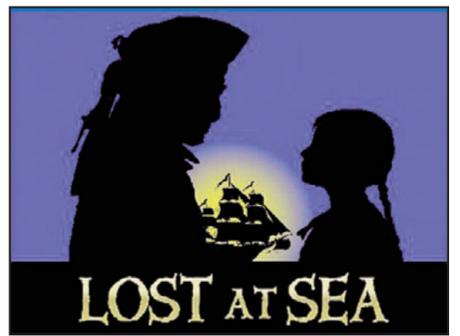


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#### CRIME BEAT

### Man arrested in carjacking case

A St. Petersburg man was booked into the Pinellas County Jail July 1 on charges of carjacking, attempted carjacking and felony fleeing and eluding.

The suspect, Anthony Eugene Sutton, 37, first attempted a carjacking just after 3:30 p.m. in the parking lot of the Sweetbay Supermarket, 10370 Seminole Blvd., in Seminole.

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#### SPORTS



### Largo tennis team wins state title

The USTA Florida League Tennis 55 and older team from the Shipwatch Tennis Club in Largo captured an adult state title during USTA Florida Adult 55 & Over 3.5/4.5 League Section Championships, held June 28 through July 1 at the Florida Tennis Center in Daytona Beach.

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## County delays Briarwood approval

### Hearing continued to allow Largo a chance to make good on relocation efforts

By JULIANA A. TORRES and SUZETTE PORTER

CLEARWATER – Instead of ruling on Largo's request July 9, Pinellas County Commissioners decided to give the city, along with owner of the Briarwood Recreational Vehicle Park, more time to help the RV park's remaining residents find an affordable place to live.

The current owner of the Briarwood property needs the county's approval to reclassify the 13.8-acre site from its current future land use designation to "residential high" in order to build a planned 260-unit apartment complex. The new designation would allow as

many as 30 units per acre on the property – enough to build the market-rate apartment buildings, up to four stories high, that the developers have proposed.

But the new development would displace about 50 remaining residents who still call the RV park at 2098 Seminole Blvd. their permanent home. County commissioners are concerned that those residents may have no place to move and could become homeless.

"I'm really concerned about the people left," said Commissioner John Morroni. "In this economy, it is not the time to put people on the streets."

Largo Commissioner Harriet Crozier, who attended

the morning meeting, helped recap the county's decision during Largo's evening meeting July 9. She explained that both Largo officials and the attorney representing the property owner began to realize that they didn't have enough supportive votes from the county board to pass the designation change. After much discussion, Attorney Ed Armstrong suggested delaying the decision for 30 to 60 days in order to work with city staff to set up a relocation fund administered by the county, "if that would satisfy the

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### Fun at Largo park



Photos by JIM LAYFIELD

Above, with a little help from his grandmother, Maria Vanderham of Seminole, Jordan Steijger, 3, also of Seminole gets his kite aloft at Largo Central Park July 6. Below, with sunny weather on the first full weekend of the month, many visitors ride the Largo Central Railroad trains for some old-fashioned fun.



## County 'deep dives' into public safety

This is part 1 of a five-part series on operations at the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

By SUZETTE PORTER



CLEARWATER – The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office receives taxpayer money from county government for three primary missions – law enforcement, corrections and judicial operations.

Sheriff Bob Gualtieri spent most of the day June 5 presenting an operational overview to help county commissioners better understand the job and cost of providing public safety services.

County Administrator Bob LaSala explained that the meeting was a continuation of strategic planning started during the winter of 2012 to explore ways to provide "maximum delivery of core services." The commission has been taking "deep dives" into different areas. Last year, the subject was community development. This year attention turns to public safety.

"It's a big undertaking. Understanding what we do," Gualtieri said.

But he's willing to "engage in dialogue that benefits us all."

"The Sheriff's Office has a good working relationship with the board and I want that to continue," he said, adding that not all sheriff's offices get along with their county leaders.

State law provides a unique relationship between sheriffs and county government.

"You set funds you have no control over (for the constitutional office of sheriff). Me, I'm responsible for public safety but can't raise a dime," he said.

Gualtieri began his presentation with a brief look at the history of the county sheriff's office, which started in 1912 when bootlegging, moonshining and gambling were daily occurrences. Up until the 1950s, deputies drove their own cars, wore plain clothes and carried their own weapons. There was no centralized jail.

Since that time, the sheriff's office has grown into a large organization with more than 2,700 members who work in five major service bureaus – patrol operations, detention and corrections, investigative operations, support services and inspections bureau. PCSO is the 15th largest sheriff's office in the United States.

The sheriff is an elected position and part of the executive branch of government. The position answers to

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## Cottage Shoppes promote 'shop local' campaign

By JULIANA A. TORRES

LARGO – Debbie Jetter's idea was a simple one: unite the unique and locally owned shops in northeast Largo and Belleair Bluffs to create a network of small businesses that supported and promoted one another.

Cottage Shoppes Along the Shore is the resulting group of 14 storeowners who jumped at the chance for their own "shop local" campaign. As a group, they sell everything from antique, French, shabby and country home furniture and décor, florals, gifts and even coffee, yogurt and lunch.

"Almost all of us do one-of-kind things," Jetter said.

The stores range as far south as Walsingham Road, west to Indian Rocks Road, north as far as Antique Alley in Belleair Bluffs and East Bay Drive and

Missouri Avenue to the east. Jetter explained that Cottage Shoppes form a full circuit and could represent several days of exploring.

"I tried to choose shops that kind of made a little circle so women can make a shopping day of it," she said. "I wanted to keep it mostly retail, but when you're shopping, you have to stop for coffee or lunch or something, especially if you want to keep going."

On the front counter of Jetter's shop, Country Porch Antiques & Country Décor, Jetter displays bright pink pamphlets that feature a list of the Shoppes and a map, as do all of the participating stores.

"At this day and time, it's very tough for small business. And if we don't network together then

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Photo by JULIANA A. TORRES

Business owners, from left, Joy Madden of Petal and Vine Garden Shop and Market in Belleair Bluffs, Debbie Jetter of Country Porch Antiques & Country Décor in Largo, Julie Papalardo of Julie's Cottage at Provence in Largo and mother and daughter team Cathy and Andrea Ottaviani of Provence Art and Antiques in Belleair Bluffs are part of the Cottage Shoppes Along the Shore to promote local shops.

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# NAMI Pinellas offers local support

The National Alliance on Mental Illness in Pinellas County provides a monthly education meeting, free and open to the public, on second Thursdays. The next meeting is Thursday, July 11, 7 p.m., at Suncoast Hospice, 5771 Roosevelt Blvd., Clearwater. The topic will be a demonstration of the organization's Breaking the Silence program. Breaking the Silence teaches students and community organizations about stigma, signs and symptoms of brain disorders and where to get help. The facilitators of the program will be those living with mental illness and their family members. The August education meeting will be Aug. 8, 7

p.m., at the Vincent House, 4801 78th Ave. N. in Pinellas Park. A panel will showcase the members, staff and family members of the local clubhouse and explain how local Recovery Through Work partnerships are effective. NAMI Pinellas, the local branch of the national organization, provides education, advocacy and support for people living with mental illnesses and their families and friends. Locally, the group also provides a free 10-session peer-to-peer education course, peer support groups and a family-to-family education program. For more information, call 791-3434.

## Around town

### Heritage Village hosts historical writing workshop

LARGO - Award-winning author Angela T. Pisaturo continues to host workshops at Heritage Village, 11909 125th St. N. in Largo, on the topic of writing history into a novel. The fourth workshop is on Friday, July 12, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This workshop will be a continuation of the novel writing class. Participants are encouraged to bring their works in progress to share ideas with the class. Additional information and techniques for novel writing will also be presented. The last historical writing workshop for the remainder of the year is scheduled on Friday, Sept. 13. Each workshop is \$15 per person; \$13 for Pinellas County Historical Society members. Call 582-2233 to register or for more information.

### Explore the arts with Largo specialty camps

LARGO - The city of Largo is offering weekly specialty camps, for children ages 7 to 15, including Cupcake Camp, Cake Decorating Camp and Fine Arts Camps I & II all at the Largo Community Center, 400 Alt. Keene Road. Cupcake Camp will teach techniques and inspire campers to create incredible and delicious cupcakes. Camp runs July 22 to 26, 9 a.m. to noon. Cake Decorating Camp will teach campers to create beautiful cakes for birthdays and other special occasions. Learn techniques, applications and skill building in decorating cakes of any size or shape.

Camp runs July 29 to Aug. 2, 9 a.m. to noon. In Fine Arts Camp I, running July 8 to 12, campers will explore different methods to create pieces of art using clay. Fine Arts Camp II, from July 15 to 19, will jump into the world of mosaics by creating different types of colorful designs. For more information on all Largo summer camps, scholarships and before and after care, visit LargoCamps.com or call 518-3125 or 518-3131.

### Museum offers rides on military vehicles

LARGO - The Armed Forces History Museum will host Ride Through History, featuring military vehicle rides, Saturdays, July 13 and 27 and Aug. 10 and 24, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 2050 34th Way N. Along with the rides, visitors will witness World War II re-enactors from the 1st Infantry Division and enjoy free hot dogs. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 4 to 12. Call 539-8371 or visit armedforcesmuseum.com.

### Toastmasters invite new members

LARGO - Largo Star Toastmasters Club 5933 invites new members to its weekly meeting on Wednesdays, 12:05 to 1:05 p.m., at the Young Rainey Star Center, 7887 Bryan Dairy Road No. 120 in Largo. The club is open to all residents and workers in the Largo, Pinellas Park and Seminole areas. A Toastmasters club provides a supportive and positive environment where members have the opportunity to develop their oral communication and leadership skills. Come watch as members present speeches, develop leadership skills by serving in various club positions and participate in Table Topics sessions in a relaxed yet structured one-hour setting. For more information, call John Rouisse at 488-8010 or email johnrouisse@yahoo.com.

# Group recognizes Largo Eagle Scout

CLEARWATER - The Clearwater chapter of the Florida Society of the Sons of the American Revolution presented Matthew Galiano with an Eagle Scout Certification of Recognition on June 22 at his Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony at St. Paul United Methodist Church.

Galiano designed, planned and led a group of volunteers with the construction and installation of two compost bins for the Ochs Garden in Largo for his Eagle Scout service project.

He recently graduated from Clearwater High School where he was the captain of the lacrosse team. He has been involved with Boy Scouts of America for 12 years and has camped out for a total of 80 days, held numerous leadership positions and has earned 57 merit badges.



Photo by SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION CLEARWATER CHAPTER: Matthew Galiano holds his Eagle Scout Certification of Recognition with Art Hays, an SAR Compatriot.

tampabay.rr.com or 584-4906 or Bonnie Fyfe McGee at bmcgee@tampabay.rr.com.

### First Friday in Largo

LARGO - Enjoy live entertainment, food trucks, vendors and street performers on First Fridays, 6 to 11 p.m., at the corner of Clearwater-Largo Road and First Avenue Southwest in Largo. Interested vendors and street performers can call 588-4444. For more information, visit www.discoverlargo.com.

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**Monkey**



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Celeste McCarthy, 8, of Ellenton, swings on the monkey bars within the Largo Central Park playground July 7. The playground, funded with the city of Largo's local option sales tax revenue and a donation by the Largo Rotary Club, was built in 2011.

**City calendar**

**Southwest Recreation Complex**

Southwest Recreation Complex, which includes an aquatic complex, is at 13120 Vonn Road. Call 518-3125 for recreation or 518-3126 for the pool. Visit [PlayLargo.com](http://PlayLargo.com) or [LargoPools.com](http://LargoPools.com).

**Float and watch a movie**

LARGO – The summer brings Flick N Float Family Movies on Fridays, July 12, 19, and 26 at the Southwest pool. Themed games and activities begin at 7:30 p.m. with the movies beginning at dusk, at around 9 p.m. The cost is \$4 with a Largo recreation card and \$5 without one. Bring your favorite float or chair from home to watch the Friday night family movie. Free hot dogs, prize giveaways and food from a featured restaurant sponsor will be available while supplies last. Lifeguards will be on duty during the events.

**Splash's Treasure Hunt**

LARGO – The city of Largo will host Splash's Treasure Hunt on July 27, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Southwest pool. Children are invited to look for hidden treasure all over the aquatic facility. Hunts are divided by age group: 2 to 4 years, 5 to 7 years, 8 to 10 years and 11 to 12 years. Hot dogs will be given away throughout the event, while supplies last. All ages can take advantage of a special four-hour swim session and visit with Ye Mystic Krewe of the Santa Margarita Pirates. The cost is \$3 with a Largo recreation card and \$5 without one.

**Celebrate summer's end**

LARGO – The Highland Family Aquatic Center will host the Tidal-

wave Finale pool party for teenagers Monday, Aug. 12, 7 to 10 p.m. Admission is \$4 with a recreation card or \$5 without one. Activities will include a water balloon fight, outdoor water games, an extra long swim session and dancing with the lifeguards all night. Door prizes will be given out, and Splash's Snack Bar will be open. Call 518-3016.

**Garage sale and health and wellness expo**

LARGO – The Southwest Recreation Complex will host a community-wide garage sale together with a health and wellness fair Saturday, Aug. 24, 8 a.m. to noon. Admission is free. Free chair massages, health screenings and giveaways will be offered. For more information, call Christina at 587-6740, ext. 5008.

**Largo Community Center**

The Largo Community Center is at 400 Alt. Keene Road. Visit [LargoCommunityCenter.com](http://LargoCommunityCenter.com) or call 518-3131.

**Black Box presents show with a trivia twist**

LARGO – Black Box Theater Productions presents "So You Think You're A Movie Buff" by the Gypsy Stage Repertory Company, July 19, 8 p.m., at the Largo Community Center. The cost is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. Enjoy a night of fun and unique entertainment where scenes, monologues and iconic one-liners from famous films are performed live with a trivia twist. Follow along and answer questions like name the movie, the actors, characters name, movie theme song and more. People with the most

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# Speeding motorcyclist crashes into car

LARGO – A speeding motorcyclist popped a wheelie before crashing into a silver two-door car on Missouri Avenue July 8, Largo police reported.

Witnesses told police that the motorcyclist – identified as Jonathon Parris, 18, of Largo – was speeding north on Missouri Avenue and doing wheelies right before the crash, which occurred at around 9:28 p.m.

"That's probably why the driver didn't see him," said department spokesman Sgt. George Edmiston.

Annie Booth, 42, of Clearwater was driving west on Auburn Street when Parris' motorcycle crashed into her car, hitting the car on the driver's side, behind the back wheel.

Parris suffered apparent bone fractures but was wearing his helmet, according to personnel at the scene. He was transported to the hospital via ambulance. His condition was reported stable, Edmiston said.

The crash is still under investigation, Edmiston said. Northbound Missouri Avenue was closed while police investigated the scene that night. No one has been cited or charged.



Largo police and firefighters investigate the scene at Missouri Avenue and Auburn Street after a motorcycle crashed with a car July 8. Above, the motorcycle left on the roadway. At left, the two-door car was damaged on the rear of driver's side.

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correct answers win prizes.

The show contains some adult content, dark humor and adult language. The show is not recommend for children 15 and younger.

## Weekly events

- **Square dancing:** Fridays, 7:30 to 9:45 p.m. Spend the evening dancing country-style to professional caller Allen Snell. The cost is \$6.
- **Swing dancing:** Saturdays, 7 to 11 p.m. Enjoy an evening of dancing and socializing on a 5,600-square-foot sprung hardwood floor. Free lessons offered from 7 to 8 p.m., followed by a dance with music by DJ Savoy Swing. The cost is \$6 with a recreation card and \$7 without a recreation card.
- **Bay Area Singles and Couples Dance:** Sundays, 6 to 10 p.m. Dress to impress, and join about 150 singles and friends of all ages to dance to an extensive music library to fit every taste. Cost is \$8.

## Largo City Hall

The Largo City Hall is at 201 Highland Ave. Largo City Commission meetings are held on first and third Tuesdays, 6 p.m., in the commission chambers. Work sessions are held second Tuesdays, 6 p.m., in the community room. For more information, contact the city clerk's office at 587-6710, email [dbruner@largo.com](mailto:dbruner@largo.com) or visit [www.Largo.com](http://www.Largo.com).

## City seeks recycling volunteers

LARGO – Recycling advocates can help the community and the environment as a city of Largo Green Team volunteer.

Volunteers ages 16 and up are sought to help with recycling recruitment and community education.

The city is looking for individuals that are passionate about recycling and are willing to learn about the services provided to make recycling convenient and effective.

Hours are flexible and can vary based on volunteer role. Students can earn applicable volunteer hours through this opportunity.

For more information, call 586-7424 or visit [www.LargoRecycles.com](http://www.LargoRecycles.com).

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concerns of the board."

The hearing will resume Tuesday, Aug. 6.

Crozier said she felt the county commissioners didn't trust Largo to honor with their commitment to find the Briarwood residents new homes.

"Even though I stood there and I told them, 'We are not going to let this falter,'" she said. "In six months, a lot of good work had gone into helping (the residents) and assisting them. The developer has gone way above and beyond."

The Largo-based company Dockside Investors purchased the Briarwood property out of foreclosure. Briarwood's previous owner was an absentee landlord who didn't prevent tenants from making their homes – parked on what is designated a temporary camping ground, not a mobile home park – more permanent.

The city's partnership with Dockside Investors began as the city considered annexing the wooded property, near the intersection of Seminole Boulevard and Ulmerton Road, last year. In August, Largo commissioners approved an annexation agreement that would cap development of the land at 19 units per acre, allowing the exact amount of apartments intended. That cap was reiterated in a development agreement, which added the assurance that any future changes would have to be approved in a public hearing, giving nearby leery residents a chance to voice any potential objections.

In approving that agreement in May, city commissioners urged staff to do everything they could to help the developers relocate the residents, many of whom described their respective plights to the commission during the city's hearing.

Carol Strickland, Largo community development director, assured county commissioners that those efforts were ongoing. She said the property owner had shown "real commitment" in the relocation plans.

County Commission Chair Ken Welch said he had toured the park on Monday and noticed there were a number of RVs that could not be moved.

"There are quite a few folks still there," he said.

County commissioners questioned why the relocation plan wasn't part of the developer's agreement. Strickland said City Attorney Alan Zimmet had advised against it, as it is really the city's commitment to relocate the people. Zimmet also had questioned whether the varying needs of the residents could be delineated in a development agreement.

Commissioner Susan Latvala said she supported the countywide plan amendment.

"My concern is for people with no place to go," she said.

Commissioner Janet Long talked about the cost of moving, including electric, water and other deposits on top of rent.

"It really adds up," she said.

Commissioner Karen Seel also talked about the fees and the difference in assistance available for people displaced from a mobile home park versus a RV park.

