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Prep football kicks off season

Prep football kicked off in Hillsborough County with pre-season games held on August 24. Above, Riverview High School Sharks running back Lasander Washington takes to the air to beat a tackle. See more photos of the matchup between Riverview and Wharton on page 2 along with other local scores.

Dreams come true in Dry Creek

By MITCH TRAPHAGEN
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The actor was ready, the lights and camera were in place and all that was left was for the ambient daylight to reach the director's desired level of darkness. Les McDowell crouched over and said, "Let's say a quick prayer."

McDowell does not claim to be an overly religious man, but he's learning. Little by little, in a place that he built, good things are happening and dreams are coming true. He doesn't claim the credit for that — to McDowell something else is in play, something bigger.

"I'm not going to preach or anything," he said. "In today's crazy world, the only time we make eye contact with each other is when we're driving 60 miles per hour down the road. People don't take the time anymore." He would like to do a little something to change that.

He was fired from a prominent gig on a country radio station in Tampa. For some people in middle age that could begin a downward spiral. McDowell dove into cowboy poetry, a passion of

his, and soon began sharing it via Facebook. Before long, he was uploading videos to YouTube, the videos needed backdrops and

soon enough, a 1880s town was taking shape on his property near Parrish. *Dry Creek* was born.

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Sound recordist Mike Barnitt holds a boom only inches out of the camera's view during filming. The lights simulated lightning.

New plaza to feature variety of restaurants

By PENNY FLETCHER
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RIVERVIEW — Vic Abouli doesn't want to have any sit-down restaurant in his new gas station and convenience store being built at 6411 and 6413 U.S. 301 S. in Riverview, just south of Bloomingdale.

That's because he intends for his new plaza — called Victory Lane — to host a plethora of choices of foods.

The owner of the land and plaza, Abuoli has already locked in a Zeko's Mediterranean Grill which specializes in Greek foods of all kinds, especially various kinds of "kabobs," Gyros, Greek salads and wings. Now the closest Zekos are in Tampa and St. Petersburg. Abuoli says bringing Mediterranean flavor to Riverview makes sense because of the changing demographics.

"This has become a real place for families, instead of somewhere to pass through to

go to Tampa and Brandon," he said. This came on the heels of an announcement that Riverview had made No. 65 on the *CNN Money Magazine's* list of 100 best places to live in the U.S. but Abuoli said he already knew Riverview was on its way up and his plans were well in place before that announcement was made.

He is now seeking to add an ice cream shop and a pizzeria to his list of prospective tenants.

"I don't want to offer restaurant type food (in his convenience store like some other convenience stores) because that would compete with my tenants," he explained. His convenience store will, however, have coolers stocked with drinks, sandwiches and other things normally found in such stores.

Also in the works are negotiations with a pharmacy, a tanning parlor and a nail salon, he said. He hopes to also attract a

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AB channel dredging delayed, but on course

By MELODY JAMESON
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APOLLO BEACH — Most magnificent efforts are challenged by multiple setbacks.

It's the stuff of which good fiction is made. Probably because it's also a reality of life.

A good case in point is the current channel dredging

endeavor here. Finally, after years of presentations, communications, planning and piecing together, a major obstacle has been overcome. The big bucks needed to undertake the community benefit project have been accumulated.

The campaign that began with a \$50,000 donation from Tampa

Electric Company topped out last week with a \$50,000 contribution from Mosaic, bringing the Apollo Beach Water Improvement Group's underwriting kitty to \$175,000. Cleaning years of settling silt from the channels that all AB boaters must use motoring or sailing to and from Tampa Bay surely was so close the clatter of the dredge working its way up the South Channel could be, well, heard clearly in imagination.

Just one small problem, though; well, maybe three vexing little but still surmountable challenges. Call it a matter of timing or, put another way, chalk it up to manatees, permits and bathymetric study results.

No matter how it's parsed, the bottom line is the same. Given the hurdles, "it would be just insane to try to push ahead with actual dredging this fall," Len Berkstresser said this week. Berkstresser, a business development director in the University of South Florida's huge Health education division,

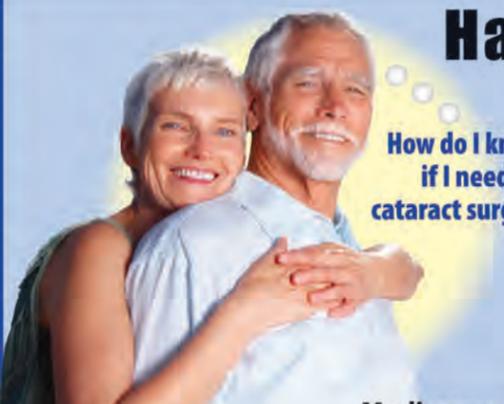
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A large replica of the large Mosaic donation to the Apollo Beach Water Improvement Group's channel dredging project was excitedly displayed by representatives of both organizations during a recent presentation at Circles Restaurant. Sharing the moment were, left to right, Aixa Moore, ABWIG board member; Ron Kobosky, Mosaic plant operations manager in Gibsonton; Earlene Reid, ABWIG board member; Len Berkstresser, ABWIG president; Larry Simpson, plant manager for Mosaic in Gibsonton; Steven Alvarez, ABWIG board member, and Hillsborough County Commissioner Sandy Murman, who has assisted the group as a liaison with county departments. Berkstresser credited the Mosaic contribution with putting the fund raising campaign "over the top."

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FOOTBALL RETURNS

Prep football kicked off with pre-season August 24. In local action, Riverview fell to Wharton 35-9, Brandon beat Blake 20-6, Spoto lost to Alonso 31-6, East Bay pounded Chamberlain 55-20, Bloomingdale fell to Durant 34-17, and Lennard tackled Leto 33-13. At right, a Sharks cheerleader takes to the air; below, Sharks quarterback Chase Freeman sets up to pass.

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Victory Lane is a new plaza being built at 6411 and 6413 U.S. 301 S. in Riverview, just south of Bloomingdale. The owner is building a gas station and convenience store and plans to have several choices of restaurants as well as other businesses as tenants.

New plaza in Riverview

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cell phone store.

His plaza has a total of 11,000 square feet and spaces are divided into 1,200-square-foot sections so that tenants can rent one, two or three spaces to get the amount they require.

"I'm looking to finish up in November and have the first move-ins then," he said, showing me around the inside of his nearly-completed convenience store. He said he can put up inside walls in places needed by specific tenants if they rent more than one space.

Victory Lane is a multi-million dollar project, he said, and it is not his first.

The South County resident of 21

years, originally from California, has deep roots in the community. He and his wife and four children live in Gibsonton and he already owns and operates seven Mobil and BP gas stations in Brandon and has his main offices for Victory Oil in Tampa where he owns another three gas stations as well.

He admits the name "Victory" was chosen because of his name-Victor, although he is locally known only as "Vic."

To find out more about this plaza or to lease space prior to opening, contact leasing agents Raquel or Jane at Levin Investments in Tampa at (813) 832-5500.

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Huge renovation converts former tavern into family restaurant

By PENNY FLETCHER
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RIVERVIEW — All this week, through Friday, Aug. 31 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., officials from the local Fred's Southern Kitchen chain will be interviewing for 80 full and part-time jobs that will be needed to operate its new Riverview location.

"We'll be hiring about 80 people for a mix of full and part-time jobs," said Fred Johnson, one of the family that founded and still operates the 50-year-old chain.

They aren't just taking applications. They're personally interviewing those who show up at the River of Life Christian Center, 6605 Krycul Ave., Riverview, said spokeswoman Lauren Elmhorst.

Interviewing for 80 jobs going on now

Elmhorst is spokeswoman for all four of the existing Fred's Southern Kitchens, which currently operate in Lakeland, Bartow, Winter Haven and Plant City.

The chain plans to open on the southwest corner of Krycul Avenue and U.S. 301 in mid-September, she said.

John Turner, a Riverview resident born in Tampa who has lived in this area all his life, is the owner of the property, which has been home to bars since 1960. The last bar to operate there was called Fubars.

"I was approached by at least 30 businesses that wanted the location after Fubars closed," Turner said. "But I said no. And since then, I have been thanked at least 500 times for bringing in something that will be good for the quality of life in Riverview."

Turner is so committed to the project that he is paying for a million-dollar renovation of the property, inside and out.

Fred's Southern Kitchen has a different take on "Southern cooking," which usually means a lot of frying, fatback and grease, Fred Johnson said.

"I like to say our kind of cooking killed my daddy," Johnson joked. "You see, Daddy died at 95. He ate healthy and worked hard and lived life to the fullest. His eating habits were a good part of the reason for his long life."

The dishes at Fred's are cooked in healthy ways, he continued. "Our motto is 'Eat Better, Love Life, Live Longer,' and that's what

my daddy did."

Fred's dad Elton and his mom, Evelyn, started the chain with a gas station and selling sandwiches on the side in Plant City in 1954. Before long, their business became a restaurant known for down-home cooking in a healthy way.

In 1998, Elton's son Fred and his wife Tammy continued the family tradition when they opened Fred's Market. This gave them access to the State Farmer's Market and therefore year-round access to the best fresh fruits and vegetables. Then, in 2003, the pair decided to bring back Elton's old favorite — barbecue.

Now a third generation of Johnson's is managing the barbecue portion of the business. Fred's oldest son Owen took over that challenge.

Another of Fred's sons, also named Fred, will be the on-site assistant manager at the new Riverview restaurant. Its general manager will be Vicki Sharer.

"Some of these family recipes are more than 50 years old," Fred Sr. said. Besides barbecue, one of the best family specialties is sweet potato soufflé.

The restaurant will seat 100 people at a time and have dinner specials for children as low as \$1.99. The website, www.fredssouthernkitchen.com names many other specialties, and prices as well.

"We're looking forward to bringing traditional southern dining to Riverview and will be looking to better the community in any way we can," Fred Sr. said. "It is an amazing place to live." He said he has always known that. "It is just now that Riverview has

been named 65th in '100 Best Places to Live in the U.S.' that others are finding it out."

