

Pigeons Swoop in to Library



Cailey Klasson holds a pigeon while curious kids such as Wesley Collette, 4, of St. Petersburg, pet it.

Chinese Owl. Fantail. Starling. To some people, they're just pigeons, but to Bill Burnside, they're so much more. Monday afternoon, he shared his knowledge with about 20 kids and almost as many adults at the Gulfport Public Library's Science Club.

Burnside, a pigeon handler who travels around the state to educate people about pigeons, gave each

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County Halts Collections in South Pinellas

By Cathy Salustri

Although Pinellas County historically collected electronics and chemicals at an annual Saturday collection in Gulfport, earlier this year a solid waste representative told community group the Gulfport Neighbors it would no longer collect south of 22nd Avenue North. An email from county staff explained that Gulfport did not meet a goal of 500 participants. Gulfport Public Works Director Don Sopak tells the *Gabber* they first heard of these goals when the *Gabber* asked about them.

Because of the county's decision, Gulfport Public Works – abetted by the Gulfport Neighbors – has stepped up. At the Saturday, May 17 “Junk in the Trunk or on a Truck,” (JITT) event, staff and volunteers at the 49th Street Gulfport Neighborhood Center collected not only almost

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Gulfport Police to Bike Riders: Lock Your Bike

Since January, bike thieves have claimed 70 bikes inside Gulfport city limits, an increase of 20 over the same time frame last year.

Lieutenant Josh Stone has an easy solution: Lock your bike.

“The biggest thing people can do is lock their bikes,” Stone says. “It’s such an easy crime to commit. It’s that old adage, ‘an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.’”

Registering a bike with the Gulfport Police will help police return the bike to its rightful owner should it get stolen, Stone adds.

Saturday, May 17, at the

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Gulfport Police Lieutenant Josh Stone recorded the serial numbers of 12 bicycles during the free registration at the Junk in the Trunk event.

Collections, from front page

10 tons of bulk trash, they also collected eight pallets of unwanted electronics. The city brought the bulk waste to the Pinellas County Waste-to-Energy facility, where Gulfport paid just under \$400 to dispose of it. The county will incinerate the trash and sell the energy generated back to Duke Energy.

As for the electronics, the city paid Creative Recycling to repurpose, recycle or properly dispose of the electronics. Creative Recycling charged Gulfport roughly \$300 to take the unwanted televisions, VCRs and computers, according to Sopak.

St. Petersburg Mayor Rick Kriseman's office also told the *Gabber* they had no knowledge of any participant goals from the county. Mayor Kriseman, along with Gulfport Mayor Sam Henderson, expressed displeasure with letters to the commission.

"The greater the distance between residents and mobile collection events," Henderson wrote, "the less likely residents are to participate due to the time expense of convenience factor."

Kriseman addressed complaints from South Pinellas residents that the county focuses more on its northern residents.

"St. Petersburg is home to many unique, culturally rich, and historically significant neighborhoods," Kriseman wrote in a letter to the editor in the *Gabber* this week.

"These neighborhoods deserve the full support of city hall," Kriseman said in an interview earlier this week. "On behalf of residents in South Pinellas – St. Petersburg as well as Gulfport and our neighbors in the beach communities – I have serious concerns about those collections being removed," he said.

According to representatives from both Mayor Kriseman's office

and Gulfport Public Works, the county told neither Gulfport nor St. Petersburg it intended to halt collections in south Pinellas.

The county does offer "Haz-to-Go" trailers for collections; these trailers can handle no more than 100 participants and only take place during business hours.

On February 24, the *Gabber* emailed Pinellas County Commissioners Norm Roche and Charlie Justice about the county's plans to halt the collections. Roche responded within 24 hours. Roche – who, prior to his election as commissioner, worked as a public relations specialist for Pinellas County Utilities, which included Solid Waste – assured the *Gabber* he would look into the issue and give it "priority status" in the county system.

Justice responded on May 15 after the *Gabber* posted on the Gulfport Ideas and Opinions Facebook group that he had not responded. He sent the *Gabber* a text from Pinellas County Solid Waste explaining the collection events in Gulfport "were not the best use of county resources."

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Contact Cathy Salustri at
CathySalustri@theGabber.com.
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Join Gulfport Little League on Sunday, May 25 at 4 p.m. at Lum Atkinson Field, 1820 55th St. S., Gulfport, for their Memorial Day Cookout and alumni softball game. The kids play at 5 p.m. Adults (coaches and players 18+) play at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come out and cheer!

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Memorial Holiday Affects Trash Pickup

Some St. Petersburg city facilities will be closed to the public on Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day. During the holiday week of May 26 through 30, residential trash collections normally on Monday will be made on Tuesday, and Tuesday pickup will be on Wednesday. Thursday and Friday collections remain the same.

In observance of Memorial Day, St. Petersburg city government facilities closed to the public on Monday, May 26 include Boyd Hill Nature Preserve, the St. Petersburg

Greenhouse (formerly the Business Assistance Center), City Hall and Municipal Services Center downtown, the Coliseum, Enoch Davis Center, Jamestown Apartments-Townhomes office and Dwight H. Jones Neighborhood Center, public libraries, Mahaffey Theater Center for the Arts, recreation centers, Sunshine Center and Sunken Gardens' business office.

These city facilities will be open to the public on Monday, May 26: City Golf Courses (Mangrove Bay, Cypress Links & Twin Brooks); Municipal beach concession stand (Treasure Island); Municipal Marina Ship's Store; North Shore Aquatic Complex and eight neighborhood pools; Sanitation Department Brush Sites; and Sunken Gardens' attraction.

For a complete listing of closings online, visit stpete.org/holidays and stpete.org/sanitation/residential_collection/holiday_schedule.asp.

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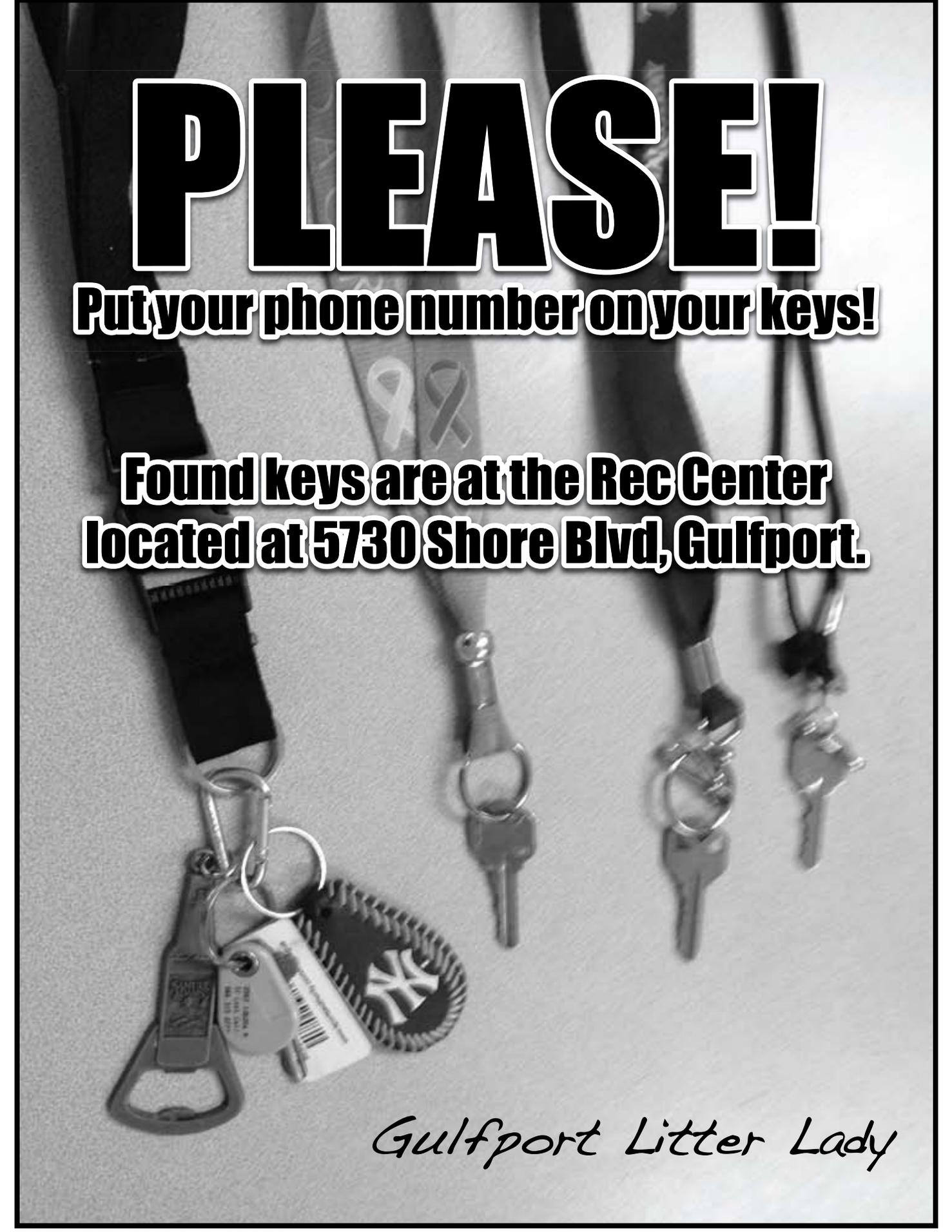
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Gulfport Litter Lady

Bikes, from front page

Gulfport Neighbors' quarterly Junk in the Trunk or on a Truck (JITT) event at the Gulfport 49th Street Neighborhood Center, the Gulfport Police registered 12 bikes.

When the police find an abandoned bicycle, they hold it for three months. If they haven't located the owner at the end of three months, the police either donate it to charity or auction it to the highest bidder at GovDeals.com. Last year the bulk of unclaimed bikes went to Boy Scouts and the American Legion, Stone says.

The Gulfport Police register a bike from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. While the police registered bikes for free at the JITT event, they do charge a quarter at the police station.

In addition to the free bike registrations, police gave away 29 bike helmets for kids and adults. The Suncoast Epilepsy Association sent a representative to help properly fit people with bike helmets. Police officers Stone, Zack Mills and the Gulfport Chief of Police, Rob Vincent were all on hand for "Coffee With a Cop." Little Tommies Tiki provided

cinnamon rolls; McDonald's provided coffee.

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Hop on the Gulfport Rays Trolley

Promotional tickets for the June 19 Rays home game are available at the Gulfport Casino. A \$25 promotional ticket purchased at the Gulfport Casino Ballroom will get you a ride to Tropicana Field, a lower box seat and a complimentary Ray's baseball hat, redeemable at the redemption desk inside Tropicana Field.

If you already have a Rays ticket for the June 19 game, show your ticket to the trolley driver, and you will receive a complimentary ride on the Gulfport-Rays Trolley. Departure times are 5 p.m. for batting practice, 6 p.m. for pre-game and 7 p.m. for game time. The Gulfport Trolley will be leaving from the Gulfport Casino Ballroom, 5500 Shore Blvd. S., Gulfport.

