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A new villain threatens to end the campaign to bring Supers back, and the Parrs fight back. ... Page 1B.

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### SPORTS



## Tiger left mark on Innisbrook Resort

Tiger Woods is not only one of the most decorated professional golfers of all time, he's also one of the most recognized celebrities in the world. So, it should come as no surprise that the 14-time major champion's inclusion in the field for the 2018 Valspar Championship at Innisbrook Golf Resort in March broke all sorts of records in terms of attendance, television viewership and charitable dollars raised.

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### COUNTY

## Ferry to test the waters in Dunedin

Starting the first weekend in July, there will be a new seafaring way to travel between Clearwater Beach and Dunedin's trendy downtown, when the Clearwater Ferry sets sail on its voyages to the Dunedin Marina. At their June 5 meeting, Dunedin commissioners unanimously approved a one-year pilot program that will allow ferry operators to test the waters of whether it is financially feasible for them to provide service on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, from noon to 10 p.m.

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### OUTDOORS

## Largo fisherman takes Lionfish prize

Michael DeRemer of Largo is among a dozen people who have won cash or prizes in this year's statewide Lionfish Challenge. DeRemer received \$500 for helping to remove the invasive fish from Florida waters in a contest sponsored by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

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### ENTERTAINMENT

## Creative Pinellas to host exhibition

Creative Pinellas will present "90N: North Pole Installations and Florida Is," an exhibition of artwork by internationally-acclaimed artist Xavier Cortada, running June 29 through Sept. 2, in the gallery at Creative Pinellas, 12211 Walsingham Road, Largo.

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### VIEWPOINTS

## Joe Henderson

It doesn't get easier for the Democrats' front-runner for governor.

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# a Budding Business



Photos by CHRIS GEORGE

The Surterra Wellness Center became the first medical marijuana dispensary in Largo when it opened its doors May 17 at 10761 Ulmerton Road. It offers a variety of cannabis-based palliatives, top, including patches, oils, vaporizer pens, lotions and sprays.

Operators of Largo's first medical marijuana dispensary say transition into the city has been seamless

By CHRIS GEORGE • Tampa Bay Newspapers

**S**ome might find it ironic that Largo's first medical marijuana dispensary has opened across the street from the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office headquarters on Ulmerton Road.

Don't count Frank Koulianos, manager of the Surterra Wellness Center, among them. In fact, the former Hillsborough County firefighter/paramedic enjoys it.

"If anything, I love being across from the Sheriff's Office because it provides what I believe to be an extra bit of security for us," he said.

Surterra became one of seven dispensaries in Pinellas County when it opened its doors May 17, and Koulianos said it has made a seamless transition into the community thus far. But there is still a learning curve.

The building was previously a Subway restaurant, he said, so a few people have wondered in without paying attention expecting to get a sandwich.

See SURTERRA, page 4A

I'm sure there are people out there who might have their opinion on this, but if they came in and saw what we're doing here and saw the clientele, they might have a very different opinion than they did prior. I think the stigma is being broken."



— Frank Koulianos, manager of the Surterra Wellness Center in Largo and a former Hillsborough County firefighter/paramedic

### LARGO FIRE RESCUE

## Schubert passes on fire chief finalists

City manager says process didn't result in clear choice, will begin recruiting again

By CHRIS GEORGE  
Tampa Bay Newspapers

LARGO — After a nationwide search for a new fire chief that produced 60 applicants, City Manager Henry Schubert said in an email June 12 that none of the three finalists were the right fit and the city will start the recruitment process over.

"All three had the qualifications to perform the job," Schubert wrote. "The interview process did not result in a clear choice for the position."

Schubert said the city received a total of 60 applications, 14 of which had the minimum qualifications for the position, which oversees the department's 130-plus sworn firefighters and is responsible for policy and long-term planning and managing the day-to-day operations of the organization.

The finalists were Joseph Pennino, who has been serving as interim chief since

See CHIEF, page 6A

### CITY COMMISSION

## LPD, schools broker deal for officers

Pair of charter schools agree to fully fund SROs

By CHRIS GEORGE  
Tampa Bay Newspapers

LARGO — Public elementary schools in the city won't have sworn police officers patrolling their campuses, but two charter schools will after brokering a deal with the Largo Police Department to provide reserve officers.

Deputy Police Chief Michael Loux discussed the deal June 5 with city commissioners, who praised the department and leaders of Pinellas Academy of Math and Science and Pinellas Preparatory Academy for approaching the city about paying the roughly \$69,000 needed for the officers.

See SCHOOLS, page 5A

### REGULATING FIREARMS

## County hesitant to pull trigger on gun lawsuit

Officials may consider legal action against the state

By SUZETTE PORTER  
Tampa Bay Newspapers

CLEARWATER — Pinellas County Commissioner Janet Long is concerned about home rule authority and the separation of powers as it pertains to local governments' ability to regulate firearms.

Long brought the matter to the Commission on June 5 and asked County Attorney Jewel White to present information on other municipalities and counties that are filing lawsuits against the state's preemption of local ordinances regulating firearms.

The State Legislature "enhanced" the preemption of firearms and ammunition in 2011 by "striking the existing limited exemptions and including specific penalties for violations of preemption," according to a memo from Managing Assistant County Attorney Christy Donovan sent to commissioners May 25.

According to Donovan's memo, prohibitions and penalties include:

- Civil fines up to \$5,000 against elected or appointed local government officials under whose jurisdictions a knowing and willful violation, through the adoption of an improper local ordinance

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### Class in session for aspiring mermaids



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## City Briefs

### Largo wins Environmental Stewardship Award

LARGO – The Florida League of Cities recognized the city of Largo for paving the way for innovation and excellence by naming it a 2018 winner of the 10th annual Florida Municipal Achievement Awards, taking the top spot in the Environmental Stewardship Award for its annual Freecycle event.

During the event, city staff collected items donated from residents and created a “marketplace” featuring items such as clothing, books, school supplies, kids toys and more.

Residents were then invited to “shop” for free using a recycled, reusable bag, helping to provide them with needed resources and keeping items out of the landfill.

The FLC also honored Clermont with the City Spirit Award and Miami Beach with the Florida Citizenship Award, and all three cities will receive a trophy.

“For the past decade, the Florida Municipal Achievement Awards have recognized cities that create standout programs to better serve their communities,” said Tallahassee City Commissioner and Florida League of Cities President Gil Ziffer in a press release. “These programs are perfect examples of cities at work, and the League is proud to recognize this year’s award winners for their success.”

To learn more about the next Freecycle event, contact Largo Recycles at [Recycle@Largo.com](mailto:Recycle@Largo.com) or visit [LargoRecycles.com](http://LargoRecycles.com).

### Reconstruction project to close two roads

LARGO – Work on the Clearwater-Largo Road reconstruction project will lead to two road closures in the coming week.

According to city engineers, the contractor will be performing full-depth reclamation to reconstruct the roads from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Wednesday, June 20, at the following locations:

- 11th Street Northwest from 8th Avenue Northwest to 4th Avenue Northwest
- 10th Street Northwest from 8th Avenue Northwest to 6th Avenue Northwest.



Photo courtesy of CITY OF LARGO

Scores of residents flooded the Largo Public Library for annual Freecycle event. The Florida League of Cities honored the city for the event by awarding it its Environmental Stewardship Award.

### Sewer repairs to close lanes of Ulmerton Road

LARGO – Sanitary sewer repairs will lead to nighttime lane closures on Ulmerton Road, according to city engineers.

A utility contractor will be performing the repairs at two locations from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Saturday, June 16:

- The westbound northern lane of Ulmerton Road at Tall Pines Drive
- The westbound right-turn of Ulmerton Road at Starkey Road.

### Highland, Southwest offering after-school care

LARGO – The city of Largo’s Recreation, Parks and Arts Department is now offering after-school care at Southwest and Highland recreation complexes. During their time in after care, kids will rotate every 30-45 minutes through fun activities, such as karate, tennis, STEM, cooking, yoga, Zumba, archery, fishing, crafts and more. Children also can take advantage of homework help.

Transportation to facilities is available for the following schools:

To Highland Recreation, 400 Highland Ave. NE.: Ponce, Belcher, Fuguitt, Pinellas Preparatory Academy and Pinellas Academy of Math & Science.

To Southwest Recreation, 13120 Vonn Road: Mildred Helms, Anona, Oakhurst and Plato Academy-Seminole.

Register to reserve a spot. The cost is \$75 each week and Early Learning Coalition funding is accepted.

For more information, visit [PlayLargo.com/Childcare](http://PlayLargo.com/Childcare) or call Highland at 727-518-3016 or Southwest at 727-518-3125.

### Parks and Rec Department seeking feedback

LARGO – The Recreation, Parks and Arts Department is inviting the public to provide feedback on a variety of topics during a community input meeting 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, June 14, at Largo Community Center, 400 Alt. Keene Road.

The session assists the department in evaluating its programs and facilities and planning for the future needs and interests of the community.

Members of the RPA Advocacy Board will conduct the sessions with support from city staff. An electronic survey will be sent later in the month for those unable to participate

### City invites artists to participate in event

LARGO – Largo’s Recreation Department is accepting artist applications for the inaugural Art in the Park event that will be held Sept. 8 in Largo Central Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Art in the Park will be an opportunity for artists to exhibit their works, all which must be original, handmade and hand-crafted pieces throughout the park. Interactive and visual artists are invited to submit three photos showcasing their work to the Review Committee. All applications will be reviewed before approval by the committee, including panelists from the local art community, Creative Pinellas, Beach Art Center, Largo High School and the city.

The application deadline is July 13. Complete applications should be emailed to [SpecialEvents@largo.com](mailto:SpecialEvents@largo.com).

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or administrative rule, occurred;

- The express prohibition against using public funds to defend or reimburse "the unlawful conduct of any person found to have knowingly and willfully violated" the preemption;
- The legislative finding that a knowing and willful violation by "any person in an official capacity for any entity enacting or causing to be enforced" a local ordinance, rule or regulation that is preempted shall be cause for termination of employment/contract or removal from office by the governor; and
- Award of the prevailing party's reasonable attorney's fees, including a contingency fee multiplier, actual damages incurred of \$100,000 or less, plus interest.

Donovan's memo says that the only action county commissioners could take without violating the preemption would be to extend the waiting period to purchase firearms from three days to five days. Any

further restrictions would subject commissioners to penalties.

White said the legislation is specific to firearms and is the only thing on the books with such "draconian consequences." She said a number of municipalities and a couple counties were filing lawsuits contesting the legislations' infringement of separation of powers. She recommended that if the commission wanted to file a lawsuit, it consider filing an independent one because issues relating to the county were different from those of municipalities.

Donovan's memo detailed a lawsuit filed by Palm Beach County in 2012 contending that allowing the governor to remove a county commissioner from office was unconstitutional and violated the separate of powers doctrine. Palm Beach County won, but the court said that the ruling only applied to Palm Beach commissioners.

Donovan and White recommended that Pinellas commissioners first pass a

resolution outlining what legislation the Commission would like to pass but cannot due to the state's preemption and penalties. Donovan included a resolution adopted by Broward County as an example.

In the resolution, Broward County stated it would like to adopt resolutions and enact ordinances to restrict and regulate firearms and ammunition and was authorizing filing of litigation challenging the constitutionality of the state's gun laws.

Commissioner Charlie Justice said he was "hesitant" to take action because the Commission had not yet talked about the matter. He was also concerned about how much "staff power" would be needed. He suggested waiting to see how "Broward fares" before moving forward.

Commission Chair Ken Welch said he supported the "concept," but also wanted more discussion before taking action. He said he had "a lot of questions" he needed answers to first and wanted to understand existing state

regulations.

The consensus was to hold a work session on the matter in the near future.

Long asked commissioners to look at the "broader perspective," adding, "The issue of firearms in our community is front and center."

"We've been hearing horrific stories about students being shot," she said. "It doesn't feel right as the highest elected officials in our county to not even be having a discussion on what we can do. We are the policy makers. It is our job to protect citizens in our community."

She would like to have a "deep discussion" on the issue. She questioned what else could "come up" that would tie local government's hands to enact laws protecting its citizens.

"This is America," Long said. "We're supposed to have free speech."

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**Around Largo****SPCA to host Pet Walk Kick-off Party**

LARGO - A Kick-off Party to celebrate the upcoming 28th annual SPCA Tampa Bay Pet Walk will take place Thursday, June 14, 6 to 8 p.m., at SPCA Tampa Bay, 9099 130th Ave. N., Largo.

The party will feature appetizers, beverages, drawings and more. Get your team together and sign up for Pet Walk at the party. Attendees will learn great ways to recruit team members, raise funds and have a great time doing it.

The event is free. To RSVP, visit [spcatampabay.org/pet-walk-kick-off-party](http://spcatampabay.org/pet-walk-kick-off-party).

**Nonprofit to hold paint and take event**

LARGO - Art Lovers Place Inc. and the Pinellas Gulf Coast PH Support Group will host a Paint and Take event for patients living with pulmonary hypertension as well as for their caregivers and PH medical personnel.

The event will take place Thursday, June 21, noon to 3 p.m., at 1300 Clearwater-Largo Road. Jim Melton, an award-winning fine watercolor artist, will be conducting the workshop. Melton will guide attendees through each step. By the end of the workshop, participants will leave with a finished, matted painting.

Lunch is included. Space is limited to 20 participants. Reservations are required. To RSVP, email [Paint@ArtLoversPlace.org](mailto:Paint@ArtLoversPlace.org) or call 727-518-1300.

This project is supported by a Tom Lantos Innovation in Community Service Award. The Pulmonary Hypertension Association's Tom Lantos Innovation in Community Service Award is funded by Gilead.

**Palms of Largo to host SummerFest for Good**

LARGO - SummerFest for Good will take place Saturday, July 7, noon to 5 p.m., at The Plaza at The Palms of Largo, 385 Alt. Keene Road, Largo.

The Benevolution Foundation is encouraging Tampa Bay families to come out for an afternoon of food, family fun, shopping at the market, and raffles for a worthy cause. Some of Tampa Bay's top mobile chefs will be serving up their award-winning menus with a special summer themed dish, including cool and sweet treats for every type of taste imaginable. There will be a beach ball play space for kids of all ages, a toddler zone, face painting, and balloon art.

The Benevolution Foundation Inc. offers grant and educational opportunities to assist worthy locally focused 501(c)3 nonprofit missions on projects that help our Tampa Bay neighbors-in-need.

This year's SummerFest For Good event aims to help the Mothers of Minors volunteer team with their fourth annual Showers of Love Community Baby Shower and storage unit expenses in 2018.

Visit [thebenevolutionfoundation.org](http://thebenevolutionfoundation.org).