Fred Sr. was referring to the recent article in *CNN's Money Magazine*.

Magazine.

Staff asks that to find out more visit the website or show up at the "mass hiring" instead of trying to call.



PENNY FLETCHER PHOTO

The corner of Krycul Avenue and U.S. 301 in Riverview has been home to bars since 1960 and its owner, John Turner, felt it was time for a change. Turner is doing a million-dollar renovation that will allow a Fred's Southern Kitchen to open there in mid-September. Fred's Southern Kitchen is a local chain that currently has four other restaurants, and is based in Plant City.

South Hillsborough Elks Lodge #2672 Upcoming Activities



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Monday, September 3 - 5p.m. Blue Plate Special, Menu: Build your own hamburger, baked beans, homemade potato chips, and dessert for \$7, only 50 tickets will be sold.

Monday, September 17 - 5p.m. Blue Plate Special, Menu: Kielbasa w/kraut, potatoes, and dessert for \$7, only 50 tickets will be sold.

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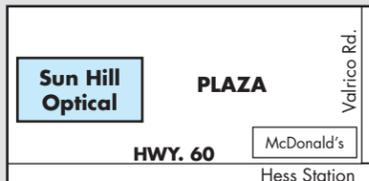
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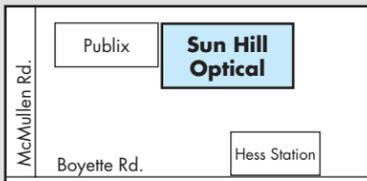
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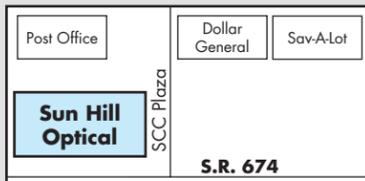
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Positive Talk: Learning to network

According to most recent statistics, 25 percent of Americans are continually moving from one place to another, leaving old friends, neighborhoods and jobs. Another



By William Hodges

large part of our population is aging and finding names in their address books in the newspaper's obituary section. In both instances, it is important for future well-being that time be dedicated to making new friends through networking. Networking is a process through which we expand our circle of acquaintances and develop within that circle a core group we call friends. Here are some important steps to help you become a good networker.

1. Take stock of yourself. Who are you and what do you like to do? Look in the mirror. Are you someone you would like to get to know? Will your appearance attract the kind of people you would like to be able to call friend? What are your interests and hobbies? What places can you visit where you will find like-minded people? For instance, many people enjoy Bingo, but if you don't, that's probably not the place for you to meet new friends.

2. Be proud and enthusiastic about yourself. Like draws like. If you think poorly of yourself, you will draw people who think poorly of you. Be proud of who you are and do not sell yourself short. This does not mean you should be a braggart, but rather that you should speak kindly of yourself and showcase your talents in their best light. Remember, you are a pearl of great price.

3. Become a seeker. Expand your interests. Look for new and exciting things to do that you enjoy. Read and increase your knowledge so you can become a good conver-

sationalist. The broader your information base, the more interesting you will be to others. Try to read one best-selling book each month. It is amazing how much fun it is

to learn both history and technology when you are spoon-fed by authors like Michael Creighton and Tom Clancy.

4. Give of yourself. Every community has a variety of volunteer positions that must be filled. If you enjoy being outdoors, volunteer your time to work with a garden club to beautify our parks. All of our hospitals need volunteers, as do schools and other community organizations. The wonderful thing about networking in volunteer groups is that the quality of friends you make in this type of environment will be high. You can count on people who give of themselves.

5. Set goals for contacts. It's amazing how the days go by,

turning into weeks, and then into months and years. It is so easy to say, "No need to hurry." Challenge yourself to take the first step. Set a date on which you will join or take part in some activity. Most clubs meet either weekly, biweekly or monthly. Find something that interests you and mark your calendar to attend one of their functions.

6. Build on your relationships. Be willing to write letters, make phone calls, and anything else necessary to maintain contact with the people you meet. It's sad to lose a friend because they die, but even sadder to lose a friend because we failed to walk across the street. Relationships are like a garden—they must be tended and cared for if you expect them to blossom.

It will always be your choice whether you are surrounded by friends or sitting alone. The difference will be directly proportional to the amount of effort you are willing to invest in the fine art of networking.



Ruskin Branch Library Adult program/event highlights

Adult Computer Classes for the Technologically Challenged

Office 2010 • August 30 • 3 p.m. - If you have used Office

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Computer Tutor • September 5 • 5:30 p.m. - Tutoring in Microsoft software, email, and the Internet.

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Riverview Moose activities

Riverview Moose Family Center 2158/Chapter 1031, Loyal Order of Moose is located at 9000 Honeywell Road, Gibsonton. Visit the website at riverviewmooselodge2158.org, or call (813) 677-7921 for more information. *All events are open to qualified Moose members and guests.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dinners available:
- **Tuesday** • Hot dogs with all the fixin's - 5 to 7 p.m. Chili, cheese, onions, relish, etc.
 - **Wednesday** • Chef's Choice, 5 to 7 p.m.
 - **4th Wednesday of the month**, Linda's famous liver 'n' onions. Bar Games begin at 7 p.m.
 - **Thursday** • Tacos/burgers night, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Blind draw darts at 7:30 p.m.
 - **Friday** • Fabulous fish/steak/shrimp dinner, 5 to 7:30 p.m. Includes burgers and sides. Karaoke Kat kicks off at 7:30 p.m.
 - **Sunday** • Sport Sunday, bar games begin at 3 p.m. Wings from 3 to 6 p.m., 6 for \$3 BBQ, hot or mild, and there's always naked wings.

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Labor Day Holiday

Monday, September 3

All Libraries will be closed

Toddler Time

Tuesday, September 4 - 10:05 to 10:25 a.m. 10:35 to 10:55 a.m.

Wednesday, September 5 - 10:35 to 10:55 a.m.

For children ages 20-36 months and their caregivers. Stories, finger-plays, songs and interactive activities make up this fun 20-minute program that highlights early literacy skills and encourages reading readiness.

Story Time

Tuesday, September 4 - 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, September 5 - 11 to 11:30 a.m.

For children ages 3-5 and their caregivers. Stories, action rhymes, songs and interactive activities make up this engaging 30-minute program that highlights early literacy skills, and encourages reading readiness and social interaction.

Baby Time

Tuesday, September 4 - 11:35 to 11:55 a.m.

Wednesday, September 5 - 10:05 to 10:25 a.m.

For children ages 0-20 months and their caregivers. Early literacy begins at birth. Bond with your baby through stories, bouncy rhymes and songs in this 20-minute lapsit program that introduces early literacy skills and encourages language development.

Family Resource Center announces events

The Children's Board Family Resource Center – South County is a place that helps families in the Ruskin area become happier, healthier and stronger. The address is 3030 E. College Avenue, Ruskin. Every event is at no cost to the participant.

Events, Screenings:

Grandparents Day Celebrations: Friday, Sept. 14, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. All five of the Children's Board Family Resource Centers (CB-FRC) will be hosting a Grandparents Day Celebration this September. It's their way of letting grandparents all over Hillsborough County know how much they mean to children and the families in the community.

Healthy Eating and Cooking Class (ages 16+): Monday, Sept. 20, from 6:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Taught by professionals from St. Joseph's Children's Advocacy Center, this class aims to educate participants on how to eat healthy on a budget. There is no charge for this event, however, registration is required.

I Can Eat A Rainbow (ages 3-5): Tuesday, Sept. 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Taught by a professional instructor from St. Joseph's Children's Advocacy Center, this is a fun, hands-on activity for parents and their pre-school aged children. Come ready to learn how healthy foods, nutrition, and eating habits can be a family affair.

CPR/First Aid Certification Class: Monday, Sept. 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. These certification classes are taught by professional instructors from St. Joseph's Children's Advocacy Center. In the First Aid class, participants learn how to handle many emergencies such as bleeding, shock, poisoning, head and spine injuries and much more. In the CPR class participants learn to perform CPR and choking rescue techniques on infants, children and adults. There is no charge to attend, however, reservations are required. To register, call (813) 443-3074.

South County Center's hours are 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

The Children's Board of Hillsborough County provides funding; The Children's Home manages the center; and Healthy Start Coalition of Hillsborough County provides fiscal and program management.

For more information call 813-641-5600.



Rec2Six offers fun, fitness and adventure for children K-5

Summer break is over, but don't let the excitement end there! Hillsborough County Parks, Recreation and Conservation Department offers afternoons full of fun, fitness and adventure for children K-5 through its Rec2Six program.

Rec2Six is open Monday – Friday from 2- 6 p.m. at 10 recreation centers throughout Hillsborough County. The weekly rate is \$38, and reduced rates of \$30 and \$20 per week are available with a current school reduced or free lunch letter.

Rec2Six joins America's movement to raise a healthier generation of kids by encouraging healthy lifestyle-choices through physical activity and nutrition education. The program also provides seasonal sports, fitness activities, art programs, and special activities.

Registration for a local Rec2Six program is now open weekdays from 2 – 6 p.m. at these centers:

- Brandon, 502 E. Sadie St., 813-635-8179
- Ruskin, 901 6th St., 813-672-7881

For more information, contact one of the above centers, or visit www.rec2six.org.

Danielle Proctor graduates from SCAD

Danielle Proctor of Riverview recently graduated from the Savannah College of Art and Design. She earned her BFA degree in Graphic Design.

Rebecca Crabb graduates from Berklee College of Music

Rebecca Crabb of Riverview received a Bachelor of Music in Contemporary Writing and Production from the President of Berklee College of Music, Roger Brown.

Berklee's class of 2012 included more than 900 students graduating with bachelor of music degrees or professional diplomas. Female graduates numbered 280, representing 31 percent of the total class-- the largest number ever. International students from 58 different countries made up 34 percent of the class. Guitar, voice and piano were the three most common means of musical expression among students of the graduating class.

