

Hundreds Attend Gulfport Rally Joining National Effort

By Debbie Wolfe



A crowd of nearly 600 people rallied at the Gulfport Casino on Saturday, June 30 to raise awareness about a recent presidential executive order that “says nothing about the reunification of 2,000 children who have already been separated from their parents,” said Patty Stubkjaer, a local community activist who co-organized and emceed the event. “We’re trying to motivate people to exercise their voice in the best manner they can, which is at the ballot box,” said Wendy Snyder of Gulfport, who co-chaired the event. Snyder is also a board member of the non-partisan Pinellas County chapter of the ACLU. Photo by Julie Latimer.

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Flying High for the Fourth

By Debbie Wolfe



“Our citizenship in the United States is our national character. Our citizenship in any particular state is only our local distinction. By the latter we are known at home, by the former to the world. Our great title is Americans,” wrote Thomas Paine, the author of “Common Sense.” The pamphlet was published on January 10, 1776 and according to the Encyclopedia Britannica, it paved the way for the Declaration of Independence, which was unanimously ratified on July 4, 1776. This photo was taken in Veteran’s Park, Gulfport. Look for *the Gabber’s* coverage of the city’s Fourth of July activities in next week’s edition.

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Gulfport Historical Society Needs Dishes

It's time once again to think about Gulfport Under the Stars, the Gulfport Historical Society's annual party, which will take place on October 13.

In years past, they've used plastic cups for drinks, foam cups for coffee, and disposable plates and cutlery. On top of being an expense (albeit a small one), they want to find a way to hold their annual party in a sustainable way.

And then they thought about what artist Suzanne Vernon did when she moved to Gulfport and wanted to create a mosaic. She put a box at the library and asked people to donate their unwanted, chipped or broken dishes.

And remember when Neptune's was Domain Restaurant? They had the community bring in dining chairs they no longer needed or wanted.

Gulfport, it seems, has something of a history of grassroots sustainability,

and the historical society wants to celebrate and encourage that.

Everyone has odd dishes left over from a set, or dishes they don't use anymore, but haven't gotten rid of, for whatever reason. To that end, if you have unwanted dishes, flatware or reusable plastic drink cups, please donate them to the Gulfport Historical Society for perpetual use.

Two board members have volunteered to handle bringing the dishes and cutlery home and washing them in the dishwasher, but they're also asking that if anyone has an unwanted, working portable dishwasher, they could donate it to Gulfport Historical Society. New, they cost about \$700 to \$800, and if you'd rather donate towards the purchase of a new one, well, you can do that on their website.

Please drop off your plates (dinner and dessert sizes), flatware and drinkware (reusable plastic drink cups or glass water glasses) on Tuesdays, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. The

Society is at 5501 28th Ave. S. At this time, they do not need coffee mugs or wine glasses.

Thank you in advance for your help, and keep watching for more information about this year's Gulfport Under the Stars, where everyone will eat off your dishes and drink out of your glasses (but you won't have to wash them!).

Thank you all for helping to keep Gulfport sustainable. After all, we have a history of it!

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The Raven's Guild at Gulfport Library

The Gulfport Public Library will be hosting another monthly meeting for teens ages 12 to 18, that focuses on the Young Adult Manga and Fantasy genre. There will be entertainment and activities specifically designed for their interests. This month they will be hosting a very special spicy ramen challenge! Make sure a parent signs the waiver if their teen participates. Come and take part in the world-wide trend that has everyone breathing fire like dragons!

This club will be hosted once a month, every second Saturday in the Friends Meeting Room. Food and drinks will be provided. The next meeting will be Saturday, July 14 from 1 to 3 p.m. For movie title to be shown, please call 727-893-1074.

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Cool Shopping at Sophie's Attic

Greetings from Sophie's Attic. They're hoping everyone is managing to stay cool. This week they've been working on sorting and washing bedding. They have sheets, pillowcases, some bedspreads and lots of tablecloths. They have some sets, but most are individual pillowcases and sheets. They have also put out a whole new rack of freshly laundered clothing. They still have their special rack of 50¢ clothing and a few pairs of shoes on sale for \$1. As you can see, they have a little bit of everything. Come on in and check them out.

Sophie's Attic is a mission outreach of the First United Methodist Church. You will find them on 53rd St., near 28th Ave. S. They are open Fridays and Saturdays from 9 a.m. till noon.

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Get Involved with Gulfport's Night Out

Get to know your neighbors and Gulfport's first responders! The date is set for Gulfport's Night Out. This interactive community event is on Thursday, August 2, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Catherine Hickman Theater, 5501 27th Ave. S., in the surrounding parking lot and the north block lot located on 26th Avenue South.

All attendees will get to meet and learn about the Gulfport Police Department, Gulfport Fire Department and other city staff. Check out Gulfport's Police and Fire vehicles as well as the Marine unit. More information to come on upcoming demonstrations.

Children's activities, food from local restaurants and drawings for prizes from local organizations are in store for this upcoming event. The New Horizons Band will be on hand.

Parking is available at the Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Ave. S., on Beach Boulevard. Additional parking is available at the Gulfport Library, 5501 27th Ave. S. after 7 p.m.

The Gulfport Night Out event is organized by the Gulfport Police Department and the city of Gulfport. For more information or how your organization can get involved, please contact Professional Standards Commander Josh Stone at 727-893-1111 or Administrative Assistant, Gail Biron at 727-893-1049.

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Care Giver Support Groups in Pasadena

Do you find yourself caring for the health concerns of another adult? Do you sometimes feel a need for the listening ears of people with empathy for your situation? If so, come visit one of the Care Givers Support Groups at Pasadena Community Church, 227 70th St. S. Meetings are held on Tuesday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Both groups are open to the public and provide a confidential setting where you can share your experiences, joys and concerns with others in the same situation. If you have any questions, call Pam Lanning at 727-347-2809 or Barbara Posey at 727-381-2499, ext. 214.

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Terry Krassner to Address St. Pete GOP

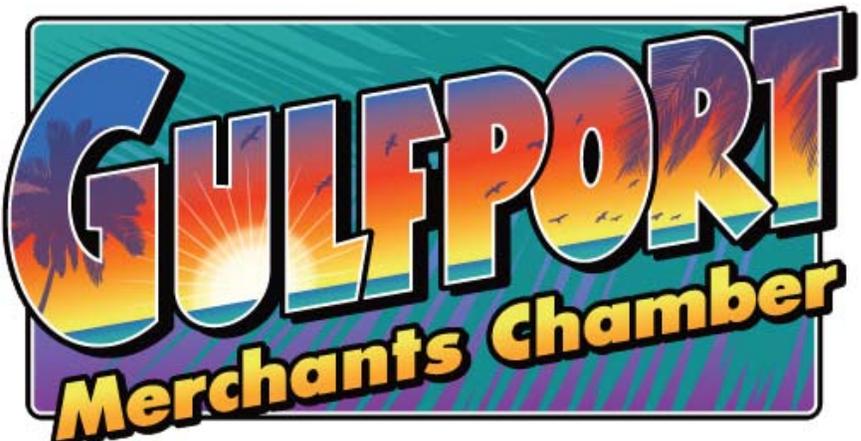
Pinellas School Board Member and candidate for reelection Terry Krassner will address the members and friends of the St. Petersburg Republican Club on Wednesday, July 11 at 7 p.m. at the St. Pete Community Church, 4501 30 Ave. N.

Krassner is a life-long resident of Pinellas County and a graduate of Northeast High School. She served the school district as a teacher, assistant principal and principal. She was first elected to the school board in 2008 and reelected in 2014.

After her presentation, Krassner will answer questions from the audience.

Everyone is invited to attend and participate in the Question and Answer session. There is no charge for this event. For information on this and other club activities, please call Gus Pries, at 727-864-0312.

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**Children's Author
Discusses Pride Flag**

Teacher and children's book author Rob Sanders will be featured in a pair of programs at the Gulfport Public Library, 5501 28th Ave. S., on Tuesday, July 10. He will read from his new children's book, "Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag." The new book has already been praised by *Publishers Weekly* as a "poignant and uplifting biography."

There will be one afternoon program geared to children and their families from 4 until 5 p.m., as well as an evening program geared to adults from 7 until 8 p.m. Both programs are free and open to the public.

The children's storytelling and craft program will feature Sanders reading from the book, time for questions and answers from children

and parents, as well as a craft session with the children's librarian where children will be able to design their own flags, reflecting what gives them pride. Craft materials will be provided free of charge. Children can also participate in a "mini-march" through the library at the end of the program. Copies of the book will be available for purchase by parents and can be signed by the author.

During the evening program, Mr. Sanders will again read from the book as well as discuss his experiences as a proud and openly gay public school teacher and author. Questions from the audience are welcome. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and will be signed by the author.

For more information about the programs, contact the library at 727-893-1074 or email Susan Gore at flsnowfrog@gmail.com

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Art Classes at the Gulfport Senior Center

Have you always wanted to draw or paint but have been afraid that it's too difficult? The Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Ave. S., has new classes starting every few months. Third quarter classes begin in August and run through October. Classes fill quickly, you must pre-register by calling 727-893-5657. Registration is now open. Don't miss out, sign up today!

