

## VP Biden to visit Sun City Center



MITCH TRAPHAGEN PHOTO

On Friday, October 19, Vice President Biden will deliver remarks at a grassroots campaign event in Sun City Center at the Sun City Center Community Association Community Hall. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. The event is free and open to the public, but tickets are required for entrance. One ticket per person will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Vice President will be in Florida through Saturday.

Tickets for the SCC event may be requested at:

**SCC Community Association**  
1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd.  
Sun City Center, FL 33573

**Riverview Office OFA-FL**  
11215 Bloomingdale Ave.  
Riverview, FL 33578

## inside:



Riverview's Trick or Treat Street is coming. See **page 2**



Anti-Bullying program kicks off. See **page 3**



Get advice on native and invasive plants. See **page 18**



October is Breast Cancer Awareness month. See the insert in this issue.

# THE OBSERVER NEWS

www.ObserverNews.net

## Screaming through the Sky



MITCH TRAPHAGEN PHOTOS

This electric radio-controlled helicopter is capable of reaching 140 miles per hour. The Triple Creek RC Club will hold a fly-in for model helicopter enthusiasts Oct. 27-28.

By MITCH TRAPHAGEN  
mitch@observernews.net

RIVERVIEW – It wouldn't be accurate to say that the jet rumbled down the taxiway. It was virtually silent as it made the turn onto the runway, pausing momentarily at the end, waiting to take off. The engines could not be heard as they idled, waiting

for incoming traffic to clear the runway.

With the runway cleared, the engines were only slightly audible, but the moment the wheels left the ground, it screamed and was gone, or nearly so. While the radio control module could easily still communicate with the jet if it flew out of sight, standing on the

See **SCREAMING THROUGH THE SKY**, page 14

## Dual Purpose

Woman's club hopes early shopping day will increase renovation funds

By PENNY FLETCHER  
penny@observernews.net

RUSKIN — Robin Roberts takes her job as chairwoman of the House & Grounds Committee of the Ruskin Woman's Club seriously.

Lately, she's been pulling up boards and carpet in one of the two apartments on the second floor of the historic Woman's Club building with her bare hands and the help of a few tools.

"Keeping up a 100-year-old building is quite a job," Roberts said Oct. 11 as she showed all the things that need repaired.

Built in 1910, the three-story structure was the home of Dr. George Miller and his wife, Adeline Dickman Miller.

Dr. Miller founded a Ruskin College in what would soon become Ruskin. The college was based on the philosophy of



PENNY FLETCHER PHOTO

The 100-year-old building was once Ruskin College, as founded by John Ruskin. Many newcomers ask why State Road 674 is called College Avenue in Ruskin, and this building and those that once surrounded it are the reason why.

John Ruskin, an Englishman who advocated for education of the middle class by setting up commune-style schools and museums for working people in several areas of the world. Although all the buildings belonging to the Ruskin College burned but two and the college itself ceased to exist, the historic landmark still stands at 503 U.S. 41 in Ruskin and is in much use today.

Home to the Ruskin Woman's Club, the

See **RUSKIN WOMAN'S CLUB**, page 6

## Preferred route of high voltage power line pinpointed

By MELODY JAMESON  
mj@observernews.net

BALM – A proposed high voltage electrical power transmission line will mostly skirt this rural community if regulators accept the Tampa Electric Company plan to increase capacity in the years ahead.

The utility's preferred route for a 230 kilovolt transmission line to meet future power demands would run eastward a short distance north of and parallel with C.R. 672 to a point near State Road 39, cross the county roadway and angle through unoccupied acreage owned by Mosaic just west of the state road and then proceed east along the north edge of S.R. 674 into Polk County.

Known as the Polk Power to Fishhawk Substation Transmission Line, the 40-mile project also would connect a prospective new substation near Aspen Avenue and Boyette Road in Balm with the existing Fishhawk Substation, plus relocate existing line from Agricola Road south to an expanded Polk power station in western Polk County.

The project cost is estimated to be in the \$700 million neighborhood, according to Cherie Jacobs, Tampa Electric spokesperson.

One of five potential routes presented to residents during community meetings in both the Balm-Wimauma and the Fishhawk-Lithia areas earlier in the year, this preferred arrangement was included with the company's Petition of Need filed with Florida's Public Service Commission on September 12, Jacobs said. And on October 3, the utility submitted a Site Certification Application to Florida's Department of Environmental Protection based on the same routing, she added.

The preferred transmission line placement was selected on the basis of several criteria, including customer input, both current and anticipated land uses, environmental considerations, engineering requirements as well as costs, according to a letter from Tampa Electric to about 2,000 property owners in the pertinent areas. That letter was mailed on Friday, October 12, and should be in property owners' hands this week, Jacobs noted.

The driving forces for the project are expected increases in power demand due to projected population growth and the company's contracts for purchased power which are to expire in 2016.

The PSC hearing on Tampa Electric's Petition of Need is scheduled for December 12, Jacobs noted, with a decision from the commission expected in early 2013.

See **POWERLINE ROUTE**, page 3

Come in for 'FANGTASTIC' offers on all your flooring needs!!!

Happy Halloween from

SCC's Oldest and Most Trusted Flooring Company  
LOCALLY OWNED. We know our neighbors...  
because we are your neighbor!



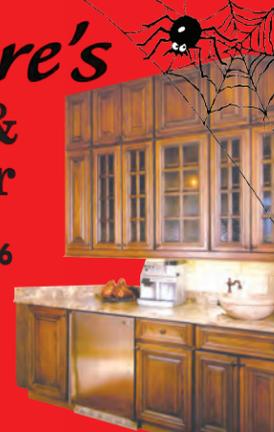
John Moore's  
Abbey Floor & Design Center

Family Owned & Operated 813-633-7116

1629 Sun City Center Plaza  
(near SCC Post Office)

www.JohnMooreFloorCovering.com

We offer affordable luxury.  
We also do cabinets and counter tops.



# Trick or Treat Street returns to Riverview

■ By MITCH TRAPHAGEN  
mitch@observernews.net

RIVERVIEW - Trick or Treat Street 2012 will take place at Riverview High School Saturday, October 20 from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. The family-friendly event is thought to be one of the largest of its kind in the nation, with an estimated 5,000 people in attendance last year.

"This event is near and dear to my heart," said Tanya Doran,

executive director of the Greater Riverview Chamber of Commerce. "Trick or Treat Street is a fun community event that provides a safe environment for families to enjoy. It is a place for neighbors to gather and have fun."

The event is presented by the Greater Riverview Chamber of Commerce, The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, Hillsborough County Parks and Rec Department and Riverview

High School.

"RVHS has been a partner with the Chamber for many years and it has been a great opportunity for our students to participate and give back to our community," said Riverview High School Principal Bob Heilmann. "Thousands of youngsters have trick or treated here and many are now students here — it's neat that now they are on the other side of the program, giving in lieu of receiving. RVHS is a community school and we are proud of our name and what we mean to our community."

Area churches, businesses and other organizations participate in dressing up, decorating their

booths and distributing candy or small toys to children of all ages. Prize ribbons are awarded for booth design and decoration in several categories.

Admission to the event is free. Parking is \$3 and \$5 wristbands will be available for food and beverages to help defray the costs of the event.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF HUTH & BOOTH PHOTOGRAPHY

An estimated 5,000 people, including some who lost their heads, turned out for last year's Trick or Treat Street. The annual family-friendly event will take place on Saturday at Riverview High School.



## If You're Looking For Stress Free Windows or Siding...



Call the Company that has received  
**EXACTLY ZERO BBB Complaints**  
in our 18-year history... and has received more than  
**20 Angie's List Super Service Awards**

Lots of companies like to TALK about great service and treating customers right, but very few have the documented track record to PROVE that they actually deliver. At Morgan Exteriors, we let our customers, our awards and the BBB do our talking for us. Since 1995 we've installed over 21,000 windows and put siding on 2,400 homes — and our satisfaction rate (based on surveys) is an even 99.0%. Some companies talk about "no unresolved BBB complaints." That means they've had complaints — we've never had a single one.

**We Take the Risk Out of Home Improvements**

*Interest Free Financing and Factory Rebates Available!!*

Dinner  
for **2**  
Just for Receiving  
an Estimate



**Morgan Exteriors, Inc.**

Windows, Siding, Doors and More...  
Call Today for Your Free Estimate!

**813-931-4663 or 727-502-5300**

[www.morganexteriorsinc.com](http://www.morganexteriorsinc.com)

16011 N. Nebraska Ave., #107 • Lutz, FL 33549

Proud member of the  
Greater Sun City Center Area Chamber of Commerce

CRC-057210



Schedule a tour of our

**New Memory Suites**

and receive a complimentary copy of

*Alzheimer's Basic Caregiving: an ABC Guide*  
by author Kathy Laurenhue

Call (813) 634-3347 for a tour



October is **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**



If you or a loved one are suffering from lymphedema due to cancer, our certified lymphedema therapists are here to help! Call to schedule an appointment today!

Independent, Assisted Living, Memory Care and Skilled Nursing  
101 Trinity Lakes Dr. • Sun City Center, FL  
[SunTowersRetirement.com](http://SunTowersRetirement.com)  
**(813) 634-3347**  
AL Lic. #4997

# Preferred powerline route

Continued from page 1

The DEP process is longer, she added, with the regulatory agency reviewing the utility's site application within the parameters of Florida's Power Plant Siting Act and then a Siting Board consisting of the governor and cabinet approving or rejecting the agency's recommendations. A Siting Board hearing is anticipated later in 2013 with a decision made by the end of that year.

Specific placement of the structures that constitute the project can be determined only after site application approval, the spokeswoman said. Barring regulatory

changes, the project's design phase could begin in 2014, she added. And, if construction can begin late in 2014, the new transmission lines could be in service in 2016. The next year – 2017 – is the utility's target for completion of the Polk Power Plant expansion.

Whether the new line is overhead or underground will be determined in the design and engineering stage, Jacobs noted. The company plans to solicit additional customer input at that time, she added.

As for covering the project costs, Jacobs said the estimated expense would not be assessed

Tampa Electric customers through prepayment on monthly utility bills. Shared costs, she said, would not be addressed until the project is completed.

The company remains committed to communicating with customers as project milestones are achieved, Jacobs added, and additional information about the proposed transmission lines is available by calling 813-630-6295. Information about the Polk Power Plant expansion can be obtained by calling 813-228-1021.

Copyright 2012 Melody Jameson

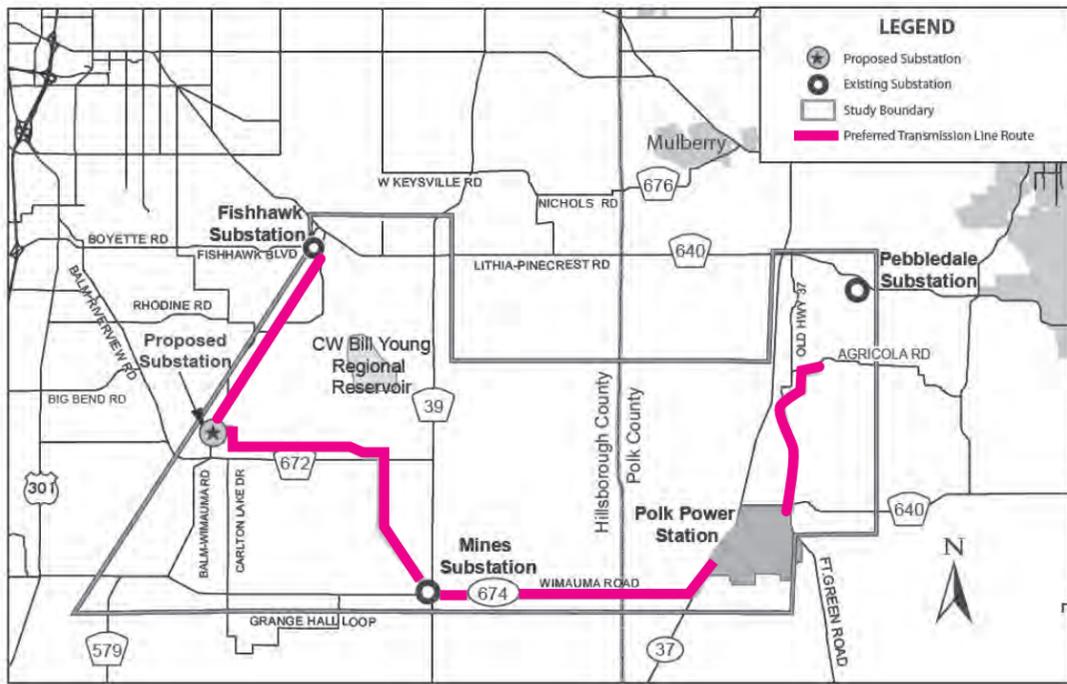


MITCH TRAPHAGEN FILE PHOTO

Hillsborough County Commissioner Sandra Murman issued a proclamation declaring October as National Bullying Prevention Month in Hillsborough County.



## Polk Power to Fishhawk Substation Preferred Transmission Line Route



This illustration details the route preferred by Tampa Electric Company for a proposed 230 KV transmission line in the Balm area. The line would skirt most of the rural community, placed parallel with C.R. 672. (Tampa Electric Company map)

## Anti-bullying program to kick off at Riverview High School

By MITCH TRAPHAGEN  
mitch@observernews.net

TAMPA - During the regular meeting of the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners on Oct. 3, Commissioner Sandra Murman read a proclamation stating that October would be set aside as National Bullying Prevention Month in Hillsborough County. She also provided a status update on the county's anti-bullying project, now in its third year.

According to Murman, an anti-bullying advisory committee began with former commissioner Rose Ferlita in January of 2010. The resulting youth program, Bully Busters, has since won five national and multiple state and local awards. The second phase of the project will partner with Hillsborough County Schools, beginning at Riverview High School on Oct. 19. At the beginning of the school year, seven have formed clubs known as SAVE, Students Against Violence

Everywhere. Today the number of clubs is up to 14.

"Our momentum right now for anti-bullying is really picking up, and as other schools learn about SAVE, the word is spreading," Commissioner Murman told the board. "This is a real significant achievement in such a short period of time of a little over two and a half years. It was my dream that we would have anti-bullying [efforts] present in all of the middle schools and high schools in Hillsborough County."

Dr. Tom Massey of the University of South Florida and the chair of the anti-bullying advisory committee said, "Research suggests that as many as 30 percent of children either witness or experience bullying on a regular basis. Since the advent of electronic media, cyber bullying is a rising concern, and so bullying extends beyond the school and into the individual youths' homes. [Combating] this is very much a community effort, it's beyond the schools and into the community where it needs to be."

The Tampa Police Department and the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office are also members of the advisory board. During the meeting, Commissioner Murman pointed out that the award-winning program does not involve the use of tax dollars.

For information about the national SAVE program, visit [www.nationalsave.org](http://www.nationalsave.org)

SEMI-ANNUAL SCC SHRINE CLUB

### Pancake Brunch

**Sunday, Oct. 28**  
9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Tickets \$5 (sold at the door)  
South Community Hall on  
S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City Center

**Pancakes & Sausage**  
ALL YOU CARE TO EAT

Proceeds are for the benefit of the Sun City Center Shrine Club. Payments are not tax deductible or charitable contributions.

Sun City Center Travelworld & SILVERSEA

invite you to Silversea all inclusive values and suite deals!

**Thursday, November 1 • 2:00-4:00 p.m.**  
at our Sun City Center Travelworld office

906 N. Pebble Beach Blvd. • RSVP requested (813) 634-3318  
• Refreshments • Prizes and Booking Discounts

## Southeast Windows & Glass, Inc.

- Full Service Glass & Mirror
- Shower Enclosures
- Door Replacement & Door Inserts
- Sliding Glass Doors
- Broken Window Repair
- Window Screen & Soft Vinyl Replacement
- Hurricane Shutters

603 Hwy. 41 S • Ruskin, FL  
(Your local company for 30 years) Fax: 645-6964

**813-645-3370**  
**FREE ESTIMATES**  
"Replacement Window Specialist"  
Vinyl or Aluminum Windows and Hurricane Impact Windows

Over 50,000 Windows Installed Since 1979

# Wacky Wednesdays

at the **SUNSET GRILL AT LITTLE HARBOR** 611 Destiny Drive Ruskin, FL 813-645-3291

and **TIKI BAR** at Bahia Beach

**Bud & Bud Light Longnecks \$2.00**

**LIVE Entertainment Wednesday thru Sunday**

**1/2 Pound Angus Burger starting at \$6.95 with choice of 1 side**

Every Wednesday for a limited time

# Positive Talk: Rewriting the Story

If you are a long-time reader of this column, you may remember my telling the following story. Alfred Nobel woke up one morning to read in his newspaper that he had died. The article detailed much of his life, and said he would always be remembered as the creator of what was then the most devastating force on earth. He was the inventor of TNT. The article said that his invention had elevated warfare to a new level of barbarism, and that he was personally responsible for the death and destruction that it brought. After notifying the newspaper that he had not died, (or as Mark Twain once said, "The reports of my death have been grossly exaggerated.") he found out that, in fact, his brother had died, and a careless editor had switched the prewritten obituaries.

Alfred Nobel saw what most of us will never have the opportunity to see. He was given a rare glimpse of how he would be remembered in history. As a result, he made up his mind that by the time he died, the headline would no longer read, "Man of death dies," but rather, "Man of peace dies." He spent the rest of his life, and much of his fortune, working on a foundation that was, and is, dedicated to the cause of world peace. He established a variety of Nobel prizes in such diverse areas as medicine and literature. The success of his efforts is attested to by the results of a poll. When asked what Alfred Nobel was famous for, 65 percent of those responding said, "The Nobel Peace Prize." Less than 5 percent mentioned his invention of TNT. There were also several who thought he played some position

in baseball. I guess you can't win them all.

What brought Nobel's story back to my mind was the death of a young man named Tom. No, he was not a millionaire inventor nor did he ever make any major contributions to mankind. I have known Tom and his family most of his life and he was a very troubled boy to say the least. His family was very supportive and tried their best to work through Tom's moods and bouts of trouble. By 16 years of age, Tom had a lengthy police record and had been expelled from school. By 18, a judge gave him the choice of joining the army or going to jail. He chose the army and landed in the stockade after only six months of service. In less than a year, he received a Bad Conduct Discharge and was again roaming the streets. Tom's family begged him to come home and start over but he would not hear of it. Rather he joined a gang and was busted for possessing and selling drugs.

Tom got out of jail on his 25th birthday and finally heeded his family's plea to come home. Once there, he took charge of his life and stopped drifting from one problem to another. He has worked steadily for the past five years and has received several promotions at his place of employment. Tom became active in his church and just last year met Millie, who was soon to become his wife. Two months ago he called me and with great excitement in his voice told me that he was to be a father. All that ended the other night when he was riding his motorcycle home from work and another motorist crossed

a center line and hit him head on.

By this time you are probably wondering what Alfred Nobel and Tom had in common. Both of them, by their own actions, changed the way the world would remember them. I don't try to make sense of the things that happen in this world but rather look for lessons I can learn. The lesson I learned from Tom's death is not that it is sad a young man of such potential died, even though it is, but rather it is a blessing that he did not die before his potential was known. Alfred Nobel will not be remembered as a merchant of death, but a man of peace; and Tom will not be remembered as a young punk. Their deaths teach us we need not be remembered for past conduct, but rather for current actions. How will you be remembered? There is still time to rewrite the story.

*Hodges is a nationally recognized speaker, trainer and syndicated columnist. He also hosts an interview-format television program, Spotlight on Government, on the Tampa Bay Community Network which airs Mondays at 8 p.m. (Bright House channel 950, Verizon channel 30) and Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. (BH channel 949, Verizon channel 36). The shows can also be viewed at www.hodgesvideos.com. Phone : 824-641-0816. Email: bill@billhodges.com Website: www.billhodges.com*



By William Hodges

## Looking for an adventure?

### Lake Okeechobee hike

The "Big O Hike" comes of age November 17. This will be the start of the 21st annual hike around Lake Okeechobee on the Herbert Hoover Dike, 35 feet above the surrounding countryside.

Hikers assemble at the Pahokee Marina ready to take the first step at 8 a.m., heading north for a nine day, 110 mile trek. But it's not as difficult as it seems. The hike is actually a series of one day hikes and participants can join or leave the other hikers at any trailhead around Lake Okeechobee. Popular hikes are the first day, a 3.5-mile "Wimp Walk" around Pahokee or the full day 12 mile walk to Port Mayaca. Hikers are shuttled back to the day's starting point.

There is no charge for the hike, and anyone is welcome to join the Loxahatchee Chapter of the Florida Trail Association in this, what is believed to be the longest running long distance hike in Florida.

Campgrounds or motels and meals for those requiring them are at the hiker's expense. Of special interest is Thanksgiving Dinner at the historic Clewiston Inn.

For information contact Paul Cummings at Cummingsps@att.net or write him at 9887 Cross Pine Court, Lake Worth, FL 33467.

Award-Winning Newspapers

## THE OBSERVER NEWS

### THE SCC OBSERVER & THE RIVERVIEW CURRENT

210 Woodland Estates S.W. Ruskin, FL 33570

**813-645-3111**

Fax: 813-645-4118

www.ObserverNews.net

Published Every Thursday by M&M Printing Co., Inc. 645-4048

#### EDITORIAL:

Brenda Knowles .....Publisher/Editor  
brenda@observernews.net

Mitch Traphagen.....Online Editor  
mitch@observernews.net

Penny Fletcher.....Contributing Writer  
penny@observernews.net

Melody Jameson.....Contributing Writer  
mj@observernews.net

All press releases, news articles and photos may be emailed to news@observernews.net, faxed to 645-4118, or mailed to Observer News, 210 Woodland Estates Ave. SW, Ruskin, FL 33570

#### SALES:

Vilma Stillwell...Display Advertising Rep.  
vilma@observernews.net

Nan Kirk.....Display Advertising Rep.  
nan@observernews.net

For current rates and circulation information visit our website at www.ObserverNews.net

#### CLASSIFIED / CIRCULATION:

Beverly Kay.....Classified / Circulation  
beverly@observernews.net

**PRODUCTION:**  
Carol MacAlister...Graphic Arts / Layout  
carol@observernews.net

Jason Martin.....Graphic Arts / Layout  
jason@observernews.net

Chere Simmons....Graphic Arts / Layout  
chere@observernews.net

The views expressed by our writers are not necessarily shared by The Observer News, SCC Observer, The Riverview Current or M&M Printing Co., Inc.

We Accept:



## Sun City Center Travelworld &



invite you to come learn about the Celebrity Cruises experience!

**Wednesday, November 7 • 2:00-4:00 p.m.**

at our Sun City Center Travelworld office

906 N. Pebble Beach Blvd. • RSVP requested **(813) 634-3318**

• Refreshments • Prizes and Booking Discounts



**FREE\***  
**Eye Exam**

\*with purchase of complete pair of Prescription Glasses Expires 11/1/12

**2 Complete Pairs of Eyeglasses**

**\$99**

Some restrictions apply. Most prescriptions. Not valid with any other offer. Exp. 11/1/12 CR39

**CONTACTS**

**7** month supply starter kit with exam **\$149**

Some restrictions apply. Not valid with any other offer. Exp. 11/1/12 CR39

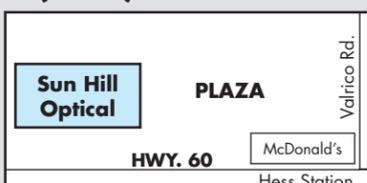
**Progressive No-Line Bifocals**

**\$99**

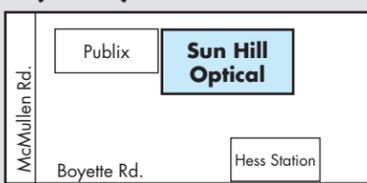
Some restrictions apply. Not valid with any other offer. Exp. 11/1/12 CR39

# Sun Hill Optical

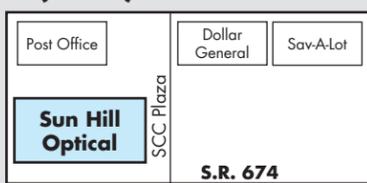
**VALRICO**  
**(813) 653-2244**



**RIVERVIEW**  
**(813) 672-8100**



**SUN CITY CENTER**  
**(813) 634-6344**



Vision insurance for employees of Hillsborough County, Media General, Publix, Citigroup, Verizon, FedEx, Ford, and many more.

#### INSURANCES ACCEPTED:

United Healthcare, EyeMed, VBA, Spectra, Humana, Freedom, VCP, Advantica, Optimum, Davis Vision and many more



The patient and any other person responsible for payment has a right to refuse to pay, cancel payment or be reimbursed for payment for any other service, examination or treatment which is performed as a result within 72 hours of responding to the advertisement for the free, discounted fee, or reduced fee, examination or treatment

## Hillsborough County Animal Services celebrates the month as "Newvember"

New hours, new director, new volunteers, and a renewed mission. It all adds up to what Hillsborough County Animal Services has coined its "Newvember" celebration!

On Thursday, Nov. 1, the County animal shelter kicks off "Newvember" by implementing new opportunities for residents to take advantage of its services and to volunteer to help.

"Newvember" shelter hours will follow a 10 \* 7 \* 7 schedule: shelter hours will be from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m., 7 days a week.

To kick off the new 10 \* 7 \* 7 schedule, Animal Services staff invites the public to stop by the shelter at 440 N. Falkenburg Rd. in Tampa on Nov. 1 for a festive yappy hour from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. to meet new Animal Services Director Ian Hallett, meet-and-greet with shelter animals, and enjoy some refreshments.

"Newvember" orientation sessions for new volunteers are currently scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 10 at 10 a.m., and Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age, and minors must be accompanied to orientation by a parent or legal guardian.

"Newvember" also means Hillsborough County Animal Services will be open on the Veteran's Day holiday, while other County government offices are closed. On Monday, Animal Services will offer half-priced pet adoptions to all active or retired military members. However, the shelter will close two hours early on that day only.

The new 10 \* 7 \* 7 hours schedule will remain after November, but the public should check the website or call for animal turn-in hours.

For more information about pet adoption, volunteering or the "Newvember" celebration at Hillsborough County Animal Services, call (813) 744-5660. To learn about Hillsborough County Animal Services, visit them online at [www.hillsboroughcounty.org/animalservices](http://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/animalservices).

## Camp Bayou Fall Open House offers a creeping, crawly morning

Kids who love to examine nature's much-maligned critters should enjoy the Camp Bayou Open House on Saturday, Oct. 27. This free, family-friendly event runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Camp Bayou, a former RV park, is located 3 miles south of SR674 at the end of 24th St SE in Ruskin.