Letter to the Editor

Back to school food

Dear Editor,

With the new school year just around the corner, parents' attention is turning to school clothes, supplies, and lunches. Yes, school lunches. Traditionally, USDA had used the National School Lunch Program as a dumping ground for surplus meat and dairy commodities. Not surprisingly, its own surveys indicate that children consume excessive amounts of animal fat and sugary drinks, to the point where one-third have become overweight or obese. Their early dietary flaws become lifelong addictions, raising their risk of diabetes, heart disease, and stroke.

Gradually, the tide is turning. The new USDA school lunch guidelines, mandated by President Obama's Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, require doubling the servings of fruits and vegetables, more whole grains, less sodium and fat, and no meat for breakfast. Still, food lobbyists have prevailed on Congress to count pizza and French fries as vegetables, and fatty mystery meats and sugary dairy drinks abound.

Parents and students should consider healthy school lunch as a work in progress and insist on healthful plant-based school meals, snacks, and vending machine items. Guidance is available at www.fns.usda.gov/cnd, www.healthyschoollunches.org, and www.vrg.org/family.

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ACT Test Date and Locations

October 27 (registration deadline September 21)

- Bloomingdale
- Brandon

Register online at www.act.org or by calling 1-319-337-1270. Cost is \$50.50 or \$35 without writing exam, late registration is an additional \$22.

SAT Test Date and Locations

October 6 (registration deadline September 7)

- Bloomingdale
- Brandon

Register online at collegeboard.com or by calling 1-866-756-7346. Cost is \$50 late registration is an additional \$27.

Brandon Sports & Aquatic Center offers prenatal water aerobics

Due to the fact that exercise during pregnancy is extremely important not only for staying toned and in shape but for a much more efficient delivery, The Baby Suites at Brandon Regional Hospital is sponsoring free prenatal water aerobics at the Brandon Sports & Aquatic Center, 405 Beverly Boulevard, Brandon. The prenatal water aerobics program is under the direction of Shellie Bergo, RN, and is available every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 am to 9:45 am.

The prenatal water aerobics program is focused on using the resistance of the water without the impact of regular aerobics. There is a decreased risk of overexertion, overheating, and loss of balance. The feeling of weightlessness that the water brings helps increase flexibility to move in ways moms-to-be are unable to on land. Also reduced is the stress on joints, muscles, and the infant.

A new pool ramp is now available for the ease and convenience of entering and exiting the pool.

For more information and to register for the classes call Theresa Hickie, Aquatics Director, at 813-689-0908.

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Fitness One America visits local elementary schools

The goal of "Fitness One America" is to help support and aid in publicizing Michelle Obama's "Let's Move" campaign in the effort to eliminate the Obesity problem which now confronts our nation.

Childhood Obesity has more than tripled in the past 30 years. The percentage of children aged 6-11 years in the United States who were obese increased from 7% in 1980 to nearly 20% in 2008. Similarly, the percentage of adolescents aged 12-19 years who were obese increased from 5% to 18% over the same period.

According to the CDC, obese youth are more likely to have risk factors for cardiovascular disease, such as high cholesterol or high blood pressure. In a population-based sample of 5 to 17-year-olds, 70% of obese youth had at least one risk factor for cardiovascular disease. Obese adolescents are more likely to have prediabetes, a condition in which blood glucose levels indicate a high risk for development of diabetes. Children and adolescents who are obese are likely to be obese as adults and are therefore more at risk for adult health problems such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes, stroke, several types of cancer, and osteoarthritis.

Military leaders tell us that a high percent of rejections is because of obesity.



Members of the Fitness One America team visiting the students at Summerfield Crossing.

The "Fitness One America Team" has previously appeared at 18 elementary schools in Hillsborough county and addressed more than 1000 children. The program is initiated with a 15 minute fitness talk by Fitness One American Chairman Sol Fried, age 91, who urges the children to take home a copy of his remarks so that the adults may cooperate in helping to avoid obesity. He is then followed by vice-chairman, Dr. Jim Miller, age 84. Dr. Miller is a skilled raconteur and spends about 10 minutes telling a

pertinent story to the children. Steven Attles or Kelly Emerson spend about 10 minutes leading the children in a few exercises to demonstrate how they can help prevent obesity. A short video is presented showing Sun City Center's seniors engaging in various athletic activities. After the video, the program is completed with Sol Fried's swing dancing with senior ladies Jan Cline or Dorothy Zander to emphasize that dancing can be an important part of any exercise program.

For more information call Sol

Fried, Chairman, 813-634-7692 or email sfried25@tampabay.rr.com.

Vintage wedding gowns highlight meet

The Brandon/East Bay Chapter of the American Sewing Guild will meet Wed., Sept. 5 at the Brandon Recreation Center, 502 East Sadie Street, Brandon. Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. with a business meeting at 10 a.m.

Leigh Anne Brown will present a walk through history and fashion with a display of vintage wedding gowns. Newcomers always welcome. For information call Darlene Youmans at 671-8852.

Letter to the Editor I urge you to support H.R. 5977

Dear Editor:

I highly urge all my fellow numismatists to support H.R. 5977 which amends the Hobby Protection Act of 1973 to include the sale of counterfeit coins. It is my understanding that this legislation would provide needed teeth to the Hobby Protection Act by adding language clearly and specifically targeting manufacturers, importers, or sellers of counterfeit items. I believe the influx of replica coins manufactured in China have brought the issue back in the spotlight. Basically, HR 5977 expands the 1973 Act beyond distribution to sales and marketing. I believe this will help stop the sales of counterfeit coins and slabs we quite often see on the internet and other places. Please ask your Congressman to support H.R. 5977 which was introduced on June 20 by Congressman Lamar Smith of Texas. H.R. 5977 has been referred to committee. In order to become law, it must be passed by the House of Representatives, the Senate and signed by the President.

JR Rose
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We are pleased to welcome Dr. Anita Shane to our Bradenton and Sun City Center offices. Dr. Shane is a board-certified and fellowship-trained Retina Specialist with expertise in:

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To symbolize turnover of about five acres from the dormant North Lakes Golf Course owned by ClubLink Corporation to the Sun City Center Community Association, representatives of both groups ceremoniously cut a ribbon on the property last week. Taking part, left to right, were: Howie Griffin, CA director; Sam Sudman, CA director; Robert Visentin, ClubLink president; Ed Barnes, CA president; John Finlayson, ClubLink director of Florida golf operations; Al Alderman, CA director, and Martin Hurwitz, CA director.

New land uses in SCC engage residents

■ By MELODY JAMESON
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SUN CITY CENTER — Two substantial parcels of open land and their potential uses today top the list of key interests for both Community Association leaders and members here.

One is 5.23 acres sliced from the former driving range of the now-closed North Lakes Golf Course and formally donated to the association last week by ClubLink Corporation, owner of the community's courses. A new use of the small acreage has not yet been specified.

The second is about 37 acres of raw land in a natural state on the community's western edge, long a legal but unused part of it and now envisioned as a low impact recreational area for residents.

Months in the making, the golf course donation was formalized August 21 with execution of an agreement by both CA and ClubLink managers that turned over about five and a quarter acres immediately north of the Atrium and fitness center complex on the Central Campus.

ClubLink valued the five-acre parcel at about \$100,000, noted Ed Barnes, SCC CA President, as he discussed the transaction following the closing.

The sprawling former golf course, first of seven that eventually would be constructed in the retirement center as it grew to encompass the north and south sides of Sun City Center as well as Kings Point, was closed by former developer WCI Communities several years ago. Acquired as fallow land by ClubLink from WCI as part of a package deal when the former developer was sinking into bankruptcy, the old North Course has remained closed as a recreational facility under ClubLink ownership, its contoured, grassy acreage not yet put to any other uses. More than 400 homes surround the former course.

In exchange for the five-plus acres, CA directors agreed to a few adjustments to the 1984 Agreement, a governing document drafted more than 25 years ago that bound both then and succeeding developers as well as then and subsequent CA leaderships. The contractual arrangement, which has been modified by mutual assent of the parties over the years, provided earlier CA boards with funds through periodic Letters of Credit as well as certain considerations while protecting some developer interests.

Among the recent modifications is relinquishing by the CA of a right of first refusal in connection with any proposed sale of the North Course acreage. Since first proposed months ago, this concession in particular has been opposed by some CA members who have asserted it could place the community — especially the surrounding North Course homeowners — at risk of loss and that the right of refusal has calculable monetary value.

Barnes, however, has pointed out repeatedly that CA members have not been willing to exercise the right in the past and he has consistently maintained that

forfeiture of the right in no way precludes a CA purchase offer for the course acreage if it were to be put up for sale by ClubLink.

As for use of the five-plus acres, CA directors are emphasizing this is a question to be answered by the membership. It is hoped that an impartial but extensive survey of CA members currently underway will clarify their priorities, Director Martin Hurwitz said this week, including their recommendations for use of that land.

The CA board turned to a business consultant and University of Tampa marketing research professor last spring to conduct focus groups in the community and then survey the entire membership this summer in order to determine residents' concepts for the community as its second half century opens. Dr. Erika Matulich's report based on information obtained entirely outside the purview of the CA leadership is to be presented October 4 during a 7 PM town hall session in Community Hall.

Meanwhile, efforts are continuing in conjunction with the 37-acre parcel west of Del Webb Boulevard West, Hurwitz said. The land, part of the original community master plan and located due west of North Lake, has not been utilized and has not been accessible, partially because of a 20-foot right-of-way strip owned by Hillsborough County, he added. Another consideration is two building lots also in the way of ingress or egress and known as "Tract D."

Legal ownership of the two lots was clouded when Pulte Homes acquired the Del Webb development interests, after Del Webb, Sun City Center's first developer, sold remaining portions of the undeveloped community to its second developer, the director noted.

Both obstacles to access, however, are being addressed by attorneys, Hurwitz said, with the county agreeing to provide an easement across the strip it holds and the ownership issue close to being successfully unraveled.

Once verifying documentation is in hand, Hurwitz said construction can begin on a driveway west from Del Webb West into the acreage, opposite a point between Seton Hall and Vincennes Drives. The CA board foresees the site kept in a somewhat natural state but with added walking paths, perhaps designated picnic areas and maybe even an archery range, he added.

