"It's going in our permanent collection."

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The Market begins on June 1 and continues through August 24, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Market will feature more than 40 vendors providing a wide variety of produce, food and crafts including items such as: farm-fresh eggs and vegetables, fresh guacamole, seasonal honey, cheese and dairy products, gourmet pasta, gourmet chocolates, coffee, healthy meats, baked goods, jams and chutney.

Come hungry because you'll enjoy Mediterranean food, Brooklyn Knishes, Belgian waffles, Barbeque and flavorful gourmet popsicles. Mr. I Got em, the Market's infamous tuxedoed vendor, will be supplying the produce.

In addition to food, visitors can select from a variety of plants, clothing, decorative products, jewelry, personal care products, and Adirondacks furniture.

The summer market offers an opportunity for loyal market-goers to get many of their favorite products over the summer. It also offers vendors a valuable sales opportunity during the summer. Tamara Leavy sells colorful rayon clothing and is a very enthusiastic participant. "Summer is my best season. But I don't have a regular store, so summer market is a

fantastic opportunity for me."

Convenient parking is available in a nearby city lot (Second Ave., between Fourth and Fifth Streets). For more details about parking, visit

[www.saturdaymorningmarket.com](http://www.saturdaymorningmarket.com).

The regular season of the St. Petersburg Saturday Morning Market (located at Al Lang Stadium) concluded on May 25. The next season will begin on October 5.

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# City Whys? Have you got a question for your city government?

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By Cathy Salustri

## City of St. Pete Beach: *Community Center Budget*

**Q:** What is the annual budget for the community center/pool and how much revenue does it earn?

**A:** For fiscal year 2012, the city budgeted \$915,597 (including \$16,603 in capital) for the community center. The total revenue amounted to \$433,296 (\$112,402 pool - \$302,025 Community center - \$18,869 misc/donations), meaning the community center had a "cost recovery" of 47.3%.

For this fiscal year, however, under the management of the new director, Jennifer McMahan, the city has spent \$541,263 and have brought in \$318,827 in revenue, raising the cost recovery rate to 58.9% at the end of the second quarter.

According to Ms. McMahan, the typical parks and recreation department has a cost recovery of 34%, but St. Pete Beach divides those two departments budgetarily. Factoring in the city's parks budget, St. Pete Beach has an overall cost recovery of roughly 30%.

"So we're not too far off and with this year's cost recovery increasing, that would put us above the national average," she says. "My goal is to get us into the 70's % on cost recovery for the facility."

## Check out Gulfport Toastmasters

Gulfport Toastmasters meets every Wednesday evening from 6:15-7:30 at The Gulfport Meeting Center, 5021 Tangerine Avenue S. (corner of Tangerine Ave. S and 51st St. S.), Gulfport. Guests are welcome to drop in and check it out.

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For more information, contact [info@gulfporttoastmasters.com](mailto:info@gulfporttoastmasters.com), call 727-537-9098 or visit [www.gulfporttoastmasters.com](http://www.gulfporttoastmasters.com).

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# Points On Pets

By Matthew Margolis

## It's Not Always a Picnic, Buster

President Obama, like him or not, takes education seriously. And there's little mystery surrounding how that came to be. According to the president, "Five days a week (my mother) came into my room at four in the morning, force-fed me breakfast and proceeded to teach me my English lessons for three hours before I left for school and she went to work." In response to her son's grumbling, his mother simply said, "This is no picnic for me, either, buster."

Educating your dog isn't always a picnic, either, but it's worth it. No, he'll never be president of the United States. But, among other perks, you'll have a cleaner house, a longer-lasting wardrobe and a happier significant other -- the value of none of which should be underestimated.