The theme, 'Out of the Dark,' highlights a variety of creatures, dispelling myths about some while revealing the need to respect others. Throughout the morning, there will be several activity tables, some with live critters to handle, such as millipedes and ant lions. Games such as the Spider Scavenger Hunt and crafts such as Animal Masks should provide lots of fun and educational things to do. Other non-profits, such as ConserveItForward.org and the Paleo Preserve Fossil Museum will be also be offering nature-based activities.

The day's events include a cockroach race, a snake stroll, making animal masks, trail tours, and for a small fee, a National Food Day Buffet, offering alternative treats to typical Halloween sweets.

Registration is not required but encouraged. Door prizes will be drawn on the half hour from the list of all participants who register online at [campbayou.org](http://campbayou.org). Door prizes include Seminole pumpkin seedlings, goody bags and other surprises.

The winning entries for the 2012 Camp Bayou Annual Photo Contest will be on display at the Fall Open House. There is still time to submit nature photos taken at Camp Bayou. Deadline is Saturday, Oct 20, to be judged by artist Bruce Marsh. For information contact [campbayou@gmail.com](mailto:campbayou@gmail.com) or call 813-641-8545.

Nature Nook Books will also be on hand with books for sale for children and adults. Sponsors include '24th Street Neighbors' and Sweetbay Supermarket in Ruskin.

These activities are part of a Get Outdoors Florida, Children and Nature, No Child Left Inside, Be Out There!-NWF, Let's Move Outside, National Food Day, Make a Difference Day, inspired initiative.

Camp Bayou is neither a campground nor a summer camp. It was an RV park before the County's ELAP program purchased the land but it is now open for day use only, open to the general public. Through volunteers, donations, membership and grants, the Center offers pre-scheduled programs to schools, youth groups, adult groups and families plus it's open from Thursday- Saturday from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. for passive recreational pursuits such as wildlife watching, nature photography and trail walks.

The Camp Bayou Outdoor Learning Center is managed by the newly created, non-profit Bayou Outdoor Learning & Discovery, Inc. (BOLD), in a public-private partnership with the non-profit Ruskin Community Development Foundation, Inc. (RCDF) and Hillsborough County Parks, Recreation and Conservation.

## Incognito Lounge now open at lunch

Incognito Lounge, located in the MiraBay Village Shopping Center, is now serving lunch, starting at 11 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

The new lunch menu includes fresh daily homemade soups, such as crab bisque and corn chowder, and a large selection of fresh salads. In addition, the restaurant's

very popular homemade meatballs are now available at lunch as a meatball sub.

The new lunch menu can be viewed online at [www.incognitolounge.com](http://www.incognitolounge.com). All menu items are available for take-out and may be ordered by calling (813) 645-9700.



## September Terrific Kids at Collins Elementary

Marielle Achey, Aniya Baker, Olivia Barker, Hailey Bartolome, Rylie Birkey, Sedriyona Brown, Sierra Bryant, Mattison Burriss, Mason Burriss, Rikki Champagne, Lauren Cooke, Jossalin Cucalon, Nyanna Davis, Chris Diaz, Kathleen Gomez, Alex Garcia, Kyla Garcia, Alanna Hardin, Ninfa Iturralde, Sherman Johnson, James Keaton, Ryleigh Kenyon, Abbey Koedel, Monica Martinez, Emily Moore, Tyler Morel, Brooklyn Muse, Jocyllynne Patterson, Simone Pierce, Cameron Price, Mason Reid, Aisling Reilly, Frida Rodill, Andrea Rodriguez, Chloe Saling, MaKenna Shrader, Avery Smith, Rebecka Smith, Isis Soto, Evelyn Staubitz, Emily Sumner, Michaela Thompson, Dylan Tirpak, Juliequeyn Tran, Rita Viramontes, Ja'merya Wallace, Kailey Wilgus, Allie Williams, Christopher Wilson, Nicole Wilson, Matthew Wingo and Najah Yoder. The Terrific Kids program is sponsored by the S.C.C. Kiwanis Club, Casper's McDonalds, SweetBay, and Buffalo Wings.

## Ruskin Veteran's Day Parade honors veterans, welcomes marchers

Ruskin Memorial VFW Post #6287 will honor all veterans with a parade through downtown Ruskin. The Veteran's Day Parade will start at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 10, and will travel on U.S. Hwy. 41.

The parade is free to the public and all participants. All participants, sponsors and attendees are welcome at the VFW Post following the parade for ongoing family fun, music, food and an awards presentation ceremony.

VFW #6287 invites all youth, civic and community organizations, fraternities and businesses to join in the parade. Interested organizations and/or businesses should contact the VFW at (813) 645-2935, or Parade Chairman Bruce Scheller at (813) 645-3410, or email [aability1@verizon.net](mailto:aability1@verizon.net) for additional information. Information and entry forms are also available online at [www.vfwpost6287.com](http://www.vfwpost6287.com).

The VFW is located at 5120 U.S. Hwy. 41 North in Ruskin.

**Veterans Day**

## Submitting construction plans to Hillsborough County goes high-tech

Hillsborough County continues to streamline and improve how it does business with the launch of a new electronic submittal and review system for building plans. The system, called ProjectDox, is meant to improve the efficiency and ease of use for customers and County staff during the submission and review of construction projects.

ProjectDox is a web-based electronic plan and document workflow system that creates a virtual workspace for customers and County staff to initiate, communicate, review and approve construction plans.

"This has taken a manual process and turned it into a technology-driven process," said Dave Ford, interim director for The Center for Development Services.

Customers are given a special login for their projects that allows them to submit plans and documents and review the status of their projects from their own computers. County staff from various departments and agencies that need to review the plans also can log in from their computers to view documents online and mark them up as needed for everyone else to see and provide further input.

The system, which will be integrated into the Department's current online permit application and inspection request service, also will allow users to pay their plan submittal and review fees online.

The department is starting first with building plan submittals for this new system and plans to

expand it to site and subdivision plan submittals by the end of the calendar year. County staff tested the system with local builders and contractors for several months before this launch. Additional training will soon be available for contractors and builders on how to use the new system.

Development Services already has implemented several other technology improvements before this newest project. The department has allowed residents and contractors to apply for permits, schedule their inspections, and check the status of their permits and inspections online for several years. The department's PGM Store, accessible from the County's website, also has allowed customers and County staff to check the status of zoning requests and access documents and information. Additionally, in 2009, Development Services started the first phase of electronic plan submittal, when it implemented a system for developers and engineers to submit their plans on flash drives, rather than bringing in bundles of paper plans and documents.

For more information and to access the electronic plan submittal service, visit the County's website at: [www.hillsboroughcounty.org/center/](http://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/center/) and click on the "Online Services" link on the page. On that page, click on the "Online Permitting and Plan Submittal System" link. For additional assistance, users also can call The Center for Development Services at (813) 272-5600.

## Women vendors wanted for holiday shopping event

The Ruskin Woman's Club is seeking women vendors for its first women-owned, home-based business, holiday shopping event called "Trinkets, Baubles and Bling - Holiday Shopping Extravaganza." This sale is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 17.

The club is looking for a diverse group of gift-type vendors of the 'home party' type, as well as artists, potters, upscale crafters, woodworkers, stone crafters, lapidary items and more. They have room for 10 to 15 more vendors.

This event is a fundraiser for the club. The entry fee will be a donation to its 501(c) 3 non-profit organization.

The shopping event will be held inside and on the grounds of the three-story building where The Ruskin Woman's Club resides. Built in 1912, it was the original home for the President of Ruskin College, Dr. George McA. Miller and his wife Adaline Dickman Miller. In 1940 the Miller House was deeded by the family to the Club. It was placed on the National Historic Register in 1974.

As of 2012, the Ruskin Woman's Club has been in existence for 100 years. Its charitable contributions to the community include college scholarships, local food pantry donations, work with Tampa area Veterans, and preservation of the rich history of the Ruskin area.

For more information, contact: Carolyn Jones at (813) 645-3488 or Robin Roberts at (813) 507-0509.

## Riverview VFW holds membership drive

VFW Post 8108 will host a membership drive from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 28. Those wishing to join should bring a copy of their DD-214 Form, or other proof that they served on foreign soil.

Breakfast will be offered to all new members and to those who come to renew their dues.

For more information, contact Commander Andy Davis at (813) 671-9845, Ladies Auxiliary President Debra Smith at (813) 671-1564, or Men's Auxiliary President Max Smith at (813) 671-1564.

Riverview Memorial VFW Post 8103 is located at 7504 Riverview Dr. in Riverview.

# Woman's Club dual purpose fundraiser

■ Continued from page 1

bottom floor is rented out for various functions for money to keep up the grounds and building and the elegant simplicity of the people who built it can be seen in the sturdy hardwood floors, ceilings, and built-in-furniture including nooks and storage boxes as well as functional shelving.

The home could not be kept up however without the rent from two apartments on the second floor.

They are now in need of much repair, said Roberts. "We could use the help of electricians and plumbers and cabinetry men." Because the building was put on the Historic Registry in 1974, it needs restored in the original manner, only with modernized appliances and air conditioning.

The unfinished third floor is not in use, but is good-size and solid, made of plaster and wood.

Roberts and club President Iris Mixon say they think the attic could be put to use as well and plan to gear money from various fundraisers and donations towards the refurbishing projects.

One of the main fundraisers the club has done for many years is making and selling homemade pickles and jelly.

This year, they're also trying something different. Roberts and Carolyn Jones are co-chairwomen of the club's "Trinkets, Baubles & Bling Holiday Shopping Extravaganza" Nov. 17 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"Besides being a fundraiser for the refurbishing, the event will give local residents a chance to get a head start on their holiday shopping," Jones said.

The shopping day will also be a showcase for local artists and painters, potters and other artisans. Only one product in each category will be permitted so there will be no competition among vendors.

There will be items for the

home, beauty products, jewelry, pet products and much more.

The Woman's Club is a 501(c)3 organization so any donations are tax deductible for the donor. It qualifies as tax exempt because of the charitable work it accomplishes, including college scholarships, local food pantry donations, work with Bay Area veterans, history preservation and more.

Holiday purchases, of course,

will not be classed as donations.

Having housed the first library in Ruskin with a collection of 5,000 donated books, one of the club's current projects is to get the storage out of the original library room so that people may view the original wood shelving.

Women vendors for the Nov. 17 event are still being sought. To participate, call Jones at (813) 645-3488 or Roberts at (813) 507-0509.



PENNY FLETCHER PHOTOS

Carolyn Jones and Robin Roberts, co-chairwomen of the Ruskin Woman's Club's "Trinkets, Baubles & Bling Holiday Shopping Extravaganza" say it will be held at the historic Woman's Club building, 503 U.S. 41 in Ruskin Nov. 17 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will raise money to refurbish parts of the 100-year-old home and also give local residents a chance to buy some holiday gifts from local vendors.



**PET TIP:** As you age, you should consider the size of the dog you will be able to physically take care of. You may have had large breed dogs your whole life but might need to downsize to a smaller breed dog in your later years.

**Drs. Ott, Slaughter, Waldy & Heaton**  
 • Nearly 100 years of experience • Voted Best Vet & Best Pet Services  
 • Best Pet Resort with Medical Care  
 • Provider of Free 5-Acre, Beautiful Dog Park  
 • Founder of C.A.R.E. Rescue Shelter

**Ruskin Animal Hospital & Cat Clinic**

715 U.S. Hwy. 41 S. • Ruskin • 813-645-6411

Mon./Wed./Thur./Fri. 7-5:30 (closed Thur. 12-2) • Sat. 7:30-1 • Tues. 7-7



George McA. Miller (1919-1957) and Adaline Dickman Miller (1859-1936) who built the home and were the first residents in it during the time Ruskin College was in operation.



In 1990, Ellsworth Simmons was named Man of the Year by the Ruskin Chamber of Commerce. A County Commissioner and civic-minded resident, he is credited with bringing many good things once only enjoyed by Tampa residents to South County. Upon his death, a garden was named for him at the Ruskin Woman's Club.

## SUNROOMS SCREEN ROOMS



**DAVID J. BRATE**  
**ALUMINUM & CONSTRUCTION**

Brate Built Construction, Inc. CBC#1250631

We bring the showroom to you

No money down  
 Cash Discounts

CALL FOR FREE ESTIMATE

**649-1599**

~visit our website~

www.BRATESALUMINUM.com

In your area 26 years

Celebrating 38 Years in Business

CALL FOR FREE INSPECTION

**TERMITES?**

ASK ABOUT TERMIDOR

**BRANDON PEST CONTROL**

Phone: (813) 685-7711

Fax: (813) 685-3607

10 Locations in Florida, Georgia & Tennessee

**Permanent Hair Removal**  
 ~FACIALS~  
**ELECTROLYSIS \$40 per 1/2-hour**  
 Laurie Collier, RE, CCE  
 101 Flamingo Drive, Ste. B & E  
 Corner of US 41 & Flamingo Drive  
 Apollo Beach, FL 33572  
 Call for appt. 813-244-0341  
 CNA, Home Care, looking to watch loved one. Reasonable rates.  
 Call Laurie 813-244-0341.

**FAMILY DENTISTRY**  
**Kirk D. Parrott, D.D.S.**  
**Carl E. Friedman, D.D.S.**  
 902 N. Tamiami Trail, Ruskin, FL 33570  
 (Across from Sweetbay Supermarket)  
**NEW PATIENTS WELCOME**  
**(813) 645-6491**  
 Members: American Dental Association, Florida State Dental Association, Florida West Coast Dental Association, Manatee County Dental Association and Hillsborough County Dental Association.

**Trusted by Physicians & Patients Alike.**

- Comprehensive Ophthalmology
- Cataract Surgery
- Glaucoma Management
- Laser Surgery
- Macular Degeneration
- Cornea
- Diabetic Eye Care
- Neuro-Ophthalmology

Our ophthalmologists are fellowship-trained to provide specialized care for your eyes.  
 Medicare & most insurance accepted.

**MANATEE EYE CLINIC & LASER CENTER**

813-633-3065 • 1515 Sun City Center Plaza • YourEyeDoctors.com

Robert Edelman, M.D.

Eric Berman, M.D.

Jeffrey Davis, M.D.

Anita Shane, M.D.

**DAMON C. GLISSON, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW**  
 Probate and Estate Planning • Home Visits  
 • Wills • Medicaid Planning • Divorce  
 • Personal Injury • Wrongful Death

5908 FORTUNE PLACE  
 APOLLO BEACH, FL 33572  
 www.Glisson1.com

**(813) 645-6796**

The hiring of a lawyer is an important decision that should not be based solely on advertisement. Before you decide, ask us to send you FREE written information about our qualifications and experience.

# Community master planning appeals to CA board candidates

■ By MELODY JAMESON  
mj@observernews.net

**SUN CITY CENTER** – Four candidates – two newcomers and two veterans – are aiming for three seats at the Community Association table here come January.

Gerald Collings Sr. and Mike Killian are the newcomers to the fray as Chuck Collett and Neil Rothfeld, both of whom currently sit at the board table, seek members' nods supporting their return.

The three seats to be filled have been occupied by Ann Marie LeBlanc who has served the maximum of two consecutive terms, and by first-term director Martin Hurwitz, who has chosen not to seek re-election. In the third place is Collett, another first-term officer and current board vice president, who wants to be returned for a second three-year term.



**Chuck Collett**



**Gerald Collings, Sr.**



**Mike Killian**



**Neil Rothfeld**

Collett, trained as a lawyer and a high profile business executive in Maryland before relocating to Sun City Center, was a strong proponent during his first term of community efforts aimed at modernization of the retirement center's recreational facilities, particularly those on the Central Campus. He said this week he wants to help complete the work undertaken by the CA board in 2011 and 2012 pointing in that direction.

The recently-completed community wide survey of member opinions disclosed a strong continuing resident interest in a master plan for upgrading and updating the amenities, he noted, adding that during his first term the emphasis was on answering such questions as "what are the needs of the community" and "how can those objectives be accomplished." The extensive survey and its high response rate now has suggested specific answers to those questions, he said. He wants to serve a second term, he indicated, to explore ways and means of implementing the improvement goals cited by residents as their priorities.

Asked about persistent, whispered rumors in the community related to his background involving a business failure and a personal bankruptcy, Collett replied that "there is nothing secret about this, it is not hidden." Collett said that after practicing law for several years and in a variety of capacities, he had an opportunity to engage in a business venture involving waterfront residential properties and marina facilities.

The business grew rapidly, he began devoting more time to it

than to law practice, one project was joined by another, partners were taken on and they all were successful initially in the ventures, he said. There also were substantial bank loans capitalizing the projects, he added. Then the recession of the 1980s hit the U.S. East Coast, the market dried up radically and highly leveraged banks were taken over by the Resolution Trust Corporation to prop up the nation's banking industry. RTC would not extend his company's multi-million-dollar loan agreements and the business collapsed, he said.

Collett said he returned to the practice of law, worked hard to ensure his partners were not financially ruined, avoided a commercial bankruptcy that would have left others holding only empty money bags and then, after the business situation was resolved satisfactorily, sought protections with a personal bankruptcy filing as, most recently, have millions of other Americans stung by the financial collapse of 2007-08.

He noted that ultimately he was highly successful in his law practice and suggested that no one understands the vagaries of business better than the individual who has confronted them, wrestled with sudden turns of events and succeeded in working through thorny issues.

Collings has been in the area for nearly 50 years, moving to Tampa from the mid-west in 1964 and to SCC six years ago, he told The Observer.

He was employed with Tampa Electric Company for more than 30 years dealing with electrical metering issues. He ended his career with Landis & Gyr, a maker of electrical meters, as an

applications engineer, he added. This work took him around the world, troubleshooting meters and metering issues in power plants from China to Central America, he said.

Since retiring on August 31, he said he has more time to devote to volunteer work and sees service as a director on the CA board "as a perfect opportunity to work for my community."

Collings noted he might bring a different perspective to the board, adding he is most vitally interested in working on the comprehensive long-term planning underscored by the recent community survey. He also said he believes there are actions that can be taken to make existing campus buildings more energy efficient in much the same way residential structures are upgraded energy-wise. "It would have to be approached on a building by building basis to see what could be done," he said.

Owner of a home bordering on the former North Lakes Golf Course, Collings also said he is particularly interested in pursuing opportunities to site walking trails and bike paths for residents. And, while he is not a dog owner, he added, he's also interested in investigating any chances to create a dog park on the north side of the community for those residents who are canine devotees.

Killian, on the other hand, is one of those canine devotees whose family shares their SCC home with a beloved 18-month-old greyhound, Chloe. She is the Killian's fifth rescue and "very, very gentle," he said.

Before moving to the community three years ago, Killians lived in Grosse Point, Michigan, and he worked in that state's mainstay industry, automotive manufacture as an engineer, he added.

Describing himself as someone  
**See SCC CA CANDIDATES, page 19**

Prep football results

**Last week's scores:**  
 Riverview (2-4) fell to Steinbrenner (2-4) 14-27  
 Lennard (0-07) fell to Lakewood (6-0) 0-65  
 Spoto (2-4) defeated Blake (2-5) 21-6  
 Brandon (0-6) fell to Plant (5-1) 0-55  
 Bloomingdale (4-3) defeated Leto (0-7) 38-0  
 East Bay (2-4) fell to Gaither (5-1) 18-33

**This week's schedule:**  
 Riverview visits Brandon  
 Lennard hosts Blake  
 Wharton visits Bloomingdale  
 East Bay visits Plant City  
 Spoto visits Robinson



*Sunset Grills*

# [ALL YOU CAN EAT]

## Snow Crab & Fish Fry Monday

*All You Can Eat*

**Snow Crab**

Served with Drawn Butter, Lemon, Garlic Bread and Your Choice of Fries, Cole Slaw, Corn on the Cob, or Fresh Fruit.

**\$19<sup>95</sup>**

First order, 1 pound. Second and all other orders, 1/4 pound.

---

*All You Can Eat*

**Fried Fish**

Served with Tartar Sauce, Lemon, Garlic Bread and Your Choice of Fries, Cole Slaw, Corn on the Cob, or Fresh Fruit.

**\$13<sup>95</sup>**

First order, 1/2 pound. Second and all other orders, 1/4 pound.

---

*All You Can Eat*

**Combo Snow Crab & Fried Fish**

Served with Tartar Sauce, Drawn Butter, Lemon, Garlic Bread and Your Choice of Fries, Cole Slaw, Corn on the Cob, or Fresh Fruit.

**\$19<sup>95</sup>**

First order, 1/2 pound snow crab and 1/2 pound fish. Second and all other orders, 1/4 pound snow crab and 1/4 pound fish OR 1/4 pound one or the other

---

*Peel and Eat*

**Shrimp Special**

Old Bay Steamed and Chilled Jumbo Shrimp Served With Lemon and Cocktail Sauce.

**\$7<sup>50</sup>**  
Half Order

**\$11<sup>95</sup>**  
Full Order

**SUNSET GRILL**  
AT LITTLE HARBOR

**611 Destiny Drive • Ruskin, FL 33570 • 813-645-8119**

**www.StayLittleHarbor.com**

This offer cannot be combined with any other promotion.

# Observations: The faith of fear

I think I need a Thundershirt. What is a Thundershirt, you may ask? I'm not entirely sure, but my dog Andi wears one whenever there's thunder about. It is supposed to help keep her calm, at least that's what the packaging claimed after Michelle bought it, displaying it triumphantly as a solution to our crazy-wildly-neurotic-terrified-dog-in-thunderstorms problem.

The funny thing is, though, that it does seem to help Andi. But the question that I have is why thunder bothers her in the first place. Thunder has never reached into the house to grab her. In her entire life, she's never even been left out in the rain. I can only assume in the thunder she hears some freakishly large



By Mitch Traphagen  
mitch@observernews.net

beast with designs on having her for a snack (which would also explain why she wants to stick so close to us when it thunders — we're bigger so whatever is out there would eat us first, get full, and then leave before getting to Andi).

I'm not afraid of death but I have a mortal fear of slowly dying while still living. I was blessed to do so much in my life that now I'm afraid it is possible my best days are in my wake, fading off behind me, leaving me moving forward to search only for redemption, perhaps forgiveness, or to search for something that is no longer possible. I know all too well that the phrase "It's never too late" is wrong. Sometimes it is too late. Apparently some people feel the same way about America.

We are endlessly being told of so many things to fear — terrorists, an economic meltdown, this guy or the other becoming the President of the United States. It even extends to the food we eat.

I sat down for breakfast in front of a bowl of Great Grains, one of my favorite breakfast cereals. Not only do I like it, I've always thought it was one of the few things that was actually good for me. As is my custom, I had breakfast in front of the computer, reading news websites. I pulled up a story about a scientist trying to get the word out that people should not be eating grains anymore. The grains we have today are not like those that our grandparents had — something about genetic modifications and stuff that could kill us and melt our brains. Well, that's nice.

Then I read a story about how Iran is four months away from developing a nuclear weapon. I

am certain I read the exact same story four months ago. And four years ago. If they have been four months away for years now, that sounds like good news. I'll be long dead by the time they actually get through those four months. Time must move differently over there.

And then, of course, there is cancer. When I was a kid, I remember hearing about the occasional person getting cancer and it was always a big deal, in a death sentence sort of way. Now it is more than just the occasional person; it seems a lot of people get cancer today. Fortunately, it appears that it is not necessarily a death sentence anymore, but it certainly is far more common.

What kind of life is it to be afraid much of the time? Afraid of being blown up by an extremist in a shopping mall or on an airplane; afraid of what genetically modified grains are doing to our bodies; afraid that with every anomaly or weird pain in our arms or abdomen, cancer is behind it. Life is short enough the way it is, being afraid seems to be a waste of time.

Andi has none of those concerns. She knows nothing of terrorism or cancer, yet when thunder booms she is terrified. Fortunately, the Thundershirt seems to help. And now I want one for the thunder that is booming in my life.

Apparently, fear sells. Why else would we be bombarded by it? I have enough things to fear as it is without a politician adding to the list. I'm not afraid of dying in a plane crash or in an exploding shopping mall; I'm afraid of my knees hurting to the point that I stop wandering off on adventures. I'm afraid that my energy and motivation levels will drop off so that it will suddenly seem like too much work to go in search of something new. I don't need someone else peddling fear and I refuse to trade liberty for a false facade of security. I need to hear some positive affirmation.

Fear sells? What have we become? I don't want to hear that the "other guy" is going to drive us into the ground, I want to hear about "Morning in America" again. I want to hear about what we have going for us, not what is working against us.

What happened to faith? Faith in ourselves and in our nation? What kind of people have we become if it turns out that fear motivates us more than faith?

And no, I don't want to hear someone blowing smoke with puppies and rainbows, but if no one can think of something legitimate and actionable about our future that we can have faith in, then I seriously do fear for our future. Faith trumping fear is what created this nation; it is what made us the world's superpower. The fear of crossing an ocean to a new land or heading out into space for a new frontier has always been overcome by our faith that we could actually do it, often despite tremendous odds against us.

I'm tired of fear and I'm doubly tired of those who peddle fear. The pet store doesn't have a Thundershirt in my size, so show me some legitimate faith that we can overcome, despite the odds, and you will earn my support and my vote. If you choose fear and whining, save it for those wearing the tinfoil hats. Contrary to what you may spew, I still believe in America.

I guess I don't need a Thundershirt after all. Nothing making loud noises is going to reach in and grab me. I would hope partisans and politicians would take note: In fear is weakness; in faith is strength. Stop whining, stop blaming, and start showing the way to a better place. And now, I'm going to try to take my own advice.



MITCH TRAPHAGEN PHOTO

Thunder has never reached into the house to grab my dog Andi, but that doesn't stop her from being terrified whenever afternoon thunderstorms roll through. Recently Michelle bought her a Thundershirt. It seems to help keep her calm. Now I think I need one, too.

South Bay Church presents

## Family Fall FESTIVAL

Sat., Oct. 27  
6:30 p.m.

Free admission to festival and outdoor movie

- Free Games
- Free Activities
- Free Candy

Food Vendors will feature  
Corn Dogs, French Fries, Desserts, Popcorn, Sandwiches, Cotton Candy, Beverages and more!

KIDS: Wear a costume and pick up treats from booths at the festival  
(No scary, bloody or provocative costumes please)

Outdoor Movie  
**Madagascar 3**  
Europe's Most Wanted  
Movie begins at 8 p.m.  
Bring your blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy the film under the stars.