However the site is utilized, Hurwitz emphasized the uses would be "low impact." The intent, he indicated, is creating a residents' retreat complementary to the West Campus a short distance to the south where the Tillers and Toilers maintain agricultural plots and access is available for the Nature Trail that leads to the Audubon birders' shelter.

Barring unforeseen complications, he suggested the project could be well underway before end of the year, about the same time residents are making clear their choices for best use of five acres of former golf course. Copyright 2012 Melody Jameson

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Soldier

Army National Guard Pvt. James T. Mitchell has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Mitchell is the son of Leeanne Martin of Keene Road, Wimauma.

He is a 2010 graduate of Lennard High School, Ruskin.

Marine

Marine Corps Pfc. Kyle G. Swartz, son of Robert Swartz, of Sun City Center, Fla., earned the title of United States Marine after graduating from recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

For 13 weeks, Swartz stayed committed during some of the world's most demanding entry-level military training in order to be transformed from civilian to Marine instilled with pride, discipline and the core values of honor, courage and commitment. Training subjects included close-order drill, marksmanship with an M-16A4 rifle, physical fitness, martial arts, swimming, military history, customs and courtesies.

One week prior to graduation, Swartz endured The Crucible, a 54-hour final test of recruits' minds and bodies. Upon completion, recruits are presented the Marine Corps emblem and called Marines for the first time.

Swartz is a 2009 graduate of Newsome High School of Lithia, Fla.

Soldier

Army Pfc. Donshow D. Inmon has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo., which included basic military training and advanced individual training (AIT).

During basic military training, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremony, weapons qualification, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army doctrine, history, principles and traditions.

During AIT, the soldier completed the military police specialist course to acquire skills to provide combat area support, conduct battlefield circulation control, area security, prisoner of war operations, civilian internee operations, and law and order operations. The trainee performed as a team member in support of battlefield operations, installation law and order operations and security of Army resources and installations. Additional training included providing peacetime support to the military community through security of resources, crime prevention programs, and preservation of law and order.

Inmon is the son of Diane Inmon of Carriage Pointe Drive, Gibsonton.

He is a 2008 graduate of Richard C. Spoto High School, Riverview.



Pictured are members from the BJWC who hosted food from Ireland at last year's Food Festival.

Woman's Club to host International Food Festival

The GFWC Brandon Junior Woman's Club will be hosting its 3rd Annual International Food Festival from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 13 at their Historic Clubhouse located at 129 N. Moon Avenue in Brandon. Sample foods from England, India, the Caribbean, Spain and the Hawaiian Islands and enjoy an intimate evening in the Brandon Junior Woman's Club's Historic Clubhouse. The clubhouse is noted as part of Brandon's history by the National Historic Registry.

This fundraiser will benefit their International Affairs department providing support to many organizations such as Save The Children, Heifer Foundation, Smile Train, Everyday Blessings and many others.

They will also have several great raffle prizes that will be given out. Raffle tickets will be sold at the event. To help stamp out world hunger they will be collecting non-perishable food items for their World Food Day Event. Bring your food items to the Food Festival on October 13 and receive a raffle ticket for a special raffle.

Get your tickets now for \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. There is a limited number of tickets available so get your ticket today. To buy tickets you can Email Leslie Garcia, International Affairs Chairman at lhgarcial@verizon.net or visit www.thebjwc.com.



Damon Glisson (L) and Eugene Pettit (R), President Elect of the Florida Bar, taken at the Leadership Conference, Tallahassee, July 13, 2012.

Local Attorney assumes State Bar Leadership Role

Apollo Beach attorney, Damon Glisson became the Chair of the Council of Sections of the Florida Bar in a ceremony at the Florida Bar Annual Convention, June 23. Mr. Glisson has been a delegate to the Council for eight years and has been the Secretary/Treasurer and Chair-Elect of the Council. The purpose of the Council of Sections is to foster communication among the various sections and divisions, improve communication between the Board of Governors and the sections and to advise the Board on matters pertaining to Policies and procedures that affect sections. The Council of Sections consists of the chairs of all of the 21 specialty sections of the Bar, the President of the Young Lawyers Division and the Chair of Board of Legal Specialization and Education, the body that governs board certified attorneys. Sections represent over 31,000 attorney members and are primarily responsible for providing continuing legal education for the 93,000 members of the Florida Bar. To be a licensed attorney in Florida membership in the Florida Bar is mandatory.

Mr. Glisson is also the Chair of the Leadership Conference of the Florida Bar to be held this month and is serving on the Board of Governors Long Range Planning Committee for the Florida Bar and the Executive Council of the General Practice, Small and Solo Firm Section.

During the last 21 years Mr. Glisson has served on many committees and boards for the Florida Bar including the board of the Law Office Management and Assistance Service, the Committee on Technology, the Practice Management Section and the General Practice, Small and Solo Firm Section. He is the past chair of the Committee on Technology, the Practice Management Section and the first ever internet seminar for the Bar in 1996.

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Auxiliary	3rd Thursday	7 p.m.

MEALS (Public Welcome)

Fish Fry	Every Friday	5 to 7 p.m.
Breakfast	2nd and 4th Sunday	9 to 11 a.m.

EVENTS

Bake Sale	Sunday, September 9	9 to noon
Bar Poker	Tues. / Thur.	4 to 7 p.m.
Bingo and Food	Wednesdays	6:30 p.m.
Entertainment	Fridays	7:30 to 11 p.m.
Steak Shoot	Saturdays	2 p.m.
Flea Market	Sunday	7 a.m. to noon
<i>Hearts and Heroes</i>	Sat. September 29	noon to 4 p.m.

Presentation of 911 Flag to wounded Veteran with Pig Roast and entertainment. Cost is \$15 and includes poker hand.

Learn legal process of uncontested divorces

An Uncontested Divorces in Florida class will be given at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 4 in the Brandon Regional Library, 619 Vonderburg Drive in Brandon.

Participants in this free, for adult presentation will learn about the legal process involved in obtaining an uncontested divorce in Florida, and whether this relatively simple and inexpensive way to end a marriage is right for them. A question and answer session will follow the presentation by the Brandon Bar Association.

The views expressed in this program are those of the presenter(s) and do not necessarily reflect the official policy, position, or opinions of Hillsborough County, Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Libraries, or the Friends of the Library of Tampa-Hillsborough County, Inc. who do not endorse the presenter(s).

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Looking for good gas mileage?

Angie's List recommends the following tips for boosting gas mileage. Kick the tires: Make sure your tires are inflated properly. Keeping your tires inflated to the proper pressure increases your mileage up to 3 percent. Look on the driver's side door jamb or in your owner's manual for your vehicles recommended tire pressure.

Sleep all day, drive all night: Consider driving to your destination during non-peak hours. Nearly half the energy needed to power your vehicle goes in acceleration. Unnecessary braking wastes that energy.

Save the limbo for the beach: Don't get below one-eighth of a tank of gas. Your fuel pump is located at the bottom of the gas tank where sediment from gasoline can collect. The fuel pump can pick up the sediment, reducing your fuel efficiency.

Slow down: It's tempting to race to your destination but speeding and rapid acceleration/deceleration decreases your gas mileage – it's bad for your transmission too.

Brandon Regional Hospital posts community events schedule

Brandon Regional Hospital has announced the following community events that will be held during the month of September. All events will be held in the Oakfield Medical Plaza on the campus of Brandon Regional Hospital, 119 Oakfield Drive, Brandon unless otherwise noted.

- Fit for Baby Prenatal Exercise Class – September 4 and 18, 6:30 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 262
- Heart Healthy Nutrition – September 5, 2:30 p.m., Palm Room – Hospital Cafeteria
- Gestational Diabetes – September 6, 13, 20 and 27, 8:30 a.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 258
- Prepared Childbirth – September 8 and 15, 9 a.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 260
- Prepared Childbirth Series – September 10, 17 and 24, 6:30 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 260
- Prenatal Tour – September 9, 3 pm, September 10 and 25, 7:30 p.m., Brandon Regional Hospital, Women's Center Lobby
- Prenatal Breastfeeding – September 11, 6:30 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 260
- Newborn Care Class – September 15, 9:30 a.m., September 17, 6 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 262
- Nutrition for Cancer Prevention & Treatment Class – September 12, 2:30 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 260
- Cardiac and Stroke Support Group – September 13, noon, Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 260
- Do You Suffer from Chronic Sinusitis? – September 18, 6:30 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 260
- Outpatient Diabetes Self-Management – September 19, 8:30 a.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 260
- Heartburn? Reflux? It's Time to Talk – September 20, 6:30 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 260
- Surgical Solutions for Weight Loss – September 27, 6:30 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 262
- Surgical Weight Loss Support Group – September 27, 6:30 p.m., Oakfield Medical Plaza, Suite 262

Seating is limited and reservations are advised. For more information and to register call 813-653-1065 or visit BrandonRegionalHospital.com.



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Calling all Women of the Military Sea Services

The Tampa Bay WAVES Unit #55 begins its 25th year of service on September 8, 2012. This group functions as a local unit of the national organization known as WAVES National, which was formed in 1987. Currently there are over 100 such units throughout the United States. Their purpose is to support the parent organization and to locate and communicate with former and retired female members of the seas services and to provide assistance and support to local women veterans in need as well as other veterans' organizations whenever possible.

Tampa Bay WAVES Unit #55 meets at 11 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month at St. Matthew's Anglican Church, 10701 Bloomingdale Avenue, Riverview. Meetings are held in St. Anne's Hall located at the rear of the church building. All women who served honorably (including those currently serving) in the U. S. Navy, Navy Nurse Corps, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, or Maritime Service, or related reserve components, are eligible for membership. Stop by and get acquainted with other Sea Services women veterans and retirees. You're sure to enjoy the fellowship and activities that will rekindle memories of your military service days. For more information call Jeanette Green, 813-657-9164.

County Social Services now offers Self-Sufficiency Programs

Hillsborough County's Social Services Division has a new focus on long-term self-sufficiency for residents, and has funded several back-to-work programs through its Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds to help residents in that goal.