**Largo Central Park**

Largo Central Park is at 101 Central Park Drive. Within the park are the Central Park Performing Arts Center, 105 Central Park Drive; the Largo Feed Store, 295 Central Park Drive; and the Largo Public Library, 120 Central Park Drive. To contact the library, call 727-587-6715.

**Ukulele society to hold monthly workshop**

LARGO - A monthly ukulele workshop will be held at the Largo Public Library on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.

Hosted by the Tampa Bay Ukulele Society, the workshop provides an introduction to the ukulele. A limited number of instruments will be supplied by the society, so participants are urged to bring their own if you have one.

For more information, call 727-587-6715, email [libraryinfo@largo.com](mailto:libraryinfo@largo.com), or visit [www.LargoPublicLibrary.org](http://www.LargoPublicLibrary.org).

**Highland Recreation Complex**

Highland Recreation Complex is at 400 Highland Ave. Visit [HighlandRecreation.com](http://HighlandRecreation.com) or call 727-518-3016.

**Largo Luau party slated for June 16**

LARGO - Celebrate National Flip Flop Day with a luau Saturday, June 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Highland Family Aquatic Center.

Wear your favorite island shirt, flip flops and enjoy food, music and friends.

Cost is \$6 for members and \$9 for nonmembers.

**Teen nights take over Highland this summer**

LARGO - This summer, teens will take over Highland Recreation with the new Summertime Half Nighter on Saturday, July 14, from 6 to midnight.

For \$30, teens will enjoy going to Xtreme Fun Center, Airheads and Liberty Lanes, transportation and a light snack provided. Kids are encouraged to bring extra money so they can make purchases throughout the night at each destination.

Teen Takeover Night will also return on Saturdays, June 30, July 21 and Aug. 25, for \$10 each.

A signed participation ID form is required at the first visit for Summertime Half Nighter and Teen Takeover Night. Preregistration is required for Summertime Half Nighter and encouraged for Teen Takeover Night.

**Highland hosts Itty Bitty Splashtime**

LARGO - Itty Bitty Splashtime is back every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Aug. 1 from 9:35 to 10:35 a.m. at the Highland Family Aquatic Center.

Parents can spend quality time with their preschool-aged children in a safe and playful aquatic environment. Enjoy the slides, sprays, zero depth pool area and more. Mom's clubs are welcome.

Cost is \$1.50 per person. Children that are not potty-trained must wear a plastic swim diaper under their bathing suit.

Extended parties will be held Fridays, June 22, July 13 and Aug. 3, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. for children ages 5 and under at the Aquatic Center.

Children are invited to receive a free juice box at Splash's Snack Bar. Dunkin' Donuts will provide coffee and ice coffee for adults and munchkins for the children.

Cost is \$2.50 per person.

**Southwest Recreation Complex**

Southwest Recreation Complex, which includes an aquatic complex, is at 13120 Vonn Road. Call 727-518-3125 for recreation or 727-518-3126 for the pool. Visit [PlayLargo.com](http://PlayLargo.com) or [LargoPools.com](http://LargoPools.com).

**Southwest to host Flick-n-Float movies**

LARGO - Bring your favorite float or chair to Southwest Pool on Fridays, June 29 and July 13, at 6:30 p.m. for the Flick-n-Float Family Movies.

Vendors will provide food and drinks available for purchase. Lifeguards will be on duty during the event.

The cost is \$5 per person.

For more information or a complete listing of movie titles, call 727-518-3126 or visit [LargoPools.com](http://LargoPools.com).

**Largo Community Center**

The Largo Community Center is at 400 Alt. Keene Road. Visit [LargoCommunityCenter.com](http://LargoCommunityCenter.com) or call 727-518-3131.

**Bimonthly events**

- Karaoke party: First and third Fridays, 7 to 10 p.m. Using the big screen in Studio A, singers can choose from an extensive online library. Admission is \$5 per person and beer and wine will be available for purchase.

- Free matinee movies: Every other Thursday, 1 p.m. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Limited refreshments will be sold and movie fun facts will be provided.

**Monthly events**

- Senior adult luncheon: Third Thursdays, noon to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and include lunch and a show. Tickets go on sale for Recreation Card holders on the first of the month prior to each show.

See LARGO, page 5A



Photo courtesy of SURTERRA

Surterra features floor-to-ceiling window panes and includes a kitchenlike gathering space with a large table meant to make patients feel at home. It also has several private consultation offices and an area surrounded by plants where products are on display.

**SURTERRA,** from page 1A

"They come in and they have no idea what our facility is. It's very clean, very presentable and they're kind of like, 'Where are the sandwiches?'" he said with a chuckle. "So, when we tell them what we are and what we're doing here, they're like, 'Wow, I didn't know that was even happening in our neighborhood.'"

It's easy to understand why someone might not know they've walked into a dispensary.

Surterra has a bright, homey feel with floor-to-ceiling window panes. It includes a kitchen-like gathering space with a large table meant to make patients feel at home, several private consultation offices and an area surrounded by plants where products are on display.

The Atlanta-based business offers a variety of cannabis-based palliatives, including patches, oils, tinctures, vape pens, lotions and sprays. Depending on the type and amount of each product, prices range from \$25 to \$700.

Koulianos said the feedback in the past month has been extremely positive, particularly from local customers.

"They're thrilled to not have to drive across the bridges to Tampa to get their products and medicine," he said. "A lot of people are really happy to have us in the neighborhood. I personally haven't seen anything negative. I'm sure there are people out there who might have their opinion on this, but if they came in and saw what we're doing here and saw the clientele, they might have a very different opinion than they did prior. I think the stigma is being broken."

**Shedding a stigma**

Dr. George Kamajian of Largo Clinic and Med Spa agrees. He was one of the first in the state qualified to offer medical marijuana referrals and says the demand is increasing.

"A lot of people are beginning to convert," he said. "The fear for the legislators is that you'd get a bunch of 18-year-olds coming in, but we're seeing just the opposite. We're seeing the elderly, we're seeing patients by the tons who are looking for alternatives to standard medications."

The numbers back up Kamajian's claims.

As of June 8, the Florida Department of Health reports that more than 120,000 patients are registered with the state, about 97,000 have obtained state-issued identification cards that allow them to make purchases and more than 1,300 doctors are qualified to make referrals.

"It's gone from 0 percent to over 10 percent of my practice," Kamajian said.

In order to obtain the products, patients must first be diagnosed by a qualified physician with a qualifying medical condition. Patients will then be registered with the DOH and must apply for a registry identification card.

Kamajian said the guidelines mean stoners are not walking through the door at his clinic in the Largo Mall.

"If I said a few were coming in that would be a lie," he said. "I haven't seen any, zero coming in."

Koulianos said education will be a top priority for him and his staff trying to inform and educate people on what they're doing and how it can help them in their life.

On Thursday, June 14, he said a physician will speak at the center about the history of cannabis and medicine, and on Saturday, June 30, the facility will offer a symposium to first responders on how the products can help with PTSD.

"I don't think anyone should jump into this not knowing what they're doing, and we'll provide people with anything we can to help them along this journey," Koulianos said.

**Health benefits**

Kamajian said PTSD is just one of the



Photos by CHRIS GEORGE

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Koulianos said medical marijuana also has been appealing to people looking for alternatives to opiates.

"You'd be shocked to see how many older people that have been on opiates their whole life are coming in looking for a natural, safer option," he said. "It's remarkable. It's humbling to see."

He added that cannabis can also make a big difference with more common conditions, such as arthritis.

"One man ... had very severe arthritis," he said, "and he was amazed that he could hold a pen again after years of not being able to hold a pen, and made a comment about how cool it would be to be able to write his wife a love letter again. ... But from that to cancer patients who are feeling the relief from the harsh effects of their chemotherapy to people with PTSD that feel like they can finally go out in public again or sleep in bed without nightmares. The stories of relief from symptoms are endless. It's awesome. I spent 12 years of doing what I did helping people in the community, and I'm still very much feeling fulfillment in the job I have because I know I'm still helping people."

**LARGO**, from page 4A

Those without Recreation Cards can purchase tickets on the second of the month. On the day of the show, doors open at 11:45 a.m., lunch is served between noon and 1 p.m. and the show is from 1 to 2 p.m.

• Line dance parties: Fourth Fridays, 7 to 10 p.m. Line dancing is a low-impact exercise for all ages. Beginner dancers can easily follow the more seasoned dancers on our split floor setup in the Goodman Ballroom. Admission is \$8 per person.

**Group meetings**

**American Legion Post 119**

LARGO – American Legion Post 119, at 130 First Ave. SW, will host several events that are open to the public.

Lunches featuring burgers and specials will be served Monday and Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. On Wednesday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., a steak hoagie special will be served. Lunch will not be served Thursday or Friday, but takeout orders are accepted by calling 727-584-2038.

Friday Night Dinners are served from 5 to 8 p.m., with music by Karaoke DJ Bill Johnson, 7 to 11 p.m. The cost is \$7.25 for shrimp or a four-piece chicken dinner or all-you-can-eat fried fish. It is served with rolls, French fries and coleslaw.

Saturday Night Dinners are served 5 to 8 p.m., with music by various artists weekly, 7 to 11 p.m. The cost is \$8.25 and includes bacon-wrapped filet mignon served with a salad, baked potato and rolls. Coffee is \$1.

Sons of the American Legion Post 119 sponsor "Wing Madness" every Monday night, 5 to 8 p.m. Enjoy chicken wings served hot, mild, barbecue, butter and garlic and spicy barbecue for \$5 for six or \$8 for 12. French fries and onion rings are available. Bob Swenson provides music from 6 to 8 p.m.

Proceeds benefit the Special Olympics, Fisher House at Bay Pines, and American Legion National Child Welfare Foundation and National Emergency Fund.

**VFW Post 10094**

LARGO – VFW Post 10094, at 14450 Walsingham Road, offers several events each week that are open to the public.

Each Monday, Bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. Hamburgers and hot dogs are served beforehand for \$3. On Tuesday afternoons, Trivia Time is held from 2 to 4 p.m. and darts are offered starting at 7 p.m. Each Thursday, dinner is served from 6 to 7 p.m. for \$6 to \$7. A different meal is served each week, and entertainers vary from week to week. Friday is Karaoke With Mollie, which begins at 6 p.m., with hot dogs and hamburgers offered from 6 to 7 p.m.

Live entertainment is on Friday, Saturday and Sundays inside and outside, weather permitting.

All are welcome, but you must have a current membership card to be served alcohol.

Proceeds benefit the Bill Young VA Hospital programs, the VFW National Home, Sea Cadet Youth activities and the Boy Scouts.

**Largo/Mid-Pinellas Democratic Club**

LARGO – The Largo/Mid-Pinellas Democratic Club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at Acropol Restaurant, 1170 Starkey Road.

Meetings have a featured speaker and generally candidates for local and state offices attend. The club serves the entire central Pinellas area. Food is available to purchase at the restaurant.

For more information, contact club president Mary Lou Ambrose at 727-433-4045 or visit largodemocrats.com.

**Republican Club of Greater Largo**

LARGO – The Republican Club of Greater Largo meets on the third Mondays, 6 p.m., at Alfano's Restaurant, 1702 Clearwater-Largo Road.

Meeting starts with dinner followed by a speaker.

The Republican Club of Greater Largo serves the entire central Pinellas area, welcoming Republicans from Belleair Bluffs, the beaches, Feather Sound and Largo.

For more information, call club President Ed Hooper at 727-458-4751.

**SCHOOLS**, from page 1A

New state legislation, the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act, requires each public school, including charter schools, to have either an officer or a guardian assigned to their campuses for security. School districts are required to make arrangements for public schools, but charter schools must make their own plans after receiving funding based on enrollment.

"They (charter schools) are basically told here's funding, use this money to either come up with an SRO or hire a guardian, but they're not being given a guardian," Loux said. "It's up to them and their board to do what they choose with the money."

Loux said Pinellas Academy of Math and Science, which has 663 students, and Pinellas Preparatory Academy, which has 724 students, are expected to receive about \$41,000 from the school district for security personnel costs and will supplement the rest with their own

budgets.

The city's third charter school, Plato Academy, has just under 400 students and will likely only receive between \$4,000 and \$6,000, so it has decided to use a guardian.

The city currently has five school resource officers – two at Largo High School, one at Largo Middle School and two at Pinellas Gulf Coast Academy – with the school district reimbursing the city \$58,000 for four of them.

Citing poor judgment by state lawmakers and poor communication from the School Board, commissioners unanimously voted May 1 not to help fund new officers, which would have cost the city more than \$950,000 through fiscal year 2019.

Several other municipalities followed suit, therefore, the district decided to fund guardians, which are armed guards trained by the Sheriff's Office, but two out of three charter schools in Largo wanted police officers.

"The charter schools have basically told me that if they have

a guardian, and the guardian calls out sick or something like that, then they would use one of their teachers to supplement that," Loux said. "So, while the statute says you can't have an educator be the guardian, they would take that teacher away from their classroom duties for the day, hire a substitute and that teacher would then be the guardian."

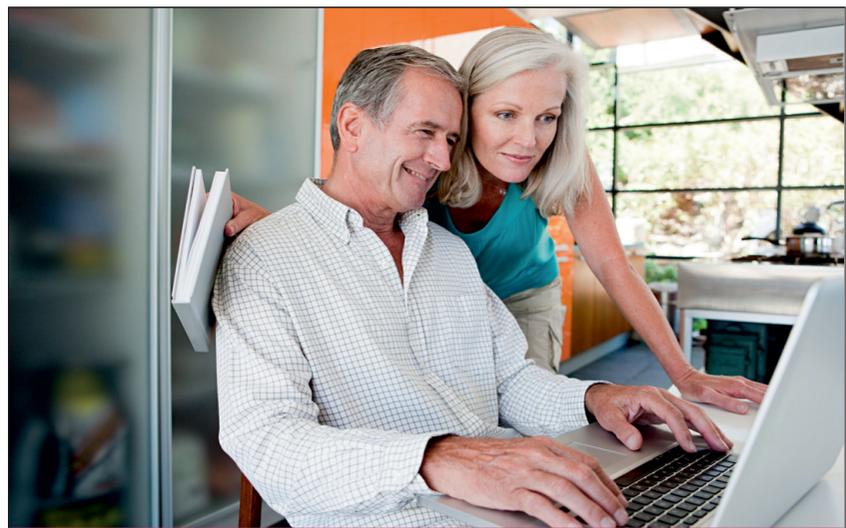
Commissioner John Carroll, a former Largo police chief, hailed the LPD for the innovative use of reserve officers, who will likely be recently retired personnel and cost more than \$10,000 less than full-time officers.

"I think the work here is excellent," he said. "I applaud you for taking a look at this reserve concept, because I see it has potential in other areas as well. This is the equivalent of these charter schools hiring an off-duty officer for a detail but at a much-reduced rate."

