

Growing Community

By Cathy Salustri

Soil and cardboard. On September 20, volunteers at the Gulfport Community Garden (5125 Preston Ave.) laid cardboard over soil to ready the garden for the community.

The garden, temporarily forgotten, experienced a revival when Barbara Matthews approached the city in January to ask if she could undertake the project. Since then, volunteers met to plan and organize



Laura Clarke, Gulfport, and Jackie Wildey, St. Petersburg, partner to spread mulch over cardboard in the Gulfport Community Garden. Wildey works at PTEC as Landscape Management Assistant Teacher.

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Greenlight Debate Continues

By Anna Vodopyanova

Former St. Petersburg Councilman Jeff Danner and Gulfport's Ward One Councilman Dan Liedtke debated the Greenlight Pinellas Plan Tuesday, September 23, at the Freefall Theatre in St. Petersburg. The League of Women Voters of the St. Petersburg Area (LWVSPA) hosted the event, which was open to members and guests only.

The one-percent sales tax increase referendum will take place November 4 and decide whether Greenlight Pinellas will be implemented. An affirmative vote will raise the sales tax from 7 to 8 percent and fund the plan.

The Greenlight Pinellas was proposed by the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) to modify the transportation system in Pinellas County. It is a revenue plan, the main aspects of which include the elimination of the PSTA property tax on new property sales, improved and speedier bus service with increased hours and routes, and a future light rail connecting St. Petersburg and Clearwater downtowns.

Danner, arguing in support of Greenlight Pinellas, opened with the words "the best voter is an informed voter," and said PSTA is ready to implement the plan "immediately."

Among the improvements to the bus system, Danner mentioned the 80-percent increase in weekend transit, with a 65-percent increase in overall bus service, and a

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Trash Bill Increase in Gulfport

Gulfport utility customers will see a \$2.41 increase in the garbage portion of their bill.

"We'll be maintaining this rate next year," City Manager Jim O'Reilly promised city council at the September 16 meeting.

Ward Three Councilwoman Yolanda Roman asked about single-stream recycling, which would mean customers could dump all their recyclables in one bin but also means less money for the city because fewer items can get recycled, Public Works Director Don Sopak said.

"Single-stream recycling is a fad, it's a new thing," Sopak said. "They can't make any money off it."

"Recycling is already built into your bill, even if you're not taking advantage of it," Mayor Sam Henderson said.

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Budget: No Comment

It's official: Gulfport City Council approved the budget for the coming fiscal year, which starts on October 1. At the second and final reading of the budget on September 16, no one spoke.

Council began budget discussions in March. Over the past seven months, council has debated various parts of the budget in public meetings.

"Just because we come to a consensus on a budget doesn't mean we agreed on everything," Mayor Sam Henderson said.

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Junk in the Trunk

Gulfport residents, are you looking to swap, trash or give away your old stuff and don't know where to start? Join the Gulfport Neighbors and the city of Gulfport at the community "Junk in the Trunk or on a Truck" (JITT) event to be held Saturday, October 4 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the 49th Street Neighborhood Center, 1617 49th St. S., Gulfport

"Junk in the Trunk" is back and offering even more ways for Gulfport residents to recycle and green Gulfport!

Swap, trash or give away your old furniture, appliances, tires, and other bulk items for free. Please no firearms, drugs, liquor, paints, chemicals or batteries

The Gulfport Neighbors will be hosting a plant exchange for the community next door at the Back Door Theater. Bring a plant and exchange at the plant exchange for free. Gulfport's gardeners will have some great offerings to share. Also meet writer, JuJu Stevens, of the *Gabber's* "My Grandma's Garden" column. The plant exchange is a great way to spruce up your garden for free with different species.

The first 25 Gulfport residents that are so kind to donate a full bag of non-perishable food items or toiletries to the city of Gulfport Senior Center Pantry will receive a ready-to-plant, five-gallon crepe myrtle tree provided by the city of Gulfport.

The Gulfport Police Department will again be at the event. Stop by for a cup of coffee and meet Lt. Josh Stone and Community Resource Officer Zack Mills. Josh and Zack are available to hear your concerns and also offer safety tips for your home.

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Register your or your child's bike at no charge.

Junk in the Trunk is for Gulfport residents only. Proof of residency (driver's license or utility bill) is required.

Join the Gulfport Neighbors network of volunteers: inspiring, motivating and uniting neighbors to improve the quality of life in Gulfport. For more information, please visit their Facebook page at [facebook.com/gulfportneighbors](https://www.facebook.com/gulfportneighbors) or call 727-893-1118.

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Starting a DIY Project?

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Tangerine Blues Fest

SO49 and Tyrone Square Mazda present the Tangerine Blues Fest and Country Music Weekend on September 27 and 28. This year's two-day day lineup of bands (Blues on Saturday and Country on Sunday) is dynamic. Along with free music, great food will be served up by Pipo's Cuban Restaurant, Chick Doggie – the original Chicago Hot Dog, Wing House and their famous wings, Melt Company with a great grilled cheese sandwich, Mangia Gourmet, Mr. Bills with hamburgers and funnel cakes, Fresh Squeezed Lemonade, Fresh Made Ice Cream, Gulfport Elementary serving Ice Cold Coke and water and much more. Come out to meet Raymond of the Tampa

Bay Rays, costumed characters from McDonald's and enjoy carnival rides provided by Spotlight Amusements. They will have a full scale NASCAR racing car and many more display booths.

Have you donated blood this year? The Florida Blood Service bus will be on site so you can take the time to donate. Admission is free both days and there is something for everyone. Bring your chairs or blankets and stake out an area for the free concerts. No animals or coolers will be allowed in. Bikes and skateboards will need to be walked through the area. Check out the new web site at tangerinebluesfest.com or call 727-327-3509 for more information.

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A city-wide crime watch meeting will be held October 6 at 7 p.m. at the Neighborhood Center, 1617 49th St. S. All Gulfport residents are welcome – bring a friend or a neighbor! Some schedule changes may affect the November meeting. Look here for updates.

Gulfport Birthday Bash

All hail the Mullet King! Please join the Gulfport Historical Society on Saturday, October 11 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. as they celebrate the 104th anniversary of Gulfport's incorporation and crown the 2014 Mullet King.

Fishing has always figured prominently in Gulfport's heritage. Today, most of the fishing – but not all – centers on recreation, but in the past, many Gulfportians earned their living from the surrounding waters. The Gulfport Historical Society honors these families and pays by crowning a mullet king. The first mullet king, Charlie Williams, was crowned in 2013, and on October 10 he will bestow his crown on a new mullet king.

This party is part of the month-long celebration, Gulfport History Month. It starts at 10 a.m. with opening ceremonies and ends at 2 p.m., shortly after the Gulfport Historical Society cuts and serves the traditional birthday cake.

This year the opening ceremonies will include vocalist Laura Henderson singing a recently-rediscovered song written about Gulfport. Her husband, Mayor Sam Henderson, will be on hand to congratulate the new king and throw a ceremonial mullet.

Other activities taking place on the grounds of the Gulfport History Museum, located at 5301 28th Ave. S., include Mullet Toss with prizes for the winner, trolley tours through Gulfport, cake, crowning of the Mullet King, kids relays, adult games of skill, 50/50 raffle to benefit the Gulfport Historical Society

Please join the Gulfport Historical Society in celebrating Gulfport's unique place in history. For more information, call Miki Vaughan at 727-321-5705 or email dreamsfloat@me.com.

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St. Pete Beach Crawl

Saturday, October 18 the annual Beach Crawl will start at the Undertow beach bar on St. Pete Beach at 5 p.m. This is a fundraising event for the "Walk to End Alzheimer's." The first 200 people to donate will receive a Beach Crawl can koozie. Checks should be made out to Alzheimer's Association Florida Gulf Coast Chapter.

This is a 21-and-older event. The group will leave the Undertow beach bar at approximately 6 p.m. and visit nine more beach bars as they walk north on St. Pete Beach. No free food or drinks or discounts will be offered.

No fee is required to join the crawlers. Visit facebook.com/beachcrawl, email beachcrawl@yahoo.com, or call Brad Reuscher at 813-760-5824 for more information.

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Legion Post 125 Bowling Tournament

On Saturday, October 11, American Legion Post 125 is hosting a charity bowling tournament at Ten Pin Lanes, 1453 Pasadena Ave. S. (727-381-1010) at 1:30 p.m. This is an 8-pin, no-tap tournament, price \$25 per bowler (includes bowling shoes and dinner at the Legion after tournament). The charity is 3 Angels with 6 Blessings. In case you are not aware, this is for the three ladies that perished in a hit and run accident on June 26, leaving six children, ages 1 through 6.

Certainly money is needed to carry on the lives of these children. If you wish to contribute and for some reason can't attend, you can send a check or money order to American Legion Post 125, 6440 5th Ave. S. Gulfport, FL 33707. Make your contribution payable to American Legion Post 125 and note the charity (3 Angels with 6 Blessings) in the lower left hand corner of the check. Any amount you can afford is appreciated. Any questions you may have can be directed to Bill Jonas-Chairman at 727-384-6293.

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Stetson Hosts Marijuana Debate

Amendment 2 is the topic of debate between former Florida Supreme Court Justice Kenneth Bell and attorney John Morgan at a free, noontime event October 23 on the Gulfport campus of Stetson University College of Law.

Justice Bell and Morgan will debate the detriments and merits of legalizing medical marijuana during a public lunchtime event. Seating is limited.

The Florida Right to Medical Marijuana Initiative, or Amendment 2, is on the November 4 ballot in the state of Florida. If voters approve, the amendment will legalize medical marijuana.

Bell has questioned whether the amendment might result in putting marijuana in the hands of children. Morgan is a proponent of the medical benefits of marijuana. Stetson Law professor Mark Bauer will moderate the debate, sponsored by Stetson's student chapter of the American Constitution Society and the Stetson Republicans.

"With two outstanding and

knowledgeable speakers, Stetson's debate on the proposed Amendment 2 will be lively and informative, highlighting an important ballot issue for Florida voters and helping educate the Stetson community," said Professor Bauer.

The debate will take place Thursday, October 23, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Great Hall, Stetson University College of Law, 1401 61st St. S., Gulfport.

To RSVP email events@law.stetson.edu. For more information, call 727-562-7381.