Armstrong said his client, the park's owner, had done everything needed by law to satisfy requirements for the county's approval of a land use change.

"The elephant in the room is the residents," he said.

He said the commission they should judge only the land use change. He said while concerns about the residents showed a great humanitarian effort, they weren't legally viable.

He introduced Tina Harper, Briarwood's property manager, who has been working to help residents. She said about 36 RVs were still located on the property.

"Two are being towed out at our expense to another RV park today," she said.

She talked about her personal commitment to help residents find a place to live.

"I'm very committed to this and have spent hours and hours reaching out to them," she said.

Harper has located a grant from RCS to help people who are able to move during the month of July, which would help them cover deposits. The park also is refunding one month's rent to people who move.

Harper has located several comparable RV parks with low rent willing to accept Briarwood

residents. She said Briarwood had even donated an RV to one renter.

"He is moving today," she said.

She said people should move during July if possible because RV park owners who have vacant spaces told her that the snowbirds would begin returning in August. About 50 adults are left in the park.

"I don't want to force people into homelessness," Welch said. "Where are the teeth in this to make sure this happens?"

Armstrong said it was the city of Largo's responsibility to work with the developer to address those types of issues.

"I'm not sure it is the county's to administer," he said. "You're grappling with a serious social issue manifesting as part of a land use plan."

He said he didn't see the linkage.

"It's all connected," Welch said. "If we approve this, we want to make sure they're not displaced."

"It's not legally relevant," Armstrong argued. "But out of respect for your concern, we'll address the concern to be constructive and proactive about a social issue."

"We just want to make sure the last 50 have a place to go," Welch said.

Several residents spoke to the commission about their hardships. Christine Allamanno, a lawyer with Gulfcoast Legal Services spoke on behalf of her clients, who she said were living on assistance of \$700 to \$800 a month. She said the average moving expense was \$1,200.

"We need to have a serious discussion about how to help these folks," Seel said.

"I don't want to contribute to one more homeless person," Morroni added. "In my heart, I just can't do it."

He talked about past rezoning cases where the commission did not consider the residents.

"I don't want to see even one person on the streets," he said.

He admitted that Briarwood's property owners had done more to help residents than others had.

"But in light of today's conditions, we need to do more," he said.

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the citizens – not the county commission.

"The most recognizable function is law enforcement," Gualtieri said.

By state law, the sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer of the county – "conservators of the peace." Sheriffs also are responsible to serve legal process from the courts, such as writs, warrants, subpoenas and other legal documents.

The county commission delegated authority to the sheriff to manage and operate the county jail. Those responsibilities are not the sheriff's by state law or county charter.

The Pinellas County Jail is the 28th largest in the United States. The sheriff is responsible for more than 3,000 inmates on a daily basis. Nearly 50,000 are booked into the jail each year. No city jails exist, and the jail on 49th Street in Clearwater is required to accept all prisoners from city police departments.

"In the old days there were city jails," Gualtieri said. "That's no more. There's just one jail now."

The sheriff's budget for fiscal year 2013 is \$213,320,410 – or 46.3 percent of general fund expenditures. Of that total, \$82,835,435 is allocated to law enforcement, \$112,791,663 for detention and corrections, and \$17,693,312 for judicial operations.

Gualtieri pointed out that only 21.8 percent of the budget goes to services he is mandated by law to provide. The remainder pays for the jails, which is the responsibility of the commission.

"I'm the management company for detention and corrections," he said.

He said people should know how much of the budget goes to detention and corrections as opposed to law enforcement.

"It's a huge part of the budget. I wanted to point

it out," he said.

PCSO provides security for five county courthouses and 50 sitting judges. More than 100,000 people pass through the courthouses each day.

The local sheriff's office also provides countywide services for sexual predator and offender tracking; flight services (helicopters and plane); civil process, violent offender warrants; marine unit and child protection investigations.

"At the end of the day, the responsibility that is No. 1 is making sure Pinellas County stays safe, everyone stays very safe," he said. "We have a very safe community overall."

He talked about his agencies triple accreditation – international and national law enforcement, corrections and healthcare. PCSO is one of only 47 to receive a Triple Crown Award. The agency was first accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Inc. in 1988, the American Correctional Association in 1984 and the National Commission on Correctional Healthcare in 1987.

## Organizational structure

Next, Gualtieri talked about PCSO's organizational structure. Bureaus are at the top and the biggest. Divisions come next, then sections and units. Captains are in charge of divisions, lieutenants command sections, and sergeants oversee the units. The rank of corporal is an appointed position that designates supervision for specific programs and is not a permanent promotion, he explained.

The chain of command starts with the sheriff, followed by the chief deputy, majors, captains, lieutenant, sergeant, corporal and deputy.

The sheriff is responsible for service in unincorporated Pinellas as well as the 13 cities that contract

its services. PCSO is responsible for public safety for 382,428 people, or 42 percent of the population.

Gualtieri said there have been talks about contract services with Kenneth City and Treasure Island, but city leaders have not been favorable toward disbanding their city police departments. Treasure Island said no June 4 to a request to ask the sheriff for a bid. Contracting police services for the city would take referendum approval to disband the police department.

Treasure Island leaders admitted the move could save money.

"Any city that contracts with us will get as good as or better than they have now and save a boat load of money," Gualtieri said.

He said Kenneth City paid \$1.2 million of its \$2 million budget on police services.

"We could do it for \$400,000," Gualtieri said.

He said contracting services to cities "was the right thing to do where we can, where it is appropriate."

He said cities were reluctant due to concerns of future price increases and a loss of small town service. Gualtieri said the service a city would receive is specified in the contract.

"We do whatever they want," he said. "As long as they tell us what they want, they'll get it."

The city of Seminole has never had a police department, he said. Deputies always have been assigned to police that city.

Currently, 10 of the county's 24 municipalities have their own police departments. The Belleair Police Department serves a population of 1,550 and is the smallest. St. Petersburg police is the largest, serving 247,673 people. Clearwater follows with a population of 107,906. Largo with 77,836. Pinellas Park serving 49,653. Tarpon Springs with 23,767. Gulfport with 12,016. Treasure Island serving

23,767. Kenneth City with 4,949 and Indian Shores with a population of 3,549.

The sheriff's office and municipal police are not the only police agencies in Pinellas. Bay Pines VA has its own police, as does Pinellas County Schools. The state Department of Agriculture has police that may do work in Pinellas, as well as the Department of Corrections, state Environmental Protection Agency, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Florida Highway Patrol and Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission. The University of South Florida has its own campus police.

Gualtieri recently talked to the school district about taking over law enforcement services. The school board refused to put the matter on the agenda.

## Dispatch services

Gualtieri talked about the upcoming consolidation with the county to provide dispatch services. Currently, PCSO has 67 communications personnel that provide dispatch services to the sheriff's primary service areas as well as Gulfport, Kenneth City, Belleair and Indian Shores. Treasure Island was added to the list on July 13.

The new consolidated communications center is scheduled to open on Feb. 15, 2014. The sheriff and the county still will maintain separate staff, but call-taking functions will be merged to eliminate the need to transfer 911 calls. The sheriff expects to relinquish call-taking responsibilities by March 2015.

"I'm excited about it," Gualtieri said. "It's the right thing to do to consolidate for efficiency and a more effective product."

The sheriff wants other municipalities to follow his lead.

"I hope other cities join us," he said. "This has been a long time coming."

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it makes it even harder," said Julie Papalardo.

Papalardo has owned her silk flower store, Julie's Cottage at Provence, since 1998 and explained that the Cottage Shoppes network is a welcome idea.

"Let's all come together and be one presence instead of like a whole bunch of little people out on our own. That's what we're trying to do," she said. "We have some great things that happen on this side of town, and we just want more people to know about it."

Cathy Ottaviani has owned Provence Art & Antiques since 1994 and said she appreciates the collaborative nature of the group. She said she's seen other such networks fail because members didn't want to promote each other.

"They didn't want to network because they were afraid that business would be taken from them," she said.

Jetter said it was important for the group to have well established businesses and newer ones like her own, which opened only 14 months ago.

"We've got some old blood and new blood. It isn't just newbies that are trying to get together to get advertising out there," she said.

Among the new blood are Joy Madden and Patti Quinn, grade-school friends who opened a flower shop 10 months ago called Petal & Vine Garden Shop and Market.

"It's a totally new adventure for us," Madden said.

The network helps the individuals in organic ways. If some of Pa-

palardo's silk flowers customers are looking for fresh arrangements, she can send them to Petal & Vine and vice versa. It's all about building word-of-mouth promotion.

"A lot of what I have enjoyed is the personal relationships," Madden said. "People come in and they'll stop, and you may talk to them for 20 minutes. They may not buy anything. But chances are, they're coming back."

"Next time, they have two friends with them," Papalardo said.

Sometimes, hearing that just the atmosphere of the shop has been therapeutic is "one of the greatest compliments," she explained.

While the idea has been several months in the making, the Cottage Shoppes Along the Shore have been actively promoting themselves with the brochures for only about four weeks. The feedback so far has been encouraging.

"Some people tell me they're not aware of some of the shops that are on the brochure," Jetter said.

After the winter residents leave, the summer tends to be slower for small shops in Florida. But the season allows the time for the shops to try something new, like a self-promotion network targeted at local customers.

"That's what my goal is: to increase my base of local people, so I don't have to starve through the summer and pray for winter to get here," Jetter said.

These days, small shops are experiencing increasing competition from big box stores that can sell items cheaper than the shops can even buy them, Papalardo said.

"But they're going to walk out with it in a big plastic bag. No one's

going to help you. No one's going to say, 'Hey, what if you put this with that?' But the price – the price we can't compete with," she said.

Yet items bought at local shops are unique and built to last. For example, Ottaviani repurposes some of the furniture she sells along with the antiques.

"A couple of times, people will come in and they'll say to me, 'Remember when I bought that table back like, 10 years ago? ... I still have it!'" she explained.

"There are some things where you can duplicate an idea, but you really can't duplicate it," her daughter Andrea Ottaviani added.

Getting customers to notice your store requires a little more these days.

"It's hard to just put a sign on the road and say 'Here we are.' You have to take the extra effort," Papalardo said.

And the word-of-mouth promotion gained through an effort like the Shoppes can be a lot more effective than a sign, Jetter said.

For more information about Cottage Shoppes Along the Shore, pick up a brochure at any of the 14 participating shops, including:

- **Country Porch Antiques & Country Décor** at 13862 Walsingham Road in Largo: 595-2500
- **Julie's Cottage at Provence** at 13128 Indian Rocks Road in Largo: 517-8102
- **Provence Art & Antiques** at 2620 Jewell Road in Belleair Bluffs: 581-5754
- **Petal & Vine Garden Shop and Market** at 596 Indian Rocks Road in Belleair Bluffs: 614-8770

## Crime beat

### Girl hides in closet during burglary

PALM HARBOR – A 13-year-old girl hid in a closet July 5 after a burglar broke into her house while she was home alone.

Pinellas County sheriff's deputies arrested William C. Wilson, 47, of Pinellas Park. He was booked into the Pinellas County Jail and charged with two-counts of burglary to an occupied dwelling and violation of community control supervision probation. No bond was set on the probation violation. Bond was \$20,000 each for the burglary charges.

Wilson is a career criminal, deputies said. He was released from prison in November of 2012 after serving 20 years of a 30-year sentence for armed burglary. He was on conditional release and under community supervision.

According to the sheriff's report, Wilson arrived at the home on Arcadia Drive in Palm Harbor on a scooter just after noon. He rang the doorbell, and when no one answered, he parked the scooter in a nearby plaza. He then pried open the kitchen window and started filling a duffel bag with coins, video games and jewelry.

When Angelina Scisco, 13, realized someone was breaking into the home, she hid in a bedroom closet and called her mom, who called 911. Deputies responded to the call about 12:24 p.m.

When deputies arrived, Wilson was still inside the residence. When he realized deputies had pulled up near the front of the house, he fled out the back door. A witness flagged down the deputy and showed him the direction Wilson had traveled.

The deputy chased Wilson on foot and saw him enter the lanai area of another occupied residence on Longleaf Lane. The deputy watched Wilson try to enter the home through the sliding glass door. The deputy "challenged the suspect" and pointed an electronic control device at him until backup deputies arrived and secured the suspect. Wilson was arrested at 12:34 p.m.



William Wilson

two others were injured in a one-vehicle crash about 2:26 a.m. July 6 on the northbound exit ramp of I-275 to State Road 686.

According to a report from Florida Highway Patrol, Jared Sam Demontimorency, 29, had been driving his 2009 Chevrolet pickup truck north on I-275 before exiting on the ramp to S.R. 686 to go west to 118th Street North.

Demontimorency lost control of the truck when negotiating the curve on the exit ramp. When the truck reached the shoulder of the roadway, it overturned multiple times and collided with the barrier wall on the inside shoulder of the overpass.

Demontimorency nor his two passengers were wearing seatbelts, and he along with a passenger in the front seat were ejected from the truck. All three were transported to Bayfront Medical Center where he died.

Michelle Marie Demontimorency, 24, of Seminole, suffered serious injuries, and Gary Arthur Mygdal, 24, of Seminole, suffered critical injuries. The crash is under investigation. No charges were filed. Results of alcohol tests were pending at the time of the report.

### Man arrested in Seminole carjacking case

SEMINOLE – A St. Petersburg man was booked into the Pinellas County Jail July 1 on charges of carjacking, attempted carjacking and felony fleeing and eluding.

According to a report from the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, the suspect, Anthony Eugene Sutton, 37, first attempted a carjacking just after 3:30 p.m. in the parking lot of the Sweetbay Supermarket, 10370 Seminole Blvd., in Seminole.

Detectives said the victim, Michelle Hingley, 54, of Largo was getting out of her car with her children when Sutton approached and pointed a gun at her. Hingley was able to run away with her children and the keys to her vehicle.

Sutton then approached the vehicle of Gerald Kolar, 82, of Seminole, who was parked just outside the Sweetbay waiting for his wife to come out of the store. Detectives said the suspect approached the driver's side tapped on the window, pointed a gun at Kolar and ordered him out of the car. Kolar complied and

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## Explorer Post 900 wins championship

LARGO – The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 900 recently won the State Competition Championship at the Florida Association of Police Explorers competition in Crystal River June 24-28.

Competing against 31 other law enforcement explorer posts from Florida, Pinellas County's "Team Alpha" received the overall championship trophy.

The state team was comprised of Explorer Capt. Kyle Hughes, Explorer Lt. Spencer Shaw, Explorer Lt. Melinda Mujidzic and Explorer Sgt. Paige Boldt. They received a first place trophy in the Crisis Intervention event, second place trophy in the In-progress event and fourth place trophies in the Traffic Stop, Traffic Crash and Arrest and Search events.

The Search and Arrest event involved the team's response to a call about a suspicious person at a school after hours and was caught in the act of planting bombs at the school. The in-progress event involved a homeless man found in a closed business who turned out to be deaf and a mute.

The crisis intervention event involved an incident at a school between a mother and her daughter that included a teacher being battered. The traffic crash event involved a collision between a vehicle and a school bus. The traffic stop event required the team to complete several citations.

The team consistently reacted to every challenge using the officer safety and investigative techniques they received during their training. It was also imperative for members of the team to use good com-

munication skills and have an understanding of Florida statutes.

The Post 900 Pistol Team was also victorious at the competition. Hughes, Shaw, Explorer Sgt. Elizabeth Vogt and Explorer Cpl. Kristen Crooks placed fourth overall.

Ten members of Explorer Post 900 took the opportunity to compete. Hughes took an individual shooting award of first place in the Expert division. Hughes and Explorer Kelley Butterfield were named at the top of the range master's top 10 overall shooting averages for the year. Success on the pistol range is attributed to the hours of range time provided at the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Range, as well as, the instruction an encouragement of Post advisers.

In addition to the pistol trophies, several post members participated in individual optional events including the Honor Guard competition, Drill Team competition, the Physical Agility competition, the Police Mountain Bike competition and the F.A.T.S. Computer Simulated event.

Honor Guard members Melinda Mujidzic, Hughes, Boldt, and Connor Davis received a first place trophy. Hughes, Mujidzic, Max Dulski, and Connor Davis received fourth place in the police mountain bike team. Ten explorers, led by Vogt, received second place overall in the Drill Team competition.

For more information regarding the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Post 900, visit [www.post900.com](http://www.post900.com).



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Members of Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 900 pose with trophies won during the State Competition Championship at the Florida Association of Police Explorers competition in Crystal River June 24-28.

### Seminole man dies in July 6 crash

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# Volunteer shows why it's never too late to learn a new trick

By EVAN MALLOY

Mark Ward spends his Tuesdays and Thursdays giving back to the community that has been his home for more than 26 years. In that time, Ward has spent the majority of his career working in purchasing. He got involved with industry shortly after high school going straight to work while others went off to college.

For the past 13 years, Ward has been working specifically in the building automation industry integrating systems such as HVAC, lighting and keyless entries. During the recession, he saw so many around him lose their jobs and began to wonder what he would do in this scenario. Ward, married to Christina for 13 years, had no degree to fall back on. The couple made a decision to change this.

In 2010, Ward enrolled in St. Petersburg College's Emergency Management program. The degree gives him the added versatility he desired as the role and scope of emergency management broadens throughout the country. For Mark, the interest in the program went deeper than that.

"Even as a young boy in Norfolk Virginia I always wanted to be a storm chaser," he said. Fascinated by disaster and fueled by his professors Ward graduated with his associate's degree last May.

While in school, Ward took advantage of an opportunity to volunteer with Pinellas County government. Mark Tobert, senior emergency management coordinator and Ward's supervisor, described the volunteer program as an "opportunity to save the county and taxpayers a tremendous amount of time and money while adding value to our emergency management planning efforts."

Since beginning in August of last year, Ward has spent his volunteer time focusing on special projects for the Emergency Management department. He was able to locate, research, and document a number of

churches in evacuation routes to see if they could be a potential last resort shelter in the event of a disaster.

Ward describes his role as one piece of a larger puzzle and is "amazed at how everyone works together at the Emergency Operations Center."

Ward is taking a year off from school to spend time with his wife and to play his favorite sport, Jai Alai. He will continue to volunteer and consider the idea of pursuing a bachelor's degree in public safety. He hopes at some point the stars will align and he may be able to work full-time in

the emergency management field. Until then, Ward said, "I am happy to make a difference in the community that has given me so much."

This article was provided by Pinellas County Communications.



Photo courtesy of PINELLAS COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS. Since beginning in August of last year, Mark Ward has spent his volunteer time focusing on special projects for the Emergency Management department.