With the commission's approval, the contract was forwarded to the City Attorney's Office for review.

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2018 ESTIMATES

# County property values climbing

Largo's total taxable value increasing by about 7.4 percent

By SUZETTE PORTER  
Tampa Bay Newspapers

Pinellas County Property Appraiser Mike Twitty released the 2018 estimates of taxable values June 1. Increases are evident in every category except tangible personal property.

Climbing taxable values for real property, which is land and buildings, is good news for government agencies working to prepare budgets for the next fiscal year. Property taxes pay for much of governments' operations and services. Higher taxable values bring more money into local governments' coffers.

Twitty will certify the preliminary tax roll on July 1.

Property owners with increased real property values will likely have larger tax bills next year even if millage rates stay the same. Some areas of the county will see bigger increases in tax bills than others. Annual property tax bills are

calculated using the millage rate from the different taxing authorities and applying it to the property value minus homestead and other exemptions.

All taxing authorities must notify the property appraiser of tentative millage rates by Aug. 3 so Truth in Millage notices can be prepared for an Aug. 20 mail out to all property owners. After that date, rates may be lowered before final approval, but they cannot be raised.

Residents can look up their property values on the property appraiser's website, www.pcpao.org. Click on the Search Our Database link.

The county is the taxing authority and approves the countywide millage rate (General Fund), as well as the rate for Emergency Medical Services, Municipal Services Taxing Units and the Health Department. The county approves rates for East Lake library and recreation services, Feather Sound community services and Palm Harbor community services. The county also approves millage rates submitted from the independent fire districts.

Other taxing authorities include

the School District, Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority, Pinellas Park Water Management District, Pinellas Planning Council, Juvenile Welfare Board, Southwest Florida Water Management District and Clearwater Downtown Development.

The property appraiser's estimate shows that the county's General Fund budget will benefit from a 7.9 percent boost in total taxable values. The dollar value of the increase is more than \$5.8 billion compared to the current year and includes an 8.48 percent gain in real property tax value plus an increase in net taxable value for new construction.

The School District will benefit from a 7.63 percent increase in total taxable values, which equals more than \$6.1 billion more in total taxable value compared to last year. The estimate shows PSTA has an 8.38 percent increase, which equates to a \$5.2 billion gain in total taxable value.

## Estimates of municipal taxable values

St. Pete Beach leads the county with an estimated 12.13 percent increase in real property tax value

and 11.74 percent increase in total taxable value. Belleair Shore came in second with 11.29 percent increase in real property tax value and 11.26 percent in total taxable value.

All the county's municipalities had jumps in taxable values. The estimated increases are as follows. Dollar values are rounded. Total taxable value includes real property, tangible property and new construction.

- Seminole - 10.08 percent real property, 10.48 percent total taxable.
- Kenneth City - 9.79 percent real property, 10.05 percent total taxable.
- St. Petersburg - 10.32 percent real property, 9.55 percent total taxable.
- Indian Shores - 9.22 percent real property, 9.15 percent total taxable.
- Dunedin - 9.15 percent real property, 8.84 percent total taxable.
- Clearwater - 9.08 percent real property, 8.84 percent total taxable.
- Gulfport - 8.72 percent real property, 8.54 percent total taxable.
- Madeira Beach - 8.07 percent real property, 7.90 percent total taxable.
- Belleair Bluffs - 8.37 percent real property, 7.81 percent total taxable.
- Indian Rocks Beach - 7.70 percent real property, 7.56 percent total taxable.
- Largo - 7.89 percent real property, 7.40 percent total taxable.

Visit [TBNweekly.com](http://TBNweekly.com) to see the estimates for other cities and towns.

## Agencies join to create cultural corridor

Connecting the arts and cultural destinations of North Pinellas County and creating new ones is the goal of two countywide agencies teaming up to designate Alt. U.S. 19 as a Cultural Corridor.

Forward Pinellas, the county's land use and transportation planning agency, and Creative Pinellas, the county's designated arts agency, launched a four-month planning project with a public workshop June 4.

A Cultural Corridor is a geographic area that features and connects multiple arts and cultural attractions, creating a magnet for entertainment, tourism, and urban revitalization. The goal of the project is to engage artists, cultural experts, and others in a conversation about promoting Alt. U.S. 19 as a public art and cultural asset corridor. The project effort will culminate with a corridor plan and open house unveiling event in October. A workshop on the project will be held July 31 at the Central Park Performing Arts Center.

## CHIEF, from page 1A

March after Chief Shelby Willis took a position as deputy fire chief in Ogden, Utah; Michael Cassano, deputy fire chief of operations for Pasco County; and Jason Dougherty, deputy chief of operations for Hillsborough County.

The final phase of the recruitment process was conducted last week when the finalists took a fire station tour followed by a meet and greet with city staff, commissioners and the public. Interviews were then conducted by three teams representing city administration, fire department management and a group of firefighter-EMTs and paramedics who were selected by management and the union.

"After conducting additional research on the candidates and giving the decision much thought, I have decided to not make a selection from the current candidate pool," Schubert wrote. "We will begin a second recruitment process this month. While this is a disappointing result, it is neither unusual nor without precedent. I am committed to making the best possible choice for our next fire chief."

The search was conducted by

W.D. Higginbotham, senior vice president of the Mercer Group in Seminole.

Schubert added that Pennino will continue to serve as the interim fire chief and is "confident in his ability to continue providing leadership to the department during this period."

Whoever takes over the role from Pennino will have plenty of work to do.

Largo Fire Rescue, which is one of less than 150 departments in the U.S. to have an ISO public protection rating of Class 1, serves several jurisdictions, including unincorporated portions of Pinellas County and the West Highpoint areas and has contractual agreements to provide fire and EMS services to Belleair and Belleair Bluffs.

The service area creates a high demand.

In 2017, Largo Fire Rescue responded to about 29,500 EMS and fire calls. Through May of this year, the department has received 9,161 calls.

The demand and lack of staffing have consistently led to large amounts of overtime. In the month of May alone, for instance, LFR had a total of 2,112 hours of overtime.

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Art was her focus for as long as I can remember, painting every day right up until the last few months of her life. She never took art classes or even painted when she was young. Her inspiration for taking up painting simply began in 1976 with my brother Dennis, the year he married. There was a painting they wanted for their new condo, but they didn't want to spend the money, so Mom went and saw the painting and told him "I can do that," and she did. After that, she could be found painting or sculpting something almost every day, beginning her career with acrylic paints and eventually moving on to oils. When she started making clay sculptures, she bought herself a kiln and put it in the backyard in a small building where she fired all her clay pots herself. My dad even made her a smoke pit so she could smoke some of the pots. She eventually started buying large pieces of stone and chiseling them into all kinds of things. She just never stopped.

Over the years she participated in art festivals and shows all over the state. I still have her collection of the ribbons she won. Mom had several one woman shows in local galleries and was invited to show her work in New York. Her work made the newspaper on many occasions, including the stir caused when she showed some of her nudes at Oldsmar City Hall in 1994.

She considered herself an abstract/impressionist, often emulating her favorite artists including Picasso, Dali and Van Gogh. All of her paintings are bright and colorful, many are of abstract faces and bold designs and because my brother and I are visually handicapped, the signature she used on her paintings always included an "eye" at the bottom.

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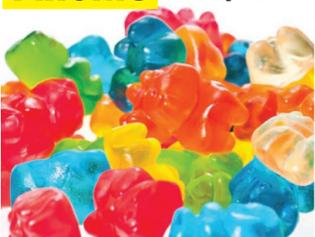
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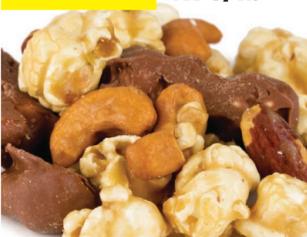
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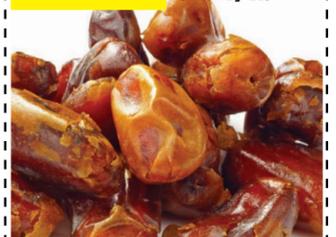
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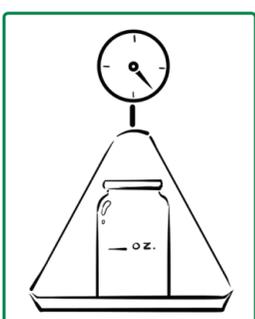
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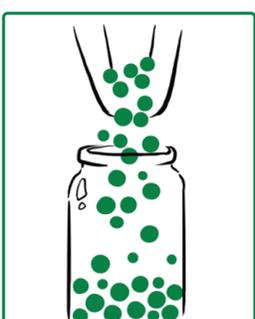
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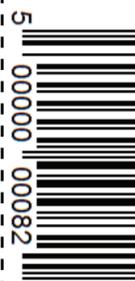
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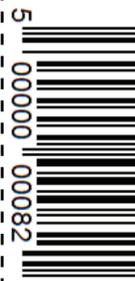


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TRANSPORTATION

# Clearwater Ferry headed to Dunedin

By MARK SCHANTZ  
TBN Correspondent



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Starting the first weekend in July, the Clearwater Ferry will set sail on a new voyage to the Dunedin Marina.

DUNEDIN - Starting the first weekend in July, there will be a new seafaring way to travel between Clearwater Beach and Dunedin's trendy downtown, when the Clearwater Ferry sets sail on its voyages to the Dunedin Marina.

At their June 5 meeting, Dunedin commissioners unanimously approved a one-year pilot program that will allow ferry operators to test the waters of whether it is financially feasible for them to provide service on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, from the noon hour to about 10 p.m.

To prevent a long wait for the ferry, which will make seven trips a day and can handle up to 21 passengers, travelers will be asked to make reservations on the Clearwater Ferry website prior to boarding. The ferry operator explained a reservation system is required so people will have a guaranteed seat aboard the next ferry to sail and not have to wait on the dock. However, a few standby seats will be available.

Vince Gizzi, Dunedin Parks and Recreation director, said "we have been trying for two years to make it happen."

Ferry service will begin July 6, with a grand opening planned the weekend of July 13.

During this period, the Clearwater Ferry will study the ridership and determine if the purchasing of more vessels is applicable for long-term water transportation services and if a formal partnership with the city of Dunedin is possible, Gizzi told commissioners.

"The trial program also will

give the city of Dunedin the opportunity to study their ridership and determine; whether this is beneficial to our residents and merchants, what parking issues might this service create, if this service will cause congestion in and out of the marina and whether the infrastructure can handle this type of commercial venture," he explained.

"This is new and exciting," Tricia Rodriguez, Clearwater Ferry owner said.

Gizzi said when surveyed about expanding service, "Dunedin was the number one requested destination for Clearwater Beach tourists and Island Estates residents."

When first presented to the commission the fee schedule included; one way passes at \$8 per adult, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for children over 3 years of age, with Dunedin residents offered a discounted rate of \$6 per trip.

However, Mayor Julie Ward Bujalski advised the ferry operator that \$12 for a round trip was a bit pricey for locals, compared to other forms of transportation, such as

the Jolley Trolley.

"I'm concerned that a round trip on the ferry will cost more than taking the trolley," Bujalski said. "I'm really concerned that a \$12 roundtrip for one person will hurt the pilot program."

At first Rodriguez said it's a challenge to lower fare further, but "we don't want to be the more expensive mode of transportation."

After giving it some consideration, Rodriguez offered to lower the price to \$5 in each direction for Dunedin residents.

"We're just looking to break even with water transport," she said.

"I'll take it," the mayor said, and the trip price was reduced for locals.

Monthly passes to take the trip from Clearwater to Dunedin is \$98 for an adult, \$78 for a senior citizen or Florida resident and \$38 for a child over 3 years of age. A yearly pass is \$525 for an adult, \$350 for a senior citizen or Florida resident and \$150 for a child over age 3.

The ferry will dock on a floating pier, improved with pilings to stabilize its berth at the far eastern end of the city marina, Gizzi said.

On the Dunedin side of the voyage, visitors coming by car to ride the ferry to Clearwater will be directed to park at the Monroe Street lot.

Traveling in the other direction, the ferry will give visitors to Clearwater Beach a chance to shop and dine in Dunedin that has the "quaintness that doesn't exist in Clearwater," Rodriguez said.

"To develop a line for Dunedin gives me goose bumps," said Commissioner Heather Gracy.

Commissioner Maureen Freaney said "personally, I think it's an exciting adventure. I plan to try it myself."

While the city of Clearwater contributes about \$100,000 a year, as part of a two-year agreement to provide ferry service between its downtown and beach, as a pilot project Dunedin will not have to subsidize its part of ferry service, Gizzi said.

Commissioner Deborah Kynes said she thinks the ferry is "going to be wonderful in Dunedin" as another form of transportation.

She thanked Rodriguez for the discounted residential price, saying she wants "Dunedin residents to feel as good about it as do trolley."

Heather Gracy said she is "very supportive" of the service, calling it "a great component to a coastal community."

The Clearwater Ferry Service opened in March of 2015 and currently provides water transportation to employees, residents and tourists in the Intracoastal waters of Pinellas County. Bujalski said she wants the Ferry to attract residents from northern Pinellas, just like those that ride Jolley Trolley. The Ferry operator said it will provide the city with monthly ridership reports.

COUNTY COMMISSION

# Commission pays tribute to Morroni

By SUZETTE PORTER  
Tampa Bay Newspapers

CLEARWATER - Pinellas County commissioners began their June 5 meeting with a moment of silence.

It was the first meeting since long-time Commissioner John Morroni died May 20.

Commissioner Chair Ken Welch described Morroni as an "outstanding public servant." He will "always be with us in spirit," as county leaders "carry on with work to build a better Pinellas community," Welch said.

At the end of the meeting, Welch talked about the "great mass and reception" held for Morroni on June 1.

"He had a passion for public service," Welch said. "It's important to have passion to do the job and that passion was John."

Welch pointed out one of the things that made Morroni such a great commissioner. That was his "great level of respect for people. He always erred on the side of the people," Welch said.

"We're a better county because of all the things John did ... He'll always be part of us in spirit," Welch said.

Morroni served as a county commissioner from 2000-2018.

Morroni announced in 2017 that he would not be running for re-election to represent District 6. As of June 9, three Republicans and two Democrats had announced their intention to run for Morroni's seat.

The Republicans are Larry

Ahern, Barb Haseleden and Kathleen Peters, who has pre-qualified. The Democrats include Ted Lionel Kay and Amy Kedron.

Welch said he assumed that the governor would appoint someone to fill Morroni's seat on the commission until the November election. He made appointments to fill Morroni's positions on local boards and councils, including Forward Pinellas, which Morroni had chaired.

Welch thanked the community for its support of Morroni's wife, Eileen, and son, Michael, and the rest of his family.