Consider the following letters from unhappy souls whose dogs did not receive a rigorous education:

*Roxie, my 14-month-old longhaired miniature dachshund, refuses to be potty trained. Although she goes outside and receives praise, she often just decides to pee or poop in the house. She knows she has done wrong, as she will go hide under a bed, but we can't seem to break her of this bad habit. Also, she is a barker and has not been*

*taught to "come."*

Read between the lines: Roxie didn't refuse; she wasn't taught. At this point, there is more than a year's worth of urine in that house. Toy dogs should not be exempt from housebreaking. When it comes to bodily waste, a little goes a long way.

*Here's my issue: Nena, my 5-year-old German Shorthaired Pointer, chews up my girlfriend's clothes. We have taken measures to ensure that all bedroom and bathroom doors are closed to prevent her from locating any clothes to destroy, but should we ever forget, she seizes the opportunity and rips what clothes she finds to shreds.*

*She particularly likes pajamas and underwear. This would be mildly amusing if the clothes weren't expensive. My girlfriend is extremely frustrated with the dog and, consequently, with me.*

I'm sure she is frustrated. Not only has her boyfriend not taught his dog boundaries, but apparently they're all living in a house that contains no bureaus, dressers or closets with doors.

*We just got our puppy, Deuce, last week. He is an 8-week-old miniature dachshund, and he hates my husband. He bites hands and toes a lot, but*

*especially my husband's. My husband is having a hard time connecting with Deuce and has almost given up on him. What can I advise my husband or myself to do differently in dealing with this biting and/or aggression issue?*

At 8 weeks old, there's hope for Deuce -- assuming the husband can put in more than a solid week's effort. They got their puppy last week, and hubby's ready to throw in the towel!

People don't do their homework. They bring a dog home and have no idea what to do next. Then one day the dog violates their internalized standards for acceptable behavior, and it's all his fault.

He runs out the door!

He chews up the furniture!

He urinates inside!

He licks my face!

An 82-year-old woman recently called me and said she just got a 6-month-old Great Pyrenees. The pup's weight is equal to the woman's age, and she has a problem with his licking her face. She reprimands him, saying, "You better trust me. I'm your mother."

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By Robert J. Myers, Esq.

## What is a Living Trust?

A Living Trust is created while you are alive. The use of Living Trusts has been effective for maintaining personal privacy and control outside of the court system. A Living Trust is also very useful for reducing estate taxes and for probate avoidance.

### LIVING TRUST BASICS

A separate legal entity is created upon the formation of a Living Trust. This entity can own and hold both real estate and personal property. Every Living Trust has a Settlor or Grantor, a Trustee and Beneficiaries. A basic understanding of what these terms mean is important to understanding how Living Trusts work and how they are different from other types of trusts.

### WHO IS THE TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST?

A Trustee of a Living Trust manages the trust assets. When a Living Trust is created, assets should then be transferred into the trust. Decisions concerning what property to buy, sell, mortgage, transfer or lease are made by a Trustee. The Trustee has a special duty to beneficiaries of a Living Trust which is called a fiduciary duty. What this means is that the Trustee has a legal obligation to perform her/his duties properly and in accordance with the law while keeping the best interests of the beneficiaries in mind. In a

Living Trust, you act as your own Trustee as long as you are able to or desire to act in this capacity. Upon your death or disability, a Successor Trustee will take over management of the trust assets.

### WHO IS THE SETTLOR OF THE TRUST?

The Settlor of a Living Trust establishes the Living Trust and signs the document creating the Living Trust. The Settlor controls what the Living Trust says and does. Living Trusts are revocable, that is, the Settlor can change or cancel a Living Trust at any time in her/his discretion. A Settlor is sometimes also referred to as the Grantor of the Living Trust. When you set up a Living Trust, you are considered to be the Settlor or Grantor.

### WHO IS THE BENEFICIARY OF THE TRUST?

A Beneficiary of a Living Trust is someone who benefits from the assets in the trust. Income and earnings are used for the benefit of the Beneficiaries. Trust assets cannot be used for any other purpose. You will initially be the Beneficiary of your Living Trust. Upon your death, the people you have named (normally family members) will become the Beneficiaries.