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Post #305, 6999 Gulf Blvd. in Saint Pete Beach, will have a Memorial Day Observance Monday, May 26 at 11 a.m. followed by a luncheon at 12 p.m. Guest speakers will be Commissioner Dr. Terri Finnerty and Father "Mac" MacDonald, retired chaplain from Viet Nam. Public is invited.

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Large Dog Park Closes for Maintenance

The large dog park in Gulfport is closed from Monday, May 26 through Friday, June 6 for general maintenance. Large dogs will use the small dog park on Tuesday and Thursday while small dogs will have the Monday, Wednesday and Friday schedule. The Large Dog Park will reopen on Friday, June 6 at 9 a.m.

Please contact Tim Connor at 727-893-1092 if you have any questions.

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Get Your Free Vessel Safety Check

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be doing free vessel safety checks on May 23 and 24 starting at 9 a.m. at the Gulfport Marina, 4630 29th Ave. S. in Gulfport. Owners of all types of boats are welcome. Trailed boats will be inspected before launching to allow others to launch their boats and not tie up the boat ramp. There will be a boating safety table set up with free materials for recreational boaters. The Coast Guard Auxiliary

always reminds boaters to wear a life jacket and take a safe boating course. They offer an eight-hour About Boating Safely (ABS) program which is taught by experienced and knowledgeable instructors. Call 727-399-7986 or 727-743-1652.

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Get Your Poppies and Support Veterans

Each year thousands of poppies are distributed throughout America in honor of Memorial Day. This year the Juniors from American Legion Auxiliary Unit #125 will be distributing poppies outside of the Walmart Neighborhood Store located at 6850 Gulfport Blvd. S., South Pasadena, on Saturday, May 24

from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come out and show your support for the troops and receive a poppy from one of the Junior Auxiliary members. Donations are acceptable with 100% of all donations going directly to the veterans.

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Ice Cream Social

Cool off this summer with your Senior Center friends and build your own ice cream sundae at the Gulfport Senior Center Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, June 4 at 2 p.m. This event is sponsored by Humana. Tickets are on sale now for only \$3 each. Advance ticket sales only, no tickets will be sold at the door. Call 727-893-5657.

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Pigeons, from front page

of the 18 kids in attendance a pigeon band, usually found around a bird's leg. He taught everyone how to read a pigeon band so that if they found a banded pigeon they would know whom to contact.

Science Club members also had the chance to pet one of the 15 unusually plumed birds.

The club welcomes grade school students, although younger and older attendees often drop in as well, says Cailey Kalsson, the Gulfport youth librarian. It is free to everyone, although this summer the science-themed reading program will take its place. The Circle of Friends of the Gulfport Library has funded the

summer reading program, Klasson says.

The library will kick off its summer reading program at 3 p.m. on June 9. Mad Science will be there for the kickoff with hands-on, kids-safe experiments. Call 727-893-1133 for more information.

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St. Pete Beach Reschedules Workshop

The Community Development department has rescheduled its workshop scheduled for May 21 in order to collect more information from residents. The intent of the Pass-a-Grille "Pathway to the Future" Project is to come up with a plan for the Pass-a-Grille Historic District

that protects its architectural and historic integrity while shaping its future. A large part of the discussion will be design standards.

A walkabout and one public meeting were held, but city staff believes there is opportunity to gather more information from the community. A Community Design Fair will be held in the City Commission Chambers May 29 and 30, with poster boards set up for residents to walk through and leave comments on. Kick-off introduction will be at 9 a.m. both days. Visit stpetebeach.org/ for more information.

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Lakewood United Offers Outdoor Market

Lakewood United Church of Christ has launched The Skyway Community Market. This is an outdoor market featuring reasonably priced fresh produce, food, food products, plants, and crafts to be held on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with the hopes of continuing year round. In addition to offering these items for sale, the hope is that the market will create a gathering space for neighbors to get to know each other, build community, and have a good time in a safe environment.

The Skyway Community Market will be held in the shade on the grounds of Lakewood United Church of Christ at 2601 54th Ave. S. in St. Petersburg. The market is free and open to the public. Call 727-867-7961 or visit lakewooducc.org. Additional vendors are also welcome!

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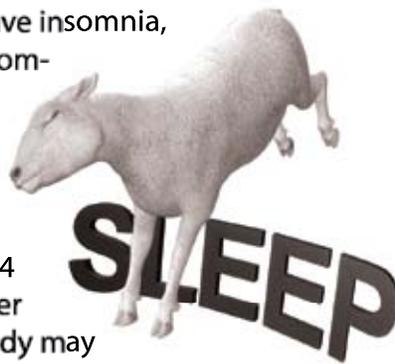
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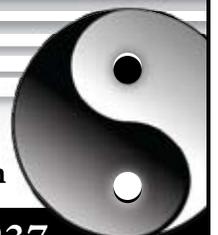
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Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and pass a background investigation. Class size is limited to 12 with preference given to Gulfport residents. To request an application, please call Claire Bousman at 727-893-1049. The application deadline is May 30. Online applications are available at gulfportpolice.com/citizens_academy_application.pdf.

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2014 Gulfport Hurricane Seminar

Join Todd Barron, Emergency Response Meteorologist from the National Weather Service, hurricane related vendors and the City of Gulfport for the 2014 Hurricane Seminar, Thursday, May 29 at 7 p.m. at the Catherine Hickman Theater (5501 27th Ave. S., Gulfport). Todd will cover the local Tampa Bay area and how to prepare for the upcoming season.

Hurricane-related vendors scheduled for this conference are The American Red Cross, Gulfport's Community Emergency Response Team, Gulfport Fire Department, Gulfport Police Department, Gulfport Community Development Department, Home Depot, Lowes, Morgan Exteriors, PSTA, Quick Shutter, Solar Energy Systems, The Florida Green Energy Works, Whitco Insurance and Window Film Specialist.

So you won't miss dinner, the Theater lobby will open at 6 p.m. for two slices of pizza and a drink for \$3 so you can come early to view the vendors before the seminar begins. Vendors open at 6 p.m. and the seminar starts at 7 p.m.

Admission to this event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Gail Biron, Technical Events Specialist for the City of Gulfport, at 727-893-1118.

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Letters

Remove the Derelict Houses

Dear Editor: I started an investigation of the “Chronic Nuisance Properties” in Gulfport when an abandoned house, located right across the street from my house, had several broken windows. I forwarded that information to the city and they responded by boarding up the broken windows. I researched how other cities treated derelict and abandoned properties and came across Madeira Beach’s Ordinance #2012-09 which gave their city the opportunity to remove any long-term abandoned or derelict house at the owner’s expense.

On Feb. 14, 2013 I submitted a letter to the City of Gulfport indicating my concerns. I also submitted copies of the Madeira Beach’s ordinance #2012-09. Our city manager indicated that we have enough ordinances to take care of “Chronic Nuisance Properties.”

Several months later, I was awakened around 4 a.m. by fire trucks outside my bedroom window. I looked out to see the derelict house completely engulfed in flames.

I want to see the derelict houses removed from the city. The derelict houses are an open invitation to arsonists to create havoc. If a new ordinance is not required then the city should be implementing the processes now to eliminate the derelict houses in our city.

We moved to the Gulfport area in 1993. We observed four cars parked in front of a house and two of the cars were up on jack stands. Twenty-one years later the same four cars are still there. The city came up with an ordinance which mandated that the cars should be covered. If a person wants to work on a car for 21 years I don’t have a problem with that,

as long as they keep the cars in a garage.

The city indicates they don’t have an ordinance to cover the number of cars you want to place on your front lawn. As long as the City of Gulfport permits this type of residential land usage then there is no chance for us to grow and change our image.

Come on people! Is that the type of environment you want to live in?

I love our city and I want the best for the people who live here. It is time to get our act together and all become better neighbors. It is time to clean up the city and get rid of the garbage that we all have to live with.

Lawrence Burke

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Editor’s note: this letter was edited for length. Read the full letter at thegabber.com.

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Mobile Collection of Electronics, etc.

Dear Editor: During my time in public service, I have talked a lot about the neighborhoods of St. Petersburg. The Sunshine City is home to many unique, culturally rich, and historically significant neighborhoods. These neighborhoods deserve the full support of city hall.

I have also discussed the importance of working with my colleagues – Mayor Buckhorn in Tampa, Mayor Cretkos in Clearwater, and Mayor Henderson in Gulfport, and many other leaders and decision makers around the region. When the neighborhoods surrounding St. Petersburg thrive, we thrive as well.

Last month, city staff brought to my attention the lack of mobile collections of household electronics and chemicals south of 22nd Avenue

North. This issue was brought to my staff by concerned residents of the City of Gulfport.

These collections are a function of Pinellas County government. After reviewing the 2014 Household Electronics and Chemical Collections Center – called HEC3 – mobile collection schedule, I wrote a letter to Pinellas County Commissioner Karen Seel, her Commission colleagues, and Mark Woodard, the interim county administrator.

These collections are an important service that Pinellas County provides in conjunction with the St. Petersburg Waste to Energy Facility. I have serious concerns about those collections being removed from the many residents of South Pinellas – in St. Petersburg as well as Gulfport and our neighbors in the beach communities. There are serious concerns that the potentially hazardous items normally collected at these events will enter the general waste stream, and that’s not good for any of us, no matter our city, no matter our neighborhood. The greater the distance between residents and mobile collection events, the less likely residents are to participate due to the time expense and convenience factor.

In my letter to Commissioner Seel, I requested that the county provide at least one central HEC3 mobile collection event south of Central Avenue in St. Petersburg. That will encourage resident participation from residents of southern St. Petersburg, as well as Gulfport, South Pasadena, St. Pete Beach and Treasure Island. I further requested that the event be included in the HEC3 mobile collections schedule for 2015, and sustained for a minimum of five years in order to accurately discern if public participation justifies this inclusion.

I am hopeful that our County Commission will review our request, and once again provide this important service to the citizens of south Pinellas.

St. Petersburg Mayor Rick Kriseman

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Food for Thought

Dear Editor: Once again “Hard Candy” has given us food for thought, no pun intended. However, I think

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Letters to the Editor

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Letters (cont.)

that ship has sailed. Pickers have been exploited for decades, since the '30s at least. Anti-union, the lettuce thing a few years ago, and now this Coalition for fair food thing. Pickers haven't fared too well over the years; it's all the "bottom line."

Cathy mentioned stores that take her back to the Mr. Jenkins' days. She's on the organic food kick and these stores fit the bill. Great, we all want food that's not dangerous to eat. Now, how does all this help the pickers exactly? Certain chemicals sprayed onto vegetables are carcinogenic; their only purpose is to make the food look pretty and have a longer shelf life. Cathy, do your stores have pretty fruits and veggies? Just asking.

Stan Kreuter, from the Gabber's "Gulfport Ideas and Opinions" Facebook group

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Bands on the Sand 6 in Treasure Island this year is jam-packed with all-stars and A-listers from the Tampa Bay music scene, including a one-of-a-kind Saturday night show from the Rev. Funky D's Home Team Family Orchestra and Sunday night headliners Come Back Alice. The famed Memorial Day Weekend beach concert, now in its sixth year, is set for Saturday, May 24 and Sunday, May 25, on Treasure Island's festival-sized beach. Music, food and drink flows at 1 p.m. each day until 9 p.m.