The four programs are:
Adult Education Financial Assistance – County will pay for eligible residents to take the TABE testing used at the beginning of the GED process, attend GED prep classes, take the GED test, and attend English as a Second Language (ESOL) classes. The resident's case manager will determine which of these services are required to complete a GED, based upon the resident's TABE score.

Hospitality Training – County will pay for residents interested in a career in hotel guest services to attend a nine-week training program provided by Hillsborough Community College. Residents must be able to attend the entire day-time training program. Following the completion of the program, students will receive follow-

Community Foundation looking to share

The Community Foundation of Greater Sun City Center would welcome the opportunity to speak at your next meeting or luncheon. They have put together a presentation (about 30 minutes) which might be called Community Foundation 101, a simple explanation of who they are and what they do. They'll keep it light and are certain you will find this very interesting. For more information call Barbara VanEycken 633-3363.

up assistance in gaining a job.

Employment Training Financial Assistance – County will provide financial assistance, as deemed necessary, to residents for employment-related training that will lead to employment upon completion. The resident's case manager will determine the type of training, length of term and costs that are eligible for assistance.

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These programs have a limited number of openings and are first-come, first served. Funding is currently only available through September 30. Depending on the success of these programs, they may be re-funded next fiscal year.

To be eligible, residents must have a household income that is 125% below the federal poverty guidelines. For example, this means less than \$13,962.50 for a single person or less than \$28,812.50 for a family of four. The complete chart that shows the income limits for all household sizes is on the Social Services webpage. Proof of income must be provided for all household members for the past 12 months.

Residents that participate in these programs also must be willing to meet with a County Social Services case manager at their local Neighborhood Service Center to create a plan for obtaining self-

sufficiency and to discuss their progress.

In addition when applying for these programs, residents must provide picture identification, Social Service cards for all members of the household, documentation of U.S. citizenship or proof of legal resident status, and two proofs of Hillsborough County residency.

For more information and to

find if they are eligible for these programs, residents should visit or contact their nearest County Neighborhood Service Center and speak with a case manager. Spanish-speaking case managers are available at the Centers.

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A few of the headstones at the Sanford Cemetery in desperate need of some landscaping.

Help needed for Riverview cemetery cleanup

There will be a Sanford Cemetery volunteer cleanup day at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Sept 1, and 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 2. The Riverview cemetery is located on Cone Grove Road. Volunteers are needed to help restore the cemetery back to its glory days. If you would like to help with the cleanup, bring your helping hands, rakes, weed eaters, small mowers, gloves, bottled water and tree clippers. The physical activity will be good for your heart and the mental commitment will be good for your soul. For more information, email candymcbride@msn.com

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You, me and business

It wasn't until Monday morning that I made the decision to open the Chamber that day. The news was reporting that tropical storm Isaac was going way west, but you never know with these storms. It could have "done a Charlie" and turned at the last minute.

The storm had more than the usual media attention due to the RNC bringing tens of thousands of convention attendees to the area. Imagine what a direct hit – or even a close pass by – would have meant with that going on.

Once again we were spared. In a way, that is worrisome to me. So many times over the weekend I heard people comment that this area never gets hit. They hadn't bought the first battery or a single gallon of water. Instead, it was an occasion to party.

To be fair, I did a little bit of that myself. But only after I bought enough dry goods to last a couple of days in case the power went out. I also made sure I had cash on hand.

In addition to thinking about

what Husband would want to eat, I also had to think about the Chamber. Even if Isaac skirted by, it was predicted to be a full hurricane, not the tropical storm Debby was when she dumped days of rain and hurled wind at us in May. On Friday, I took the precaution of shutting down and unplugging all computers, the copier and the TV.

Church groups were scheduled to use the banquet room on Saturday and Sunday and face it, there isn't much you can do to protect a 3,800 square foot space. The offices, on the other hand, are the beating heart and joyful soul of our business. All the files are backed up in this "cloud" thingy my IT guy assures me is up there somewhere (there were a LOT of clouds up there, so I guess one of them had our data!).

I worry that many of our smaller businesses don't have a plan for recovering from a disaster. I worry they have become complacent and leave things like this up to providence. What would happen if this

area lost power for several weeks? How could these businesses continue to function?

And here I'm talking more than just a need for sandbags and bottled water. I'm talking computerized cash registers that won't work. Deposits that can't be deposited. Phone calls that can't be made because towers are down. Medical equipment that doesn't operate.

Most businesses don't have a plan because they don't know where to begin. Here is a clue: Google "business disaster recovery plans" and there are literally more than 4 million responses. Narrow the search to the type of business and find one that closely matches yours. Then tweak as necessary and it's done!

Maybe there really is some kind of atmospheric anomaly that creates a dome of protection over the Tampa Bay area. Maybe we are just incredibly lucky. But I still support the theory of being prepared. (The Titanic was supposed to be unsinkable and we all know where it resides now.)

Me? I'm keeping the food and the batteries on hand for a few more months.



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SouthShore Regional Library

Adult program/event highlights

SouthShore Regional Library is located at 15816 Beth Shields Way, Ruskin, FL 33573, www.hcplc.org/hcplc/locations/sho/

Labor Day Holiday, Mon., Sept. 3. All Libraries will be closed

■ **Mouse and Keyboard**, Tuesday, Sept. 4, 12:15 to 2:30 p.m. In part one, learn how to grip, move and click the buttons on the mouse. In part two, you will learn the keys on the computer keyboard. This is a beginner level class. Limit: 20

■ **eBooks for Kindle and Kindle Apps**, Wed., Sept. 5, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Learn how to check out and download free library eBooks to read on the Kindle or any device using the free Kindle app and Overdrive. Also discover how to use library eBooks with an Amazon.com account. Limit: 20 Presented by the Tampa Bay Library Consortium

■ **English Conversation Classes**, Wed., Sept. 5, 1 to 2 p.m. Adults (18 years or older) are invited to practice their English conversational skills with English speakers. No registration is required to participate. Co-sponsored by the Hillsborough Literacy Council and the Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library System. For more information, contact the Hillsborough Literacy Council at 273-3650.

■ **Paper Crafting for Adults**, Wed., Sept. 5, 1 to 3 p.m. Enjoy an afternoon of paper crafting using the latest Stampin' Up. products. Create beautiful cards using stamps, ribbons, embellishments and more, design scrapbook page layouts using fast and fun techniques, and make unique 3D creations. No photographs required. All materials will be provided. Seating limit: 20 Register in advance at the Information Desk or call 273-3652.

■ **Mah Jongg Club**, Wed., Sept. 5, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Enjoy an evening of the popular table game, Mah Jongg, featuring challenging play for experienced players and instruction for beginners. The American Rules will be used. Spectators are welcome. Participants are asked to bring their own Mah Jongg card. Limited to 16 players. Register in advance at the Information Desk or call 273-3652. Funded by the Friends of the SouthShore Regional Library

■ **SouthShore Needle People**, Wed., Sept. 5, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Join other needle people to share techniques, tips and experiences about knitting and other fiber and fabric crafts. Beginners are welcome. Bring a project and ask questions.

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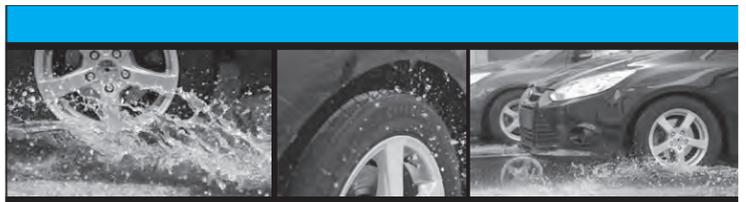
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“I didn’t know why I was doing it,” McDowell said. “We started having people show up out here just to see Dry Creek. My wife asked what she should tell people — it was like a Kevin Costner thing. I told her to tell people I was building backdrops for cowboy poetry.”

But McDowell expanded upon the Kevin Costner thing in the movie “Field of Dreams”. It wasn’t enough to say, “If you build it, they will come.” McDowell reinforced it with, “If you build it and believe in it, they will come.” And they did come.

Armed with a \$100 camera and some volunteers, dreams of a television show soon began to take shape. Word got around and cowboys and actors showed up in support. Then professional director Christian Moriarty volunteered, along with a soundman and other crewmembers. Like the others, Moriarty came because he saw McDowell’s passion. He believed it; he believed in McDowell and his show.

“Things are a lot different than they used to be,” McDowell said during the filming of one scene on August 17. Takes and retakes were shot, with the director shouting, “Camera rolling!” and the digital film clapper clapping. One scene required more than five hours of work. The upcoming fall season of the series will be better than ever.

Dry Creek is the kind of show that you can watch with your children and not be embarrassed. After rocketing to fame from YouTube to national exposure via BlueHighways TV, it is a television show that harkens back to a more simple time, not only on the set itself but also in spirit. It recalls a time when, according to McDowell, your word was your bond.

Across the country, millions of people have access to *Dry Creek* on BlueHighways TV. In the Tampa Bay area, subscri-

ers to Verizon FIOS can watch it on channel 246 at 7:30 p.m. on Sundays. BlueHighways TV has approached local cable company Bright House about carrying the channel and they indicated that would be possible if their subscribers request it.

McDowell is passionate about family-friendly TV. In conversation, he refers to such iconic shows as *Little House on the Prairie*, *Bonanza*, and *The Waltons*, all shows that would be more costly to produce in today’s environment of low-cost reality TV. During his years in radio, he was the voice and the star that hundreds of thousands of people heard, but in *Dry Creek*, he is restrained. Yes, he created the show. Yes, he writes the scripts and appears in the episodes. But he is increasingly aware it isn’t about him anymore. It is something that he hopes could change the landscape of television again. It is something that he hopes can change some lives. He says he doesn’t want to go back in time (“I like my iPhone too much.”), but he does want to bring some of what was good back then into today.