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## Insurance Policies Need Preparation as Well

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That's why hurricane pre-season is the perfect time to review insurance policies to ensure coverage is both adequate and comprehensive. Some very important points to consider include:

Read that policy. Sure, an insurance policy isn't a real page turner, but giving them a brief read over will reveal terms, as well as raise questions that coverage gaps to be discussed with an insurance agent. Start on the declaration page. That's where your name and address are and usually the limits covered. If you read nothing else after that, read the exclusions! And watch for any special endorsement that excludes wind coverage. Ask your agent to explain any questions you have.

Soak up flood insurance. Since 1968, most homeowner's or renters' policies

have not covered damage from flooding. That coverage is provided under the prerule of the National Flood Insurance Program at [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov). Besides protecting from the obvious damage of a rising drainage creeks, it also protects against storm surge. Another coverage is sewer backup from a flood. Your homeowner policy, even if it covers sewer backup, will most likely have an exclusion if the sewer backup is caused by flooding. Remember, all flood policies require 30 days from when they are ordered until they are ordered, which means buying flood insurance at the last minute won't work. If you are located in a Flood Hazard Area, you may need to get a "flood elevation certificate" which could take some time. If you are not, there is still the application process which will take time. You may be surprised by how inexpensive flood insurance is, especially if you are not in a Flood Hazard Area!

Wind is special. Hurricane – or windstorm – deductibles are not like the standard deductible on your policy. While there may be a smaller deductible for a fire or burglary loss, windstorm deductibles are typically a percentage of your home's value. This is done to help keep premiums low, but can add up to an expensive surprise when the time comes. A 5 percent deductible on a house valued at \$200,000 can leave policy owners on the hook for the first \$10,000 of repairs.

Getting to code. After a hurricane, if a home is damaged beyond a certain amount, the new structure will need to be rebuilt to current Florida building codes. While this may not be a problem for a home after 2001, it could be a considerable expense for a home built before that year. Law and ordinance coverage helps bring even older homes up to current code should significant damage occur.

Cars need comprehensive. Basic auto coverage is required on all vehicles operated in the state of Florida. While these policies offer minimal coverage for auto accidents, other hazards such as flooding, wind damage and the like are covered under a comprehensive auto insurance policy.

Renters need coverage, too. A landlord or property owner will have insurance on the structure that is being rented, but renters

need coverage as well to protect their personal belongings. As with regular homeowner's policies, most renter's insurance coverage does not cover flooding, so a separate flood insurance policy can make a difference in how quickly you can replace your possessions.

Inventories are invaluable. While most homeowners can recall from memory the larger items in their homes, would they be able to catalog every item down to the smallest details? A quick home inventory done on a list or through photos or video can help tremendously after the disaster. A video or pictures on your tablet computer or smart phone will only take minutes. Capture what is on the walls, the fixtures and type of flooring as well as your personal property. Also check with your agent to see if your insurance carrier offers "replacement cost" coverage on your contents. Otherwise, your structure may be covered to be rebuilt, but your contents may be depreciated by the insurance carrier.

While insurance can replace items after the fact, it is not a substitute for taking steps to reduce a home's vulnerability to a hurricane's fury. Bracing garage doors, shuttering windows and stowing yard items before a storm's winds are felt can mean the difference between minor damage and a total disaster. Also, your homeowner insurance can't protect people from injury due to flying debris.

Discuss with your agent the most effective way to present a claim, should a disaster strike. If many homes are damaged, know how your carrier will find your home. If you must evacuate, take your insurance policy with you. Have the claims office phone number and your agents emergency contact information with you.

Most importantly, your home and valuables are things. Your first priority is always to keep yourself and your family safe. Everything else can be replaced, you can't.

For more information about how to prepare yourself and your family for hurricanes, visit [www.pinellascounty.org/emergency](http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency) to find your evacuation level, learn about storm dangers and discover how to create your own disaster plan.

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## Join the Painting Party!