"The powerhouse combination of so many headliner-quality acts, a 'let the good times roll' audience, and the laid-back atmosphere of our gulf front community, make Bands on the Sand the only place to be on Memorial Day Weekend," said Cathy Hayduke, Treasure Island's Parks & Recreation Director.

With fiery guitar, blistering sax and keys, thumpin' bass and monster

drums winding thru every music genre, the Rev. Funky D brings the top players of Tampa Bay's jamband scene to Treasure Island Saturday night at 6:30 for a non-stop, one-of-a-kind, two-and-a-half-hour jam, featuring members of Cope, Green Sunshine, Applebutter Express, Shoeless Soul, Urban Gypsies, and Seratonic. At 4:30 p.m., the all-out party revolution known as Green Sunshine takes the stage and Bonnaroo veterans and ukulele funksters Applebutter Express play at 3 p.m. Saturday's music starts at 1:45 p.m. with space-punksters Displace.

Headlining at 7 p.m. on Sunday is arguably the hottest band in Tampa Bay right now, Come Back Alice, with soulful vocals, melodic guitars, baroque style violin and funky bass & drums. Holey Miss Moley, a quintet dripping in jazz, funk, rock and blues with a touch of reggae and ska thrown in for good measure, smokes the beach at 5:15 p.m. Have Gun, Will Travel, Florida's multiple Best of

the Bay-winning Americana makers, play at 3:30 p.m. Opening Sunday at 1:45 p.m. are Free Range Roosters, playing acoustic Americana, blues, Gypsy jazz, and Cracker folk with attitude.

Bands on the Sand rocks the beach at 104th and Gulf Boulevard in Treasure Island. The annual festival, produced by the City of Treasure Island Parks & Recreation Department, also includes dozens of arts and crafts vendors, a fireworks display at 8:50 p.m. on May 24, and plenty of food and drink. For more info, call 727-547-4575 ext. 237, or visit mytreasureisland.com.

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Third Annual Gulfport Aquamania

By Bob Newcomb

On Saturday, June 7, the Aquamania Festival once again takes over Gulfport Beach with a variety of events suitable for all ages. Wear swimsuits because everyone is going to get wet! From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. you can indulge in all types of beach activities. Featured will be an 18 hole Gulfport Beach Golf Game, a hilarious Recycled Boat Regatta, Dress Your Rubber Duck contest, Rubber Ducky Race, the ever-popular Dunk Tank, kayak races and more. Much more!

Throughout the day there will be artisans, craftsmen and vendors of food and merchandise, plus activities and games for the kids. Fine restaurants, bars, and specialty shops surround the beach in Gulfport, and will be open before and after the festival, so plan to spend the day.

Free parking will be available at the beach, on Beach Boulevard and at designated locations nearby. The Gulfport trolley will be running, providing rides to the beach, at no charge, as well.

Complete information about events, schedules, registration and instructions for participation in the Recycle Regatta and other games is available on Facebook under Aquamania Beach Festival (third annual). Information, rubber ducks, and golf score cards are available in advance at the Beach Bazaar. Stand up paddle boards and kayak rentals will be available all day or just for the races, your choice!

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Have Some Pasta, Send the Kids to Camp

YNOT Youth Outreach is raising money to send their teens in need

to camp this coming summer. This Saturday, May 24, they will be hosting a spaghetti dinner to send these amazing teens to this life changing retreat. The location of the spaghetti dinner is as follows: Trinity Church of the Nazarene, 1000 55th St. S., Gulfport, from 5 to 7 p.m. The cost per meal is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 years of age. Come out and enjoy a delicious meal and support an excellent cause at the same time!



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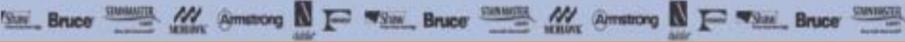
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The program runs June 13 through August 8 and introduces high school students to the wonders of Weedon Island in St. Petersburg. Students will be scheduled to volunteer at Weedon Island Preserve from 12 to 16 hours per week. The program days are set for Thursdays and Fridays, with some Saturday commitments required. The program will not be held the week of Independence Day.

All volunteers will be trained to assist guests that are visiting the Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural History Center and trails, as well as develop individual projects that support the mission of the center.

Applications for the program must be received by Friday, May 30, and

students will be notified of their acceptance into the program by Friday, June 6.

To register for the program or to get more information, visit rangernaturalist2014.eventbrite.com or contact Libby Carnahan at lcarnahan@pinellascounty.org or 727-453-6522.

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A Night of Fashion

United for Christ Freewill Church will be having "A Night of Fashion" at the Catherine Hickman Theater, 5501 27th Ave. S. in Gulfport on

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There will also be a silent auction with a variety of items donated by local businesses. All proceeds will go to United for Christ Church's building fund. If you are a local business and would like to participate, please contact Kadell Ford at 727-687-8400 or 727-258-4993 for more information. Tickets are \$15 and will also be available for purchase in advance at the Gulfport Casino at 5501 Shore Blvd. S.

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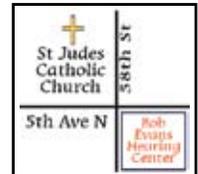
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For more information contact Cailey Klasson, Youth Librarian, at cklasson@mygulfport.us or 727-892-1133.

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Public Meeting on Beach Nourishment

Pinellas County Coastal Management and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will host a public meeting to provide information about an upcoming beach nourishment project on Treasure Island and Long Key (St. Pete Beach).

The meeting takes place Tuesday, June 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the

auditorium at Treasure Island City Hall, located at 120 108th Ave.

The beach nourishment project is tentatively set to place sand on select beaches from July through September, starting with Sunshine Beach, and followed by Sunset Beach, Upham Beach and Pass-A-Grille Beach. An estimated total of 555,000 cubic yards of sand will be used for the project.

The active beach construction areas will extend about 500 to 800 feet in length and will be closed to the public. Sand ramps over pipes

will provide safe access for visitors to the shoreline north and south of active work areas.

Beach nourishment helps to preserve Pinellas County beaches, which are important for storm protection, tourism and nesting sea turtles and shorebirds. For more information about beach nourishment in the county, and for updates on this project, visit pinellascounty.org/environment/coastalMngmt/nourishment.htm.

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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 valor, white for purity and innocence, and blue for vigilance, perseverance and justice for the American flag.

This special and moving event is held Friday, June 13 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. Ward 4 Councilmember Fridovich will perform opening ceremonies and Vice Mayor Christine Brown will close this special event. Special guest vocalist and former Broadway singer and author Victor Helou will perform. For more information, please contact City of Gulfport Technical Events Specialist Gail Biron at 727-893-1118.

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The Gabs

At Gulfport's quarterly "Junk in the Trunk" event at the 49th Street Neighborhood Center, we asked participants what else they might have done with their items.



Robert Martin, electronics and toys: "Just would have thrown it away."

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Phil O'Hanlon, a chair: "Probably Goodwill."

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David Michaels, "stuff": "Tossed it out."

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Geno Sviderskas, couches and tires: "I would put them under a tree and let nature take care of it."

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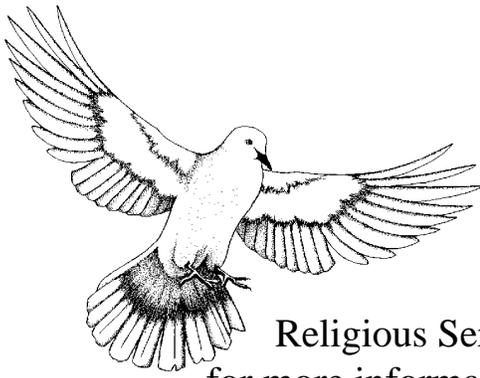
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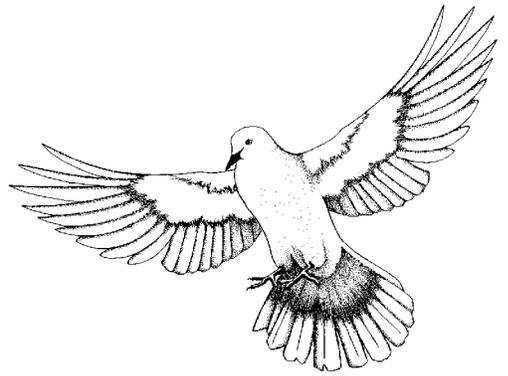
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Solution on Page 18

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- 5 Hen
- 10 Roe source
- 14 Realm
- 15 Banks or Pyle
- 16 Vault's need
- 17 Twain hero
- 20 Strands
- 21 Gritty's partner
- 22 Not working
- 23 Gooden's glove
- 25 Joined
- 28 Fuss
- 29 Lennon's widow
- 32 Inter ____
- 33 Man's man
- 34 ERA sponsor
- 35 Early jazz pianist
- 39 Air Force ____
- 40 Them author
- 41 Slip gently
- 42 Beam
- 43 Purposes
- 44 Reagan nickname
- 46 A little night music
- 47 Biblical miracle site
- 48 Pesto base
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- 54 Gilbert and Sullivan

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- 1 Lid
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- 3 She loved a swan
- 4 Part song
- 5 Look at
- 6 Dunne or Castle
- 7 Genetic structures
- 8 Performed
- 9 Hedge shrub
- 10 Portion out
- 11 Great number
- 12 Thanks ____!
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- 19 As a whole
- 23 Gangsters' gals
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- 25 More important
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- 28 Stories
- 29 Ready
- 30 Rope loop
- 31 A purchase creates one
- 33 Ballots
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- 38 Mended
- 44 Bridalwear
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- 47 Spitefully snide
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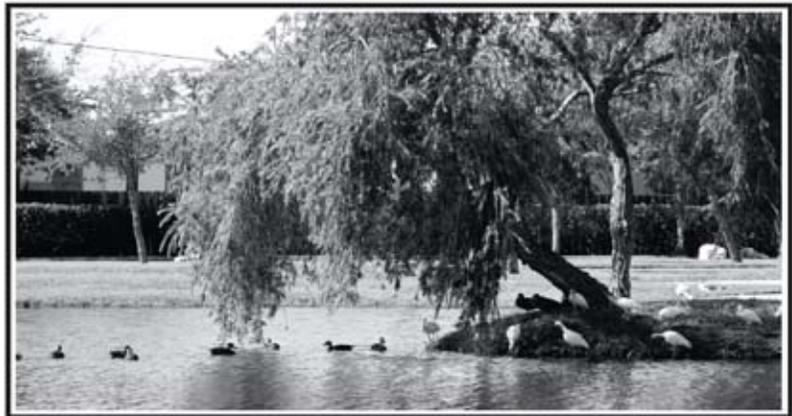
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By Cathy Salust

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These hang tags will allow St. Pete Beach residents, caregivers for St. Pete Beach residents, and businesses re-entry to St. Pete Beach after an evacuation. Residents with the re-entry hang tag pass will get priority access to their area of the city after emergency crews have searched the area and made it as safe as possible.