## Education workshops free to homebuyers

CLEARWATER – For those thinking about buying a home but unsure of where to start, a series of free homebuyer education workshops is a good place to begin. The workshops are being offered July 13, Aug. 10 and Sept. 14 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Housing Finance Authority of Pinellas County, 600 Cleveland St., Suite 800, Clearwater.

Attendees will learn the basics of the home buying process, including helpful resource information on down payment assistance and homes for sale. The workshop is especially helpful for those who are working with a lender and need a homebuyer education class certificate or have owned a home before and are considering a new purchase.

Course materials from NeighborWorks America will be available for purchase by check or cash. The books feature comprehensive materials, helpful in navigating the home buying process. The cost is \$17. Those who complete the class also will have the opportunity to win door prizes.

The class size is limited so those interested should call 464-8210 or email housingfinanceauthority@pinellascounty.org to register. The workshop is sponsored by the Housing Finance Authority of Pinellas County and the Pinellas Community Housing Foundation.

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# Egmont Key Alliance leads charge to save popular island

By BOB MCCLURE

EGMONT KEY - There's a crisis brewing at the mouth of Tampa Bay that only a few nature conservationists and boaters are aware of.

Egmont Key, a one-time 500-acre gateway to Tampa Bay, is eroding away at a dangerous pace.

The site of the former Fort Dade was estimated to be down to about 250 acres five years ago. Now it is estimated to be about 200 acres.

That's why the Egmont Key Alliance, an 85-member volunteer group, has gone into emergency mode to educate government leaders and the public on the plight of the popular island and nature preserve.

Fortunately, the situation recently got the attention of the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers who routinely dredge the shipping channel into Tampa Bay every seven years.

"In the past they (Army Corps) would just take the spill and take it 20 miles out in the gulf and just dump it," said Richard Sanchez, president of the Alliance. "It was the easiest and most inexpensive way to handle the spoil. But they've committed to bringing it to Egmont. Even though it costs money, they consider it to be the best use of the sand and we're desperate for it."

Sanchez said efforts by former Alliance president Jim Spangler and others have led to plans to nourish the beach on the island's



Photo courtesy of RICHARD SANCHEZ  
Members of the Egmont Key Alliance clean a section of the beach.

west side with 1.3 million cubic yards of sand in the fall of 2014.

"We could use three times that to get a jump on the erosion," Sanchez said. "It's hard to put a dollar value on old gun batteries and bird and turtle nesting locations, but we think it's a pretty important thing. It's not just the historic aspect or nature. It's all of those things."

Last year, Tropical Storm Debby completely flooded the island but surprisingly, Sanchez said, there was little, if any, damage to turtle nests.

Now the concern is what will happen on the southern end of the island.

"They're afraid the island may be breached all the way through

(from sand washing away)," said Sanchez. "It's starting to get narrow and that's where the harbor pilots are. So it could end up cutting that end of the island off and create something equivalent to Passage Key that just completely disappeared. If the island is cut in half, the scouring effect would be magnified and the erosion would really pick up."

In addition to home for the harbor pilots, the south end is also the site of a large bird sanctuary.

Egmont Key dates back to 1858 when it was used as a staging area for transporting captured Seminole Indians to Oklahoma following the third Seminole Indian War. The original lighthouse was built about

the same time.

During the Civil War, both the Confederacy and the Union Navy used the island.

Due to the Union blockade of shipping points throughout the South, Confederates were unable to get supplies and abandoned the island early on. The Union then used it as a haven for about 200 anti-slavery supporters in the Tampa Bay area.

Around the time of the Spanish-American War, when Tampa was used as a staging point for U.S. Army operations, Fort Dade was built. A similar installation, Fort De Soto, was built across the shipping channel on Mullet Key, providing defense to the Tampa Bay area from the risk of a possible attack from the gulf.

Both facilities never saw combat action and were closed shortly after World War I.

Since the early 1990s, the Alliance has acted as the volunteer stewards of the island. Most of its members have joined because of a love for history or the environment.

For Sanchez, his involvement started when a member of the Alliance approached him about six years ago at the Florida Aquarium where he was serving as a volunteer diver.

"I've been a history buff for a long time but had never been to Egmont Key," said Sanchez. "So I'm walking around this place and thinking this is amazing

what's out here. I had no idea."

From the red brick roads, to the remaining gun batteries and the lighthouse, he was sold. It is now a serious avocation for him, as it is for all the Alliance members.

As president, Sanchez gives presentations to groups, such as the Indian Rocks Beach Boaters Association and the Anna Maria Island Library, to educate residents on the history of the island and its ecological significance.

"We have a contract with Egmont Key State Park to provide volunteer hours and provide, in some cases, for something that comes up that may not be budgeted for," Sanchez said. "We basically do what the park ranger needs. So if he needs a fence painted, we do that."

But the group's primary goal is stopping the erosion.

"When you talk about historic preservation and preservation of wildlife, you have to have an island there for those things to exist," said Sanchez. "Longer term, we're involved with restor-

ing one of the buildings on the island, the guardhouse."

The Alliance would also like to restore the lighthouse, which was altered during World War II, when an observation deck was built on top.

The U.S. Coast Guard currently owns the site but is in the process of shopping it around to other agencies. Nobody knows what agency will end up with the building but Sanchez thinks it could be the Florida Division of Recreation and Parks. If so, the Alliance might be able to work out a partnership agreement.

Regardless, the Coast Guard will maintain the cost of the beacon and replace it whenever necessary.

For those who have never been over to Egmont Key, there is a daily ferry service from the Fort De Soto Park pier to the island. Cost is \$20 per person. For information, call 867-6569.

For more information on the Egmont Key Alliance, visit [www.egmontkey.info](http://www.egmontkey.info) or email [president@egmontkey.info](mailto:president@egmontkey.info).

## CRIME BEAT, from page 5A

Sutton fled in the victim's Buick.

An undercover detective subsequently spotted a vehicle matching the description in the area of Clearwater-Largo Road and Mehlenbacher Road. Marked patrol units responded to the area and a brief pursuit ensued. The sheriff's flight unit helicopter assisted and supported deputies in the pursuit.

Sutton exited Kolar's vehicle at Gladys Street and 19th Street in Largo. Sutton fled on foot and officers apprehended him. No injuries were reported.

## Police arrest suspect in bank robberies

BELLEAIR - Police arrested a Largo man July 7 in connection with two bank robberies.

Daniel Christopher Williams, 29, 1017 16th Ave. NW, Apartment B, was charged with two counts of strong-armed robbery.

He was booked into the Pinellas County Jail on \$40,000 bond.

Belleair Police Chief Tom Edwards said that a man disguised in dreadlocks and a cap on his head entered the Third Fifth Bank June 26 at 601 Indian Rocks Road and presented a note to a clerk and got cash. One of the bank clerks seems to think that the subject might have been in the bank five or six days earlier, Edwards said.

Belleair police obtained a picture of the subject without the disguise from his earlier appearance. Through showing his picture around, police determined that he lived near the Clearwater-Largo Road.

They also found a couple of locations where the suspect buys items, such as food and snacks.

Police knew he lived in the area and after several days of surveillance, he had not returned to the store. Police started talking to people in the neighborhood and

able to determine where he lived and who he was.

Police found out the suspect committed a bank robbery at First United Bank, 1465 South Fort Harrison Ave. a month earlier. In that robbery he was dressed as a female. Police were able to call Clearwater detectives, and they charged the suspect in that case, Edwards said.

Police made contact with Williams and asked him to come talk to officers at the station, where he was arrested.

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# Foundation receives seventh 4-star rating | New partnership serves Pinellas children

LARGO – For the seventh year in a row, the Pinellas Education Foundation has received a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, the nation's largest charity evaluator.

In fact, according to Charity Navigator, only 2 percent of all charities they rate have received at least seven consecutive 4-star evaluations.

"The Pinellas Education Foundation is pleased to receive its seventh consecutive outstanding rating from Charity Navigator," said Jim Myers, Chairman of the Pinellas Education Foundation. "Fiscal responsibility is of primary importance to our organization in providing our students and educators with the best possible programs to enhance educational opportunities in our county. The 4-star rating is recognition of the integrity of our business practices."

The mission of the Foundation is to enhance and improve educational opportunities in Pinellas County Schools and is accomplished by its programs such as Enterprise Village, Finance Park, Take Stock in Children Scholarships, Youth Connect and Teacher Classroom Grants. Charity Navigator has recognized the mission and work as being executed in a fiscally exceptional manner, outperforming most other charities in America.

For the past several years, the Pinellas Education Foundation reports that for every dollar raised more than 90 percent is spent on direct program expenses. The Foundation consistently achieves its organizational mission and responsibility to students and educators, as well as its responsibility to donors, supporters and volunteers.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pinellas County is establishing a partnership with the Department of Juvenile Justice dedicated to serving more children who have incarcerated parents or guardians with a history in the justice system.

"Exposure to this lifestyle throughout the fragile years of childhood is critical. The partnership strives to reduce the number of at-risk youth who are more likely to repeat the sequence," said a press release from Big Brothers Big Sisters.

The Department of Juvenile Justice's investment will provide the funds to conduct level two screenings on prospective volunteers, help recruit Big Brothers, Big Sisters and Big Couples and provide ongoing professional support and supervision for incarceration-related matches.

The partnership is expected to reduce expendi-

tures on juvenile incarceration.

The cost to house a juvenile in a residential facility for one year is \$51,000. An encounter with the justice system after the age of 18 leads to another \$20,000 expense to incarcerate one individual.

"Yet, it only costs \$1,200 to make and support one Big Brothers Big Sisters match," the press release said.

However, Big Brothers Big Sisters is called the nation's largest volunteer and donor supported mentoring organization. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pinellas County has been in existence for more than 45 years.

Call 518-8860 or email Mike Sutton, executive vice president and chief development officer, to learn more about becoming a community partner or corporate alliance.

## Briefs

### MOAA to meet

PINELLAS PARK – The St. Petersburg chapter of the Military Officers Association of America will meet for lunch Friday, July 19, at Banquet Masters, 8100 Park Blvd.

Social hour will start at 11 a.m., followed by lunch and a short program. The speaker will be Kerrie Witty, director of Veterans Affairs Regional Office.

Military officers that are retired, on active duty or former officers and their spouses or widows are invited to attend. For reservations, call Bill Bolin at 584-1595.

### Silverliners to meet

TAMPA – The members of the Florida Gulf Coast Chapter of Eastern

Airlines Silverliners International will meet Wednesday, July 24, 1 p.m., at the Rusty Pelican Restaurant, 2425 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa.

Silverliners is an organization composed of former flight attendants for Eastern Airlines. The group also invites former flight attendants of other airlines to join.

For membership information, call Barbara Reed at 813-671-3078 or Janice Henry at 813-837-4312.

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# Mall thrives and expands, adding Whole Foods and other stores

By ALEXANDRA LUNDAHL

CLEARWATER – Westfield Countryside Mall is gearing up for some exciting changes and new stores, as well as already enjoying the addition to a few new businesses.

Pre-construction for the new Whole Foods Market is underway, which is by far the largest of the new stores lined up.

The Whole Foods Market will take up just less than 40,000 square feet of the first floor of what is now the Sears store, said Lauren Clark, marketing director for Westfield Countryside. Currently, Sears is doing its part of the construction to prepare for Whole Foods to come in, she said.

"They are rearranging some of their floor sets in order to make room because they won't be losing any departments or anything like that, so it's going to be a lot of adjusting that has to take place in the front of house and back of house to accommodate that," Clark said.

According to a Whole Foods spokesman, there is no definite start date on construction or opening, but Howard Riefs, director of corporate communications for Sears Holding, shed some light on at least when that phase of construction will start. He also added that Sears is pleased to share its space with the market.

"Sears Holding has a long and successful history of value creation through the inclusion of complementary retailers, outparcel development and alternative uses within our large asset footprint," Riefs said. "At the Sears store at Westfield Countryside Mall, we've subleased 37,000 square feet of our space on the ground floor to Whole Foods. We will turn the raw space over to Whole Foods in January 2014."

Sears has a history of such partnerships, Riefs said, but the two businesses will operate completely separately.

"Whole Foods will reconfigure the internal space and external appearance for their needs," Riefs said. "There's a separate entrance for

Whole Foods customers and no internal connection between the grocery store and Sears store. We've worked with Whole Foods on additional locations, including Albany, N.Y., and Greensboro, N.C. It's important to note that we are not closing any of these Sears stores."

The two entrances and position of where Whole Foods will be located is convenient because it will not interfere with current parking issues, Clark said.

"The good thing is that it shouldn't affect the restaurant row parking because it will be more towards the entrance of where U.S. Highway 19 is, so it shouldn't really affect the area of parking that is normally more congested," Clark said. "So it will actually be using parking that isn't used as often, so that will be a good thing."

Whole Foods officials have not revealed a specific opening date, but Clark guesses it will likely be spring of 2014, though there is a lot of construction to do. She said the mall is excited about the addition of Whole Foods to their location.

"It's great because this location will be the first Whole Foods in Pinellas County, and people won't have to travel to Tampa anymore to get organic Whole Foods produce, so that is great," Clark said. "But not only that, Whole Foods really brings a whole different product offering than some of the other organic food stores and farmer's markets might offer. Whole Foods offers a whole lot more variety, so the opportunity for people to get high quality organic produce just makes sense for them here. And Countryside is such a central location, it's easily accessible, we have a lot of built-in parking already, and then coupled with the demographics of the area, it's just a perfect place for Whole Foods to be."

Whole Foods itself is still mostly tight-lipped on details about construction and the store, though Jeremy Jones, spokesman for the company, said they are excited to come to Clearwater and that they felt the location is a good fit. It also wants to continue its tradition of being

good neighbors and supporting the community.

"The brand itself, we are really big on local products," Jones said. "We believe in supporting the products that are produced locally and giving back to the community. That's something we do in any market when we open a store."

Jones said that Whole Foods draws a very diverse group of shoppers. Clark agreed, saying there is a wide price range, so it brings in lots of different people.

"It really appeals to everyone, especially the healthy eater who is smart and conscious about what they're putting into their body," Clark said.

The addition of Whole Foods is just part of a general positive direction that the mall is heading in, Clark said, especially since its big renovation project a few years ago.

"Everything with the mall is going great," Clark said. "We're very leased-up at this time and sales and traffic continue to be on the upswing, so we continue to be very happy with everything that's happened since the 2009 development and is showing positive results, and we think that was instrumental in getting Whole Foods."

Although shoppers still have to wait to enjoy the offerings of Whole Foods, they can have immediate satisfaction with a number of other new stores. Some of them that have recently opened include Pandora Jewelry, which is on the second level by the food court; Crocs shoes, which is on the first level near the ice skating rink; Shalimar Jewelers, which is on the first level near restaurant row; PeachMac the Apple Specialist, which is an authorized specialist of Apple products; and a Taco Bell, which took the last opening in the food court, Clark said.

Additionally, Earth Bound Trading will be opening in the fall, which will be a first-to-market store, she said. Clark compares it to an Urban Outfitters or Anthropology – it will sell clothing, accessories and jewelry. Also, La Macarone is now under construction, which will be a French pastry shop upstairs across from the movie theater.

## Business briefs

### Peacock's ribbon-cutting set

LARGO – Peacock's Design & Consign will officially open its doors Thursday, July 25, 5:30 p.m., at 200 Clearwater-Largo Road N.

The grand opening event will feature a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Representatives from the city of Largo have been invited to attend the event.

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### Hair Cuttery to open

LARGO – The Hair Cuttery will officially open its doors Thursday, Aug. 1, 5:30 p.m., in Largo Mall, 10500 Ulmerton Road.

The grand opening event will feature a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Representatives from the city of Largo have been invited to attend the event. The Hair Cuttery is located behind Target, near the shoe repair shop.

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### BPW St. Petersburg-Pinellas announces executive committee

ST. PETERSBURG – The St. Petersburg-Pinellas chapter of Business and Professional Women recently announced members of its 2013-14 executive committee.

The officers were elected at the general membership meeting on April 18. They will serve in a leadership capacity until the end of April 2014.

The officers are as follows:

- President – Gretta Paige Bellas, client services coordinator/paralegal at Kira Doyle Law

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- President-elect – Alizza Punzalan-Randle, director of community and media relations at Eckerd College

- First vice president/programs chair – Sarah Sparks, MPA, founder, speaker, and personal success coach at Create The Spark

- Second vice president/membership chair – Donna L. Birt, president of Suncoast Financial Management LLC

- Secretary – Laura Etheridge, vice president treasury management at Fifth Third Bank

- Treasurer – Helen W. Igar, CPA, president of Janssen & Igar, CPAs, PA

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# Association names 33 local hotels White Glove Award winners

The Pinellas County chapter of the Superior Small Lodging Association recently announced that 33 local boutique hotels have received the statewide organization's prestigious Donal A. Dermody White Glove Award for housekeeping excellence.

While there are more than 400 hotels, motels, B&Bs, travel lodges, inns, beach houses, resorts and other hospitality destinations in the St. Petersburg/Clearwater area, only 33 local boutique hotels - or 92 percent of all local SSL members - have earned this year's highly coveted White Glove Award.

"The White Glove Award is our organization's highest recognition for housekeeping achieve-

ment," said June Mohns in a press release. Mohns is a leader in the local SSL chapter and proprietor of Island Paradise Cottages of Madeira Beach. "Properties must receive a Total Housekeeping Score of 100 percent in their annual review to receive this award. The Donal A. Dermody White Glove Award recognizes hotel owners who have made outstanding contributions to SSL's mission and business objective of benchmarking housekeeping excellence and exceptional service."

The 2013 local White Glove Award winners include seven hotels in Clearwater Beach; six each in Indian Rocks Beach and St. Pete Beach; four in Pass-A-Grille; three in Treasure Island; two in

both Dunedin and Madeira Beach; and one hotel each in Gulfport, Indian Shores and Redington Shores.

Following is a list of all 2013 White Glove Award winners in Pinellas County:

- Clearwater Beach**
- Camelot - www.camelotresortclearwater.com
  - East Shore Resort - www.eastshoresort.com
  - Ebb Tide Resort - www.clearwaterbeachresorts.com
  - Frenchy's Oasis Motel - www.frenchysoasismotel.com
  - Palm Pavilion Inn - www.palmpavilioninn.com
  - Parker Manor Resort - www.parkermanor.com
  - Sea Captain Resort on the Bay - www.seacaptainresort.com

- Dunedin**
- Blue Moon Inn - www.blue-mooninn.com
  - Coconut Villas of Dunedin - www.coconutvillasfl.com
- Gulfport**
- Sea Breeze Manor B&B - www.seabreezemanor.com
- Indian Rocks Beach**
- 810 Gulf Resort - www.gulfsideresorts.com
  - Arbor Seaside Cottages - www.beachesusa.com
  - Blue Water Beach Rentals - www.bluewaterbeachrentals.com
  - Cay Pointe Villa - www.caypointevilla.com
  - Colonial Court Inn - www.colonialcourttinn.com
  - Sarah's Seaside - www.gulfsideresorts.com
- Indian Shores**

- Sand Glo Villas - www.sandglo.com
- Madiera Beach**
- Island Paradise Cottages of Madeira Beach - www.islandparadise.com
  - Shoreline Island Resort - www.shorelineislandresort.com
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- Coconut Inn - www.sabalpalms.com
  - Inn on the Beach - www.innonbeach.com
  - Island's End Cottages - www.islandsend.com
  - Sabal Palms Inn - www.sabalpalms.com
- Redington Shores**
- Park Circle B&B - www.parkcircle.com
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- BeachSide Palms - www.beachsidepalms.com
  - Page Terrace Motel - www.pageterrace.com
  - Sea Chest Motel - www.the-seachest.com
- For information about the Superior Small Lodging Association, visit www.FloridaSSL.com.