By Cathy Salustri



Katie Dickson smiles as she talks about her painting habit.

"I enjoy it so much. I painted 40 years ago, in oils, but I haven't gone back to oil. So much fun," she says. "Such a nice group of girls."

She thinks for a minute, then says "and boys."

"I was just going to say!" the lone man across the room, Jerry Distefano calls out without looking up from his own canvas.

These students come to the Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center to learn watercolor painting techniques from Betty Staebell, the May "Spectacular Senior" featured in this week's *Gabber* and all month long on the reception all of the Center. Ms. Staebell walks around the room during the class, offering advice and encouragement. Sometimes she takes the student's brush and lays in a few strokes, just to give the student an idea of what they should do.

Ms. Staebell started volunteering at the Senior Center in 1984, spreading her love of painting. She currently teaches the watercolor class, which meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m. and costs nothing.

The Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center also offers an art workshop (currently full) and an open art studio at 2 p.m. every Monday. For a full list of classes, please visit the Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center web page.

## Apply for Arts and Culture Grants

The city of St. Petersburg is offering grants to eligible nonprofit arts and cultural organizations for the next budget year. Applications and guidelines to receive funds are now available online at [www.stpete.org/grants/internal\\_grants\\_program.asp](http://www.stpete.org/grants/internal_grants_program.asp); grants are due on or before Friday, June 14.

It is anticipated that for next year, St. Petersburg City Council will allocate approximately \$175,000 to eligible arts and cultural organizations to assist them in underwriting their operating expenses. The city's Arts Advisory Committee will evaluate the applications and make recommendations to City Council in October. To be eligible, a nonprofit cultural organization must serve the residents of St. Petersburg. The amount provided to each organization depends on the merit of the application and the operating budget of the organization.

This current budget year, the city funded local organizations including American Stage, the Morean Arts Center, St. Petersburg Opera Company and more.

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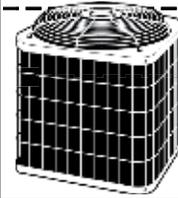
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**PRAYER TO ST. JUDE** - This novena has never been known to fail. This novena must be said for 9 consecutive days. Publication must be promised. Oh Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present urgent petition. In return, I promise to make your name known and call you to be invoked. St. Jude, pray for us all who invoke your aid. Amen. Say 3 Our Fathers, 3 Hail Marys & 3 Glorias. L.B.

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

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**MAY THE SACRED** Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved, and preserved throughout the world. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. Blessed Mother, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. Say this prayer for nine days, nine times a day. Then publish this prayer. Thank You, Jesus.

G.F.



# CITY OF GULFPORT

## PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Gulfport Public Notices

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## CITY OF GULFPORT MEETINGS

City Clerk's Office

June 2013

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|---------------|--|
| June 4, 2013  | <b>Council Meeting</b><br>7:00 pm                |
| June 5, 2013  | <b>Planning &amp; Zoning Board</b><br>NO MEETING |
| June 6, 2013  | <b>City Council Workshop</b><br>4:00 pm          |
| June 12, 2013 | <b>Teen Council</b><br>4:45 pm                   |
|               | <b>Board of Adjustment</b><br>6:30 pm            |
| June 18, 2013 | <b>Council Meeting</b><br>7:00 pm                |

All meetings are open to the public and are held in City Hall Council Chambers, located at 2401 53rd St. S., unless otherwise noted. Meetings may occasionally be added, cancelled or rescheduled after this list is published.

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- Manchester #311 - **SOLD**
- Lancaster #503 - **SOLD**
- Diplomat #110 - **SOLD**
- Buckingham #1003 - **SOLD**
- Manchester #404 - **CONTRACT PENDING**
- Buckingham #311 - **CONTRACT PENDING**
- Manchester #615 - **CONTRACT PENDING**
- Five Towns, Tiffany #108 - **CONTRACT PENDING**

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**Chatham 107** - 1BA Standard. Reduced **SOLD** **\$5,500**

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