Classes include Open Studio (Mixed Art) classes on Mondays at 1:30 p.m., Open Workshop (watercolor) classes on Wednesdays at 1 p.m. and Learning the Basics (A drawing and acrylic painting class for beginners) on Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Must be a registered Gulfport Senior Center member. Membership is easy and free for all individuals 50 years of age or older. For more information, call 727-893-5657.

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Grown-Up Movie Series at Gulfport Library

On the first Saturday of each month, Gulfport Public Library presents the Grown-Up Film Series. This series is intended to allow adults to enjoy more challenging and complex films in a quiet atmosphere (so they request no children attend).

On Saturday, July 7 at 1 p.m., they'll be screening a heart-pounding thriller. Set in an anonymous, sprawling city, this film tells the twisting tale of two assassins carrying out a sinister mission, a teacher battling a fatal illness, an enigmatic janitor and a curious waitress leading

a dangerous double life. Stars Margot Robbie, Simon Pegg and is rated R.

If anyone has any questions about this title or titles for upcoming months, please contact the library at 727-893-1074.

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New Location for Project FREE

ProjectFREE Studio and Gallery has been on Beach Boulevard for the past four years and has now grown to require a larger location. After months of searching, a new building has been found at 2026 51st St. S. and ProjectFREE moved last weekend.

Although still in the moving process, the studio and gallery will open on Thursday, July 5. They will continue to expand and renovate the building, which is behind and between

the Save-a-Lot and McDonald's.

ProjectFREE will continue to serve developmentally disabled adults with programs in art, clay, music, theatre and other artistic areas, including a gallery of original art and items for sale. All profits go to the artist.

They want to thank the community for its continued support, their volunteers and members for making ProjectFREE an ongoing part of the thriving Gulfport arts community, and hope that you come and visit soon. The community can expect great things from ProjectFREE's new performing arts program and special event location.

ProjectFREE is a non profit 501(c)3 Corporation. Please visit Facebook.com/MyProjectFree1 and become a fan.

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The poster features a vibrant, bubbly design with the word "SUMMER" in large, colorful letters (S in green, U in yellow, M in orange, M in red, E in blue, R in purple) set against a background of stylized blue waves and a rainbow. Below the title, it says "One Acts" in a bold, black font. The text "Ten original one act plays by local and Florida playwrights" is centered in a clean, sans-serif font. The dates "~ July 12 - 22, 2018 ~" are prominently displayed in red. The logo for "GULFPORT COMMUNITY Players" is shown, with "GULFPORT COMMUNITY" in a blocky font and "Players" in a script font, accompanied by a starburst graphic. The venue "Catherine Hickman Theater" is listed in a large, blue font, with the address "26th Ave & Beach Blvd, Gulfport" and showtimes "Thur - Fri - Sat @ 8PM, Sat & Sun @ 2PM" below it. A "TICKETS:" section lists prices: "\$18 online and at the Gulfport Beach Bazaar" and "\$20 lobby (cash only, one hour before show time)". The website "www.GulfportCommunityPlayers.org" is at the bottom in white text on a red background.

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Gulfport resident Patricia Preaster visited the Butterfly Garden at the University of Florida in Gainesville last October. She assures us there's a *Gabber* in her bag.

Send us a picture with you and your *Gabber* on vacation. Include a brief description and your name at News@theGabber.com.

Memory Cafés: An Oasis Any Time of Year

Are you traveling along the dementia highway? The roadways are crowded. None of the maps show what exit to take to find one of the best rest stops around. Here's a tip. Look for the sign that says, "Memory Cafe Next Exit."

More and more people are discovering that stopping at a Memory Cafe event is like finding an oasis in the desert. You're invited to join them if you or a loved one you care for at home have memory issues due to a disease process or traumatic brain injury, and you want to continue actively enjoying life.

Local Memory Cafe events are run by Cate McCarty, PhD, of Dr. Cate Dementia Coach, and Jane Ogilvie, LPN, the owner of Senior Solutions of Pinellas County. They understand dementia professionally and through personal family experiences. A combined 70+ years of experience allows them to share two unique perspectives. They offer stimulating thought and conversations. Resource information is shared, laughing is common, and good stories abound.

Future Memory Café events include Carrabba's, 1951 4th St. N. at Sunken Gardens on July 9 at 11:15 a.m. and every second Monday at the same place and time.

Find them on Monday July 16, at 12:15 p.m. at the Gulfport Memory Café at Neptune Grill Restaurant, 5501 Shore Blvd., and every third Monday at the same place and time.

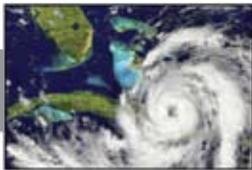
For a leisurely walk and scavenger hunt, try Tyrone Walk and Memory Café on July 20, at 10 a.m. and every third Friday at the same place and time. Meet inside the entrance to the Food Court on the 22nd Avenue side of Tyrone Mall. Set your own pace. Canes and/or walkers? Bring them. Wear comfortable shoes. At 11:15 a.m. meander down to Red Robin Gourmet Burgers for lunch or a cold drink.

To receive further information about how you or your business can help spread dementia awareness in the St. Petersburg and Beaches area contact Cate McCarty, PhD, at 813-384-7571 or catemccarty@gmail.com or Jane Ogilvie, LPN, at 727-327-0167 or sensol@seniorsmile.com.

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The Gulfport Senior Center Foundation, with the help of photographers including Phil Penrose's drone, Jeffy's Tees and the Gulfport Quilters, has created a Gulfport Memory Quilt. You can purchase a chance to win this quilt. It is 6' x 7' with 39 pictures of the sites of Gulfport.

The quilt will be on display at various locations throughout Gulfport including the Senior Center, the American Legion Post 125, the Beach Bazaar and all Artwalks in front of Stella's. The fundraiser will run through October. Tickets are \$5 with all proceeds benefiting the Gulfport Senior Center Foundation. Tickets are available at the Welcome Center, the Senior Center and the Beach Bazaar

The drawing for this beautiful piece of Gulfport history will be held at Monster Mash V at the Gulfport Casino on Saturday, October 27. You need not be present to win. For any questions, please call Jerryanne Hindman at 727-893-1244 between 8 a.m. and noon Monday through Friday.

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Robotics Camp at St. Pete Beach Recreation

The St. Pete Beach Robotics camp teaches students to build and program fully autonomous robots using the EV3 Lego Mindstorms kit. The student-build robots will then compete in competitions such as sumobot wrestling, roboparade and exhibitions. For more information call the Community Center at 727-363-9245 or visit spbrec.com.

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Nine Local Artists Create Geckos

Nine larger-than-life geckos will be the centerpiece of a live auction to benefit local charities. All nine geckos can be seen at the opening reception of the Fourth Annual Art Gecko Show on Friday, August 3 at the Catherine Hickman Theater, 5501 27th Ave. S., from 6 until 8 p.m. The show will also feature selections from the participating artists' regular body of work in a variety of media. The reception is free and open to the public and will also include complimentary hors d'oeuvre and a cash bar. Following the reception, the geckos themselves will be moved to preview locations in venues throughout Gulfport's waterfront village. The geckos will then go up for auction at the 10th Annual Gecko Ball on Saturday, August 25 at the historic Gulfport Casino Ballroom.

Each gecko will be a prized collector's art work and join the ranks of nearly 80 other geckos that have been created since the inception of the Gecko Ball.

Artists selected to create geckos for this year's auction are Joan Allen, Larry Busby, Ray Domingo, Doug D'souza, Eric Folsom, Thomas O'Connor, Lucas Pitzen, Tom Pitzen and Monika Watson. Following the opening reception, the nine geckos will be moved and displayed at various public locations in Gulfport.

All Gecko events are sponsored by the non-profit Gulfport Merchants Association and a portion of proceeds benefits one or more local charities each year. For more information on the Gecko Ball go to visitgulfportflorida.com, geckofest.com or facebook.com/geckoball, or contact John Haugen at jhaugen@hudsonmkt.com.

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Help the Historical Society Solve a Mystery

Everyone's heard the story of how the *Mary Disston*, a steamer that came through Gulfport, caught fire and sank to the bottom of Boca Ciega Bay, right? There was even a plaque on the Williams Pier for a while honoring this memory.

One small problem: There's no actual record of the *Mary Disston* coming south of Clearwater.

There is indeed the remnants of what could be a boat in Boca Ciega Bay, but no one knows which boat it is, perhaps one called the *Hornet*?

The plaque was stolen, and while the city of Gulfport would like to replace it, they've asked the Gulfport Historical Society to first verify the research regarding the journeys of the *Mary Disston* before they spend taxpayer money to recreate a plaque.

If anyone has any information about the *Mary Disston*, the *Hornet* or the alleged fire in 1892 that destroyed the *Mary Disston*, please send it to info@gulfporthistoricalsociety.org.