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local chapter of BPW/Florida, which is affiliated with the national BPW Foundation. BPW/SPP's signature activities for 2013-14 include the Young Careerist and Individual Development programs, Equality Day Tea on Aug. 24, the Working Women's Fall Forum on Oct. 22, and Unhappy Hour observing Equal Pay Day in April 2014. General membership meetings are first and third Thursdays at 400 Beach Drive, Seafood and Tap House in Downtown St. Petersburg. Visit www.bpwstpetepinellas.org.

**Weatherford Joins HomeBanc**

BELLEAIR - Tampa-based HomeBancorp Inc. recently named Leland Weatherford as vice president, commercial lending officer for HomeBanc.



Leland Weatherford

Weatherford is based in HomeBanc's Belleair retail office. He brings more than 30 years of commercial lending experience. He holds a master's degree from National-Louis University and a bachelor's degree from Eckerd College. Weatherford's community and professional affiliations include the Bay Area Manufacturers Association and Florida Gulfcoast Commercial Association of Realtors.

**Beaches Chamber makes top 10**

ST. PETE BEACH - The Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce recently was listed in the Top 10 Tampa Bay area Chambers of Commerce.

On a list compiled by the Tampa Bay Business Journal, the TBBCoC was ranked 10th for size.

When Robin Sollie, TBBCoC president/CEO, joined the chamber six years ago, it was not on this list.

"With hard work and dedication by her, the board of directors, staff and volunteers, the TBBCoC has risen up the ranks by maintaining a high retention rate with their membership and creating innovative opportunities that attract new members," said a press release from the chamber.

For information about the TBBCoC, call 360-6957 or visit www.TampaBayBeaches.com.

**Nature's Food Patch earns distinction**

CLEARWATER - The Organic Retail and Consumer Alliance recently selected Nature's Food Patch as one of the top 12 Right-To-Know grocers in the United States.

Out of 156 customer nominations, Nature's Food Patch was chosen to be part of the "diligent dozen." The top 12 stores were chosen to honor those companies, which were transparent about their GMO la-

beling on items carried in-store. These stores are considered to be pioneers in the area of truthful labeling, and are seen as encouragement to other grocers to provide transparent labeling as well.

Nature's Food Patch employs GMO researcher Patience Melton, who is responsible for researching all products to verify if genetically modified organisms are present, as well as educating employees and consumers on GMOs. If a product is found to contain GMOs, Patience will actively seek out alternatives to find a non-GMO replacement for those items. If there are no alternatives for a product containing GMOs, these products will be labeled as GMO on the pricetag in the store to ensure customer awareness.

Nature's Food Patch Market & Café is a community grocery store on Cleveland Street in Clearwater. The store is dedicated to offering a complete selection of quality organic and natural products.

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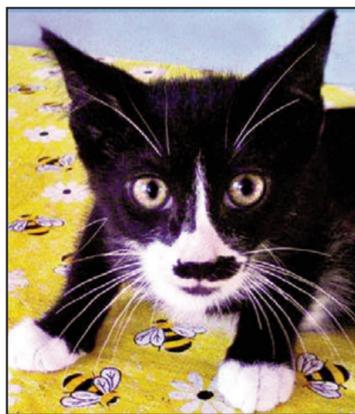
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**Oliver**

Oliver is a 1-year-old, 19-pound male dachshund. He is a vocal boy who loves the company of other dogs, but no small children, please. Oliver is neutered, vaccinated and microchipped. Visit Pet Pal Animal Shelter at 405, 22nd St. S., St. Petersburg, www.petpalanimalshelter.com, www.facebook.com/petpalanimalshelter or call 328-7738.



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**Tiger**

Despite her name, Tiger is a 1-year-old pit bull terrier mix. This tiger-striped dog loves to plunge into the pool to beat the summer heat. Looking for a swimming buddy? This sweet girl may be right for you. A home with older children and canine friends would be perfect for this pup. Tiger's adoption fee is \$30, which includes her spay surgery, vaccinations, Pinellas County license and 30 days of pet insurance. Visit her at 9099 130th Ave. N., Largo. Visit www.spcatampabay.org.

**Too loud or shocked? Thunderstorm anxiety in our pets**

Thunderstorms in Florida are unlike those in any other state – in frequency, severity and just plain volume. Many pets get fearful with the incredibly loud noises, sometimes shaking, panting, and unable to leave their owner's side. It can be heartbreaking to see your pet in that much distress.

While some dogs are purely scared of noise, there is a smaller subcategory of dogs that may not be fearing the noise at all. These pets tend to be "weathermen," able to predict a storm long before the rain even begins. They also may go to strange places in the house during bad storms, such as in a bathtub, behind the toilet, or deep in a closet. These dogs may actually not be reacting to the thunder noise, but rather a build up of static electricity on their fur as the weather front approaches. Effectively, they are being shocked repeatedly, and do not understand why. They might climb into bathtubs or near other plumbing because the metal can ground them,

and stop the repeated shocks.

Dogs with this static-electricity problem do not respond well to the standard thunderstorm anxiety treatments. As long as they keep getting shocked, they will be scared. The ThunderCape (available at www.stormdefender.com) helps to discharge static electricity, and is a huge help to these poor suffering creatures. The results can be nearly instantaneous.

There are many options for pet owners with "standard" noise-based thunderstorm anxiety. "Emergency" medications, either tranquilizers or anti-anxiety medicines, can be used during severe storms. Some pets develop such a problem that they require daily medication, even when



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the weather is nice. If you think of thunder anxiety like a phobia in a person, daily medicine would be used to prevent panic attacks, and an "emergency" medicine used if there is a panic breakthrough.

Herbal remedies have been tried as well, with variable success. Many herbal anti-anxiety drugs have recently been shown to be only effective as placebos, while others have proven effects. Talk to your own veterinarian about what they would recommend as an herbal anti-anxiety

drug. There are non-pill remedies as well. The ThunderShirt was originally designed to feel "like a hug" and may help some pets. It does not help with the static electricity, so it is only of use for those noise-phobic pets. Some people have also had success with desensitization, which involves playing noises of thunder while you give your pet rewards and attention, so that we teach them that thunder is a "good thing."

Severe thunderstorms can be scary for everyone. I think jumping when the window-rattling booms hit is unavoidable. When your pet's reaction drifts from surprise to panic, further action should be taken. Panic attacks are terrible for pets and their owners.

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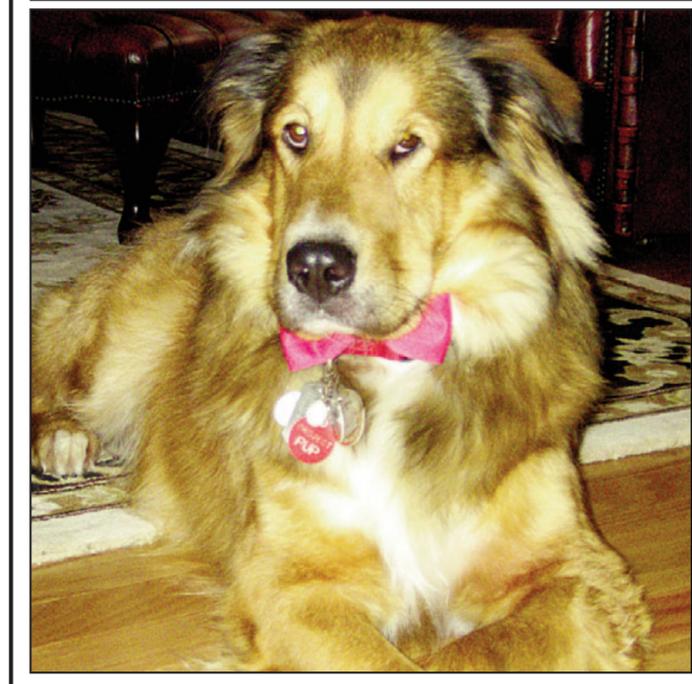
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**A swashbuckling friend**

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# Chess tip: Avoid waterboarding

The queen must die.

I have her surrounded. One more move and I will knock her off the computer chessboard.

Then came a voice: "Mr. Germond, your car is ready. You can sign for it at the desk behind the glass window."

"Oh - I'll be there soon," I replied.

So close to victory. Can't leave the auto service center at the dealership until I have crushed my annoying electronic opponent.

Ten minutes later, the fortunes of war have changed, and I fall prey to checkmate - again.

Took all my willpower to avoid doing a Serena Williams on my computer right then and there.

"It's just a game," I told myself - at least four times, reminding myself there are probably laws against committing domestic violence on a laptop, even though it harbors an electronic game that is condescending, cruel, weaselly and insensitive. It's almost human.

Chess has been around for centuries, and so have I, thinking how long I've had a love and hate affair with it.

My father or my brother taught me how to play the game when I was 6 or 7 years old, back during a time when children actually played games against each other - such as Risk, checkers and Parcheesi.

But for me, chess has always been the ultimate war game. No dice, cards, uneven terrain, drones or sharp instruments. White has the first move, its only game-given advantage.

In the summer of 1972, when I graduated from high school, I played fervently in Lakeland, winning some, losing some. Studied books on chess and replicated historic games of the grandmasters, such as the late Bobby Fischer, an eccentric prodigy and a reputed sore loser. Try telling Bobby it was only a game.

Back then I was young and impatient. Waiting what seemed like hours for my elderly opponent to move a piece seemed like an interminable sentence on a hot summer night inside the walls of a community center devoid of air conditioning. Other than the sounds of a few grunts and chess pieces, all you could hear was a refrigerator rattling. It all wore thin, and I gave it up.

"Chess is like an old friend. You always come back to it," a former co-worker once told me.

I played at clubs off and on throughout the years, hoping that continuous dabbling at the game would pay off mentally in some way, such as at least helping to remember what else I did for fun in 1972 besides play chess.

These days, I actually have a live opponent, Paul, who I spar with on some Thursday nights. Both of us, in his words, suffer occasionally from "chess blandness," which occurs when you lose a piece by not concentrating.

Other than the sounds of frogs barking near a retention pond or one of us crunching potato chips, it's pretty peaceful.

"Oh, I see how you are," I said the other night. "Take the pawn with your queen and run like hell."

Mild profanity is allowed. Against the computer, the gloves are off. I'm determined to keep playing against it - no holds barred. Just when I think I'm getting better, my unnamed opponent swoops a bishop across the board and sends my bishop into oblivion.

"You #x%!"

I resisted the temptation to waterboard my computer to death. A few years ago I inadvertently discovered that laptops are highly allergic to any liquids.

A neighbor also plays computer chess.

"Surprised you don't hear me cursing late at night," he said.

"Nope. Only because I was cursing louder at my machine," I replied. We should form a support group.

Despite my frustration, I'll continue to spar with my computer. As I get older, I'll need to have hobbies such as chess to keep my mind sharp.

"Chess is like an old friend; you always come back to it."

Right. But if I keep coming back to it, somebody's going to put me in the nut house. Just hope they let me bring my laptop.

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Tom Germond

# The harpooning of Paula Deen

By the time this column appears the uproar surrounding celebrity chef Paula Deen may have virtually disappeared. The public often tires quickly of one controversy and then demands another. But on the offhand chance that all possible angles to the Paula Deen story have not been touched on, I'd like to stick my oar in by blurring out a few thoughts that came to my mind as I read about the controversy.

Ms. Deen provided a first-class target for her critics. Under oath in a lawsuit against her, she admitted to having used the "N" word in the distant past. In today's super-politically-correct culture, that's all that was needed to unleash the fury of millions of Americans who presumably never once in their lives have uttered the "N" word or any other racist expression.

Because Ms. Deen is rich and well known, she was more subject to attack than if she was a nobody, obscure and poor. Her enemies could therefore assure themselves that even if Ms. Deen's sponsors and employers throw her under the bus, she will still survive. That must have been a comforting thought for her foes as they hurled their harpoons.

Ms. Deen's southern accent also encouraged the critics to jump on her. She was born in Albany, Ga., and sounded like it. If she had grown up in Boston or Brooklyn and spoke with the distinctive accents that those cities tend to impose on their natives, Ms. Deen would not have faced nearly as much heat. But once the right-and-proper-thinking citizens heard Ms. Deen's corn-pone-and-collards accent issuing from a woman who then admitted a long-ago use of a racial slur, one thought formed in the minds of many of the righteous: "That redneck hussy needs to be taught a lesson. If she's from the South, she's automatically a racist. So let's nail her butt to the wall."



Driver's Seat  
Bob Driver

Question: If Paula Deen can be crucified for something she said years ago, when does the statute of limitations set in for something any of us may have uttered in the schoolyard, boot camp, or on that night in New Orleans when we took drunk and maligned

**Christ told his followers, "Let him who is without sin cast the first stone." I'd like to know how many of Paula Deen's inquisitors imposed that standard on themselves before lofting their sanctimonious yelps.**

that saxophone player who smiled at our girl friend?

Question: If use of the "N" word is forbidden to Paula Deen and (I assume) the rest of us, when does the prohibition take effect for the dozens of black comedians who routinely apply the term "n---r" to anyone (black or white) they feel like? And if a black person refers to whites as honkies, shouldn't he be jumped on with at least as much ferocity as has been shown to Paula Deen?

Question: If Ms. Deen had admitted calling someone a no-good mother-f---r at some point in the past, would she have caught as

much flak as she's now receiving? I doubt it. Today it seems as if most of the obscene, disgusting expressions we can think of are acceptable for use any time and anywhere, while a few words have been declared so offensive they are simply not fit to be spoken. This, in a nation where freedom of speech is supposedly the law of the land.

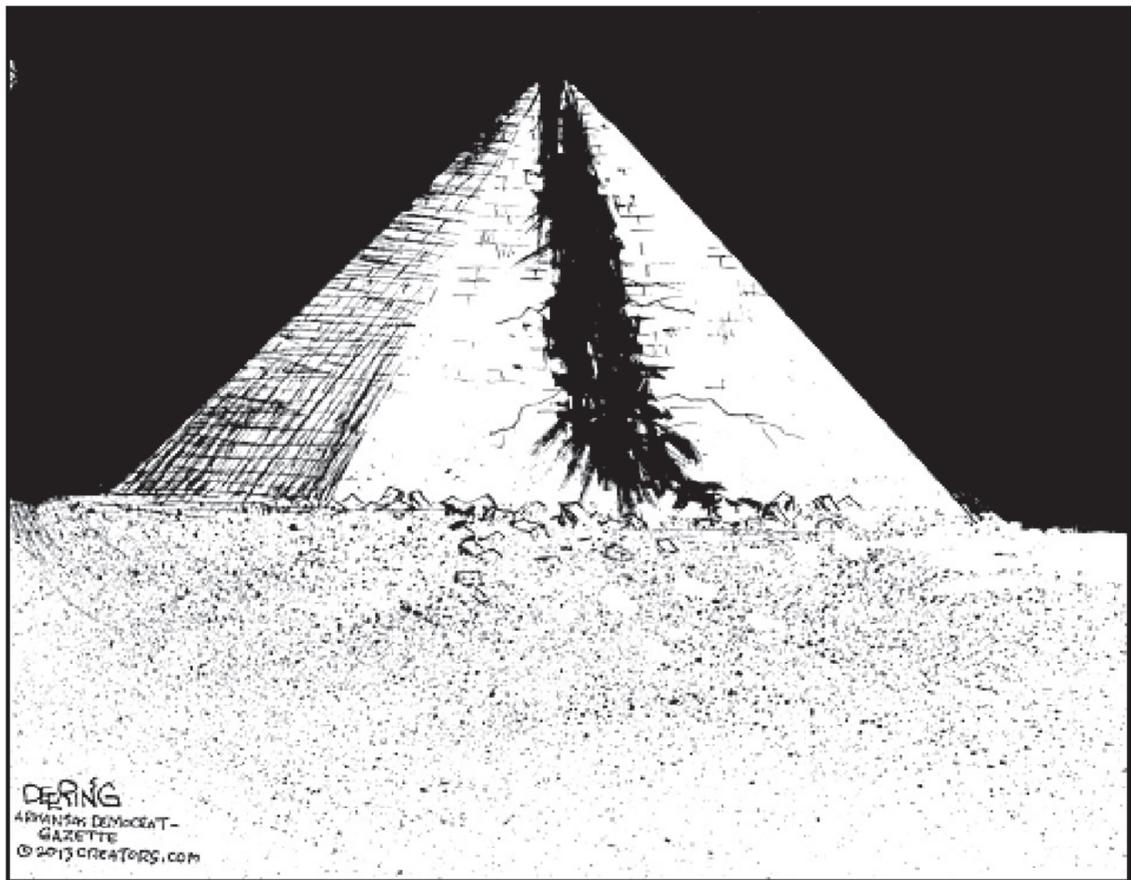
Now that public opinion has banished Paula Deen to the outer rim of polite society, I can only assume the same treatment will be shown for the late novelist Joseph Conrad, who in 1897 wrote "The Nigger of the Narcissus." Same thing goes for Mark Twain, in whose writings the "N" word is profusely scattered. On the road we seem to be traveling, by 2020 or so we'll be ransacking our public libraries and (in the finest Nazi tradition) burning all books containing the "N" word or any other expression deemed offensive by the literary lynch mobs.

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Let me be clear: I regard the "N" word and all other forms of racial, ethnic, religious and sexual slurs as abominations. I'd be delighted if they all disappeared overnight from our language and our speech. But I also hate the thought of a person being crucified for telling the truth, under oath, about thoughtless comments she made many years ago.

If nothing else, the Paula Deen incident has taught us this: throughout our land, on the Left as well as on the Right, the spirit of McCarthyism and the Salem witch hunts is alive and well. It's just waiting for suitable victims. In Ms. Deen, it seems to have found one.

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## LETTERS

### Too much Big Brother

Editor:

In your June 21 issue, Bob Driver and Carl Hiaasen wrote amusing, satirical pieces on the IRS scandal and other national government snooping. What's not so amusing is the appearance of Big Brother snooping into our private lives by both the IRS and the National Security Agency.