13498 U.S. 301 South  
SOUTH BAY Church  
Riverview, FL 33578  
813-677-0721  
SouthBay.cc

Pumpkin Patch

Join Us Every 4pm til Close

# Prime Rib

Starting at \$12.49

"We're More Than Just Oysters"

**FREE** Onion Straw App or Margarita  
With purchase of an entrée & this coupon. Limit one per person, per visit. Expires 11/30/2012. Good at all 3 Restaurants.

**HAPPY HOUR EVERY DAY**  
11AM-5PM & 8PM-CLOSE

**ANITA MARIYA OYSTER BAR**

LANDSIDE (941) 758.7880 6906-14th St. W. (Bradenton - US 41)

CORTEZ (941) 792.0077 6696 Cortez Rd. (5 min. from Bradenton Beach)

ELLENTON (941) 721.7773 1525-51st Ave E. (301 & I-75)

www.oysterbar.net

Shop Locally...  
When you need to make a purchase or need a service, always check the pages of The Observer News first! Local businesses are waiting for your call.  
**Remember, they're your neighbors!**

Be Our Guest at our Free Seminar.

## Glaucoma & Cataracts

With Dr. Robert Edelman

Join us for our next educational seminar.  
• Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Call 941-782-5832 or register online at [YourEyeDoctors.com](http://YourEyeDoctors.com)  
Reserve your seat and learn how you can enjoy clearer vision.

**MANATEE EYE CLINIC & LASER CENTER**

Refreshments will be provided.

941-782-5832 • 1515 Sun City Center Plaza • [YourEyeDoctors.com](http://YourEyeDoctors.com)

Robert Edelman, M.D.  
Board-Certified Ophthalmologist  
Fellowship-Trained Glaucoma Specialist & Cataract Surgeon

**PAYING FULL PRICE FOR MEDS?**

**GENERICS such as Lipitor, Plavix, Viagra, etc.**

Available through Canada

**Canadian Meds South**  
813-413-7912 Fax 813-600-1742

200 Frandorson Cir. • Ste. 102 Also serving SCC at Kings Point Main Clubhouse, APOLLO BEACH Tues. & Thurs. 10-2

**NEW CUSTOMERS!**  
Present this coupon with your initial order of \$100 or more and receive an additional \$10 Off! (One time only)

**FREE SHIPPING**  
On all International orders greater than \$150. With this coupon. One coupon per family.

# Riverview Chamber given larger space as it continues to grow

■ By PENNY FLETCHER  
penny@observernews.net

RIVERVIEW - The Riverview Chamber of Commerce wasn't looking for larger space. Executive Director Tanya Doran said it was a great gift and cost them nothing.

The owner of Boardwalk and Park Place, two business parks on Gibsonton Drive in Riverview, Dr. Bryan Thatcher, called the chamber when a space across from where it was previously located became available.

It offered an extra private office, a longer hall, and larger kitchen facilities.

"At first I wasn't sure moving would be worth it for an extra 200 square feet," said Doran. "But when I looked at the layout, I realized it would enable us to take one of the front desks out of the lobby so that could just be a reception area. That way it would be more conducive to businesses to converse with chamber staff in private."

So volunteers moved furniture, file cabinets, computers, shelves and other belongings over the weekend into a new office (still in the Boardwalk plaza) with the mailing and physical address of 10012 Water Works Lane, Riverview, FL 33578.

Just east of Interstate 75 and west of U.S. 301 on the south side, the 800-square-foot office has also some upgraded features thanks to helpful volunteers.

"Chamber President Ed Booth and a host of volunteers brought

in their families to lift and carry things so movers would not be necessary," Doran said.

Specialties were utilized, like Joe Eletto switching the handle on the refrigerator so it would open correctly in its new space and CTG Commercial Technical Group loaning the chamber a computer screen that continuously delivers a slide show of advertising of all the chamber's businesses to put on the front desk in the lobby.

"It's a whole new look," said Doran. "And the longer hallway gives us a good place to display all our awards and old photographs." (A large collection of South County landmarks in black-and-white line one whole side of the hall wall.)

Thatcher, a retired medical doctor, said his father set a good example for him when he was a child in Ohio. "He always taught me to support my community," Thatcher said in a telephone interview Oct. 10.

As it turned out, the difference between 600-square-foot and 800 makes a big difference, Doran said.

The chamber is growing fast, having taken in 224 new members so far this year, making a total of 551. (Membership was at 400 when last year ended but some people went out of business so the numbers don't show proper addition.)

While there are varying rates for businesses, homeowners associations get a free

membership and individual residents may join for \$55 a year.

"We do that because we want to keep in close contact with residents of the community," Doran said.

Since there is strength in numbers, if an HOA has a problem that is best approached by a government entity- perhaps a County Commissioner- being a part of a chamber brings in a myriad of people who may be able to help.

"At this time we only have 15 individual resident members," Doran said. "I certainly would like to encourage residents to join and take part."

She said many people do not know they can join the chamber if they are not in business and that it helps keep individual residents "in the know." It also gives them a chance to meet people who have various services they may need at some time in the future.

"I would like to see the number of individuals join and take advantage of all the benefits, events and seminars we have," Doran said.

Most of the monies earned at chamber events go to things that bring helpful knowledge to businesses, she added.

Anyone who would like to find out more about the Riverview Chamber of Commerce may visit <http://www.riverviewchamber.com/pages/Home/>.



PENNY FLETCHER PHOTOS

Above, Debbie Kirkland and Sandy Rounds help Tanya Doran, Riverview Chamber of Commerce's executive director, center, put away boxes of paperwork and files after their move to the new office at 10012 Water Works Lane.

At right, Linda Grafton, administrative director of the Riverview Chamber for three years, sets up the reception area.



Retirement Income Investment Solutions

Call for your personal session today!  
**813-633-7333**

**Thomas A. Payant**  
Chairman & C.E.O.  
Payant Financial Services, Inc.

**PAYANT FINANCIAL PLAZA**  
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
Registered Investment Advisor

Valencia Lakes Resident since 2005

1653 Sun City Center Plaza • Sun City Center, FL 33573  
[www.payantfinancial.com](http://www.payantfinancial.com)

E-mail Tom at [tpayant@payantfinancial.com](mailto:tpayant@payantfinancial.com) to receive your Complimentary Weekly Market Update by e-mail.

Securities and insurance services offered through SagePoint Financial, Inc., member FINRA/SIPC. Investment advisory services offered through Payant Financial Services, Inc., a registered investment advisor not affiliated with SagePoint Financial, Inc.

OPEN ALL DAY SATURDAY

## CLARKE AUTOMOTIVE

Everything we do keeps your car in warranty

**AAA Discount**

**OIL CHANGE & LUBRICATION \$10.95** (Includes up to 5 qts 5W20, 10W30, or 10W40 motor oil. Purolator oil filter. Most cars and light trucks. Please call for appointment. Valid only with coupon. Not valid with any other coupons or specials. Coupon expires 11/1/12)

**MAINTENANCE INSPECTION FREE** (Value \$39.95) (Includes: Visual inspection of tires, belts & hoses, horn/lights, brakes, shocks/struts, exhaust, wipers, suspension, air and breather filter. Most cars/light trucks. Disassembly to perfect inspection may result in additional charges. Present coupon to receive savings. No other discounts apply. Additional charges for shop supplies may be added. See store for details. Exp. 11/22/12)

**10% DISCOUNT on service or repair.** (EXCLUDES TIRES & SALES SPECIALS)

FREE Shuttle to FishHawk & Sun City Center

Honor All Competitor's Coupons

CALL FOR LOWEST PRICES ON TIRES

131 Central Ave., Brandon  
Mon.-Fri. 7:15am-6pm • Sat. 7:15am-5pm  
**813.685.2939**

MICHELIN, DUNLOP, BRIDGESTONE, PIRELLI

DEALER ALTERNATIVE

AAA Authorized Service Center

MVD1266 • A fee will be added: 4% (\$2.50 min.) not to exceed \$20) to cover the disposal of hazardous waste materials & supplies

We're Here For You!  
**We Welcome New Patients**

"Our practice provides a complete range of professional services including **Restorative Dentistry, Cosmetic Dentistry, Thorough Examinations, Cleanings, Dental Makeovers and Implant Restorations.**"

**Michelle Halcomb, D.D.S.**

We salute all of our men, women and Veterans of the Armed Forces!

- Tooth Pain
- Dentures
- Dental Implants
- Sedation Dentistry
- Tooth Whitening
- Crowns
- Bridges
- Partials
- Porcelain Veneers
- Cosmetic Dentistry

Our office is open:  
Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Friday 8:00 a.m. to noon

**813-634-3396**  
[www.suncitycenterdental.com](http://www.suncitycenterdental.com)  
**703 Del Webb Blvd. W., Suite B**  
**Sun City Center, FL 33573**  
Lic. #6193 • Lic. #9109 • Lic. #11099 • Lic. #15756 • Lic. #D1713809

WORLD'S ALMOST LARGEST GARAGE Sale!

Saturday, October 27  
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

...  
**Kings Point Clubhouse Theater**  
...  
Refreshments will be on sale throughout the day  
...  
**NO CHARGE for browsing!!**

## You, me and business: Benefits for charity, vets and breast cancer

There is nothing more incongruous to me than it being 97 degrees in the shade in September and the stores are putting Christmas merchandise out for sale. Not just red and green things, but snowmen, deer and other up-North decorations that look totally out of place in Florida. It seems to get earlier every year.

The pumpkins aren't rotting yet and we're already gearing up for Veteran's Day. A most important and poignant day for all of us. Some of us will be a part of the Ruskin Veteran's Parade, while others will attend a program at the Community Hall.

As we did last year, the Chamber has offered to create the program

for the Sun City Center event with proceeds from the advertisements to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project. Last year we raised over \$700 and our goal this year is to double that. If you are interested in honoring our service men and women with an ad in the program, call us here at the Chamber and we will be happy to set that up for you. You will be making a world of difference to our wounded veterans arriving home from Iraq and Afghanistan.

But I'm getting ahead of myself! Before that we have one of the most enjoyable evenings of the whole year – the Pall Bearers' Ball at the Sun City Center Funeral

Home. Mike and Yvonne Langjhar turn the elegant service room and parking canopy into a ghoulish, droolish, haunting, taunting, house of horror! There will be an electric chair with real sparks! How about a torture rack?

Of course there will be music, door prizes and awards for best costume, best couple, and more! Two years ago Husband and I won as Cleopatra and Pharaoh. The prize was priceless: a bottle of 7 Deadly Zins wine carefully laid to rest in a miniature solid wood coffin complete with velvet lining. It is proudly displayed on my bar at home and is a true conversation starter.

Tickets are \$10 and all of it goes to local charity. So dust off that Scarlett O'Hara outfit and let's go to the ball, Melanie! (If I can't find the right dress, well I guess it's just curtains!) I know. Groan.

This Thursday, Palm Garden on Upper Creek drive is going pink. Wear your pink and join us for a fun time as we Make Strides Against Breast Cancer! Win something indulgent at the Silent Auction. Enjoy "Pink" cocktails, hear inspiring stories of survivors, and dine on heavy hors d'oeuvres. It's free to attend and open to everyone. 100% of proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society. On behalf of all of us sur-

vivors, (20 years December 9th!) I thank you for coming!

And finally, please come by and welcome the newest member of our Chamber team, Office Manager Dee Everett. She was selected to replace Kristy Mahoney who is now sharing her many talents with the SCC United Methodist Church. Dee has been a volunteer for us for more than a year, so she is no stranger to how we operate, nor is she an unknown to the membership. She's been an active member and ambassador for us for quite some time. We are thrilled to have her. (She doesn't like Christmas decorations in September either!)



By **Dana Dittmar**,  
Executive Director SCC  
Chamber of Commerce

### Driver Safety Program Offered

AARP offers Driver Safety refresher courses for drivers older than 50. Once the 6-hour course is completed, each participant receives a certificate to turn into their insurance company for a possible rate reduction on their automobile insurance. The cost is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-members. Registration information is available at [www.aarp.org/driversafety](http://www.aarp.org/driversafety) and 1-888-227-7669.

Veterans and family members can participate in the month of November at no cost.

#### Apollo Beach

Nov. 10 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Century, 21 6542 N U.S. Hwy 41 Suite 101  
Registration: (813) 645-8481

#### Riverview

Nov. 5 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The Bridges Retirement Community,  
11210 Bloomingdale Blvd  
Registration: (813) 653-7249

#### Sun City

Nov. 2 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Kings Point 1904 Clubhouse Drive  
Registration: Encore Bank: (813) 634-8001

Nov. 19 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Sun City Center, 1653 N Pebble Beach Blvd.  
Registration: Encore Bank: (813) 634-8001

#### Brandon/Seffner

Nov. 1 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. First United Methodist Church,  
120 Knights Ave.  
Registration: (813) 716-8180

Nov. 8 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. First Presbyterian Church Brandon,  
121 Carver Ave.  
Registration: (813) 655-0990

Nov. 13 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Davis Park Senior Center, 612 Parsons Dr.  
Registration: (813) 653-7249

Nov. 19 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. St. Francis Assisi Catholic Church,  
4450 County Road 579 ,Seffner  
Registration: Church Office (813) 681-9115



Celebrants at last year's *Dia de los Muertos* cast a suspicious eye on the photographer.

### See the skeletons come out to play

Village of the Arts, one of the Gulf Coast's largest art communities, celebrates the 7th Annual *Dia de los Muertos*, "Festival of the Skeletons," from 6 to 9:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 2, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 3.

Festival-goers can stroll through the luminaria-lit village of over 35 galleries and five restaurants while listening to the strains of Mexican music, and while viewing life-sized, artist-decorated skeletons and family shrines.

Abundant local Mexican food will be on hand for those celebrating the life of Mexican artist Frida Kahlo at the artist-decorated traditional *Dia de los Muertos* Community Shrine in the village park and Memory Wall to Loved Ones.

The Village of the Arts is in Bradenton, four blocks south of Manatee Ave. between 9th St. W. and 14th St. W. The festival is presented by the Artists Guild of Manatee, [www.villageofthearts.com](http://www.villageofthearts.com). For more information, go to [villageoftheartspr@gmail.com](mailto:villageoftheartspr@gmail.com) or call (941) 746.4556.

## Are you a Wartime Veteran?

### Do you know about the VA Aid and Attendance Benefit for Wartime Veterans and their Surviving Spouses?

The VA Aid and Attendance program is a pension available to wartime veterans and their surviving spouses. It can pay up to \$2,020/month for assisted living expenses at Sun City Senior Living!

Call today to learn if you are eligible  
for this valuable benefit.



SUN CITY  
PACIFICA SENIOR LIVING

Assisted Living & Memory Care

Assisted Living Fac. Lic. # 7290

3855 Upper Creek Dr.  
Sun City Center, FL 33570  
813-938-2259

[www.PacificaSunCity.com](http://www.PacificaSunCity.com)



# THE SAVVY SENIOR

## Direct Deposit Options for Social Security Recipients

*Dear Savvy Senior,*  
I have received my Social Security check in the mail every month for more than 25 years, and now I'm told I have to switch to direct deposit. Do I have any options?

Suspicious Senior



By Jim Miller

Dear Suspicious, If you're over age of 90, or live in a remote area you may still have the option of receiving your Social Security

checks in the mail if you want. Otherwise, you have until March 1, 2013 to switch from paper benefit checks to direct deposit. Here's what you should know.

### Mandatory Direct Deposit

The reason the U.S. Department of Treasury is phasing out paper Social Security checks and replacing them with electronic delivery is because it's cheaper, safer and more reliable. About 93 percent of federal benefit recipients already receive their payments via direct deposit. Switching most of the remaining 7 percent to paperless payments is expected to save Social Security around \$600 million over the next 10 years in postage, paper and printing costs. The switch will also eliminate the potential problem of checks that get lost in the mail or stolen.

Therefore, anyone who is currently receiving their Social Security, SSI, veterans, railroad retirement or federal civil servant retirement benefits in the mail, will need to switch to direct de-

posit either into a bank account or credit union of their choice, or a Direct Express Debit MasterCard by March 1, 2013.

The only exceptions are for elderly seniors born before March 1, 1923, mentally impaired people and recipients who live in remote rural areas. They will still have the option of receiving their government benefits via paper check if they wish.

### Debit Card Option

If you don't want your government benefits direct deposited in your bank account, or if you don't have a bank account that your payments can be deposited into, you'll need to get a Direct Express Debit MasterCard. This is a prepaid debit card that was introduced by the Treasury Department back in 2008.

With a Direct Express Debit MasterCard your Social Security and/or other government benefits will automatically be deposited to your card's account on your payment day each month. Your card can then be used to get cash from ATMs, banks or credit unions tellers, pay bills online and over the phone, make purchases at stores or locations that accept Debit MasterCard and get cash back when you make those purchases, and purchase money orders at the U.S. Post Office. The money you spend or withdraw is automatically deducted from your account. And you can check your balance any time by phone, online or at ATMs.

There's also no cost to sign up for the card, no monthly fees and no overdraft charges. There are, however, a few small fees

for optional services you need to be aware of, like multiple ATM withdrawals. Currently, cardholders get one free ATM withdrawal per month, but additional monthly withdrawals cost 90 cents each not including a surcharge if you use a non-network ATM.

Another important feature is security. Your card is PIN-protected, the money in your account is FDIC-insured, and if the card gets lost or stolen it will be replaced with consumer protections if it's reported promptly.

### How to Switch

To sign up for direct deposit into a bank or credit union, or to sign up for the Direct Express Debit MasterCard, call Go Direct at 800-333-1795 or visit [godirect.org](http://godirect.org).

You also need to be aware that if you don't sign up for direct bank deposit or get a Direct Express card by the March 1, 2013 deadline, the government will automatically issue you a Direct Express card and mail it to you, and your benefits will be deposited on your card's account thereafter.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org). Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

**Find the stories that matter to you online at [RIVERVIEWCURRENT.COM](http://RIVERVIEWCURRENT.COM)**

## Internationally acclaimed artist to speak at GFWC SCC Woman's Club

GFWC SCC Woman's Club will host one of America's most prized living artists, P. Buckley Moss, at the Nov. 15 luncheon meeting. Her art, which emphasizes family values, is shown in more than 200 galleries worldwide. Pat is a person with a learning disability who has achieved great success and who has devoted much of her career to supporting charities that support children with learning disabilities. Anyone who is interested in art and/or teaching academically challenged children is welcome to attend. You do not have to be a member; however, advance reservations are required.



P. Buckley Moss

Pat Moss is dyslexic. As a child, one of her teachers determined that this little girl who was "not proficient in anything" was a gifted artist. As a result, her mother enrolled her in a school that nourished her artistic abilities. After graduating from high school, she received a scholarship to New York's Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art.

She won her first one-person museum exhibition in 1967. It was a sell-out. Her unique style and the warmth generated by her subject matter quickly won her widespread recognition. Like many people with learning challenges, Pat is highly perceptive and sensitive, with an uncanny ability to communicate through her art.

In 1989, the P. Buckley Moss Museum opened in Waynesboro, VA. The museum attracts approximately 45,000 visitors a year. As visitors rediscover the traditional meanings of art, the Pat Moss story is told and illustrated over and over in the Museum's main gallery.

Having achieved success, Pat devotes much of her time to helping others. The P. Buckley Moss Foundation for Children's Education is devoted to promoting the use of art in the classroom, especially as a means of teaching children with learning differences. Donations of her art have raised over four million dollars for worthy charities.

Pat says, "As a dyslexic, my art is paradoxically both my refuge and my means of communication. Very early in life, when I failed at everything else in school, my art became my solace. What talent I lacked academically was more than made up through my art; whereas some people succeed in spite of a disability. I believe I thrive because of mine. Now, with recognition and success, I reach out in my charitable endeavors to help others through my art, especially those with learning differences."

The luncheon on Thursday, Nov. 15, will be a traditional Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings for \$14. Reservations are required and the deadline is Nov. 9. Call Connie Williams at (813) 633-6395 or email [sccconnie@yahoo.com](mailto:sccconnie@yahoo.com).

Don't Miss Our FREE Seminar on Mini Implants, and Sedation Dentistry

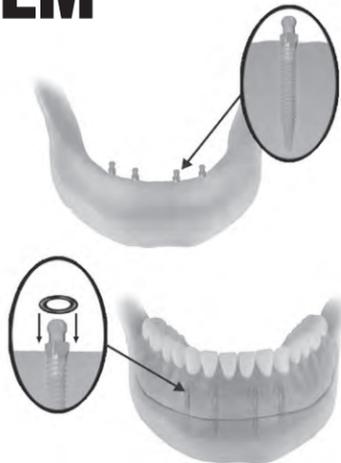
**Friday, October 26 • 1:00 p.m.**

## LOOSE DENTURES?

Learn about the amazing new

## MINI DENTAL IMPLANT SYSTEM

This is a one-step dental procedure that involves minimally invasive surgery, no sutures, nor the typical months of healing.

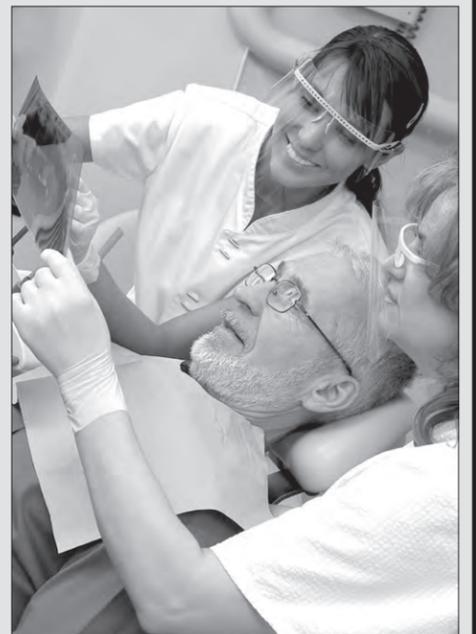


## Do you fear the dentist, but need dental work?

### Is Sedation Dentistry for you?

Learn how Sedation Dentistry is helping patients with the following:

- Extra sensitive, hard to numb teeth
- Fear, high anxiety and dental phobia
- High gag reflex
- Embarrassment about teeth
- Bad past dental experiences
- Major dental work needed



Zamikoff  
Klement  
Jungman  
Varga  
DDS, P.A.

**Seating is Limited.  
Please Call For Reservations**

**813-634-3396**

LIC# 6193, LIC# 9109, LIC# 11099, LIC# 15756, LIC# D1713809

Zamikoff, Klement, Jungman & Varga  
703 Del Webb Blvd. W • Suite B  
Sun City Center, FL 33573

Visit our website:

[www.suncitycenterdental.com](http://www.suncitycenterdental.com)

for more information



Michelle Halcomb, DDS



Ruskin Honorary Mayor Mary Ann Wilhelm calls bingo as co-chair Sandy Ottino looks on.

### Saint Anne Bingo celebrates two years

Saint Anne Catholic Church recently celebrated its second anniversary of weekly Thursday Bingo. As part of the evening's activities, current Honorary Mayor of Ruskin Mary Ann Wilhelm, owner of Wilhelm Heating & Air Conditioning, acted as 'Mystery Guest Caller' for the Early Bird games.

Mary Ann said she had no idea it was so much fun and that so many players attended. Sandy Ottino, co-chair, credits the success of St. Anne Bingo to the members of the community who come back week after week and to the volunteers, most of whom are members of St. Anne Church — and those who aren't members of the parish say they volunteer just because it's fun.

The Very Reverend John McEvoy, Pastor of St. Anne Church, thanked the crowd for supporting the parish for the last two years. Father John commented: "Give them cake and they will come," which brought the crowd to laughter.

Everyone is welcome to play bingo every Thursday evening. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; Early Bird games begin at 6:30 p.m.; regular games start at 7 p.m.; refreshments are available.

Saint Anne Catholic Church is located at 106 11th Ave. NE in Ruskin.



### RUSKIN VFW POST #6287

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 MA-VFW on the 3rd Thursday each month.

**Thursday, Oct. 18** - VA Hospital visit 5:30 p.m. everyone welcome to go. Bar Bingo at 6 p.m.

**Friday, Oct. 19** - Fish Fry 4:30 p.m. karaoke from 7-11 p.m.

**Saturday, Oct. 20** - Turkey Shoot at 1 p.m.

**Monday Oct. 22** - Spaghetti Dinner benefit for Veteran's Day Parade 5-7 p.m \$7 a plate.

**Every Monday** - Treasure Hunt at 7 p.m. Dance lesson from 7-9 p.m.

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

## SOUTHSHORE REGIONAL LIBRARY

15816 Beth Shields Way • Ruskin 33573

### Kids' Program/Event Highlights Oct. 18 - 24

#### Teen Night: Game Zone

Thursday, Oct. 18 - 5 to 7:30 p.m.

For middle and high school students. Get in the zone and join your friends for some gaming fun on the Xbox 360 and Nintendo Wii with games such as Band Hero, Guitar Hero 5, Smash Brothers Brawl and more! Refreshments provided by Domino's Pizza. Get your game on. Funding provided by the Friends of the SouthShore Regional Library

#### "Wee Artists": Let's Create!\*

Saturday, Oct. 20 - 2:30 to 3:15 p.m.

"Wee Artists", 3-6 years, will join Art Instructor, Margit Redlawsk, for a fun afternoon creating an art project to take home. Limit 15. Adult must be present.

#### "Creative Artists": Let's Create!\*

Saturday, Oct. 20 - 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

"Creative Artists", 7-10 years, will join Art Instructor, Margit Redlawsk, and create an art project to take home. Limit 22.

#### "Pee Wee Artists": Halloween Art Project

Monday, October 22 - 10:30 to 11 a.m.

"Pee Wee Artists", 3-5 years, will join our art instructor and create an art project related to Halloween. Adult must be present. Limit 15. Registration required at either the Information Desk or by calling 273-3652.

#### "Creative Artists": Halloween Art Project

Wednesday, Oct. 24 - 4 to 5 p.m.

"Creative Artists", 7-10 years, will join our art instructor and create a Halloween art project to take home. Limit 22. Registration required at either the Information Desk or by calling 273-3652.

\*Registration required at either the Information Desk or by calling 273-3653. Funding for this program provided by the Friends of SouthShore Regional Library

## School Board approves employee raises

The Hillsborough County School Board approved pay increases for teachers, administrative support staff, non-represented employees, and administrators. Instructional support employee raises were approved in September.

The board vote came a day after teachers approved the negotiated contract and salary with a 98% favorable vote. The Hillsborough School Employees Federation (HSEF) proposal was passed with an even higher approval percentage.