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Boyd Hill Nature Preserve, 2900 31st St. S., is serving lunch only from noon to 1 p.m. Childs Park Recreation and Fitness Center, 4301 13th Ave. S., is serving breakfast and lunch from 8 to 9:30 a.m. and noon to 2 p.m. Dell Holmes Park, 2740 22nd St. S., pavilion no. 1, is serving lunch only from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. J.W. Cate Recreation Center, 5801 22nd Ave. N., is serving breakfast and lunch from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Main Library, 3745 9th Ave. N., is serving lunch only from noon to 1 p.m.

For more information about the Summer Food Program, contact the St. Petersburg Parks and Recreation Department at 727-893-7441 or visit StPeteParksRec.org/classes.html.

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Gecko Ball Tickets on Sale Now

Tickets for the 10th Annual Gecko Ball went on sale on the 4th of July, available at the Gulfport Beach Bazaar, 3115 Beach Blvd. S., and online at VisitGulfportFlorida.com. Gulfport's event of the year is taking place on August 25 from 6 to 11 p.m. at the historic Gulfport Casino.

Tickets are \$35 each and tickets should be purchased as soon as possible because the event sells out every year. Reserved tables of 10 or

12 are available for purchase only in-person, in one transaction at the Gulfport Beach Bazaar and on a first-come, first-served basis.

The theme of this year's ball is "Gecko Con," celebrating the characters and stories of comic books, movies, and television. Guests are highly encouraged to dress in theme appropriate costumes and be creative. There will be a costume contest – you never know who is watching! Anonymous judges will evaluate costumes throughout the night and select the top three individual and

top three group costumes. The final winners in each category will be chosen based on applause from the audience.

The Gecko Ball also features live music with a full dance floor all night, delicious food, cash bar, and live and silent auctions. The live auction is the signature of the Gecko Ball, showcasing several one-of-a-kind gecko art creations made by local artists. The silent auction is one of the best in the area, including more than 100 unique packages.

Gulfport celebrates the gecko each year with a series of whimsical events at the end of summer including the 18th annual GeckoFest street festival, 11th Annual Gecko Crawl, and the fourth annual Art Gecko Show. All Gecko events are sponsored by the non-profit Gulfport Merchants Chamber and a portion of proceeds is donated to local charities each year. Community Support Grants will be made to the Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center Foundation, Operation Regroup, and the Sonia Plotnick Health Fund. Visit GeckoFest.com for more information on all events.

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Beta Sigma Phi Activities

Laureate Epsilon Nu will be hosting their 48th annual Beginning Day luncheon on Saturday, August 18 at Banquet Masters, 13355 49th St. N. This year's theme is "Welcome to the Round Up" with a chuck wagon menu. Registration will begin at 11 a.m. and lunch at noon. The cost is \$25 per person. For more information contact Rose Marie Gifford at 727-430-5835. The reservations deadline is August 4.

Gamma Omega Master members will meet on Wednesday, July 11 at 7 p.m. at the home of Janet Taylor for the ways and means meeting. They will be painting this year's Christmas Mouse ceramic ornament. The ornaments sell for \$3 each and \$3.50 personalized. Contact Sharon Ingram to order at 727-321-2849.

Beta Sigma Phi is a social and cultural women's organization. Sunshine City Council has eight chapters of various degrees and members of all ages. For more information call Sharon Ingram at 727-321-2849.

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Kids Doodlebots at Gulfport Library

Come make a doodlebot (a little battery powered robot) at the Gulfport Library on Monday, July 9 at 3 p.m. Kids will love these mini motorized robots that draw squiggles and other random patterns. Open to children ages 5 to 11. For more information contact Cailey at 727-893-1074 or cklasson@mygulfport.us.

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Chair Volleyball at the Senior Center

Chair Volleyball is taking American Senior Centers by storm! Come join in for exercise, laughter, friendship and teamwork. This group meets at the Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Ave. S., on Thursdays at 2:30 p.m.

Must be a registered Gulfport Senior Center member. Membership is easy and free for all individuals 50 years of age or older. For more information, call 727-893-5657.

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Angel Card Readings for Women Only

All women and girls are invited to come together for thought-provoking discussions plus meaningful and fun-filled interpretation of Angel Cards in small groups. The program will be held Saturday, July 7 from 10 till 11:30 a.m. at Unity of St Petersburg, 6168 1st Ave. N.

Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided, and generous donations will be appreciated. Those who have questions or who want to attend must email marydawn@unitystpete.org or call 727-344-1515 to register on or before June 23. All those in attendance will be given the opportunity to participate in a Dutch-treat lunch out after the program.

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Let Freedom Ring at PAG Church

The Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church will celebrate the 242nd birthday of America with a patriotic musical celebration at 10 a.m. on Sunday, July 1.

The fourth annual "Let Freedom Ring" celebration will be held in lieu of worship services that day. Under the direction of Dale Williams, PAG Organist/Choir Director, and keyboardist with the Florida Orchestra, seven

vocalists will perform renditions of "My Country 'Tis of Thee," "Stars and Stripes Forever," "Let there Be Peace on Earth" and other patriotic songs.

The presentation is sponsored by the Women's Ministry. There is no charge for this celebration and all are invited to join the congregation for coffee and cake after the program. Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church is at 107 16th Ave. St. Pete Beach. For information on church activities, call the church office at 727-360-5508 or visit pagchurch.org.

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Yoga in the Library Garden

Take it outside this summer! On Saturday, July 14 at 10:15 a.m., tend your body and spirit with mindful movement and meditation in the Reading Garden at Gulfport Library. This slow-paced class welcomes all levels. Please bring props if you want them. Taught by Christa Fairbrother, RYT and Certified Yoga for Arthritis Instructor. For more information contact Cailey at 727-893-1074 or cklasson@mygulfport.us.

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Gulfport Art and Gallery Walk

Visit Gulfport on Friday, July 6 and Saturday, July 21, for the Gulfport Art and Gallery Walk. Find your shopping and dining maps at VisitGulfportFlorida.com and chart your course to this beachfront town.

Shop for local art along Beach Boulevard, visit a gallery, catch a live local band and dine at one of the locally-owned restaurants along Beach and Shore Boulevards.

The Gulfport Art and Gallery Walk event, produced by the non-profit Gulfport Merchants Association, takes place from 6 to 10 p.m. every first Friday and third Saturday, rain or shine, year round, and is home to dozens of artisans each month.

Gulfport events are always pet and family friendly. For information, go to Facebook.com/GulfportArtWalk,, visitgulfportflorida.com or call 727-322-5217.

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Community Neighborhood Watch Meetings and Community Emergency Response Team Meetings

City Wide Neighborhood Watch: Meets the first Wednesday of each month at the **Gulfport Neighborhood Center**, (NOTE: Meeting cancelled for Wednesday, July 4) 1617 49th St. S., at 7 p.m. (Includes Tangerine and Tomlinson neighborhoods.)

Marina District Neighborhood Watch: Meets the second Wednesday of each month at the **Gulfport Lions Club**, 4630 Tifton Dr. S., at 7 p.m.

The Strand Area Neighborhood Watch: Meets the third Wednesday of each month at the **Gulfport Recreation Center**, 5730 Shore Blvd., at 7 p.m. (Includes Town Shores.)

Stetson Area Neighborhood Watch: Meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at the **Stetson School of Law**, in the Eleazer Hearing Room, 1401 61st St. S., at 7 p.m.

CERT: Meets the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. The locations will be determined by the type of training.

It's your community, come out and get involved

Contact Jim Wright, Volunteer Coordinator

City of Gulfport 727-893-1022 or jwright@mygulfport.us

Letters

Mooring Field Discourages Visitors

Dear Editor: I think that this mooring field is absurd! It is welcoming more potentially derelict sail boats, while discouraging motor boats. They are forced to circumvent the area, picking their way around the anchor lines of the current derelict sail boats to reach to city docks. The markings are difficult to see and follow. Those are beautiful docks and now we are being inconvenienced to reach them, when we wish to enjoy the many restaurants and shops in town (i.e. spend money). We would visit two to three times a month. Now we don't want the hassle. How many of these 25 (really is 25 necessary?) sailboats will be dining in town? I think this is going to become Gulfport's Folly.

Cal Keene
Gulfport

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Can I Be Gay and Still be Spiritual?

Dear Editor: When I first saw this article in multiple issues of the Gabber ("Can I Be Gay and Still be Spiritual?" press release), I thought it was an advertisement for a stand-up comedy show or a satirical play at the Hickman Theater. After reading further, I discovered it was a question that, in this day and age, someone was seriously posing to the people of Gulfport. But in reality, it was an advertisement for an event of local "faith leaders" who were giving a presentation about how their "faith traditions" are "working" to be open and accepting to what they call "LGBTQ Seekers" I guess better late

than never for those who feel the need for organized religion, but there are a lot of people, including myself, who found this question condescending, antagonistic and insulting to the LGBTQ community.

"Of course you can be spiritual if you are gay!" As can a woman who has had an abortion, or someone who has been divorced, or an adulterer or any other human on this planet that has been shunned by any organized religious group. There are NO rules for spirituality. Historically, organized religion separates while spirituality actually unites. It is nice that these groups are trying to be more open now and I am sure having a more diverse population attend their services will be an asset to their congregation business-wise and to the community as a whole. But the question that really needs to be asked is, "Should the LGBTQ community now share its powerful spirituality with organized religious groups that once shunned/condemned them both publicly and privately?"