One wonders, though, how is it that the Obama Administration, which is seemingly obsessed with intelligence gathering, is cryptic about what happened when four dedicated Americans died in Benghazi? Also one wonders how the leader, Edward Snowden, slipped through the cracks. Can we say, "the most transparent administration ever" with straight faces?

Laurence Veras  
Clearwater

### War of religion

Editor:

The Obama administration has declared war on religion by policies on abortion, gay issues, contraceptives, Obamacare, threats against religious liberty in the U.S. military, just to name a few.

Unfortunately, most of our pastors and religious leaders are doing little to counter these attacks on our religious beliefs and conservative values, possibly because of fear of the disgraced IRS or because they fear that it is not "politically correct." In either case, they are wrong.

I urge everyone, and especially our Pastors and religious leaders, to go to your computer and type "Political and Legislative Guidelines for Pastors and Churches," make copies for yourself and to post in your church.

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Chuck Graham  
Pinellas Park

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# Immigration reform can be simpler

The Senate is so out of touch that some leaders think the way to pass a path-to-citizenship bill for immigrants in the country illegally is to budget \$40 billion for extra immigration enforcement over the next 10 years. This is the type of cynical ploy that makes everyone hate Washington.

The Senate wants to reward people who have broken immigration law - and then tell voters it's OK because it wants to spend billions more to enforce the laws it will have overridden. The Heritage Foundation panned the Gang of Eights measure - with amendments, it runs more than 1,100 pages - as a massive, sweeping, complicated bill that works at cross-purposes to its stated goals.

Supporters say the bipartisan Senate bill would make immigrants in the country illegally stand in the back of the line, pass a background check and pay fines and back taxes to qualify for citizenship. The process would take 13 years.

Senate Democrats might say they are willing to live with a 13-year waiting period before applicants can register to vote, but you just know that they'll try to find ways to change the law or allow authorities to ignore it. It's not fair to the 4.4 million people waiting to immigrate legally, argued Heritages Jessica Zuckerman.

GOP Sens. Bob Corker of Tennessee and John Hoeven of North Dakota sponsored a border surge amendment, which, sorry, only reminds voters how feeble immigration enforcement is already, when there is no path to citizenship for immigration scofflaws.



Debra Saunders

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., is desperate to pass the bill because, he warns, if Congress does not pass a big immigration bill, the Republican Party will alienate Latino

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voters further. I agree that the GOP has to find ways to reach out to Latino voters. This bill could not do it, however, especially because Republicans have announced that they'll vote for the measure only if Washing-

ton spends billions to secure the border. Those who see illegal immigration as a function of a porous border ignore the fact that an estimated 40 percent of those in America illegally entered legally and then overstayed their visas.

During the 2012 election, President Barack Obama deftly played the immigration card. He signed an order for a temporary Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, which allowed some young adults in the country illegally to apply for work permits and avoid deportation.

That action was in concert with the president's support of the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors Act, legislation that would provide citizenship to young people whom, as children and through no fault of their own, entered America illegally with their parents. These kids never set out to break immigration law; the government should not punish them for their parents' decisions. These kids want to live the American dream, just as they want to honor their parents' sacrifices.

House Republicans should feel free to ignore whatever mega-bill the Senate approves. Instead of a Senate-lite bill that would legislate in opposing directions, the House should focus on measures that would address distinct problems. Let members start by passing a DREAM Act to legalize adults who didn't break the law because they were too young to consent.

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# Bluffs woman received transplant thanks to neighbors

By BRIAN GOFF

BELLAIR – Four years ago Myra Bowen of Belleair Bluffs learned she needed a kidney transplant. Now she has one, but only after a long and difficult road. Hers is a story of compassion and community and she's anxious to share it.

It began in January 2009, when Bowen, 51 at the time, had an abscessed tooth. It turned out to be much more serious. She suffered kidney failure and had to go on dialysis three times a week. She hoped to be able to get a transplant only to discover that because she was on Medicare she didn't have the 20 percent needed to pay for it.

That is when the community stepped in. People from Belleair and Belleair Bluffs got together and staged fundraisers, so Bowen could get her transplant. Then the wait began.

In May 2013 the wait ended, or so she thought.

"I was four and a half years on dialysis and when I got the phone call I was excited," said Bowen. "They called me on a Thursday and said they had a match."

But it was not to be. When Bowen got over to Tampa General Hospital where the transplant would be done they discovered it wasn't a match after all.

"I was very down," she said.

But she wouldn't be down for long. She got another phone call just two days later.

"On Saturday I got another call. They said don't rush we have two good kidneys," she said. "They belonged to a man in his forties who is on life support."

When Bowen got to the hospital and registered she got talking to the man in the line with her. It turns out he needed a kidney, too, and, as it happened, they will be forever linked.

"Later when I met the man again we compared notes and discovered that I had gotten the left kidney and he had gotten the right one from that same man," she said.

It has been three months since the transplant and Bowen says she is recovering nicely, but it hasn't been without its complications.



Myra Bowen sits with her pet Maltese, Angel, just two months after receiving a kidney transplant.

Photo by BRIAN GOFF

"Shortly after the surgery I got infected so I ended up spending six hours in Morton Plant Hospital. They got it cleared up with antibiotics and pain pills," she said. "Now I take 30 pills a day and I'll be on anti-rejection medicine for the rest of my life but my kidney is working great. I couldn't stand dialysis, three hours a day three times a week."

Some of the people who helped raise money for Bowen over four years ago are pleased with the news of her transplant and happy to have been part of it.

"It is awesome news, it was a long time coming," said Brian Franzese of Bella Vino Wine and Cheese Market. "It was something

that we did to help her out and get some funds. She was pretty excited back then when she got on the list and she recently came into the store to let us know that she got the kidney. It was awesome news because it doesn't always happen. It is spectacular."

Franzese said he got involved because one of his employees used to work with her.

"Jay Hall knew her well and he got us to jump on board; he was actually the one who led us. It is always about people helping people, amen," he said.

Another fund-raiser back then was Karla Rettstatt, then a Belleair commissioner.

"I feel overjoyed, overjoyed," she said. "It is wonderful to see how a community can come together and help another person. We are so blessed. I was just one person of many people. It really is what life is all about; it is all good."

Bowen, now 55, is divorced and lives in Belleair Bluffs with her pet Maltese, Angel. She is quick to remember those who helped her get the money for the transplant.

"I got \$7,000 from people I didn't even know," she said. "Then when I needed money for my medication and insurance my cousin, Allen Goodkind, who lived in Pittsburgh, helped me every month. He passed away last year but I will never forget him or his kindness."

Bowen, who was born in Chicago, moved to Florida 19 years ago. Until just before her surgery she worked at a convenience store. She had been there for 15 years until new owners let her go because she was too ill to carry out her duties. Now she said she'd like to get back to work somewhere.

"Right now I can't work. I have good days and bad days, but I'm going stir crazy," she said. "I need a job; I have too much time on my hands. I love to cook so I'll look for something along that line I think."

For now however Bowen said she is just happy to be alive without having to go through dialysis.

"I feel like I got a new life. I really do. I wouldn't turn the clock back at all on the decision to have the transplant. I feel like I have a second chance at life."

## Health briefly

### Amputees Together plans meeting

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"We are very proud and honored to have been selected, and so excited about this meaningful program," said Terri Tinkel in a press release. Tinkel is the Florida Central Region president.

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# Several treatments available for actinic keratoses, a common pre-cancer

Actinic Keratoses or "AK" are extremely common pre-cancers of the skin. They are usually the result of cumulative sun exposure from the sun's emission of ultraviolet rays, UVA and UVB, that penetrate the ozone layer and lead to damage of the skin at the cellular level. Over time, the built in repair mechanisms malfunction, resulting in damage which appear as crusty, red spots called actinic keratoses.



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Actinic keratoses are most often pink or red crusty patches found on sun-exposed areas commonly in fair skinned individuals. Some AK's may have a darker pigment. These are called "pigmented actinic keratoses." Men tend to get actinic keratoses on the scalp, especially if hair is thinning. We often see these lesions on the hands, faces, chest, and legs of women in the areas of sun exposure from the years before they were 30 years old. If left untreated, actinic keratoses can grow into squamous cell carcinoma, appearing pink or red, volcano-like growths, sometimes growing quickly. Many times patients come in to our office thinking a spider had bitten them, but they were not!

A great analogy for actinic keratoses is to think they are weeds in your lawn, where the lawn is your skin. We have many methods to treat actinic keratoses, but just like weeds, no matter which method we choose, new ones often arise. The goal of treating the AK is to treat them early and hopefully prevent

or delay their progression into skin cancers.

There are several methods to treat actinic keratoses depending on the number of lesions, their location(s), insurance restrictions, patient expectations, and patient's tolerance of potential irritating treatments. Common treatments include: cryosurgery, photodynamic therapy and topical chemotherapy agents.

Cryosurgery is a procedure done in the office using a canister of liquid nitrogen to spray each individual lesion to be treated. The spray itself is extremely cold, can be painful, and often creates a blister on the treatment site within 24 hours and usually heals within two weeks. The advantages of this method are convenience, insurance coverage, and efficacy.

Photodynamic therapy or the "blue light" as it is often called, is another office procedure for treatment of actinic keratoses. The patient can expect to be at our office for approximately two hours and must avoid sun exposure for at least 48 hours afterwards. The procedure itself includes preparing the face with acetone to remove any oils, and then we apply an acid called "Levulan Kerastick" to the skin and let it "incubate" for an hour prior to placing the patient under the "blue light" for 16 minutes 40 seconds. We often will place an electric blanket on the patient to heat up their body as recent studies suggest a better response when the skin is warmed. Some patients

report feeling a "stinging" sensation during the procedure and sometimes will have irritation on the treatment site for a week following the procedure.

There are now many topical therapies to treat actinic keratoses. The medication 5-fluorouracil (brand names: Carac, Fluoroplex, Efudex, generics) has been around for decades. They are chemotherapy creams and are quite effective, especially at treating larger areas. They can be quite irritating and take weeks of application at home by the patient to do their job. If you have pets, be very careful with them licking this cream, as it can be very dangerous to animals.

Imiquimod (brand names: Zyclara, Aldara, generics) is a very interesting cream that was originally marketed to treat genital warts. It still works for genital warts, but it is also very effective at treating AK and superficial skin cancers such as Basal Cell Carcinoma. It is thought that this medication works by stimulating the immune system to fight the precancers/cancers and warts. The branded variety, Zyclara, now comes in a convenient pump dispenser, making application quite easy. Some patients report an intense reaction and few patients may experience flu-like symptoms. The application protocol is two weeks on, two weeks off, then two weeks on. The advantages to this treatment are its effectiveness, ability to treat a moderate sized area at once, and its cosmetic results are usually quite good.

Diclofenac gel (brand name "Solaraze") is a topical anti-inflammatory medication that works by blocking the inflammatory cascade of prostaglandins.

This comes in a generous sized tube and it is an easily spreadable gel. The treatment protocol is to apply the gel twice daily for approximately three months. The advantages include minimal irritation or redness, ability to treat large areas at once, and studies show benefits when used on the lips for sun damage called actinic cheilitis.

Ingenol Mebutate (brand name is "Picato") is the newest treatment option we have. It is a gel derived from a bush in the Australian Outback. It was released in the United States a little over a year ago. There are two strengths, one for the face and scalp and one for the body. The application for the face and scalp is once daily for three days and the stronger formulation for the body applied once daily for two days. The disadvantages are insurance coverage, amount of packaged medication, and potential irritation to treatment site. The biggest advantage to this medication is its extremely short treatment time of two or three days as opposed to weeks or months like the before mentioned options.

The above treatments are an overview of the more common treatments used today to treat actinic keratoses. This does not substitute for you being evaluated by your dermatology provider and discussing all the options.

Whitnie Saron, ARNP is a Board Certified Nurse Practitioner and Tampa Bay native. Currently she works for Dr. Frank Armstrong, D.O. at Dermatology Specialists of West Florida in Seminole and has over seven years dermatology experience.

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Cost is \$136 per person. The honorary guest will be Dr. Peter Blumencranz, medical director of comprehensive breast program and cancer services for Morton Plant Mease Health Care.

The honorary gala chairs are Reva Kent, Hilda Sachs and Lisl Schick.

Blumencranz, an internationally recognized breast surgeon, practices in Clearwater. He has been widely involved in clinical research projects including breast cancer mapping studies, and trials designed to validate the efficacy of accelerated partial breast irradiation.

An advance event designed to support the gala is a unique art project. Volunteer models will have their torsos painted by female artists and female photographers will take photographs of the models, from the chin to the naval, assuring privacy and anonymity. The photographs will be exhibited at local galleries prior to being offered for sale at the Oct. 27 gala. Women, aged 21 or older, of all shapes and sizes have volunteered to model. The models are cancer survivors, loved ones of cancer survivors and caring members of the community.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. For information on sponsorship levels or to request an event invitation, email CelebrateTheTas@gmail.com or call Monica DiGiovanni at 430-6517.

**Morton Plant Mease plans health seminars**

Morton Plant Mease will host several health seminars in the coming weeks, including programs that will spotlight concussions, Parkinson's Disease, obesity and stress.

Morton Plant Mease health experts invite the community to attend free health seminars. The health seminars will be presented at various hospital facilities and community centers. To register for a Morton Plant Mease health seminar, call 953-6877 or visit: www.BayCareEvents.org.

Following is a schedule of upcoming seminars:

- Treatments for Parkinson's Disease - Wednesday, July 17, noon, at Aging Well Center at The Long Center, 1501 N. Belcher Road, Clearwater. Neurosurgeon Dean Gobo, M.D., will speak about the latest surgical treatment options for Parkinson's disease.

- Revealing the Dangers of Obesity - Wednesday, July 17, 6 p.m., at Mease Countryside Hospital, Meeting Rooms 1-3, Safety Harbor. Family medicine specialist Christina Franco, M.D., will talk about how obesity leads to

serious health problems such as sleep apnea, heart disease, high blood pressure, stroke, cancer, diabetes, osteoarthritis, gallstones, gallbladder disease, gout and asthma. Franco will focus on the relationship between obesity and sleep apnea and provide information on healthy weight loss alternatives.

- Caregiving for the Parkinson's Patient - Monday, July 22, 2 p.m., at the Aging Well Center at The Long Center, 1501 N. Belcher Road, Clearwater. Marian Finehirsch, R.N., will talk about techniques for communicating and interacting with the Parkinson's patient. Discover activities that the person with Parkinson's and their family can do together and learn more about some of the issues that come with having Parkinson's disease.

- How to Recognize and Handle Stress - Wednesday, July 24, noon, at Countryside Library, Community Room, 2741 State Road 580, Clearwater. Internal medicine specialist Cynthia Miller, M.D., will discuss how to recognize good and bad stress and offer healthy tips to treat stress.

**Fundraiser goes 'Over the Edge'**

ST. PETERSBURG - St. Anthony's Hospital Foundation is calling all philanthropists with a taste for adventure to join in the inaugural Over the Edge event, set for Friday and Saturday, Aug. 16-17, in downtown St. Petersburg.

Towering at 386 feet, One Progress Plaza stands as the tallest building in St. Petersburg. Participants will be pushed to their vertical limit, rappelling down the side of this landmark tower. Along with the rappelling participants, the event is expecting support from local celebrity figures, athletes and national brands.

St. Anthony's Hospital Founda-

tion has teamed with advertising agency, The Clear Agency, to establish a successful Over the Edge event in St. Petersburg. The Clear Agency is planning a high-profile event, attracting powerful brands to the community and gaining exposure for the St. Anthony's Hospital Foundation.

Over the Edge participants are asked to raise a minimum of \$1,000 to benefit St. Anthony's Hospital Foundation - a 501 (c) 3 supporting organization. All participants must be 18 or older by the event date and weigh between 100 and 300 pounds.

To participate or for more information, call Taylor Montgomery at 825-1461 or email Taylor.Montgomery@baycare.org.

For sponsorship opportunities, call Megan Singh at 489-2332 or email Megan@theclearagency.com.

**Hospital receives advertising award**

TARPON SPRINGS - Florida Hospital North Pinellas recently received a silver award from the national Healthcare Advertising Awards.

Each year, the Healthcare Advertising Awards are presented by the nation's leading healthcare marketing publication, "Healthcare Marketing Report." Competing against more than 4,000 entries from across the United States, the hospital was awarded for its I Choose television campaign, produced with one of Tampa Bay's largest advertising agencies, ChappellRoberts.

"As we evolved from Helen Ellis Memorial Hospital to Florida Hospital North Pinellas, we realized there was an opportunity to raise awareness and explain the value of Florida Hospital to patients in Pinellas and Pasco county communities," said Bruce Bergherm in a press release. Bergherm is president and CEO of Florida Hospital North Pinel-

las. "After investing heavily into capital improvements and top-notch medical expertise, Florida Hospital wanted members of the community to see evidence of why we should be their hospital of choice."

The I Choose campaign began in late 2012 and features testimonials that showcase patient experiences and the life-saving care people can expect from the hospital. The patient stories highlight how residents are already seeing the difference in Florida Hospital North Pinellas. These videos were distributed through an integrated media buy and a microsite that houses these stories and additional hospital information. Since the I Choose campaign launch, the hospital has seen an increase in top-of-mind consumer awareness, demonstrating the power and effectiveness of narrative marketing.

"When optimized, narrative marketing campaigns are extremely powerful because they emotionally connect with audiences - they become authentic brand storytelling," said Colleen Chappell, president and CEO of ChappellRoberts. "Any sustainable healthcare brand must create a personal connection with consumers in order to thrive, and we were proud that the I Choose campaign delivered that powerful connection."

**Sleep apnea support group meets monthly**

ST. PETERSBURG - A.W.A.K.E., a sleep apnea support group, meets fourth Tuesdays, 6 to 7 p.m., at St. Petersburg General Hospital, 6500 38th Ave. N., St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg General Hospital facilitates a health awareness group for persons with sleep apnea, their family members and friends. The program is part of the American Sleep Apnea Association Network's Alert, Well And Keeping Energetic. A.W.A.K.E. groups bring individuals together in a format that fosters support, allows for an exchange of information and gives assistance to those affected by sleep apnea.

Monthly meetings will feature pertinent topics presented by medical professionals as well as the sharing of ideas and concerns. Together, A.W.A.K.E. participants can encourage each other with similar interests, problems and solutions. The public is invited to attend the sessions.

The group will meet on the following dates:

- July 23
- Aug. 27
- Sept. 24
- Oct. 22
- Nov. 26
- Dec. 17

For information, visit [stpete general.com](http://stpete.general.com).