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Flying Mullet 5k and Doggie Dash

Take a run through history on Friday, October 10, and catch a glimpse of coastal Florida the way it used to be – and in Gulfport, the way things still are.

Gulfport, a town built by fishermen, offers runners a chance to run through vintage Florida

neighborhoods. The Flying Mullet 5K will wind through downtown's Historic Waterfront District, running past the reigning Mullet King's home. Many fishermen – including the king – once earned their living netting mullet, a vegetarian fish that's quite the oddity in the fish world.

Doggie Dashers will thrill at the proximity of the dog park as well as the town's dog-friendly bars and restaurants. All runners get a free post-race drink in the Art District after the run.

Kick off your weekend with a run that lets you take in the quirky seaside charm of the town that time forgot! Event details and schedule. Gulfport has ample free street parking; please take notice of any signs. You may also park at the adjacent dog park, the Gulfport Public Library, The Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center, or at the Catherine Hickman Theatre.

The Flying Mullet 5K will start at 5:30 p.m. with the One Mile Doggie Dash starting shortly thereafter. Both races start at the Gulfport History Museum, located at 5301 28th Ave. S. in Gulfport. The course will travel mostly over paved roads. Packet

pickup as well as the race start will be on the grounds of the museum. Adjacent to the museum dogs can go off-leash at the small and large dog parks. Register at Active.com; call 727-656-5420 for more information.

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The event will also be serving up some of the area's best food trucks,

cold beverages, music, dash plaques and trophies for the cars.

The Cruise-in & Car Show is free to all. For more information, call Christopher Breton at 727-490-2000 ext. 7026.

The Skyway Marina District is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving an area of St. Petersburg encompassing the 34th Street corridor from 30th Avenue South to 54th Avenue South. Created in early 2014, the Skyway Marina District works with the local community to develop the community's unique visual identity and sense of place

while providing a nexus for the local environment. The Skyway Marina District also works with local business and community leaders to create new retail, commercial and residential development opportunities to attract new residents and businesses to the area. If you would like to be a part of building the Skyway Marina community, ask about the many opportunities to make a difference.

For more information about the Skyway Marina District, please contact Linda Bowler, SMD Manager, at 727-866-2696 or via email at Linda@skywaymarina.com.

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Garden Club of St. Petersburg Events

Monday, October 6 is "Mug Mania." Paint a mug for yourself or as a gift. This Creative Crafts program starts at 10 a.m.; the cost of materials is \$4.50. 727-381-8920

Friday and Saturday, October 10 and 11 is the Annual Fall Plant and Garden Sale. October 11, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and October 12, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event features tool sharpening by Affordable Mowers, hot dogs and cold drinks for sale. Proceeds support Garden Club of St. Petersburg's Community Projects.

Tuesday, October 14 is "Orchids 101" with speaker Michael Pollen of Art Stone Orchids, presented by the Night Bloomers Circle of the Garden Club. 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 15 is "Reflective Designs and Transparency Design," a program presented by the Flower Arranging Circle at 10 a.m.

Thursday, October 16 is "African Violets," a hands-on workshop with speaker JoAnn Henderson of the Daylily Circle of the Garden Club. 10 a.m.

Tuesday, October 21 is "Gulf Restoration" with speaker Cathy Harrelson of Gulf Restoration Network presented by Dracaena Circle of the Garden Club. 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 28 is "Garnishes from Veggies" with speaker Rosalie DiMento of the Garden Club. Bring a small paring knife and cutting board. Program presented by Jungle Circle of the Garden Club. 1 p.m.

The Garden Club of St. Petersburg is located at 500 Sunset Drive S. For more information, call 727-381-8920.

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

"You know, in 99 percent of bankruptcy cases the situation is that bad things happen to

good people. They have gone through an expensive health crisis or a divorce or just got in over their head with debt."

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

"I like what I do because I feel like I can help people get a fresh start," said Sanders.

"Since the initial consultation is free, you really don't have anything to lose to meet with me and we can assess your situation and see how it might be best for you to proceed. Bankruptcy can be one solution to getting back on your feet financially, but it may not be the best or only solution for you.

Sanders has held a number of seminars and written professional papers concerning bankruptcy law in general, ECF requirements and new issues. He is a former director of the Bankruptcy Section of the State Bar of Georgia.

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

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Mission: Teen Council

Gulfport Teen Council has a new mission statement, one that President Elizabeth Brown-Worthington came to after considering mission statements from other teen councils.

“We, the Teen Council for the City of Gulfport, Florida, promise to work to better our community by volunteering our time and talent. We will dedicate ourselves to being the voice of young people in Gulfport. We will show respect and kindness to all and work to be role models in our schools and community,” the new statement reads.

“I think you did an excellent job. You got your point across,” Mayor Sam Henderson told Brown-Worthington and Vice President Teryn Spence at the September 16 city council meeting. Henderson also commended them on using other teen council statements as a point of reference.

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American Legion Auxiliary 125 News

Thanks to volunteers who donated items for the Homeless Emergency Project, distribution can be made to 55 homeless veterans. Another shipment of packages has been sent to troops overseas.

A Blood Drive is scheduled for Sunday, September 28, 1 to 3 p.m. All donors receive free t-shirt, a coupon for a free haircut courtesy of Sports Clips and a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening. Help by making an online appointment at oneblooddonor.org and use sponsor code #621. Over 1.6 million people are diagnosed with cancer each year. Many will require blood transfusions during chemotherapy treatment. Unite and fight against cancer – donate blood.

Thanks to the Legion Riders and Legion Family who took part in September 20 Poker Run. Proceeds went to Cancer Awareness and COTA.

Legion Post 125 is located at 6440 5th Ave. S. Call 727-347-6085 for information.

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A group of Gulfport kids took a break from the Florida heat this summer and headed to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Tennessee, with their Gabber.

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Gulfport Toastmasters Receive Highest Honor



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Gulfport Toastmasters Club is pleased to announce that it was named a President's Distinguished Club for the 2013-2014 membership year. This is the highest level of recognition that a club can receive from Toastmasters International. Clubs are reviewed for the designation based on education, membership growth, club leadership, and club communication.

Gulfport Toastmasters was just awarded with a ribbon to commemorate the special designation, and the ribbon is now proudly displayed on the club's banner. Club members are pictured with the new President's Distinguished Club ribbon below.

Gulfport Toastmasters meets every Wednesday from 6:15 to 7:30, and guests are always welcome. Meeting information is available at gulfporttoastmasters.com or by telephone at 727-537-9098.

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The next workshop will be held on Thursday October 2 from 3 to 5 p.m. and 4 to 6p.m. The price is \$10 plus tax.

Please call 727-480-0865 for more information or register online at FindTheMusicInYou.com.

City of Imagination is located 2726 54th St. S., in Gulfport.

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Register for Child Care Program

Ongoing registrations for the 2014-2015 School Year Child Care Program continue for Kindergarten thru age 14. Bus transportation is available from Pasadena Fundamental, Bear Creek, Gulfport Montessori and Douglas Jamerson Elementary's. Program hours are until 5:30 p.m. with extended hours available until 6 p.m. for an extra charge. Annual registration fee is \$17 for residents and \$22 for non-residents. Monthly fees are \$146 for residents and \$292 for non-residents.

The Recreation Center announces the sponsorship of the "Afterschool Nutrition Program," a subcomponent of the Child Care Food Program. The program is designed primarily to provide nutritious snacks to children in after school programs. Snacks are available at no separate charge to the children. In accordance with the Federal Law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Register Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Packets are available at the Recreation Center, 5730 Shore Blvd. S. and on-line. Please call 727-893-1068 for more information.

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This occasion is a celebration of the completion of the tall ship The Hermione, a full-sized replica of the original ship used by the Marquis de Lafayette to travel to the American Colonies in 1780 to assist Washington during the American Revolution. Had it not been for Lafayette's blockade of Yorktown, the outcome of the war may have been very different.

Part of the proceeds will be donated to "Friends of Hermione-Lafayette in America." The chair of the planning committee for this event is Steve Dante, a member of the French language club "Cercle Francais" and past president of the Italian-American Society of St. Petersburg. Email him at stevendante@hotmail.com for more information or visit hermione2015.com.

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First Friday Flea Market

Come visit the Gulfport Senior Center at 5501 27th Ave. S. on Friday, October 3 from 9 a.m. to noon to find that perfect item. They will have jewelry, art, household items, small furniture, knick knacks and more all at bargain prices. You never know what treasure you might find!

For more information or to learn how you can donate call the Event Line at 727-893-5657.

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Home Gardening: Rain Barrels

Have you ever thought "What a waste!" when you see rainwater pouring out of your gutter down spout and then down the street? By attending this workshop hosted by the University of Florida/IFAS Extension, you will learn how to save that water in a recycled plastic drum for use in your landscape. The collected water may be used for your plant beds, potted plants, and

special plant collections.

The Gulfport Public Library will host one of the Pinellas County Extension Services' agent, Brian Niemann, for a fun and educational reservations only workshop on Saturday, September 27 at 2 p.m. in the meeting room.

Each attendee will receive instructions on how to build and install a rain barrel. You also have the option of purchasing a completed rain barrel in advance of the workshop.

Rain barrels are available only at

the class and payment by check is required for the rain barrel on the day of the class. Rain barrel cost is \$35 and supplies are limited. To reserve your barrel in advance, call 727-453-6524.

Many thanks to the University of Florida/IFAS Extension Service and workshop leader Brian Niemann for their ongoing support and in making this event possible.

For more information and to pre-register contact 727-893-1073 or stop by the Reference Desk.

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Vote No on the Greenlight Pinellas sales tax hike on November 4th!

Important points to share with friends:

- If approved, the Pinellas sales tax rate would increase from 7% to 8%, resulting in the HIGHEST sales tax rate in the state, the highest of all 67 counties in Florida.
- The PSTA Greenlight Pinellas train has no connection to Tampa, no connection to North Pinellas, no connection to South St. Petersburg, and no connection to any of our beaches.
- A sales tax hike hurts Pinellas County's poorest residents, seniors and disabled veterans on fixed incomes, and anyone who rents rather than owns a home most.
- The Greenlight plan would cost us at least \$2.8 Billion, with \$2.5 Billion (90%) spent on building the train and \$300 million (10%) spent on bus service expansion.
- The sales tax hike would generate \$110 Million per year in new revenue for PSTA, with no guarantee the train would ever get built, and no expiration on the tax hike.
- The proposed train would cross through 41 intersections at 15 minute intervals, increasing traffic congestion and commute times.