Consider just some of the faith traditions that are accepting of LGBTQ –Unitarian Universalism as well as Eastern faiths such as Taoism, Confucianism and Buddhism. Obviously there is no dissonance between the spirituality of LGBTQ people and those religions. It is implicit, as with other people of those faiths.

And, of course, the LGBTQ

community has always had a strong spiritual foundation outside of organized religions. Consider the spirituality of humanists, artists, people who work in the hundreds of professions that serve, i.e., medicine and law. The LGBTQ community is strongly represented in all of those areas throughout history. Our spirituality is how the community has survived a plague, hate crimes, being denied the civil right to marry and loss of livelihood. The strongest metals survive the hottest fires. We burn brightly and it is not for others to decide if that fire is from God, or belief, or inspiration or "spirituality." We know who we are. Exclusionary faith communities have been missing out and there is much they can learn from the strong ever present spirituality of the LGBTQ community.

Dawn Ingianni RN
Gulfport

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Letters to the Editor

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Kids Read Aloud Book Club

Come to the Gulfport Library on Mondays at 1 p.m. this summer for their weekly Kids Read Aloud Book Club for grades 2 to 5. They will read a different book every week and snacks will be provided by the Gulfport Library Circle of Friends. Volunteer to read out loud or follow along with the group. Call the library for additional details, 727-893-1134.

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Teen Glow Yoga at Gulfport Library

Come to the Gulfport Library for teen glow yoga, or "glow-ga," on Wednesday, July 11 at 3 p.m. Enjoy this unique twist on a vinyasa class with some glow flow! They'll darken the room, put on some beats and hand out complimentary glow sticks and glow paint. Glow yoga is open to grades 6 to 12. For more information call Cailey at 727-893-1074 or email cklasson@mygulfport.us. Thanks to the Circle of Friends of the Gulfport Public Library for sponsoring this event as a public service.

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Rally, from front page

In coordination with a national effort related to immigration, two Gulfport residents organized their first public rally on Saturday, June 30 at the Historic Gulfport Casino.

It rained intermittently and the weather forecasts predicted thunderstorms but that didn't dampen the spirits of the nearly 600 people who showed up, many with umbrellas, rain jackets and custom rally signs.

Markers and cardboard were provided on tables for those who wanted to make statements like, "This is the United States of America! Families Belong Together," "Immigrant Separation is Child Abuse" and "Vote."

The purpose of the Gulfport rally was to draw attention to the issue that a recent presidential "executive order says nothing about the reunification of 2,000 children who have already been separated from their parents," said Patty Stubkjaer, a local community activist who co-organized and emceed the event. Stubkjaer is also a member of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) People Power of Gulfport.

"We're trying to motivate people to exercise their voice in the best manner they can, which is at the ballot box," said Wendy Snyder of

Gulfport who co-chaired the event. Snyder is also a board member of the non-partisan Pinellas County chapter of the ACLU.

According to Time magazine, Families Belong Together events were planned in most major cities across the country "before President Donald Trump ended his administration's policy of separating migrant children from their parents at the US-Mexican border but organizers say the protests scheduled on June 30 are still just as important."

National-level advocacy group organizers included the ACLU, the National Domestic Workers Alliance, The Leadership Conference, MoveOn.org Political Action and MoveOn.org Civic Action. They encouraged participants to wear white representing peace and unity. They also encouraged participants to register to vote. Over 700 locations were officially registered at act.moveon.org/event/families-belong-together including Gulfport's.

Stubkjaer and Snyder at first provided one big tent outside the Gulfport Casino and it was originally intended to shield attendees from the sun. At the last minute, before the event that was scheduled to start at 1:30 p.m., the inclement weather inspired them to coordinate with April Thanos, president of the Gulfport Democratic Club, to rent the inside space from the city for two hours.

Event organizers and Thanos worked with city staff and received a discounted rental rate meant for residents and non-profit organizations, said Gulfport City Manager Jim O'Reilly. Snyder co-signed the rental agreement with Thanos, who wrote a check for the rental.

"We estimated 400 to 450 people were inside, which is well within our capacity," said O'Reilly. "Outside, I saw the crowd at different times and I would estimate there were a couple hundred people there."

Volunteer donations in a jar at the entrance door totaled \$2,200 and more than covered the rental expenses, which were less than \$1,000, said Snyder. The remaining money will be split between the four local co-sponsoring groups that are the ACLU, Indivisible FL-13, the League of Women Voters of the St.

Petersburg Area and People Power.

Volunteer performing musician, Steve Borst of St. Petersburg, provided the sound system.

About the crowd, Gulfport City Councilmember Paul Ray said, "It was amazing that we had that many people there. I was hoping to see more people from Gulfport. I applaud everybody who showed up."

Pia Goff of Gulfport, owner of Pia's Trattoria, said, "Being there was amazing. Everyone was very peaceful and loving. Kids were there; older people; all genders; and, people of all colors. I was very impressed. It was a good turnout considering the weather.

"I went because I am a legal immigrant and I have four children. And, just the thought of somebody taking my children? No way! It's just heartbreaking. They are not criminals; they are refugees looking for political asylum. For me, it's pure kidnapping especially when there is no plan to reunite these families."

Gulfport Councilmember Michael Fridovich welcomed the large crowd during his speech and emphasized, "If you want to make change, you need to register and vote."

Ray, who also spoke to the crowd said, "Children of immigrants who are being denied access to their families is the theme. It shouldn't be a partisan thing at all. It's disgusting. We need to band together and make a change."

Other speakers included Pinellas County Commissioner Pat Gerard and Pinellas County School Board Chairperson Rene Flowers, who gave a speech that was described by several people as "passionate."

"I was blown away," said Snyder. "People were so pumped up. There was cheering. There were exclamations. The crowd was electric with its combined spirit and unanimity of mind regarding the callousness of the current administration's immigration policies. There were standing ovations certainly for Rene Flowers. She was on fire."

Though experienced activists, before June 30, Stubkjaer and Snyder were both neophytes in event organizing. Both are considering organizing their second event in the fall, the theme of which will be "Go to the polls!" said Snyder.

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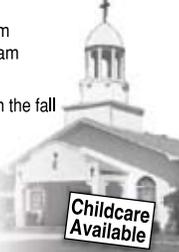
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Helen Troutman, New York: "We went on one big family vacation to San Juan, Puerto Rico. It was my first time flying and the first time out of my realm; I was nine years old. We went horseback riding on the beach and my sister got sun poisoning. I laughed."

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Sophie Fianson, Nice, France: "My favorite childhood holiday was Club Med in Corsica, France. I was independent from my parents from morning till night. There were cabanas on the beach, shows and dancing. I could be free, and I loved it."

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Victoria Susini, Belleair Beach: "Belize Royal Palm Resort, because I got to swim with sharks. The resort is on a private island. I love it there."

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Depression Bipolar Support Group

A depression bipolar support group meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. at Pasadena Community Church, 227 70th St. S. The meetings are free and no registration is required. For more information call 727-410-1569 or visit dbsatampabay.org.

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Caregiver's Support Group at Senior Center

Are you feeling overwhelmed with the responsibilities and challenges of being a caregiver? You are not alone! Ongoing support for you is essential.

The Gulfport Senior Center, 5501 27th Ave. S., offers a support group

for caregivers on the second and fourth Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. This peer-led group will share tips, offer encouragement and discuss the trials, demands and overwhelming experience of being a caregiver for their loved one.

Must be a registered Gulfport Senior Center member. Membership is easy and free for all individuals 50 years of age or older. For more information, call 727-893-5657.

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St. Pete Beach Safe Boating Program

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 7-8 has a 12-week repeating cycle of Safe Boating Program meetings every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at 1500 Pass-a-Grille Way, St. Pete

Beach (at the Warren Webster Building, one mile south of the Don CeSar). Start at any point in the cycle. Arrive the first time at 6:30 p.m. to register. Included in this program are detailed materials that cover a variety of program topics.

The program package is based on the new USCG Auxiliary Boating Skills & Seamanship 14th Edition 400-page manual. All materials will be included in the cost of the program which is \$45 per participant for 12 weeks (\$60 for couples sharing the materials).

For more information, and a list of topics covered each week, call Jim at 727-360-4846, Warren at 727-321-7801 or Phil at 727-865-2226.

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Extreme Mud Wars in Lake Vista Park

Adults get ready to get filthy for a good cause! The city of St. Pete Parks and Recreation Department and TASCO (Teen, Arts, Sports, and Cultural Opportunities) are once again partnering with Tampa Bay Club Sport to bring back America II Extreme Mud Wars (EMW).

This year the event is being held on Saturday, July 14. It is being moved to Lake Vista Park, 1401 62nd Ave. S., which adds some beautiful shade to the event. EMW boasts eight mud-covered events that teams rotate through to determine who the best of the best is.