Eligible teachers, administrative support staff, and administrators will advance one pay level and all pay levels will increase by 1.5%. Eligible instructional support workers will advance two pay levels.

The district will continue to pay the cost of fingerprint monitoring for approximately 20% of employees, and for the employee-only health insurance premium designated by the board. In addition, committees will be formed to study salaries for nursing positions and bilingual aides, and the district will cover the full cost of uniforms for eligible employees.

The negotiated settlement for teachers also includes \$1,000 bonuses for National Board-certified teachers with 10 documented hours of mentoring or tutoring. Certain exceptional student education teachers also will be eligible for \$500 bonuses.

### Sugar Plum tea party Nov. 4

A special Sugar Plum Tea Party, hosted by the Brandon Ballet, will satisfy the young — and the young at heart — with a spread of delectable desserts, storytime tales, and appearances by characters from the well-beloved ballet.

The party is 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 4 at The Regent, at 6437 Watson Rd. in Riverview. Tickets are \$20 for adults (13 and older) and \$15 for children.

For more information, call (813) 684-4282 or go online to [www.brandanballet.org](http://www.brandanballet.org).

## IN UNIFORM

### Airman

Air Force Reserve Airman Charles E. Boynton graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Boynton is the son of Brenda Bush of Bloomingdale Villas Court, Brandon, and James Boynton of Lindburg Street, Riverview.

He is a 2010 graduate of Riverview High School.

### Airman

Air Force Airman Omar S. Romelus graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Romelus is the son of Omar

Young of Brickside Court, Riverview.

He is a 2010 graduate of East Bay High School, Gibsonton.

### Sailor

Navy Seaman Logan D. Remus, son of Jacqueline A. and Steve D. Remus of Riverview, Fla., was recently promoted to his current rank upon graduation from recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Remus received the early promotion for outstanding performance during all phases of the training cycle. Training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations". This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet. "Battle Stations" is designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment. Its distinctly "Navy" flavor was designed to take into account what it means to be a Sailor.

Remus is a 2012 graduate of Riverview High School.

### AMERICAN LEGION

Alafia Post 148 • 7240 U.S. Hwy. 301

(813) 677-6529

#### MEETINGS

Legion Riders	1st Monday	6:30 p.m.
Legion General	2nd Monday	7 p.m.
Sons (SAL)	1st Thursday	7 p.m.
Auxiliary	3rd Thursday	7 p.m.

#### MEALS (Public Welcome)

Fish Fry	Every Friday	5 to 7 p.m.
Breakfast	Every Sunday	9 to 11 a.m.

#### EVENTS

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

**HALEY HOUSE POKER RUN** - Saturday, Oct. 27 food and entertainment. Registration cost is \$15 at 9 a.m. Kick-stands up at 10:30 a.m. Legion Rider's Dinner - Sunday, Oct. 28 from 2-5 p.m. at \$7 per person



### Reddick Elementary's Terrific Kids for September

Terrific stands for: Thoughtful, Enthusiastic, Respectful, Responsible, Influential, Friendly, Impeccable & Caring. Reddick Elementary's Terrific Kids for the month of September are: Damian Rodriguez-Aquino, Joselyn Dircio-Estrada, Benjamin Sanchez, Crystal Jose-Gonzalez, Abigail Leon, Nancy Dircio Dorantes, Jesus Barrios, Evelyn Sanjuan, Eriberto Rendon, Jordan Cuello, Erik Checo, Hailey Quesada, Naela Davila-Malagon, Elvis Moreno, Nayeli Ramos, Brianna Florissant, Stephanie Torres, Alexis Garcia, Jonathan Cortes Santiago, William Jose, Layla Williams, Rene Gonzaga-Acosta, Jadalynn Armendariz, Rigo Villalon, Crystal Lopez, Kelniarys Perez Hernandez, Destiny Villanueva, Martin Cruz-Hernandez, Yazmin Angel-Santiago, Heather Rocha, Maria Puebla-Hernandez, Laura Bravo, Evelyn Rocha, Itzel Parada, Michelle Perez, Denise Obregon, Triston Spangler, Stephanie Calixtro, Amber Miller, Abigail Abrego.

## Hillsborough County Fair is ready to showcase young and old

Hillsborough County Fair opened yesterday and volunteers are gearing up for a fun-filled five days of tail-swishing and wing-flapping fun. With livestock shows each day, there will be sheep-jumping, cow-clipping and rabbit costume contests.

Youth compete for showmanship awards as they lead their animals around the ring. For the 4H or FFA students who have raised a pig, it is not always easy to part with the pet at the annual Swine Auction at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20.

For all ages there is the traditional Family Living Arts and Crafts tent where entrants vie for blue ribbons in art, photography, baking, needle-point, quilting and more. Kids enter the "Just For Kids" department. All entries will be on display in an old-fashioned county-fair kind of way!

From Recycled Yard Art Competition to Hay Bale Decorating there will be creative sights to see and to taste. There is a Chili Cook-Off on Sunday, Oct. 21, and the Cattlewomen will have a booth offering a beef dish while the 4H Foundation holds a Bar-b-que dinner on Saturday, Oct. 20. There will be plenty of traditional fair food along with the Brandon Shriners grilling up hamburgers and hot dogs.

The arena bleachers offer plenty of seating for daily shows and demonstrations by the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Mounted Posse and the Bay Area Bandits Mounted Shooting Club with a 4H Horse Show on Sunday. The Ranch Rodeo on Friday and Saturday nights has ranch hands compete for cash prizes as they team up in events like Wild Cow Milking, Bronc Riding, Mutton Busting and more.

### Fair gets Blue Ribbon Status

The Florida Federation of Fairs has announced the Hillsborough County Fair as a Blue Ribbon Fair for 2011-12.

The Florida Federation of Fairs recognizes and awards the top fairs in the state that excel after a rigorous evaluation process. This Blue Ribbon Fair Improvement Program is designed to highlight improvements the Fairs have made, award excellence in different programs, and promote the exchange of information and knowledge between Fairs.

The fairground is located east of Brandon at Hwy. 60 and Sydney-Washer Rd. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for students, and children 5 years and under are free; parking is free. Those who buy a Rodeo Ticket in advance have free gate admission on Friday or Saturday with the ticket. Daily specials and promotions are posted on the fair website at [www.hillsboroughcountyfair.com](http://www.hillsboroughcountyfair.com). For more information, call (813) 737-3247.

## Public meeting set to discuss Fishhawk Sports Complex Expansion

Hillsborough County will conduct a public meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 24 to receive public comment and discuss an alternative plan to expand the Fishhawk Sports Complex. The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. at Palmetto Club at Fishhawk Ranch, 17004 Dorman Rd. in Lithia.

The budget for Fishhawk Sports Complex Expansion is approximately \$2.8 million and is funded through Parks Impact Fees. The proposed project will accommodate expansion of soccer and football programs with up to five additional fields, and it will support infrastructure, such as utilities, parking, storm water retention, and ancillary buildings.

For more information on the meeting, contact Steve Valdez, Citizen Services, (813) 635-5400.

## Shell Point Marina presents Fall Festival 2012

Shell Point Marina is pleased to announce their family-friendly, action packed Fall Festival and Boat Show 2012 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Oct. 27. Admission is free!

There will be seminars and entertainers including Larry Malinowski, the Grouper King of Tampa Bay; Taylor Eve, vocalist, winner of the American Idol Dream Ticket; Larry Ludwick, DJ and Karaoke Star and more.

Enjoy some BBQ, face painting, popcorn, ice cream social, costume contests or get a free Coast Guard boat safety inspection

Exhibitors on site will be West Marine, South Shore Bait and Tackle, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Sanchez Brothers Showroom Fresh Detailing, M&D Upholstery

There is also the opportunity for individuals to sell their boats, on trailer or in the water. All that's needed is a For Sale sign.

For more information email [newshellpoint@verizon.net](mailto:newshellpoint@verizon.net) or visit [ShellPointMarina.com](http://ShellPointMarina.com).



## RUSKIN Moose Lodge #813 UPCOMING EVENTS

The Ruskin Moose Lodge #813 is located at 1212 E. Shell Point Road, Ruskin • (813) 645-5919 [www.lodge813.mooselodge.org](http://www.lodge813.mooselodge.org)

### WEEKLY EVENTS

- |                 |           |  |
|-----------------|-----------|--|
| Every Wednesday | 5-7 p.m.  | Chef's Special by Moose Legion         |
| Every Thursday  | 5-7 p.m.  | Wings                                  |
| Every Friday    | 5-7 p.m.  | Fish Fry (baked, beer batter or fried) |
|                 | 7-11 p.m. | Live Music                             |

### UPCOMING EVENTS

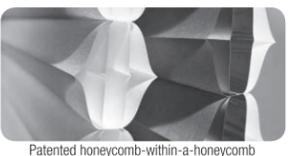
- |                   |           |                          |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Friday, Oct. 19   | 7-11 p.m. | Bert and Sassy           |
| Saturday, Oct. 20 | 7-11 p.m. | Karaoke with Kim Mullins |
| Friday, Oct. 26   | 7-11 p.m. | Nickel and Dime          |
| Saturday, Oct. 27 | 7-11 p.m. | Karaoke with Kim Mullins |

All events are open to qualified Moose members and guests



The Universe is Speaking.  
Answer with Duette® Architella®

Duette® Architella® honeycomb shades can help you save money on your heating and cooling bills.



Patented honeycomb-within-a-honeycomb

Contact us today!  
Available at your  
**HunterDouglas Gallery**  
Showroom through Dec. 15, 2012

| DRAPERY | VALANCES | BEDDING | UPHOLSTERY | BACKSPLASHES | AREA RUGS | CARPET | HARDWOOD | VINYL | TILE | LAMINATE | BLINDS | SHUTTERS | WE REPAIR BLINDS



**DOVE INTERIORS CARPET ONE**

2305 College Ave. E • Ruskin, FL (1 mile west of I-75 Exit 240-B)

**813-645-8660 | [www.doveinteriorscarpetone.com](http://www.doveinteriorscarpetone.com)**

We are the oldest family-owned window treatment/flooring store in SouthShore  
STORE HOURS: Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. • Sat. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. • Closed Sunday • Eves by appt.

**Dove Interiors Carpet One supports MADE IN AMERICA!**

©2012 Hunter Douglas. All rights reserved. All trademarks used herein are the property of Hunter Douglas.



Beautiful. Made Affordable.™

*The Pelican Players* present

# Burns & Allen

*Together Again!*

**Friday**  
November 9  
at 7 pm

**&**

**Saturday**  
November 10  
at 1:30 and 7 pm



They were FUNNY then  
& they're FUNNY now!

**Live!**

**Song-filled Re-creations**

**of their funniest Movie, Radio & TV routines**

**\$12 TICKETS AT THE**

## **BORINI THEATER**

**BOX OFFICE**

## ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS

(ages 5 and up)



### Family Medical Care of Riverview, P.A.

- Minor Surgery • Lab
- EKG • Immunizations
- Preventative / Routine Care

Welcome our new physician **SONIA TRZMIELINA, M.D.** Dr. Trzmielina specializes in Women's and Community Health and is now accepting new patients.



Call for an appointment  
**813-677-8418**

7229 Hwy. 301 S. • Riverview  
[www.RiverviewDocs.com](http://www.RiverviewDocs.com)

**6037 Winthrop Commerce Ave., Ste. 201 • Riverview**

Mon. - Thur. 7 a.m. - 10 p.m. • Fri. 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. • Sat. 8 a.m. - close  
**Evening Hours Available for Your Convenience**

**Office of:** Samuel C. Martino, D.O. • Frank A. Sirchia, M.D. • Jacqui M. Dawson, D.O.  
George R. Cheesman III, M.D. • Nektarios S. Demetriou, D.O.  
Frederick M. Malibiran, D.O. • Sonia Trzmielina, M.D.



# Considering Cremation?

Come join the National Cremation Society for a **Free Lunch and Informative Seminar** on the benefits of pre-planning your cremation.

When the time comes, wouldn't you prefer your loved ones celebrate your legacy rather than stress about making arrangements? Give them the relief they'll need during a tough time.

**We'll discuss:**

- Affordable options and savings
- Veterans benefits
- Worldwide Away-From-Home Protection
- Financing Available
- And much more...

**RESERVATION REQUIRED**

Limited Seating Available  
CALL NOW!!

**(813) 401-1159**

*First time attendees only please*

Meet representatives:  
**Gene Dyrek & Toni Dyrek**

**Free Lunch & Information Seminar**

**The Sandpiper Grille & Bunkers**

1702 Pebble Beach Blvd.,  
Sun City Center

**Tues., Oct. 23 • 11 a.m.**  
**Wed., Oct. 24 • 11 a.m.**



National Cremation & Burial Society

# Screaming through the sky

■ Continued from page 1

ground flying a radio-controlled airplane is difficult, at best, if you can't see the plane.

And this was no ordinary radio controlled airplane. It has its own on-board telemetry and had just been clocked at over 230 miles per hour — not bad for a model airplane with a wingspan of less than six feet built from a kit.

The jet, owned by Rob Lynch of House of Power Hobbies near Ft. Lauderdale, did some lazy barrel rolls amongst an assortment of other flying craft, from model Cessnas to vintage World War II bombers, before turning and shooting straight into the heavens, ascending until it was merely a dot in the sky. The jet turned again, this time heading straight towards earth bearing off at the last moment to fly upside down, just a few feet over the 350-foot runway. The engines were still screaming.

Lynch and his jet, valued at \$6,000, were at the Triple Creek RC Model Aircraft Club in Riverview for WattFest, a gathering of electric powered, radio-controlled aircraft enthusiasts. It has only been in the past several years that such feats were even possible.

The first model airplanes appeared shortly after the Wright Brothers took flight at Kitty Hawk. Over the decades, the models have been powered by imagination, by rubber bands and by tiny, finicky gas engines with strings attached to a wing to allow the "pilot" to control the flight. According to Steve Stiuiga of the Triple Creek RC Club, it has only been in the past five years that battery and radio technology has allowed for such incredible expansion in the hobby.

With space provided by the Hillsborough County Parks and Recreation Department on land that was not suitable for reclamation to a nature preserve, Triple Creek RC Club members have invested tens of thousands of dollars to build a world-class radio-controlled airpark, complete with a 350 asphalt foot runway,

charging stations, covered sitting and work areas, and even an onsite kitchen.

For WattFest and other annual events that primarily serve as fundraisers for the club, they had ample space for visitors to park their RVs and to sell and swap their gear, along with having concessions and dining opportunities during the festival.

"We fly everything from foam aircraft to crafts that are hand-laid composites," Stiuiga said of the more than 100 members of the club.

Among those craft are single engine models of private planes, multi-engine models of passenger aircraft, and a number of models of vintage military craft. Even the Starship Enterprise could be seen in the parking area for the model planes.

"We have a plane we can drop parachutes out of," Stiuiga continued.

Membership in the American Modeling Association, which provides insurance, is required for club membership. Beyond that and modest club dues, it is an interest in flying in a beautiful and well-maintained setting that is a huge draw for the members of the club. It is the next best thing to actually being in the captain's seat.

"You are looking at \$300 to \$400 for a nice plane and a nice radio that is worth flying," Stiuiga said. "Hobby Town in Brandon has a lot of them. But some of these people [here for the festival] have radios and planes that cost thousands."

Learning to fly is easy enough. Not only are there computer simulators for training, all club members are able to help train and certify new members. Radio controllers that allow an instructor to take over the control of an airborne plane should a beginning pilot encounter trouble are on hand.

On October 27-28, the club will host the RC Helicopter Fly-In, with the field opening on Oct. 26

*See RC PLANES on next page*



**Saturday, October 20, 2012 • 11am - 2pm**

Crowne Plaza Tampa Westshore  
5303 W. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa

Book at the Show and **SAVE up to \$500!**

Enjoy a special presentation by Holland America Line with stunning film footage of Alaska and the Yukon PLUS Day of Show Specials & FREE Admission. Get one-on-one personal attention from a AAA Travel Alaska Specialist who can help you find the Alaska vacation that's perfect for you.

We're offering a motor coach to the event from AAA Sun City Center, 717 Cortaro Dr., Sun City Center for only \$10 round-trip\*

Pick-up will be at 10:30am, drop-off at about 2:30pm  
ADVANCE RESERVATIONS REQUESTED.

\*Credited back if you book at the show



AAA Travel Sun City Center • 813.633.4880 for more details

\*Restrictions apply. See your AAA Travel Professional for more details.

## Need Landscaping Advice?

Speak with one of our Professionals! **WE DELIVER**

### TRUCK LOAD SALE

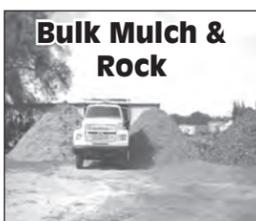
All bagged mulch **5 for \$10**

- Gravel
- Washed Shell
- Pine Bark
- Mulch
- Lava Rock
- Lawn Furniture
- Tools
- Boulders
- Bagged Material
- Concrete Parking Stops

All bagged Rock and Gravel **4 for \$12** Expires 10/27/12



42" Round Table Set  
Variety of Concrete Outdoor Furniture & Accessories



**Bulk Mulch & Rock**

**ATTENTION Contractors:**  
Check out our selection of tools & supplies  
[www.TampaCrossties.com](http://www.TampaCrossties.com)



Resurface your deck at a fraction of the price of replacement

*New Item*

**Precast Concrete Steps**



[www.centurygrp.com/Products/Concrete-Steps](http://www.centurygrp.com/Products/Concrete-Steps)



Mon.-Fri. 8-5:00  
Sat. 8-2

TAMPA CROSSTIE & LANDSCAPE SUPPLY, INC.

2604 College Ave. E. • Ruskin S.R. 674, 1/2 mile west of I-75 813-641-0090



Don't miss the special insert in this issue

## INK ON PINK

with special advertising and information supporting October's Breast Cancer Awareness month.

## Fall Savings

# Riverside Golf

\$30..... before noon

\$25..... after noon

\$20..... after 2 pm

**\$5.00 OFF Any Round**

Includes 18 holes and cart. Tax Included. Valid only with this coupon. Exp. 11/30/12

IMPROVED COURSE CONDITIONS

LEAGUES WELCOME Reserve your tee time today



CASUAL WATERFRONT DINING  
Steaks, Seafood, Burgers & Other Delicious Fare

**FULL LIQUOR BAR**  
Live Music Every Wednesday and Saturday

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**  
Tuesday-Saturday 11-8 pm  
NOW OPEN Sunday 11-6 pm for Lunch and NFL Direct TV  
Sunday Ticket  
[www.RiversideBarAndGrille.com](http://www.RiversideBarAndGrille.com)

Visit our New, Improved PRO SHOP 813.645.2000 1 Pier Drive, Ruskin

# RC planes

Continued from page 14

for practice and set up. As if to give a preview of the event, one club member brought his electric-powered helicopter to WattFest. Using his radio controller, the pilot lifted the craft from the taxiway to the runway after waiting for traffic to land. Gently the helicopter rose into the air and then zoomed off into the sky,

reaching speeds of 140 miles per hour.

That model helicopter, not to mention the jet, could fly faster than some real aircraft. If only the Wright Brothers could see us now.

For information about the Triple Creek RC Club, visit [www.triplecreekrc.com](http://www.triplecreekrc.com).



MITCH TRAPHAGEN PHOTOS

This radio-controlled model jet, flown upside down over the runway at Triple Creek RC Model Aircraft Club in Riverview, reached speeds of 230 miles per hour. The jet was part of WattFest at the club, a festival of all electric propelled model aircraft.



This model of a vintage bi-plane has an embedded sound module that will mimic the noise created by the radial engine of its full-sized sibling.

A PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY PRODUCTION

YIKES! HIS GIRLFRIEND'S JEWISH!

OY! HER BOYFRIEND'S CATHOLIC!

**LOVE ON A BENCH**  
A MUSICAL COMEDY

WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY LEW RESSEGUIE  
PRODUCED BY BARBARA BRTVA  
MUSICAL DIRECTOR ELLEN KLEINSCHMIDT  
FEATURING CHUCK COLLETT, PETER FARINA, SHAUNTELLE HOLBROOK, ELLEN KLEINSCHMIDT, MICHAEL PEACOCK, EILEEN VALENTINO

**TICKETS ON SALE OCT 1 AT THE SCC ATRIUM KIOSK**  
**\$10** MON-FRI 9:00AM TO NOON  
CREDIT CARD ORDERS 813-642-0606

WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Oct 25	Oct 26	Oct 27
	Nov 1	Nov 2	Nov 3
Nov 7	Nov 8	Nov 9	Nov 10*

**ROLLINS THEATER** 970 CHERRY HILLS BLVD. SUN CITY CENTER  
PERFORMANCES 7:30 P.M. EXCEPT NOV 10\* AT 4:00 P.M.  
[www.pacsc.org](http://www.pacsc.org)



## UPCOMING SEMINARS



### Care of Aging Athletes

Presented by Dr. Steven Page, Orthopedic Surgeon

Learn how aging athletes can prevent injury and care for sports related ailments.

**Wednesday, October 24th**  
**2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**



### Treatments for Knee Arthritis

Presented by Dr. Robert Maddalon, Orthopedic Surgeon

If you are suffering from knee pain, come learn if knee arthritis is the cause and find out what you can do about it. A light lunch will be served. RSVPs are required.

**Tuesday, October 30th**  
**1:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.**

Each seminar requires a separate RSVP and will be held at the United Methodist Church, 1210 Del Webb Blvd West, Sun City Center, FL (Next to South Bay Hospital)

**Refreshments will be served**

**RSVP** by calling our Consult-A-Nurse® Health Information and Referral Line at **1-888-685-1595**

BRACE YOURSELF FOR OUR BIGGEST EVENT OF THE YEAR! IT'S THE...

# Rocktober SALES EVENT

AT

**TOYOTA**  
of Lakewood

**UP TO \$7000 OFF**

**ALL BRAND NEW 2012 TOYOTAS!†**  
\$3000 Toyota Cash + \$4000 Dealer Cash = \$7000 Total Savings!

**0% APR**  
Financing Available!\*



**ToyotaCare**

When you purchase or lease a new Toyota, get

**MAINTENANCE FOR 2 YEARS/25,000 MILES PROVIDED BY TOYOTA**

*Includes Oil Changes & Major Services*

Covers normal factory scheduled service for 2 years or 25K miles, whichever comes first. The new Toyota vehicle cannot be part of a rental or commercial fleet or a livery or taxi vehicle. See participating dealer for complete plan details. Valid only in the continental United States and Alaska.



- 12 Month/12,000 Mile Comprehensive Warranty from Date of Purchase
- 7 Year/100,000 Mile Limited Power Train Warranty
- Rental Car Allowance

- 1 Year Unlimited Roadside Assistance from Date of Purchase
- 160 Point Quality Assurance Inspection (174 Point for Hybrids)
- CARFAX® Vehicle History Report

 <b>2006 TOYOTA AVALON</b> <b>\$13,584</b> <small>Toyota's Flagship, Just 29K Miles</small>	 <b>2010 TOYOTA COROLLA LE</b> <b>\$13,673</b> <small>Only 33K Miles!</small>	 <b>2008 TOYOTA COROLLA S</b> <b>\$13,974</b> <small>52K Miles, Very Nice</small>	 <b>2007 TOYOTA PRIUS</b> <b>\$14,773</b> <small>Only 50K Miles, Very Clean</small>	 <b>2007 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER</b> <b>\$15,452</b> <small>Sunroof, Low Miles</small>	 <b>2009 TOYOTA CAMRY LE</b> <b>\$15,452</b> <small>America's Top Seller</small>	 <b>2010 TOYOTA COROLLA S</b> <b>\$15,643</b> <small>Sporty and Affordable</small>	 <b>2008 TOYOTA PRIUS</b> <b>\$15,891</b> <small>Low Miles, Navigation</small>
 <b>2010 TOYOTA PRIUS</b> <b>\$18,593</b> <small>Sips Gas, 50 MPG's</small>	 <b>2012 TOYOTA PRIUS C</b> <b>\$19,791</b> <small>Toyota's City Car! Great MPG's</small>	 <b>2009 TOYOTA RAV4 4X4</b> <b>\$19,894</b> <small>Limited Edition</small>	 <b>2011 TOYOTA RAV4 LTD</b> <b>\$22,353</b> <small>18K Miles, Loaded W/ Navigation</small>	 <b>2010 TOYOTA VENZA</b> <b>\$22,881</b> <small>Leather, Sunroof, Very Nice!</small>	 <b>2011 TOYOTA TUNDRA DOUBLE CAB</b> <b>\$24,991</b> <small>Nicely Appointed SR5 Pack</small>	 <b>2010 TOYOTA FJ CRUISER 4X4</b> <b>\$28,981</b> <small>Auto Double Sharp!</small>	 <b>2010 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER LTD</b> <b>\$29,791</b> <small>Nav, Roof, JBL Stereo</small>

**Why Buy Used Anywhere Else?**



1. Inspected and Certified
2. Industry-Leading Warranty
3. CARFAX® Vehicle History Report
4. Exclusive 3-Day Vehicle Exchange Program
5. Price Protection Guarantee
6. Unmatched Selection
7. Premier Financial Programs
8. Exclusive Discounts

 <b>2002 TOYOTA CAMRY LE</b> <b>\$7893</b> <small>Low Miles</small>	 <b>2002 TOYOTA CAMRY LE</b> <b>\$7994</b> <small>V-6, Very Low Miles!</small>	 <b>2007 PONTIAC G6</b> <b>\$8452</b> <small>Very Nice, 97K Miles</small>	 <b>2006 NISSAN SENTRA</b> <b>\$8793</b> <small>Economical &amp; Affordable</small>	 <b>2003 TOYOTA SOLARA</b> <b>\$9463</b> <small>Very Low Miles</small>	 <b>2010 CHEVROLET HHR</b> <b>\$12,991</b> <small>Great Car For The Money</small>	 <b>2009 KIA SEDONA LX</b> <b>\$13,754</b> <small>Transport The Family For Less</small>	 <b>2010 CHEVROLET IMPALA LS</b> <b>\$13,892</b> <small>Only 44K Miles!</small>
 <b>2004 TOYOTA TUNDRA DOUBLE CAB</b> <b>\$13,993</b> <small>Rare Limited Edition</small>	 <b>2009 HYUNDAI SONATA LIMITED</b> <b>\$14,694</b> <small>Leather, Sunroof</small>	 <b>2005 LEXUS ES 330</b> <b>\$14,991</b> <small>Loaded! 63K Miles</small>	 <b>2008 NISSAN XTERRA S</b> <b>\$15,292</b> <small>Only 68K Miles!</small>	 <b>2008 FORD ESCAPE XLT 4X4</b> <b>\$15,723</b> <small>Room For The Family</small>	 <b>2008 HYUNDAI SANTA FE</b> <b>\$16,843</b> <small>Very Low Miles, Sunroof</small>	 <b>2011 KIA SORENTO</b> <b>\$18,592</b> <small>Only 31K Miles! Very Nice!</small>	 <b>2008 CADILLAC DTS</b> <b>\$21,674</b> <small>Only 17K Miles!</small>

†Example: New 2012 Toyota Tundra Crew Max Model#8374. Discount includes \$3000 Toyota Cash + \$4000 Dealer Cash = \$7000 Total Savings. All factory incentives and rebates to dealer. Discount excludes tax, tag, title, registration and includes dealer fees. \*With approved credit on select models for a limited term. All used car prices exclude tax, tag, title and registration. All prices are on in-stock units only, all vehicles are subject to prior sale. Offers cannot be combined. Photos are for illustration purposes only, may not be actual vehicle. All offers expire end of day 10/21/2012.