For more information, or to request a yard sign, or make a donation visit our website at NoTaxForTracks.com

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Walking on Hot Coals at the Senior Center

By Anna Vodopyanova

"Improv and Storytelling is really all about collaboration and working as a team and being fearless, focused and flexible," says Improv & Storytelling instructor Tiffany Ford. Ford, an Education and Outreach Specialist at Asolo Repertory Theater, uses improv as a learning skill for her theater students. Recently, she brought that skill to the Gulfport Senior Center.

The Improv & Storytelling class consists of multiple exercises including expressing bursts of emotion, playful interaction between personalities, and reacting to imaginary surroundings. Walking on hot coals, among clouds, or being "spiky" are ordinary endeavors for improv students, Ford explains.

"Sounds like a child tantrum in the old days," said improv student Marion. "We could never get away with those, and now we can."

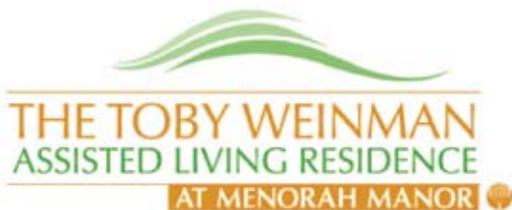
The exercises, Ford notes, connect body and imagination in a theatrical approach and teach with principles outlined as CROW: Character, Relationship, Objectives and Whereabouts of storytelling.

"The most powerful thing about theater are these tools of improvisation, because no matter what you're doing in life or in your day, those can impact your life and make you get along with people better," Ford said. "It's good for everybody."

Improv & Storytelling students create characters and stories, perform scenes and emotions Mondays at 5:30 p.m. at the Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Ave. S.



Students (from left) Debbie, Sue, Marion, Margie and instructor Tiffany Ford (front), walk on hot coals and surround themselves in the clouds as part of Improv & Storytelling at the Gulfport Senior Center.



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Haunted Hike Through Historic Neighborhood

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Guides will lead visitors down ESP's creepy alleys and brick-paved streets to old homes and landmarks where costumed characters will tell spooky stories about the homes in the neighborhood and the people who used to inhabit them.

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St. Petersburg Opera Gallery Reception

Just in time for the October ArtWalk tour, St. Petersburg Opera Company is hosting the opening of an exhibit of the art of local artist Mirella Cimato, Saturday, October 11, from 5 p.m. to 9p.m.. An ArtWalk trolley stops at the corner of First Ave. S. and 22nd St., one building away from St. Petersburg Opera's home, Opera Central, located at 2145 1st Ave. S.

The opening will feature refreshments and a brief performance by St. Petersburg Opera singers at approximately 6:15 p.m.

Mirella Cimato was born, raised and educated in Rome, Italy, which allowed her to be acquainted with the arts in Rome from grade school as part of her classical studies curriculum. She has traveled extensively and lived in various countries.

She began to paint in the US, where she now resides, inspired by events in the world and the colors of nature.

Her multifaceted experiences are reflected in the ethereal quality of her paintings in pastel, oil, acrylic and water color.

Her works have won many awards. They are collected internationally, in corporate collections and exhibited in various galleries and artistic venues. Mirella has been a member of the Morean Art Center, the Pinellas Park Art Society, the Suntan Art Center, the International Society of Acrylic Painters, The Florida Water Color

Society and various other artistic organizations in the USA.

"My paintings express my emotions from happenings in the world, my life and from people I meet," says Cimato. "Also, an image from nature may attract my attention. Then I take the brush and let it do the work."

The exhibit will hang through December. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. weekdays and by appointment.

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Vendors Wanted for Craft Fair

Vendors are needed for the Annual Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, November 8, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the St Petersburg Woman's Club at 40 Snell Isle Boulevard N.E. Please call Carolyn DeFreitas for information at 727-674-3484 or email grannyc0813@gmail.com.

The St. Petersburg Woman's Club is affiliated with the General Federation of Woman's Clubs – the largest and oldest non-denominational, non-partisan volunteer service organization of women in the world. For further information on their new, three-tier membership

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Autumn Farmer's Market and Festival

Step back in time at the old fashioned festival and farmer's market on October 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pinellas Pioneer Settlement, 2900 31st St. S., gate #2. Admission is free, though a \$5 activity wristband includes: old fashioned hayrides, games, candle making, butter making and crafts. Pumpkins for sale, craft show, farmers market and more. Visit the historic living museum, Brantley Building 1888, Endicott House 1898, blacksmith shop, saw mill, sugar cane shed, print shop, pole barn, old gas station and more. Proceeds benefit the Pinellas Pioneer Settlement. Donations accepted. For more information on Boyd Hill Nature Preserve programs, services and programs see our website stpeteparksrec.org/boyd-hill-pioneer-settlement or call 727-893-7326.

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Somethin' on my mind

By Bill Northrop

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Dealing With Domestic Abuse

It's amazing. Almost every other profession and occupation has to be embarrassed by what the NFL is doing and they aren't doing about the issue of domestic abuse. What other business group is having this discussion? While the rest of the nation is tsk... tsking about whether the NFL (National Football League) is acting forcefully enough disciplining its athletes, there's precious little attention paid to domestic abuse anywhere else.

The episodes of domestic violence in the NFL, if fully substantiated as they appear to be, are terrible and deserve to be addressed whether or not the victims wish it. The question is, where has everybody else been? Domestic violence exists throughout society. Just read the newspapers. Or, more than likely, you know somebody who has been abused or have witnessed or been abused.

I knew a district attorney who allegedly abused his wife, but police covered it up and, more importantly, his wife refused to file a complaint regardless of injuries she suffered. I knew a business man whose wife physically abused him regularly. I also knew a police officer who, when he had to man-handle a man who was abusing his wife, got attacked by the wife. Nearly every community has a shelter for battered wives. But, I don't recall any profession publicly discussing a campaign against domestic abuse nor publicly disciplining its members.

Certainly Hollywood is a refuge for spouse beaters. They punch up the women, everyone talks about it, but the careers go on as if nothing happened. The public remains in awe of their entertainment talents. There was an interesting piece over a year ago by Aly Neel writing for the Washington Post. She brings

up the cases of Chris Brown and Rihanna, Charley Sheen and multiple wives and girl friends, Sean Penn and Madonna, Sean Connery, and Eminem. And, you can look up the times Kim Kardashian has been slapped around without anything happening to the beaters. Is anyone suggesting that their livelihood be taken away?

However, it's not just in the entertainment field. Abuse is reported in the military, the medical and legal professions, and law enforcement, and the media to mention just a few. There are statistics about abuse, but the reality is that there isn't a central database on abuse. An estimate is that 25 percent of women have been abused. How accurate that is I don't know. All I know is that it is widespread and for the public to act as if the only place it occurs is in the NFL is hypocritical.

There are all sorts of excuses/reasons for beating a spouse, or any other person for that matter. Few of them good. What we do know is that it is a very complex situation that defies easy responses and answers. Ask people who intercede to stop it. Some situations may be about a single incident, others about repeated incidents. Legal action, which is usually appropriate, provides protection and punishment but may not curtail the violence in the long run. It may center around divorce or infidelity, or it may be about power and control. And, it may not always be physical. Whichever, it is there and it is ubiquitous.

Similarly, child abuse has many faces. It runs from gross torture of children or abject neglect to excessive and brutal discipline. In some cases, as in the Minnesota running back Adrian Peterson's case, it may be considered a cultural or family practice. Some consider any spanking at all child abuse arguing with some solid evidence that any show of adult violence

against children promotes violence as a solution. These are tough and complex matters to deal with.

The NFL, a non-profit monopoly which is extremely sensitive to the public and advertiser/sponsors from whom it gets its revenues, is tackling these issues. So is the union representing the players. It is easy to forget that all parties involved have legal rights, but they do. These are good public discussions to have. They may be helpful, but if other occupations are dealing with it, I haven't seen it.

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 Legionnaires meet 3rd Monday each month 7 pm

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Growing, from front page

the layout as well as the garden's needs.

"This is the first major thing we've done," co-organizer Camille Dianco said.

Volunteer Jackie Wildey lives in north St. Petersburg but traveled south to Gulfport for the work day because "this is where the community garden is," she said.

Wildey called gardening "therapeutic" and explained she was "completely into community gardening and sustainability."

The Gulfport Community Garden seeks a pre-built shed roughly eight feet by ten feet. Volunteer Mike Hanson says if someone donates a wood shed, it will make it easier for him to modify.

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Debate, from front page

24-mile light rail with 16 stations. His reasons to vote "Yes" on the November ballot include decreased congestion on the roads, connecting workers with employment and students with schools and benefiting the area's development by attracting business and tourism.

"When you increase service, ridership increases. When it's convenient, you use it," Danner said, arguing the plan will help eliminate automobile costs.

Danner said PSTA feels that one-percent sales tax increase is a "fair way" to pay for transit and a way to spread the costs fairly on all. If the referendum fails, he said, the PSTA will cut services by 30 percent to maintain the current quality of its operations.

"You do get to vote," Danner said, which is "a good thing."

Liedtke, arguing against Greenlight Pinellas, said that congestion relief is no guarantee, with 41 railroad crossings halting automobile traffic. He stated that the turning center lanes

will be eliminated and the parking areas will decrease, aspects Danner failed to mention. Additionally, the one-percent sales tax increase will not fund the light rail connection to Tampa, a crucial aspect on which many voters are misguided.

Liedtke said the light rail does not result in increased use of public transit, as demonstrated by other nationwide examples, hence does not affect automobile usage. A survey of Gulfport residents conducted in the summer showed no need for more public transit, Liedtke said.

"I completely disagree," said Liedtke, to the supposition that proposed transit is fairly funded. He argued the plan badly impacts the county's poorest residents and disabled veterans. Within the last 10 years, the dense Pinellas County has seen more senior population growth, while the age group that needs public transit is smallest, he said.

He also mentioned the upcoming costs of the redevelopment of the pier, Tropicana field and the bridge to Tampa.