This is a "melancholy day," Welch said, adding that Pinellas is a "much stronger county due to John."

"We will carry on that tradition," he said.

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Commissioners unanimously approved the purchase of playground equipment and installation services from Playcore Wisconsin, doing business as Gametime, for John Chesnut Senior Park in Palm Harbor and Boca Ciega Millennium Park in Seminole.

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**PALM HARBOR**

# Innisbrook, charities reap benefits of 'Tiger Effect'

**Woods helps Valspar Championship reach record numbers**

By **JEFF ROSENFELD**  
Tampa Bay Newspapers

PALM HARBOR - Tiger Woods is not only one of the most decorated professional golfers of all time, he's also one of the most recognized celebrities in the world.

So, it should come as no surprise that the 14-time major champion's inclusion in the field for the 2018 Valspar Championship at Innisbrook Golf Resort in March broke all sorts of records in terms of attendance, television viewership and charitable dollars raised.

On June 8, tournament and club officials hosted the Valspar Championship Charity Breakfast, a celebration of this year's record-breaking event and a chance to thank all the sponsors and everyone involved for making the 2018 tournament such a huge success.

"We had a tremendous field this year with Rory McElroy, Jordan

Speith, Patrick Reed, Henrik Stenson, and of course, 2018 Valspar Championship winner Paul Casey," tournament director Tracy West told the guests who packed Edinburgh Hall for the early morning event.

"Hmmm, did I forget anybody? Oh yeah - Tiger," she said.

According to West, Woods thoroughly enjoyed his time in Palm Harbor.

"I spoke to him on the phone about a week later and he said he was very impressed with the course, the tournament, the reception from the fans," she said. "He really had a wonderful week and he enjoyed his time here."

From a numbers standpoint, the fans obviously enjoyed Woods' first appearance in the bay area since the JCPenney Classic in 1996; West said attendance was up 34 percent this year, estimated at around 150,000 over the course of the four-day tournament, though she noted they were already experiencing above average numbers prior to Wood's last-minute announcement that he was joining the field.

"We were up 17 percent anyway



**Valspar Championship tournament director Tracy West poses with one of several stuffed tigers in honor of Tiger Woods participating in the 2018 Valspar Championship at Innisbrook Golf Resort.**

Photo by **JEFF ROSENFELD**

because of the tremendous field we already had," West said. "People understand this event is about more than just the players. It's a happening. It's become a must-attend event in the Tampa Bay area."

Television ratings also experienced a big jump. According to West, coverage of Saturday's round, which was up 175 percent over last year, was the highest rated non-major telecast since

2013. Sunday's final round was up 200 percent over 2017, and it is the highest for a non-major since the 2015 PGA Championship.

The increased attendance and awareness for the tournament had a beneficial effect on the Copperhead Charities program. According to Keith Robinson, general chairman of Copperhead Charities, the 2018 Valspar Championship generated \$2,619,684 for charity in 2018, a

record for any golf event staged by Copperhead Charities in a history that dates to 1977. The previous record was \$2,610,061 in 2005. The record amount represents an increase from \$2,425,017 in 2017.

"This is our biggest day of the year," Robinson said. "Both through our Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities program and other donations, we provide support for many different groups - medical charities, youth programs, veterans groups and many others. It is one of our fundamental goals to support the people of the Tampa Bay area."

Noting Copperhead Charities has given out over \$91 million since 1997, and the economic impact of the tournament is estimated at \$50 million annually, Robinson said "the mission is to deliver a first-class event to the Tampa Bay area."

A representative for Valspar, the Minnesota based paint manufacturer, downplayed the Tiger Effect while praising the organizers, volunteers and patrons for creating such a unique event for the Tampa Bay area.

"In my opinion, this tournament is wonderful, with or without Tiger, because of the volunteers, the

sponsors and everyone involved," Sara Hackney, Valspar's brand activation manager, said. "This tournament is unique. It stands out. And I think the rest of the world realizes it after this year."

After concluding the event by using audience members to help reveal the final tally for this year's charitable contribution of \$2,619,684, West spoke about the impact of Tiger Woods on this year's tournament.

"It was the icing on the cake," she said of Tiger's late addition to the field.

"There's no question that the event has been getting bigger and bigger every year anyway, and I think that's really due to Valspar's title sponsorship. We've been having nice steady growth for the last five years, and the field continues to get stronger and stronger. Now, certainly having Tiger come had a big impact, no question. And his impact is purely in the additional fans that were out there. So, we're eternally grateful that he committed and that he played, but I think that regardless of what the field is, the tournament is in really, really great shape."

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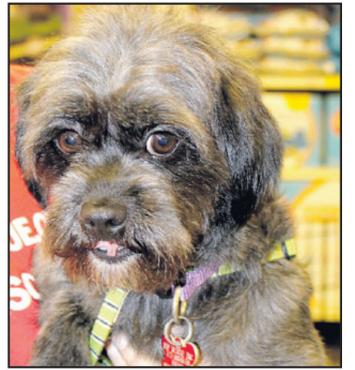
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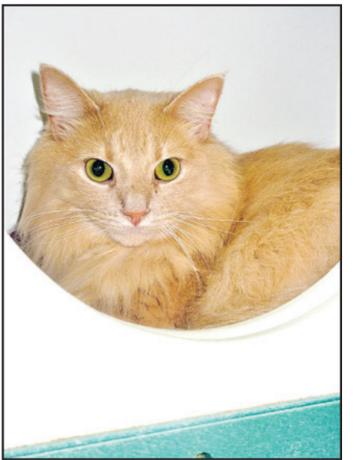
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**ASPCA offers summer safety tips for pets**

Every year as temperatures increase, stories circulate in the news or on social media about people who left their pet in a parked car for a brief period of time and returned to a tragedy.

According to a press release from the ASPCA, hot cars can cause heat stroke and even death for pets. The interior of a car may be up to 20 degrees hotter than the temperature outside, climbing from 85 to 120 degrees within 30 minutes. Young, overweight, or elderly animals, or those who have short muzzles or thick or dark-colored coats are at an increased risk. Many people think they can alleviate concerns by parking in the shade or cracking a window open, but these measures do little to offer protection. Additionally, it's not only dangerous to leave an animal in a car, it's also illegal in many states.

The ASPCA is committed to raising awareness about this preventable danger and protecting animals throughout the summer months and all year-round. Following are the organization's top three tips to keep pets safe this summer:

- Never leave your pet in a parked car – even if it's in the shade, the window is cracked, or the pet has a bowl of water. Your pet can quickly overheat, with disastrous consequences.
- Keep pets safe, secured, and IDed to decrease the chance that they escape and get lost if scared by thunderstorms, fireworks, or loud summer gatherings.
- Remember that human food – including many picnic and barbecue staples – can be toxic to your pets, and keep it out of reach.

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A car can overheat even when the window has been left cracked an inch or two.



Young, overweight or elderly animals, or those with short muzzles or thick or dark-colored coats are most at risk for overheating.



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On an 85° day, it only takes ten minutes for the inside of your car to reach 102°.

120°

Within just 30 minutes, the car's interior can climb from 85° to a scorching 120°.



Many states and local governments have laws that prohibit leaving an animal unattended in a motor vehicle under dangerous conditions, which includes hot days. Your car could be damaged or you could be charged with a crime.



If you see an animal trapped in a car on a hot day, try to locate the owner or call 911! Stay by the car until assistance arrives.

Graphic courtesy of ASPCA

**Hurricane safety tips**

June marked the official start of hurricane season, as well as National Pet Preparedness Month, a time dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of incorporating animals into disaster preparedness and response plans.

Following the unprecedented string of life-threatening disasters the country experienced last year, and with predictions that hurricane activity will be similar this year as well, it's never been more important to develop emergency plans for the family that includes pets.

"We know that pet owners are less likely to evacuate if they are unable to bring their pets with them," a press release from ASPCA states. "This is why the ASPCA strongly urges pet owners to develop plans for their pets in advance so they are more prepared to bring their pets with them if they are forced to evacuate."

**Itching and scratching and biting, oh my!**

Spring has sprung here in Florida and so has allergy season. Ahhhh, the price of admission for living in paradise!

While we never truly get a respite down here from allergies like our friends do to the north, springtime can definitely be troublesome for allergy sufferers. Just like us, dogs and sometimes cats can be the victim of severe allergic disease. While we humans suffer from red eyes and the sneezes, pets often suffer from intense skin itching, called pruritus, which often leads to secondary infections with pathogens like bacteria and fungus.

In the past, the only option for four-legged severe allergy sufferers was oftentimes a course of steroids to break the intense itch that the pet was experiencing.

In recent years, there have been a number of developments in the

**Speaking of Pets**

Michael D. Bartholomew, DVM



world of allergy treatments but the most exciting is an injection called Cytopoint. Unlike steroids, Cytopoint does not suppress immune system function. Unfortunately, at this time, it is for dogs only – sorry,

kitties!

Cytopoint is what is known as monoclonal antibody therapy, which mimics the dog's own immune function. After being injected, it blocks the pathway that sends the itch signal to the brain, giving the pet relief. This not only allows the dog relief from itching (and moms and dads to sleep) but also allows the skin to heal. While it does not replace antibiotics if there is a skin infection present or flea medications to prevent flea infestations, it can provide peace for those dogs suffering with intense itch from environmental allergies.

One injection will last up to a month, but for pets that need long term care with year-round allergies, while they can receive monthly injections, this schedule is adapted to each individual pet and some pets may only need the injection

every 8-10 weeks. The goal with these patients is to never let that itch return to a crescendo but to keep the pet happy and as itchy free as possible.

While we will never be able to eliminate allergies, this is an exciting step toward relieving discomfort and suffering in our four-legged family members.

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**The cancer known as 'political correctness'**

**Editor:**  
Doesn't anyone else see how damaging this is?  
The latest installment from the "thought police" has brought me to the conclusion that the left-wing in this country we live in is either willfully ignorant or so painfully arrogant they don't think black people in this country can survive without being protected by them!  
The black folks I know in this country don't need their hand held, don't need to be protected, or coddled, or have their pain eased by some egregious act from so long ago, it's becoming absurd to bring it up anymore.

The only people that continue to bring race into every issue is the left. And why is that?  
It's not to protect anything, move the ball forward or raise the level of dialogue in this country; it's about making themselves feel better about themselves ... it always has been.

You know the kind I'm talking about, they jump in front of a camera and proclaim how "offended" they are about racism in general, and now Roseanne Barr in particular.

Besides being pathetic, it's so painfully obvious.  
Roseanne Barr lost a show because the left, in all of its righteous glory, is so offended by the repugnant comments that this comedian has made, and even though ABC knew what they were getting into, they knew they could make some money at it, but now she needs to be wiped off the face of the earth, or at least out of ABC's universe.

Roseanne Barr made derogatory comments about a professional woman, a woman in the public eye, a woman in one of the highest and most influential positions in the entire world, and because of the misguided protection of the righteous left, a tasteless wisecrack has turned into a professional comedian losing her livelihood.

Why don't we talk about the pain in this century?  
How about the little girl, and we all know one, who is taunted and teased and berated in high school about her weight, how ugly she is, how she shall never have a boyfriend, or a husband, because she's so ugly.

That little girl has cried herself to sleep at night, and nothing can be done to protect her, it's all part of growing up.

But here's the thing, that little girl learns from that pain, that little girl takes that pain, like most of us do, and turns it into achievement!

Sarah Huckabee Sanders had to endure, live, in front of a national TV audience and almost all of her professional colleagues, a brutal and tasteless assault on her looks at the correspondents' dinner, but that means nothing to those pathetic little boys and girls on the left.

They'd rather posture in front of us all so that we can truly understand their depth and their caring!

So now we've fired the funny and talented lady. The entire crew, writers, and all the other people that are desperately trying to make a living in an extraordinarily tough business to make one in, and kept the talentless moron, because of the cancer known as "political correctness."

How unequivocally pathetic.

**Michael Milhoan**  
St. Petersburg

**Kudos to those who perform acts of kindness**

**Editor:**  
In current times, it sometimes seems as if civility and acts of kindness toward our fellow man have disintegrated and perhaps reached an all-time low among society.

However, I have, personally been a recipient on the opposite end each and every time that I venture out to a store, a restaurant and even a medical facility.

I am 80 years young and usually use a cane when out and about. So many people scurry to open doors for me and for my husband who needs a walker to get around.

I have found store clerks and cashiers to be friendly and helpful when I need help locating merchandise or unloading the store cart. One grocery store, for example, provided my husband with the store phone number so that all he has to do is call from the parking lot and request a riding scooter and one is brought right to the car each time.

I have consistently encountered polite and respectful waiters and waitresses whether I am dining in a top of the line restaurant or a small local eatery. In fact, most seem to go above and beyond the call of duty.

Every doctor office I have had to visit has personnel that goes out of their way to accommodate and make their patients feel more comfortable.

A while back while I was driving my automobile, a police car was behind me and flashed the lights. I panicked because I didn't know what, if anything, I had done wrong but I pulled over just the same. The police woman driving the vehicle slowed down briefly to let me know that I wasn't the person she was chasing and thanked me for stopping. I felt that to be a kind and thoughtful act on her part.

Customers that I run into when shopping often go out of their way to assist me in times of trouble. Just the other day I did some shopping in a local store. The shopping carts in the store have those attached poles which prevent customers from bringing them out to the parking lot. I brought my own little shopping carrier on wheels in order to transport my merchandise to my car. It wasn't as easy as it sounds. My carrier got stuck inside the store's cart and the articles that I purchased were on top of it. In addition, I was juggling my cane and purse and feeling quite embarrassed with the whole scene. A lady customer came over and helped me remove all the items and extract the carrier from the cart. I happened to have purchased six-long handle mops and they were flopping all over the place so the cashier went out of her way to find some tape and secure the mop handles together, making the carryout much easier for me.

I also witnessed an outstanding moment one time in another store. A customer paid for a perfect stranger's purchase of a stuffed animal that a child's mother had in her basket. There was no reason other than a human being's generosity!

On that same note, a similar thing happened to me when the person behind me in line paid the odd change that I needed to finish my transaction.

At this point of my story, I may sound as if all I do is shop but these moments have been spread out over time. Still, the memories remain.

Besides the many kindnesses and considerations received from my family, I have a neighbor who lives right next door and goes out of her way to come to my aid in many ways. She takes our trash cans back from the curb on waste collection days and rakes up leaves from our yard. She also cleared the weeds from our flower bed in the yard and purchased and put a new little fencing around our large oak tree. A couple of years ago she had a new fence put up and paid to replace our gate which adjoins her yard. She does all of this with no expectations of payback.

I guess I just wanted to paint a little sunshine in an otherwise fading world.