**3 DAY**  
MONEY BACK GUARANTEE!

**EXPRESS MAINTENANCE**  
IN 1 HOUR OR LESS

**SERVICE & SALES**  
OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

**FREE EXTERIOR CAR WASH**  
WITH ALL SERVICES

**COMPLIMENTARY RENTAL CARS**  
WITH MAJOR SERVICES

**iPads**  
Available While You Wait

**TOYOTA of Lakewood**  
A Gettel Automotive Dealership

5959 E SR64 • Bradenton  
On SR64 Just Seconds West of I-75, Exit 220  
**1-877-207-4862**  
Monday - Friday 8:30am-8pm • Saturday 8:30am-7pm • Sunday Noon-5pm  
**ToyotaOfLakewood.com**



Attention Medicare beneficiaries in Hillsborough



*Live without limits*

**Now more freedom  
to choose your doctors**

Live a full and healthy life. With Coventry Medicare Advantage plans you have the freedom to choose your doctors and specialists, in or out of our comprehensive network. Act now! We'll help you stay healthy and save money, because our health plans are designed so you can keep living the life you want.

**Go live. We've got you covered.**

- Easy access to a comprehensive network of doctors and hospital systems including HCA Healthcare\*
- Freedom to use up to \$10,000 for specialist visits, tests and services out-of-network
- Up to \$99.90 credited monthly to your Medicare Part B premium
- \$0 or low copays for primary care physician and specialist visits
- \$0 copays for Tier 1 prescription drugs
- \$0 copay for a Healthways SilverSneakers® fitness program membership
- \$300 annual allowance for eyewear
- \$2,000 annual allowance for hearing aids

**For more information, call today!**

**1.855.658.4570 (TTY/TDD 711)**

8 a.m. - 8 p.m., 7 days a week • [www.FL.MyCoventryMedicare.com](http://www.FL.MyCoventryMedicare.com)



Coventry Health Care of Florida is a Coordinated Care Plan with a Medicare contract and a contract with the Florida Medicaid program. Vista products are offered through Coventry Health Care of Florida, Inc. and Coventry Health Plan of Florida, Inc.; Summit/ Advantra products are offered through Coventry Summit Health Plan, Inc. You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium. The Part B premium is covered for full-dual members. Dual-eligible Special Needs Plans are available to anyone who has both Medical Assistance from the state and Medicare. The benefit information provided is a brief summary, not a complete description of benefits. For more information, contact the plan. Limitations, copayments, and restrictions may apply. Benefits, formulary, pharmacy network, premium and/or copayments/coinsurance may change on January 1 of each year. The benefits listed herein are only available in Hernando, Hillsborough, Pinellas and Polk counties. \*Other providers are available in our network.

**COVENTRY**  
Health Care of Florida  
Medicare Advantage Plans

**Upcoming Events**  
Come learn more about our Medicare Advantage Plans.

**BRANDON**  
October 22 @ 2:00 p.m.  
Village Inn  
1995 Lumsden Rd.

**TAMPA**  
October 23 @ 2:00 p.m.  
La Quinta Inns and Suites  
3701 E. Fowler Ave.

**BRANDON**  
October 24 @ 10:00 a.m.  
Golden Corral  
815 Providence Rd.

**TAMPA**  
October 24 & 31 @ 3:00 p.m.  
Riviera Restaurant  
14819 N. Dale Mabry Hwy.

**TAMPA**  
October 25 @ 10:00 a.m.  
Tahitian Inn  
601 S. Dale Mabry Hwy.

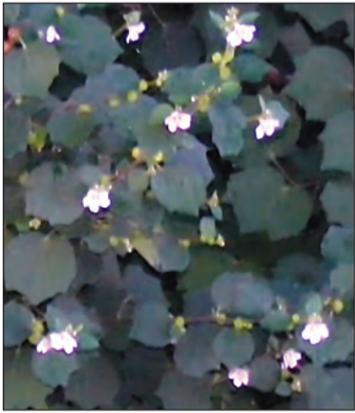
**TAMPA**  
October 25 @ 1:30 p.m.  
November 1 @ 1:30 p.m.  
Brunchies  
14366 N. Dale Mabry Hwy.

**TEMPLE TERRACE**  
October 26 @ 2:00 p.m.  
Golden Corral  
11801 N. 56th St.

**Reserve your seat.  
Call today!**  
1.855.225.0191 (TTY/TDD 711)

At our community meetings, a bilingual sales representative will be present with information and applications. For accommodation of persons with special needs at sales meetings, call 1.855.225.0191 (TTY/TDD 711) from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days a week.

# County Extension Office identifies and advises on native and invasive plants



Caesar weed

■ By PENNY FLETCHER  
penny@observernews.net

**SOUTH COUNTY** — Many Floridians have lost flowers and shrubs because of the unusually cold winters these past few years and have been seeking plants that will come back year after year despite dropping temperatures.

The colder winters, plus the state and county's emphasis on using native plants to save water and help the environment, have many seeking to put in what grows wild.

With wildflowers flourishing this fall from an unusually wet

summer, it is a good time to decide just what's native and what's not and put plants in the ground that will come back up in early spring even if they appear to die for a few months.

"Remember that it is against the law to remove plants from the roadside, in parks or wetland and conservation areas," said Lynn Barber, an extension agent with Florida Friendly Landscaping at the Hillsborough County Extension Office.

But it is not illegal to transplant wildflowers from wooded areas

in your yard or other private areas if permitted by the landowners. Usually only a small portion of a native plant will root quickly and grow to a desirable size.

Careful thought must go into any planting to be sure you aren't creating a problem, Barber said.

"If you are planting a plant given to you by someone else or have a plant in your landscape you don't know, the first thing to do is identify the plant. It could be invasive or poisonous. If you need help in identifying the plant, you can email a digital photo to the Extension Office staff or bring in a photo or the plant. Use gloves when handling plants you can't identify," Barber said.

Some of the things many call weeds actually make a nice addition to yards and gardens and because they're natural to the environment, grow well and come up every year.

Some of the most prevalent are shown in photographs accompanying this news story and explanations of what they are and which ones are dangerous and why



Creeping hemp

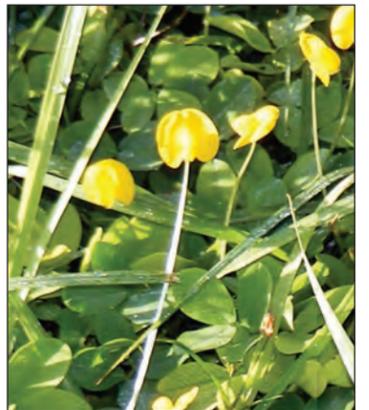


Lantana

See **NATIVE, INVASIVE PLANTS**, page 19



Primrose willow



Perennial peanut grass

## Informative Lecture Series

Everything you wanted to know about **SKIN CANCER**, but were afraid to ask.



**FREE**  
**DINNER BUFFET**

with beverages served

**Thurs., Oct. 18**

4:00 p.m.

4002 SCC Blvd. • Unit 102  
Sun City Center

Call **813-634-1455** to reserve your spot  
**The Skin Cancer Centers / Dermatology Associates**

Howard A. Oriba, M.D. | Michael G. Caruso, M.D. | Leslee Baute, P.A.-C.  
4002 Sun City Center Blvd. Unit 102 • Sun City Center, FL 33573 (One Block West of the Hospital)



## FROM YOUR HEART TO OUR EARS

The new Heart Murmur & Valve Program at Brandon Regional Hospital is a multidisciplinary program that provides the latest in evaluation and treatment of heart valve and murmur conditions, including:

- Treatment plan developed jointly with your primary care physician, a cardiologist and a cardiac surgeon with valve expertise
- Assist your physician with a long-term monitoring plan for your condition
- Access to the latest minimally invasive heart valve repair options
- Surgeons who have earned the highest distinction in cardiac surgery



For your free assessment or for more information, please call **855-MUR-MUR1**.



Joint Commission Gold Seal of Approval™  
Acute Myocardial Infarction



Joint Commission Gold Seal of Approval™  
Coronary Artery Bypass Graft



Joint Commission Gold Seal of Approval™  
Heart Failure



# Native and invasive plants

■ Continued from page 18

why they were supplied readily by Barber Oct. 5.

Walking through a wooded area of Riverview there were many wild flowering plants in vibrant colors that were apparently growing wild along with saw grass, palmetto brush and vines.

One that is invasive that community-minded volunteers spend countless hours a year trying to eradicate is the Brazilian

pepper. Shown here with tiny greenish-yellow seeds, these seeds will soon become bright red berries. The Brazilian pepper is dangerous because it is not native to the area and soaks up soil nutrients and water from everything around it.

Caesar weed is also invasive and very aggressive, especially if found in saturated soil near streams and retention ponds. It

invades pastures and crops but is not actively sought for elimination like the Brazilian pepper because it is native to the area.

Creeping hemp vines have pretty white-lacey flowers on the tops and are used to make clothing but shouldn't be cultivated or transplanted because they are very aggressive and will take over large areas, especially if they're near water or in soggy ground.

Some wildflowers, however, are seen as weeds even though they can be quite appealing and useful for decoration.

Yellow-flowering peanut grass was spotted around the wooded area but is also sold as groundcover in some garden centers.

Barber said peanut grass makes a good alternative to many types of grasses that require watering and spreads easily across an area when planted. Birds and wind also spread its seeds and they usually root where they fall, she added.

Lantana's short orange flowers are attractive to look at but dangerous to wildlife because their seeds are poisonous.

"I don't think pets would eat it, but still, you have to be careful around Lantana," Barber said.

Another very attractive wildflower is the yellow primrose willow, which looks like a tiny rose growing on some branches of a bush that grows to be five or six feet tall. There are 30 different species of this plant and although they are good for attracting butterflies, they are not recommended for yards because they are invasive.

Some kinds of wild flowers – which may also be classified as weeds – were photographed and identified as both native and useable.

Hairy beggar tick looks like miniature daisies and sprouts up everywhere, especially in areas that have been disturbed by development or digging. It is extremely easy to remove by the roots and will flourish in areas where nothing else seems to grow.

Match heads are small and purple and form a mat of groundcover that can easily be used in a yard.

Tassel flowers (also called

Cupid's shaving brush) are tiny purple flowers with long clean stems growing on short bushes. These grow well, especially in moist areas, like along a pond or drainage ditch.

Peanut grass, hairy beggar ticks, match heads and tassel flowers can all be mowed down and will come right back up again like grass.

If unsure of any plant, the county's extension office said its staff is always glad to help.

Home gardeners may bring in a sample or a photograph to 5339 County Road 579 in Seffner or call the Master Gardner line at (813) 744-5519 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

For more information about the Florida-Friendly Landscaping program and how it helps reduce environmental impacts from landscaping by properly applying water, fertilizer and pesticides, creating wildlife habitats, preventing erosion, recycling yard waste and employing other practices based on the University of Florida research, visit <http://hillsborough.extension.ufl.edu/LawnAndGarden.html>.

# SCC CA candidates

■ Continued from page 7

who "does not like politicians," Killian said he believes he can contribute to the board – and therefore to the community – in the areas of formal planning and project management, both practices he engaged in for many years in the auto industry.

Killian, whose home is on Cherry Hills Drive, said he also has some concerns about proposed parking expansion around the Atrium complex.

"If you don't help when you see a need," he summed up, "you always may wonder if you could have made a difference."

Neil Rothfeld, a corporate financial officer in his former life, was appointed to the CA board several years ago and has been its treasurer, riding herd on the myriad fiscal details that confront a board managing facilities valued in the multiple millions of dollars, ensuring the numerous financial reports of a tax-exempt volunteer organization are competently compiled and timely filed, working cooperatively with the resident community manager and her staff. He has not been, however, a voting director.

Now, he wants to be. "With me," he pointed out, "there is no learning curve; I'm current on all the board issues."

In addition to his extensive accounting and budgeting

knowledge, along with expertise in keeping a not-for-profit organization compliant with state and federal laws, Rothfeld indicated he believes he can bring a forward looking focus to the board. He wants in his first term to see the SCC community "prepare for the future," the former Bellmore, N.Y., resident said.

Part of that preparation is related to improving some appearances in SCC and part pertains to new enhancements, he indicated. With their recent survey responses, he added, "residents have told us what they would like." They also made it clear they are willing to go forward with specific alterations and additions that require capital investment such as an upgraded theater, another library, a campus café, he suggested.

And, it is in meeting the challenges inherent in attaining such objectives, he indicated, that his skills are especially applicable.

Each of the four candidates said they would do some campaigning to acquaint CA members with their capabilities and each is expected to take part in a Candidates Night scheduled for November 14 in Community Hall.

Balloting is set for December 4 and 5. The top three vote getters will be seated at the CA table in early January, beginning three-year terms.

Copyright 2012 Melody Jameson

## RIVERS EDGE

UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP  
IMPROVEMENTS IN PROGRESS!!!

6226 Ohio Ave. • Gibsonton • 813-671-9196

Free Wi-Fi



**Kitchen Now Open**  
Fri., Sat. & Sun.  
11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

~ LIVE MUSIC ~  
Saturday 3 - 7 p.m.  
Sunday 1 - 5 p.m.

Bring this ad for... **\$100 OFF First Drink!**  
1 coupon per customer

# KNOX ALUMINUM

720 4th Street SW • Ruskin, FL 33570  
**813-645-3529**



Glass Rooms, Screen Rooms, Screen Fronts, Garage Screens, Pool Enclosures, Carports, Vinyl & Acrylic Windows, Roof Overs, Awnings, House Windows



Ken Knox, Contractor Lic. #RX0057641

## Shutter & Blind Manufacturing Company

SHUTTERS ~ VERTICALS ~ FAUX WOOD & WOOD HORIZONTAL BLINDS  
CELLULAR SHADES ~ WOVEN WOODS ~ SUNSCREEN SHADES ~ PRIVACY SHADINGS ~ MORE

### PLANTATION SHUTTERS

\$13<sup>95</sup>

Sq. Ft. Measured & Installed

LIFETIME WARRANTY

### 2" FAUX BLINDS

INSTALLED FREE!

Our blinds are built with a STEEL HEADRAIL. Unlike the Flimsy Plastic Headrail from the Home Centers

### VERTICALS

INSTALLED FREE!

### MADE IN AMERICA

EXAMPLE OF OUR PRICES

24" W x 36" H.....	<b>\$84 Installed</b>
36" W x 50" H.....	<b>\$175 Installed</b>
48" W x 48" H.....	<b>\$224 Installed</b>
48" W x 60" H.....	<b>\$280 Installed</b>
72" W x 62" H.....	<b>\$434 Installed</b>

### SUN SCREENS

SAVE ENERGY

EXAMPLE OF OUR PRICES FOR SUN SCREENS

24" W x 36" H.....	<b>\$49 Installed</b>
36" W x 48" H.....	<b>\$62 Installed</b>
52" W x 48" H.....	<b>\$93 Installed</b>
72" W x 60" H.....	<b>\$131 Installed</b>

HILLSBOROUGH  
**(813) 634-8310**

MANATEE  
**(941) 524-2259**

For a FREE IN-HOME ESTIMATE, call us TODAY!

## America's Carwash



728 Cypress Village Blvd.  
Sun City Center, FL  
813-634-9409  
Next to Sonny's 

HOURS OF OPERATION: 8-5:30 MON-FRI • 8-5 SAT  
NOW OPEN SUNDAYS 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

\$2 OFF

ANY FULL SERVICE WASH ONLY

With this coupon only. Not valid with other specials or discounts. \$1.50 extra for vans and SUVs. 10/31/12

\$39<sup>95</sup>

EXPRESS HAND WAX

Most vehicles. With this coupon only. Not valid with other specials or discounts. Additional charge for oversize vehicles. 10/31/12

GET YOUR MONTHLY CAR WASH PASS

Pay once a month and come as often as you like!

RAIN CHECK: Bring in your receipt for any full service wash within 48 hours and receive an Express Wash for \$1.00 (on same vehicle)



## C.A.R.E. Pets of the Week

C.A.R.E. is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For directions, visit [www.CareShelter.org](http://www.CareShelter.org) or call (813) 645-2273.



### Petey

Petey is a stunning gray with wide tiger stripes. He is just the friendliest kitten you could ever want. With gray-green eyes and striking markings, a real show cat. When I picked him up he just did not want to leave my arms. Guess he wanted to come home with me. Stop in to C.A.R.E see Petey and give him a forever home. He is current on his shots, and as part of his adoption has been micro-chipped and neutered.

DOB: March 5, 2012. Micro-chip# 074-848-018.



### Jessie

Jessie is a super cute Hound mix puppy who was found abandoned near our shelter. He gives big hugs and wiggles when his caregivers socialize with him. He has recently discovered that the doggy pool is great for splashing around in on these hot humid days. Jessie is a lot of fun and has a terrific personality. As part of his adoption Jessie will be neutered, micro-chipped and brought up to date on his shots.

DOB: April 2, 2012.

## Marine Corps League hosts Conference

The Riverview Detachment of the Marine Corps League will host the Department of Florida 2012 Fall Conference, Oct. 18 thru 20 at the Hilton Garden Inn, 4328 Garden Vista Dr. in Riverview.

This three-day event will bring together Marine Corps League and Marine Corps League Auxiliary members from the 53 detachments located throughout the state for a combination of instructional classes, business meetings and social gatherings.

The guest speaker for the banquet to be held on Saturday evening will be Marine Colonel Stephen G. Nitschke from USSOCOM MacDill AFB, Tampa.

## A new look at Brazil

The International Forum will host the first program of 2012-2013 program year in the Florida Room of the Atrium building off North Pebble Beach Blvd. on Friday, Nov. 9 at 9:30 a.m. This program is open to all residents and friends of Sun City Center and Kings Point.

Dr. Scott Ickes of the University of South Florida will be the featured speaker and will focus on the "Emergence of Brazil from Dictatorship to the Present."

Forum members Sandy Miller and Mary Prouty will also briefly share some of their recent experiences visiting five different parts of Brazil over a three-week period with the Sarasota chapter of the International Friendship Force.

## Meet the Artists

The opening reception for artists Anne Walker and Cory Wright is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 1. Anne Walker is a painter from Sun City Center working primarily in acrylics. Cory Wright is a painter from Apollo Beach who works in acrylics, oils and pastels.

Meet the artists in the Crawford Gallery at SouthShore Regional Library located at 15816 Beth Shields Way, Ruskin. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of SouthShore Regional Library. Free to the public. For more information, call (813) 273-3652.

## South Hillsborough

### Elks Lodge #2672

### Upcoming Activities

**Every Tuesday** – Jam Session – 3 p.m. - 5ish, No charge for all Elks and their guests.

**Every Wednesday** – Best Spaghetti in Town - \$7 per person, All You Can Eat, for all Elks and their guests. Music by Bryan from 5 to 8 p.m.

**Every Friday** – Seafood, sandwiches, and a Chef's Special for all Elks and their guests from 5 to 7 p.m. Karaoke by Bryan from 5 to 8 p.m.

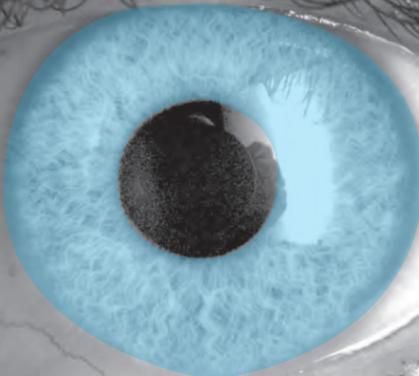
**Monday, Oct. 29** - Blue Plate Special for all Elks and their guests, \$7 per person, Menu: Sweet & Sour Pork with all the trimmings and dessert, only 50 tickets will be sold.

**Eastern Caribbean Fund Raiser Cruise** - Jan. 13 to 20, 2013. Contact Howard Elkin at Discover Travel for details.

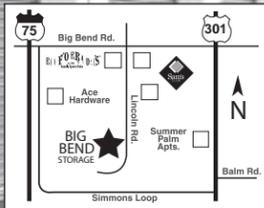
The South Hillsborough Elk's Lodge is a clean, smoke-free environment located at 1630 U.S. Hwy. 41 S. in Ruskin, telephone (813) 645-2089.

# LOOKING FOR STORAGE?

- Non-Climate and Climate-Control Units
- Fenced and Lighted
- Tractor Trailer/Moving Truck Accessibility
- Electronic Controlled Access
- 24-Hour Video Surveillance
- Moving Supplies



Serving:  
RIVERVIEW  
APOLLO BEACH  
SUN CITY CENTER



## BIG BEND STORAGE

813-741-9220

13414 Lincoln Road • Riverview, FL 33569

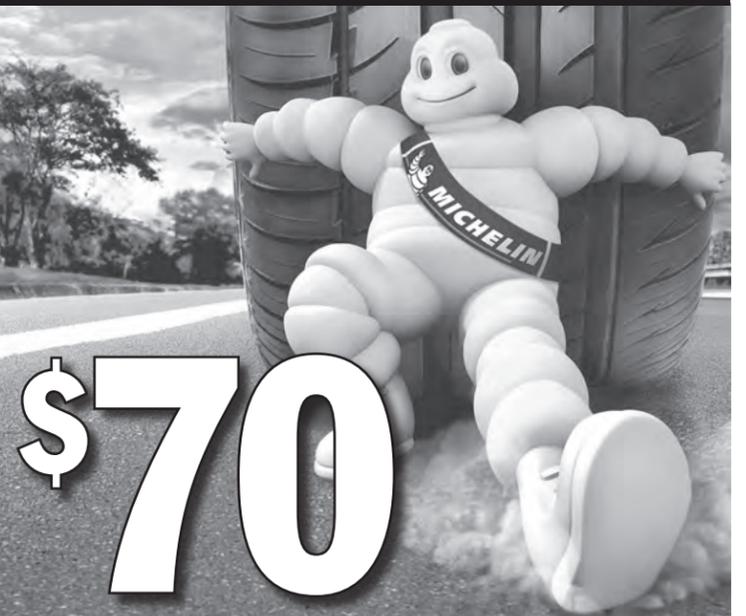
[www.bigbendministorage.com](http://www.bigbendministorage.com)



**FALL BINGO**  
GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE EVERY THURSDAY  
St. Anne Catholic Church  
106 11th Ave. NE • Ruskin • 813-645-1714  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.  
Early Birds 6:30 p.m.  
Regular Games 7:00 p.m.  
FOOD! FUN!

Get a MICHELIN® Tire that Stops Shorter<sup>1</sup> and Get a \$70 Visa® Reward Card via Mail-In Rebate<sup>2</sup>



This is an in-store dealer promotion. See dealer for details. Void where prohibited.

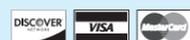


Offer Valid  
Oct. 8 - 31, 2012

Courtesy Shuttle Service Available • Towing Upon Request  
**At Home Auto Care, Inc.**  
2003 U.S. Hwy. 41 S. • Ruskin, FL  
(exactly 1 mile south of SR 674/College Ave.)

**(813) 645-0339**

OPEN Monday through Friday • [www.athomeauto.net](http://www.athomeauto.net)  
Lic# MV551635



- Our Lab Tech Has 41+ Years of Experience
- Same Day Relines and Repairs
- New Dentures and Partial
- Fillings, Crowns and Bridges
- Focused on Economical Treatment Choices

## Our Own In-House Denture Lab

**FREE**  
DENTURE  
CONSULTATION  
OR 2nd OPINION  
with patient bringing current x-ray.  
0140. Limit one per patient.  
Exp. 10/31/12

NEW PATIENTS  
FULL MOUTH  
SERIES OF  
X-RAYS & EXAM  
0210  
for \$95  
and receive a \$100 credit toward  
your account for future treatment.  
Exp. 10/31/12

New Patients and Emergencies Are Always Welcome  
**Sun City Dental Center**

Thomas A. DeVol, D.D.S., P.A.  
General Dentist

**633-2636** 727 Cortaro Drive  
(Two doors down from AAA)

Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. • Closed for Lunch 1-2 p.m.

\*Have your Upper and Lower Full Dentures made in just one week in our own In-House Denture lab

\*Time to process denture cases may change due to complexity/type of case.

The fee advertised is the minimum fee charged. The patient and any other person responsible for payment has the right to refuse to pay, cancel payment or be reimbursed for payment for any other service, examination or treatment which is performed as a result of and within 72 hours of responding to the advertisement for the free service, examination or treatment. Senior Citizen discount does not apply.

\*Actual Fee May Vary Depending Upon Degree of Complexity in a Given Case

## RCMA's Mainster named 'Children's Champion'

The longtime executive director of Redlands Christian Migrant Association received the annual Children's Champion Award Friday from the Florida Association for the Education of Young Children.

The winner, Barbara Mainster, is in her 25th year leading RCMA, which operates 71 child care centers and three charter schools for Florida's rural low-income families in 21 counties.

"You have been the voice for many years to the Legislature, asking for quality programs and adequate funding for programs," the statewide association wrote in notifying Mainster of her award. "You have been the voice of the English language learners and children with special needs. Through your hard work, both populations

have benefited."

In the Tampa Bay area, RCMA operates 20 child care centers, two charter schools and several after-school programs, serving some 1,800 children.

The Florida Association for the Education of Young Children is the largest organization for early childhood professionals in Florida, with 3,500 members. Mainster received her award at the group's annual Children's Rally Luncheon, held for more than 200 members in Orlando.