Tropical Storm Isaac passed the Gulf Coast of Florida with not so much as a glancing blow. McDowell’s town of Dry Creek came through OK, with the exception of some minor street flooding — just as it would have been back in the 1880s. In 1880, the population of Tampa was just 720 people; it was an isolated village in an unforgiving environment. Back then, you often had no choice but to count on your neighbors. That is just what happens in *Dry Creek* and that is what McDowell is trying to show. It’s OK to help your neighbors. It’s OK to slow down a little in this fast-paced world.

A generation or two ago, some kids built model airplanes or built train sets. When Les McDowell was a kid, he helped his father build a stagecoach. As an adult, he worked on the fringes of Hollywood and in the show business of big market radio. Today he is a struggling producer of a family television series and he sees it as a big step up.

“Everything I’ve ever done in my life has led to this,” he said. “It is a dream. We are working with no budget. It has been a whirlwind and I’m not giving up on it. I wish I could take credit for it, but there is something more going on here. I never would have gotten this far on my own.”

Recently, executives at BlueHighways TV notified McDowell that *Dry Creek* had been nominated for a CableFAX award for Best Family Friendly Show or Series. The nomination puts the show into the league of programming from much larger networks, including Lifetime, HBO, ABC Family, Showtime and others. Upon learning of the nomination, McDowell updated the *Dry Creek* Facebook page with an image of the Little Engine That Could climbing a hill repeating the words, “I think I can. I think I can.” *Dry Creek*, with virtually no budget but with a cast and crew of talented people who believe in McDowell and in the idea that American families will again embrace family programming, has become the Little Town That Could.

“With no television profession-

als to guide them and only a \$100 camera, the producers of *Dry Creek* set out in May of 2010 at the foot of the proverbial mountain with a goal of reaching the peak,” BlueHighways TV said in a press release. “As word spread about *Dry Creek*, people wanted to be involved. Professionals with state-of-the-art cameras and sound equipment volunteered their time, and the cast and crew spent weekends gathering donations of lumber and props to help the little town of Dry Creek grow. Along the way, BlueHighways TV saw *Dry Creek* come together with a passion to provide quality family programming that matched its own. In two years, *Dry Creek* has gone from posted YouTube clips to nationwide distribution, with 12 HD episodes on BlueHighways TV.”

For BlueHighways TV, it is more than just a feather in their cap. They believe in the show, too.

“Competition for the CableFAX awards is fierce, and I personally consider that *Dry Creek* / BlueHighways TV making it into the finals is a wonderful statement of the quality programming that Les McDowell and his cast and crew put in every episode,” said Denise Hitchcock, BlueHighways TV executive vice president of marketing and public relations. “We are very excited about *Dry Creek* — even before it was nominated for an award. Now we want everybody to know about it.”

Something is happening in a little town from the past built on a dream. There is something magical about the place. There is something magical in how the actors and crew come together to produce something bigger than themselves, a program that is gaining national attention, despite huge odds and well-financed competitors. It might be called faith — perhaps in God or perhaps in the hope that American families will embrace them and even help them. Whatever it is, dreams are coming true in *Dry Creek*. Just before dusk on a Friday night outside of Parrish, a quick prayer is spoken, thanks are uttered and the director shouts, “Camera rolling!” as the digital clapper sounds a loud “clap!” And with that, dreams in *Dry Creek* are still being made.

You can help Dry Creek by calling Bright House to request that BlueHighways TV and Dry Creek be added to their programming lineup. The toll-free number is 888-289-8988 or locally at 813-316-2626. Although millions of people have access to Dry Creek across the country, Bright House serves hundreds of thousands of people in the Tampa Bay area and across Central Florida, many of whom may enjoy family programming from a local production.

For more information about Dry Creek, click “Like” on their new Facebook page at www.facebook.com/Dry-CreekTV.

For information about BlueHighways TV, visit www.bluehighwaysTV.com.

The CableFAX award winners will be announced during a ceremony on Oct. 30 at the W Hotel in New York City.



Actor Roger “Power of Four Mountains” James in a scene for the episode, “You Reap What You Sow.” The episode will appear this fall on BlueHighways TV.



Dry Creek creator Les McDowell works with actor Roger James as assistant director Melvia Kingen looks on during filming at the set near Parrish.



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Apollo Beach channel dredging delayed, but on course

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has been leading the channel dredging endeavor since shortly after ABWIG was re-instituted some four years ago to reprise its channel cleaning efforts of the mid-1990s.

With sufficient monies now committed, dredging the South Channel is scheduled to get underway early in April, 2013, Berkstresser said. It is anticipated that clearing the waterway bottom in a 60-foot wide swath to a seven-foot depth of some 5,000 cubic yards of silt will begin at the No. 2 Marker and proceed into the Bal Harbor section, then turn the corner into the access to Symphony Isles and Mira Bay – a distance of about a nautical mile or approximately 6,000 feet.

The dredged material is to be deposited on undeveloped Sunset Isle.

Berkstresser can be this precise about the South Channel because he now has in hand results of the commissioned bathymetric study. He received it, he noted this week, in July – about three months before the protected and slow-moving West Indian Manatees begin their annual trek up Tampa Bay to bask in their winter waters warmed by Tampa Electric’s Big Bend plant outflow, charming visitors to the manatee viewing station. “We simply cannot dredge between November and April,” he asserted. And much work remains to be done before the first scoops full can be lifted out.

Then, there’s the matter of permits. At least one of the several required by various agencies expires on September 30, and yet another new one may become necessary, he said.

All of it considered, the

Autumn, 2012, timeline has become a potentially crippling time crunch, demanding a longer perspective, Berkstresser said, “a tough decision, but good management.”

Consequently, a new timetable is in place. He said the ABWIG board would choose by the end of September from proposals submitted by local engineering firms to take on the project management in terms of obtaining all of the required permits. Requests for Proposals from dredging firms should go out in October and November is earmarked for evaluation of the responses, he added. Berkstresser said he foresees award of the South Channel dredging contract in early December, with a start date early in April. The job itself probably would require six to eight weeks for completion, he estimated.

In the meantime, the manager noted with appreciation the numerous sources of contributions that will make the Phase I project possible. In addition to the two largest donations by Tampa Electric and Mosaic, he said Symphony Isles put in \$35,000, the Mira Bay Mariners through their door-to-door efforts around Mira Bay as well as from their own treasury gave a total of \$15,000, and Lance Ringhaver’s Caterpillar dealership made an in-kind contribution valued at \$10,000, he said. The residents of AB added in another \$4,500 during that door-to-door solicitation, the Mystery Dinner event at The Boulevard netted another \$4,500, then Lands End Marina kicked in \$2,500 and so did Circles Restaurant,

Berkstresser said. Another \$2,500 came from Craig Beggins at Century 21 Real Estate and Andalucia dug into its pockets for \$3,000.

When it comes to challenges, Berkstresser indicated, such supporters of the endeavor have shown the way.

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ABWIG organizer Len Berkstresser answers questions during a meeting at the Tampa Sailing Squadron on August 21.



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Ruskin VFW Post #6287, 5120 U.S. 41 N., has listed the following weekly activities. Meetings are: American Legion on 1st Wednesday each month; VFW and LAVFW on the 2nd Wednesday each month; and MAVFW on the 3rd Thursday each month.

Thursday, Sept. 6 - VA Hospital visit 5:30 p.m. everyone welcome to go. Bar Bingo at 6 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 7 - Fish Fry 4:30 p.m. Music by Eddie Shannon & Co., from 7 - 11 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 8 - Music by TJ and Ella 7 - 11 p.m.

Every Sunday - Flea Market from 7 a.m. to noon. Breakfast from 7:30 - 10:30 a.m. Chapel Duty District 12 at 8:30 a.m. and Bert & Sassy from 5:30 - 9 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 10 - Planning meeting at 6 p.m. followed by House meeting at 7 p.m.

Every Tuesday - Games in Lounge 1 - 5 p.m., kitchen opens at 4:30 p.m., Bingo at 6 p.m.

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Thurs., Sept. 6 • 4-5:30 p.m. • Aging Gracefully Support Group. This is a support group for individuals who are learning to live with the effects of aging in a graceful, healthy manner. Facilitated by Laura Slater from Hanson Services In Home Care.

Tues., Sept. 11 • 2:30-4 p.m. • COPD Support Group Joy Barlaan, ARNP and Jan Whitaker, LPN from Ace Homecare have over 50 combined years of experience and will be your facilitators. Your available resources are endless!

Wed., Sept. 12 • 2:30-4 p.m. • Diabetes Support Group. Join Patricia Stephens, LPN from Comprehensive Home Health Care as she facilitates our support group “Everyday Basics of Diabetic Care.”

Thurs., Sept. 13 • 10-11 a.m. • Can Hearing Loss Contribute to Dementia? Brad Mason with Manatee Hearing and Speech will be discussing new research that shows a correlation between hearing loss and dementia. Brad is a Board Certified Hearing Instrument Specialist and is Audiology certified. Manatee Hearing and Speech does audiometric testing for Ear Nose & Throat Associates of Manatee in Sun City Center.

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Isaac crashes the party as a no-show



A. Zombie and "wife" Patty stumble towards Stumps Supper Club at Channelside during a campaign appearance at the Republican National Convention.

■ By MITCH TRAPHAGEN
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TAMPA — A troop of National Guard soldiers emerged from two white passenger vans and stood in formation at Little Harbor Resort in Ruskin on Saturday. Little Harbor had to be among the safest places on the planet over the weekend when it became the quarters for National Guardsmen and law enforcement officers from around the state. A large rigid hull inflatable was docked with four 300-horsepower outboards on the stern, along with several other law enforcement vessels. In the cockpit, officers inspected their automatic weapons.

The law enforcement personnel, along with 50,000 expected visitors and 15,000 members of the media, are here for the Republican National Convention. At Little Harbor, the large contingent of officers mingled with the tourists during the evening hours, leaving the resort largely quiet during the day. Shifts, however, varied and security for a possible president and tens of thousands of participants in the political process is a 24-hour business.

Downtown Tampa has become a fortress with fences and barricaded streets. On every street corner, there are law enforcement officers. On nearly every street are messages to the masses. Near Lykes Gaslight Park downtown, a truck bearing an advertisement from the Obama campaign passed a group of cars with stuffed dogs tied to the roof, a dig at an old story about Mitt Romney. At Channelside, supporters of A.