"Residents are encouraged to acquire their tag before a threat is immediate," the city's website explains. For more information on preparing for hurricane season, visit StPeteBeach.org and click on "City Departments," then select "Fire Department" from the drop-down menu. From there, look for the "Hurricane Awareness" link.

Shelter Seeks Teen Volunteers

Pinellas County Animal Services is seeking responsible teen volunteers to help leader volunteers with dog walking. Teens must be between the ages of 16 and 18 and must commit to 12 hours per week at the shelter. The eight-week program will begin on Monday, June 9, and end on Saturday, August 9.

Students can download an online application at the Pinellas County Animal Services website at pinellascounty.org/animalservices/volunteer.htm or complete the application at the Pinellas County Animal Services shelter located at 12450 Ulmerton Road in Largo. Space in the program is limited. Applications must be received by Saturday, May 31.

Orientation training is scheduled for Thursday, May 22, and dog walking training with a lead volunteer is scheduled for Thursday, May 29. The program requires a commitment of 12 hours per week for three days a week. Morning and afternoon four-hour shifts are available Monday through Friday. Saturday shifts are available in the mornings only as the shelter closes early. Call 727-582-2675 or animalvolunteers@pinellascounty.org.

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By Cathy Salustri



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Horoscope Guide

By Holiday Mathis

The new moon in Gemini on Wednesday the 28th sparks ideas and conversations. Keep talking, and don't be too quick to take things to the next level. Seeing that he's headed down a dead-end street, Mercury slams on the brakes so he can better handle an upcoming change of direction. The retrograde starts on June 7, but it will be felt as early as Thursday, with Mercury screeching through Cancer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Vulnerability and weakness are not optional. They are a part of daily existence -- a part that most people are trying to cover up as they go about their business. If instead of hiding your fear you let people know about it, they will connect with, help and love you. Friday is your chance to let your hair down with good friends.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Two positions will be available to you this week. One will be an easy position in the crowd; your job will be to point out how the doer of deeds could have done them better. The other will be in the arena, learning through action. You'll get tired and dirty with that last one, but you'll never regret it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The project laid before you this week will be a doozy. If you agree to it, a nice hunk of your life will need to be devoted to it. Do not dive in. Consider this one very carefully first. Take a step back and ask, "Is this really the right endeavor for me?" Your best advisers will be water signs: Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your energy and intensity level is highest early in the week. Monday through Wednesday, change it up and aim to make daily life special. On Friday and Saturday, the mood shifts, and it's better to stop trying so hard and do what comes naturally, even if that means relaxing and doing very little.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You and a loved one may disagree about the big picture, and this is the time to work it out. Dialogue about how you see things now and how you want

to see them. And while you're at it, talk about the emotions you'd like to feel more of, too. Wednesday brings a small agreement you can build on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The theme this week is that victory only goes to those who endure the game. Stay in and keep playing hard. On Thursday, your intuition may lead you in a direction contrary to common sense. If the involved risks are relatively low, go along for the ride -- you'll love the odd bit of good fortune that follows this whimsy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This week shows you heavily into your research, an investigation and/or a process of analysis. You may never really get to the bottom of this, but you'll learn enough to advance to the next level -- a very satisfying accomplishment, indeed. Also, consider paying for formal training.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Nothing about your future is fixed. Exercise your free will often to remind yourself that you are creating outcomes in each moment. Wednesday and Thursday present a prime moment for putting relationship issues on the table, discussing financial matters and working out new deals.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be gathering your courage. A fire-sign friend will provide warmth and cheer while illuminating new options for you. "How did the rose ever open its heart and give to this world all of its beauty? It felt the encouragement of light against its being. Otherwise, we all remain too frightened." -- Hafiz

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It's like you're trying to park your car in a tight spot. Just because you can make it work doesn't mean you should. Your comfort level matters, too. Maybe the better spots -- the ones that afford more ease and space around them -- are farther out, but they're definitely worth the inconvenience.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's almost odd the way a good night's sleep can seem to totally change your mind about something. The project

that was stressful and confusing yesterday now seems manageable and maybe even exciting. You'll get three obstacles out of the way by Tuesday afternoon, and it's full-steam ahead.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You don't need to have all of the answers, especially since you have a number of wise friends and family members to call on. This isn't a game in which you only get three "life lines." Talk to as many people as you need to this week to get a full picture. People love sharing with you, and you listen and apply it all effectively.

This Week's Birthdays: This year is like a party on the rooftop of life: Your perspective on high provides a sense of power and confidence. Next month shows you in the company of attractive new friends in rather glamorous settings. June is your chance for a promotion. You'll be spending time with people of a different age in August. September is for dreaming and gathering information. October brings action, physical work and financial investment. Later you could publish a book or be part of a production.

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Coffee Club

Don't miss out. You're invited to join the coffee club that meets at the Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Ave. S. on the first Tuesday of every month at 10 a.m. Discussing current events, the economy and investing in a relaxed, informal setting is a great way to get to know one another as you learn from Edward Jones financial advisor, Scott O'Berry. Coffee and doughnuts are provided.

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Meet the Artists at Suntan Art Center

Suntan Art Center will feature two individual artists, Eduardo LaChall Bencomo and Susan Kubes, who exhibit individually and "Together As One" for the entire month of May.

Cuban born artist and grand nephew of renowned artist, Jose A. Bencomo Mena, Ed LaChall, is a multi-talented creative force. He emigrated to Connecticut with his family when he was 12 years old. Following graduation from Florida Atlantic University with a degree in Sociology, he embarked upon a career that included traditional stained glass, fused glass, glass and stone mosaic along with pen and ink; acrylic and oil on canvas. Ed recently relocated to St. Petersburg, and is currently represented by Platos Gallery in the Village of the Arts in Bradenton. He has had a

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solo show at the Bohemia Gallery in St. Petersburg, and completed a large outdoor granite mural at 2100 22nd Ave. N. in St. Petersburg. His Hispanic roots and his love of nature bring his varied art forms to vibrant life. His work is collected across the country as well.

In contrast, wife, mother, grandmother Susan Kubes is a native Floridian. A lifelong painter, her colorful work is eclectic, powerful and always evolving. Her art is as flowing and changing as her life. For over 40 years she has been a painter of realism, but recently has explored

various experimental techniques that have allowed her work to be freer and more spontaneous, capturing the joy of the moment in more impressionistic or abstract images.

"Together As One" is the collaborative effort of these two artists who share a love of nature and the inspiration of different cultures. Meet the artists on Sunday, May 25 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Suntan Art Center, 3300 Gulf Blvd., St. Pete Beach. The show is located in the Mary Nabors Gallery, upstairs in the Don Vista building just south of the Don CeSar and will run through the end of May.

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HEARD About Town

Rumors that city bureaucracy has stymied the **new ice cream shop at the old Small Adventures bookstore** in Gulfport are “absolutely unfounded,” according to Community Development Director Fred Metcalf. The owners have spoken to Mike Taylor, a planner with the city, but no one, Metcalf says, has told them they could not open an ice cream shop. Taylor has told the new owners they will have to go through the same process for opening a business as any other business in Gulfport, but, as Metcalf told the *Gabber*, “that hasn’t stopped any of the other businesses” downtown. ... **Pia’s Trattoria has stopped serving brunch on Sundays**, effective this past Sunday, although they do still serve lunch. ... **The Beach Bazaar has also closed its doors on Sundays**. Co-owner Angela Lagan, who says last summer’s numbers on Sunday factored into her decision, told the *Gabber* she intends to remain closed on Sundays until season starts, “unless I hear from hordes of people with an antiques’ emergency.”

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Mangia Displays Walden School Art

Mangia Gourmet, 2930 Beach Blvd. in Gulfport, has just put on display 18 paintings by Gulfport's Walden School students based on the artist Joan Miro. Walden School is a small private middle school in Gulfport. They believe the arts should be included in every child's education, as the arts broaden the imagination and nurture creativity. The installation is on display from now until May 25.

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Literary Afternoon at the Blueberry Patch

Twelfth in an occasional series, the featured author will be Gene Roddenberry. The screen writer, novelist and short story writer who gave us Star Trek and has influenced three generations of readers and viewers of modern science fiction.

"It isn't all over; everything has not been invented; the human adventure is just beginning." - Gene Roddenberry

Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy readings, biography and insights into the creation of the science fiction genre. Join them on Sunday, June 1 at 3 p.m. Suggested donation to the Blueberry Patch is \$5. The Blueberry Patch is located at 4923 20th Ave. S. in Gulfport. RSVP's and inquiries welcome at Inktank7777@yahoo.com or 727-345-6427.

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Prehistoric Canoe Moving Toward Display

On Sunday, May 4, a team from the Alliance for Weedon Island Archaeological Research and Education (AWIARE) extracted all sections of an ancient Native American dugout canoe from a tank of preservative in which the canoe had been soaking for the past three years.

Carved from a single pine tree over 1,000 years ago, it is the only saltwater marine canoe found in Florida. At over 40 feet in length, it had to be cut into sections to be safely removed, transported and placed in the preservative tank.

The archaeological artifact, which has been carbon-dated to about A.D. 900 – A.D. 1000, will now air-dry for approximately six months and then be reassembled for public display at the Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural History Center, tentatively scheduled for the spring of 2015.

Excavated in 2011 from the Tampa Bay shoreline of Pinellas County's Weedon Island Preserve, the canoe was placed in a specially built tank holding a solution of polyethylene glycol, which is a wax-like substance that penetrates the wood to replace

the areas of the canoe's structure that were water-logged and will harden during the drying process, preventing the wood from cracking and deteriorating.

The nearly 3,200 acre Weedon Island Preserve has shown evidence of indigenous occupation dating back thousands of years and is state of Florida property managed by Pinellas County government.

For information on continuing archaeological projects at Weedon Island Preserve, visit awiare.org.

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Take this Home Gardening Class on Saturday, May 24, from 2 to 3 p.m. at the Gulfport Public Library, 5501 28 Ave. S. Struggling to get sprouted? Ongoing garden gripes? Join them for their new gardening classes to be held on the fourth Saturday of each month in anticipation of the launch of the Library's very own Seed Library! Val Boyles, Master Gardener, shares her expertise to help you get budding along! Also, attendees are welcome to stay and informally discuss their gardening-related issues after the class. Want to share your passion and

help? The library is also recruiting volunteers for their soon to blossom Seed Library. Please contact 727-893-1075.

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Stetson Seeks Pro Bono Services to Military

Stetson University College of Law is seeking attorneys to volunteer civil legal services to military members, veterans and their families as part of its Veterans Pro Bono Initiative Team.

With more than a million veterans, Florida is home to one of the largest populations of veterans in the

country. Stetson's new Veterans Pro Bono Initiative Team will serve Tampa Bay area veterans through its Veterans Law Institute.