**Donna R. McEleny**  
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**City should listen to voters on taxes**

**Editor:**  
Mayor Bujalski wants to know more about the amendment to raise homestead exemption from \$50K to \$75K? What is there to know? The taxpayers want relief from our ever-increasing tax burden! So, our mayor wants to raise our taxes to compensate for our gain in exemptions? Her comments were published the day before the Tampa Bay Times reported that local municipalities are awash in tax revenue due to the value of our homes increasing by a whopping 8.5 percent! The audacity of our City Commission here in Dunedin to think they have to offset a tax break with a tax increase? The voters are speaking their minds, just like they did over the downtown parking fiasco. You better start listening City Commission.

**Dean Kuhne**  
Dunedin

# Passwords: Will they ever disappear?

Herewith, a prediction: In the final days, as Cyber World becomes more complex, fearful and attacked by Russians and other fiends, the Great God Algo Rhythm will decree, "We must defend ourselves with more passwords!"

And verily the number and complexity of passwords will increase and multiply. And the day will come when devising new passwords will become a major branch of industry, to the point where password inventors will be paid enormous sums, even surpassing the incomes of athletes, lawyers and plumbers.

Passwords will be required – nay, demanded – for every activity. To gain entry to a pay toilet a person brimming over will first have to punch in the official password before using the rest room, urinal or stall. For a wedding to take place, both participants will be asked to state their passwords at the altar.

Commercial airline pilots will not be allowed to land their planes without giving flight controllers the appropriate password. A lover wishing to shag his sweetheart will first have to speak her password, which will come to be known as her shag/word.

And so forth. You get the idea. As you probably already are aware, passwords are becoming ever more prevalent. They are required of us in many of our daily activities. They have the power to drive us crazy. I'm writing this two days after I purchased a new laptop computer, and I'm going berserk trying to remember my old passwords, plus the proper keys to connect me to the Internet.



**Driver's Seat**  
Bob Driver

Creating a new password would be simple if we were not required to make it as complex and distinctive as possible. I recently heard that in the early days of computers the most common password chosen was "God." Today I'd guess it would be the F word or its variations. Or maybe "awesome," "cool" or "y'know" or "like," all of which have become staples in American conversations.

Many of today's typical passwords are required to have at least 16 characters and contain both numbers and letters, some lower case, some upper case, with no letters from foreign languages such as Urdu, Aramaic, jive talk and others. We are advised that the more complicated the password, the less likely our files will be invaded by Vladimir Putin or that scroungy teen-ager in the house across the street.

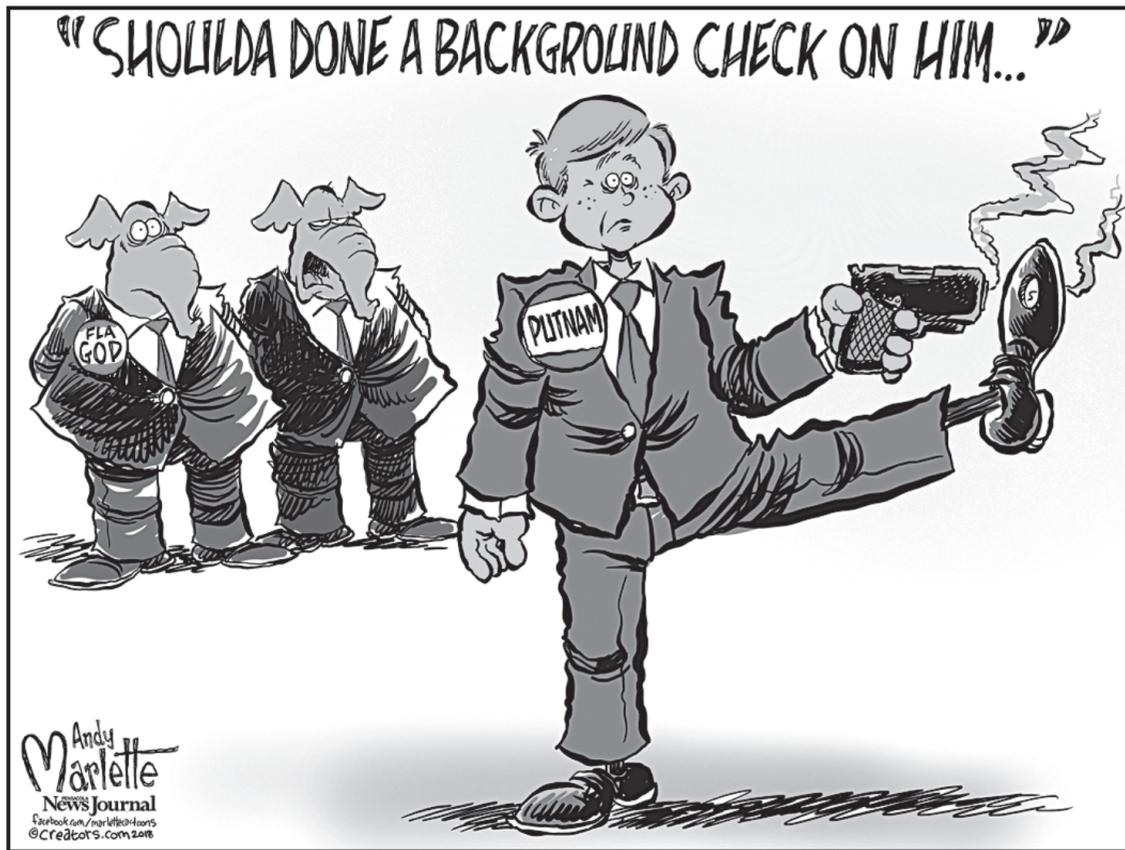
Once we've devised a suitable password, we must then memorize it. Are you kidding? Who can memorize "6Vqhy8xssbibbityopz" and expect to download it from his/her brain when needed? No one, that's who. Therefore, we must record the password on a piece of paper, on our office wall, or as a tattoo on our forehead.

But what if we lose the paper or forget which file or application a password was intended for? Even worse, what if a hacker gets into our computer and uses a stolen password to rifle through our finances or the novel we have recently completed? Somewhere in this computer jungle the moment will arrive when we long for the good old days when a typewriter was the most complex tool we had to cope with.

Will passwords someday disappear from our culture? It's quite possible. I hear (or read) reports that one day fairly soon our face, fingerprint or even our voice will be the only key needed to admit us to the intricate tangles of cyberspace. But what if I grow a beard, or cut my identifying finger, or develop a case of laryngitis? Won't that screw up the high-tech gadgetry that's intended to give me the green light into computer files? Stay tuned. The time may come when today's passwords will seem as simple as nursery rhymes.

Fortunately, life's passwords can take forms other than Yk256Z, etc. Our daily struggles can be lightened if we remember to utter such civilized simplicities as these: "Please." "Thank you." "You're welcome." "Best wishes." "Well done!" "Come back soon." "Good luck to you." These and similar spoken passwords contain magic that can open doors, minds and hearts.

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# The Dems' front-runner and top target

The primaries are about 2-1/2 months away, and so much can happen before voters choose their candidates for Florida's next governor that being the front-runner now only means you're the main target.

With that in mind, Democrat Philip Levine, who is leading polls mostly (I believe) because he has been the only candidate from his party to put a lot of ads on TV, might want to go easy on the whole "I'm the front-runner" idea.

Ask Adam Putnam how much it means to be ahead before most people have even begun to pay serious attention to the elections. Get real.

But that didn't stop Levine from a groan-inducing moment during Saturday's Democratic debate.

When his three opponents on the stage – Gwen Graham, Andrew Gillum and Chris King – put Levine on the defensive by bringing up his 2010 contribution of \$2,400 to Republican Marco Rubio's U.S. Senate campaign.

That prompted this ill-advised quip from Levine: "Boy, it's sure fun to be the front-runner."

It was not well-received by the audience at Pinellas Park High School, and it just reminded everyone that Levine has a reputation as thin-skinned.

That brings up two points:  
First, it reminded people of his gaffe in the first Democratic debate when the man who has proposed giving \$10,000 raises to Florida teachers



**Joe Henderson**

– estimated cost: \$1.8 billion – couldn't answer a direct question about how much the state already budgets for education.

That was quite the conversation-starter in the aftermath of that debate, and the last thing Levine should have wanted was for people to be talking about this line after the second go-round.

Second, it opened the question of whether Levine was prepared for the grilling a poll-leader should expect.

If this line was a rehearsed response in anticipation of being knocked around, he should have ditched that idea long before he got to the stage.

If it was spontaneous, that doesn't bode well either. What would he be like sitting in the governor's chair when the grill gets a lot hotter than what he faced Saturday night?

To be fair, he did come back with a nod toward party unity in his closing statement, noting, "I hope every single one of you votes for me, but I know one thing. If any of the four of us become

governor, our state will be in way better shape than it is today."

Levine has reliably progressive ideas and the money to get his message out. And it's not like his opponents don't have their own obstacles to overcome.

Graham has been attacked from the left for not being progressive enough, although her declaration during Saturday's debate that if elected she will sign an executive order banning the sale of military-style assault weapons was a bold gambit.

Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum has had to defend his vote as a city commissioner in 2005 to joint with other cities to build a \$1.5 billion coal-fired plant.

Businessman Chris King is struggling to find traction in a crowded field.

And Jeff Green, a late entry to the race, decided to skip Saturday's debate. Interesting strategy, eh?

But even though this is his first statewide campaign, Levine surely must know that leading the polls – and he does, by a wide margin – only means his rivals will come at him with more pointed attacks. It doesn't get easier from now through the August primary, and after that it gets ferocious.

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## About the Cartoonist

Born and raised by underpaid public school teachers in Sanford, Fla., Andy Marlette graduated from the University of Florida and became staff editorial cartoonist at the Pensacola News Journal in 2007. Marlette received a priceless editorial cartoon education while living with his uncle and Pulitzer Prize-winning cartoonist Doug Marlette in Hillsborough, N.C. Doug's tragic death in July of 2007 made evermore poignant the elder Marlette's fierce and faithful devotion to the art form of editorial cartooning as a cornerstone of American free speech.

With this in mind, Andy works daily to learn and uphold the disciplines and values passed on to him by his late uncle. Andy's editorial cartoons have become both hated and adored by daily readers. His work has been awarded by the Florida Society of Newspaper Editors for best editorial cartoons on state issues and former Governor Charlie Crist referred to himself regularly as Marlette's biggest fan, despite the fact that he was also regularly a target in cartoons.

# Business Briefcase

## Shepherd's Village to host apartment opening

**BELLEAIR BLUFFS** - The public is invited to attend a tropical summer party celebrating the opening of two newly refurbished apartments in Shepherd's Village, a Christ-Centered residential ministry in Belleair Bluffs, at 5:50 p.m. Thursday, June 28.

Shepherd's Village provides housing for single mothers and their children in a 12-unit apartment complex in Belleair Bluffs. The two-year program also includes life skills management, job training, parenting skills and financial planning as well as redefining vocational and educational goals.

The Bluffs Business Association will donate \$4,000 toward the refurbishment of the apartments that will soon welcome new families.

Guests are welcome to bring a nonperishable food item or toiletries to "stock the pantry." Shepherd's Village is located at 3025 Los Altos Drive, Belleair Bluffs. For more information, call 727-686-8797.

## Safety Harbor hosts ghost tours

**SAFETY HARBOR** - A little bit of history with a lot of mystery equals an amazing five star ghost tour in downtown Safety Harbor. The two-hour walking tour begins on Main Street and Fourth Avenue N. and proceeds to downtown Safety Harbor. The tour is dog-friendly and handicap accessible.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children from ages 8 to 12. To make a reservation, call 727-687-8785.

## U-Haul opens new location in Largo

**LARGO** - U-Haul Company of Florida has opened a new location at Michael's Food Store in Largo.

Michael's Food Store, at 1787 Indian Rocks Road S., will offer U-Haul trucks, trailers, towing equipment, moving supplies and in-store pick-up for boxes.

Normal business hours are 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day.

Reserve U-Haul products at this dealer location by calling 727-239-4619 or visit [www.uhaul.com/Locations/Truck-Rentals-near-Largo-FL-33774/006757](http://www.uhaul.com/Locations/Truck-Rentals-near-Largo-FL-33774/006757).

## Wine Bar opens in Clearwater

**CLEARWATER** - Pour Yours, a wine bar, is the newest establishment to open in downtown Clearwater.

Clearwater business owners Lina Teixeira and Leo Caicedo first envisioned the idea for Pour Yours three years ago and saw their dream come to fruition earlier this year. The bar, located at 522 Cleveland St., features automated wine dispensers as well as decor highlighted by repurposed furniture, metals and pipes.

The bar is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 5 p.m. until

midnight; and Friday and Saturday from 5 p.m. until 2 a.m. For more information, call 727-409-3604.

## Mastry's to host networking event

**ST. PETE BEACH** - Mastry's Brewing Co. will host a women-focused panel and networking event focusing on breaking barriers in the beer industry from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 20, at 7701 Blind Pass Road, St. Pete Beach.

In partnership with The Doyenne, a professional development group focused on supporting women in business, the event, titled "Breaking Barriers in Beer: Women Running the Beer Business," will feature an interactive panel followed by networking opportunities.

For more information, email Danie Dahm at [Danie@MastrysBrewingCo.com](mailto:Danie@MastrysBrewingCo.com).

## AchieveHERs to host luncheon

**CLEARWATER** - AchieveHERs, the women's think tank for Tampa Bay, is opening up the conversation about mental health. The group will host a luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, June 21, at Bon Appetit Restaurant, Dunedin.

Chamber member tickets are \$40 (nonmembers, \$45) and available online at [www.clearwaterflorida.org/events](http://www.clearwaterflorida.org/events).

The presentation, Caregiving: The Secrets We Don't Share, is a part of the Women Sharing Wisdom series.

## Clearwater chamber to host candidate event

**CLEARWATER** - Each election cycle, the Clearwater Regional Chamber of Commerce hosts Politics in Pinellas, where Pinellas County voters meet face-to-face with candidates for every elected office on the November ballot. The 10th Politics in Pinellas will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday, July 26, at the EpiCenter, St. Petersburg College, 13805 58th St. N.

Candidates for elected office will answer questions, citizens may speak with their elected officials in person, and a "straw poll" will be held during the event. This event is free to the public.

Announced and qualified candidates for the 2018 Election Cycle may register online at [www.Clearwaterflorida.org/events](http://www.Clearwaterflorida.org/events).

For more information, call 727-461-0011 or email Darryl Henderson at [dhenderson@clearwaterflorida.org](mailto:dhenderson@clearwaterflorida.org).

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# School Notebook

## School District's Administration Building to feature Civil Rights exhibit in June

**LARGO** - During the month of June, the School District's Administration Building, 301 Fourth St. SW in Largo, will feature several displays on the history of segregation in Pinellas County.