**Local rehab taps into NASA technology**

BELLEAIR - Belleair Health Care Center is actively offering anti-gravity treadmill therapy for medically prescribed treatment programs.

The center is using a treadmill called the AlterG for several types of treatment.

"Imagine not being able to comfortably walk for any reason," said Michelle Newton in a press release. Newton is director of rehabilitation at the center. "It could be a stroke or balance issue, obesity, pain in the ankle, knee, and hip or back - these are the problems that we're trying to solve for our patients and we see the real world use and outcomes with the AlterG."

The AlterG operates with differential air pressure. It's patented gravity know-how that's rooted in science. Robert Whalen, a NASA researcher, is founder of the concept using advanced DAP machinery for weight support and the biomechanics of astronaut exercise in space.

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# The priceless are not for sale: on capturing a wild dolphin birth

In these days when eBay and QuiBid compete with old-fashioned garage sales, it seems that everything has a price. At sea, it turns out that some things are just not for sale.



**Dolphin Watch**  
Ann Weaver

Field reporter Debbie Arfman called in the nicest news of the day: "Ann, I am watching a baby dolphin being born!" She watched the entire event from an overhead vantage point that did not disturb the dolphins.

Not only was she able to report the date of the birth. She was also able to pinpoint the precise time of the birth. That is a tremendous feat. Few people have observed an actual dolphin birth at sea. In fact, many dolphin field researchers are limited to giving a general estimate the most likely season - spring, summer, fall, or winter - in which a new dolphin was born. In our research, we feel fortunate to be able to pinpoint birth dates to within a few days.

Thanks to Debbie's good dolphin karma and careful observation, we now have this valuable new information along with other vital revelations about the process.

At 3:45 p.m., four adults and two teens began splashing around the surface in an unusual way. It was difficult to say if they were playing, fighting, or what. Three of the adults surfaced very close together. One of them rolled, exposing its great white belly to the sky. The white belly gleamed with a momentary tinge of crimson. That tinge marked the moment of birth.

The first two critical responses to being born are breathing and making sure that wonderful dolphin tail (tailstock or peduncle) works.

The trio continued to swim close together. They rolled and splashed with their tailstocks as they went. A tiny tail appeared among them and slapped the water surface. One or another of the adults supported the newborn at the surface by rising gently under it, helping the newborn lean its face on the adult's back as they went.

Throughout the folk and professional literatures, there are tales of "auntie" dolphins that help by pushing the newborn to the sea surface and life-giving air. Debbie's report confirms these. I think that this is the same life-saving response that is triggered in dolphins that see people who are struggling to swim and are inspired to lend a hand.

By 3:47 p.m., the dolphins were very excited. As they clustered around the new mom and babe, they slapped and slugged the water with their tails. There were several leaps into the air. The leaping may have been done by the two teens responding to a strange new experience.

The little one surfaced in the ensuing tumult: tiny new dorsal fin, tiny new tail.

As if with immediacy, the new nursery group left the scene of the birth and was soon out of Debbie's sight.

The dorsal fin patterns we use to identify individual dolphins are not commonly known. The identity of the new mother is still a mystery. But let us speculate.

What are the chances that mom is one of our local ladies rather than a dolphin tourist? That is, is the new mom more likely to be a resident or nonresident female?

Neither. There is a 50-50 chance. Fifty-two percent of the 91 newborns we have seen were born to residents. Forty-eight percent were born to nonresidents. This statistic is the main reason to believe that John's Pass is a vital nursery area for mother bottlenose dolphins. Current aquatic conditions must be maintained or improved so that the dolphins continue to live and flourish here.

Last week, Dolphin Watch reported how local lady DD1 came over and slowly rolled at the boat, frankly displaying her bulging white belly. Why she did it is unknown. The reason lies somewhere between coincidence and showing us her belly on purpose. Consequently, it is of great interest to me to



Photo by ANN WEAVER

**Bottlenose dolphins roll like this one in many contexts, just as you would if you lived your entire life in the water.**

see if she has a baby. Debbie said there was a split-finned dolphin in the group. DD1 has a split fin. But so does a bull we call DD2. The plot thickens.

What are the chances of being born in July?

Without a dolphin horoscope, we will use the database. The chances of being born in July are one in five (19 percent). This is a tad higher than the chances of being a May baby (16 percent). This is half as likely as being a June baby (37 percent) but twice as likely as an August birth (10 percent). It is four times more likely than an April birth (4 percent) and 19 times more likely than a February or September birth (both 1 percent). Oddly, we have never noted a March newborn.

What are the chances it will survive?

The chances are very good. July is the best month to be born when it comes to surviving. A higher percentage of July babies survive than those born in any other month. The survival rate of July

dolphin babies is 71 percent compared to 65 percent for June births. That is not much of a difference. But if you are that baby dolphin, it definitely matters!

The baby's chances of surviving if it was born in August are about half (56 percent). Chances are less than half for May babies (40 percent).

Debbie might be the only person who has witnessed a bottlenose birth at sea twice. What wonderful dolphin karma she has! It is priceless, and not for sale. I don't care what those online bidding sites say.

Dr. Weaver studies wild dolphins under federal permit 16299, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Send her an email at [dazzled@tampa-bay.ir.com](mailto:dazzled@tampa-bay.ir.com) or visit her website [www.dolphinssuperstore.com](http://www.dolphinssuperstore.com). NOAA advises anyone who sees a stranded dolphin in the Gulf of Mexico to call 877-942-5343 or 877-433-8299.

## Briefs

**Brooker to present Book Time**  
TARPON SPRINGS - Book Time at Brooker will be offered

Thursdays, July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 15, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., at Brooker Creek Preserve, 3940 Keystone Road. Designed for children ages 3 to

5, this free program connects attendees to the wonders of the natural world. In addition to hearing a great story, children will participate in a craft, game or other hands-on activity related to the story that is read. Space is limited. Preregistration is required. Call 453-6800 or visit [www.brookercreekpreserve.org](http://www.brookercreekpreserve.org).

**Weedon to host Wee-Time**  
ST. PETERSBURG - Wee-Time at Weedon will be presented Thursdays, July 11 and July 25, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., at Weedon Island Preserve, 1800 Weedon Drive NE. This free program is designed to introduce children ages 3 to 5 to the wonders of the natural and cultural world. Every second and fourth Thursday of each month, children are treated to a variety of stories and hands-on activities that connect them to their environment. Preregistration is required. To register, call 582-2100 or visit [www.weedonislandpreserve.org](http://www.weedonislandpreserve.org). For information, call 453-6500.

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**Brooker to host guided hikes**  
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**Brooker to offer wildlife hike**  
TARPON SPRINGS - A free wildlife hike will be offered Friday, July 26, 9 to 10:30 a.m., at Brooker Creek Preserve, 3940 Keystone Road. Attendees will join an experienced naturalist and hike along boardwalks and natural trails at Brooker Creek Preserve. This will be a learning experience for everyone. Participants should come prepared with binoculars, cameras and questions. Any questions the hike guide cannot answer will be researched in the resource room upon return to the education center. Advance registration is required. Call 453-6800 or visit [www.brookercreekpreserve.org](http://www.brookercreekpreserve.org).

**Forestry hike set**  
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**Great Weedon Bird Quest set**  
ST. PETERSBURG - The Great Weedon Bird Quest will be Friday, July 12, 8 to 10 a.m., at Weedon Island Preserve, 1800

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**McGough to host night hike**  
LARGO - A night hike will be presented Saturday, Aug. 17, 6:30 p.m., at George C. McGough Nature Park, 11901 146th N. St. This will be a free interpretative nature hike through McGough's habitats. Call 518-3047.

**Gardening class set**  
PALM HARBOR - The UF/IFAS Pinellas County Master Gardeners and Palm Harbor Library will sponsor a gardening class on Thursday, Aug. 8, 2 and 6:15 p.m., at Palm Harbor Library, 2330 Nebraska Ave. Bruce Turley, owner of Wilcox Nursery, will present the class, Native Plants for the Shade. Turley will discuss the native landscape plants that are best suited for shade here in Pinellas County. The class is free but registration required. To register, visit [pce-lawnandgarden.eventbrite.com](http://pce-lawnandgarden.eventbrite.com) or call 582-2603 no later than Aug. 7.

**Book club to meet**  
TARPON SPRINGS - The Friends of Brooker Creek Preserve will host Brooker Creek Book Club Saturday, Aug. 3, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., at Brooker Creek Preserve, 3940 Keystone Road. The free program is geared toward adults. The book list includes novels by Florida authors, past and present, with archeology, biography, politics and history storylines. The book selection for discussion is "Star Island" by Carl Hiaasen. The club meets first Saturdays. Advance registration is required. Seating is limited. Call 453-6500.

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ST. PETERSBURG - A wildflower photography hike will be offered Saturday, July 20, 8 to 10 a.m., at Weedon Island Preserve, 1800 Weedon Drive NE. The free event will offer participants the perfect opportunity to hone their skills. After a brief classroom session, highlighting specific wildlife behaviors, guides will assist participants in capturing the natural beauty in photos. Advance registration is required. Call 453-6500 or visit [www.weedonislandpreserve.org](http://www.weedonislandpreserve.org).

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ST. PETERSBURG - Guided hikes will be offered Saturdays, July 13, 20, 27, Aug. 3, 10, 9 to 11 a.m., at Weedon Island Preserve, 1800 Weedon Drive NE. Attendees will learn about the ecosystems and the early residents of Weedon Island Preserve while going along on this free guided hike. Participants should bring water and a snack. A hat and closed-toe shoes also are recommended. The hike is best for ages 6 and older. Preregistration is required. Call 453-6500 or visit [www.weedonislandpreserve.org](http://www.weedonislandpreserve.org).

**Brooker to host guided hikes**  
TARPON SPRINGS - Guided hikes will be offered Saturdays, July 20, 27, Aug. 3, 9 to 10:30 a.m., at Brooker Creek Preserve, 3940 Keystone Road. Attendees will take a walk through time on a guided hike. Participants will have an opportunity to look at how the land has changed over time and discuss the ecological footprints left by those changes. Sturdy closed-toe shoes are a must, and water and a hat are recommended. All ages are welcome, although children 5 and younger may find this hike challenging. Preregistration is required. Call 453-6800 or visit [www.brookercreekpreserve.org](http://www.brookercreekpreserve.org).

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# Find cooler water for better fishing

Hot air temperatures for a couple of weeks now have warmed our inshore waters to a balmy 85 degrees, and midday temperatures on the shallow flats can be close to 90 degrees. These warm temperatures can make for some pretty tough fishing.



**Fish Tales**  
Capt. Tyson Wellerstein

Targeting deep-water flats and structure in and around the passes will definitely put you in position to catch more fish. Trout and mackerel can be found just inside the passes hanging on grass edges that have good concentrations of bait. Productive areas can often be located by the presence of diving pelicans and dipping terns. Newly hatched sardine and threadfin fry is the cause for all the commotion. Most of this bait is too small to be cast-netted and used for bait. Your better option would be the use of small artificial lures, soft plastic or buck tail jigs in white or silver should do the trick.

The many spoil islands that dot the Intracoastal Waterway are excellent places to find redfish and trout year-round but are especially good when the water gets as warm as it is. Their close proximity to deep water provides good current flow with water that might be a degree or two cooler.

Deep bridges with good current are good places to find snook, gag grouper, black drum and flounder. Targeting the first couple of hours of the tide change with a variety of baits can be very productive. The snook and grouper love big pinfish and grunts. Be sure to drop them down on some heavy tackle at least 50 pound test with an even heavier leader. For the flounder try fishing a small grunt or live shrimp on a jig head.

Offshore gag grouper fishing remains good despite the warm water temperatures. Depths of 30 to 60 feet are loaded with gags. Natural limestone ledges and artificial reefs are both holding plenty of fish, the grouper have been responding quite well to big frisky pinfish.

Tyson Wellerstein can be reached at [capt.tyson@hotmail.com](mailto:capt.tyson@hotmail.com). To get a fish photo in the paper, send the photo along with your name, when and where it was caught to [editorial@TBNweekly.com](mailto:editorial@TBNweekly.com) or mail it to Tampa Bay Newspapers, 9911 Seminole Blvd., Seminole, FL 33772.

# Largo team wins tennis championships

DAYTONA BEACH - The USTA Florida League Tennis 55 and older team from the Shipwatch Tennis Club in Largo captured an adult state title during USTA Florida Adult 55 & Over 3.5/4.5 League Section Championships, held June 28 through July 1 at the Florida Tennis Center in Daytona Beach.

Teams competed in the National Tennis Ratings Program divisions of 3.5, meaning each doubles team consisted of players rated 3.5 or below, and 4.5.

While South Florida teams are historically dominant in USTA League play, Pinellas was the only county to put two teams in finals.

In the men's 3.5 title, the team from the Shipwatch Tennis Club from Largo proved victorious over Kendalltown Tennis Club in Miami winning their final matches 2-1. The Pinellas duo Frank Gajdeczka and team captain Stephen Mullis won their matches with the scores of 7-6 and 6-3 while their teammates Neil Corella and Joseph Finn beat the second Miami double team with scores of 3-6, 7-6 and 1-0. The third doubles team to play in the final matches consisted of Phil Horton and Robert Compton.

Others on the roster were John Finlayson, John Main, Henry Van Drunen, Garry Cook, Norbert Beck, Edward Busch and James Fitzgerald.

In the women's 4.5 division, the team from St. Petersburg Tennis Center tied with the winning team from Jonesville Tennis Center in Gainesville in round robin play. Both teams had a 2-1



Photo courtesy of USTA FLORIDA

A men's team from Shipwatch Tennis Club in Largo claimed the 3.5 division championship in the USTA Florida Adult 55 & Over 3.5/4.5 League Section Championships, held in Daytona June 28 through July 1.

win-loss record, but in the deciding round, the Alachua team had a 6-3 individual match win-loss record, as opposed to Pinellas' 5-4 record.

Those on the St. Petersburg team roster were Debbie Bowers, Gigi Roark, Kathy Bevis, Bonnie O'Brien, Barbara Stenzel, Bobbie O'Brien Mehan, Barbara Rozboril and Deborah Hubbard.

A Pinellas County team also advanced to the women's 3.5 semifinals, losing to eventual champion St. Johns County.

The championships were not completed until Monday, July 1 due to rain postponing play during the weekend.

The 3.5 and 4.5 division men's and women's team winners from Florida now advance to represent the USTA Florida

Section at the 2013 USTA League Adult 55 & Over 7.0 & 9.0 National Championships on April 25-27, 2014, at the Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex

in Surprise, Ariz.

For more USTA Florida Leagues information visit, [www.usta.com/usta\\_adult\\_senior\\_leagues/home](http://www.usta.com/usta_adult_senior_leagues/home).

## Stanek signs



Photo courtesy of TAMPA BAY RAYS

Ryne Stanek, left, the second pick of the Tampa Bay Rays in the recent Major League Baseball Player Draft, recently signed with the Rays. Sitting next to Stanek is Rays scouting director R.J. Harrison. Stanek, a right-handed pitcher out of the University of Arkansas, was ranked by Baseball America as the No. 5 right-handed pitching prospect in the draft. He has been assigned to the Rays minor league camp in Port Charlotte.

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**Dunedin Blue Jays to host blood drive**  
DUNEDIN - The Dunedin Blue Jays will host a blood drive on Saturday, Aug. 10, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., at Florida Auto Exchange Stadium, 373 Douglas Ave.

The event will be presented in support of Fight for the Cure Night at the stadium. The public is invited to donate. Those who donate will receive a ticket to the Dunedin Blue Jays vs. Brevard County Manatees game on Aug. 10 along with an autographed baseball.

To ensure a donation spot, register online at [www.oneblood.donor.org/index.cfm?group=op&expand=506189&zc=34698](http://www.oneblood.donor.org/index.cfm?group=op&expand=506189&zc=34698).

Visit the Largo Leader every day at [www.TBNweekly.com](http://www.TBNweekly.com)

**Obituaries**  
Joan W. LOVETT  
Former Clearwater, Fla. resident of 13 years, passed away peacefully on June 30, 2013 in Pittsburgh, Pa., at the age of 71. She was the beloved mother of Marsha (husband, Chris) and Leslie (husband, Jeff) and proud grandmother of 3 grandsons.

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According to Teri James Bellis, PhD, in her landmark book on Auditory Processing Disorder, When the Brain Can't Hear, "As sound travels through an imperfect auditory pathway, words spoken to the afflicted listener may become jumbled, distorting original meaning and rendering the words unintelligible." When you think about a conversation with all the sounds, the inflections and tempo changes, it makes communication extremely complicated. When a hearing loss has been present and untreated, the ability to follow the conversation can become extremely difficult. Without receiving the appropriate stimuli, the brain stops processing sounds like background noise and can no longer filter speech clearly. You may answer a question incorrectly, withdraw, smile and pretend you understood the conversation. This can be particularly troublesome when you are visiting the doctor, and important information is being relayed. In some cases, people have been "misdiagnosed" with Alzheimer's disease because they were unable to follow the conversation.

According to world renowned otolaryngologist, Dr. John Shea Jr., of the famed Shea Ear Clinic, "If a person is hard of hearing and they don't get amplification, they are not hearing and they lose the ability to understand." Once familiar sounds, like the hum of a refrigerator, slowly fade and become unrecognizable noise competing with spoken words.

Dr. Shea went on to say, "When presented with amplification, or hearing aids, speech understanding becomes clearer. However, it is a continual process of improvement. Stimulating the brain with sound may help to overcome the auditory deprivation process, and getting help early is critical to a long term success."

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Hearing loss ranks number three behind hypertension and arthritis. Often called the invisible disability, hearing loss happens slowly over time and may go unnoticed for years. According to an article in Post Graduate Medicine, by Drs. Shohet and Bent, "Loss of hearing is a national health problem with significant physical and psychological repercussions. Although there is no cure for certain forms of hearing loss, many patients can be helped, especially when the problem is recognized early." Wearing amplification (hearing aids) has been proven to help preserve the remaining hearing and speech clarity.