Barbara Mainster



## Terrific Kids at Summerfield Crossings have lots to smile about

Terrific Kids for September 2012 at Summerfield Crossings Elementary School are: Aaliyah Pitts, Alex Mcleod, Amber Cagle, Amber Grande, Arabella Bardash, Arianna Kellam, Ashley Wingate, Brianna Lattimore, Bryan Lora, Cameron Masterson, Daryah Doby, Destynee Brown, Devin Reed, Erika Wilson, Jonathan Flint, Evelyn Saba, Gianna Castellano, Giovanni Talavera, Grace Thielke, Isabella Macchione, Israel Tovar, James Nguyen, Jensella Morris, Jesse Myers, Anita Sriwaree, Jessica Carradero, Jibril Sookoo, Justin Liburd, Konner Wetterstrom, Lissette Mendoza, Madisynn Njegovan, Mariela Hernandez, Michaela Malinowsky, Michelle Williams, Mikayla Begnini, Mikayla Dental, Nia Thomas, Nina Jaramillo, Preston Woehke, Quaashie Kellam, Reagan Hall, Ryan Dunne, Samatha Lutz, Sebastian Medor, Sophia Mendez, Tamia Whitaker, Tayler Wetterstrom, Trinity McDowell, and Yasmin Gutierrez.



PHOTO COURTESY OF HUTH & BOOTH PHOTOGRAPHY.

## Ribbon-cutting for The Original Leena's Chocolates in Riverview

On Monday, Oct. 3, The Original Leena's Chocolates hosted a Greater Riverview Chamber of Commerce Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony to celebrate their one-year anniversary at 1048 Bloomingdale Ave. Anthony and Leena Calguire have been in the chocolate business for 13 years and in Riverview for four of those years. They wish to extend their gratitude to the community; without whose support they would not be here. The Calguire's are constantly giving back to their community and for details of their latest give-back, visit [www.facebook.com/10000Apples](http://www.facebook.com/10000Apples). For more information, contact them at (813) 643-8500 or visit their website [www.originalleenaschocolates.com/](http://www.originalleenaschocolates.com/)

## USTA Adult League Mixed Florida Sectionals held last weekend

U.S. Tennis Association League adult mixed doubles tennis teams from Sarasota/Manatee (Bradenton), Duval (Jacksonville) and Hillsborough (Tampa) counties advanced to the USTA League Mixed National Championships over the weekend as the USTA Florida Sectionals Adult Mixed 6.0, 8.0 & 10.0 Championships were held Oct. 12-14, 2012, at the Florida Tennis Center in Daytona Beach.

Jacksonville successfully defended their 6.0 division Florida Section title from 2011, advancing to USTA League Nationals for a second consecutive year. In addition to capturing division championships, Jacksonville and another Sarasota/Manatee counties team (Sarasota, in addition to Bradenton) also finished second in a division.

NTRP (National Tennis Rating Program) divisions of play over the weekend were 6.0, 8.0 and 10.0 teams, with combined player ratings of no more than a 1.0 differential between the partners (example: a 6.0 team could be two 3.0-rated players, or a 2.5 and a 3.5). Team matches over the weekend consisted of three mixed doubles matches per round. Teams advanced from round robin flight play to qualify for the semifinals to the final, or in smaller divisions round robin play directly to the finals.

Local division champions over the weekend were:

8.0 Division Champion: Hills-

borough County (Hampton Park, Tampa)

Final Result: Hillsborough d. Sarasota/Manatee counties (Longwood Athletic Club, Sarasota) 3-0

Team Roster: Michael Bedosky (captain), Richard Helme, Anne Chasteen, Jeanne Matthews, Maki Smith, Justin Li, Jayne Bedosky, Bridget Bishop, Miriam Haga, Mary Marshall, Tu Phan, Jonathan Collazo, Rogerio Montebelo Bigio, Nicole Mezrah, Bjorn Kerr

Semifinal Results: Hillsborough d. Marion County 2-1, Sarasota/Manatee d. South Miami-Dade 2-1

The 2012 USTA League 6.0, 8.0 & 10.0 Mixed National Championships will take place Nov. 16-18, 2012 at the Hilton El Conquistador Golf & Tennis Resort in Tucson, Ariz.

USTA League provides competitive matches for thousands of tennis players nationwide. It also gives players the opportunity to experience team camaraderie, improve their tennis skills, meet and compete against new players and participate in competition beyond local league play. There were more than 806,000 participants in USTA League in 2011 within the adult, senior and mixed doubles divisions and the section league programs. The program, which celebrated its 30th Anniversary last year, is the world's largest recreational tennis league.



## Responsible Character Education Winners at Collins Elementary School

The following students know the meaning of "responsible:" Serina Adams, Tatiana Avila, Brianna Beals, Jacob Beams, Kaitlyn Bron, Madalin Bruce, Emily Carter, Tony Cato, Rocio Cordan, Cole Coursen, Jonah Cucional, Madison Cunningham, Damani Daniels-Istipeler, Julianna Dargie, Austin Dixon, Isabella Duran, Jasmine Elliott, Bradley Galvin, Thalia Gonzalez, Austin Jones, William Leasure, Aleyna Loughran-Pierce, Ethan Lyons, Dominic Meler, Brianna Moore, Ryleigh Murphy, Lauren O'Donnell, Robert O'Donnell, Ethan Oliva, Cody Oneal, Justin Paulino, JoAnn Pe, Reese Peterson, Jalyn Pierce, Ashley Pink, Serna Pope, Patricio Pucciarelli, Jordan Reed, Mariana Rios, Bianca Rivera, Braxton "Cole" Rodrique, Daniel Rojas, Greyson Ross, Connor Satterfield, Colby Shrader, Garrett Simmons, Rachel Smith, Madalyn Stevens, Sydnee Tarlton, Bryan Trinidad, Taje Vannostrand, and Jessica Wilson. This program is sponsored by Mimi's Café, Sweetbay, Ruby Tuesday's, and Caspers' McDonalds.

## SCARE UP SOME FUN WITH A Graveyard Bash



### Back From the Grave Cake

Makes about 12 servings

- 2-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1-1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened
- 1-1/4 cups granulated sugar
- 3 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 3/4 cups sweetened applesauce

- 1-1/4 cups diced Granny Smith apple (about 1 medium apple)
- 1 can (16 ounces) White Decorator Icing

Preheat oven to 325°F. Prepare 3D Skeleton Casket pan with vegetable pan spray.

In medium bowl, combine flour, baking powder, cinnamon and salt; set aside. In large bowl, beat butter and sugar with electric mixer until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time,

and vanilla; mix well. Alternately add flour mixture and applesauce to butter mixture. Spread about 1/2 of cake batter so that it reaches the first horizontal line inside the pan. Sprinkle diced apples evenly over batter. Top with remaining batter, smoothing out the top.

Bake 58 to 62 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in center of cake comes out clean. Cool 15 minutes; remove from pan and cool completely on cooling grid.

Decorate cooled cake with tip 5 and decorator icing.

# Fish Tales: Red tide is active to our south

A hundred miles of red tide algae bloom is lurking on the coast of Sarasota Bay. I hope the winds do not blow it our way. Red tide occurs when a simple ocean algae plant becomes colonies and grows out of control turning the water a red color. It takes up oxygen from the water and kills fish. People often start coughing and have respiratory conditions when red tide occurs.



By Jonie Maschek

A large eye as big as a ball has washed ashore at Pompano Beach on our East Coast. This story, with today's electronics, has gone viral. One story related the eye was from a giant squid, others a whale, a tuna, or maybe a shark. It was on Facebook and Twitter. Finally, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission determined the eye was from a swordfish.

Electronics play a major part in today's fishing world. Some even watch a 'Fishing Show' on their boat, while they are fishing. Those with all of the new gadgets can keep up with the weather, have a fish finder, a depth chart, and all of the buttons and bows to make a comfortable day. Many are on the market, it only depends on how much money you want to invest to get all of the wonders of the fishing world.

I heard from one freshwater angler this week who wanted me to mention that the Suwannee River has over 200 miles of freshwater fishing.

Speckled trout are on the run. Anglers are chasing them all over Tampa Bay with catches of 26 inches. Legal not less than 15 in. more than 20 in except one can be over 20 in. per person. We are in

the southwest division, with four per day.

With our warm weather still beaming in October, we have many species of fish in all waterways. Because of the warm waters, Cobia are still traveling free and have not gone into warmer waters. Those catching a Cobia this week tell me that it took them 45 minutes to land the fish and if you fish for this

game fish, you better have muscle, because they do give you a work out. This fish is edible.

Flounder catches have been plentiful this week. This is a flat fish with one eye, a fish that has lean white meat. They are a problem to fillet, but are well worth it as they can be cooked in many ways, even stuffed with crab meat. Some anglers put a nail at the tip of this fish to hold him on the cutting board to make filleting easier.

I have seen many kayaks in the river, some with space for one and others with two or more spaces. One person told me that he takes his kayak to work each day on his truck and on the way home, weather permitting, he fishes until dark usually catching his dinner. Kayaks don't use gas. Once you buy it, that is the end of the expense. You can launch it by yourself and the upkeep is simple. You can fish in spots that boats cannot go. It is a great way to fish. Try it, and you will never buy a fishing boat again.

A group leaving Williams Park for night fishing told me they have a contest going. It is the one who does not catch a fish who buys breakfast, instead of the one who

catches the most fish.

This is the time of the year that our waterways are teeming with all species of fish. Just go out and drop a line, you will get some type of fish every time.

\*Always fish together, watch the weather, fish at home and don't roam.

## Ruskin Eagles Aerie 4351

1205 1st St. S.W.

- Monday Night..... Bingo
- Tuesday Night..... Bar Cards
- Friday Night ..... FYN (Feather Your Nest)
- Saturday Night, Oct. 20 ..... 1 p.m. Meat Raffle  
2 p.m. Motorcycle Races  
5 p.m. Mexican Dinner  
6:30 p.m. Live Entertainment
- Sunday..... 2-6 p.m. Free hot dogs during football



### Corr Elementary announces their Terrific Kids

Respect was the character trait recognized in the following students: Pre-K – Oscar Alvaredo Martino, Madison Carrico; K – Valerie Jaimes, Jaicee Cheadle, Zarius Lemons, Dominic Guzman, Layla Whaley, Kendal Gray, Gabriella Blackmon, Kaleb Peyton, Saul Santos-Sanchez ; 1st – Genesis Barahona, Aliana Santana, Angelise Rosello, Dominic Maldonado, Jennifer Robinson, Douglas Suzukovich, Nancy Chen, Hayden Jordan; 2nd – Kennedy Reed, Jesus Rodriguez, Lucas Duenas, Aaliyah Joiner, Joshua Nesmith, Christopher Wilson, Carlos Guzman, Emmalee Mikulis; 3rd – Mariana Rodriguez-Alarcon, Matthew Galeano, Kylie Peyton, Beyonce Plaisir, Katelyn Walden, Tierra Pryor, Yesenia Florez; 4th – David Muniz, Julian Rodriguez, Ava Furby, Kimberly Lozano, Giselle Valdez – Ramirez, Olivia Dejesus, Jocelyn Medina, Donovan Dubuisson; 5th – Morgan Brady, Jayla Murray, Kylah Thomas, Joshua Sanchez, Olga Benitez, Kimberly Lozano.

# Hello SAVINGS

UnitedHealthcare® is here for you. With \$0 Medicare Advantage plan premiums\*, you don't pay any more than you do for Original Medicare — you just get a whole lot more.

Join me in your neighborhood to learn more about Medicare Advantage and Part D choices, including AARP® MedicareComplete® plans, insured through UnitedHealthcare.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

10/23/2012, 10 am	10/24/2012, 10 am	10/30/2012, 10 am	10/31/2012, 10 am	11/6/2012, 10 am	11/7/2012, 10 am
Chamber of Commerce	Best Western - Brandon	Chamber of Commerce	Best Western - Brandon	Chamber of Commerce	Best Western - Brandon
1651 SCC Plaza	9331 E Adamo Drive	1651 SCC Plaza	9331 E Adamo Drive	1651 SCC Plaza	9331 E Adamo Drive
Sun City Center, FL 33573	Tampa, FL 33619	Sun City Center, FL 33573	Tampa, FL 33619	Sun City Center, FL 33573	Tampa, FL 33619

Call me to RSVP for a meeting, schedule a home visit or enroll today.

Linda Guerriere 813-532-3137, TTY 711

www.MyUHCagent.com/linda.guerriere

Contracted, independent licensed agent authorized to offer products within the UnitedHealthcare® Medicare Solutions portfolio.

**AARP** | MedicareComplete  
insured through UnitedHealthcare



A UnitedHealthcare® Medicare Solution

\*You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium, if not otherwise paid for under Medicaid or by another third party. ††Over 534,000 physicians and 5,500 hospitals as of June 15, 2012

The benefit information provided is a brief summary, not a complete description of benefits. For more information contact the plan. Limitations, copayments, and restrictions may apply. Benefits, formulary, pharmacy network, premium and/or co-payments/coinsurance may change on January 1 of each year. If you prefer, you can contact UnitedHealthcare® Medicare Solutions directly for more information or to enroll at 1-800-850-8197, TTY 711, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. local time, 7 days a week. Or visit our website at www.AARPMedicareComplete.com. A sales person will be present with information and applications. For accommodation of persons with special needs at sales meetings, call 813-532-3137, TTY 711. The AARP® MedicareComplete® plans are insured through UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company and its affiliated companies, a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract.

UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company pays royalty fees to AARP for the use of its intellectual property. These fees are used for the general purposes of AARP. AARP and its affiliates are not insurers. You do not need to be an AARP member to enroll. AARP encourages you to consider your needs when selecting products and does not make specific product recommendations for individuals. AARP does not employ or endorse agents, producers or brokers.

**SouthShore Regional Library**

**Adult program/event highlights**

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

**■ Excel: Calculations, Charts and Graphs**

Thursday, Oct. 18 - 12:15 to 2:30 p.m. Learn about the functions and complex formulas and how to use them in calculations. Create and format charts from data for visual emphasis. Previous experience with Microsoft Excel is recommended. Limit: 20

**■ Book Discussion: "The Dovekeepers" by Alice Hoffman**

Thursday, Oct. 18 - 2 to 3:30 p.m. Based on a tragic and iconic event, Hoffman's novel is a spellbinding tale of four extraordinarily bold, resourceful and sensuous women, each of whom has come to Masada by a different path. The lives of these four complex and fiercely independent women intersect in desperate days. All are dovekeepers, and all are also keeping secrets about who they are, where they come from, who fathered them, and whom they love.

**■ No Fuss Foods: Hello Veggies!**

Friday, Oct. 19 - 11 a.m. to noon; Monday, Oct. 22 - 6 to 7 p.m. Learn how to cook vegetables to maximize their flavor with Rowena Sjovald in this fun cooking demonstration. Free samples! Seating limit: 20. Register in advance at the Information Desk or call 273.3652. Funding provided by the Friends of the SouthShore Regional Library

**■ Internet: Viruses, Spyware, Phishing Scams and More!**

Tuesday, Oct. 23 - 12:15 to 2:30 p.m. Learn how to surf the Internet while avoiding

common scams and pitfalls that can compromise your security. Learn about different types of malicious software, how they get on the personal computer, how to remove them, and precautions to take when using the internet. Limit: 20

**■ Star Party\***

Tuesday, Oct. 23 - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Enjoy an evening of astronomy and stargazing. Astronomy enthusiast, Craig MacDougal, will lead a brief discussion on stars, planets and moons. Immediately following will be an outside viewing of the night sky through telescopes as we search for these celestial wonders.

**■ eBooks for PC, Mac, Nook, Kobo, Sony and other eReaders**

Wednesday, Oct. 24 - 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Learn how to check out and download free library eBooks to read onto a PC, Mac, Nook, Kobo, Sony and other eReaders. Explore Adobe Digital Editions and learn how to check out a Library eBook using OverDrive and Freading. Limit: 20 Presented by the Tampa Bay Library Consortium

**■ Deaf and Hearing Connection Telephone Distribution**

Wednesday, Oct. 24 - 1 to 3 p.m. Presented by Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc. (FTRI). FTRI provides free specialized equipment and training to qualified Florida residents who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired. The equipment enables them to place and receive phone calls.

**■ English Conversation Class**

Wednesday, Oct. 24 - 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.

**■ SouthShore Needle People**

Wednesday, Oct. 24 - 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 us questions!

\*Funding provided by the Friends of the SouthShore Regional Library

**Mystery Map Event returns**

The 15th Annual Mystery Map Event at Little Manatee River State Park is Saturday, Oct. 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Wimauma.

Hikers & Horseback riders (BYOH) will enjoy the "Country Fair" themed activities trail. A \$25 donation for those entering the event includes lunch. Other attendees are welcome to enjoy the food, music, booths and raffles. There will also be prizes for hikers or riders who match Mystery time. Proceeds benefit the park. For more info, call (813) 677-9291 or (813) 634-8716. Special needs office: (813) 671-5005.

**Ruskin Branch Library**

**Adult Computer Classes for the Technologically Challenged**

Ruskin Branch Library is located at 1 Dickman Drive S.E., Ruskin.

**■ eBay: Helpful Tips •**

**October 25 • 3 p.m.** - Topics include bidding, proxy bidding and My eBay. Basic mouse and keyboarding skills are recommended. SummerTech!

**■ eBay: Selling Tips • October**

**26 • 3 p.m.** - Topics include selling, fees, listing types, pricing and research. eBay account required and basic mouse/keyboarding skills are

recommended. FallTech.

**■ eBooks And eReaders: An Introduction • October 30 • 3**

**p.m.** - Have a new eReader or interested in getting one? Learn which devices can download the library's free eBooks and how to load eBooks onto various types of eReaders. Discover the library's large selection of eBooks in various formats! SpringTech!

**■ Computer Tutor • Oct. 31 • 5:30 p.m.** - Tutoring in Microsoft software, email, and the Internet.



**Military Ball Nov. 10 in Sun City Center**

Saturday, Nov. 10 the Sun City Center Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW), will host a Formal Military Ball, starting with a social hour at 5 p.m., at the Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd. Attendance is open to all (prior military service is not a requirement).

The Ball will feature a Patriotic Program, hors d'oeuvres before a served dinner, entertainment, and dancing. Dining and dancing configuration and the Community Hall will be limited to 40 tables of eight. Formal dress is encouraged (military, black tie, dark business suit) wearing military decorations is also encouraged.

Dinner, featuring combined entrée of chicken and filet medallions, will be served by Banquet Masters. Music and dancing provided by Bob Boyd and the 42nd Street Orchestra.

This is a BYOB event; however, wine for toasting will be provided. Cost is \$50 per person. Check should be made payable to MOWW.

To confirm if there is seating available call Frank Zahrobsky at 642-9820 or Paul Wheat at 634-7777.

October Specials

**Golf Club at Cypress Creek**  
**1011 Cypress Village Blvd. • Ruskin**  
 Please call for reservation  
**813-440-4576 Ext. 2**

**EXCLUSIVE**

**Wednesday Night  
Prime Rib Buffet**

**\$17.95**

*All you can eat*

Prime Rib plus two  
more entree choices  
with all the trimmings.

Homestyle Early Bird Specials  
THURS., FRI. & SAT. 4 - 6 p.m.

Ground Sirloin Filet with Mushroom Au Jus .....	<b>\$11<sup>95</sup></b>
3-Piece Fried Chicken Dinner.....	<b>\$9<sup>95</sup></b>
Pasta Pomadora with Chicken .....	<b>\$12<sup>95</sup></b>
Fried Fish with Hushpuppies.....	<b>\$9<sup>95</sup></b>
Liver & Onions.....	<b>\$9<sup>95</sup></b>
Pork Chop Marsala.....	<b>\$12<sup>95</sup></b>

All served with Rice or Mashed Potatoes and Vegetable.  
Includes Salad and Dessert.

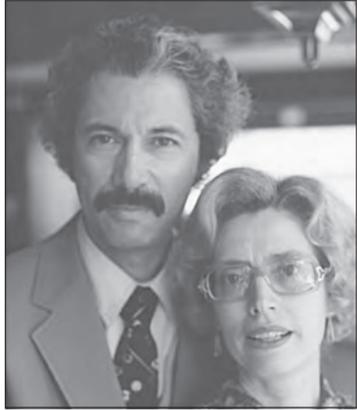
All pricing does not include sales tax

Area Obituaries

Susie Dell

4/26/50 – 10/9/12

Susie Dell, a resident of central Florida since 1954, quietly went from the presence of her friends and family into the presence of her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Susie became a follower of Jesus in her living room, along with her mom, Ms. Edna, in February, 2000. Susie and her mom were faithful members of Southside Baptist Church as long as their health allowed and then, while confined at home or in assisted living, they continued in sweet fellowship with their Savior. She leaves behind a host of cousins, aunts, and uncles.



Donna Medeck Gokhale

May 1, 1930 - June 3, 2012

Julian Madhu Gokhale

Oct. 11, 1930 - Sept. 18, 2012

Donna Medeck Gokhale worked as a budget analyst for the United States Navy in the aircraft carrier project management office in the Bureau of Ships from 1948 to 1985. She received a business degree from George Washington University.

Julian Madhu Gokhale was a personnel specialist with the Department of Agriculture prior to becoming Chief of Employment in the Office of Economic Opportunity, which encompassed Head Start, the Job Corps and VISTA. He received an MA in History from the University of Pennsylvania.

Donna and Julian were fans of jazz, favoring progressive, improvisational styles. They were collectors of old vinyl LPs of the classic swing bands (Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw, Tommy Dorsey). While living many years in Washington DC near Dupont Circle, they haunted the book stores of the area to supplement their book and CD collections and ate with friends frequently in the multiple restaurants in the area. Snowbirds for many years, they moved permanently to Sun City Center, FL in 2005 where they took an active role in their condo development's owners association.

Donna and Julian were married for 46 years. She died on their anniversary day this year from the effects of a brain tumor; Julian grieved deeply for her and died four months later suffering from multiple myeloma. Julian has one sister, Adrienne G. Cannon of Alexandria, VA. Donna and Julian will be interred together in Mansion Memorial Park cemetery in Ellenton, FL after a memorial service January 13 at the Sun City Center Clubhouse. Contributions may be sent to George Washington University and University of Pennsylvania.

Seeds from the Sower

by: Michael A. Guido, D.D. Metter, GA

Some children were teasing a redheaded classmate. One taunted, "Why do you have red hair when your brothers and sisters have brown hair?"

"My parents adopted me," he said proudly.

"What do you mean adopted?" asked another.

"I grew up in my mom's heart instead of her tummy," he explained.

Long ago, even before He made the world, the Bible tells us that God chose us to be His very own, and made a place for us in His heart.

Ever since we were born, He has kept His eyes upon us, His ears open to us and His arms outstretched for us. And He says to each of us, "I have loved you with an everlasting love."

Have you accepted His love and been adopted into His family? His arms are open and He is waiting for you.

Find more stories like this at: [www.SowerMinistries.org](http://www.SowerMinistries.org).

Mary Givens Hankinson

Mary Givens Hankinson, 95, of Apollo Beach, FL, passed away Oct. 13, 2012 at Cypress Creek Assisted Living Facility. She was born in Augusta, GA, and was a graduate of Furman University. She was an elementary school teacher for Pinellas County School System for 20 years and later retired from the Internal Revenue Service after 10 years of service. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Parrish, FL.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 69 years, Wade Hankinson, Sr., and her daughter-in-law Linda Hankinson. Survivors include three sons, Wade Owen Hankinson, Jr. of Bradenton, FL, Lloyd Edgar (Ann) Hankinson of Sarasota, FL, and Barry Stephen (Jamie) Hankinson of Apollo Beach FL; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 18, at Faith Lutheran Church, 9608 U.S. Hwy. 301 N, Parrish FL. Interment will be at Memorial Park Cemetery, St. Petersburg, FL.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Faith Lutheran Church in Parrish. Arrangements by Sun City Center Funeral Home, Sun City Center.

Beverly E. Havens

Beverly E. "Becky" Havens, 78, of Sun City Center passed away Oct. 11, 2012. She was born in Lackawanna, NY to Wilmer and Mertie Havens. She retired from Delevan Electronics as a quality control inspector and was a volunteer at South Bay Hospital for 10 years, U2 volunteer, friends of the Hospital, and member of the Red Hatters.

Survivors include three brothers, Donald, Wendell and Kenneth Havens, and her sister, Bea Wassel. Donations in her name may be made to Sun City Center Hospice House, 3725 Upper Creek Dr., Ruskin FL 33570.

Private Service will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Sun City Center Funeral Home, Sun City Center, FL.

Can you hear me now?

United Community Church, 1501 La Jolla Ave., Sun City Center has installed the Hearing Induction Loop System in its Sanctuary and Great Hall. This enhancement is an upgrade to the audio system in the church to aid the members and guests who are hard of hearing. The Loop is the only system that sends the voices of the minister (or any speakers), organ, choir and all church activities from microphones directly into a hearing aid or cochlear implant. The system provides the clearest, cleanest sound imaginable and does not require a headset, as it works with the T-Coil or Telecoil that most hearing aids come equipped with. A T-coil is a tiny wireless receiver inside hearing aids and it is accessible via the programming button or switch on your hearing device.

Hearing aid wearers who have never used their T-coils, are recommended to consult their audiologist or hearing aid specialist to confirm it has been activated and to learn how to access it.

In Memoriums

In Memoriam

It is hard to believe that three years ago we lost a young man who brought so much happiness to this world.

Jessie aka "VITO" Driggers ... just thinking about you brings many smiles. You may have left our sight, but you are in our thoughts daily and your light shines bright. Your memory is our keepsake, with which we will never part. God has you in his keeping and we have you in our Hearts!! ... Always and Forever we LOVE and MISS you more than words can ever explain. Thank you for being YOU!

Sending you BIG HUGS, Mom, Dad, Courtney, Ninny, Donny, Mandy Daegan & Dawson

In Loving Memory



Albert K. Hendricks

10/12/1938 - 4/13/2012

You left us so suddenly that we never had a chance to say goodbye. We will remember you for all of the wonderful things you did for us, and others. You were modest and a hard worker. Rest in Peace with your mother and father, and sister, and last but not least, have a long talk with your son, Michael.

And we have just three months to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary. Until we meet again, your wife Betty and children Peter, Darlene, Pam and Melissa.