"We are looking for volunteer attorneys with a passion to serve the veterans, members of our military and their families," said Trista Miller, assistant director of clinical education and Veterans Law Institute pro bono supervisor at Stetson.

Volunteer attorneys will receive a weekly email message containing current case digests outlining pro bono opportunities in their geographical and legal practice areas. After selecting a case, attorneys will be provided with client and student volunteer contact information. Volunteers will also gain access to future Stetson CLE workshops focused on veterans law.

Attorneys interested in volunteering may apply with no obligation at stetson.edu/veteransprobono. For more information about volunteering with Stetson's Veterans Pro Bono Initiative Team, contact vetprobono@law.stetson.edu or call 727-562-7333.

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Help Celebrate Victory Over Disabilities

An inspiring day celebrating victory over disabilities will take place Saturday, May 31. The Elevate Your Wheels fun-raising event is a family-friendly day of activities, co-sponsored by Real Victories Foundation and Elevate Fitness LLC to benefit para-teen summer camps and fitness training.

Elevate Your Wheels registration opens at 9:30 a.m. at Elevate Fitness, 6001 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, for the 11 a.m. 1K Athletes' Wheels Race for differently-abled athletes. Able-bodied individuals are encouraged to team up with a wheelchair bound person for the 1K Push and Run Wheels Race which starts at 11:30. This unique combination will give those who usually must cheer from the sidelines, the opportunity to feel the wind in their face as they cross the finish line in victory.

For an added bit of fun, a local musician will be jamming out the tunes during the 11:30 race, to keep you moving!

Real Victories Foundation was co-founded by Robert Gordon, at age 18, and his Gibbs High School Teacher of the Year, Jennifer Volpe. Striving to inspire others with special needs to overcome their obstacles, Robbie is the embodiment of determination. His belief that "everyone was born to make a difference in the world," drives his mission to "strive for the best and make an impact."

Elevate Your Wheels activities will also include: Baby Boot Camp,

"Horse" Basketball with Robbie and friends, a fun "novice" wheel chair race challenge, 3-legged-wheelchair races, performances by Mr. D's Youth Dance, under the direction of Navy veteran Dwayne Scheuneman, an active member of the National Veterans Wheelchair Games, wellness, fitness and food vendors, silent auction sponsored by Smith & Associates Real Estate featuring sports baskets, wine baskets, glass art, and family baskets and children's activities including face painting and bounce house.

Elevate Your Wheels is truly a celebration of inspiration and victory

for children and adults of all abilities. The community including veterans, seniors, children with disabilities and their families are invited to participate, or cheer on the athletes during the races, then stay for the fun, music and wellness activities that will elevate their lives.

For more information about Real Victories Foundation visit their website at realvictoriesfoundation.org. Details about the event and pre-registration can be found at elevatestpete.com or the ElevateStPete Facebook page.

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ACTIVITIES

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PROGRAMS

2014 SUMMER PROGRAM- Resident Registration begins Thursday, May 1st from 9 a.m. -5 p.m. for the 2014 Summer Recreation Program for children who have completed Kindergarten thru age 14. Proof of residency is required for registration. Hours of registration for Monday-Friday are from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Non Resident registration starts Monday, May 19th from 9 a.m. -5 p.m. You can pick up your packet at the Rec. Center or log on to www.mygulfport.us and follow the links to City Departments, Leisure Services, Rec Center. For more information call 893-1068.

2013-2014 TEEN NIGHT PROGRAM - Ongoing registrations for the 2013-2014 Teen Night Program continue for teens in middle school to age 17. The program is a great place to hang out and meet new friends. It provides recreation and social activities. It also offers monthly field trips, cooking projects, guest speakers and service projects. The teens utilize the gymnasium, gameroom and outdoor area. Program hours are Mon., Wed. & Fri. 6-9 p.m. Annual reg.

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

CLASSES - Call instructor for more information.

• BeVolley Academy Clinics - Call 495-6696 for more information or visit the website www.bevolleyacademy.com

• Beginner's Spanish - Mon., 3-5 p.m. Call Ivone at 727-482-2125 for more info and prices.

• Teen Spanish- Starts Wed., July 2, 5-7p.m. Must Register by May 23. Call Ivone at 727-482-2125 for more info and prices.

• Fencing - Wed., 4:30 p.m. Call Ian Forester at 823-0922.

• German- Starts June 3, Tues. 5:45-7:15 p.m. Call 727-755-3459 or Pegasus.scholar@gmail.com

• Gymnastics - Thur., 5:30-6:15p.m. Call Barbara at 804-9400.

• Hatha Flow Yoga AM - Mon., 9-10 a.m. Call Valerie at 557-4258.

• Yoga - Wed., 5:30-6:15 p.m. Call Tamara at 512-2763.

• Italian for Travelers- Tues., 6:15-7:15 p.m. Call Roberto 727-866-6892.

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

• Live in Color Mediation-Thurs., 10:30-11:30 a.m. Call Rasheedah at 850-339-4668.

• Tai Chi - Tues. & Thurs., 9:00-10:15 a.m. Call Marge at 345-6708.

Tennis - Tues., 5 p.m. for 10 & under, 6 p.m. for Adults and Fri., 5 p.m. for Juniors. Call Jack at 280-4276.

• Urban Survivor Bootcamp Fitness - Tues., 6:15-7:15 p.m. Call Donnie Ali-McClendon at 727-550-7185.

• Walking Club- Thurs., 9 a.m.- Noon. Call John at 893-1079

• Women's Self-Defense - Thur., 6:30-7:30 p.m. Call Donnie Ali-McClendon at 727-550-7185.

• Yoga in the A M - Wed., 9-10 a.m. Call Valerie at 557-4258.

• Yoga in the PM - Wed., 6:30-7:45 p.m. Call Tamara at 512-2763.

• Zumba - Tues., 6:30-7:30 p.m. Call Rachel at 419-905-5562 for more info.

TOMLINSON LAKE SKATE PARK

As of October 1st, ALL skaters/bicyclists MUST purchase a new City of Gulfport Skate Park sticker to use the City of Gulfport's Tomlinson Skate Park. Stickers MUST be visibly placed on the helmet. Annual fee for stickers is \$5 for residents and \$10 for non-residents. Also, all skaters/bicyclists 17 years of age or younger MUST have a signed parental consent form filed at the Gulfport Recreation Center which is located at 5730 Shore Blvd. S. Availability to register: Monday - Friday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Stickers valid from October 1, 2013 - September 30, 2014. Bicycles permitted on SUNDAYS only.



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Adult/All Ages Programs

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Gulfport Prompt Short Story Writers: Wednesdays at 10:00 am. (previously known as Gulfport Creative Short Story Writers).

Gulfport Toastmasters: Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm. FMI, call 727-827-7875.

Women's AA Club: Fridays, 5:45 - 6:45 pm. FMI, call 893-1073.

Introduction to Plant Identification: Thurs., May 22, 10:30 am - noon. Want to learn how to identify some of our wonderful Florida plants? Join UF/IFAS Pinellas County Extension specialist, James Stevenson, and examine the basics of plant identification, from using simple keys to identifying critical characteristics that will help any would-be botanist in the field. An emphasis will be placed on flowering plants, but ferns will be included as well.

Family Yoga: Thurs., May 22, 3:00 - 4:00 pm. Join in for a relaxing parent/child session. Spaces are limited, sign up at the Ref-

erence Desk or call 893-1073.

Home Gardening Class: Sat., May 24, 2:00 - 3:00 pm. Struggling to get sprouted? Ongoing garden gripes? Join us at the launch of our gardening classes, to be held on the 4th Sat. of each month. Val Boyles, Master Gardener, shares her expertise to help you get budding along! Also, attendees can stay & informally discuss their gardening-related issues after the classes.

SCORE Counseling: Tues., May 27, FREE & helpful advice from experienced business professionals the fourth Tuesday of every month. Call 893-1073 FMI & to schedule an appointment.

Coffee/Talk Book Club: Thurs., June 19, 11:00 am. **Note new time. Discussion of A Brief History of Time, by Stephen Hawking, over coffee & light refreshments. Stop by the Circulation Desk to pick up a copy. Sponsored by Circle of Friends of the Gulfport Library. Please call 893-1073 FMI.

Children/Family Programs

Science Club: Mondays, 3:00 - 4:00 pm. Children in grades K-5 are invited to join us as we build our own creations with Legos and try a new experiment every week! Parents are welcome to join in on the fun!

Storytime: Join Cailey every Thursday morning for stories & activities selected for toddlers & preschoolers. Sing songs, play instruments and meet other caregivers in the community. Thursdays, 10:30-11:00 am.

Summer Reading Program Kick-off

Party: Mon., June 9, 3:00 - 4:00 pm. Lots of fun activities for grades K-5. Earn prizes for reading throughout our seasonal celebration!

Storytime: Join Cailey every Thursday morning for stories & activities selected for toddlers & preschoolers. Sing songs, play instruments and meet other caregivers in the community. Thursdays, 10:30-11:00 am.

Earth Scouts: Tues., June 3, 3:00 - 4:00 pm. New group, plans to meet on 1st Tues. of the month. Activities for school-age children and teens. Parents welcome. FMI, contact gratefulashly@gmail.com.

Free Family Movie Day: Sat., June 21, two movies, starting at 10:30 am and 1:30 p.m. Join us as for this popular monthly program. Enjoy flicks with popcorn provided by our Circle of Friends. For movie titles, call 727-893-1074.

Teen Programs

TEEN GAME ZONE: Wednesdays, 3:00-4:30 pm. Come challenge your friends on the latest XBOX 360 games or just hangout. Free Refreshments. FMI, call 727-893-1073 & ask for Cailey. For more details call Cailey, Youth Services Librarian, 727-893-1073.

Teen Summer Reading Program Kick-off: Weds., June 11, 3:00 - 4:00 pm. We launch it with Silent Library- Gulfport Edition. Do you have what it takes to win the challenge? Lots of coool activities for teens. Earn prizes for reading throughout our seasonal celebration!

Services

Senior Center

The Gulfport Multipurpose Center hours are Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. This month's calendar is out with valuable information. Stop by the Senior Center or down!

The Gulfport Senior Center Pantry is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 - 3 p.m. You must be over 50 and a Gulfport resident. Pre-qualification is also needed before use of the pantry. Please bring your Gulfport Picture I.D., a utility bill and proof of income. Call 893-1231.

Do you know someone who lives alone and could use a friendly check in call? Volunteers for the Reassurance Telephone Program call Gulfport seniors every Monday through Saturday between 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. To sign up for this program, please visit the Gulfport Senior Center and bring valid I.D.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Day of Pampering: - Tuesday, 5/27 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. Heatherlee with Mary Kay will take the first 10 people to sign up and give them a complete makeover.

Blood Pressure Clinic: Thursday, 5/29 (Last Thursday of Every Month) @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Blood Pressure Checks provided by Pinellas Point Nursing & Rehab Center.

New to Medicare?: Monday, 6/2 @ 5:30 pm. Do you have questions about your choice for Medicare benefits? West Dupes & Steven Reiser will be available to answer those questions.