Teams of 6 to 10 people are suggested, with a minimum of at least two females. This year, the event will accommodate 64 teams on Saturday only. All participants must be at least 18 or older. Food and drink vendors will be onsite with a "beer garden" that will benefit the Secrets of the Sea Marine Exploration Center and Aquarium as well as Hands4Hope. Team cost is \$450 for teams and \$55 for individuals. Proceeds from event registration will benefit TASCO. All teams must register ahead of time. To register go to tampabayclubsport.com.

EMW will start promptly at 9 a.m. and run through 4 p.m. Curious? Check out the results, photos, and videos from 2017 by visiting ExtremeMudWars.com.

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Community Players' Summer One Acts

The Gulfport Community Players present their 18th Annual Summer One Acts from July 12 through 22 at the Catherine Hickman Theater, 55601 27th Ave. S.

An ensemble cast of over 35 actors and actresses perform ten, original plays which were written by Florida and local playwrights. Thursdays Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$18 and available online at gulfportcommunityplayers.org or at the Gulfport Beach Bazaar.

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Alley Cats Bowling Tournament

Friends of Strays will host its first bowling tournament at Sunrise Lanes, 6393 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St. N., on Saturday, July 21, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Teams of five people will compete for prizes at this fun and family-friendly event. Team tickets are \$125 and include three games of bowling; a pizza buffet, one drink ticket

per person, and a commemorative event t-shirt for each team member. For more information or to sign up your team go to friendsofstrays.networkforgood.com/events/7013-alley-cats-bowling-tournament.

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Teen Gender Roles Explored in Film

The LGBTQ Resource Center at Gulfport Public Library continues its monthly LGBTQ Film Series on Thursday, July 12, with a Swedish film about three teen girls exploring gender roles in a "magical" way. The series is a free gathering to watch a film in the company of friends and neighbors on the second Thursday of each month.

Each film begins at 7 p.m. in the Friends Room at Gulfport Public Library, 5501 28th Ave. S.

Licensing restrictions prohibit explicitly naming the titles of films in general press releases. But feel free to call the library at 727-893-1074 for the film title and other information about the film series. Or find titles and more information at

mygulfport.us/lgbtq-resources.

The LGBTQ Resource Center is a project of the non-profit Circle of Friends of the Gulfport Public Library. Find out more about the Resource Center, the Circle of Friends and the Library on the web at mygulfport.us/gpl or at [facebook.com/GulfportLibraryFL](https://www.facebook.com/GulfportLibraryFL).

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City of Gulfport Tot-Time Program

The city of Gulfport Recreation Center is accepting pre-registrations for the 2018-2019 Tot Time Program. The Tot Time Program is a pre-school, hands-on program for children ages 3 to 5. The program aims to make learning fun for children and helps prepare them for kindergarten. Two, three and five-day monthly options are available. Program hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Hours for pre-registration are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Proof of residency is required for Gulfport residents. The program begins September 4. Call 727-893-1068 for more information.

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Summertime Safety Series



OUTDOOR SAFETY

Tuesday, July 17

12:00 Noon

James Barr, EMT and Retired Firefighter, Director of Emergency Medical Services

Outdoor activities are a great way to be active and stay in shape. Make sure you don't put an end to the fun because of an injury. Local experts will discuss:

Safety Tips at the Beach or Pool • Grill Safety • Heat Exhaustion / Stroke • Heat Rash
The Importance of Hydration • Burns • Poisonous Plants • Bug Bites / Bee Stings

HURRICANE SAFETY TIPS, PREPARATION AND READINESS

Friday, July 20

12:00 Noon

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

Hurricanes are among nature's most powerful and destructive phenomena. Hurricane season officially begins June 1st and runs through November 30. Feel better prepared for one with some safety and recovery tips brought to you by the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

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Crossword Puzzle Solution on Page 12

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- 1 Leather-working tool
- 4 Quahog
- 8 Ballet finale
- 12 Put down
- 14 Precedes iota
- 15 Author Paton
- 16 Town zone
- 17 Wore
- 18 Fluff
- 19 Williams' play
- 22 Hair line
- 23 Black gold
- 24 Reproductive cell
- 27 Recording
- 32 Computer buffs
- 33 Big mover
- 34 Trifle
- 35 Simon comedy
- 39 Asian holiday
- 40 Summers, in Evian
- 41 Cuban-American pianist
- 42 Quiet ____
- 45 ____ a person than
- 46 Easel does it
- 47 Virile
- 48 Signs of summer
- 55 Chess piece
- 56 Extravagant

DOWN

- 57 Bacchanalia
- 59 Indigo shrub
- 60 Pertaining to birth
- 61 Beget
- 62 Undiluted
- 63 Chop ____
- 64 Calligrapher's tool
- 1 In the manner of
- 2 Conflicts
- 3 Place
- 4 Delineate
- 5 Mother of Castor and Pollux
- 6 Like ____ of bricks
- 7 Pear-shaped instrument
- 8 Assuredly
- 9 Hodgepodge
- 10 Humid
- 11 Price
- 13 Flue valves
- 14 At that place
- 20 Island off Fuzhou
- 21 ____ vous plait
- 24 Latex insulation
- 25 Last traces
- 26 "... body ____ body . . ."
- 27 Titter

- 28 Kingsley or Martin
- 29 Islands, in Bari
- 30 *The Highwayman* poet
- 31 Surges
- 33 Droop-nosed flyers
- 36 Nuclear components
- 37 Where Christ stopped?
- 38 Short Spanish jackets
- 43 Blur
- 44 Lode load
- 45 Type of orange
- 47 Savage eel
- 48 Stuff
- 49 Superior
- 50 Roulette bet
- 51 Hawaiian feast
- 52 Room follower
- 53 Mastery
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YOU — AND THE LAW —

This column outlines general legal principles and is not intended to give you legal advice. If you have a specific question about the law, please consult an attorney.

By Robert J. Myers, Esq.

What is the Role of a Personal Representative in Probate?

In this article, the role of the personal representative in probate will be examined. A personal representative is a person or entity that is appointed by the Probate Court to be the overseer of the administration of a deceased person's estate. A personal representative is required by the Probate Court to make sure that the deceased's estate is administered in accordance with Florida law.

A personal representative is obligated to identify, accumulate and protect those assets which are part of the probate estate. This process is also known as the marshalling of probate assets. Because the personal representative has a duty to the beneficiaries of the probate estate to protect assets in the estate, this responsibility is court-supervised by the filing of an inventory with the Probate Court.

A personal representative is required to publish a "Notice of Administration" in a newspaper of local circulation. This notice specified who the personal representative and

attorney of the estate are as well as initiates the creditor claims period of ninety (90) days. The Notice of Administration also states the requirements of filing claims and other papers relating to the estate. A personal representative may object to the claims of creditors as well as defend lawsuits which arise against a deceased person's estate.

Normally, a lawyer will be retained to guide a personal representative through the probate process. It is the obligation of a personal representative to hire an attorney if they need assistance in the probate of an estate. A personal representative is further obligated to pay valid creditor claims of the probate estate, pay taxes of the estate, file estate tax returns and distribute assets to beneficiaries of a probate estate.

Mr. Myers is the owner of Akerson Law Offices at 535 49th St. N., St. Petersburg, FL. The phone number is 727-347-5131. Mr. Myers welcomes calls regarding this article and other related legal topics. This column outlines general legal principles. If you have specific questions about the law, please consult an attorney.

Kenneth City Social Club Flea Market

The 21st annual Kenneth City Social Club Flea Market will be held on Saturday, September 8, from 8 a.m. till 3 p.m., at the corner of 58th St. N. and 46th Ave. N.

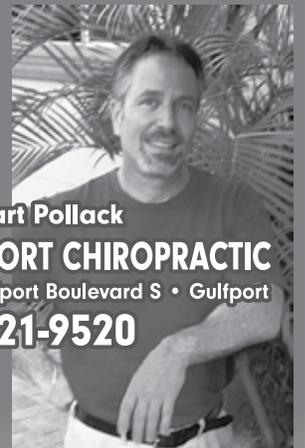
They are now accepting vendors for the flea market. This event always sells out, so contact Dick Laneau at 727-345-4323 or laneau123@gmail.com to reserve a space.

Two-For-One Sale at the Circle Bookshop

The 25¢ cart is bursting with new titles and for a short time the Bookshop is holding a two-for-one sale on these special bargains. Stock up for the long hot summer. The bookshop shelves are constantly changing as new donations arrive.

The Circle of Friends Bookshop is located at the Gulfport Library, 5501 28th Ave. S. Please call Marilyn Field at 727-331-4035 with any bookshop questions. All proceeds benefit the library.

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Korean Wars Veterans Chapter 14

Korean War Veterans Chapter 14 meets on the third Thursday of every month at Our Lady of Good Hope Church, 5501 62nd Ave. N., at 6 p.m. Refreshments are served, and they often have guests who speak on relevant topics. Walk-ins are welcome as they begin their recruitment months. For more information visit kwvafchapter14.org.

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Dive-In Movies at St. Pete Beach

Cool off Fridays this summer with Dive-In Movies at the St. Pete Beach Aquatic Center. Bring your noodles, floats, and chairs to lounge by the pool while watching a movie on the big inflatable screen under the stars. Snacks, drinks and Chick-fil-A will be available for purchase.