*With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in God's likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers, this should not be.*

James 3:9-10

Area Places of Worship

Ruskin United Methodist Church

First Street & 4th Ave. NW, Ruskin (behind Suntrust Bank)  
ALL ARE WELCOME TO COME AND WORSHIP WITH US:  
SUNDAY MORNINGS: Nov. - April..... 8:30 a.m. Day Care Available  
Rev. Richard Nussel and All Year..... 10:45 a.m. Mon. - Fri.  
Phone: 645-1241 Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
call 645-6198

Friendship Baptist Church

WEEKLY SERVICES:  
Rance Goad, Pastor (Southern Baptist)  
1511 El Rancho Dr. Sunday 9 a.m. Bible Study  
Sun City Center, FL 33573 11 a.m. Bible Study  
Phone/Fax: 10 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship  
813-633-5950 Wednesday 6 p.m. Prayer Meeting/Bible Study

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA

701 Valley Forge Blvd. • Sun City Center, FL 33573-5354  
Rev. Robert G. Wiley, Interim Pastor  
Telephone: 813-634-1292 • Website: [scredeester.org](http://scredeester.org)  
Worship Services on Sunday 10 a.m.  
Holy Communion First & Third Sunday • Bible Class Thursday 10 a.m.

Unity COMMUNITY OF JOY

Spirituality Rather Than "Religion"  
Henry Gibson Social Hall, Beth Israel Synagogue Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.  
1115 Del Webb E. • Sun City Center, FL 813-298-7745  
[www.unitycommunityofjoy.com](http://www.unitycommunityofjoy.com)

First Baptist Church of Gibsonton

"We love because He first loved us." 1 John 4:19  
Traditional Worship Service \*Sunday School 9:30 A.M.  
Old-Time Gospel Hymns \*Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.  
Nursery Available Sunday Evening 6:00 P.M.  
\* Interpreter for the Deaf Mid-Week (Wed.) 7:00 P.M.  
9912 Indiana St. • Hwy 41 & Estelle Avenue Malcolm S. Clements, Pastor  
Gibsonton, FL 33534 813-677-1301

Prince of Peace Catholic Church

702 Valley Forge Blvd., SCC, FL 33573  
Phone: 634-2328 • Fax: 633-6670  
www.popcc.org  
Masses: Sunday..... 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon  
Saturday Vigil..... 4:00 & 6:00 p.m.  
Daily..... 8:00 a.m.  
Confessions: Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m. and Sat. 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

NORTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

"Loving God, Loving Others, Serving Beyond Borders"  
Sunday School (all ages)..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship .... 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday (all ages) ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Dr. Samuel (Sam) A. Roach, Pastor  
1301 U.S. Hwy. 41 N., Ruskin, FL • 645-1121 • [www.nbc.org](http://www.nbc.org)

UNITED COMMUNITY CHURCH - United Church of Christ

1501 La Jolla Ave., Sun City Center, FL 33573-5329  
A Caring Church United in God's Love Serving Our Community  
ALL ARE WELCOME!  
Rev. Dr. Louis D. Leone • Worship Service 10:00 a.m.  
(813) 634-1304 • [www.uccnsc.org](http://www.uccnsc.org)

Welcome to the: South Hillsborough Church of Christ

EVERETT TATE, MINISTER  
1611 First St. SW • Ruskin, FL • 645-7607  
—NON-INSTRUMENTAL—  
SERVICES: Sunday.....9:30 & 10:30 a.m.; 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship: Blended 8:00 a.m.  
Nursery Provided Contemporary 9:40 a.m.  
Pastor Jack R. Palzer Traditional 11:15 a.m.  
Assoc. Pastor Derek Hoven  
5309 U.S. Highway 41 North • Apollo Beach  
(across from MiraBay) [www.calvarylutheranchurch.net](http://www.calvarylutheranchurch.net) 645-1305

The United Methodist Church of Sun City Center

1210 Del Webb Blvd West • 634-2539  
<http://www.sccumc.com>  
Come Grow & Belong  
Worship Services: SUNDAY  
The United Methodist Church  
8:15 a.m. Sanctuary (Communion Service)  
9:15 a.m. Creason Hall (Oasis Contemporary)  
10:55 a.m. Sanctuary (Traditional with Choir & Bells)  
Pages of Life 11:00 a.m. Hispanic Worship  
Bookstore 633-8595 4:00 p.m. Hispanic Worship  
FREE Nursery Provided  
Senior Pastor: Dr. Warren Langer  
Assistant Pastor: Rev. Robert Chaple

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of SCC

Meets in the Henry Gibson Social Hall of the Beth Israel Synagogue • 1115 E. Del Webb Blvd.  
Thursday, 7:00 PM • Call 633-0396 • [www.uuofsc.org](http://www.uuofsc.org)  
Faith has nothing to fear from thinking.  
— Albert Schweitzer

Changing Services? Having a special event?  
Advertise it in the Observer News, SCC Observer and the Current.  
Just call (813) 645-3111 and ask to speak to sales representative

# Area Places of Worship

*Spiritual Leader*  
**Rev. Sue Meixner**  
**813-362-0806**  
 sue@alterways.com



**Sunday Service 11:00 a.m.**  
 Sun City Center  
 Chamber of Commerce  
 1651 Sun City Center Plaza

**New Thought Church Religious Science/SOM**

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
**INVITES YOU TO SERVICES AT OUR NEW LOCATION**  
**1707 33rd Street SE, SCC/Ruskin • 813-938-4955**  
 10:30 a.m. SUNDAYS

**NO CREED...BUT CHRIST**  
**NO BOOK...BUT THE BIBLE**

Minister - DR. DAVID CAMPBELL

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 of RUSKIN, FL

**CELEBRATING our 75th ANNIVERSARY**

**820 College Ave. W. • Ruskin, FL 33570**  
**645-6439**

www.fbcofruskin.org • A Resource for Families

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship ..... 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
 Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Night Service ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 Awana ..... 7:00 p.m.



Dr. Barry Rumsey  
**CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**  
 K-2 Through 12th Grade

**Southside Baptist Church**  
*"A Warm, Loving & Friendly Church"*  
 Looking for a church home?  
 Need the comfort of a warm and loving family?  
 Join us on Sunday to come home to the warmth of our church family.  
 Located in South Hillsborough County, just south of Stephens Road in old Sun City.  
**4208 U.S. Hwy. 41 S • Sun City, FL 33586 • 813-645-4085**

"Getting to Know You" (Donuts & Coffee).....9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:55 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Evening Service.....7:00 p.m.  
 Thursday Morning Prayer.....10:00 a.m.

**Dan Collis, Pastor**  
*Come join us to learn about God's Word and salvation in Jesus Christ*

**First Church of Christ, Scientist**  
**204 2nd St. N.W. • Ruskin, FL 33570 • (813) 645-6102**  
*Christian Science Heals*

Sunday Service.....10:00 a.m.  
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday Service.....5:00 p.m.  
 Reading Room..... Wednesday 4 to 4:45 p.m.

**All Are Welcome**

**St. Andrew Presbyterian Church**  
**Sunday Services 9:30 a.m.**  
**Contemporary Service 11:00 a.m.**  
 Prayers with anointing for healing and wholeness during worship the second Sunday of every month.

**Pastor: Rev. Dr. Mark E. Salmon**  
*Meet friends in Fellowship Hall between Services.*  
*Refreshments served.*

1239 Del Webb Blvd. West  
 Sun City Center, FL 33573  
 Church is Handicap accessible

Phone: 813-634-1252  
 For information visit:  
 www.standrewatssc.org

**Saint Anne Catholic Church**  
 SouthShore: Apollo Beach, Ruskin, Sun City and S. Gibsonton



U.S. Hwy. 41  
 106 11th Ave. NE  
 Ruskin  
 813-645-1714  
 SaintAnneRuskin.org

Very Rev. John F. McEvoy, V.F.

**MASSES**

Vigil Mass.....Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday Mass.....8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (Contemporary)  
 Monday thru Friday.....8:00 a.m.  
 Holy Days.....Contact Parish Office for Schedule  
 Español.....Domingo - 12:30 p.m.; Jueves 7:00 p.m.  
 Confession.....Thursday 6:15 p.m.; Saturday 3:45 p.m.

## Southside Baptist pastor retires

The Reverend Dan Collis will retire as full-time pastor at Southside Baptist Church in Sun City Center, effective Oct. 28.

Collis attended New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and when he retired from the National Weather Service in Ruskin, he was called into full-time ministry at the church. He has been pastor of the church since April 1998.

His future plans include serving with Southern Baptist Florida Disaster Relief as a Chaplain Trainee, and working as a volunteer at disaster sites, ministering to those in need.

The worship service starts at 11 a.m. on Oct. 28, and a reception will be held after the service. Everyone who knows 'Pastor Dan' is invited to attend.



Reverend Dan Collis

## Trunk or Treat Halloween party



The First Apostolic Church in Ruskin is throwing a Trunk or Treat Halloween Alternative Block Party from 3 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27. Activities include games, prizes, music, bonfire, outside movie and other such family fun. And, of course, there will be candy.

The First Apostolic Church is located at 1820 30th St. SE in Ruskin.

## Chicken dinner at Ruskin United Methodist Church

Ruskin United Methodist Men will sponsor a chicken dinner on Saturday, Oct. 27, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m..

The cost is \$7 per person, and the location is 105 4th Ave. NW, Ruskin (located one block behind the SunTrust Bank)

For more information, call (813) 645-1241, Monday through Thursday, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

## Yummy bake sale planned

A huge bake sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 2 and Saturday, Nov. 3, at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church as a part of their Sidewalk Sale. Carol Anderson and Margie Blair are this year's Bake Sale Co-chairmen. Wilma Schafer started the sale eight years ago and served as its chairman for many years. For sale at bargain prices will be pies, cakes, brownies, cookies, and other goodies. Also, a room will be set aside in the church for coffee and single-serve items from among the baked goods. The church is located at 1239 Del Webb Blvd. West in Sun City Center.

## The McDonald Family Singers to return

The Fun Brigade has invited the McDonald Family Singers back this year for another concert in the church's sanctuary. This special occasion will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 17 at the United Community Church, 1501 La Jolla Ave., Sun City Center.

The McDonald Family will be presenting a free concert with various styles of music by Victor and Laurie and their seven home-schooled children ages 11-26, from Orange, Massachusetts. Working together in family harmony, their musical presentation includes bluegrass gospel, acapella, brass, instrumentals, sacred classical and more.

You can also visit their website (<http://www.macdonaldfamilyingers.com/>) for more information about the family and listen to some of their music.

Everyone is welcome to attend this concert and admission is free. There will be members of the Fun Brigade collecting a free-will offering for the family. Church doors will open one hour prior to the concert.

For further information, call Paula Lickfeldt at 813-633-6739 or Karl Buffington at 813-634-7062.



Bill Richards, Sr. (left) with Fr. John McEvoy.

## St. Anne Honors Bill Richards, Sr.

St. Anne Catholic Church in Ruskin recently paid tribute to Bill Richards, Sr. for his more than 20 years of service to the St. Anne Food Pantry.

Back in the late 1980s, the pastor at the time, Father Ed Lamp, saw the need for such a facility, and Bill answered the invitation. He took on the responsibility of organizing, coordinating, and supervising the activities necessary to make it a reality. He oversaw its development, food acquisition, funding, stocking, staffing, and distribution of both non-perishable and perishable foods and household staples. Over the years, many members of St. Anne Parish have volunteered in the Food Pantry, some working five days a week.

Bill is being recognized for "Outstanding Dedication and Service to the Ruskin Community" through the St. Anne Food Pantry. He retired from these responsibilities on July 1, 2012. To ensure a smooth transition of leadership, the current pastor, Fr. McEvoy, with his Parish Pastoral Council, appointed a committee comprised of Paul Wiskotoni, Bill Wooley and Dick McCaffery. Bill was also recognized for his help in creating a legacy of faith for the future in helping to renovate the former Parish Center into a facility to instruct the growing parish's children and adults.

## A safe & fun-filled, one-stop alternative to trick-or-treating



From tots to teens, youngsters throughout the community are invited to join their friends and neighbors for an early evening of free fun and food. First United Methodist Church of Brandon is opening up its courtyard at 121 N. Knights Ave. on Sunday, Oct. 28 from 5 to 7 p.m. for its annual Fall Festival.

Church members will be hosting Trunk-N-Treat, a wholesome Halloween alternative featuring decorated car trunks filled with candy and other treats. Costumes are encouraged, except for those that may be scary, evil or offensive to others. Also on tap for the younger set are crafts and games of all kinds as well as inflatables, music, face painting and hayrides. In addition, children and adults alike are welcome to enjoy complimentary grilled hot dogs and hamburgers.

The event, in its fourth year, is meant as an outreach to the community and the fact that 700 - 800 attendees are expected this year is testimony of its success.

First United Methodist Church of Brandon is located just north of S.R. 60 (Brandon Blvd.), at 121 North Knights Ave., between Kings and Parsons. Call the church office at (813) 689-4161 for more details or visit [www.fumcbrandon.org](http://www.fumcbrandon.org).

**destiny CHURCH**

**Come and experience the power of Jesus to change your life.**

Sunday @ 9 & 11 AM • Servicio en Español @ 6 PM

**www.aplace4everyone.org**

2322 11th Ave. SE • Ruskin, FL • 813.645.3337



### It's time for the annual picnic

Friendship Baptist Church, 1511 El Rancho Dr., in Sun City Center continues to have their Men's breakfasts at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesdays at Denny's on SR 674. This month church members will convene for the church's annual picnic at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20. You do not have to be a member of Friendship Baptist to attend the picnic. For more information call 813-642-0911.



### St. Andrew Presbyterian to hold annual rummage sale

Shown in the photo is a small portion of the gigantic rummage sale held annually at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. This year's sale will be from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 2, and from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 3, rain or shine at 1239 Del Webb Boulevard West, in Sun City Center. The sale is held inside and outside the church and includes golf carts, indoor and outdoor furniture, organs, jewelry, tools, appliances, Christmas decorations, toys, and many miscellaneous items. The bake sale will have items to take home or enjoy onsite.

### Calling all card aficionados

The Council of Catholic Women of Prince of Peace Catholic Church invites those who like to play cards or board games to make up their own table in advance and attend the organization's monthly Dessert Card Party from noon to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 14.

The Council furnishes cards, pencils and tallies, and also offers an assortment of desserts and table and door prizes.

For more information call (813) 633-2460.

### Simmons Loop Baptist to hold auction for missions

Artisans of all types are asked to warm up their knitting needles and crochet hooks, sharpen their sewing needles and carpenter blades, fire up their kilns and forges, and dust off their canning jars to support an auction for International Missions held by Simmons Loop Baptist Church.

The auction is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 1. Those who have a skill creating homemade goods and who would like to donate to a good cause, may bring donations Nov. 25 to 29 at the church, located at 6610 Simmons Loop Rd. in Riverview. For information, call the church office at (813) 677-9310.

### Bible studies for women at Brandon Methodist

Two new Bible study classes for women started this week at First United Methodist Church in Brandon.

"Missing Pieces: Real Hope When Life Doesn't Make Sense," by Jennifer Rothschild, will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesdays.

"Conversation Peace: The Power of Transformed Speech," by Mary Kassian, is at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesdays for seven sessions.

Free on-site childcare for children younger than three is available for the Wednesday morning study with advance notification. To register, or for more information, call (813) 689-4161 or email info@fumcbrandon.org.

First United Methodist Church of Brandon is located just north of S.R. 60 (Brandon Blvd.), at 121 North Knights Avenue, between Kings and Parsons.

### Christmas Bazaar planned

There will be a Christmas Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 10 at St. John the Divine Episcopal Church, Sun City Center Church at 1015 Del Webb Blvd.

Coffee and pastries will be sold until 11 a.m., then lunch will be on sale from 11 to 2 p.m. There will be raffles, crafts, attic treasures, a Chinese auction, gift baskets, baked goods, specialty foods and Christmas items for sale. Browse, eat and look for specials and sign up for great raffles.



### NCWS supports Reddick Elementary

Principal J. Roth (left), Reddick Elementary School, and Shelley Herda, school guidance counselor, receive checks totaling \$2,139.00 from Jim Butner, Worship Leader for Nondenominational Christian Worship Services. The check was for the month of September. Herda commented, "Mr. Butner has spearheaded a Role Model program here at Reddick that teaches our 5th grade students the importance of giving back to their community and overcoming obstacles. Through these donations from NCWS, we are able to do so much more for our students and families. We are very appreciative of their support, kindness and generosity, and our students are able to be better citizens because of their involvement." For more information regarding Nondenominational Christian Worship Services, contact Jim at (813) 634-3114.

### Republican Club to discuss future

The Greater Sun City Center Republican Club will hold its regular meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 18 in the Sun City Center Chamber of Commerce Banquet Room. Social time is at 1:30 p.m. They are meeting one week earlier than usual.

The guest speaker for this meeting will be Dr. Pat Crow. Dr. Crow will speak to some of the things to expect under another Obama administration with respect to health and the economy. He will address issues that are presented as good, which in reality are bad.

Memberships are available for those wishing to become a member.

The meeting is open to all Republicans and like-minded voters.

You can also visit the club at its 2012 Victory Office located at 139 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Suite 201.

### Cats, Bats and Bones



Hillsborough County Animal Services invites the public to "fly in" on Saturday, Oct. 20 for the annual Cats, Bats & Bones bash. This day of Halloween fun and pet adoption runs from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the County shelter located at 440 N. Falkenburg Road in Tampa. Offerings include unconditional love, kid contests, and real, live bat chats!

Children attending Cats, Bats & Bones can come dressed for the kids costume parade, enter the "meow off" contest, and decorate the shelter with artwork from the creative coloring station.

In addition to adorable faces and tail-wagging deals, Cats, Bats & Bones celebrates the season with an appearance by Bat Belfrys, Inc. of Merritt Island. The non-profit organization is making a special stop in Hillsborough County as part of its mission to debunk misconceptions and promote conservation of Florida's beneficial bats. Bat Chats begin at 1:30 p.m. with a biologist on hand to answer questions, show the animals, and demonstrate why bat houses make great neighbors.

Want to give a dog a bone? Cats, Bats & Bones will give hundreds of bright-eyed dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens a chance to go trick-or-treating with the public. Animal lovers are invited to bring and distribute store-bought pet treats to lost and homeless shelter residents. For safety reasons, home-made goodies are not permitted, and owned pets should remain at home during this event.

October is national Adopt-a-Dog Month, with all dogs 30 pounds or more offered for just \$30 at Hillsborough County Animal Services, the Humane Society of Tampa Bay, and C.A.R.E. of Ruskin. Additional specials will be offered during the Cats, Bats & Bones bash, and all adoptions include spaying/neutering, vaccination, County registration tag, and micro-chip. Prospective adopters should bring valid photo ID and proof of address to Animal Services.

For more information on pet adoption and the Cats, Bats & Bones bash, contact Hillsborough County Animal Services at 813-744-5660 or log on www.hillsboroughcounty.org/animalservices.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month please reference our 'Ink on Pink' insert for quality information and local businesses supporting the fight.

**TOTAL AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE**

Servicing Sun City Center, Ruskin & Apollo Beach  
Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Saturday 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

- Same Dealer Services
- Lower Prices
- Better Care

616 U.S. Hwy. 41 S  
Ruskin, FL 33570  
813-645-4632  
www.TotalAutomotiveServices.com

We offer **MILITARY DISCOUNTS**

**OIL CHANGE \$19.95**  
14 point check-up with every oil change. Peace of mind is priceless!  
Expires 10/15/12

**SUN POINT AUTOMOTIVE**

**24-HOUR TOWING**

Free Towing to shop if we do repairs

- Tune Ups
- Oil Changes • A/C Work
- Brake Specialist
- Electronic Fuel Injection Specialist
- Complete Engine Diagnostic

**FREE DIAGNOSTICS**

AAA Emergency Services Apollo Beach • Ruskin • Sun City Center  
Se Habla Español FULLY INSURED & BONDED

**\$19.95 A/C CHECK + freon**  
Must present coupon for special price. Exp. 9/30/12

**Big "Super Battery Sale"**  
**FREE BATTERY CHECK**  
Lowest Price Ever!

**\$150 BRAKE SPECIAL**  
PER AXLE + TAX MOST CARS

**OIL CHANGE \$19.95**  
Exp. 9/30/12  
Most cars & light trucks.  
Must present coupon for special price.

813-645-7653  
2212 E. College Ave. • Ruskin (S.R. 674)  
Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
WWW.SUNPOINTAUTOANDTOWING.COM

**WOW!**

RUSKIN HAS A RENTAL CAR COMPANY!

**Econo Auto Rentals Inc.** \$19.99 PER DAY

We Pick You Up and Take You Home!

**SUN POINT AUTOMOTIVE**

813-999-4920 2212 E. College Ave. (S.R. 674) • Ruskin Se Habla Español  
Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. • www.SunPointAutoAndTowing.com

Offering Laser, Botox, Restylane and various cosmetic products & services

**MOBILE RADIATION**

**Dr. Robert A. Norman** Same Day Appointments  
Dermatologist **FREE Skin Screening**

**Dr. A. Theodosatos**  
Carole Mazzone, ARNP  
Insurance accepted: Medicare, Medicaid, BCBS, Humana, Cigna, Aetna, Amerigroup, and many more

**813-880-7546**  
10422 South U.S. Hwy. 301 • Riverview  
8002 Gunn Hwy., Tampa

Physician of the Year 2005

**NEVER PAINT, SPRAY-CRETE, STUCCO or VINYL YOUR HOUSE AGAIN™ \$1,000 Limited Discount**

Coupon worth \$1,000

OUR 7-STEP PROCESS #1 SINCE 1960

Applied over **CLIMATE PROOF COATING** Lifetime Warranty  
Spray Crete, Stucco, Wood, Block or Metal **Whole House Flex-Coated™** Lifetime Weather-Proofing

\$1895 - \$1,000 = **\$895**

Special Roof Coating Discounts 1,500 SQ. FT.  
**SPRAY-COAT EXTERIORS, INC.**  
941-739-6699 or 1-800-704-7926 Exp. 10/31/12



To place an ad call  
813.645.3111 ext. 201  
Fax: 813.645.1792  
\$17.00  
up to 20 words  
30¢ addl. word  
Deadline is Monday  
at 4pm

# THE SHOPPER

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

M & M Printing Co., Inc  
weekly publisher of the  
The Observer News, The SCC Observer and The Riverview Current  
210 Woodland Estates Ave., SW  
Ruskin, Florida 33570

- 100 Announcements
- 200 Farmer's Mkt
- 300 Merchandise
- 400 Marine
- 450 Transportation
- 500 Real Estate
- 550 Manuf. Housing
- 600 Rentals
- 650 Prof. Services
- 700 Services
- 800 Employment

### FARMER'S MKT 200

280 PETS

#### Vicky's Pet Boutique

All Breed Dog Grooming

Tuesday-Saturday  
8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Closed Monday  
38 years experience  
**(813) 641-9155**  
209 2nd St. N.W., Ruskin

#### Oliver & Company, LLC

### Full Service Pet Sitting

• Pet Sitting • Pet Taxi  
(Dogs, Cats, Birds, etc.)  
  
PSI  
Licensed  
Bonded  
Insured  
Oliver Tort & Tina Ballas  
**(813) 767-7225**  
Email: olivertort@aol.com  
www.petsit.com/oliverandcompany

### MERCHANDISE 300

310 GARAGE/YARD SALE

**Huge Garage Sale**  
Friday, Oct. 19, 9am-2pm. Homewood Residence, 3910 Galen Ct. SCC. Furniture, clothes, books & much more.

Almost New Thrift Store. 10008 Indiana St., Gibsonton (1 block off US 41, 1 block north Gibsonton Dr.) Wednesday through Saturday, 9am-3pm. Clothing, furniture, lots misc. Ministry First Baptist Gibsonton. 813-671-0036 to donate

Multi household garage sale. Saturday, Oct. 27, 8am-2pm. 301 Cranston Place SCC. St Andrews Estates

**Super Duper Extravaganza**  
sale in the parking lot, between CVS & Winn Dixie, SCC. Tools, fishing, men & women clothing, jewelry, linens, furniture, knickknacks. Grab bag \$3 (value \$25 or more) Brand name purses \$8. Vintage purse \$8 or less. Saturday, 9am-3pm.

310 GARAGE/YARD SALE

 **Community Yard Sale!**  
Saturday, Oct. 20  
Public invited to participate. Free space set-up. Come prepared to make your own change. It's YOUR sale at our location! RSVP your spot by Thursday, 10/18 by calling (813) 376-9398. Come to shop and/or make a little holiday money. Hot dog lunch \$3.00  
**First Apostolic Church**  
1820 30<sup>th</sup> St. SE • Ruskin

15505 Auburn Woods Lane Cypress Creek, Ruskin. Friday, 9am-3pm. Saturday 9am-1pm. Toys, boys clothes, tools, golf bag & balls, misc.

One day only. Oct. 19, 8am-1pm. Multi family 1029 -1101 Bluewater SCC. tools, games, scuba, Lowry organ, electronics. Treasures for all.

SCC 1601 Bentwood Dr., Friday & Saturday, 10/19 & 10/20, 8am-1pm. Lots of nice items for everyone. Come see for yourself.

Huge yard sale. Saturday 10/20, 8am-2pm. 3711 Nazimova Ave., Ruskin. US 41 to Universal. Follow signs. See Craigslist for pictures.

Saturday, 10/20. Cypress Creek Subdivision. 8429 Hunters Fork Loop, Ruskin. Household, stoves, restaurant equipment & much more.

Large amount of old records, other collectible items & lots of good stuff. Corner 17th Ave. & 1st Street SW, Ruskin. Friday & Saturday.

Yard sale. Oct. 19 & 20, 8am-noon. 735 Camellia Greens Dr., SCC. Furniture, crafts, tools & more. E/W Del Webb.

Kitchen table w/ 4 chairs, love seat, area rug 5x8 & more. One day only Saturday, 10/20, 9am-3pm. 1640 Bentwood Dr., SCC.

Garage sale. Saturday only, Oct. 20, 8:30am-1:30pm. 231 Linger Lane, SCC. Clothes, household items, furniture, misc.

**Shagos Bay Yard Sale.**  
On Apollo Beach Blvd., Oct. 20, 7am-1pm. Multi families. Furniture, sporting goods, tools, sewing machines, quilting supplies, fabric.

Riverview. Osprey Run community yard sale. Oct 20, 8am-2pm. (US 301 & Bloomingdale Ave.). Little bit of everything. Come & see!