"We have been unsatisfied...with PSTA's incompetence," Liedtke said regarding transport maintenance, neglect of existing infrastructure, poor management and lack of right leadership. He argued the light rail is a regression, not a progressive step into the future where smartphone-operated cruise-control cars are anticipated.

In his summary, Danner said the Greenlight Pinellas is a "great opportunity" and a "crossroads" where the community works together to reinvent the entire transit system. Liedtke rebutted by sharing his own plan, calling for a new CEO for PSTA, improvements to the bus system, new technology and the possibility of building a new port.

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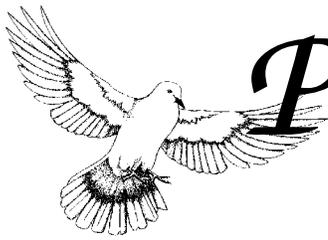
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The Senior Citizens' Advisory Committee meets on the third Monday of the month from October through May at 8 a.m. at the Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center, 5501 27th Avenue S.

Please bring any questions, concerns, or suggestions that you would like the committee to consider and recommend to the city council. You may call 727-893-1231 or email rcataldo@mygulfport.us.

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Creative Clay receives all proceeds from the festival to assist the organization in serving hundreds of community members with a variety of obstacles to accessing the arts.

Folkfest St. Pete attracts professional folk artists from all over the Southeastern United States, including returning artists Missionary Mary Proctor, Katherine Michael, Jellykoe, Mr. B and Mojo Morris. More than 50 artists will exhibit this year, offering art, home décor items, garden accessories and jewelry.

Folkfest St. Pete musical guests have included an array of Tampa Bay's local legends as well as nationally known performers. Folkfest St. Pete presents music of many genres including Americana, singer/songwriter, jazz and rock.

Great Explorations Houghton-Wagman Children's Museum will host a family area that includes hands-on children's activities. Boyd Hill Nature Preserve will exhibit birds of prey and Creative Clay artists will draw free portraits.

A variety of food from local vendors will be available for purchase. Folkfest St. Pete sponsors Bodega Latin Market and Ricky P's New Orleans Bistro will be open for business. Craft beer will also be available for purchase.

Weekend VIP passes for \$50 each are available via creativeclay.org/shop/vip-good-folk-package/. Suggested \$5 donation is requested at the gate for Creative Clay's largest annual fundraiser. Free parking at Tropicana Field, lot 6.

Check out folkfeststpete.org for more information. Event sponsorships are still available. Contact Kim Dohrman at Kim@creativeclay.org. Artist booth inquiries should be directed to Folkfest St. Pete Director Charlie Bachmann at Charlie@creativeclay.org.

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Meet the Artist: Vicki Mayer



Glass artist Vicki Mayer used to have a booth at Gulfport's Tuesday market. Currently she sells her art at Project Free Gallery & Studios in Gulfport.

Gulfport's Project Free hosted a "Meet the Artist" reception for glass artist Vicki Mayer at the September 20 Third Saturday ArtWalk. Mayer represents one of almost 50 artists who sell their work at Project Free. She gives part of the proceeds from her sales back to Project Free to fund programs benefitting the developmentally disabled.

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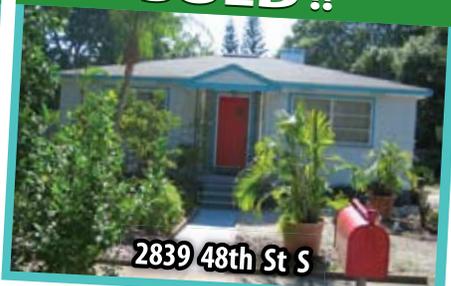
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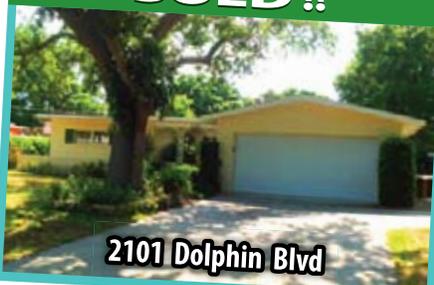
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The Center is doing its annual house cleaning and selling donated art materials and supplies at bargain prices. Approximately 30 artists are following suit. The Don Vista will be surrounded by talented artists selling work at highly discounted prices to make room for new art. This second annual event features a huge selection of affordable fine art, most items priced under \$100, along with pictures frames and other gently used art and craft "stuff." The festivities will also include tasty food and enjoyable music.

This is a great opportunity to clean out the deadwood and make a little cash to fund your next creative pursuit or just to snag a bargain. There are still a few spaces left. The spaces are \$25 for your own 10 x 10 tent or a space with a table provided.

This event supports the continuing programs at Suntan Art Center, a designated 501(c)(3) non-profit. For more information or to reserve a space, call 727-367-3818 or email suntanartcenter@verizon.net.

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Celebrating Gulfport History at the Hickman

Take a look back at Gulfport's prominent places and buildings at the *Gulfport: Then and Now* photo show in the Catherine Hickman Theatre lobby. Recently, the Gulfport Historical Society unearthed a set of "then and now" photos; they've updated the "now" photos and restored the exhibit to show quality. The board will unveil the new exhibit at the reception, catered by Pia's Trattoria, at 6 p.m. on October 3. This exhibit kicks off Gulfport History Month, a month-long celebration of the things that make Gulfport, Gulfport.

Members of the Gulfport Historical Society will be available during the reception to meet, greet and discuss. For more information, contact 727-893-1118.

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- 64 Marble upright
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- 68 Angel topper
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Horoscope Guide

By Holiday Mathis

This week, Mercury slips into Scorpio, where he's intense and tuned in to the subtle dynamics of human interaction. Venus will do a sign change as well, slipping into Libra, where she is at her diplomatic finest. All of these changes serve to enhance communication for a time, encouraging us to rely on our senses to a greater degree and even our extrasensory abilities.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The stupidest argument to have with another person is about what to like. People can't help what they like. It's just how they are. Likes may change and evolve with experience, or they may not. Regardless, the thing to do is to find someone with similar likes or with a high level of tolerance for differences.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Maybe you would rather be praised for a different reason than the one that gets attention, but don't take your talents for granted in this way. Not everyone can do what you do. Hopefully, the compliments you get will satisfy your need for acknowledgement -- something you have in common with every human.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Strike the words "hope" and "should" from your vocabulary. Today you're either doing it or not doing it. Either way, you can feel fantastic about your choice. Once you have a few strong decisions under your belt, your attitude gets lighter and your thinking gets brighter.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If love were money, you would be wealthy, indeed. As it is, being rich in love means you are rich in the way that really matters. Your heart is open, and people find it easy to connect

with you. Even people who are very different from you can relate to your journey. Those you hardly know will reveal secrets to you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Before the digital era, people made different kinds of mistakes -- like taking pictures with a camera that does not have film inside of it. The current mistakes are fun in their own way. Remember them. In the future, you will look back and see that what you are doing now is very much a sign of the times.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You currently expect something from someone that is unrealistic. Maybe an incorrect assumption was made at the start. The remedy is in reassessing the situation and asking more questions than you did before. Adjustments will be made to create a healthier and more suitable arrangement.

LIBRA(Sept.23-Oct.23). Sometimes people don't see the opportunity right in front of them simply because they failed to plan for it. What if the exact thing you wanted was presented to you? Would you be in a position to take it and run? There are so many chances to take this week. Anticipate good luck, and prepare for it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). What about your wish list? Make certain that it's thoroughly your own and that you are not simply agreeing to what other people want from you or letting society impose upon you the things you "should" want. If a wish goes ungranted for very long, maybe it wasn't really your wish from the start.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are diplomatic. You don't come on like gangbusters, and yet you still make sure people know where you stand. Your input will be the thing that changes the entire scene. Because

you carefully state your perception of situations (affirmatively but not argumentatively), you will cause a change for the better.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll go about your activities with a light heart. Someone new will awaken the love that was already inside you. You might be tempted to give this person more credit than is due. Give yourself credit, too. That love was always there in you, and it will always be there.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Relax. It's not your job to fix everything. This week there are no problems to be solved; rather, there are experiences to be savored. Balance the sweetness of fun with the saltiness of hard work. Instead of striving for improvement, strive for acceptance. See whether you can love things as they are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Remember when you used to sit around and wonder what your life would be like? Well, this is it. It's time to rate this most recent experience and decide what's next. Thursday, it's time to stop and do a tune-up, which is better achieved when everything is in working order. Better to maintain now than repair later.

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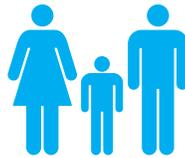
Susan Latvala
Pinellas County Commissioner

	Median Home	Commercial
Value	\$173,000	\$500,000
Homestead Exemption	-\$50,000	-
Taxed Value	\$123,000	\$500,000
Transit Property Tax	\$90	\$365

Source: Pinellas County Property Appraiser

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How will a funding change affect me?



Additional 1% sales tax*	\$104
Transit Property tax eliminated	-\$90
Net Tax Increase	\$14

Source: IRS.gov Sales Tax Deduction Calculator
* Annually, based on median household income in Pinellas

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How much of the sales tax is paid by tourists?

According to the Pinellas County Office of Management and Budget, nearly 1/3 of sales tax revenue comes from tourists.



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What is exempt?

These items are not taxable:

Residential rent & mortgages	Prescriptions
Residential Utilities	Labor
Groceries	New/Expanding business machinery, parts, equipment

Note: Only the first \$5,000 of a large purchase is taxable, so the maximum amount on any purchase would be \$50.



Darden Rice, City of St. Petersburg Councilmember
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PLAN AT A GLANCE

The **Greenlight Pinellas Plan** would significantly improve public transit in our community including:

- 65% more bus service
- Earlier morning and later evening service for people trying to get to and from work
- 80% more weekend service
- More regional express service for commuters
- More trolley service to, from, and along the beaches
- More community circulators
- Extended hours and service area for DART
- Passenger rail service from St. Pete and Clearwater to the Carillon/Gateway job center

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: How much will the Greenlight Pinellas Plan cost?

The entire Greenlight Pinellas Plan will cost \$2.2 billion to build and \$130 million to operate annually after it's fully built.

Q: How will the Greenlight Pinellas Plan be implemented?