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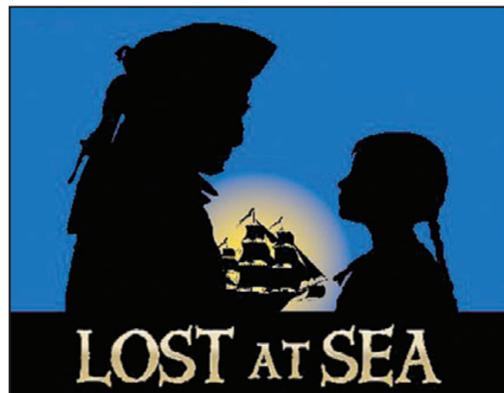
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## Top five diversions

• **"Lost at Sea - The Swashbuckling Adventures of Alex Jones,"** July 12 to 21, at the Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Performances will be Fridays and Saturdays, 8 p.m.; and Sundays, 2 p.m. This brand new musical revolves around Alex, a regular 12-year-old girl living a regular 12-year-old life ... until she sees something that changes her life forever. In a flash, Alex is thrown into a pirate adventure full of sword fights and mayhem. As fantasy becomes reality, Alex's splintered family gets caught in the middle. "Lost at Sea - The Swashbuckling Adventures of Alex Jones" is a new musical written by Pinellas County natives Jason Tucker and Amanda Elend. Seminole High graduate Brent DiRoma stars as Captain Blood. DiRoma toured the country with Tony Award-winning shows, "Avenue Q" and "Jersey Boys." Other cast members include Maggie Musco as Alex Jones, Ashton Sarlo as Kevin Jones, Francesca Guancia Jay as Deb Jones, Lauren Crandall as Simone, Christina Capehart as Sheila Shanks, Rand Smith as Jean Pinot, Nick Abounader as Max, Cranstan Cumberbatch as Zale, Jonathan Pouliot as Stefan, Ben Taylor as Dr. Medicus, Joe Southall as Gordon, Kyle Hill as Cook, Thomas Jay as Jack and Stu Stanford as Pete. Tucker will direct with Emi Stefanov as music director and Amy Phillips as choreographer. For information, call 587-6793 or visit [www.eightclocktheatre.com](http://www.eightclocktheatre.com).



Eight O'Clock Theatre presents "Lost at Sea - The Swashbuckling Adventures of Alex Jones," a new musical written by Pinellas County natives Jason Tucker and Amanda Elend.

• **"The Lonesome West,"** by Martin McDonagh, presented by Jobsite Theater, through Aug. 4, at the Straz Center for the Performing Arts, 1010 N. W.C. MacInnes Place, Tampa. Call 813-229-7827 or visit [www.jobsite theater.org](http://www.jobsite theater.org). Performances are

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From left, Matt Lunsford, Brian Shea and David M. Jenkins star in the Jobsite Theater production of "The Lonesome West."



Photos courtesy of NCM FATHOM EVENTS

NCM Fathom Events brings "Springsteen and I" to area theaters for two nights only on July 22 and 30.

## Music at the movies

NCM Fathom Events brings music concerts, documentaries to area theaters

National CineMedia Cinema Network and NCM Fathom Events will offer a series of special events designed specifically for music lovers.

NCM Fathom Events present cinema events across the nation's largest digital in-theater network, comprised of theaters owned by AMC Entertainment Inc., Cinemark Holdings Inc., Regal Entertainment Group and other leading regional theater circuits.

As part of its lineup this summer, NCM Fathom Events will host several screenings featuring music icons such as Josh Groban, Bruce Springsteen and the Grateful Dead.

Tickets for upcoming NCM Fathom Events are available at participating theater box offices and online at [www.FathomEvents.com](http://www.FathomEvents.com). For a complete list of theater locations and prices, visit [www.FathomEvents.com](http://www.FathomEvents.com).

### 'All That Echoes'

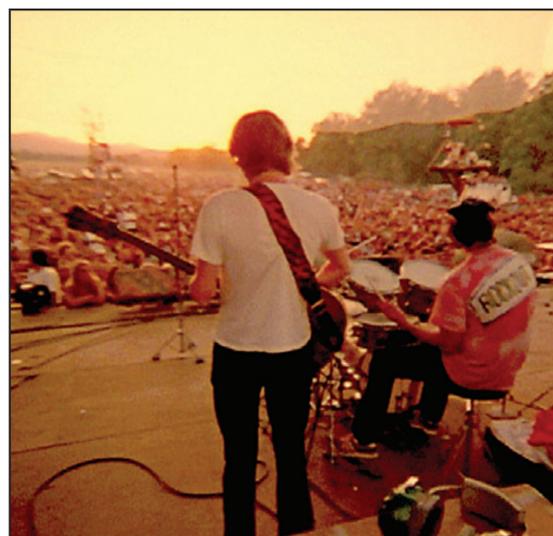
Kicking off the string of screenings will be "Josh Groban: All That Echoes Artist Cut," which will hit select movie theaters nationwide on Tuesday, July 16, 7:30 p.m.

Locally, "Josh Groban: All That Echoes Artist Cut" will be presented at Woodland Square 20, 3128 Tampa Road, Oldsmar; and Park Place Stadium 16, 7200 U.S. 19, Pinellas Park.

With overwhelming fan demand continuing for Groban's No. 1 album released earlier this year, one of the most powerful voices in modern popular music is returning to the big screen in a special edition of "Josh Groban: All That Echoes Artist Cut."

According to a press release from NCM Fathom Events, this special event, a personal collaboration between Groban, Warner Bros. Records and NCM Fathom Events, will feature an updated welcome message to movie theater audiences from the singer. Groban was up-close and candid with fans during the original Feb. 4 premiere event, broadcast from New York's famed Lincoln Center, where he performed hits and selections from his just-released album "All That Echoes," which debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200. In addition to his original February Q&A session with fans who texted and tweeted from around the country, updates to this special encore will include a very special behind-the-scenes journey through the creative process of the making of "All That Echoes" as seen through the eyes of Groban himself.

"The Fathom event featuring the concert 'Live from Lincoln Center' was such a wonderful experience for me and we want to do it again," Groban said in the press release. "The event will include a lot of new footage, a huge amount of behind the scenes of the making of 'All that Echoes' and everything that went into it. If you weren't able to go last



"Sunshine Daydream," a 1972 concert from Oregon, comes to select movie theaters nationwide on Aug. 1.

time, maybe you can come this time, and if you did go last time and you want to do it again, come bring a friend."

Fans attending the initial event in more than 500 U.S. movie theaters on Feb. 4 were among the first to hear Groban's new songs performed live. Groban co-wrote seven of the 12 tracks that appear on "All That Echoes," which also includes five covers, such as Stevie Wonder's "I Believe (When I Fall in Love It Will Be Forever)," Glen Hansard and Markéta Irglová's "Falling Slowly," and Jimmy Webb's "The Moon's a Harsh Mistress." Special guests on the album include Grammy-winning trumpet player Arturo Sandoval on "Un Alma Mas" and Italian superstar vocalist Laura Pausini on "E Ti Prometterò."

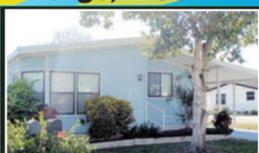
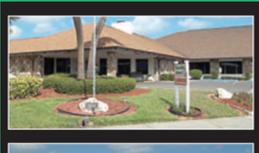
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<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p>  <p>Move in ready home in highly sought after Oakhurst Shores! This ideal floor plan features 2 bedrooms with large closets, 2 bathrooms, living room, beautiful kitchen with breakfast bar and a "Garden" family room.</p> <p><b>\$199,900</b></p>	 <p>Old world charm combined with Bardmoor prestige makes this custom home a must see! The spacious floor plan features 5 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, a formal dining room and formal living room with a fireplace. Great location!</p> <p><b>\$700,000</b></p>	 <p>This is an amazing opportunity to build a once in a life time custom estate. Property is an extremely rare 4 acre lot on Park St. Plus, there is a private marina with a covered boat port, tie poles for large yachts and a private beach.</p> <p><b>\$3,900,000</b></p>

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# Looking Ahead in Largo

• **"So You Think You're a Movie Buff?"**, Friday, July 19, 8 p.m., at the Largo Community Center, 400 Alt. Keene Road, Largo. Black Box Theatre and the Gypsy Stage Repertory will present "So You Think You're a Movie Buff?" The event will offer a "night of fun and unique entertainment where scenes, monologues and iconic one-liners from famous films are performed live with a trivia twist," according to a press release. Attendees may follow along and answer questions and/or name the movie, the actors, character names, movie theme song and more. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. Prizes will be awarded. Call 518-3131 or visit LargoCommunityCenter.com.

• **Colin Hay**, Tuesday, Sept. 24, 7:30 p.m., at the Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$34.50. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. Best known as the lead singer for the platinum selling Australian band "Men At Work" and his 11 solo albums, Colin Hay is happy to announce his 2013 "Finding My Dance" World Tour coming to the Largo Cultural Center. The Largo performance is one of only three dates scheduled for Florida in 2013.

• **Benny Goodman's 75th Anniversary Tribute**, presented by the Capitol Center Jazz Orchestra; Wednesday, Oct. 2, 7:30 p.m., at Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$29.50. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. Jazz clarinetist and Benny Goodman alumnus Ken Peplowski is featured with the highly acclaimed Capitol Center Jazz Orchestra in celebrating the 75th anniversary of Benny Goodman's historical 1938 Carnegie Hall concert. This historic and revolutionary performance claimed a new place for jazz on the American cultural scene and has come to be seen as the most important jazz concert in history. This incredible evening of music will feature numerous classics from Goodman's historic 1938 performance, including "Don't Be That Way," "Memories of You" and the iconic "Sing, Sing, Sing."

• **Gary Wright**, Friday, Oct. 4, 8 p.m., at Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$34.50. Call 587-6793 or

visit largoarts.com. Wright's hit song "Dream Weaver" has been featured in many movies including the "Wayne's World" feature film, "The People vs. Larry Flynt" and "Toy Story 3." Wright has continued to have success on the Billboard charts with "Really Wanna Know You" in 1981 and in 1986, he contributed the song "Hold On to Your Vision" on the soundtrack of Sylvester Stallone's movie "Cobra." "Better By You, Better Than Me," a song written by Wright, was also covered by Judas Priest on their 1978 album "Stained Class." Wright has continued to produce and create records through the decades and you may have seen him recently in 2008 and 2010 touring with Ringo Starr and His All Starr Band.

• **Ambrosia**, Sunday, Oct. 13, 7 p.m., at Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$29.50. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. Ambrosia, five-time Grammy nominee in 1970s and early 1980s, had five Top 40 hit singles including "Biggest Part of Me," "How Much I Feel" and "You're the Only Woman." Opening the show will be Twinkle Schasle and her band. Twinkle is an international singer-songwriter who released her first debut album, "Haunted By Real Life," through Warner Brothers and was produced by songwriter Patrick Leonard. The album garnered much attention on the pop and jazz charts. Her music video, "Can't Get Love With Money" was featured on VH1 where she was a guest VJ on the Top 21 countdown.

• **"Freckleface Strawberry,"** presented by Stages Productions, Saturday, Nov. 9, 11 a.m., at Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$6.50 for children. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. Based on the beloved New York Times bestselling book by celebrated actress Julianne Moore, "Freckleface Strawberry" teaches kids to learn and love the skin they are in. In this beloved story, Freckleface Strawberry will do anything to get rid of her freckles - from scrubbing them with soap, to caking on makeup, and even wearing a ski mask to school. With the help of her loveable

schoolmates, Freckleface learns that everyone is different - and that's what makes everyone special.

• **Roger McGuinn**, Friday, Nov. 22, 8 p.m., at Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$29.50. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. McGuinn, one of the founding members of The Byrds, is known as an innovator for merging folk and rock music in the 1960s. Prior to forming The Byrds, Roger toured and performed folk music with the Limelitters, Chad Mitchell Trio and Bobby Darin as a guitarist and banjo player. His music has been a staple on the music charts as well as many movie soundtracks. Some hits singles include "Turn! Turn! Turn!," "Eight Miles High" and "Mr. Tambourine Man."

• **Diane Schuur**, Sunday, Nov. 24, 7 p.m., at the Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$34.50. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. Schuur is a two-time Grammy winner for Best Jazz Vocal Performance - Female and has a total of five Grammy nominations to her name. She has performed at some of the world's most prestigious venues including the Carnegie Hall and the White House. She has also toured the world performing with greats such as Quincy Jones, Stan Getz, B.B. King, Dizzy Gillespie, Maynard Ferguson, Ray Charles, Joe Williams and Stevie Wonder.

• **Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats**, Sunday, Dec. 1, 2 and 7 p.m., at Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$24.50. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. The Golden Dragon Acrobats represent the best of a time-honored tradition that began more than 25 centuries ago. This amazing group combines award-winning acrobatics, traditional dance, spectacular costumes, ancient and contemporary music and theatrical techniques to present a show of breathtaking skill and spellbinding beauty.

• **A Russian Christmas performed by the State Choir of Russia**, Tuesday, Dec. 17, 7 p.m., at the Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$29.50. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. Celebrate the holiday season with this unique cultural experience. This company of 45 singers was founded from the merger of the USSR State Chamber Choir and State Symphony Orchestra of the USSR. Music critics have praised this spectacular group and rave of the flawless vocal technique and crystal-clear, precise intonation.

• **Victor Wooten** with special guest Stu Hamm, Friday, Jan. 3, 8 p.m., at the Largo Cultural Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo. Tickets start at \$29.50. Call 587-6793 or visit largoarts.com. Five-time Grammy award winner, Wooten is known for his solo recordings, tours and as a member of the Grammy-winning super group, Bela Fleck & The Flecktones. He has won most every major award given to a bass guitarist. Wooten was voted Bassist of the Year by Bass Player Magazine three times and is the only person to have won the award more than once. Hamm has firmly established himself as one of the most influential electric bassists of the past half-century. Hamm helped to reshape the contemporary concept of the bass guitar as an unaccompanied instrument with the utilization of polyphonic, two-handed tapping, slapping and popping techniques, chords, and harmonics.

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Thursday through Saturday, 8 p.m. Matinees are Sunday, 4 p.m. Tickets are \$28.

• **Florida Folk with Pete Gallagher, Pat Barmore and Elan Chalford**: Friday, July 12, 8 p.m., at Tarpon Springs Cultural Center, 101 South Pinellas Ave., Tarpon Springs. Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$10 for members and students. Call 942-5605 or visit www.tarponarts.org.

Florida singer-songwriter Pete Gallagher on bass joins up with guitarist Pat Barmore and fiddler Elan Chalford to perform original songs and favorite folk ballads. Gallagher, a Florida native, is co-host of the popular WMNF radio's Saturday morning Florida Folk Show. A regular performer at the Florida Folk Festival every year since 1971, he has penned many Florida-themed tunes, among them "Bobby Hicks," "Chokoloskee," and "Raiford."

• **Kathy Griffin**, Saturday, July 13, 8 p.m., at Ruth Eckerd Hall, 1111 McMullen Booth Road, Clearwater. Tickets start at \$52.50. Call 791-7400 or visit www.rutheckerdhal.com. Griffin - two-time Emmy winner, New York Times bestselling author, five-time Grammy nominee, Broadway darling, 2009's GLAAD Vanguard recipient and 2011 Trevor Project Life Award honoree - returns to Ruth Eckerd Hall. This will be Kathy's eighth appearance at Ruth Eckerd Hall, making audiences laugh for years discussing Hollywood gossip and celebrity blunders.

• **2PM: Pete Price, Pete Hennings and Mike Jurgensen**: Saturday, July 13, 8 p.m., at Tarpon Springs Cultural Center, 101 South Pinellas Ave., Tarpon Springs. Cost is \$16 for adults and \$14 for members and students. Call 942-5605 or visit www.tarponarts.org. 2PM is Pete Price, Pete Hennings, and Mike Jurgensen, a trio of talented musicians who blend their varied musical talents into an eclectic mix of material, from original songs to well-known standards by the Beatles and the Everly Brothers, from country to contemporary folk. With Jurgensen on guitar, Price on guitar and bass, and Hennings on guitar, bass, mandolin, and violin, these three performers combine tight instrumentation with pristine vocal harmonies to delight audiences of all musical tastes. 2PM's new CD, "Let's Just Play One More," recorded by WMNF's Bill Dudley, combines familiar standards such as Crosby, Stills & Nash's "Guinevere" and Cowboy's "Please Be With Me," with songs written by friends and 2PM originals, featuring the trio's signature harmony vocals and musicianship.

## Crossword

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### Across

- Adjust
- Large brown seaweeds
- Causing fear
- Guiding light
- Egg-shaped instrument
- Make clear by special emphasis (2 wds)
- Drivel
- Graduation cap adornments
- \_\_\_-Atlantic
- Edible root of the taro plant
- \_\_\_ apso (dog)
- "Unforgettable" singer
- Bakery supply
- \_\_\_ and outs
- Doha's land
- Removes gas from a tank with a hose
- Exterior
- Boxing front row seats
- Brouhaha
- Infinite
- Stratagems
- Parenthesis, essentially
- Punish by hanging without trial
- Brinks
- Artificial leg?
- 100 cents
- "Rocks"
- Methane produced from renewable resources, e.g.
- Come together
- Assign an incorrect name
- Coated in flour
- Formicary
- Decorates with gold leaf
- Objectives
- Loudness units

### Down

- Amusement park features
- February 29 (2 wds)
- Toni Morrison's "\_\_\_ Baby"
- Cut, maybe
- Kidney-related
- Aussie "bear"
- "Desire Under the \_\_\_"
- "Well, \_\_\_-di-dah!"
- Ballyhoo
- Like
- Stupid
- Spirited
- Iron
- Exodus commemoration
- Gothic typeface (2 wds)
- Fish hawks
- Colorful marble (2 wds)
- Dilutes
- Suppress
- "\_\_\_ moment"
- "That's \_\_\_..."
- Add as part of something else
- Cutting from a larger piece
- Awakens (2 wds)
- Nestle
- Diatribes
- \_\_\_ donna
- Bikini, e.g.
- Contains
- Beverly \_\_\_, operatic soprano
- Graceful fliers
- Get-out-of-jail money
- \_\_\_-mutton
- When doubled, a dance
- Kipling's "Gunga \_\_\_"

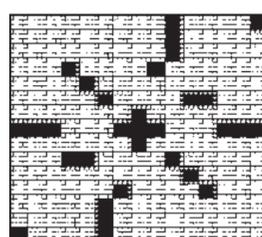
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## Sudoku answers from last week

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## Crossword answers from last week



## Horoscopes

July 11, 2013

### Capricorn

December 22 - January 19

Diplomacy is required to settle a dispute. Don't go in without it, Capricorn. Less is more when it comes to the décor at home. Tone it down a bit.

### Aquarius

January 20 - February 18

A trip out of town sheds new light on an old problem. You have all of the pieces of the puzzle. You just need to put them together, Aquarius.

### Pisces

February 19 - March 20

Your record keeping is out of control, Pisces. You don't need to keep every scrap of paper. Curb your efforts in order to focus on what's really important.

### Aries

March 21 - April 19

Rise and fall, Aries. It's inevitable, so don't let the roller coaster ride get to you this week. Enjoy the ride, and next week will be better. A memo piques curiosity.

### Taurus

April 20 - May 20

You're definitely a goal-setter, and this week, you will reach several, thanks to a new addition. Enjoy the accolades, Taurus. A health issue improves.