Shows are every other Friday night through August 10. The next show is on July 13. Tickets go on sale at 7 p.m., gates open at 8 p.m. and the cost is \$5 per person. For more information call 727-363-9245 or go to spbrec.com.

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Gulfport Special Event Applications for 2019

Special events help build a sense of belonging and community. The special event application process, such as festivals, runs and walks, parades, and citywide holiday celebrations that occur on public property are initiated every year in the spring. New this year, organizations that have admission or registration fees, charges to sponsors, vendors, promoters, or participants, are required to submit a \$50 application fee. Please be sure to include all necessary supporting

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documents, including certificates of nonprofit status, the events guide, public safety agreements, site plans, contracts etc. Upon receipt of a submitted special event application, an email confirmation will be sent to the applicant. The confirmation email will contain a list of any additional items that are needed to complete the application process.

All special event applications for the 2019 fiscal year, events that will occur between October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019 are required to be completed by August 15, 2018. An application is not considered complete until all required supporting documents are received.

For a complete listing of minimum qualifications on entering special event status in the city of Gulfport, please visit mygulfport.us/calendar/special-events/ or if you or your

organization have any questions, please call 727-893-1118 or email info@mygulfport.us.

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Teen Night Program at Recreation Center

Ongoing registrations for the 2017-2018 Teen Night Program continue for teens in middle school to age 17. The program at the Gulfport Recreation Center, 5730 Shore Blvd., provides recreation and social activities. It also offers monthly field trips, cooking projects, service projects and overnight lock-ins. The teens utilize the gymnasium, gameroom and outdoor area. Program hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. Annual registration is \$2 for residents and non-residents. For more information please call John at 727-893-1079.

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ACTIVITIES

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Thurs., 7:30 - 9 pm

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area. Program hours are Mon., Wed. & Fri. 6-9

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VPK Program- We are currently accepting VPK

(Voluntary Prekindergarten) Vouchers for the

2018-2019 School Year. VPK is FREE for children

who live in Florida and who turn 4 years of age

by September 1st. Parents must apply on the

Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas, Inc. website

(<http://elcpinellas.net>) and receive a Certificate of

Eligibility which needs to be turned in during pre-

registration. Program hours are from 8:30a.m.-

12:30p.m. Hours for pre-registration are 9 a.m.-5

p.m., Monday-Friday.

TOT-Time Program- We are accepting pre-reg-

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five-day monthly options are available. Program

hours are from 8:30a.m.-12:30p.m. Hours for

pre-registration are from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-

Friday. A deposit of \$25 is required to hold a spot

and will be applied to first month's tuition. Proof

of residency is required for Gulfport residents.

CLASSES

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

Karate - Mon. & Thurs., 6:30 pm Call

Andel 727-459-1319

Gentle Hatha Yoga Tues., 6:30 p.m. Call Denise

at 813-777-9964

Tennis - Tues., 5 p.m. for 10 & under, 6 p.m. for

Adults and Fri., 5 p.m. for juniors. Call Jack at

727-280-4276.

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Thurs., 6:15-7:15 p.m. Call Donnie Ali-McClendon

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Adult/All Ages Programs

French Conversation Club: Tues, 12:30 - 1:30 pm.

Enjoy conversing in a relaxed atmosphere. All levels

are welcome; this is not a class, simply an opportunity

to practice and improve. This is our most popular

language group so far!

Ukulele Group: 1st & 3rd Tues, 2 - 4 pm. Regardless

of expertise, everyone is invited to join in for

some strummin' fun.

Free Thinkers Open AA (Twelve Step) Meeting:

Tues, 5:45-6:45 pm. FMI 727-360-9069.

Gulfport Writers: Weds, 10am (previously Gulfport

Prompt Short Story Writers).

Gulfport Toastmasters: Weds, 6-7:30 pm 727-

537-9098.

Women's AA Club: Fridays, 5:45-6:45 pm 727-

893-1073.

Lesbian Feminist Hot Spots in the South: Thurs-

day, July 5, 5 - 6:30 pm. The quarterly journal

Sinister Wisdom features the topic Hot Spots in which

it explores the Southern spaces where lesbians gathered

and organized, including stories from Gainesville

and Miami, as well as Nashville, Louisville, Atlanta,

Richmond, and Durham. This press party

celebrates its July 1st release. Local writers will be

reading their works and answering questions. Everyone

is invited. Light refreshments will be served.

Grownup Movie Series: Saturday, July 7, 1 pm.

This month, watch a twisted tale of two assassins

carrying out a sinister mission, a teacher battling

a fatal illness, an enigmatic janitor and a curious

waitress leading a dangerous double life. Murderous

consequences unravel in the dead of night as their

lives all intertwine at the hands of a mysterious

criminal mastermind hell-bent on revenge. Stars

Margot Robbie, Simon Pegg, and Mike Myers. Not

rated. Call 727-893-1074 for title.

Rob Sanders & History of the Pride Flag: Tues-

day, July 10, 7 pm. Celebrate the 40th anniversary

of the Rainbow Pride Flag with the author of the

very first picture book to tell its remarkable and

inspiring history! He has also published several other

children's books. Rob will also share his experiences

as a public school teacher and proud gay author,

followed by audience Q & A.

LGBTQ Film Series: Thursday, July 12, 7 pm.

Three bullied teenage girls are going through the

throes of finding themselves in this Swedish fantasy

feature. A seismic shift happens when they discover

a curious plant in their greenhouse. It turns out to

have mysterious magical qualities that, when con-

sumed, transforms the girls temporarily into boys.

But not only does their gender change, the world

around them, and their response to it, is profoundly

altered. Not rated. Call 727-893-1074 for title.

Yoga in the Garden: Saturday, July 14, 10:15 am.

We're taking it outside this summer! Tend your body

and spirit with mindful movement & meditation in

our lovely garden. This slow-paced class welcomes

all levels. Please bring props if you want them.

Taught by Christa Fairbrother, RYT and Certified

Yoga for Arthritis Instructor.

Coffee/Talk Book Club: Thursday, July 19, 11 am

- 12 pm. This summer, we're reading National Book

Award Winners, with discussion of "The Good Lord

Bird" by James McBride. Copies available at the

Circulation Desk. Sponsored by Circle of Friends of

the Gulfport Library. FMI, call 727-893-1073.

Open Mic: Monday, July 30, 5-6:45 pm. FMI, call

727-893-1073.

Children/Teens/Family Programs

Summer BreakSpot: Mondays-Fridays, noon-1

pm. Free lunch available for anyone age 18 and

younger. No library card required.

Storytime: Thursdays, 10:15-10:45 am; AND

11-11:30 am. Due to popularity and support from

our community, another session has been added,

please choose one or the other since both are the

same. Stories & activities selected for kids up to 3

years old.

Preschool Storytime: Thursdays, 4 pm. Join us in

the afternoon for stories, songs, movement and a

craft! All are welcome but this is geared to the 2-5

year old crowd.

Kids Read Aloud Book Club: Mondays, 1 - 2 pm.

If you're in Grades 2-5, then join us on Mondays

this summer. We will read a different book every

week and snacks will be provided by our Circle of

Friends. Volunteer to read out loud or follow along

with the group. FMI call 727-893-1134.

Kids Summer Reading Program: Kids Doodle

Bots: Monday, July 9, 3 pm. Join us for this fun

and creative activity! FMI, call 727-893-1134.

Rob Sanders & History of the Pride Flag: Tues-

day, July 10, 4 - 5 pm. Children will have a chance

to make Pride flags while learning the history of

this colorful celebration of LGBTQ contributions to

American culture. Celebrate the 40th anniversary

of the Rainbow Pride Flag with the author of the

very first picture book to tell its remarkable and

inspiring history! He is a teacher and has also published

several other children's books.

Teen Summer Reading Program: Glow Yoga:

Wednesday, July 11, 3 pm. Join us for teen glow

yoga, or "glow-ga". Enjoy this unique twist on a

vin-yasa class with some glow flow! We'll darken

the room, put on some beats and hand out complimentary

glow sticks and glow paint. Open to teens in

grades 6-12.

Raven's Guild: Saturday, July 14, 1 pm. Gather

fans of anime, manga, gaming! This month, we're

hosting a Spicy Ramen Challenge! Due to limited

supplies, preregistration is required. Come to the

library to sign up for the challenge in advance, or

call ahead to place your name on the list. ALSO,

make sure a parent signs the waiver if their teen

participates Take part in the world-wide trend that

has everyone breathing fire like dragons! We'll also

screen a movie. For ages 12-18. For movie title, call

727-893-1074.

Child Developmental Screenings: Tuesday, July

17, 10:30 am - 12 pm. Join Help Me Grow Pinellas

for a FREE playtime and screening for children

ages 0-8 years old at the Library. Every family who

completes a developmental screening will receive a

Help Me Grow swag bag and a free children's book

(while supplies last). A Help Me Grow Care Coordinator

will also be available to answer developmental

questions.