Once the new sales tax starts in 2016, night and weekend bus service will increase and enhanced regional express service to Tampa International Airport will begin. The rest of the bus improvements will be in place by 2021, prior to the opening of the rail line in 2024.

Q: How does the Plan benefit me if I have a car?

With more frequent buses and longer hours of service, you might choose to use the bus for some of your trips – to work, to a sporting event, or for an evening out. Plus, if you own property, you'll save on property taxes.

Q: What is Rapid Bus service?

Rapid Bus Service runs frequently and all day long. There are new Rapid Bus lines in the Greenlight Pinellas Plan on eight (8) of the major north-south and east-west corridors in Pinellas.

Q: Why is the rail line from Clearwater to St. Petersburg?

Because it serves the County's largest cities and the largest job center, the Carillon/Gateway Area. Combined, these three areas employ 110,000 people. This line will create a "spine" of reliable, premium transit service that will work seamlessly with the much improved bus network in the Greenlight Pinellas Plan.

Q: Why Light Rail?

Fifteen (15) different types of transit modes were examined through an extensive screening process, which included public input. Light rail was selected because it has the greatest potential to spur economic development, attract more riders, and provide reliable travel times.

Q: When would the property tax go away?

If the Greenlight Pinellas Plan is approved by voters, the transit portion of the property tax would end as of October 1, 2015.

Q: When would the sales tax begin?

January 1, 2016

Q: Would all purchases be taxed?

No. Many items are not taxable including medicines, groceries, residential utilities, medical and other professional services.

Q: If I make a big purchase, how much more sales tax would I pay?

Only the first \$5000 of a large purchase is taxable. So, if you were to buy a car, you'd pay a maximum of \$50 more. If you bought a \$400 washing machine, you'd pay an additional \$4.

Q: How will this affect DART service?

Door-to-door DART service for people with disabilities who are unable to use the regular bus service will be improved with later evening and more weekend service.

Q: What happens if the referendum does not pass?

If the plan does not pass, the property tax will continue, and bus service will need to be cut up to 30% in order to balance the budget. These cuts would further limit weekday frequencies and weekend service with most Sunday service being eliminated.

For more frequently asked questions, visit: GreenlightPinellas.com/about/faq



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Teen Afternoons at the Library

Hey Teens! Come hang out with Sherri and Cailey, Wednesday afternoons at the Gulfport Library, 5501 28th Ave. S., from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Play Xbox, watch movies, get help with homework, listen to music, and just hang out and have fun.

For more info contact Cailey at cklasson@mygulfport.us or 727-893-1074.

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Bayway Bridge Opening Bash

The date has been set for the official grand opening celebration of the new Bayway Bridge. They are celebrating island style with the Bayway Bridge Bash on Friday, October 17. There will be a 5K sunset walk/run over the new bridge, a party boat, golf tournament, paddle board flotilla, parties and bonfires on St. Pete Beach.

The day starts with a 9 hole Golf tournament at Isla del Sol and is followed by a packet pick up party that will include food, music and drinks.

As the sun starts to set the bridge will be illuminated in all pink and we will congregate under the bridge on the west side to watch it happen. As the sun sets and the bridge lights up, a timed 5K race will start to the celebration destination.

For more information, call 727-744-9153 or go to visitpassagrille.com.

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Tampa Bay Senior Expo

The Tampa Bay Senior Expo is returning to the Coliseum in downtown St. Petersburg. This is a special event designed to help seniors make the most of their golden years. For one day only at the Coliseum-meet local professionals who offer expertise in financial planning, health, fitness, home improvement, recreation and more. There's so much to experience on Tuesday, October 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Tampa Bay Senior Expo is a free event. If you want to make your life the best it can be, this is a great way to get started. There will be health screenings and informative seminars, and plenty of opportunities for one

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on one interaction with local health professionals. Visit with residential communities and local hospitals so you can make educated decisions. Take charge of your golden years at the Tampa Bay Senior Expo.

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South Pasadena Band Returns

The South Pasadena Community Band invites you to the opening concert of our season, "Music in the Park," on Sunday, October 19 starting

at 4 p.m. at Galatea Garden near the South Pasadena City Hall. Music will include selections from Carousel, Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington, show tunes and lively marches.

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Library Receives Large LGBT Book Donation



September 6, The Stonewall National Museum and Archives (SNMA) in Fort Lauderdale donated nearly 550 books to the developing LGBTQ Resource Center at the Gulfport Public Library. Daniel Hodge (left), accepted the donation for the LGBTQ Collection Committee from

Robert Lee, Chief Librarian of the SNMA. The non-profit SNMA programs include the largest single circulating library of its kind in the nation, as well as a museum, gallery, archives, public events schedule and educational outreach which preserve and share the cultural contributions of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people.

The Gulfport Public Library's LGBTQ Resource Center will be the first special collection of its kind in a Florida public library. Organizers are actively seeking donations of LGBTQ-related library materials as well as monetary gifts from all interested individuals and groups. The new Resource Center is expected to open by June 2015. For more information, contact Daniel Hodge at dan@igc.org or 727-366-4086.

Holy Name Oktoberfest

Most Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church invites the community to its annual Oktoberfest, Thursday through Sunday, October 16 to 19. The 38th annual festival will be at the church, located at 5800 15th Ave. S. in Gulfport. This is the largest event of the year for the parish and promises family fun the entire weekend.

There will be rides, midway games, opportunities to win gift certificates, baskets of goodies from local merchants, bingo, delicious food, cold beer, a 50/50 drawing and entertainment daily.

Please mark your calendars for this years' festival and plan to attend.

For more information call the parish office at 727-347-9989, email ministry@mostholyname.org, or visit mostholyname.org.

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YMCA Diabetes Prevention Program

Did you know that reducing your body weight by just 7% and increasing your physical activity can greatly reduce your risk of developing a host of chronic diseases?

The YMCA of Greater St Petersburg has joined forces with the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Medicare to help seniors take control of their health. Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Ave. S. will begin offering a new session of the YMCA classes to make it easier for local seniors to take advantage of this program. The next series of classes begin Monday, September 29 at noon.

Participants work together to lose a modest amount of weight, increase their physical activity and create healthy habits that can reduce risks of Diabetes, Cancer, Heart Disease, and Erectile Dysfunction. Classes meet for one hour a week for 16 weeks and are followed up by monthly maintenance meetings. All classes are led by a trained Lifestyle Coach. Participants are eligible for a complimentary membership to the YMCA throughout the program.

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A Simple Theater

A Simple Theatre has announced its 2014-2015 season of productions, which will be built exclusively around staged readings and collaborations with local community groups.

The theater-in-residence at Eckerd College is calling the new season "Friends and Neighbors: A series of plays about the people we work and play with."

"Part of the mission of A Simple Theatre is to provide access to great plays to our entire community," says A Simple Theatre Board Chairwoman Jacqueline MacNeil. "With actors as storytellers and affordable ticket prices, we hope to engage and foster a whole new group of theatergoers in the greater St. Petersburg community."

Tickets are \$15 for the general public, \$13 for seniors and students.

The new season includes two community collaborations, one each with the Dali Museum and the St. Petersburg Opera Company. Upcoming shows include:

The Graduate: An innovative retelling of the classic 1967 film about young Benjamin Braddock's disastrous affair with the sultry Mrs. Robinson. Adapted for the stage by Terry Johnson. Based on the novel by Charles Webb and the screenplay by Calder Willingham and Buck Henry. October 14, 7:30 p.m. Bininger Theater, Eckerd College.

Picasso at the Lapin Agile: A delightful absurdist comedy from the self-proclaimed "wild and crazy guy" imagines a fictional meeting between Albert Einstein and Pablo Picasso in a Parisian cafe in 1904. By Steve Martin. November 18, the Dali Museum. The event will coincide with the opening of the museum's new Picasso exhibit.

A Simple Theater is located at Eckerd College, 4200 54th Ave. S. For more information, call 727-864-7811, email asimpletheatre@gmail.com, or visit asimpletheatre.org

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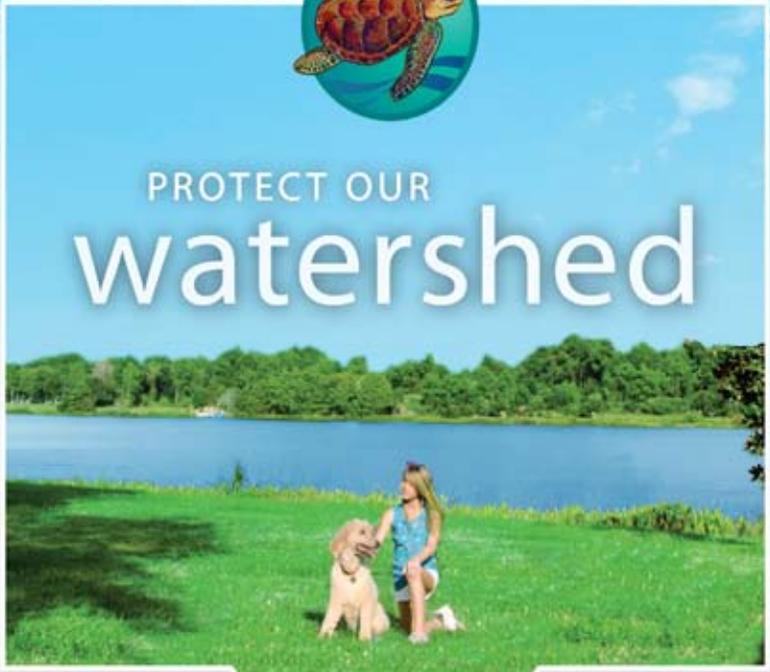
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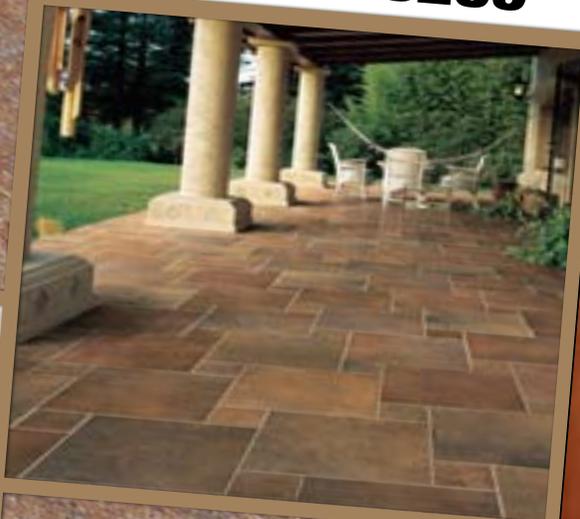
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Peter Pan's Story: a True Fairy Tale

By Anna Vodopyanova

He is a software engineer, computer programmer and a tech guru; he is a guitarist and songwriter, and he is Peter Pan. You may have seen him at Gulfport's festivals he attends annually with Tinker Bell.