Coffee Club: Tuesday, 6/3 (1st Tuesday of Every Month) @ 10:00 am. Coffee and Doughnuts are provided by Scott O'Berry as you discuss current events, the economy and investing.

Sundae Funday Ice Cream Social: Wednesday, 6/4 @ 2:00 pm. Cool off this summer with a "build your own" Ice Cream Sundae bar for only \$3.00 per ticket!

Monthly Memory Screening Clinic: Monday, 6/9 (2nd Monday of Every Month) @ 9:00 am - 11:30 am. Get a FREE & Confidential Memory Screening, advice and information MUST call 727-893-5657 to schedule your screening.

A Holistic Approach to Aging Well: Monday 6/9 @ 2:30 pm. Learn ways to live life to the fullest, even if the physical body and society tell us we can't.

Movie Day at the Snack Bar: Tuesday 6/10 @ 11:00 am. Watch a Free, current movie and get a \$3 lunch deal.

Monthly Blood Sugar Screenings: Thursday, 6/12 @ 10:30-11:30 am. It's important to know your numbers! The

Springs at Boca Ciega Bay will provide blood sugar checks.

Healthy Heart Cooking Class: Thursday, 6/12 @ 2:30 pm. Dolphin's View will present a Healthy Heart Cooking Class.

iPad Class: Thursday, 6/12 @ 4:00 pm. Jaclyn Moore, Gold Award Girl Scout Project Leader will cover basic functions of the Apple iPad. Bring your Apple iPad and passwords! You MUST register - SPACE is LIMITED. No walk-ins. Call 727-893-5657

Puzzle Party: Friday, 6/13 @ 11:00 am. Join in the fun with Puzzle Pages. Learn how to play Sudoku, Binairo and so much more! Prizes provided. From the Puzzle Pages!

SPECIAL SERVICES

FREE Phones for persons with mild to severe hearing loss - Florida residents with certified hearing loss are eligible to receive a free amplified phone from the non-profit Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc. (FTRI). Cordless and corded phones are available through FTRI at the Gulfport Senior Center every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am. You MUST call 727-399-9983 to qualify.

G.E.M.S. Gulfport Extended Mobility Service Affordable transportation for Gulfport residents 55 and over as well as disabled under 55. \$65 annual membership. \$2 per ride and your ride to the Senior Center is FREE! Go to the mall, grocery store, doctor's appointments and more. Call 727-893-2242 for more information.

FITNESS CENTER SCHEDULE: Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am - 7:00 pm, Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. Annual sign up for the Fitness Center is an affordable \$25 a year or \$40 a couple.

Support Groups

Diabetic Support Group on Mondays at 9:30am

Caregivers: Every Wednesday at 12:30pm

Hearing Loss Support Group, 1st & 3rd Mondays at 2:00 pm

Visual Support Group, 2nd & 4th Mondays at 2 pm

More Activities

To view the Senior Center calendar visit gulfportseniorfoundation.org

Gulfport Getaways - Tues. 6/10- Florida Orange Grove Winery & Corey Avenue. Call 727-893-2242 to reserve your seat by 6/4. GEMS Members \$9/Non-GEMS \$11. (YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A GEMS MEMBER TO ENJOY GULFPORT GETAWAYS.)

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Local Obituaries

DOSS, NOBLE CAMP, passed away in Gulfport May 17, 2014. During WWII he served in the Army Air Force and was commissioned second lieutenant and B17 pilot. Noble was called back into service during the Korean War where he served 17 months in the JAG. He opened his law office in 1950 and practiced in Gulfport for over 60 years. Noble also served as city attorney in Gulfport and Pass-a-Grille and city judge for St. Pete Beach. He cared deeply about his family, friends, and community and will be dearly missed. A Memorial Service will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 20, at Brett Funeral Home, 4810 Central Ave. In lieu of flowers please make contributions to All Children's Hospital, Moffitt Cancer Center or Hospice.

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FISCHER, ANDREW "ANDY", born Feb. 10, 1941 in Benton Harbor, MI, passed away Thursday, May 8, 2014. Leaves behind two daughters in Michigan, Kim and Kelly. Here he leaves "Dad" John Hoisington, stepdaughters Karen and Tammie. Members of Andy Anderson American Legion S.A.L. where a celebration of life will be held on Saturday from 12 to 3 p.m. Online obituary at beachmemorial.com.

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MEARES, RALPH W. "RIP", age 61, born April 20, 1953, passed away peacefully May 9, 2014. Preceded in death by his father, St. Clair (Bud) and brother David. Rip was a Florida native and a life-long resident of Gulfport. He was a USAF veteran. An avid Bucs, Rays and Florida Gator fan, he also loved the outdoors, sunsets and fishing with a can in his hand. He was a man with a very generous and caring heart. Always ready to help a friend, Rip will be greatly missed by his mother, family and many friends. Service at Bay Pines Cemetery on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 10:45 a.m. Celebration of

Life at Lions Club Saturday, May 31, 2014 from 2 to 6 p.m. Please bring a picture and story to share. Bring a covered dish.

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PERKINS, DORIS M., 88, of Town Shores, Gulfport, died May 11, 2014. 88, of Gulfport, passed away May 11, 2014. Doris is survived by her daughter, Joanne Harriman. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 16 at Woodlawn Memory Gardens, 101 58th St. S., St. Petersburg. Guestbook at davidegross.com. David C. Gross Funeral Homes, 6366 Central Ave., 727-381-4911.

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RUSNIAK, ZOFIA MARIA, 84, of Gulfport, died May 14, 2014. She is survived by a loving family. For complete obituary and ceremony information, visit alifetribute.com.

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SCHREIBER, GENEVA MARGARET, 87, of St. Pete Beach, passed away Friday, May 9, 2014. Born in Cincinnati, OH, she came here in December of 1988. Gene was a loving mother and wife and will be missed by her husband of 66 years, Donald; her daughter, Sandy (Gary); her son, Kirk (Pat); and grandchildren, Amanda, Justin, Thomas, and Taylor. She was preceded in death by her son, Mark. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Chapel at Hospice Bayfront in St. Petersburg. ALifeTribute.com.

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Public Comment & Council Quotes

“Last year I think Rose-Marie and I were drinking mojitos or something and we came up with this crazy idea.” – Gulfport Neighbors Vice President Margarete Tober, about reviving the “on hiatus” Gulfport Neighbors

“We hope what will happen there ... is we’ll have a team of people who will work more closely ... to identify opportunities where we can help.” – Gulfport Neighbors Vice President Margarete Tober, about the Gulfport Neighbors’ ward advisors

“It is just a matter of convincing the county to do it.” – Gulfport Neighbors Vice President Margarete Tober, about scheduling a mobile chemical collection at a quarterly Junk in the Trunk or on a Truck (JITT) event

“We kind of blended workshop with a meeting.” – Mayor Sam Henderson, about the night’s meeting format. The council had no resolutions or ordinances slated for the evening.

“City council can take a sigh of relief. We have found and funded the free ride program.” – Biff Lagan, on the free ride program that will service Gulfport starting the first week of August

“There’s a reason that the open signs are made to flash.” – Mary Miller about codes that keep her from advertising prices outside or allowing her neon “open” sign to flash

“There’s apps for everything, why not Gulfport?” – Tim Spencer, who asked the city to consider developing an app for iPhones and Androids to give visitors information about the city

“There’s nothing happening that’s attracting people ... It’s not attractive. People do not want to get out and visit our businesses.” – Tony, about the trash along Gulfport Boulevard close to 49th Street

“I think it’s something that needs to be discussed before council.” – Ward Four Councilman Michael Fridovich, on concerns raised about Gulfport Boulevard during the public session

“We got that award officially in September of last year.” – Community Development Director Fred Metcalf, about a \$400,000 brownfields grant the city earned. Brownfields are properties that may be contaminated.

“I’m starting to find that 49th Street is the ‘Rodney Dangerfield’ of Gulfport: it gets no respect.” – Ward Four Councilman Michael Fridovich

“Does redevelopment viability take precedent over levels of contamination?” – Ward One Councilmember Dan Liedtke, to the consultant speaking about the city brownfields

“It’s really not designed to do cleanup for cleanup’s sake.” – The brownfields consultant

“It’s good for businesses for people to have to walk past them.” – Community Development Director Fred Metcalf, about the waterfront being the destination rather than the businesses downtown, and how that benefits the business community

“If we’re not going to do it now it’s never going to get done.” – Ward Four Councilmember Michael Fridovich, about paving city streets

“That sounds like somebody who came in after we weren’t broke anymore.” – Mayor Sam Henderson, to Councilman Fridovich. The mayor later clarified he was kidding.

“The recycling can say ‘Pinellas County’ on it but it’s getting dumped by the city.” – City Manager Jim O’Reilly, when Ward Four Councilman Michael Fridovich asked about the blue recycling cans in public places on St. Pete Beach

“I think we’ve dressed up 49th Street. I’d like to just continue.” – Ward One Councilman Michael Fridovich

“We have been approved to participate in St. Pete Pride.” – Ward Three Councilwoman Yolanda Roman, about the city trolley being a part of St. Pete Pride

“How old are you going to be?” – Vice Mayor Christine Brown, to City Manager Jim O’Reilly, about his upcoming birthday

“A lot older than you.” – City Manager Jim O’Reilly

“The city manager knows how to take a selfie now. He learned at the Rays game.” – Vice Mayor Christine Brown

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What in the World is Diversity?

Just what in the world do "they" (presumably the government) mean by diversity? It's all the rage now—government, universities, public schools, businesses. It's supposed to be the goal of the segmented institutions in a U.S. society which is an already highly blended country of many nationalities, cultures, religions, united by language and its own culture known as American.

Curiously, the more we begin to pigeon-hole people by any one, two or three or four government defined categories of race, diversity and interest, the more we promote segregation instead of integration which was the Holy Grail of the civil rights movement after years of slavery and its extension, southern Jim Crow laws and northern red-lining. The weapon against that was anti-discrimination. It was all about skin color.

However, now we're into diversity which is more than not discriminating. I read an editorial the other day in my hometown newspaper in western Pennsylvania that called for greater diversity in the region. The term was not defined. However, this is an area settled originally by Scot-Irish-Germans then later flooded with peoples whose names ended in ic or ich, or e, i, o, ski, and sometimes z. Nearly every group still has an ethnic club or organization celebrating its national heritage.

Lately, with the advent of hydraulic fracking and the drilling for gas and oil, people with names ending in ia and ez have been coming in so I can only assume that this is the needed diversity, but I don't recall anyone calling for names ending in hin, ei, ho or hi. I guess it's a matter of perspective as was indicated when a group at the Italian club in a small coal-mining area was asked about their opinions about fracking. One man said it was ok except for the foreigners coming in.

Asked what he meant, he said, "You know. Those people from Kentucky, Colorado, Oklahoma and Texas." And, he didn't mean Latinos.