The display is part of a traveling exhibition titled "Beaches, Benches, and Boycotts: The Civil Rights Movement in Tampa Bay" and is on loan from The Florida Holocaust Museum located in St. Petersburg.

The installation is part of an Equity project that supports the district's ongoing equity initiatives.

## Pinellas Schools provides summer meals

**LARGO** - Pinellas County Schools hosted a Summer BreakSpot kickoff event June 6 at Largo High School. Summer BreakSpots are locations where children and teens can receive a healthy meal at no charge while school is out.

Summer BreakSpot is a program sponsored by Pinellas County Schools Food Service and supported by partnerships with Juvenile Welfare Board, Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger, Share Our Strength - No Kid Hungry, Florida Department of Agriculture, Florida Dairy Council and UF/IFAS.

To find a Summer BreakSpot location visit [www.summerbreakspot.org](http://www.summerbreakspot.org).

## High schools honored for preparing students

Five Pinellas County high schools were honored with the 2018 College Success Award. The schools include Countryside High, East Lake High, Osceola Fundamental High, Seminole High and St. Petersburg High schools.

Each school was recognized for preparing graduating students for post-secondary success. The schools were among a group of 814 public schools nationwide.

GreatSchools launched the College Success Award to recognize and celebrate high schools that excel in ensuring students are prepared for college and ultimately careers. The College Success Award-winning high schools stand out based on school-level postsecondary data collected and shared by their states.

## St. Pete High teacher named Woman of Year

**ST. PETERSBURG** - St. Petersburg High School teacher, Tracey Keim, was recognized as the St. Petersburg Exchange Club's Woman of the Year. Keim was honored for the creation of the Green Devils Closet & Pantry.

The Green Devils Closet and Pantry began in 2006 with a \$500 grant. Keim originally designed the pantry as a project to assist students with suits and dresses for dances and interviews.

## AT&T funds STEM program at Pinellas Park High

As many as 2,000 students from Pinellas Park High School will have an opportunity for hands-on STEM experiences using cutting-edge technology in their academies of Business, Criminal Justice and First Responders through a \$10,000 AT&T contribution to the Pinellas Education Foundation.

AT&T's contribution will help enhance the high school's STEM curriculum when the school acquires a drone, which will be used by students in all three academies as well as their after-school STEM club. The drone will enable students to have access to the latest technology across multiple fields of study, including coding and thermal camera technology. This will catalyze real-world learning experiences that will enhance their connections to future careers in law enforcement, entrepreneurship, emergency management and technology.

## Achieva awards scholarships to local students

**DUNEDIN** - Achieva Credit Union recently awarded \$15,000 in scholarships to 12 college-bound graduates, including 10 \$1,000 scholarships.

In addition, two graduating high-school students who plan to major in education were awarded a \$2,500 Hugh "Max" Kriever Memorial Scholarship, in memory of the former Chairman of the Board of Achieva.

Applicants were evaluated on a range of factors, including academic accomplishments, extracurricular activities, community involvement and future goals. Their essay answers regarding responsible money management and financial literacy in relation to community impact were also taken into consideration.

Scholarship winners in Pinellas County included:

- Benjamin Lameyer - Northside Christian High School in St. Petersburg.
- Emma Touchton - Tarpon Springs High School in Tarpon Springs.
- Joshua Nikolas Bronto - Largo High School in Largo.
- Laura Young - Northeast High School in St. Petersburg.
- Lauren Lang - Palm Harbor University High School in Palm Harbor.
- Ryan Goodrich - Osceola Fundamental High School in Seminole.

## Local students excel at colleges, universities

A number of Pinellas County students were named as top students for the 2018 spring semester at colleges and universities throughout the nation.

Alexandra Buchanan of Seminole and Maggie Shearer of Clearwater were named to the president's list at Mississippi College in Clinton Mississippi. Kaitlyn Will of Clearwater was named to the president's list at Jacksonville State University in Jacksonville, Alabama. To be named to the president's list, students must earn a perfect 4.0 GPA while attending full-time.

A number of others were named to the dean's list, including the following. To be named to the dean's list, students must maintain at least a 3.5 GPA and attend full-time.

- Christa Mullholand of Clearwater at Mississippi College.
- Anjali-Joann Chatlani of Seminole at Georgia State University in Atlanta, Georgia.
- Delaney Abood of Clearwater at Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, Georgia.
- Nicole Van Norman of Seminole at Coastal Carolina University in Conway, South Carolina.
- Benjamin K Hewitt of Safety Harbor at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama.
- Molly L Greene of Safety Harbor at Samford University.
- Shea Donnelly of Treasure Island at Maine Maritime Academy in Castine, Maine.
- Eleni Mavres of Clearwater at Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tennessee.

## USF earns recognition as global leader

**TAMPA** - The University of South Florida is the nation's fifth leading public university in generating new utility patents and ranks 12th among universities worldwide in this key measure of innovation, according to rankings released June 5 by the National Academy of Inventors and the Intellectual Property Owners Association.

With 116 new utility patents issued in 2017, USF continues to stand with some of the world's most prestigious institutions in the highly competitive arena - including innovation powerhouses such as the University of California System, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Harvard University and Stanford University. On a global scale, this is the eighth year USF has ranked in the top 20.

USF earned two more patents in 2017 over its previous record of 114 in 2016. USF was first among Florida's universities, which collectively ranked highly among the world's centers of academic invention.

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## Renourishment work begins



Photo by NANCY AYERS

Belleair Beach residents and visitors were watching heavy equipment traverse the shoreline with pipes and other supplies for the renourishment project that began last week. The trucks were going from Morgan Park in Belleair Beach to Clearwater/Sand Key where sand is pumped ashore from a barge in the Gulf.



**Fish Tales**  
Capt. Tyson Wallerstein

## Summer fishing is off to a late start

It has been quite a while since we have seen a normal consistent weather forecast for our area. It appears now the weather has finally stabilized and that we should be in our normal summer pattern of sunshine and light winds in the morning and showers in the afternoon.

Beach fishing for tarpon is back to where it should be. Calm conditions have allowed the water to clean back up and bait schools to move in close to shore. Look for the tarpon to be moving both north and south in smaller schools than we saw a few weeks ago. Most of the fish are moving fast and are difficult to get in front of. Anchor fishing with a spread of live baits out will be the most productive approach. Threadfins, pinfish and small crabs have all been working well.

Redfish have been schooling recently, and if you can locate them they have been feeding aggressively on the middle portion of the incoming tide. Find those schools of big mullet, and there will be some reds around. Live pinfish work best this time of year. We typically cut the tail so the pinfish can't burry in the grass and also lets a little scent out.

Offshore grouper fishing has been good by all accounts. Red grouper can be found holding over hard bottom areas in and around 100 feet. Use cut sardines for bait and drift when the winds are light enough. This typically produces nicer fish. Gag grouper have been in these same depths but also can be targeted closer in to around 50 feet of water. Frozen sardines have been working well for the gags as well as live grass grunts and pinfish.

Tyson Wallerstein 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.

## The Great Outdoors

### Largo man takes prize in Lionfish Challenge

LARGO - Michael DeRemer of Largo is among a dozen people who have won cash or prizes in this year's statewide Lionfish Challenge. DeRemer received \$500 for helping to remove the invasive fish from Florida waters in a contest sponsored by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Other winners announced June 11 were from Escambia, Volusia Bay and Martin counties.

The FWC reported that as of June 11, 2,839 lionfish had been removed. Some 277 people had registered for the Challenge and 21 people had submitted lionfish. Twenty-six tagged lionfish had been caught - two in the Atlantic Ocean and 24 in the Gulf of Mexico.

The Lionfish Challenge rewards lionfish harvesters with prizes for their lionfish removals, tagged or not. The tagged lionfish component is new this year and includes cash prizes up to \$5,000.

### McGough Park to host birds of prey show

LARGO - The Look Alive Bird Show will be presented Sunday, June 17, from 1 to 2 p.m., at the Narrows Environmental Education Center, 11901 146th St. N.

Attendees will get a glimpse at the world of Florida's fabulous flighted hunters. The show details the amazing adaptations that raptors use to exploit the natural world for their gain. The show includes owls, hawks, falcons and Sarge, the center's own bald eagle and the star of the show. Cost is \$3 a person.

### Recreational red snapper season starts

The recreational red snapper season is underway in Gulf state and federal waters and remains open through July 20, closing July 21.

This year and next year are unique compared to previous years in that Florida's Gulf recreational red snapper season applies to harvest from both state and federal waters.

Anglers fishing from private recreational boats will need to have their recreational saltwater fishing license (unless exempt) and will need to have Gulf Reef Fish Angler on their license (includes those that are exempt) to target red snapper or other certain reef fish in Gulf state and federal waters (excluding Monroe County). To get this printed on a license at no cost, visit [GoOutdoorsFlorida.com](http://GoOutdoorsFlorida.com) or stop by any location where licenses can be purchased.

## REDINGTON BEACH

# Town OKs beach access despite lawsuit threats

By MELVIN BAKER  
Tampa Bay Newspapers

REDINGTON BEACH - Despite threats of lawsuits, commissioners here gave final approval June 6 to a beach access ordinance that some property owners claimed was "declaring war" on their property rights.

In a unanimous vote, the Town Commission assured residents the ordinance would change nothing.

Before casting his vote, Mayor Nick Simons said "all we're trying to do is to remedy what we're allowed to remedy" in a bill passed by the Legislature earlier this year.

Legislation known informally as HB 631 that takes effect July 1 allows beachfront property owners to block off their property down to the mean high-water line.

Town Attorney Jay Daigneault said Redington Beach's existing ordinances for "customary use" of the dry sand areas exempt Redington Beach from provisions of the law, which allows the passage of new beach access ordinances before the July 1 deadline.

Some half a dozen people spoke on the proposed ordinance, most of them in opposition.

The ordinance would constitute a "taking" of private property

and allow the public to come onto privately owned beaches, said Paul Crochet, an attorney representing beach property owners Art Buser and Pamela Grayson.

He said that customary use of the beach by the public, the concept at the center of the ordinance, was in dispute. Property owners have a right to exclude others from a privately owned beach, Crochet said, and passage of the ordinance would constitute "declaring war" on residents who own Gulf-side property.

Customary use doesn't matter, he added. "What matters is the risk the commission is opening this town" to potential lawsuits.

He noted that a recent verdict in a lawsuit by a beach property owner in St. Pete Beach cost that city \$1.5 million.

"Whether you guys are right or not about customary use, this is a risk that I think you guys should have a little bit more discussion on," Crochet said.

A second attorney, Clay Matthews, representing Juan and Jill Gallego, reiterated Crochet's allegations. He contended the town's current ordinances don't legally establish customary use, so Redington Beach would not fall under the exception granted in the

state bill.

He predicted the town's ordinance would be invalidated by the courts.

Resident Claudia McCorkle told commissioners it "seems that you're trying to make our private property a public beach."

"It's just not right," she said. "It's just not fair to property owners that are paying a premium to own property on this beach. If these people want to enjoy the beach, step up and buy property on the beach. I am vehemently opposed to this ordinance."

Such arguments did little to sway commissioners.

"I want to go ahead with the ordinance," said Commissioner Dave Will, who had made the motion for final approval. "I want to ensure nothing changes. The beach will be the same tomorrow as it was yesterday."

Simons noted that he grew up on Redington Beach.

"I've spent my whole life on the beach here. I know what customary use is and so do the people who live on the west side of Gulf Boulevard know (what) customary use is. And all we're trying to do is to remedy what we're allowed to remedy by virtue of HB 631 to resolidify the customary use we already have on the books."

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CLEARWATER

# City agrees to pitch in \$16M for stadium upgrades

By LOGAN MOSBY  
Tampa Bay Newspapers

CLEARWATER – The city of Clearwater is moving forward with a \$16 million investment into upgrades at Spectrum and Carpenter fields, homes of the Philadelphia Phillies spring training, and have agreed to seek additional funding from both the county and state, as part of an almost \$80 million project.

The decision comes as the city faces tough decisions with services

and projects that are set to increase over the next 10 years, all while a projected shortfall over the next 10 years is expected to leave the city's coffers barren.

The Phillies have trained in Clearwater for more than 70 years and its current agreement with the city is set to expire in 2023. The city has been in discussions with the team to renew that lease, which would include capital improvements to both of the athletic facilities.

Upgrades to the Carpenter

Complex include renovations to its existing clubhouse, the addition of a second story office space and coach's locker room, the creation of minor league food services and dining area, new player support facilities and dormitories that would accommodate 160 players.

Improvements to the 16-year-old Spectrum Field would include the renovation and expansion of office space and fitness and training space, expanded food service and dining area, climate-controlled club level and renovations to the left

field concourse.

The city is expected to request \$40 million in funds from the county Tourist Development Council, apply for a state grant aimed at retaining spring training teams for almost \$14 million and has agreed to pay \$16 million from its Penny for Pinellas fund. An additional \$10 million will be provided by the Phillies.

However, city attorney Pam Aiken warned council members during a meeting June 7 at city hall that the city does not currently

have enough money allocated in Penny for Pinellas to cover the expenditure and that said decision would need to be made to source the funding.

"Just so you are aware, you do not currently have \$16 million established for this project," Aiken said. "So, there will be a point during the summer – during the budget and finalization of these agreements – that we will have to determine where you will provide that additional funding. You do not have it in Penny IV."

Among the upcoming financial issues facing the city are the proposed homestead exemption amendment, large capital investments set to begin in 2021 and the city's unfunded \$55 million downtown waterfront revitalization plan, Imagine Clearwater.

In May, council gave City Manager Bill Horne approval to factor in a tax increase in the next fiscal budget – the first tax increase in almost 10 years.

According to parks and recreation director Kevin Dunbar, the Phillies had an economic impact of \$125 million during spring training.

"In addition to that, the Phillies have a direct spend into the Clearwater economy of about \$25 million," Dunbar said during a workshop last week.

Clearwater Mayor George Cretekos said the Phillies have a vital impact on the county and it's up to council members to advocate for them.

"It's going to be incumbent upon us to get our county commissioners – because even though the TDC votes on it, the final vote comes before the County Commission – and we have to get the county commission to support this project before we go forward.

"And that would be on each of us to remind our commissioners of the importance of the Phillies – not only to Clearwater but really the entire area," he continued.

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For registration and more information go to melonsformoolah.com, email melons@melonsformoolah.com or call 727-314-5664.

### Meeting set for band's New York appearance

ST. PETERSBURG – Persons interested in participating in the 2019 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade with the Second Time Arounders Marching Band are invited to attend an informational meeting Tuesday, June 19, 7 p.m. at Allendale United Methodist Church, 3803 Haines Road, St. Petersburg.