### Gemini

May 21 - June 21

Greener efforts at home make a big impact on your bottom line as well as on Mother Earth. Spread the word, Gemini, and keep the momentum going.

### Cancer

June 22 - July 22

Workspaces start to look tired and old. Spruce them up, and watch the creativity grow, Cancer. A romantic gesture is reciprocated tenfold.

### Leo

July 23 - August 22

Lucky Leo. The tide turns in your favor, and you experience much success at home and at work. A relative poses an intriguing question.

### Virgo

August 23 - September 22

Been there, done that, Virgo. Time to break out of the box! A fitness goal is reached. A dietary goal, on the other hand, could use some work.

### Libra

September 23 - October 22

Cheer up, Libra. Some things are just not meant to be. An invitation takes you by surprise—go! You'll have more fun than a barrel of monkeys.

### Scorpio

October 23 - November 21

Money woes come to an end with a little budget crunching and some extra cash. Clear your schedule for a mini getaway, Scorpio. An email pushes the envelope.

### Sagittarius

November 22 - December 21

Shoot, Sagittarius. You're a generous soul for sure, but you don't have to help everyone who crosses your path. Learn to say no, especially to a friend who keeps asking.

# Opening this weekend

'Grown Ups 2' stars Sandler, James; del Toro awakens kaiju in 'Pacific Rim'

Compiled by LEE CLARK ZUMPE

A number of new movies will hit theaters this week, including the following films opening in wide release:

## 'Grown Ups 2'

Genre: Comedy  
 Cast: Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Chris Rock, David Spade, Salma Hayek, Maya Rudolph, Maria Bello and Nick Swardson  
 Director: Dennis Dugan  
 Rated: PG-13  
 The all-star comedy cast from "Grown Ups" returns (with some exciting new additions) for more summertime laughs.  
 Lenny (Adam Sandler) has relocated his family back to the small town where he and his friends grew up.  
 This time around, the grown ups are the ones learning lessons from their kids on a day notoriously full of surprises: the last day of school.

## 'Pacific Rim'

Genre: Action and science fiction  
 Cast: Charlie Hunnam, Idris Elba, Rinko Kikuchi, Charlie Day, Ron Perlman, Robert Kazinsky, Max Martini, Clifton Collins, Jr., Burn Gorman, Larry Joe Campbell, Brad William Henke and Diego Klattenhoff  
 Director: Guillermo del Toro  
 Rated: PG-13  
 When legions of monstrous creatures, known as Kaiju, started rising from the sea, a war began that would take millions of lives and consume humanity's resources for years on end.  
 To combat the giant Kaiju, a special type of weapon was devised: massive robots, called Jaegers, which are controlled simultaneously by two pilots whose minds are locked in a neural



Above, Charlie Hunnam, left, stars as Raleigh Becket and Mana Ashida as Young Mako in the sci-fi action adventure Warner Bros. Pictures and Legendary Pictures "Pacific Rim," a Warner Bros. Pictures release. Top right, from left, David Spade stars as Marcus Higgins, Adam Sandler as Lenny Feder, Chris Rock as Kurt McKenzi and Kevin James as Eric Lamonsoff, in Columbia Pictures' "Grown Ups 2."

bridge. But even the Jaegers are proving nearly defenseless in the face of the relentless Kaiju. On the verge of defeat, the forces defending mankind have no choice but to turn to two unlikely heroes – a washed up former pilot (Charlie Hunnam) and an untested trainee (Rinko Kikuchi) – who are teamed to drive a legendary but seemingly obsolete Jaeger from the past.  
 Together, they stand as mankind's last hope against the mounting apocalypse.

The following will open in limited release. It may be several weeks before these films appear in local movie theaters.

## 'Crystal Fairy'

Genre: Comedy and drama  
 Cast: Michael Cera, Gaby Hoffmann, Juan Andrés Silva, José Miguel Silva and Agustín Silva  
 Director: Sebastián Silva  
 Not rated  
 In this freewheeling comedy from the director of "The Maid," Michael Cera stars as Jamie, a shaggy, boorish young American traveling through Chile.  
 While searching for a rare hallucinogen – the famed San Pedro cactus – with a trio of Chilean brothers, Jamie invites a mysterious hippie (Gaby Hoffmann) along for the ride, but her free-spirited personality quickly clashes with his self-absorption.

When they head for the beach, Jamie's big trip starts taking surprising turns.

## 'Fruitvale Station'

Genre: Drama  
 Cast: Michael B. Jordan, Octavia Spencer, Melonie Diaz, Ahna O'Reilly, Kevin Durand and Chad Michael Murray  
 Director: Ryan Coogler  
 Not rated  
 Winner of both the Grand Jury Prize for dramatic feature and the Audience Award for U.S. dramatic film at the 2013 Sundance Film Festival, director Ryan Coogler's "Fruitvale Station" follows the

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# TBBCA seeks nominations for Impact Awards

Tampa Bay Businesses for Culture and the Arts is seeking nominations for the 19th annual Impact Awards, recognizing area businesses, professionals and nonprofit organizations for outstanding support of arts and culture in the Tampa Bay area.

Nominations will be accepted until Thursday, July 18, 5 p.m. Business and individual honorees will be selected based on such criteria as scope of involvement or support, impact of contribution, originality and level or depth of service. Nonprofit honorees will be selected based on program innovation, outstanding business practices or neighborhood revitalization.

The TBBCA has the longest running annual awards program that recognizes local businesses, professionals and nonprofit organizations for supporting area arts and culture. Last year's Impact Award recipients included Bamboozle Café; Bush Ross, P.A.; Hyatt Regency Clearwater Beach Resort & Spa; Abbey Dohring, vice president of brokerage for The Dohring Group; John Toppe of Toppe Consultants Inc.; Warren Rodgers and Dr. Zena Landsky; Creative Clay; Friends of the Arts and MOSI.

To make a nomination or self-nomination, visit [www.tbcca.org/imagess/pdf/2013%20impact%20awards%20nomination%20form%20and%20guidelines.pdf](http://www.tbcca.org/imagess/pdf/2013%20impact%20awards%20nomination%20form%20and%20guidelines.pdf). Email the completed form to [jenniferdouglas@tbcca.org](mailto:jenniferdouglas@tbcca.org).

This year's recipients will be honored at the TBBCA 19th annual Impact Awards & Save the Arts Benefit, set for Thursday, Oct. 24, at The Vinoy Resort and Golf Club Sunset Ballroom on Snell Isle. The event also will celebrate The Charlie Houchell Art Stars Scholarship program named after the late Charlie Houchell, former TBBCA president and founder of the scholarship program. The benefit will honor Houchell for his exceptional leadership and impact on the Tampa Bay arts community.

Advanced tickets are available for \$99 for adults and \$89 for artists or nonprofits. Visit [www.tbcca.org](http://www.tbcca.org) or call 813-221-2787. The ticket price will increase to \$110 for adults and \$99 for artists or nonprofits after Oct. 11.

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Ariana Neal and Michael B. Jordan star in "Fruitvale Station," from the Weinstein Company.

## MUSIC, from page 1B

"Fan's in movies theaters across the country simply loved Josh's original, live concert event broadcast this past February," said Dan Diamond, senior vice president for NCM Fathom Events. "For one more night, Josh Groban fans can experience that magic again and see new bonus features created for this encore performance that will leave them wanting even more."

Groban has sold more than 25 million albums and DVDs worldwide, and ranks as Billboard's 14th top-selling artist of the 2000s.

### 'Springsteen and I'

NCM Fathom Events and Arts Alliance Media have partnered to present "Springsteen and I," an inspiring documentary celebrating Bruce Springsteen.

The documentary will be shown in select movie theaters nationwide on Monday, July 22, 7:30 p.m. An encore presentation will be Tuesday, July 30, 7:30 p.m.

Locally, "Springsteen and I" will be presented at Woodland Square 20, 3128 Tampa Road, Oldsmar; and Park Place Stadium 16, 7200 U.S. 19, Pinellas Park.

With more than 120 million albums sold worldwide and numerous awards, including a staggering 20 Grammy Awards, Springsteen's music defines a generation.

In celebration of 40 years of iconic music, "Springsteen and I" will take audiences on an emotional journey through the personal insights and reflections of their fellow Springsteen fans according to NCM Fathom Events. Directed by Baillie Walsh and produced by Ridley

Scott Associates and Mr. Wolf, "Springsteen and I" incorporates the efforts of more than 2,000 fans around the world who submitted personal video clips to make the ultimate collective filmmaking experience about how Springsteen and his music became the soundtrack to so many lives.

Including Springsteen performing some of his greatest hits and exclusive never-before-seen archival concert footage, the cinema event features unreleased big-screen performance highlights from the London Hard Rock Calling Wrecking Ball tour and a behind-the-scenes fan meet-and-greet with their hero.

"This beautifully crafted film provides a unique insight into the powerful bond between a recording artist and those who connect so profoundly with his music," said Ridley Scott in a press release promoting the film. "Springsteen and I" is totally unique - audiences have never seen Bruce and his influence presented like this before," said Dan Diamond, senior vice president of business development for Fathom Events. "This Fathom Event is a rare opportunity for fans to gather together in movie theaters, experience and share their love of all things 'Bruce' - as it was produced by the fans, for the fans."

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### 'Sunshine Daydream'

This summer, fans across the United States will get to see a highly sought-after 1972 Grateful Dead show captured on film when NCM Fathom Events presents the previously unreleased concert "Sunshine Daydream" as part of "Grateful Dead Meet Up at the Movies 2013."

"Sunshine Daydream" will be broadcast to select movie theaters nationwide on Thursday, Aug. 1, 7:30 p.m. local time. Locally, the film will be presented at Woodland Square 20, 3128 Tampa Road, Oldsmar; and Park Place Stadium 16, 7200 U.S. 19, Pinellas Park.

According to NCM Fathom Events, "Sunshine Daydream" spotlights the band's epic performance against a pastoral background in the Oregon countryside. Shot originally on 16mm film and painstakingly restored to HD resolution, this special event encapsulates the quintessential Dead Head experience and documents the band's performance at the Oregon Country Fair in the summer of 1972.

Special features include never-before-seen footage of the concert day as well as recently recorded interviews with key participants such as Ken Babbs, Sam Cutler, Wavy Gravy and Carolyn "Mountain Girl" Garcia. The host of adventuresome characters provides insight on the sense of community that made possible a special day when the culture came together to help raise money to keep the local town's Springfield Creamery afloat.

With appearances by key members of the Grateful Dead community, including masters of ceremony Ken Kesey and Babbs, and a cavalcade of cohorts and Merry Pranksters, "Sunshine Daydream" stands as the definitive document of the phenomena that changed the lives of millions forever, and proved to the world that there's truly nothing like a Grateful Dead concert.

The playlist contains all new Stereo and 5.1 Audio mixes done by Jeffrey Norman at TRI Studios in San Rafael, Calif. and mastered by Grammy-winning engineer David Glasser at Air Show Mastering in Boulder, Colo. Songs include the tracks "Bird Song," "China Cat Sunflower," "Dark Star," "Greatest Story Ever Told," "Jack Straw," "Playing In The Band," "Promised Land," "El Paso," "Sing Me Back Home," and "I Know You Rider."

"Fathom heard the requests of Dead Heads everywhere, and with this third annual 'Grateful Dead Meet Up at the Movies,' we're giving them the most

sought-after experience of their favorite band," said Dan Diamond, senior vice president of NCM Fathom Events. "For one night in movie theaters nationwide, the magic of 'Sunshine Daydream' will become a reality once again."

### Crossroads Guitar Festival

If that trio of screenings fails to satisfy, NCM Fathom Events has another show scheduled in August for guitar aficionados.

NCM Fathom Events will present "Eric Clapton's Crossroads Guitar Festival 2013" on Tuesday, Aug. 13, 7:30 p.m., in select cinemas nationwide. Local theater screenings have not yet been confirmed.

Captured across two nights at Madison Square Garden, the Crossroads Guitar Festival offers a variety of legendary guitarists performing a mix of sultry blues, classic rock and country jams. While Madison Square Garden is an epic arena, the concert remains intimate as Clapton and others collaborate on a sampling of the greatest hits of their careers. Presented to benefit Crossroads Centre, a drug treatment and education facility in Antigua founded by Clapton, each concert has become a jam session of Clapton's closest friends and music's biggest stars - where anything can unfold onstage. This year's concert welcomed an impromptu visit from Keith Richards.

Other performing artists include the Allman Brothers Band, Blake Mills, Booker T., Buddy Guy, Derek Trucks, Doyle Bramhall II, Eric Clapton, Gary Clark Jr., Gregg Allman, Jeff Beck, John Mayer, Keith Urban, Los Lobos, Robert Cray, Sonny Landreth, Vince Gill and Warren Haynes.

In addition to legendary guitar performances, cinema audiences will be treated to exclusive behind-the-scenes footage from this year's Crossroads Guitar Festival.

## OPENING, from page 3B

true story of Oscar Grant (Michael B. Jordan), a 22-year-old San Francisco Bay area resident who wakes up on the morning of December 31, 2008 and feels something in the air.

Not sure what it is, he takes it as a sign to get a head start on his resolutions: being a better son to his mother (Octavia Spencer), whose birthday falls on New Year's Eve, being a better partner to his girlfriend Sophina (Melonie Diaz), who he hasn't been completely honest with as of late, and being a better father to Tatiana (Ariana Neal), their beautiful 4-year-old daughter.

Crossing paths with friends, family, and strangers, Oscar starts out well, but as the day goes on, he realizes that change is not going to come easily. His resolve takes a tragic turn, however, when BART officers shoot him in cold blood at the Fruitvale subway stop on New Year's Day. Oscar's life and tragic death would shake the city - and the entire nation - to its very core.

### 'The Hunt'

Genre: Drama  
Cast: Mads Mikkelsen, Thomas Bo Larsen, Annika Wedderkopp and Lasse Fogelström  
Director: Thomas Vinterberg  
Rated: R

Directed and co-written by Thomas Vinterberg, "The Hunt" is a disturbing depiction of how a lie becomes the truth when gossip, doubt and malice are allowed to flourish and ignite a witch-hunt that soon threatens to destroy an innocent man's life.

Mads Mikkelsen won the Best Actor Award at the 2012 Cannes Film Festival for his penetrating portrayal of Lucas, a former schoolteacher who has been forced to start over having overcome a tough divorce and the loss of his job. Just as things are starting to go his way, his life is shattered when an untruthful remark throws his small community into a collective state of hysteria. As the lie spreads, Lucas is forced to fight a lonely fight for his life and dignity.

### 'V/H/S/2'

Genre: Horror and thriller  
Directors: Simon Barrett, Adam Wingard, Eduardo Sanchez, Gregg Hale, Timo Tjahjanto, Gareth Evans and Jason Eisener  
Not rated

Inside a darkened house looms a column of TVs littered with VHS tapes, a pagan shrine to forgotten analog gods.

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From the demented minds that brought you last year's "V/H/S" comes "V/H/S/2," an all-new anthology of dread, madness, and gore. This follow-up ventures even further down the demented path blazed by its predecessor, discovering new and terrifying territory in the genre. This is modern horror at its most inventive, shrewdly subverting our expectations about viral videos in ways that are just as satisfying as they are sadistic. The result is the rarest of all tapes - a second generation with no loss of quality.

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Briefs

Simple Theatre presents 'Good Egg'

ST. PETERSBURG – A Simple Theatre Company, St. Petersburg's newest professional theater, will present "Good Egg," by Dorothy Fortenberry, running July 11 to 28, at the Binger Theatre on the Eckerd College campus, 4200 54th Ave. S.

Performances will be Thursdays through Saturdays, 8 p.m.; and Sundays, 2 p.m. General admission is \$25. Call 242-4691 or visit www.asimpletheatre.org.

Responsible Meg has always taken care of her bipolar younger brother Matt. But when she decides to get pregnant and have her embryos screened for bipolar disorder, is she taking the idea of "being responsible" too far?

"Good Egg" is a funny and surprising play about bioethics, siblings, and the limits of unconditional love. The production will be directed by artistic director, Gavin Hawk, and will star Meg Heimstead and Christopher Jackson.

Created by Tampa Bay area artists, A Simple Theatre in residence at Eckerd College is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization founded on the belief that great theater is rooted in the simplicity of compelling stories told by talented storytellers. Focusing on excellent acting, intelligent direction, elegant design, and brilliant modern playwrights, the company seeks to challenge, provoke, and emotionally engage the audience.

SCIPS to host Christmas dance party

CLEARWATER – St. Cecilia's Inter-Parish Singles will host a Christmas in July dance party from 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, July 13, at Colreavy Hall at 820 Jasmine Way, where the "Just Two Duo" will perform live music.

The dance is open to the public and admission is \$7. There will be free prizes at the door. Ice and cups will be provided and water and soda will be available. Dressy casual attire is required and jeans, T-shirts and shorts are not permitted. Christmas attire is optional. Call 461-7104.

TI Art Guild offers portrait workshop

TREASURE ISLAND – The Treasure Island Art Guild's Friday morning portrait workshop will be meeting for the summer months at Suntan Arts Center, 3300 Gulf Blvd., St. Pete Beach, next to the Don CeSar Hotel.

The workshop is offered Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to noon. The meeting day and times will remain the same through August. 9:30 to noon. Members and nonmembers are welcome to attend.

For information, call Pete Garino at 345-4150 or visit www.TreasureIslandArtGuild.org.

Venue offers acting classes

PINELLAS PARK – Venue Theatre and Actors Studio offers free acting classes for adults on Monday evenings, 7 to 10 p.m., at 9125 U.S. 19 N.

The classes are designed for those who considered taking up acting as a hobby or avocation as well as those who are shy or just plain

Fourth celebrations



Photo by TOM GERMOND

Above, Karla Stark gets ready to release a bocce ball as her son, Adam, and husband, Mark, look on. The family from Jacksonville was vacationing at Indian Rocks Beach and enjoyed an outing on the sand July 4. At right, enjoying the bounce house at the Bluffs July 4th event at the Community Center are city Commissioner Taylour Shimkus' children, front to back, Madelyn, 6, Brooke, 4, and Landon, 2.



Photo by NANCY AYERS

scared of speaking in front of people.

Those interested may attend a free class any Monday, 7 to 10 p.m. For information, call 822-6194.

Gulfport Art Walks go year-round

GULFPORT – Gulfport Art Walks take place on the first Friday and third Saturday of every month, year-round, 6 to 10 p.m., along the city's waterfront art district on South Beach Boulevard.

Those attending can meet and purchase the works of independent

artists, craftsmen, authors and entertainers.

Live musicians including the New Horizons Band and the Double M Band appear at venues throughout the waterfront district. Visitors can view the stars through St. Pete Astronomy Club's state-of-the-art telescopes, weather permitting, every first Friday.

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