Zombie gathered around their "candidate." No, he's not on the ballot; it is a public relations ploy to encourage programming from AMC Network to be returned to the DISH network. That A. Zombie and his attractive, utterly generic and quite human first-lady-like wife were giving away free drinks at Stump's Supper Club suggests that more than a few write-in votes will be likely come November. Assuming he's still alive...er, dead...then. His wife Patty was quoted as saying, "He'll stay in this even if it kills him again."

Delegates, convention guests and other supporters of the soon-to-be nominee Mitt Romney were scattered throughout, taking in their host city and hoping to become a part of history. Signs were stacked up in the protest zones, but few protestors attended. Tropical Storm Isaac suddenly crashed the party, and then just as suddenly became a no-show. On Monday, 5,000 protestors were expected for a march to the Tampa Bay Times Forum, but only an estimated 500 turned out. Rainsqualls kept most people inside, and regardless, the convention wasn't set to begin until the next day.

But the political process, ever more a showy production by both parties, will continue with protestors protesting and delegates voting, and then life in America will move on. Soon, very soon, Tampa will be off the world's stage and everything will return to normal here once again. Assuming, of course, A. Zombie will choose to move on as well.

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Signs welcome visitors to Tampa for the Republican National Convention. Also in clear evidence are thousands of law enforcement personnel, barricades and closed roads near the Tampa Bay Times Forum where the main convention events will be held.



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With eleven complex constitutional amendments on the November general election ballot, many Floridians are already looking for information about what they mean and their potential impact, if passed. Fortunately, the League of Women Voters of Florida Education Fund has trained educators who are willing to speak to groups throughout the state at no charge. League speakers are well-informed about the issues and amendments that will appear on the ballot, and they are standing by to help voters gain the knowledge they need to cast an informed vote this elections season.

"These are some of the most complicated and confusing amendments we can remember seeing," says



League of Women Voters of Florida President Deirdre Macnab. "Our speakers are well-trained and ready to share their knowledge with the voting public."

The League receives thousands of calls, emails and letters each elections season from voters who are looking for nonpartisan information about the candidates and issues that will appear on their ballot. In addition to the League's Voter Guide, which will be published in September, League speakers are an excellent resource for Florida voters.

Organizations interested in scheduling a League speaker should contact LWVFEF Speakers Bureau Coordinator Katie Pospypahalla at (850) 224-2545 or LWVFintern@gmail.com.

MOAA luncheon to highlight Operation Warmheart

Master Sergeant Carlos Chavez will be the featured speaker at the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) meeting / luncheon on Wednesday, September 5, at the Sun City Center Atrium. The event will take place at 11 a.m. in the Florida Room (\$14).



MSgt. Carlos Chavez

Master Sergeant Chavez is the First Sergeant, 6th Maintenance Squadron, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. He is directly responsible to the Commander for health, morale, welfare, and disci-

plinary matters for 215 military and civilian personnel. The 6th Maintenance Squadron performs 24/7 operations for the 6th Air Mobility Wing and Air Mobility Command (AMC).

He will discuss Operation Warmheart, which is among the several organizations ready to support Airmen and their families in times of need. One of its missions is to provide emergency grants to MacDill AFB members.

Samaritan Services to meet

The Samaritan Services Alzheimer's Monthly meeting will be held on September 5 at the Redeemer Lutheran Church at 2 p.m. The speaker will be Gail Gause, a Licensed Mental Health Therapist. For more information call Doris at 634-3489 or the office at 634-9283.

Post-Polio Support Group to meet

Post-Polio Syndrome Support Group of Southern Hillsborough County will meet at noon on Thursday, September 20 at Denny's on S.R. 674 in Sun City Center. The meeting is a pay on your own luncheon, with numerous topics to be discussed. The group meets the 3rd Thursday of the every month September through May, with no meeting the month of December. The Post-Polio group also meets the first Friday of every month, year long, at 10 a.m. at Sunshine Cafe, S.R. 674 in Sun City Center. For more information call, Pam Vogelsang (813) 642-8707 or email her at flgrammypam@yahoo.com, put PPS in the subject box.

Audit of machines used in Primary Election completed

The Hillsborough County Canvassing Board successfully completed the post-election manual audit of the voting systems used in the August 14 Primary Election. In accordance with Florida Election Laws, the purpose of the audit is to ensure the proper tabulation of all voting equipment used in the Primary Election.

Completion of the manual audit concludes the 2012 Primary Election where election-night results were reported in an accurate and timely manner.

Audit results will be posted at www.VoteHillsborough.org.

Goodwill Donors enjoy free admission to the Florida Aquarium

Back by popular demand, The Florida Aquarium is offering free admission to Goodwill donors again this fall.

During September, each person who drops off clothing or household items at any Goodwill Industries-Suncoast donation site will receive a coupon good for up to three free tickets to The Florida Aquarium, one for each paid adult ticket. That's a "BOGO" savings of up to \$65.85, just for getting rid of items you no longer need! The coupons are redeemable at The Florida Aquarium until Nov. 30.

The incentive is intended to boost

donations to Goodwill during a period when they typically drop off, following the back-to-school season.

The partnership between the two nonprofit organizations is a natural, since Goodwill and The Florida Aquarium are linked by their mutual commitment to the environment. Items donated to Goodwill are "repurposed" rather than being relegated to landfills. Donations support Goodwill's services for people who are disabled, elderly or unemployed.

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Area Obituaries



Dorothy Railey Bishop

Dorothy Railey Bishop, 99, of Wimauma, Florida was born December 22, 1912 in Adrian Georgia. She was educated in Georgia at Women's College of Georgia, receiving her degree in Elementary Education from Valdosta State College. After 25 years she retired from teaching in Georgia and Florida. Mrs. Bishop first married Johnny F. Railey, a senior railroad conductor, and had two children together. She then married James F. Bishop in 1972 following Mr. Railey's death in 1944. After moving to Wimauma with Mr. Bishop she was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Wimauma. Mrs. Bishop was a gracious and loving mother and grandmother who will be greatly missed by all who knew her. She was strongly devoted to her family and is survived by a daughter, Carolyn Johnson; son, Johnnie F. Railey; grandchildren, Janet, Judy, Bradley, Johnny and Todd; great grandchildren, Lauren, Elizabeth, Myles, Sydney, Megan, Kayla, and Nicholas. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews, and members of the Bishop family. Mrs. Bishop will also be missed by her devoted caregiver Ms. Janet Sauls. Flowers accepted, or donations may be made in memory of Dorothy Railey Bishop to LifePath Hospice or American Heart Association. Viewing services were held on Monday, August 27 and burial services were held on August 28 at National Cremation 308 E College Ave. Burial will follow at Fellowship Cemetery.

Jane Cheevers

Jane Cheevers of Sun City Center and Marshfield, Massachusetts died on August 13. She is survived by her daughter Patti and son-in-law Gary Nugent, four grandchildren Jason, Nicole, Elizabeth and Christian Nugent, by her niece Marjorie Kassinger and her husband Mike and their children Lisa and Brian, and by her great great nieces Kailey, Brianni and her namesake Nylah Jane.

The life of Jane Cheevers, legendary director of Sun City Center's annual Follies show, will be celebrated at a memorial service on Friday, September 7 at 5 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe church south of SR 674 on Route 301. As a professional dancer and choreographer, she brought her talent to Sun City Center in 1991 and for nearly two decades was the guiding force behind the community's largest entertainment event. Under her direction, the Follies gained a reputation as the premier showcase for song, dance and comedy. Income from the Pelican Players' productions, particularly the annual Follies, has allowed the organization to contribute more than \$300,000 in scholarship funds to area students. An award has been established in Jane Cheevers' name for the outstanding performer in each year's Follies show. It has been requested that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Pelican Players Scholarship Fund and mailed to P.O. Box 5142, Sun City Center, FL 33571.

Christopher Lee Etheridge

Christopher Lee Etheridge of Ruskin, Florida was born on December 8, 1958 and passed away on August 23, 2012. He was a loving father survived by two sons, Eric Etheridge of North Ft. Myers, Kyle Etheridge of Ruskin, and one daughter, Jillian Etheridge of Ruskin; his mother, Eva Etheridge of St. Cloud, FL. and five siblings. A memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. on Saturday, September 1 at the Sun City Center Christian Center, 17566 U.S. HWY 301 S. He will always be loved and missed!

Miriam Gene Griggs

Miriam Gene Griggs, 87, passed away Aug. 21, 2012 at Sun City Center. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Ruth Harris, and her husband, Clark Griggs. She was born on November 26, 1924 in Iowa, but spent the majority of her life in Brooklyn, MI. She was co-founder of Griggs Real Estate and was active in the Brooklyn Presbyterian Church, and St Andrew Presbyterian Church in SCC. She is survived by daughters, Barbara Moore of Redford, MI, Patricia (Hank) Wesch of San Diego, CA; sons, David (Deb) of Rapid River, MI and Bronson (Cathy) of Ruskin, FL.; a sister, Ellen Bowser of Michigan Center, MI; a brother, Lorene (Elizabeth) Harris of Vandercreek Lake, MI and several nieces and nephews. She had 37 grandchildren, including great and great-great grandchildren. A celebration of her life will be held at a future date in Michigan. "Genie" made friends wherever she went and was loved by many. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to a charity of choice.

Jeanne S. Hite

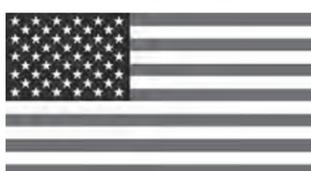
July 31, 1916 – August 24, 2012
A thirty-eight year resident of Sun City Center, FL, Jeanne Hite, passed away on August 24 after a brief illness.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, McIntosh (1915-1999), and is survived by their two sons, Stephen of Durham, NC and Donald of St. George, UT along with 4 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

A 1934 graduate of Roland Park Country School in Baltimore, MD, Jeanne worked many years in Maryland in the real estate business. She was also a past Maryland State President of Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority.