The marching band has been selected to perform for a second time in the 2019 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Its first appearance was in 2008 with 512 members. Anyone who's ever marched in a high school, college, or military band, with an instrument, baton, rifle, flag or as a dancer is encouraged to attend the meeting.

For next year's parade, the band size will be limited to 400 members. The informational meeting is important as a way to put your name on the list for the parade.

Fill out the no obligation interest form at [www.secondtimearounders.com](http://www.secondtimearounders.com).

### Gulfport geckos to get annual makeover

GULFPORT – Nine local artists will display their personal imaginings of Gulfport's mascot – the gecko – during an August reception that is the prelude to the annual Gecko Ball.

Larger-than-life versions of the town's iconic reptile will be the centerpiece of the fourth annual Art Gecko Show on Friday, Aug. 3, 6-8 p.m., at the Catherine Hickman Theater, 5501 27th Ave. S.

Artists selected to create geckos for this year's auction are Joan Allen, Larry Busby, Ray Domingo, Doug D'souza, Eric Folsom, Thomas O'Connor, Lucas Pitzen, Tom Pitzen and Monika Watson.

The show also will feature selections from the participating artists' regular body of work in a variety of media. That work will continue to be displayed through the month.

Following the opening reception, the nine geckos will be moved and displayed at various public locations in Gulfport. The geckos will be auctioned at the 10th annual Gecko Ball on Saturday, Aug. 25, at the Gulfport Casino Ballroom. The reception is free and open to the public and also will include complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

Tickets to the Gecko Ball are \$35 each and are available beginning July 4 at Gulfport Beach Bazaar, 3115 Beach Blvd., or online at [VisitGulfportFlorida.com](http://VisitGulfportFlorida.com).

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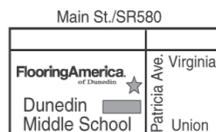
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Helen Parr (voice of Holly Hunter) faces a new challenge as Elastigirl in "Incredibles 2."

## Opening this weekend

'Incredibles 2' sees the return of Disney/Pixar's favorite super-family; 'Tag' set to open

Compiled by LEE CLARK ZUMPE  
 Tampa Bay Newspapers

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

### 'Incredibles 2'

Genre: Action, animation, adventure and family  
 Cast: Craig T. Nelson, Holly Hunter, Sarah Vowell, Samuel L. Jackson, Hucklberry "Huck" Milner, Brad Bird, Bob Odenkirk, Catherine Keener, Jonathan Banks, Sophia Bush and Isabella Rossellini  
 Director: Brad Bird  
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In "Incredibles 2," Helen (voice of Holly Hunter) is called on to lead a campaign to bring Supers back, while Bob (voice of Craig T. Nelson) navigates the day-to-day heroics of "normal" life at home with Violet (voice of Sarah Vowell), Dash (voice of Huck Milner) and baby Jack-Jack - whose super powers are about to be discovered.

Their mission is derailed, however, when a new villain emerges with a brilliant and dangerous plot that threatens everything. But the Parrs don't shy away from a challenge, especially with Frozone (voice of Samuel L. Jackson) by their side. That's what makes this family so Incredible.

### 'Superfly'

Genre: Thriller and action  
 Cast: Trevor Jackson, Jason Mitchell, Michael Kenneth Williams, Lex Scott Davis and Jennifer Morrison  
 Director: Director X  
 Rated: R

"Superfly" - the film that helped define a genre in its characters, look, sound, and feel - is reimaged with Director X, director of legendary music videos, introducing it to a new generation.

The screenplay is by Alex Tse.

### 'Tag'

Genre: Comedy  
 Cast: Ed Helms, Jake Johnson, Annabelle Wallis, Rashida Jones, Isla Fisher, Leslie Bibb, Hannibal Buress, Jon Hamm and Jeremy Renner  
 Director: Jeff Tomsic  
 Rated: R

For one month every year, five highly competitive friends hit the ground running in a no-holds-barred game of tag they've been playing since the first grade - risking their necks, their jobs and their relationships to take each other down with the battle cry: "You're It!"



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Trevor Jackson stars in "Superfly."

This year, the game coincides with the wedding of their only undefeated player, which should finally make him an easy target. But he knows they're coming ... and he's ready.

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

### 'Loving Pablo'

Genre: Drama, crime and biography  
 Cast: Penelope Cruz, Javier Bardem and Peter Sarsgaard  
 Director: Fernando Léon de Aranoa

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# Bobby Bones brings tour to Straz Center

TAMPA – Radio DJ, stand-up comedian and bestselling author Bobby Bones will bring his Red Hoodie Comedy Tour to the Tampa Bay area for one show Friday, June 22, 8 p.m., in Carol Morsani Hall at the Straz Center for the Performing Arts, 1010 N. W.C. MacInnes Place, Tampa.

Tickets start at \$34.25. Call 813-229-7827 or visit [strazcenter.org](http://strazcenter.org).

Also known as a chart-topping recording artist, television personality and philanthropist, Bones has built his career on the ability to multi-task. Channeling humor, honesty and hard work, he's also built the largest nationally-syndicated morning show in country radio: "The Bobby Bones Show."

Now Bobby hits the road with his brand-new stand-up act after 2017's sold out Funny & Alone Stand Up Comedy Tour. This tour will feature new jokes from the same warped mind.

According to Red Light Management, Bones grew up in Mountain Pine, Arkansas. It was a pint-sized town, supported by a sawmill that employed most of the area's residents. Bones had a different career in mind, though, landing his first radio job as a college student and, during the years that followed, bouncing between a handful of pop, hip-hop, and sports stations.

When "The Bobby Bones Show" – which launched in Austin, quickly establishing itself as the city's top-rated morning show – moved to Nashville and became a nationally-syndicated radio program in 2012, Bones' career went into hyper-drive.



Photo courtesy of THE STRAZ CENTER  
The Straz Center welcomes Bobby Bones June 22.

Overseeing a daily radio show requires teamwork, and Bones has built his own team from the ground up. On "The Bobby Bones Show," where visiting artists are encouraged to let their guard down, there's no pageantry, no showbiz, no smoke and mirrors. Instead, Bones treats everyone like a member of the family, pulling real emotion out of the genre's biggest stars.

Of course, all of that teamwork and collaboration hasn't stopped him from regularly hitting the stage alone as a stand-up comedian. It's a job he's enjoyed since his teenage years. It continues to be a welcome challenge, too, putting Bones face-to-face with his audience and eliminating his cast of on-air sidekicks.

"I'm up there alone, telling stories from my life and sharing observations from my warped mind," he said in a biography provided by Red Light Management. "It's all about honesty and awkwardness. I can't react to something my partner has just said, because there's no one else up there with me. I love the challenge. I love running the risk of failing at something, because if you fail, at least it means you're trying."

In 2017, Bones launched his wildly successful "Funny & Alone Stand Up Comedy Tour" with more than 20 sellouts across the country. In 2018, he is on the road again bringing a brand new show and plenty of new jokes to his fans with the "Bobby Bones Red Hoodie Comedy Tour."

For dates, visit [www.BobbyBonesComedy.com](http://www.BobbyBonesComedy.com). For venue information, visit [strazcenter.org](http://strazcenter.org).

## A&E news

### Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center announces event lineup

PINELLAS PARK – The Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center, at 4951 78th Ave. in Pinellas Park, recently announced a string of upcoming performances in its 2018-19 season.

For information and to purchase tickets, call 727-369-5746 or visit [pinellas-park.com/161/Performing-Arts-Center](http://pinellas-park.com/161/Performing-Arts-Center).

Following is a list of upcoming shows:

- Saturday, Sept. 15, 8 p.m. – The McCartney Project. Tickets are \$16 in advance and \$21 at the door. The McCartney Project is America's No. 1 Paul McCartney, Wings and Beatles tribute. Their show is more than a concert: It's an "experience." Their authentic tribute starts with left-handed, sound-alike, look-alike Tony Burlingame as Paul McCartney playing the iconic Hofner violin bass. Burlingame is backed by the talented McCartney Project band that recreates Sir Paul's music note-for-note. They even have their own "Linda." The show is family friendly, covering more than three decades of music.

- Saturday, Oct. 13, 8 p.m. – The Rocket Man Show. Tickets are \$16 in advance. The Rocket Man Show is America's No. 1 full time '70's and '80's Elton John tribute and sets the standard for world class entertainment. Rus Anderson has performed in a myriad of venues all over the world.

- Saturday, Nov. 10, 8 p.m. – Jay White performs a tribute to Neil Diamond. Tickets are \$18 in advance. A Pinellas Park favorite, White has performed more than 8,000 shows in five countries including more than 1,000 shows over the past five years with his band at the Riviera Hotel Casino in Las Vegas.

- Saturday, Dec. 1, 8 p.m. – The Sounds of Soul. Tickets are \$16 in advance. Sounds of Soul is a high-energy group boasting superior vocals and slick dance moves, all powered by pure soul. Performing for audiences across the nation since 1996, the group is made up of six seasoned entertainers who have excelled as outstanding singers, dancers and songwriters. Each member has shared the national recording spotlight driven by the power of Capital Records, Big Apple Records, and R7S Records to name but a few.

- Saturday, Dec. 15, 8 p.m. – Artrageous. Tickets are \$16 in advance. The Artrageous troupe of artists, musicians, singers and dancers pay tribute to a variety of art forms, pop icons and musical genres culminating in a gallery of fabulous finished paintings.

### Studio@620 to celebrate birthday

ST. PETERSBURG – A birthday celebration featuring live music and an art exhibit will take place Saturday, June 16, 6:20 p.m., at The Studio@620, 620 First Ave. S., St. Petersburg.

The event will feature a performance by the local jazz group The Lounge Cats. Attendees also may view a community art exhibit. The event is free and open to the public but donations are accepted in support of the upcoming season of programming which will include a 13-month-long focus on arts and architecture and feature an ambitious Shakespeare production.

The birthday celebration marks 14 seasons of creative programming and support of emerging and established talent within The Studio@620. The Studio@620 first opened its doors with a ribbon cutting on Dec. 30, 2004, and has been a vital part of the arts resurgence in the city ever since.

Visit [www.studio620.org](http://www.studio620.org) or call 727-895-6620 for more information.

### Creative Pinellas to host Xavier Cortada exhibition

LARGO – Creative Pinellas will present "90N: North Pole Installations and Florida Is," an exhibition of artwork by internationally-acclaimed artist Xavier Cortada, running June 29 through Sept. 2, in the gallery at Creative Pinellas, 12211 Walsingham Road, Largo.

An opening reception for the exhibition will take place Friday, June 29, 6 to 9 p.m., in the gallery. The artist will be in attendance.

Cortada is a Florida-based artist who has developed numerous art projects globally, including art installations at the North and South Poles to address environmental concerns at every point in between.

"It is very compelling to us to bring an artist of Cortada's caliber to the gallery," said Barbara St. Clair, executive director of Creative Pinellas. "His work is visually and experientially powerful, bringing over 400 pieces together in an interactive and immersive collection at the intersection of art and science. We think it's a great fit with our mission and our location at the Pinewood Cultural Park."

Taking place on the 10th anniversary of Cortada's expedition to the North Pole, "90N: North Pole Installations and Florida Is" will feature works from these two collections, as well as never-before exhibited Arctic ice paintings created during his 2008 North Pole expedition. The artwork exhibited in "90N: North Pole Installations and Florida Is" is rooted in science and oriented toward social engagement.

"I want people to see this work and to get a sense of the alarming connection between the Arctic and our peninsula," said Cortada. "Melting ice will have catastrophic effects across our state, leading to sea level rise, coastal flooding, stalled tropical storms, and more extreme weather in the coming years."

Gallery hours are Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday noon to 4 p.m.; and by appointment through Sept. 2.

For additional information, visit [creativepinellas.org/gallery](http://creativepinellas.org/gallery), call Christopher Hubbard at 727-582-2242 or email [christopher.hubbard@creativepinellas.org](mailto:christopher.hubbard@creativepinellas.org).

Creative Pinellas seeks to facilitate a vibrant, integrated, collaborative and sustainable Pinellas County arts community and cultural destination. The organization strives to be the premier local arts agency, recognized locally and globally for its contribution to arts and culture.

### St. Pete ArtWorks to host Ruehmann exhibit opening

ST. PETERSBURG – An opening reception for "A Busy Mind," an exhibition featuring work by Sarah Ruehmann, will take place Saturday, June 16, 6 to 9 p.m., at St. Pete ArtWorks, 2412 Central Ave., St. Petersburg.

Acoustic music will be provided by Ruehmann's husband, singer/songwriter Leon Barickman. Refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to the public.

The underlying theme to all of Ruehmann's work is "decay as the natural state of all things." She believes it is the prevailing agent of change in all the cycles taking place around and inside us daily.

"A Busy Mind" reflects her need to constantly gather and create images and objects that depict moments that can never be exactly the same again. A common theme is the juxtaposition of plants and flowers at their "prime," paired with animals that have moved on.

A recent transplant to St. Petersburg from Minneapolis, Ruehmann studied fine art, textiles, technical theater/ stagecraft, metalsmithing, and stained glass across the country. She has worked as a tattoo artist for the past 23 years. Pieces included in the exhibition are watercolor pencil on paper, Tiffany method stained glass, origami and one wooden/mixed media automaton.

The show will run through July 14. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Call 727-710-7716 or visit [www.stpeteartworks.com](http://www.stpeteartworks.com).

### Orquesta Infnidad to perform at CPPAC

LARGO – Orquesta Infnidad will perform Saturday, Aug. 18, 8 p.m., at the Central Park Performing Arts Center, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo.

Tickets are \$14.50 in advance. Call 727-587-6793 or visit [largoarts.com](http://largoarts.com).

From the heart of Tampa's historic Ybor City comes the sound of Orquesta Infnidad. Their timbre rings true with the colors and rhythms of salsa, merengue, Latin jazz, as well as an array of other Latin musical genres.

### Theater costume rummage sale set

TARPON SPRINGS – Tarpon Arts is taking spring cleaning seriously and doing a massive overhaul of its costume closet that holds decades' worth of costumes from every community theatre production imaginable.