We all have favorite heroes and characters we like to associate with. Few of us dare to follow in their footsteps. However, if we really try and believe, every one of us can realize our dreams and desires, no pixie dust necessary.

"Most of the prisons that we deal with are self-created," says "Peter Pan" Randy Constan.

At his home in North Tampa, Constan has a collection of handmade costumes, fairy props, guitars and three cats. His wife Dorothy has wings – lots of them in different shapes and sizes. They also have a tree house where they gather friends and play music, light and playful like his character. Constan agreed to tell his story for the *Gabber*, and this is where it begins...

Constan first heard the tale of The Boy Who Wouldn't Grow Up at the age of 4. Fascinated with the boy who found Neverland and turned into a fairy, Constan incorporated Peter Pan into himself.

"Everybody has a fantasy character that they think are cool, and most people grow out of them. I guess I didn't grow out of anything," he laughs.

Constan's father was a toy designer and an artist. He took Constan to his toy shop basement and taught him how to use saws and tools to create a perfect star. They mounted it on a stick and dipped it in glue and glitter to make a fairy wand. "I had a progressive father," Constan remembers. "A lot of children that may be on the 'wrong' side of normal according to standards; they're going to have a rough time," he says. "Sadly, a lot of the bad can come from the parents."

Society stigmatizes individuals whose self-expression is different than the norm, Constan says.

"Any cross-gender behavior, which, certainly, being a fairy and being a boy qualifies, is less tolerated for males than it is for females," he says. "Masculinity has been deified; it's almost religion. And if you go against religion, you're looked down upon."

Growing up in the 60s, Constan says he fit in with the hippie movement.

"We were coming out of the Vietnam War and there was this understanding of how stupid it was to fight wars for no reason," Constan explains. "It was a major peace movement among the young people. And even though it had not really crossed over to cross-gender, people were generally more accepting, more accepting than even now."

Constan says he experienced a vision that helped him find his purpose.

"God showed me a vision of what was the equivalent of a pride parade back then, in New York. All different kinds of people, the so-called misfits, were marching in streets. And off on the side there were all these people carrying signs saying things like, 'You're all going to hell, you miserable sinners.' Just one after the other, and they were shouting, and there



Randy "Peter Pan" Constan, in his tree house at his home in Tampa.

was anger," says Constan. "And it finally got quiet. And I heard God say to me, 'Would somebody just tell them I love them?' It's almost like God was crying. And I said, 'Well, I don't know how, but I'll try.'"

In 2000, Constan created his website, peterpan.pixyland.org to share his vision. He encourages self-expression and confidence, as well as building a personal relationship with God for those who do not fit the standards of the church. The website also became Constan's platform to connect to job opportunities and share his music.

As a good technician, Constan says he was fortunate to be respected throughout his career, although there were some mishaps along the way.

"I'm only interested in companies that are interested in the quality of my work," he says. Being irreplaceable in a business allows personal freedom for self-expression, an objective Constan deems important for those who find themselves in similar circumstances.

Peter Pan found his Tinker Bell in 2006. Four years later, they pinky-swore to love each other forever at the Bay Area Renaissance Fair, surrounded by fellow fairies and pixie dust.

Randy and Dorothy Constan have participated in several shows and documentaries, including the "Unexpected Love" episode of the Secret Lives of Women. Constan says he enjoys traveling for the shows, dressing up and sharing his story.

"People go through their entire lives feeling that they have to be confined, and I thought that it was important to express a couple of things. Here is the guy," Constan says of his experience, "who has the audacity to wear everything from Peter Pan pixy outfits to pink ballet tutus, puts it all over the Internet, and he's a successful engineer. And he's happy."

Constan hopes his story will inspire others to follow their true calling.

"If there are things inside you that make you different, why assume that you have to live in this prison?" he says.

Peter Pan can be reached at peterpan.pixyland.org or via his Facebook group facebook.com/groups/peterpansGroup.

He invites everyone to join fairy land.



Halloween Decoration Contest

Are you ready to get into the spooky spirit? If so, with Halloween just around the corner the city of Gulfport is looking for some scary decorated homes, haunted houses or businesses to enter into this year's Halloween Decorations Contest.

Stop by the Gulfport Recreation Center or City Hall to pick up an application to enter. No one knows what time the hearse will travel through the city of Gulfport, but please be ready by 6:30 p.m. Deadline to enter the contest is noon, Monday, October 20.

There are three theme categories: general, haunted house and commercial. The general theme is for single homes only; the haunted house theme is for single haunted houses only; and the commercial theme is for single business or professional locations, including home occupations. A plaque will be awarded to one winner of each theme category and be presented at the Gulfport's City Council meeting (televised) Tuesday, November 4 at 7 p.m. It's time to show off your scary creations! Call 727-893-1068 for further information.

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and exercise, please call Alayna Itric for information at 727-612-7593 or email allitrics@tampabay.rr.com.

The St. Petersburg Woman's Club is a not-for-profit volunteer organization committed to serving the community through hands-on projects and fundraising as well as leadership development. The Club was organized in 1913 and is affiliated with the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the largest and oldest non-denominational, non-partisan volunteer service organization of women in the world. For further information on a membership menu for all ages, club activities or booking information on our historic clubhouse, please call 727-822-4982 or check out our website at StPetersburgWomansClub.org.

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Letters

Somethin' Stupid On My Mind

Dear Editor: Regarding Bill Northrop's column in this week's *Gabber* [Somethin' on My Mind, September 18, 2014]: I regard his assertion that "ISIL is Islamic" is about as vapid and meaningless (and yes, "stupid") as if he were to say that "The KKK is Christian." In all due deference to Mr. Northrop, he makes numerous valid and relevant points in his article. If he hadn't undermined his credibility by insisting that "ISIL is Islamic," it might have even been a worthwhile read.

Bob Usher

Really Bill?

Dear Editor: If it's not what Bill Northrop says, it's what he doesn't say. I'm sure I'm not the only one who finds it difficult to bite my tongue week after week as he spouts his right-wing opinion, all the while saying his outlook, like his apparent news source of Fox Noise, is fair and balanced.

This week [Somethin' on My Mind, September 18, 2014] he claims our

President is either delusional or ignorant. I'll ignore, for the moment, the issue of the obvious lack of respect for the man or the office that Mr. Northrop's statement exhibits. The heck I will. It's pretty darn sad that even here in wonderful Gulfport, we can't expect our editorialists to grant our President the modicum of respect the President of the United States of America deserves.

Is it possible, Mr. Northrop, that you just don't "get" what the President was saying when he said that ISIL was not Islamic? You yourself, later in your column, say that ISIL is "evil." So which is it, evil or a religion? Is it possible that President Obama was trying to minimize any possible legitimacy ISIL might claim under the cover of Islam while it continually violates Islam's basic tenets? No, you, in your anti-Obama fog, claim instead that the President was "defending Islam." Good grief, Bill. Why do you hesitate to come right out and say you think he's a Muslim. From Kenya. Trust me, Mr. Northrop, you couldn't lower your credibility much more by going there.

On the other hand, in his column last week [Somethin' on My Mind, September 11, 2014] about why the use of HPV vaccinations is not more widespread, Mr. Northrop made nary even a mention of one possible reason for that limited usage. According to Mr. Northrop, the problem is simply and solely the lack of information about these vaccinations, the lack of education about them. Really? That's it?

How quickly and conveniently, apparently, he has forgotten Michelle Bachmann's claim, repeated by the echo chamber and others of a certain political bent until it was finally laughed off the airwaves, that this vaccination causes retardation. Does it not seem possible that a certain segment of the population would believe blathering like that, at least enough to hesitate to subject one's child to the vaccination? (After all, this is one of our "leaders"; she wouldn't lie to us, would she, and the echo chamber must have some basis for repeating it over and over.) So yes, I believe we have to consider the impact those right-wing lies may well have had when we wonder why there isn't more widespread HPV vaccinating in this country. Mr. Northrop, however, was strangely silent about that throughout his entire column, never even acknowledging the possibility.

So either way, Mr. Northrop, write it or don't write it. But please, stop claiming neutrality of outlook while you choose which words to say and which ones to ignore.

Lee Nell
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From the Desk of Sheriff Bob Gualtieri



This fall we will have an opportunity to vote on Amendment 2 – a proposal allowing for the open sale and smoking of marijuana throughout Florida via physician recommendation. Many residents have asked my position on this issue and I would like to use this opportunity to share some of my concerns with the proposed Amendment.

There are already some forms of marijuana, such as Marinol, approved by the FDA and prescribed for medicinal purposes available in pill and oil form. Moving forward, scientific testing is being done to discover additional uses for the chemicals found in the marijuana plant and I anticipate we will see new drugs approved by the FDA and on the market in the future.

With the knowledge that a pill containing the active ingredients in marijuana is already available to patients, it is difficult to understand why a constitutional amendment to provide additional access is necessary. After researching the proposed amendment, federal drug regulations and analyzing similar legislation passed in neighboring states, it has become clear that Amendment 2 is not about providing access to terminally ill patients, but about providing additional access and legal immunity to a smoke-able form of marijuana to everyone in the state of Florida.

I believe Amendment 2 is loosely written and has a high potential for abuse, particularly from recreational users, addicts and children if passed. As a parent, my primary concern is the ease of access Amendment 2 would allow for our kids. If Amendment 2 is passed, our children would not need the consent of a parent to get a physician recommendation for marijuana. As parents we pay attention to how much soda and candy our kids eat, we make decisions about immunizations they receive and when our children are ill we carefully follow our doctor's recommendations when administering antibiotics. Why then would we want our junior high

and teenage kids ingesting marijuana without our knowledge or consent in unknown quantities and dosages?