A graveside service is being arranged by Hillsboro Memorial Gardens, 2323 W. Brandon Blvd., Brandon. A memorial service at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Durham, NC is planned for a future date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Jeanne's memory to the Moffitt Cancer Center Foundation, 12902 Magnolia Dr., UTC/FOUND, Tampa, FL 33612 (Phone: 800-456-3434 X 1403) would be appreciated by the family.



Frank T. Hoffman

Frank T. Hoffman, 90, of Sun City Center, FL, passed away on Aug 19, 2012. A native of Louisville, KY, he retired from ASRC in 1981 and was a WWII Army veteran.

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Frank T. Hoffman obituary continued

He is survived by his wife, Marguerite (Payne); 4 sons, Tom, Steve, Dan and Bob; a daughter, Theresa; a sister, Louise; a brother George; 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was a member of Prince of Peace Catholic Church, an avid golfer and Tampa Bay Rays baseball fan. Interment is at the Florida National Cemetery. It is requested that memorial donations be sent to LifePath Hospice at Sun City Center.

Marjorie S. Laird

Marjorie S. Laird, 85 of Sun City Center died Thursday, August 16, 2012, at LifePath Hospice House. Marje, a loving wife and mother, is survived by her daughter, Ann E. Laird, of Sun City Center; son, Richard H. Laird, III and his wife, Mary C. Rowe, of Ashland, Virginia; three grandchildren, Rich and his wife Jessica, Chris and his wife Brittany, and Jessica; a great-grandchild, Rorie; a sister, Mary S. Humrich of Evans, Georgia; a brother-in-law Robert H. Laird and his wife Jane of Marco Island, Florida. She graduated from the University of Michigan and was a high school teacher in both Texas and Delaware before moving to Florida from Wilmington, Delaware with her late husband, Richard H. Laird, Jr., in 1987. Marje enjoyed her retirement years in Sun City Center and made many good friends. She was an active member of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, where the memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, August 31, 2012. The family asks that in lieu of flowers donations be made to LifePath Hospice or St. Andrew Presbyterian Church.

Kenneth Dale Mullins

Kenneth Dale Mullins, 53 of Wimauma, Fla passed away August 26, 2012. He was a lawn and landscape artist. He was preceded in death by two sons, Nathan Paul Mullins and Jason Aaron Luddington, a brother, Mark Randal Mullins and his grandparents, Hatler and Maggie Mullins and Melvern and Eunice Smith. Survivors include his parents, Paul K. and Carolyn D. Mullins, two daughters, LaDonna Victoria (Chris) Odom, and Lisa Michella (Augusto) Velazquez, two sons, Kenneth Dale Mullins II and Ryan Morris (Candy) Luddington, two sisters, Tina Lynn (Ron) Ruth and Sandra Beth (Dale) Jones, a brother, Robert Wayne Spitzer, three grandchildren, seven nieces and nephews and a grand niece, Ashton Michaela Spitzer.

Funeral service were held on Tuesday, August 28 at River of Life Christian Center, 6819 Krycul Avenue, Riverview, Fla. Burial Ruskin Memorial Park, Ruskin, Fla. Arrangements by Sun City Center Funeral Home.

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31 members of Calvary Lutheran Church in Apollo Beach embarked on a once-in-a-lifetime experience at the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA.

Calvary Lutheran youth attend 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering

The energy of more than 34,000 Christian high school students filled the streets of New Orleans for the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering, and 31 youth and adult members from Apollo Beach's Calvary Lutheran Church were thrilled to be among them.

With the biblical theme of "Citizens with the Saints," the Gathering focused on the core practices of Justice, Peacemaking, and Discipleship. Calvary youth joined thousands of others in inspiring educational and worship experiences, as well as actively participated in localized servant-based projects benefitting New Orleans' residents directly. Each night, the youth took over the Mercedes-Benz Superdome for worship among their peers, music celebrations with groups like Rhema Soul and Switchfoot, and guest speakers such as the 2011 Nobel Peace Laureate Leymah Gbowee from Liberia.

John Hagleberg, a 14-year-old Calvary member attending for the first time, found the Youth Gathering incredible. "I had heard it being described all these years since my mom and sister went, but nothing they said lived up to what I experienced," said Hagleberg. "It was truly an indescribable event!"

The ELCA Youth Gathering is a four-day national event for high school Christians held every three years by the Evangelical Lutheran Church. This year's Gathering took place July 18-22 in New Orleans, LA, and was the seventh time Calvary Lutheran Church has had the privilege to participate. The next ELCA Youth Gathering will be held in 2015 in Detroit, MI and Calvary youth are already excited to send new attendees to this life and faith changing event.



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Seated left to right, Bev Majewski, Sandra Glenner, Roz Cruthis, and Lois Stone; Standing left to right, Jane Kutsch, Nancy Wyrick, Marne Zieg and Phyllis Arentson.

UCC Singles Group

It might be a holiday, it may be 8:30 a.m. the fourth Monday of the month at Bob Evans or a trip to a local feature, the Singles Group of United Community Church has planned. You never know where you will find the singles. It was a pot luck dinner and swim time for the group this month.

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For more information call 813-633-2460.

Singers perform at Florida Gospel Music Association convention

On Friday, August 31 thru Sunday, September 1 the Florida Gospel Music Association will hold its convention presenting a series of Gospel performers at the Wimauma Convention Center.

A \$5 donation is requested at the door along with a love offering received at each of the 6 p.m. evening concerts.

For more information call 407-788-6556 or visit www.fgma.org.

Northside adopts Word of Life Program

In preparation for launching the Word of Life program, Word of Life missionary, Andy Anderson, held several meetings with youth, their leaders and parents. A special Youth "Kick-off" service was held during the worship service at Northside Baptist Church of Ruskin on Sunday, August 12.

Word of Life's purpose is to reach today's youth through evangelism, discipleship, and leadership training as well as to help local churches develop vibrant youth ministries. Pastor Sam Roach, the leadership team and the youth are dedicated to growing in the faith.

Three-day "Heart examination" at Witnesses' convention

People may often hear the expression "Follow your heart" but rarely hear "Safeguard your heart." This latter phrase will be heard many times during the 2012 district conventions of Jehovah's Witnesses. The three-day conventions are scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, August 31 thru September 2 in Spanish also September 7-9 and the 14-16 in English at the Silver Spurs Arena in Kissimmee. The witnesses are handing out personal invitations to everyone interested in improving their knowledge of the Bible. It's free, no contribution plates passed, no admission fee.

The convention theme is "Safeguard your heart." The program will include a series of talks, demonstrations and live-action drama instructing how protecting the figurative heart, according to the Bible standards, will enhance spiritual well-being, family life and overall happiness.

For more information call 813-928-4181 or visit www.jw.org.



The Savvy Senior

Simplified computer software that can help seniors get online

Dear Savvy Senior,

Do you know of any computer software that's designed for seniors that I can download on an old computer that I have? I would like to set my grandmother up with a senior-friendly system for email and Internet access, but I don't want to spend a lot of money.

Searching Grandson



By Jim Miller

in 25 different languages including English. Available to download at www.eldy.eu, this software works on PCs that use Windows and Linux systems, Macs and Android tablets.

Once installed, Eldy converts the computer's desktop into a simple six-button menu that has large text, color contrasts and simplified instructions (no confusing icons) that makes it easy to see, understand and operate.

The six-button menu puts seniors literally one-click-of-the-mouse away from simplified versions of email, the Web, Skype for video calls, chat groups, a simple word processing program and more.

It's also worth noting that Eldy software works on touch-screen computers too, and they also offer online tech-support.

Fee-Based Services

If, however, you don't mind spending a little money, there are also a number of companies that offer software similar to Eldy, but provide a few extra enticing features. One of the best deals is offered through SeeYouLink (seeyoulink.com) which has a three-month free trial and charges only \$4.95 per month after that.

SeeYouLink's web-based software will transform any mouse-operated or touch-screen Windows-based PC, into a simplified big-button operating system with large fonts and color contrasts. This will give your grandmother easy access to a host of functions that she can select from like email, Web browsing, video calling, brain-fitness games, movies, Facebook, a calendar that sends reminders and much more.

In addition, this service also pro-

vides a "remote access" feature that will give you and other family members the ability to access your grandmother's computer system from literally any computer anywhere in the world, so you can help her set things up, show her websites, schedule appointments, or guide her through any other questions or problems she might have. And, when you or your grandmother needs help, SeeYouLink offers free tech-support both online and over the phone.

In addition to SeeYouLink, some other companies worth a look that offer similar services include InTouchLink (intouchlink.com), which can be used on a PC, Mac or iPad and costs \$13.75 per month or \$150 per year. Pointer Ware (pointerware.com), which works on Windows PCs and costs a one-time fee of \$149, or you can subscribe monthly for \$8 per month. And BigScreenLive (bigscreenlive.com), that operates on Windows PCs and runs \$9.95 per month for an annual membership.

Senior-Friendly Computers

If you find that you would rather purchase your grandmother a new computer that's designed for seniors and is ready to go right out of the box, you have options here too.

Two of the most popular are the Telikin (telikin.com, 800-230-3881) which costs between \$699 and \$999 – this same computer is also sold as the "WOW" computer through firstSTREET. And My-

Gait (mygait.com, 866-469-4248), which runs \$799 or \$899 plus a \$20 monthly service fee.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443,

Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

Dear Searching,

There are actually a number of companies and services today that offer simplified computer software that's designed specifically for seniors who have little or no computer experience.

These software packages can transform most Microsoft Windows personal computers (PCs) – some work with Macs and tablets too – into a much simpler computer experience that provides seniors easy access to most functions like sending and receiving email, browsing the Internet, making video calls, looking at photos, playing games and more. Here are some top options to check out.

Free Software

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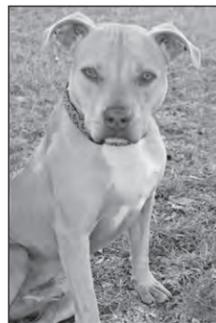


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