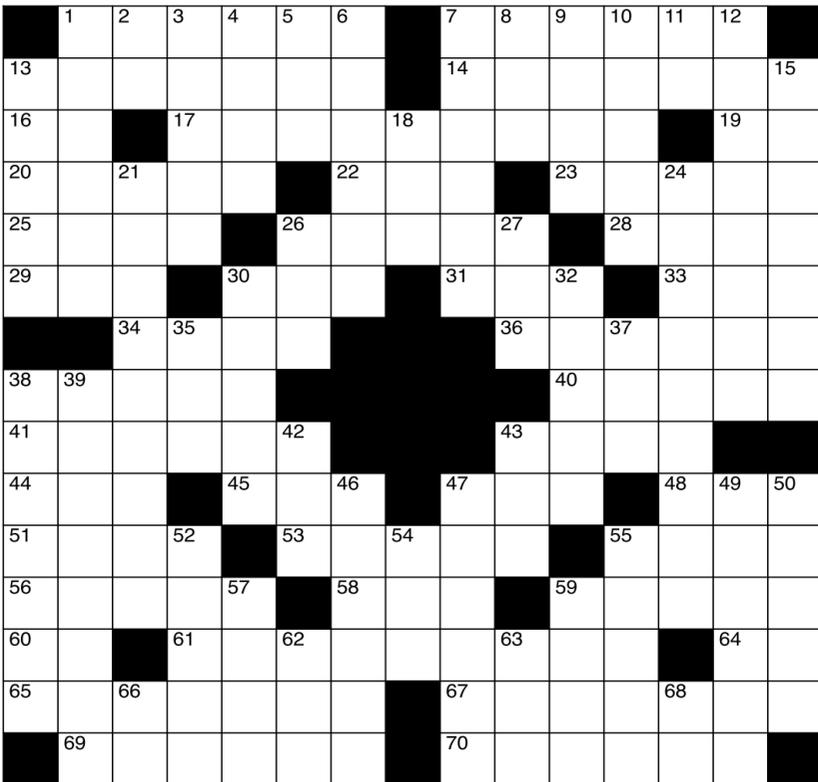
The organization will host a costume rummage sale Monday through Friday, June 25-29, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, at the Tarpon Springs Heritage Museum, 100 Beekman Lane in Craig Park, Tarpon Springs. Items will be individually priced ranging from \$1 to \$10 and only cash will be accepted. All proceeds directly benefit Tarpon Arts.

The sale will feature dresses, hats, suits, feather boas and more.

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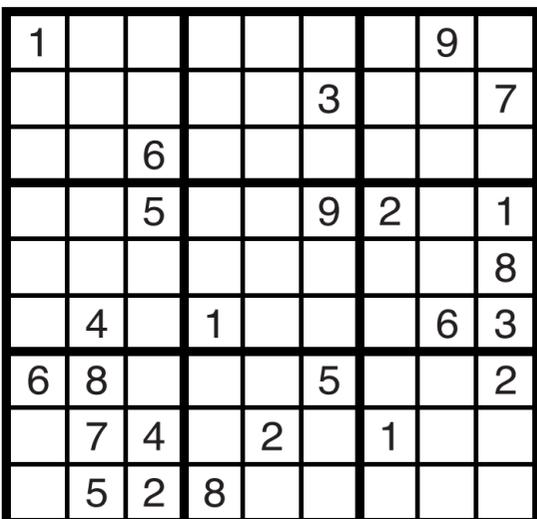
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## Crossword



- Across**
1. Glowering
  7. Sports equipment
  13. Relief organization
  14. Go against the flow
  16. A public promotion of some product or service
  17. Premier League's Spurs
  19. Of I
  20. Tears down (Brit.)
  22. One point north of due east
  23. Sandwich shops
  25. American spy
  26. Medieval stringed instrument
  28. Self-immolation by fire ritual
  29. Pearl Jam's debut
  30. Panthers' Newton
  31. Press against lightly
  33. \_\_ Squad
  34. Eminem hit
  36. Violent seizure of property
  38. Native or inhabitant of Asia
  40. Loudness units
  41. Knotted anew
  43. Daddy
  44. Folk singer DiFranco
  45. Women from the Mayflower
  47. Metric capacity unit
  48. Couple
  51. A way to coat
  53. \_\_ and Diu: Indian territory
  55. French river
  56. Asteroids
  58. Investment measurement (abbr.)
  59. India and Nepal border river
  60. Santa says it three times
  61. Hungers
  64. Linear unit
  65. Speech
  67. Taking forcefully
  69. Places to be
  70. Amusing behavior
- Down**
1. Adult female
  2. An alternative
  3. Rituals
  4. Native American people
  5. High school exam
  6. Respect
  7. Tanned
  8. Kilometers per hour
  9. Ancient Israeli city
  10. Periods
  11. Electron volt
  12. Smallest interval in classical Western music
  13. Metric weight unit
  15. Occupies
  18. \_\_ and flow
  21. Responsive to physical stimuli
  24. One who presses into thin sheets
  26. Jogged
  27. Automobile
  30. Punished
  32. Belonging to a bottom layer
  35. Japanese delicacy
  37. Soda
  38. Algonquian language
  39. Legislators
  42. Father
  43. Needed at the ATM
  46. Baltimore footballers
  47. \_\_ Tomei, actress
  49. Expands
  50. Person (Indonesian)
  52. Related
  54. Where wrestlers work
  55. American communist leader
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  59. Separatist group
  62. Edgar Allan \_\_, poet
  63. A way to discolor
  66. Actinium
  68. Integrated circuit

## Sudoku



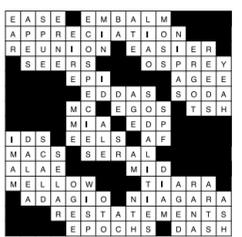
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Place a Number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

## Sudoku answers



## Crossword answers



## Horoscopes

June 14, 2018

### Aries

**March 21 – April 19**  
Aries, this week seems like a race, but you may be losing steam. With a lot of distance still left to cover, it's time to conserve your energy and find some assistance.

### Taurus

**April 20 – May 20**  
Taurus, your imagination is very active lately, so much so that it may make it difficult to concentrate on anything else. Make an effort to get work done in spite of the distractions.

### Gemini

**May 21 – June 21**  
Gemini, others may misinterpret your enthusiasm for a carefree nature. However, you are actually busy getting the job done — even if you're having some fun doing it.

### Cancer

**June 22 – July 22**  
It's possible you may misread someone's intentions, and it could get you in a bit of hot water, Cancer. Don't make any assumptions and apologize if you make mistakes.

### Leo

**July 23 – August 22**  
Leo, if your energy levels are waning, find a way to put some hop in your step. Take a break from work if necessary. This is a great way to recharge.

### Virgo

**August 23 – September 22**  
Virgo, you haven't yet found your groove at work, but don't get discouraged because it will happen. Pay attention to others around you and how they act.

### Libra

**September 23 – October 22**  
Even if others think you are ambivalent, you possess a clear picture of what you want and where you are heading, Libra. Don't let others' misconceptions sway you.

### Scorpio

**October 23 – November 21**  
Scorpio, if left to your own devices, you can get your work done quickly. But overcoming distractions may be difficult in the days ahead. Do your best to stay the course.

### Sagittarius

**November 22 – December 21**  
Sagittarius, if you are feeling high strung or nervous, you may just need to take a little time away from a situation to reorient yourself. Come back with a fresh perspective.

### Capricorn

**December 22 – January 20**  
Capricorn, don't put others off by being too serious. Learn how to let loose a little bit this week and your friends will flock to you in no time at all.

### Aquarius

**January 21 – February 18**  
Aquarius, you're normally a people person, but every once in a while you enjoy solitary time to think and avoid crowds. This could be the week for that.

### Pisces

**February 19 – March 20**  
Everything seems to be unfolding on schedule, Pisces. This is advantageous because you don't have to put in extra effort or sweat the details.

# 'Summer Horns'

Dave Koz, Gerald Albright, Rick Braun, Richard Elliot & friends launch summer tour at Ruth Eckerd Hall

CLEARWATER – Dave Koz and friends will kick off the Summer Horns Tour Friday, June 22, 8 p.m., at Ruth Eckerd Hall, 1111 McMullen Booth Road, Clearwater.

Tickets start at \$37. Call 727-791-7400 or visit [www.rutheckerdhall.com](http://www.rutheckerdhall.com).

Following the highly successful Summer Horns Tours of 2013 and 2014, this year's tour will have the same high-level energy delivering hits, including songs from the upcoming new album "Summer Horns II: From A To Z," a copy of which is included with every ticket purchased.

Koz has assembled a powerhouse lineup for this Summer Horns Tour, with special guests Gerald Albright, known for his acclaimed solo recordings and performances with Anita Baker, Whitney Houston, and The Temptations; Rick Braun, chart-topping trumpeter, who has collaborated across genres with Rod Stewart, Sade, and REO Speedwagon; Richard Elliot, a former member of Tower of Power who has since forged a successful solo career. Koz is excited to introduce Aubrey Logan, known for jammin' on her trombone and sailing through a song with her nothing-held-back, multi-octave vocal instrument. Also joining the tour is guitarist Adam Hawley, named both Smooth Jazz News' and JazzTrax' Debut Artist of the Year.

The new album, scheduled for release June 22, features Albright, Braun, Elliot and Logan with guest vocalists Jonathan Butler, Kenny Lattimore and Shelia.

Five years ago, after Dave Koz and friends released "Summer Horns" – the Grammy-nominated album that paid tribute to classic songs featuring killer horn sections – all that the musicians could think about was how much fun they'd just had. They toured behind the album during the summer of 2013, then vowed to spend the following summer doing it all over again.

"The second tour was even better than the first," said Koz in a press release issued by Concord Music Group. The world-class saxophonist piloted the release,

which rocketed to No. 1 on Billboard's Current Contemporary Jazz Albums chart. "We had a total blast and the fans really gravitated toward it."

There was no question in Koz's mind that a sequel was in the stars, but getting everyone's schedules to align was never going to be easy, each participant being a headliner with bookings well into the future. It took a few years but finally, Koz said, through "divine intervention," a window of time opened up so that everyone could be in the same place at the same time.

"Summer Horns II: From A To Z" is the result, a stunning set of 11 more timeless tunes reimagined by Koz and friends. A crew of ace rhythm players collaborates with the Summer Horns lineup along with a who's who of arrangers: Tom Scott, who's worked with everyone from Frank Sinatra to Aretha Franklin to Steely Dan; Greg Adams, best known for Tower of Power, but also Santana and Elton John; and Grammy-winning arranger Gordon Goodwin. Braun, himself a legend of contemporary jazz, produced the album, with co-production by Koz.

With the creative team in place, the biggest dilemma facing Koz, Braun and the others was which songs to choose – or, rather, how to narrow down an enormous list of contenders.

"My original list was in the hundreds," Koz said. "We'd have good-natured arguments during weekly conference calls. We each pitched songs and then tried to get other people on our team."

The final track list, 11 in all, opens with a medley of Earth, Wind & Fire's 1976 smash "Getaway" and the KC and the Sunshine Band

dance staple "That's the Way I Like It." Next up is "More Today Than Yesterday," the only Top 20 hit from the Spiral Starecase, from the spring of 1969.

"Most people, when they hear that song, think it was by Chicago," said Koz. "It sounded so much like them."

Recording "Summer Horns II: From A To Z," was just as much of a treat as the first go-round in 2013, according to Koz.



Photos courtesy of CONCORD MUSIC GROUP

Dave Koz and friends perform June 22 at Ruth Eckerd Hall.

"It reminds me of my youth," he said of this music. "I grew up playing in jazz bands. That's how I was educated in music, playing in a saxophone section

and playing in a big band, then sometimes doing small group stuff, playing with other horn players. For most horn players, even if you go on to do more solo work, part of your identity is rooted in being in a section and blending with others. How do you do this? How do you play that? All these fine nuances of music are in there somewhere."

That passion is shared by all of the musicians who took part in the project. Audiences fortunate enough to catch a live Summer Horns show feel the heat, too.

"With this music, the fans know every song," said Koz. "And the musicians leave their egos at the door and show up with a commitment to the band. We know that this is not a replacement for our solo careers, that we will resume them eventually, so it's not like we're saying bye-bye to that. But people see all the star power on stage – where everybody could do a two-hour show on their own – the five of us with an incredible band, and it's an event. Then we get addicted to the response from the fans. That's why

we did it again." For complete tour information, visit [davekoz.com](http://davekoz.com). For venue information, visit [www.rutheckerdhall.com](http://www.rutheckerdhall.com).



Dave Koz and friends are touring in support of the new album "Summer Horns II: From A To Z," due to be released June 22.

# 'Menopause the Musical' tour to make a stop at Straz

TAMPA – GFour Productions, winner of 44 Tony Awards and 54 Drama Desk Awards, will bring the international hit show "Menopause the Musical" to the Tampa Bay area for six performances, running June 27 through July 1 in Ferguson Hall at the Straz Center for the Performing Arts, 1010 N. W.C. MacInnes Place, Tampa.

Tickets start at \$39.25. For performance times and tickets, call 813-229-7827 or visit [strazcenter.org](http://strazcenter.org). Performances will be Wednesday through Saturday, 8 p.m. Matinees will be Saturday and Sunday, 2 p.m.

"Menopause the Musical" is a groundbreaking celebration of women who are on the brink of, in the middle of, or have survived "The



Photo courtesy of THE STRAZ CENTER

The Straz presents the national tour of "Menopause the Musical."

Change." Now celebrating 17 years of female empowerment through hilarious musical comedy, "Menopause the Musical" has evolved as a "grassroots" movement of women who deal with life adjustments after age 40 by embracing each other and the road ahead.

Set in a department store, four

women meet while shopping for a black lace bra at a lingerie sale. After noticing unmistakable similarities among one another, the cast jokes about their woeful hot flashes, mood swings, wrinkles, weight gain and much more. These women form a sisterhood and unique bond with the entire audience as they re-

joice in celebrating that menopause is no longer "The Silent Passage."

The cast for the Tampa performances includes the iconic Cindy Williams of "Laverne & Shirley" fame, in addition to Sandra Benton, Patti Gardner, Laura Lee O'Connell and Liz Hyde.

Inspired by a hot flash and a bottle of wine, "Menopause the Musical" is a celebration of women who find themselves at any stage of "The Change." The laughter-filled 90-minute production gets audience members out of their seats and singing along to parodies from classic pop songs of the '60s, '70s and '80s.

## OPENING, from page 1B

Rated: R  
"Loving Pablo" chronicles the rise and fall of the world's most feared drug lord, Pablo Escobar (Javier Bardem), and his volatile love affair with Colombia's most famous journalist, Virginia Vallejo (Penélope Cruz), throughout his reign of terror that tore a country apart.

### 'Gotti'

Genre: Drama and crime  
Cast: John Travolta, Spencer Lofranco, Pruitt Taylor Vince, Stacy Keach, Chris Mulkey, William DeMeo and Kelly Preston  
Director: Kevin Connolly  
Rated: R



Photo by BRIAN DOUGLAS/VERTICAL ENTERTAINMENT

John Travolta stars as John Gotti in "Gotti."

to position himself as a Capo in the organization, proving himself to be a lucrative earner.

Over the course of time, Gotti grows dissatisfied and resentful of the leadership of the Gambino crew. His solution is simple: With trusted alliances in place, and strategic planning, Gotti has the boss "re-

moved," and soon after, takes the mantle of the head of the family.

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