Diversity, however, is more than skin color or looks. It includes beliefs and it includes how one acts out about those beliefs. This is shaky ground for government interference. In the last 10 days, I spent time traveling for family get-togethers and I reflected on the diversity in these almost all white gatherings. The non-whites, by the way, included a newly wed couple Indian-American (India). One was Hindu and the other Muslim. They included Christians (white) in their wedding party, too. I talked also with a woman of color—originally from Canada who said she liked where she lived except for its being conservative. So much for liberal diversity.

Others in these get-togethers were of Italian, Serbian, French, and United Kingdom derivation. Religions in and out of the family included Catholics, Protestants, Evangelicals, Jews, atheists, agnostics, not-sures, and Muslim and Hindu. Political beliefs included Democrat/liberal/progressive, Republican/conservative/tea party/establishment, Independent/Democrat/Republican, and pure and partial Libertarian. Age categories ranged from 19-month-olds to 83 years old. Health conditions, mental and physical, ranged from very good to not-so-good with a variety of afflictions, past and present, and histories of happiness, woe and loss.

Diversity and political correction police would probably have labeled the groups non-diverse because of the absence of African-Americans, or because the groups were economically too tightly grouped (though not necessarily at birth). We didn't sit around talking just politics or religion although one man did confess that he doesn't talk politics with his wife because she's a totally committed, life-long Democrat and it's useless. Conversations instead focused on family, children, friends, relationships, health, common interests, occupations, making a living, the economy, the medical system, weather, travel, communities, the past and future.

These were real conversations of people bonded in a hundred different ways not defined by government ideologues and idealists who, I suspect, define "diversity" as people of mixed background, all of whom agree politically with them.

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Friday 5/9

- Person Under Influence-** 5000 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Domestic-** 3000 Blk Clinton St. S.
- Unknown Problem-** 2300 Blk 56th St. S.
- Accident-** 49th St. & 11th Ave. S.
- Theft-** 1000 Blk 49th St. S.
- Theft-** 3000 Blk 54th St. S.
- Domestic-** 5100 Blk 14th Ave. S.
- Armed Person-** 5500 Blk 13th Ave. S.
- Domestic-** 6300 Blk 11th Ave. S.

Saturday 5/10

- Armed Person-** 2700 Blk 52nd St. S.
- Gun Shots (Heard)-** 700 Blk 60th St. S.
- Burglary-** 2700 Blk 53rd St. S.
- Theft-** 6200 Blk Kipps Colony Ct.
- Assault/Battery-** 1100 Blk 58th St. S.
- Stolen Vehicle-** 58th St. & Fairfield Ave. S.
- Injured Person-** 2900 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Sunday 5/11**
- Person Down-** Freemont St. & 13th Ave. S.
- Disorderly Conduct-** 5100 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Hit & Run-** 58th St. & Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Assault/Battery-** 2900 Blk Beach Blvd. S.
- Person Under Influence-** 5100 Blk 27th Ave. S.
- Monday 5/12**
- Burglary-** 2200 Blk 49th St. S.
- Burglary-** 1200 Blk 60th St. S.
- Assault/Battery-** 5300 Blk 11th Ave. S.
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- Harassing Phone Call(s)-** Location Withheld.
- Burglary-** 5100 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Assault/Battery-** 5300 Blk 15th Ave. S.
- Tuesday 5/13**
- Drug Call-** 26th Ave. & Upton St. S.
- Stolen Vehicle-** 800 Blk 49th St. S.
- Theft-** 5000 Blk 28th Ave. S.
- Person Under Influence-** 5100 Blk 14th Ave. S.
- Wednesday 5/14**
- Theft-** 5000 Blk Gulfport Blvd. S.
- Panhandler/Solicitor-** 5300 Blk 25th Ave. S.
- Vandalism-** 5300 Blk 15th Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 5100 Blk 12th Ave. S.
- Person Under Influence-** 5700 Blk 16th Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 1700 Blk 54th St. S.
- Trespass-** 5300 Blk 15th Ave. S.
- Panhandler/Solicitor-** 5300 Blk 25th Ave. S.
- Assault/Battery-** 5400 Blk Shore Blvd. S.
- Vandalism-** 5300 Blk 15th Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 5100 Blk 25th Ave. S.
- Person Under Influence-** 5700 Blk 16th Ave. S.
- Burglary-** 1700 Blk 54th St. S.
- Trespass-** 5300 Blk 15th Ave. S.
- Thursday 5/15**
- Hit & Run-** 5400 Blk Essex Ave. S.
- Water Rescue-** 5500 Blk Shore Blvd. S.
- Hit & Run-** 2000 Blk 58th St. S.
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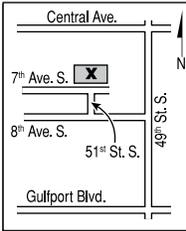
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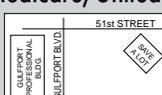
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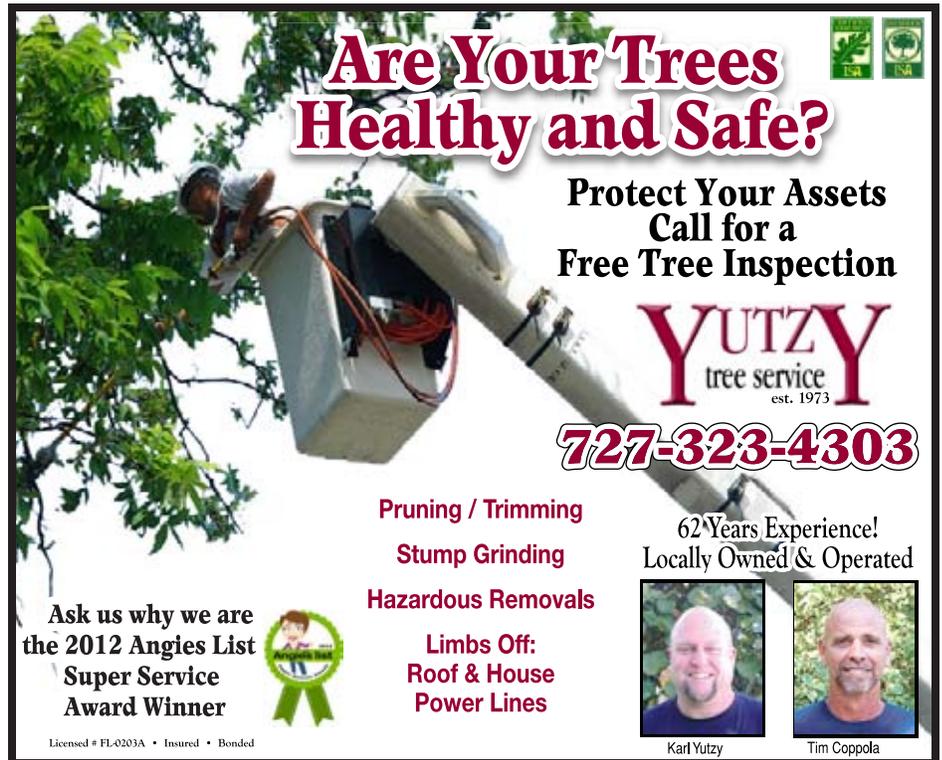
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German-American Society News

Everyone is invited to the German-American Society located at 8098 66th St. N. in Pinellas Park, on Saturday, May 24 for their Memorial Day Dance. The music will be furnished by "The Brothers". Doors open at 6 p.m. and the music will begin at 7 p.m. The kitchen is open for hot food until 8 p.m. and their full service bar is open from 6 p.m. until closing time at 11 p.m. Their dress code is Florida semi-formal (no shorts, other than lederhosen). The entrance fee is \$5. Call Bob at 727-238-8201.



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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.

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The St. Pete Beach Aquatic Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Dr., is offering "Learn to Swim Classes" for all ages through the American Red Cross. From infants six months of age to seniors, classes will teach proper technique and tips for safety in any

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Depression and Bipolar Support Group meets at the Suncoast Center (in back), 4024 Central Avenue on Thursdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Families and support people are welcome. Call Les at 727-822-3480 or email to Les@FBAO.org.

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Creative Crafts of the Garden Club of St. Petersburg will present the following activities at 10 a.m. at the Garden Center, 500 Sunset Dr. S., St. Petersburg. The cost of materials for member is \$3.50 and non-members \$4 and you take home what you craft. The public is invited. Call 727-381-8920 or visit gardenclubstpetersburg.org.

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Meet the Photographer Reception

Experience the "About Face" photography show by Gulfport artist Jude Bagatti. View faces from five continents on Friday, June 6 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Catherine Hickman Theater Lobby at 5501 27th Ave. S., Gulfport (enter on 26th Ave. S. side).

The Art Reception, "About Face," places thirty-two pieces of Bagatti's work on display. All faces, human and non-human, were taken with a Canon and AE1 film (not digital). Bagatti says, "Interestingly, some of those strangers have asked to take my picture."

Jude is a Jersey native who's lived most of her life in Florida. Moving to Gulfport from Miami in 2002, she quickly became engaged in the art scene here as an actor, poet, writer, photographer and artists' model. She holds BA and JD degrees from the University of Miami; is a Florida-licensed Massage/Reiki therapist since 1984; a Pinellas County Master Gardener, Volunteer and Trail Auxiliary Ranger. An avid environmentalist, hiker, and adventure traveler, she has run seven marathons, is a century cyclist, and has competed in mini-triathlons. Her nature photography book, "Fauna, Flora & Fantasy," offers images from five continents interspersed with her anecdotes, essays and poetry.

Jude's photography is held in private collections and has been shown at numerous venues on both Florida coasts, including Tampa's Florida Museum of Photographic Arts. Her photographs and published writings have won coveted awards. She still totes her old AE1 Canon film camera around the world, dreading the day when film is no longer available.

The artist Jude Bagatti will be available to share her worldly wanderings that she has been lucky enough to capture on film. For more information, contact 727-893-1118.

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

By Cathy Salust

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City of Gulfport: *Paving Beach Lot*

Q: What type of material will the city use to pave the beach lot? How will the city measure the impact to Boca Ciega Bay as far as runoff?

A: Gulfport staff hasn't decided what the city will use to pave the lot, although currently the staff is investigating alternatives to asphalt (along with the cost-effectiveness of each). City Manager Jim O'Reilly tells the *Gabber* the treatment for any contaminant runoff will not change.

"We do not anticipate additional impact to Boca Ciega Bay than presently exists," O'Reilly says.

Curbs around the parking lot, O'Reilly says, will channel runoff to swales (ditches with plants that filter contaminants from water), which should help with water quality before it flows into Boca Ciega Bay.



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Gulfport Rec Summer Program

Get ready to splash into summer as registrations for the 2014 Summer Program began Thursday, May 1 for Gulfport residents. Registration is for children who have completed kindergarten through age 14. Hours of registration are Monday to 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 19 for 30 children maximum. Annual registration fees

are \$17 for residents and \$22 for non-residents. The eight-week program (June 16 to August 8) cost is \$275 for residents and \$550 for non-residents, which does not include field trips. Pre-Camp (June 9 to 13) and Post-Camp (August 11 to 15) 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 (mygulfport.us and follow the links: City Departments, Leisure Services, Rec Center). Packets now available. Call 727-893-1068 for any questions.