Unlike a traditional prescription, Amendment 2 would make marijuana available by a system more akin to an open-ended physician recommendation. Recommendations would be made without a specified dosage, without any follow up appointments to evaluate success, and without any end date. In addition to the overall danger of unregulated dosage, there is no reason to believe that the growth and strains of marijuana produced to fill the demand will be safe or consistent. Parents would have significantly more access to the ingredients in the Big Mac they buy at McDonald's than to the chemical makeup of the marijuana they would be purchasing.

As this amendment has been widely touted as providing access to "Medicinal Marijuana," I think it is important to consider what types of illnesses would qualify for a recommendation to use marijuana. As a casual reader many think of cancer patients, terminally ill patients or AIDS patients needing the active ingredients in marijuana to increase their appetite. Unfortunately, in addition to the "debilitating diseases" you may think of, Amendment 2 also allows for any, "other conditions for

which a physician believes that the medical use of marijuana would outweigh the potential risks for a patient."

In my experience combating pill mills and the abuse of prescription drugs here in Pinellas County, I have seen first-hand how quickly addicts find a way to obtain access to prescription pills. But we do not have to guess how our state may be impacted; we have the benefit of analyzing how other states in the US have abused this loose phrase. In the states where marijuana has been legalized for medicinal purposes, of those tracking the medical reason given for requiring marijuana only 7% of patients listed terminal or life-threatening illnesses. The vast majority of reasons recorded for requiring marijuana were for a variety of pain related issues – specifically listed examples include menstrual cramps, headaches, and minor arthritis.

Earlier this year I supported legislation, which provided access to a specific regulated strain of marijuana in a safe topical oil form with low THC content for children who suffer from severe epileptic seizures. However, this fall I am opposing Amendment 2 because it is loosely written and has an extremely high chance for abuse.

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City of Gulfport

Q: Would cameras mounted for purposes other than traffic light monitoring be handled any different under the law? – Paul Ray

A: Aside from traffic enforcement cameras, which have laws limiting how police can use traffic enforcement cameras to prosecute traffic violations, “there are no restrictions for video recording in places where an individual does not have a reasonable expectation of privacy,” Gulfport Chief of Police Rob Vincent says. “That said, please understand that the city of Gulfport has not implemented a public surveillance program. We have installed security cameras on city facilities, and their field of view includes only those facilities and the public areas adjacent to them.”

3rd Annual Charity Golf Classic

On Saturday November 1, The Knights of Columbus, St. Jude Council 14178 will be hosting the 3rd Annual Charity Golf Classic to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project, Inc. The event will be at the prestigious Pasadena Yacht and Country Club located at 6300 Pasadena Point Blvd, Gulfport. The shot-gun start will be at 1 p.m. with sign-up at noon.

Men and women sign up your teams online so you guarantee a spot. Individuals sign up also online and you will be paired the day of the event.

This is your chance to golf on one of the premier courses in the area and support wounded heroes. The cost is \$100 which includes golf, goody bag, games, silent auction, raffles, team photo, and gourmet food buffet.

Make check payments to: Knights of Columbus 14178 and mail to: Attn: Neal Fiske: 6400 1st Avenue North, St. Pete, 33710.

Please sign up on line at stjudekofc.org or call Tom Penman at 813-523-8025 or Neal Fiske at 727-492-4255 for more information.

The event is still seeking sponsors so please call or look online to help out this year.

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Pet Pal Pup Crawl

Pet Pal Animal Shelter presents our first Pup Crawl on October 4. The dog-friendly pup crawl will begin at World of Beer, downtown St. Petersburg, and continue to Cafe Del Mar, The Kitchen at Jannus, One Night Stand, and ending at The Ale and the Witch. Participants will receive a swag bag at the first stop filled with one drink ticket per every stop, dog treats, a refillable water bottle, and other fun surprises. What about the dogs? Doggie Biscuit Bars will be provided at every stop to keep your best friends happy and nourished provided by One Lucky Dog, Woof Gang Bakery, StPetersbark, Pawsitively Posh Pooch, and Pet Food Warehouse. Dog water will be available at every stop along with refillable water holes for humans. The Pup Crawl will start at 5 p.m. with the last stop at 8 p.m. Pre-registration fee of \$50 is required in advance. Pre-register or get more information by visiting petpalanimalshelter.com. or call 727-328-7738.

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St. Pete Beach Community Yard Sale

Come shop over 50 vendors at the St. Pete Beach Community Center Yard Sale on Saturday, September 27. The vendors will be located inside and outside at our beautiful water front facility, 7701 Boca Ciega Dr. from 8 a.m. to noon. Vendor spaces are still available. The cost for the 10' x 10' space is \$15 for St. Pete Beach residents and \$17.50 for non-residents. For more information or to reserve your space, contact the Community Center at 727-363-9245. Spaces will sell out fast, so call today.

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43rd Annual Circus McGurkis

The St. Petersburg Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) announces the 43rd annual Circus McGurkis peace education celebration slated for Saturday, October 25 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lake Vista Park (1401 62nd Ave. S.) in St. Petersburg.

Vending opportunities for this popular gathering are available. For-profit and food vendors may register for \$60 and not-for-profit vendors who are selling items may register for \$45. Not-for-profit vendors who are participating in an "educational only" capacity, as well as any youth or youth-oriented organization or group, may register for free. The deadline for advance registration is October 15. You may register the day of the event, but fees are \$10 higher. The newly revamped website allows you

to register and pay right online at circusmcgurkis.org.

Circus McGurkis is a peoples' fair focusing on peace education and service to the community with special focus on activities for children of all ages and families of all types. It features arts, crafts, music, games, and ideas that celebrate the creativity and activism that makes our community a more beautiful, loving, and just place to live. Circus over the years has become an annual homecoming of sorts for those interested in peaceful living and social justice.

Circus McGurkis is an expression of the Quaker belief in the dignity and worth of each person and in the power of love and nonviolence to bring about change.

For more information call 727-346-8598 or email QuakerCircusMcGurkis@gmail.com.

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Medicare Info at Main Branch Library

Medicare 101: An introduction to Medicare. Learn about Original Medicare, Supplemental Plans, Medicare Advantage Plans, Part D Prescription Drug Plans and financial

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Medicare Advantage Plans: This session provides more specifics about Medicare Advantage Plans including HMOs and PPOs. You'll learn what they are, how they work, when you can join and your rights and protections. Tuesday, October 14, 11 a.m.

All three programs are presented by SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders), a program of the Florida Dept. of Elder Affairs in conjunction with the Area Agency on Aging. Programs will be presented in the auditorium of the St. Petersburg Main Library, 3745 9th Ave. N. Register by calling 727-893-7928.

In addition, one-on-one appointments with a SHINE Medicare Counselor will be available at the St. Petersburg Main Library, Wednesdays, October 8 to December 3, 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The SHINE counselor can help answer your questions about Medicare, assist with enrollment in Medicare Savings Programs, and can help you determine which Medical and/or Medicare Prescription Drug Plan best fits your needs. Call 727-893-7928 to register for an appointment.

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Keep Gulfport Weird Mini-Triathlon

Wipe those sleepy eyes and come cheer on your favorite colorful sports person or team at 7 a.m. at the Annual Keep Gulfport Weird Mini-Triathlon on Saturday, September 27.

Participants are most ages and fitness levels, whether individually or in teams, and this event is intended to be simply for fun as well as tie The Tangerine Greenway to The Art District. The competitive component is not the priority, but rather the gathering of community in the spirit of having fun and getting outdoors. Many come in funky costumes or themed teams.

For a map of where you can hang out along the route of the triathlon please visit mygulfport.us/keep-gulfport-weird-triathlon or contact Gail at 727-893-1118.

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Art Classes

The Art Guild is starting art classes Monday, October 6. Basic drawing will be from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and basic watercolor from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost for each is \$30 for six weeks or \$6 per class if paid weekly. They will be held at Treasure Island City Hall Auditorium located at 120 108th Ave. To sign up for classes and for supplies needed call Fred at 727-360-8290.

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Obituaries



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KC earned her bachelors degree at Middle Tennessee State University, her masters at DePaul University and her doctorate at National Chiropractic College in Lombard, IL.

She began her career as a medical technologist in Tennessee. Following this, she then went on to become Director of Strategy Development at Baxter Travenol in IL.

KC, at this point, decided to change her healthcare path and pursue a doctorate of chiropractic, which truly was her passion. She graduated from National Chiropractic College in Lombard, IL, after which she opened a multi-doctor chiropractic clinic in Woodstock, IL, where she practiced for 20 years.

She retired and moved to Florida, where she passionately pursued learning the game of tennis. She went from basic instruction to competing at a national level in mixed doubles.

KC wanted to be remembered for her love of life. Never wanting the traditional funeral, last year she threw a "Celebration of Life" party for many of her friends.

KC leaves behind her life partner of 24 years, Sally Marshall of Madeira Beach, and her two favorite pups, Ted and Alli.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to:

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By Robert J. Myers, Esq.

How Should My Business Be Set Up?

Part I

Our office has had the pleasure of advising and counseling numerous clients concerning how to legally set up a new business venture. As a result, five different choices of the types of business entities that may be utilized will be presented in this article and our next article. The five basic choices which an entrepreneur or new business owner may wish to consider are:

- A. Sole Proprietorship
- B. General Partnership
- C. Limited Partnership
- D. Corporation
- E. "S" Corporation

In this article, we will examine the general legal requirements of a sole proprietorship and a general partnership.

Sole Proprietorship

1. A sole proprietorship is an unincorporated business owned by a single individual. A sole proprietorship is not a legal entity separate from its owner.

2. The owner of a sole proprietorship has unlimited liability for the debts

and obligations of the business. The owner, therefore, must rely on personal assets or insurance for protection against creditors.

3. For income tax purposes, income and loss of the sole proprietorship passes directly to the sole proprietor and is reported on his individual income tax return.

4. No special organizational documents are necessary to begin business as a sole proprietorship.

5. The advantage of a sole proprietorship is that it is a simple means of beginning a business.

6. In Florida, an individual who engages in business has a sole proprietorship under a fictitious name must register the fictitious name with the Florida Secretary of State's office in Tallahassee, Florida.

General Partnership

1. A partnership is an unincorporated association of two or more individuals, corporations, or other entities engaging in business for a profit.

2. Like a sole proprietorship, a general partnership is not a separate legal entity. Each partner in a general partnership is personally liable for the partnership liabilities.