Free Family Movie Series: Saturday, July 21,

1:30 pm. Mary is an ordinary young girl stuck in the

country with her great-aunt Charlotte and seemingly

no adventures or friends in sight. She follows a

mysterious cat into the nearby forest, where she

discovers an old broomstick and the strange fly-by-

night flower, a rare plant that blossoms only once

every seven years and only in that forest. Together

the flower and the broomstick whisk Mary above the

clouds, and far away to Endor College - a school of

magic run by headmistress Madam Mumblechook

and the brilliant Doctor Dee. But there are terrible

things happening at the school, and when Mary tells

a lie, she must risk her life to try to set things right.

It stars the voice talents of Kate Winslet and Jim

Broadbent, and is rated PG. Call for movie title.

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Department

Senior Center

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This is your Center! - Sign up today to enjoy all the classes and events offered at the Gulfport Senior Center. Hours are Monday -Thursday 8 am - 7 pm and Friday from 8 am- 4 pm. Stop by and ask for a tour and pick up a copy of this month's schedule or download your copy at mygulfport.us and click the Senior Center link. The Senior Center currently offers multiple monthly classes, activities, and services for residents over 50 years old. Registration is required and is easy and free.

Special Events

Like us on Facebook at

[FB.com/GulfportSeniorCenter](https://www.facebook.com/GulfportSeniorCenter).

Social Security Questions - Monday July 9th @ 5:30 pm. Questions, We've Got Answers.

Social Security will likely be the foundation of your retirement income. Before you retire, it's important to understand your options and the effect your decisions have on your retirement. Join us for our presentation Social Security. Sponsored by Scott O'Berry (Edward Jones)

Healthy Aging with Dr Cate - Wednesday July 11th @ 2pm. This Presentation topic will cover Technology and Brain Health

Know Your Numbers - Thurs., 7/12 @ 10:30 am. It is important to know your numbers. Come out to get your blood sugar and blood pressure checked.

Register To Vote - Thursday, July 12th 10am - 2pm. Register to Vote, Update your Voter Registration Information in a SNAP (Signature, Name, Address, Political Party) or Apply to Vote by Mail. Sponsored by Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections

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Medicare 101 Understanding your Medicare Benefits - July 18th @ 2pm. Come learn what you need to know in order to make an informed decision on your Medicare Options. Presented by Steven Reiser with Senior Benefit

iPhone/iPad Instruction Class - Thurs., 7/19 @ 1:30. Learn the basic functions of your Apple iPhone or iPad. MUST call 727.893.5657 to pre-register. Presented by the Gulfport Library.

Community Law Program - 3rd Friday of Each Month @ 9:30 am. Legal assistance is available from the Community Law Program. You must call 727.582.7480 to qualify and to make your appointment. If you qualify, legal assistance is free.

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GEMS (Gulfport Extended Mobility Service) - Affordable door to door transportation service. Rides to medical appointments, hopping, and downtown St. Pete for Gulfport residents, 55 years of age or older or disabled. For more information call 727-893-2242.

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Food Pantry - Supplemental food assistance for qualifying Gulfport Seniors in need. Pantry is open on Mons and Thurs from 1-3 pm. Proper verification required prior to use of the pantry.

Senior Citizens' Advisory Committee - This committee is a liaison for Gulfport Seniors to City Council pertaining to senior issues & ways to enhance the quality of life for seniors in the community. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, call 727-893-1231.

FITNESS CENTER SCHEDULE: Mon-Thurs, 8 am - 7 pm, Fri: 8 am - 4 pm. Stop by the Senior Center and take a tour of our state of the art fitness facility.

The Gulfport Multipurpose Senior Center Foundation, Inc. - Membership in the Foundation helps provide enhancements that make our center second to none. All donations to this 501(c)3 non-profit organization will help ensure our continued growth. 727-893-1244.

More Activities

To view the Senior Center calendar in its entirety, please log onto mygulfport.us.

GEMS Gulfport Getaways

Senior Center registration is required. However, there is no need to be GEMS member to enjoy the exciting Gulfport Getaways. Call 727-893-2242 for more info and to reserve a seat. Trips are non-refundable and subject to change without notice.

July 12 - Out-to-Lunch Bunch: Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen. Enjoy a delicious made-from-scratch meal with your friends on this getaway. After lunch, stop in at the Shoppes at Park Place and shop at stores such as Fashion Bug, Dress Barn, Famous Footwear and more. \$6 for GEMS Members / \$8 for Non-GEMS Members. Price includes round-trip transportation. Meal paid for individually.

July 16 - The Ringling Art Museum and Bayfront Gardens. Wander through galleries filled with antiquities, old masters and modern visionaries, from the Ringling Museum's permanent collection and traveling exhibitions. While visiting the Ringling, leisurely explore the 66-acre Bayfront Gardens. \$15 for GEMS Members / \$20 for Non-GEMS Members. Price includes round-trip transportation, parking and admission.

July 26 - Beef 'O' Brady's & Dr. Carter G. Woodson - African American Museum. First, we will stop for lunch at Beef 'O' Brady's, then off to the museum which presents a historic voice of one segment of the St. Petersburg community in the oerspective of local, regional & national history. Come with us to discover more of this historic piece of culture. \$11 for GEMS Members / \$13 for Non-GEMS Members. Price includes round-trip transportation, parking and admission. Meal paid for individually.

July 31 - Out-to-Lunch Bunch: Romano's Macaroni Grill. Savor your midday break with the new flavors & lunch-friendly servngs of Italian classics at Romano's Macaroni Grill. After lunch, discover all the new & exciting stores at Tyrone Square. 6 for GEMS Members / \$13 for Non-GEMS Members. Price includes round-trip transportation. Meal paid for individually.

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Horoscope Guide

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Anyone who says you shouldn't feel the way you do is ignorant about how feelings work. If you bottle feelings up, or are ashamed of them, they gain the wrong kind of power. Whichever emotion you happen to be experiencing is perfect. Accept it. Then choose your next action instead of reacting thoughtlessly.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're a free thinker, unbound by opinions of your parents or peers. Your intellectual life will take precedence over other things you could be doing this week, and life-changing ideas will pop into your mind. You'll choose a train of thought and ride it to a destination that others won't even know exists until you report back.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You mostly abide by rules of etiquette, but something will come up that seems more important than smooth and mutually pleasing interactions. It's probably something morally and/or socially incorrect, and it needs to be addressed. You'll speak up -- otherwise, how is the world going to change for the better?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The small problems will make you stronger this week. These issues won't be scary, because there are readily knowable solutions that are accessible and affordable. There's also a road map, and you'll follow it. Then you'll help the ones who are scared. You'll teach what you know.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Don't lose

track of what's important, meaningful and, above all, fun. Note that doing things that are supposed to be fun, or that are fun to other people doesn't rcount. What you need is the soul-rejuvenating power of fun that's specific to you. And if you don't know what that is yet, explore things this week.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). What concerns you most is spending your time well. It would be very easy to fritter it away on distractions that don't mean too much to you, and so you are quite vigilant and proactive this week, choosing what to build and do with your hours. Surround yourself with good people. This will help matters enormously.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's comfort in knowing there's an end to things and even greater ease in knowing approximately when that end will come. That's why the restaurant gives wait-time projections and the movie gives running times. It's also why you'll communicate well with your group about timetables and other specific expectations.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you worry, it's only because you care. It's a signal that your life is meaningful. It's an indication of deep intelligence. And if you can stop yourself from worrying -- just change the channel in your brain and tell yourself to knock it off -- well, that's emotional genius. Because worry should be a signal, not a lifestyle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If you don't feel passionately about any particular task, topic or area, it's normal. Passion isn't ingrained; it's developed. It happens as a result of trying to master a thing. The more you do, learn about and commit to a thing, the more passionate you'll become about it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A reward that goes on too long defeats its purpose, which is to break up the work. This week, your anticipation of pleasure will be very strong, but the pleasure itself will be short. Good. It's the perfect recipe for productivity. Brief pleasures will drive you ever forward.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You don't consciously set out to make a habit of doing things that nobody recommends, but you've picked up the odd habit along the way anyhow. Don't blame yourself. Habits occur to fill a momentary need, and sometimes they fill it so well that they stick. Regardless, it's now time to stop and make a change.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). This week you won't merely tolerate your struggles; you'll embrace them in full knowledge that they are making your life better in the long run. You're becoming more autonomous, capable and masterful. You're becoming abler and more generous, especially in the love department.

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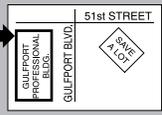


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This Thursday's menu is cepelinai (boiled grated potato with meat) served with bacon and/or sour cream, dessert and coffee. Fresh baked Lithuanian bread is available. Please call 727-337-4240 for reservations or more information.

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Chito Ryu Karate at Recreation Center

The Gulfport Recreation Center offers Chito Ryu Karate two nights a week. Chito Ryu is a traditional Japanese martial art. In these classes you will learn self-defense, focus and self-discipline, conditioning, exercise regiments, the Kata Art form and weapons training. Classes are on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Classes are \$40 per month. For more information, call Andell at 727-459-1319.

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Parent Aide Volunteers Needed

Suncoast Center, Inc. is seeking parent aide volunteers. Adult volunteers are needed to share their life experiences and skills with another parent through a nationally-recognized mentoring program. Parent aide mentors provide friendship, support and advice to parents challenged in raising children in today's society.