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U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 78 has a 13-week continuous Safe Boating program every Tuesday, 7 p.m., Warren Webster Community Center, 1500 Pass-a-Grille Way, St. Pete Beach (1 mile south of Don CeSar). Start at your convenience. First day, come at 6:30 p.m. to register. Begin any Tuesday and finish 13 weeks later or take up to two years to finish.

The schedule is as follows: May 27, "Waterway Watch\Trailer Your Boat," June 3, "Handling Your Boat," June 10, "Your "Highway Signs," June 17, "Rules of the Nautical Road," June 24, "Boating Safety."

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

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Sign Up for Vacation Bible School

A week of fun and learning awaits the youngsters who take part in this year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church. Sue Prather, Director of Christian Education, said, "Our VBS continues to thrive and serve the community as more families become aware of its recreational and educational opportunities. All children, age four through grade 5, are welcome. This year's professionally developed curriculum, 'Weird Animals' blends a mixture of fun-filled activities with learning experiences that explore God's creations. Healthy snacks will be provided during the day."

The week-long VBS will be held from Monday, June 16 through Friday, June 20 from 9 a.m. to noon. PAGBCC is located at 107 16th Ave. in St. Pete Beach.

The June registration fee is \$45 per child or \$75 per family. However, early registration and reduced rates are available. The rates through May 31 are \$40 per child or \$65 per family.

For more registration information, please call the church office at 727-360-5508 or visit pagchurch.org.

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From the Desk of Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

Sexual Predator and Offender Tracking Unit



The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Sexual Predator and Offender Tracking Unit (S.P.O.T) was created in 2000 in response to the growing number of sexual predators and offenders residing in Pinellas County. The mission of the S.P.O.T. Unit is to be proactive in gathering information on the movement of offenders and predators and to be aggressive in requiring their compliance with the provisions of their probation or supervised release. It is the responsibility of the S.P.O.T. Unit to monitor and track all sexual predators and offenders throughout Pinellas County, as well as career criminal offenders.

S.P.O.T. is made up of one Sergeant, eight detectives, one investigative analyst, and one clerk. The detectives divide the county into eight different zones by zip code and they currently monitor over 1,800 offenders throughout the county. S.P.O.T. detectives stay up-to-date on current legislation, statutes and laws that pertain to sexual offenders, predators and sex crimes in the state of Florida. The unit tracks offenders throughout the entire county with no jurisdictional boundaries. This allows the detectives to track offenders without duplicating efforts between other agencies which is more timely and effective.

S.P.O.T. detectives conduct unannounced home visits to the residences of offenders to ensure they are living at their registered addresses and initiate criminal cases against offenders who fail to comply with their sex offender responsibilities or provisions of their probation. During home visits or offender contact, detectives gather information or discuss any problems or concerns the offender may have. S.P.O.T. detectives are able to get to know the offenders they track on a personal level and they learn the patterns of their daily lives. With a

specific unit monitoring offenders it provides more consistency and a more efficient way to keep track of the comings and goings of offenders. S.P.O.T. detectives making one-on-one contact with offenders play a key role in the preventing an offender from possibly re-offending.

Three days a week, sexual predators and offenders are able to come to the S.P.O.T Unit office to register or re-register as part of a state requirement. The majority of offenders are required to register twice a year while residing in the state of Florida. During the registration process, offenders update their address, vehicle, employment and schooling information in the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) database. New offenders have their fingerprints and photograph taken. When a sexual "predator" moves into a new neighborhood the S.P.O.T Unit notifies homeowners and residents within the neighborhood. Detectives will also walk the neighborhood and place a bag on each front door handle with a flyer with the predator's photo, address, current status and physical description, and a S.P.O.T Unit brochure.

Citizens are also able to set up an account for notifications on the FDLE website by going to floridaoffenderalert.com. The site will send you notifications on new predators or offenders in the area for any address to which you subscribe. For example you can be notified if an offender moves in near your home, office, school or daycare locations. Once on the site, new users can register for an account by entering any address they would like a notification for and email address. Registered users can also add additional addresses and specific offenders they would like to track. With these tools and the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office S.P.O.T. Unit, we are leading the way to a safer Pinellas.



By Robert J. Myers, Esq.

In our last article, the need for periodic legal checkups was examined. The following are some of the legal problems which may be uncovered by a legal checkup:

WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING

An indicator of good legal health usually includes having a valid will and some basic estate plan. If you don't have a will, your personal and real property may not be distributed in accordance with your desires. In addition, unnecessary expenses and taxes may be incurred and certain family members could possibly inherit your assets contrary to your desires.

A trust is another effective estate planning document. A trust allows you to transfer property to your

designated heirs utilizing a successor trustee to implement your specific instructions. If you create a trust in a last will and testament, this is called a testamentary trust. Another form of trust is a living trust which is created by written contract. Living trusts are very useful estate planning tools for everyone—not only the very wealthy. A living trust assists in the avoidance of probate and will help in keeping your affairs out of the public record and private.

It is critical to review your estate planning documents whenever important changes in your life occur. If you marry, move to a new state, have a child or lose a loved one, an update of your legal documents may be necessary. Also, it is an excellent idea to discuss with your lawyer if your estate plan is keeping pace with the value of your property and is updated to address changes in Florida law and tax laws. Revisions may be made with the drafting of new documents or an amendment to existing documents may be necessary. It is important to never make a change in your old will

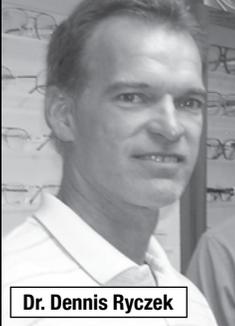
words or phrases which you want to eliminate as this may invalidate your documents.

DIVORCE

A lawyer should be consulted if your marriage is ending or you are contemplating ending your marriage. Issues concerning child custody, financial support and a fair division of the marital property will need to be addressed. If your spouse threatens to harass or harm you, hide marital property or take your children in violation of your visitation or custody rights, a lawyer can assist you in seeking protection against these improper acts of your spouse.

Mr. Myers is the owner of Akerson Law Offices which is located at 1135 Pasadena Avenue South, Suite 140, St. Petersburg, Florida. The telephone number is 727-347-5131. Mr. Myers welcomes calls regarding this article and other related legal topics. This column outlines general legal principles and is not intended to give you legal advice. If you have a specific question about the law, please consult an attorney.

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By Cathy Salustri

Life on the Southside: No Complaints

I grew up in Clearwater. I only got to know the south end of Pinellas County when I moved here 11 years ago. Finding Gulfport was delightful, and I've belabored that point so often I hesitate to mention it again. Better still was discovering what life was like south of Tyrone Square Mall. Traffic clears out, the people smile more and, all told, it's just a nicer place to live.

Y'all know me; I don't like to complain. And I certainly have no complaints about the way Pinellas

County treats us here on the south side.

If I had one overarching complaint about life south of Tyrone, which I clearly do not, it would be that living in a city in the south end of Pinellas County means you really understand the unfairness of the whole "separate but equal" thing, because – as so many discovered not that long ago – separate can never be equal. Now, I'm not one to accuse, but I have heard from a few people that Pinellas County appears to cater to Clearwater, Largo, and every resident north of St. Petersburg while quietly yet steadfastly ignoring services for those of us living an otherwise delightful existence down here on the south side. I'm glad I don't have that complaint.

Oh, sure, the county – with no notification – decided to stop holding mobile chemical and electronic collections anywhere south of 22nd Avenue North. Even though one-third of the county's taxpayers live in St. Petersburg (not to mention those of us in fringe cities), the county – *without telling anyone, including staff at the cities impacted by this decision* – decided we didn't deserve the same services as its north side residents and stopped scheduling chemical and electronics collections anywhere in south Pinellas. After all, we can drive our hazardous waste to north St. Pete if we really want to obey laws saying we can't throw our chemicals in the trash.

It appears the collections held in Gulfport didn't meet an unstated goal of 500 participants, and the ones in south St. Pete weren't up to snuff, either. Neither city knew they were falling short of the goals. You can read about how quickly Mayors Kriseman and Henderson have sent "Oh, hell no" letters elsewhere in this week's paper. As for my opinion, I have, as I said, no complaints.

I certainly don't believe Pinellas County acted unethically. Even though they didn't tell either city they were falling short, or that they were about to pull the collections

from areas historically underserved by the county, I'm sure they had their reasons. And it certainly is not my opinion they did anything wrong by letting both cities fail some test neither knew it was taking, even if, for the entirety of my tenure working at Pinellas County (which, funnily enough, included promoting the mobile collections), I never heard a peep about goals or participation.

Since I'm not complaining, I would be remiss, too, in drawing any conclusions about how services are being ceased only in and adjacent to the poorest minority communities in the county. I would also be totally, wholly, and completely wrong to talk about institutionalized racism, because we all know that no longer exists in Florida. It would also be wrong to suggest Pinellas County commissioners have little use for the residents on the south side unless it's election time, or that since the much-maligned Commissioner Norm Roche is the only one who answers emails, he's the only one who actually cares about all the voters.

Unnecessary, too, would it be for me to suggest people start looking around at what other services our north Pinellas counterparts get, because I'm certain there aren't any. And it would be downright excessive of me to suggest people email our geographically elected representatives Charlie Justice (cjustice@pinellascounty.org) and Ken Welch (KWelch@PinellasCounty.org) and the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners chairperson, Karen Seel (KSeel@PinellasCounty.org), and call them on what is most certainly not a smack in the face to the cities on the south side as well as a shameful way of denying services offered to everyone but the poorest communities (who may or may not vote regularly in county elections). And of course I won't suggest you read this column online to look for the links to email these leaders directly to express your outrage and disgust with their continued and sustained disdain for treating everyone in the south side like second-class citizens.

Because, as I said, I love life on the south side. I have no complaints.

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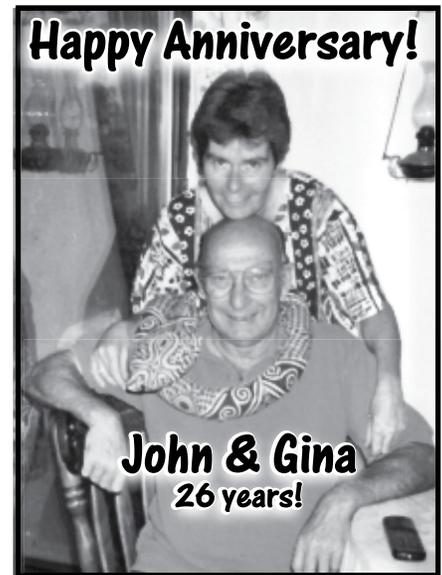
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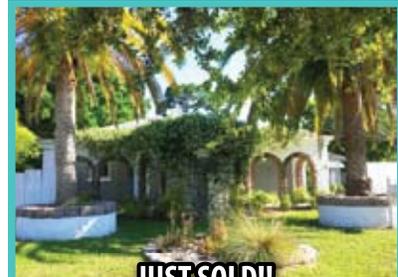
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