3. A general partnership must file a separate income tax return for federal income tax purposes. However, this is merely an information return. Generally, all income passes to the general partners and is reported on their individual income tax returns. Losses are also passed through, subject to limitations, which will be made stricter if proposed changes in

the tax laws are implemented.

4. Although no written documentation is necessary to form a general partnership, normally the rights and obligations of the various partners (including their shares of income, losses, and cash distributed by the partnership) are specified in a written partnership agreement. The partnership agreement may also specify the manner in which the business is to be operated, and may designate a managing general partner who serves the function of a chief executive officer. Generally, in the absence of contrary provisions in the partnership agreement, the business affairs of the partnership are governed by a majority vote of the partners.

5. Generally, the transfer of a partnership interest is more difficult than a transfer of corporate stock. Restrictions on the transferability of a partnership interest may be specified in the partnership agreement, and transfers normally require the consent of the other partners.

6. In Florida, a general partnership is required to file a fictitious name registration.

7. Generally, the death, insanity, or withdrawal of a general partner from the partnership "dissolves" the partnership, although the remaining partners may elect to continue the partnership business in a new partnership.

8. Generally, each general partner is an agent of the partnership and has the power to bind the partnership.

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Oktoberfest Returns to Grand Central

By Cathy Salustri



Brian Gregory made balloons for kids at the Grand Central District's Oktoberfest on Saturday. "I get it all day long, 'Are you Al Pacino?'," he joked with the people who paused from their revelry to watch him create balloon hats.

After a year's hiatus, the Grand Central District resumed its annual celebration of beer and October-related fun with a retooled Oktoberfest celebration. The celebration, held on September 20 at the intersection of 28th and Central Avenues, started at 1 p.m. and ran well into the evening with live music, authentic German food from the German-American Society, and, of course, beer.

The Grand Central District Association chose not to have an Oktoberfest last year and this year's celebration marked a change in the way the district celebrated Oktoberfest. Instead of closing the streets for a district-wide party, the Association chose to confine the festivities to two vacant lots owned by Tunity Properties, who allowed the district to use their facilities and properties at no cost.



Monica Kile gives her daughter a bottle, but Anna seemed more interested in the beer at the family-friendly Grand Central District Association's Oktoberfest this past Saturday. Also pictured, Jon Kile.

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Celebrating a Place for Women

Last year, a conversation between Karen Gates and Diana Robbins launched a new chapter for a group of women.

"It really began with a conversation between Karen Gates and I at the [Tuesday Morning] market," Gulfport Women's Center's immediate past president Diana Robbins said. "She said she really wished something like this would happen and she volunteered her backyard."

"This" refers to a "place where women can gather and meet and nurture each other," Robbins said as a group of women prepared for a meeting in Scout Hall. In March 2013, a group of women began meeting to do just that.

"It's not going to be like a service organization; we don't want to duplicate services that are already out there," Secretary Linda Brassell said. "We do referrals. We'll do whatever we want to do."

A core group of eight women welcomed 26 others to the September 21 meeting, where the group celebrated the Gulfport Women's Center designation as a 501c3 organization.

"The whole process for us took a year," Robbins said.

Karen Gates serves as president and Cricket Hayman as vice president. However, the group needs a treasurer. To join, simply attend a meeting. To find the next meeting or subscribe to the group's email list, visit GulfportWomensCenter.com.



On Sunday, September 21, the Gulfport Women's Center celebrated its official designation as a 501c3 organization. Their next goal? A permanent home in a building of their own.



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Art Gallery Thrives on Second Anniversary

By Cathy Salustri



Marge Grudzinski looks at the handmade jewelry inside Domain Gallery at the gallery's second anniversary.

When Domain's "& Gallery" opened in Gulfport's historic waterfront district, no other galleries remained on Beach Boulevard. Curator Mike McCue, who previously owned Domain Home Accessories and owner Micahel Knettel bought local art and brought in other artists to help fill the walls.

At the September 20 third Saturday Art Walk, & Gallery celebrated its second anniversary. In that time, another gallery, Project Free, has opened its doors on Beach Boulevard.

Yom Kippur

Yom Kippur is the Day of Atonement. Come and observe this most holy day of the year with Beth-El Shalom on Friday, October 3 at 7 p.m. Beth-El Shalom is located at the corner of 17th St. and 29th Ave. N., St. Petersburg. All are welcome, there is no charge.

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The Pinellas County College Fair will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, September 28, at the University Student Center at University of South Florida St. Petersburg. Parking is available in the USF St. Petersburg parking garage at 250 5th Ave. S. in St. Petersburg. More than 80 university representatives will be on hand. For more information, email sfinck@mail.usf.edu or call 727-873-4754.

The North Pinellas County College and Career Fair will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, October 6, at Countryside High School, 3000 State Road 580 in Clearwater.

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Bring your dog for a day at Hurley Park, 1501 Gulf Way in Pass-A-Grille. The event in the park on Saturday, September 27, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. will include food, beer, music, face painting and a "Paw"casso art area with tie dying and dog art.

Stand Up Paddleboard instructors from Saltwater Kite and Paddle will be out giving you the opportunity to learn how to paddle for a cause. Dogs are not permitted on the beach. All leashed dogs must stay at Hurley Park. "Paw"troductory paddle board lesson is only \$10 and a 30-minute paddleboard session is \$25. The event benefits Pet Pals Animal Shelter. For more information call 727-363-9245 or visit spbrec.com.

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It's Vaping, Not Smoking

By Cathy Salustri



John Dunk, a Gulfportian who owns Champion Vapor, takes pride in ensuring the safety and quality of all his e-cigarette liquids.

Smoking, unfortunately, feels good. That beautiful feeling when the nicotine hits your lungs, the rush of calm that surges through your pores... wonderful.

That is, of course, until the side effects start to take hold. The hacking, the yellow teeth, the stained fingers. The way a cold holds on for a ridiculous amount of time, the sound in your lungs when you laugh harder than usual, the way you can't walk too far, too fast without feeling like a 96-year-old man who works in a coal mine... Smoking doesn't feel good then.

Quitting, also unfortunately, is awful. Even if, like me when I quit, you don't even enjoy smoking anymore, the process of stopping is scary – for you and those around you as you suffer through the throes of nicotine withdrawal.

I quit years ago, heavily assisted by pharmacopeia. In all honesty, it wasn't bad, other than feeling the nicotine actually leave my skin and the fact that I didn't get off the couch for the first day. That wasn't the chemical addiction, though – I had a harder time stopping the act of smoking: the physicality of having something in my hand and bringing the cigarette to my lips.

If I'd been able to vape, it would have been a totally different experience.

Vaping is the act of smoking e-cigarettes, which are electronic cigarettes that contain nicotine (in levels you choose) but, in the case of the products sold at Gulfport's

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Champion Vapor has its own recipes, but the liquids that go into the e-cigarettes get made in a US pharmaceutical lab with pharmaceutical-grade ingredients. The product lines are not made on-site; they're made in a HEPA filtration clean room bottling plant by a third-party company that is certified by the USDA.

“By doing that, we can certify our ingredients,” John Dunk, the owner of Champion Vapor says. “The FDA actually says every liquid will have to be made in a clean room eventually.”

Until that happens, all of John's attention to detail and safety gives you, as a Champion Vapor customer, an incredibly high level of assurance that you're using safe products as you decrease your dependence on tobacco. That's not something every person who sells e-cigarettes can offer you. The industry is not yet regulated, aside from mandating the products have childproof caps and that people under 18 cannot buy e-cigarettes.

“That's why I'm such a stickler for how we do things,” John says. “We will be regulated eventually, and I want to be ready.”

So how do you go about starting to vape instead of smoke?

Well, first you choose your starter kit. Kits include a battery, a tank for e-liquid, a charger and a bottle of liquid and range from \$21 to \$200.

“Ours come with a lifetime warranty on the Ego batteries,” Johns says.

You can pick whatever nicotine level you want, and although John cautions that e-cigarettes are not legally labeled smoking cessation devices, he does say that in his experience, 90% of his customers have put down old-fashioned cigarettes altogether. So if someone did want to quit smoking, they could start with a higher level of nicotine and gradually decrease the nicotine level in the liquid refills.

“We do a stock-up deal for people who want to buy a variety of nicotine levels,” John says.

You can choose flavors if you don't like the taste of smoking – Champion Vapor sells four different lines that include everything from honey-roasted tobacco to key lime.

Smokers who feel banished to the rainy backyards and street corners will appreciate that e-cigarettes don't produce smoke, so most places allow people to smoke them inside.

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If you haven't heard the term "*Inspired Living at Ivy Ridge*," you might not be familiar with where the future of senior health care is headed. Gracefully or not, we all age; and when we eventually need a little help with all the lovely little tasks of day to day life, patience and compassion go a long way. As an Alzheimer's and dementia residence, these two virtues are constantly being tested (as you can imagine), and we have become quite adept at "out of the box" thinking.

In the spirit of this, we have decided that once in a while it's time to slow down, and recognize that there are some people who are just plain good at showing other people how special they are. So, when we see an employee in the senior health profession who stands out as superb, we have decided to speak up and let them know that they are appreciated.

We recently have found such a person right here in our midst. It is our privilege here at Ivy Ridge (in conjunction with Fusion Home Healthcare) to recognize and HONOR our first ever "*Inspired by You Award*" recipient, Kathy Carlon. Kathy has been cheering faces around Lexington Health and Rehab for many years now, and has had her hand in most if not all departments of the facility.



InspiredLiving™ at Ivy Ridge
congratulates
Kathy Carlon
of Lexington Health & Rehab
in recognition of her
Inspiring Work

From concierge and housekeeping to admissions, she has left her loving mark on residents and visitors alike. She is an inspiration to her entire building for her consistent upbeat attitude, unrelenting leadership, as well as her amazing work ethic. Kathy is truly loved by her team members. In honor of Kathy, we will be delivering her by limousine around town on her very own spa day which will include the full treatment at Blink Twice Beauty Salon and a congratulations party catered right here by Ivy Ridge's remarkable dining department featuring some of her favorite delicacies. We hope that this day will make Kathy aware that she is truly inspiring to us and others around her every day.

Thank you Kathy for everything you do, and know that you are making the world a better place by being in it.

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