Parent aide volunteers receive training, guidance and support from program staff and personal satisfaction by assisting another parent. Use your background to help a parent understand age-appropriate behaviors, effective and consistent discipline techniques, stress reduction tips, information on topics like nutrition and family budgeting, assistance in accessing community resources and much more.

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Gulfport Library Hosts Successful Open Mic Night

By Angelina Bruno

Gulfport Library continued their celebration of Gay Pride Month with a heartfelt open mic night on June 21.

“We’re always looking for a way to get more youth involved,” said Susan Gore, co-chair of the Circle of Friends and liaison to the LGBTQ Resource Center at the library. “I noticed a lot of kids were doing open mic nights, so we brought the idea to the board and they agreed it was a good idea.”

Gore said once the event had been agreed on, they had to find someone to organize it. They turned to Sam Obeid, a local poet, emcee and self-described “queer activist,” according to Obeid’s website. “Sam is young, experienced and has done a lot of open mics,” said Gore.

Obeid cheered on poets as they walked up to the mic, and congratulated them with applause and excited energy as they left the stage. “She was instrumental in how we would time people and how the show was organized,” said Gore.

Sara Hack, library employee worked the event and loved having Obeid emceeing the show. “The fact that they had an Indian Muslim/Hindu do the event and bring a little bit of the side of LGBTQ that we rarely see is amazing,” said Hack. “I admired her.”



A large group gathered at Gulfport Library on June 21 for the open mic night to mark Gay Pride month. “There were so much authenticity. Everybody who spoke wasn’t a published poet, but their work was heartfelt and deeply moving,” said Susan Gore, co-chair of the library’s Circle of Friends. Photo courtesy of the Gulfport Library.

Overall, the event brought people together with genuine and thoughtful participation. About thirty people attended the event, which was the first open mic night at the Gulfport Public library.

“There were so much authenticity. Everybody who spoke wasn’t a published poet, but their work was heartfelt and deeply moving,” said Gore.

“Some of the poetry was really well written and there were some extremely deep thoughts,” said Hack. “We have some really talented

people in Gulfport.”

The open mic night was just one of many scheduled events the Gulfport Library hosted to celebrate and highlight Gay Pride during the month of June.

“Everybody comes and enjoys the art exhibit. Everyone can come to the open mic night. There’s just a lot of energy,” said Gore, speaking on the library’s inclusiveness.

“It’s a role model to what libraries should be,” said Hack. “Makes it the hub for free thought.”

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GriefShare is for anyone who has lost a loved one to help them get through their grief. For more information call 727-343-7747.

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Off Broadway Show Plays Gulfport

Acclaimed by critics and audience members alike, the one-man show, "Chameleon" is moving from its regular Friday night slot to Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. at the City of Imagination, 2726 54th St. S. (the Breyer Hall building between the dog parks).

Chameleon is written and performed by Peter Suarez, a veteran New York theatre performer, who has danced with the Metropolitan Opera, worked with Tony Award-winning director, and choreographed for Cirque du Soleil.

Suggested donation \$15 at the door. For more info, call Peter Suarez at 646-522-8440.

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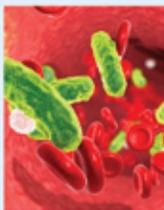
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Local Crime Watch

A sampling of police reports from June 17 to June 27 in Gulfport, St. Pete Beach and South Pasadena.

Source: Pinellas County Crime Viewer and Gulfport Police Department

Gulfport

6/22 – Trespass in the 5500 block of 27th Avenue South. A male had a verbal altercation during a bingo game and when he asked to leave the premises, he yelled at other seniors and staff. The male was located and a trespass warning was issued.

6/23–Violation of injunction on Gulfport Beach. Sgt. Vandenberg made contact with Chadwick Skinner in the beach parking lot at 5:30 a.m. After researching Chadwick in a database, it was discovered that there was an active injunction against him relating to a person in the 3000 block of Clinton Street South. Chadwick was found to be in violation of the injunction since he was less than 500 feet from the residence. He was arrested and taken to jail.

6/24 – Credit card fraud in the 6000 block of Shore Boulevard. Officer Pope met with a victim in Town Shores who discovered that her credit card number had been compromised and was being used in Kissimmee. He was able to contact the Osceola County Sheriff's Office and give the deputy the name of the liquor store and hotel where the card was being used. Deputies were able to locate the man who was using the stolen card information in the room he reserved at the hotel. He fled from the deputies and they are in the process of getting a warrant for his arrest. He is a known criminal who has conducted similar fraud rings across the state.

6/24 – Burglary in the 1000 block of 55th Street South. Victim reported that

sometime overnight, someone pushed in the screen to her front porch and stole three bikes. The suspect also left behind a bike in her front yard..

6/24 – Simple Battery in the 5700 block of Shore Boulevard. A bar patron called to report that he had been battered by a bar employee. The victim stated that the bar employee battered him after they argued over a female. The bar employee admitted to the battery. He was referred to the adult pre-arrest diversion program.

6/25 – Three vehicle burglaries in northwest Gulfport. An unknown suspect entered three unlocked vehicles and rummaged through the glove compartments and center consoles. There was nothing taken from any of the vehicles.

6/26 – Warrant attempt in the 5000 block of 12th Avenue South. Officers responded based on information that a juvenile had a warrant for her arrest and had not charged her ankle monitor so it was not tracking. The female juvenile was located at a neighbor's house and taken into custody.

Assault

6/27, 8:45 a.m., 2700 block of Tifton Street S

Battery

6/24, midnight, 5400 block of Shore Boulevard

6/21, 11:31 p.m., 4900 block of 14th Avenue S

Burglary – residence

6/23, 1 a.m., 1000 block of 55th Street S

Burglary – vehicle

6/24, 10 a.m., 2000 block of Gray Street S

6/24, 7 p.m., 1700 block of 60th Street S

6/24, 10 p.m., 1100 block of 60th Street S

6/19, noon, 6300 block of Pasadena Point Boulevard

6/19, 2:10 p.m., 5500 block of Shore Boulevard

6/19, 6 p.m., 5000 block of 17th Avenue S

6/19, 10:30 p.m., 1800 block of 49th Street S

Robbery – armed

6/17, 6 p.m., 49th Street S and 23rd Avenue S

Theft – grand

6/25, 5:42 p.m., 5100 block of Gulfport Boulevard S

6/18, 6:51 p.m., 5100 block of 13th Avenue S

Theft – petit

6/25, 7 a.m., 1000 block of Gray Street S

6/23, 5:25 p.m., 5000 block of Gulfport Boulevard S

6/22, 12:17 a.m., 5100 block of Gulfport Boulevard S

6/18, 3 p.m., 2500 block of 50th Street S

Vandalism – criminal mischief

6/20, 6 p.m., 5100 block of 14th Avenue S

South Pasadena

Battery

6/17, noon, 1400 block of Pasadena Avenue S

Theft – recreation vehicle

6/25, 10:38 a.m., 1800 block of Shore Drive S

Theft – grand

6/25, 8 a.m., 1200 block of Pasadena Avenue S

6/25, 10 p.m., 1200 block of Pasadena Avenue S

6/24, 12:01 a.m., 900 block of Pasadena Avenue S

Theft – petit

6/22, 8:14 a.m., 1200 block of Pasadena Avenue S

Theft – shoplifting

6/27, 9 a.m., 6800 block of Gulfport Boulevard S

6/23, 3:14 p.m., 6800 block of Gulfport Boulevard S

6/21, 7:31 p.m., 6800 block of Gulfport Boulevard S

Vandalism – criminal mischief

6/23, 8:30 p.m., 1300 block of Pasadena Avenue S

St. Pete Beach Alarm

6/17, 9:01 p.m., 3500 block of Belle Vista Drive E

Battery

6/22, 7:27 p.m., 9400 block of Blind Pass Road

6/20, 10:04 p.m., 3700 block of Gulf Boulevard

6/18, 7 p.m., 500 block of Corey Avenue

Burglary – business

6/18, 3 a.m., 3800 block of Gulf Boulevard

Burglary – residence

6/21, noon, 3600 block of Belle Vista Drive E

Burglary – vehicle

6/26, 6 p.m., 3800 block of Gulf Boulevard

Robbery – unarmed

6/22, 12:45 p.m., 4600 block of Gulf Boulevard

6/22, 1:30 p.m., 4600 block of Gulf Boulevard

Theft – grand

6/23, 1 p.m., 600 block of 72nd Avenue

6/21, 1:30 p.m., Gulf Boulevard and 35th Avenue

6/20, 1:30 p.m., 400 block of 84th Avenue

6/17, 10:40 a.m., 5300 block of Gulf Boulevard

6/17, 11 a.m., 5900 block of Gulf Boulevard

Theft – petit

6/27, 3:11 p.m., 900 block of Gulf Way

6/27, 4 p.m., St. Pete Beach

Theft – vehicle

6/19, 7:50 a.m., 200 block of 75th Avenue

Vandalism – criminal mischief

6/24, 11 p.m., 7100 block of Gulf Boulevard

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