310 GARAGE/YARD SALE

Huge Garage Sale Everything for everyone. Clothes, furniture, toys, small appliance & more. Saturday, Oct. 20, 8am-noon. 8208 Carriage Point Dr., Gibsonton. (off Symmes Rd)

 **Calvary's Angel Attic Thrift Store**  
Wed., Fri. & Saturday  
9 a.m. - Noon  
**Oct. 17, 19 & 20 Women's Sale**  
Buy 1 top, get 2 free!  
Plus - the Secret Sale  
1424 E. College Ave. • Ruskin  
**813-641-7790**  
Ministry of Calvary Lutheran Church

312 ESTATE SALES

**Estate Sale**  
Living room & bedroom furniture, TVs, all household items. Oct. 19 & 20, 8am-2pm. 210 6th Ave., SW, Ruskin.

**AAA Furniture**  
New & Gently Used Furniture  
**BUY & SELL**  
Daily Trips to SCC  
Mon.-Sat.  
9 a.m.-5 p.m.   
6819 U.S. 301 S., Riverview  
**(813) 677-8180**

**NETTIE'S ESTATE SALES**  
Cell: **382-7536**  
Personalized Service

**DON'T HASSLE WITH ESTATE SALES**  
Let us get done in one day what it takes the other guys a week to do. We will pack-up and pick-up one room or the entire house for a QUICK, PROFITABLE, TROUBLE-FREE EXPERIENCE.  
CALL **BUTTERFIELD'S AUCTIONS**  
**(813) 783-2700**  
www.ButterfieldsAuctions.com  
Butterfield Auctions AB2706/AU3549

312 ESTATE SALES

**NETTIE'S ESTATE SALES**  
Cell: (813) 382-7536  
2015 S Pebble Beach Blvd.  
Sun City Center  
Thurs. & Fri., Oct. 18 & 19  
7a.m. - NOON

**Don't Miss This Sale!**  
**Big house fully loaded!**  
Contents include: **Lowrey Grand Royale Organ** (paid over 27k), Italian glass & brass sofa, coffee, and end tables, **Thomas Kinkade** figurines, round dinette set, **La-Z-Boy** rocker/recliners, **Lane** swivel rocker/recliner, **Clayton Marcus** sleeper sofa, antique bow-front china cabinet, glass-top kitchen table w/chairs on casters, wall unit, rattan etagere, leather-top desk w/ chair, a variety of lamp tables & desks, twin trundle bed, four-post full bedroom set, cedar chest, armoire, beautiful ladies clothing, glassware and collectibles, art, kitchenware, home decor, tools and garage items.

**Don't miss our other sale**  
**Fri. & Sat., Oct. 19 & 20 at 1119 Villeroy Drive (off Platinum Dr.)**  
Please park on side of sale due to emergency vehicles.

**NETTIE'S ESTATE SALES**  
Cell: (813) 382-7536  
1119 Villeroy Drive  
(off Platinum Dr.)  
Sun City Center  
**FRIDAY & SATURDAY**  
Oct. 19th & 20th  
7 a.m. - NOON

Please note date and time.  
**Contents Include:**  
Beautiful cherry dining room table with chairs, cherry buffet, green swivel rocker/recliners, Broyhill floral sofa and matching loveseat, wall unit, glass-top coffee & end table, kitchen table w/ chairs on casters, computer desk, Yamaha piano, king sz (two beds) adjustable bedroom set, side chairs, Whirlpool refrigerator, kitchenware, household & misc. items.  
**Don't miss our other sale**  
**Thur. & Fri., Oct. 18 & 19 at 2015 S. Pebble Beach Blvd.**  
Please park on side of sale due to emergency vehicles.

312 ESTATE SALES

**DENNEY'S ESTATE SALES**  
  
Se Habla Español  
• Licensed •  
www.denneysestatesales.com  
**(813) 477-1793**

### BEVERLY'S ESTATE SALES

#### SUN CITY CENTER

Your home will be staged for best results. Working in Sun City Center for 26 years.  
Please feel free to call about the sale or its contents.  
Bonded • Licensed  
**Cell: 508-0307 or Eve: 633-1173**

### Anne's Estate Sales

**Friday & Saturday**  
**Oct. 19th & 20th (7 - noon)**  
1812 Del Webb East • SCC  
**(813) 758-7952 or (813) 758-7954**

**Furniture:** queen bed, white wicker sofa, full bed, rocking chair, sewing cabinet  
**Dyson vac, end & coffee tables, iron garden bench; Collectibles:** Toby mugs, custom jewelry, miniature car collection, tea cup collection, lots of artwork;  
**Miscellaneous:** Polaris telescope, lots of tools, ladies clothing, household, kitchen & miscellaneous.  
**Park on side of sale only.**  
www.AnnesEstateSales.blogspot.com

330 FURNITURE

2 green La-Z-Boy swivel rocker recliners \$50 each. Cream color sofa \$125. Near perfect condition. Call 813-418-2726

Queen bedroom: triple dresser/ mirror, headboard, nightstand, mattress, box spring. \$225. Also chairs, lamps, end tables & more. Call 813-641-2356

360 GOLF CARTS

Golf carts wanted. Buy sell, trade. Chargers, parts all related. Ronny's Carts & Parts. 813-484-9855 or 813-645-4515

395 WANTED TO BUY

I buy pre-1965 kitchenware, fishing gear, pocketknives, tools, toys, books, cans, tins, Singer sewing machines & more. Jeff. 813-645-4337

**AUCTION**  
**Fri., Oct. 19**  
Preview 6-7 p.m. • Auction 7-10 p.m.  
431 19th Ave. NE, Ruskin  
**J&P Auction Fever**  
Jim and Pete 813-601-0983 or 813-625-4240  
Visit our website for complete list of items to be auctioned:  
**jandpauctionfever.com**  
Fred Vandergraaf, Life Member A.N.A., F.U.N. Lic.#AU448 AB269

**Quality Wicker & Rattan Furniture**  
2711 N. Macdill Ave. • Tampa, FL 33607 • 813-876-1566  
HOURS: Mon.-Fri. 10-6  
Closed Weekends  
**We re-cover or make new cushions**  
Quality Furniture at Affordable Prices  
• Dining • Seating • Bedroom • Patio • Much More  
www.QualityWicker.com  
DELIVERY AVAILABLE  
SOMETHING FOR EVERY ROOM INSIDE AND ALL AREAS OUTSIDE  
Call for Directions

**MARINE  
400**

**425 SLIPS OR STORAGE**

South Bay RV & Boat Storage. Specializing in outside storage for RVs, boats & trailers. 813-677-2000 www.SouthBay-Storage.com

Little Manatee Outdoor Storage. RVs, boats, trailers. All sizes. 2903 39th Ave., SE. Ruskin. 813-361-3725.

**TRANSPORTATION  
450**

**455 AUTOMOBILES**

2002 Lexus GS 300 four door sedan. One owner, 10,500 miles. Always garaged. Leather, fully loaded, perfect condition. \$9,900. 813-633-1332

**TRUCKS AND VANS**

2000 Dodge Grand Caravan, V6, 3.3L, 186K, \$1,800. Riverview/ Avelar Creek. Cell 561-281-0289

**REAL ESTATE  
500**

**511 HOUSES FOR SALE**

**House For Sale**

Best location in SCC. Situated on beautiful south lake. 2br/2ba, approx 1,500sf. Ready to move-in. If interested call 813-634-7082

**Place a Garage/  
Yard Sale Ad \$17.<sup>00</sup>  
for 20 Words  
Call Beverly  
813-645-3111 ext.201**

**511 HOUSES FOR SALE**

RE/MAX South Shore Realty  
**Roberta Rowe, Realtor**  
Cell: 813-215-7127

**HAMPTON** exp., KP on golf course, screened lanai, large laundry room, carport..... **\$57,500**  
**1BR/1.5BA** Andover, WD, furn..... **\$16,000**  
**2BR/2BA** Bedford, furnished, enclosed lanai, washer/dryer..... **\$29,000**

**RENTALS**

**2BR/2BA** furn., close to clubhouse.....from **\$700** month  
**1BR/1.5BA** W/D hook-up..... **\$550** month

■ **RUSKIN OFFICES & WAREHOUSES FOR RENT** 5 acres cleared & fenced with 6-office building, workshop, chemical shed, warehouse and fuel storage: **\$3,000/mo.** Adjacent 5 acres with 3 large greenhouses, propane heaters, irrigation and 2,500 s.f. seed house: **\$2,000/mo.** Call for details.

■ **GREAT DOUBLEWIDE on 1/2 acre lot:** 2BR/2BA + small den, huge MBR & MBA, dinette off kitchen, spacious living-dining room leading to enclosed sun room, screened porch, utility shed, attached and detached carport, sheds. No HOA. Not in flood zone. **\$65,000.**

■ **2.3 ACRES WITH 2 MOBILE-HOMES, RUSKIN:** One M/H is 2BR/2BA, other is 2BR/1BA, good condition, with central heat and air, large screened porches and shed. Cleared lot with nice shady trees and a pond full of fish! Secluded, peaceful, close to shopping, hospital and restaurants. No HOA. **\$86,500.**

 **CLAIRE TORT**  
Cell: (813) 363-7250

 **DICKMAN REALTY**

**M.H. HOUSING  
550**

**555 M.H. FOR SALE**

Rent to own. Renovated mobile home 1br/1ba, small down payment, low monthly payments, Ruskin on the river. Good fishing. 317-645-3851

Reconditioned mobile homes from 8K to 35K also rentals in park. 813-671-1615 6644 US 301 S. Riverview.

**565 M.H. IN PARKS**

3br/1ba MH in 55+ park. Furnished or unfurnished. Washer/ dryer, (2) large attached enclosed rooms, carport, close to clubhouse & pool. \$9,500. Ruskin. Call Dave 813-447-6123

**RENTALS  
600**

**610 WATERFRONT RENTALS**

The Dolphin House, 768 Gran Kaymen Way, Apollo Beach, efficiency apartments on water. Boat docking/ fishing, laundry. \$185 weekly, plus \$300 deposit, utilities included. No pets. 813-863-6123

**611 HOUSES FOR RENT**

One bedroom plus loft. Cedar interior. In country near SCC. \$140 weekly plus deposit, includes basic utilities, A/C extra. 813-335-2877

2br/1ba cottage in quiet mobile home park, Ruskin. Fishing dock, rec. hall. All utilities included, first & last month rent. \$675 monthly. No pets. Call 813-493-2861 or 813-610-7515

4br/2ba Apollo Beach home, large privacy fence. \$1,150 monthly plus deposit. 813-482-6374

**55+ Community**

SCC 1br/1ba or 2br/2ba with: yard care, water, sewer, trash collection, recreation card. No smoking, no pets. 813-634-9695

4br/2ba, fully furnished, w/ appliances. no pets/ smoking. Lithia area. \$2000 monthly (excludes utilities). One month security deposit required. 401-369-2991

SCC 2br/2ba, unfurnished, covered parking. Newly renovated, 55+ Close to shopping, some amenities. 813-633-5537

**612 APTS FOR RENT**

For rent: Efficiency apartments. Weekly rates, utilities furnished 813-677-8789, 813-601-1542 or 813-516-0896

Ruskin area. 2br/1ba, very clean, washer /dryer hookup. \$675 monthly plus deposit, lawn service included. 813-244-1676

**613 CONDOS FOR RENT**

Super! Gated 1br/1.5ba 55+ Sun City Center. Full furnished, free cable, clubhouse, transportation, much more. \$700 monthly. 813-633-8083

**614 DUPLEX FOR RENT**

Riverview apt, 2br/1ba, CHA, water, maintenance included. Tile floors. \$600 monthly \$600 security. Ask for Vicky 813-548-8178 or 813-641-8400

**630 M.H. RENTALS**

One bedroom mobile home on water. Fish off dock. Utilities included \$175 weekly \$400 deposit. Ruskin 813-363-6001

One bedroom furnished, water & electric included. \$165 weekly, plus security deposit. R & M Mobile Home Park Gibsonton. 813-236-9207

**For Rent: Clean  
Mobile Homes With  
A/C. 813-677-1086**

For lease. 1br/1br mobile home in quiet park on river. No pets, \$500 monthly plus deposit. 813-645-2446

For rent. 2 bedroom mobile home near shopping center in Gibsonton. 813-677-8789, 813-601-1542 or 813-516-0896

Mobile home for rent. 1-3 bedroom, Family friendly, quiet park, Gibsonton. (Alafia St) 813-574-9103, Ruskin 813-919-0375. Se habla espanol

**E-MAIL  
Beverly@observernews.net**

**645 OFFICE SPACE**

**Sun City Center  
RETAIL/  
OFFICE SPACE  
For LEASE**

**We will not be underpriced!  
Prices starting at  
\$250 per month**

**(941) 915-1523**

**646 WAREHOUSE SPACE**

Garage & mini storage, RV lots & mobile home lots for rent. Call Pirates Treasure Cove, Gibsonton. 813-677-1137

**PROF. SERVICES  
650**

**651 BOOKKEEPING**

**QuickBooks®**

Certified Pro-Advisor. Can do attitude: 1099's, W2's, forms, cleanup & review financials, full bookkeeping services, tutoring, software & issues, classes. Hourly rates. Your local office or mine. Thea's Quick Bookkeeping Inc Ruskin 813-641-1089 email: theahp@verizon.net www.theasquickbookkeeping.com

**680 ADULT & CHILD CARE**

 **Our Angels Offer**

- Light Housekeeping • Grocery Shopping • Running Errands
- Companionship • Sitters In-Home or Care Facility • Flexible Schedules

License #232465  
137 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Ste. 104  
Sun City Center 33573  
**(813) 293-5369 or (813) 419-4967**  
[www.AngelsofLifeServices.com](http://www.AngelsofLifeServices.com)

**SERVICES  
700**

**704 JUNK REMOVAL**

**We Buy Junk Cars**

Call 24/7, Lost title no problem. Free towing

**813-770-3452**

**705 CLEANING**

Do you need a house cleaner? Call Sandy. Honest, dependable & reliable. 16yrs experience in SCC. 813-645-5273, leave message.

**Ron's Cleaning Service**

Quality housecleaning with integrity. Call for free estimate. 7days a week. Move-in, move-out, rentals. Insured, bonded, licensed. Ruskin, Apollo Beach, Sun City Center.

**813-846-7629**

**Flat rate \$75, full clean**

**705 CLEANING**

Lil Mama's Household Service. Cleaning, errands, lots of extras. No job too small. Reasonable, reliable, references available. 813-645-7308

**708 MOVERS**

Affordable Moving & Hauling. Local or long distance. Full service moving to/ from anywhere in US. Load & unload storage units, truck & more. Licensed & insured. Free estimate. Call Dave 813-447-6123

**710 LAWN CARE**

**M & C Mower Repair.**

Parts & service. Authorized Briggs & Stratton dealer. Commercial & residential. Open 7days, 8:30am-6pm. 725 14th St., Wimauma. 813-938-3226, 813-690-4375. Pickup & delivery

**Bill's Lawn Service**

Licensed & insured. No contract. Yearly, monthly or per cut. As low as \$25 per cut. 813-293-6840

**B&S Lawn Care, Inc.**

Professional lawn care providing all of your turf, landscaping & irrigation needs. Residential/ commercial. www.bandslawncare.com 813-645-7266

**715 FILL DIRT/HAULING**

**Pittman Trucking & Tractor**

Service. Bank run, wash shell, fill dirt, topsoil, sand, crushed rock & asphalt, driveway culverts. Loader, backhoe, grading, bushhog, discing. Install Septic System & drain fills. CFC#1427021. 813-645-1883

**Myers Trucking**

Backhoe & Tractor Service. Culvert sets, driveways, shell, crushed asphalt, concrete, fill dirt, excavating, mowing etc. Tony (813) 363-7963 Free estimates.

**716 CONCRETE**

**Cement Floors**

driveways, side walks, patios, concrete foundations. Also Decorative concrete driveways, etc. 25 yrs experience. Free estimate. 813-417-0981

**720 HOME MAINTENANCE**

**Handyman**

Phil Oley 25+ yrs experience. Insured. Apollo Beach, Ruskin, Sun City Center & Kings Point.

**Call 813-649-1418**

**740 MISC. SERVICES**

**Seawall Repairs**

also new construction of docks, boat lifts & seawalls. Free inspection. Hecker Construction Co. 813-236-9306

**Hate that Wallpaper?**

I can remove it. Want something textured & painted. Big or small, I can do it. Debby. 813-434-6499

The bargain hunters dream

The Shopper Classified

 **Paul B. DICKMAN REALTY**  
SINCE 1924 INC.  
Celebrating 88 Years  
1924 — 2012

**Call (813) 645-3211**  
Serving South Hillsborough County since 1924  
[www.dickmanrealty.com](http://www.dickmanrealty.com)  
dickman@tampabay.rr.com

**WELL INFORMED SELLERS WANT TO KNOW** how much their properties are worth, and we want to help by providing a **free, no obligation market analysis.** Call us to discuss how the market is changing and how it is affecting the value of your real estate.

**Looking for experienced realtors** to join our well established team. Call 813-468-0288 for confidential meeting.

**RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL PROPERTY** including spacious house that could be 5BR/2.5BA or a 2BR/2BA+Den with 3 large attached offices, 1/2BA and separate entrance on 1 cleared acre with oaks and shady trees. Remodeled kitchen, wood floors, fireplace, inside utility, screened porch and detached double garage. Great location, CG zoning. \$175,000. Call CLAIRA TORT 363-7250

**STARTER/RETIREMENT HOME or INCOME PROPERTY:** Cute 2BR/1BA Concrete block house with attached utility-room, central heat and air, and shed in backyard, in Ruskin, a block from river, in peaceful area close to everything. \$59,900. Call CLAIRA TORT 363-7250

**GREAT DOUBLEWIDE ON 1/2 ACRE LOT, RUSKIN:** 2BR/2BA+ small Den, huge MBR and MBA, dinette off kitchen, spacious living-dining room leading to enclosed sunroom, large screened porch, utility shed, carport. Close to golf course, no HOA, no flood insurance needed. \$65,000. Call CLAIRA TORT 363-7250

**SPACIOUS WATERFRONT HOME** for only **\$254,900.** This home has so much to offer including three bedrooms, two baths plus a huge bonus room for many uses. Ninety feet of sea walled waterfront with access to Tampa Bay, fenced backyard, great home for entertaining, formal and family rooms, eat-in kitchen, wood burning fireplace, laminate and tile floors, and so much more! Call now! Jo Ellen Mobley 813-645-1540.

**VACANT LOT** perfect for that dream home. Close but not too close to town. Almost an acre and a half on non-thru street with access to county utilities. Affordable at \$60,000. Jo Ellen Mobley 813-645-1540.

**COMMERCIAL LISTING APOLLO BEACH:** Great retail location on Apollo Beach Blvd. Special features include : 1890 sq. ft. built in 2006, tract lighting, small utility kitchen, handicap bath, alarm system with digital cameras, free standing custom built showcases with glass tops, shelving, mahogany wood trim, loads of storage. \$224,900 Call KAY PYE 361-3672 or ROXANNE WESTBROOK 748-2201

**2 HOMES** on 1.39 acres on **THE LITTLE MANATEE RIVER** and a freshwater pond. 4BR/3BA home (2380 sq. ft.) and a 1BR/1.5BA with 1731 sq. ft. and a boathouse. \$299,900. Call ROXANNE WESTBROOK 748-2201 or KAY PYE 361-3672

**NEW LISTING!** Very well maintained 4BR/3BA Palm Harbor, POOL Home with 3+ drive-through garage! Special features include: nice open floor plan, wood burning fireplace, large kitchen with center island, inside utility room, water softener, security system, gorgeous landscaping and much more! Situated on 1.3 Acres (MOL) with 4 extra lots. \$169,000 3BR/2Ba Palm Harbor next door is also for sale for \$72,500. Buy both properties and have your own private family compound! Call ROXANNE WESTBROOK 813-748-2201

**RUSKIN RENTAL!** 2BR/1Ba Single family home with a nice large yard! Well maintained home with nice open floor plan. Washer & dryer included \$750 per month with one year lease. Call ROXANNE WESTBROOK 813-748-2201

**PRICE REDUCTION ON 3BR 2BA** home with over 2100 square feet, vaulted ceilings, split plan on quiet Roberts street. Get rested up for all the activities and opportunities afforded to you and your Sun City Center neighbors. \$159,000 Call JUDY ERICKSON 468-0288

**OWNER WILLING TO TAKE ANOTHER LOSS** just to get relief from responsibility for this 14 plus acres off 175 in southeast Ruskin. Vacant land was already repossessed by bank at huge sacrifice, and bank is not wanting to be in business of distant real estate ownership. Help get it off the books at just \$125,000. JUDY ERICKSON 468-0288

**Call US FOR ALL YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS...645-3211**  
*Donate your old functioning cell phones, drop off at our office for the "Victims Assistance Program."*

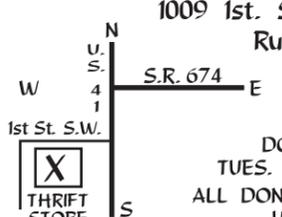
 **MARY & MARTHA HOUSE  
THRIFT STORE**

OPEN: Wed., Thurs. & Fri. 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Saturday 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

1009 1st. Street S.W.  
Ruskin

**We Have Furniture, Too!**

DONATION DROP OFFS  
TUES. THRU FRI. ONLY PLEASE.  
ALL DONATIONS MUST BE IN CLEAN USEABLE CONDITION.





# Business & Trade Directory

## A AC REPAIR/SALES

**Air Divine ENT., INC.**  
Lic. #CMC056816  
**AIR-CONDITIONING, HEATING & REFRIGERATION**  
Complete Sales, Service, Installation & Repair

Amana and Trane Dealer Senior Discount

**John R. Bowman, Jr., Owner**  
**(813) 633-2703**

## B BAIL BONDS

**SELF ARREST BONDS**  
COURT DATES 664-0056  
WARRANT CHECKS

**BIG JOHN'S BAIL BONDS**

**641-8400**  
FAMILY BONDSMAN  
STATE FEDERAL  
24 HOUR SERVICE  
**JOHN L. VATH**  
2100 Orient Road • Tampa, FL. 33619  
Fax: (813) 628-8739

## F FLOORING

**The Floor Source** FREE Estimates!  
Specializing in Hardwood, Laminate & Vinyl Flooring

We bring the Showroom to you!

**SMALL BUSINESS, SMALL PRICES**

**(813) 495-7027**  
davidmoorellc@yahoo.com  
www.TheFloorSource.biz  
David Moore, Owner-Operator  
Chamber Members • Licensed and Insured

## P PLUMBING

**A & J Hares Plumbing**  
35 Yrs. Experience

- Service & Repairs
- Repipes • Water Heaters
- New Construction
- Remodels & Additions

**FREE Estimates (813) 431-3867**  
Lic. #CFC057969 Bonded • Insured

## R ROOFING

**CUSTOM ROOFING and REPAIRS**

**All Types of Roofing**  
New Roofs & Repairs  
• Shingle • Tile • Metal • Hot Tar  
No job too big or too small!

**SERVING SINCE 1973**  
• Ruskin • Sun City Center • Kings Point • Apollo Beach • Riverview  
"ALL MY CUSTOMERS ARE DRY FRIENDS WHEN QUALITY COUNTS"

**24 Hour Emergency Service FREE ESTIMATES**  
Ruskin & Sun City Center Chamber Member

P.O. Box 551 • Ruskin, FL 33570  
www.customroofing.us  
Bonded & Insured • Lic. #CCC1326907

**Johnny Sewell**  
**(813) 641-2099**  
Mobile **(813) 404-2022**

CAC1816456

**A-PLUS**  
Air Conditioning & Heating  
**634-8679**

- Sales • Service • Installations

SERVING ALL MAJOR BRANDS  
Preventive Maintenance  
LOCALLY OWNED & OPERATED

**10% Off All Service & Repair**  
With this advertisement

## C CLEANING

**The Perfect Klean**  
Residential / Commercial  
Cleaning Service

**\$50 OFF**  
Your First Cleaning!  
Licensed, Bonded and Insured  
**(813) 625-2944**

## H HANDYMAN\*

\*No project over \$1000.  
No electrical, gas, or plumbing, and nothing structural.

**Bob's Mobile Fix-It Center**  
Residential & Commercial

Licensed & Insured  
We Fix It All!  
Customer Satisfaction Guaranteed!

- Attic Stairs • Ceiling Fans • Cabinets • Flooring • Interior Painting • Home Improvement

Call for FREE Estimate  
**(813) 671-7870**  
Robert Gerstenschlager

**PAUL WOOD PLUMBING, Inc.**  
State Certified Plumbing Contractor #CFC1427697

- Residential
- Commercial
- Certified Backflows
- Stoppages
- Service and Repairs

• FREE Estimates • 24-Hour Service  
Licensed • Bonded • Insured  
**(813) 641-1387**

**ASAP** (813) 633-1087  
AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING, INC.

Complete Sales • Service  
Repair • Installation  
SERVICING ALL MAKES AND MODELS  
24 Hour Service • Financing Available  
Lic. #CAC1815928

**FREE Service Call w/any repair**

Senior & Military Discounts

## E ELECTRICIAN

**Need a Licensed Electrician?**

**H. HOFFMAN ELECTRICAL**  
www.HoffmanElectrical.com  
Lic. #EIC13004496

**FREE Service Call** with any repair.  
**15% OFF** any service or repair.

WE MATCH ANY COMPETITOR'S COUPONS  
**813-298-FAST (3278)**

**HANDY MEN DIRECT**  
Your Helping Hands

- Home Improvements, Remodels & Repairs • Carpentry • Dry Wall
- General Home Maintenance • Painting
- Power Washing • Screen Repair
- Ask about our other Services •

FREE ESTIMATES • INSURED  
**813-642-6182**

## P POOL SERVICES

Reliable, Quality, Affordable  
Weekly service, Monthly payment  
Licensed, Insured.  
Certified Pool Operator

\$10.00 off first month, new customers.

**813 - 245-0377**  
mark@royal-poolservice.com

**G. HORN ROOFING LLC**  
FLORIDA REGISTERED APOLLO BEACH ROOFING CONTRACTOR  
Gill Horn, Owner  
Lic. #RC29027076  
40 Years Experience

- Roof Repairs
- Roof Replacements

Shingle • Tile • Metal  
**FREE Estimates**

"Superb Quality Guaranteed"

**(813) 419-4165** **(813) 787-9047**  
gs67horn@gmail.com

**GRIFFITH**  
AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING SERVICE INC.

Over 30 Years Experience  
Residential & Commercial

- SALES • INSTALLATION • SERVICE on all Makes and Models

**NO OVERTIME RATES**

**(813) 645-0710**  
Licensed • Bonded • Insured  
CAC1814502 CSM0023

**NEED A GOOD ELECTRICIAN?**  
Call Don or John!

Over 50 Years Experience

• COMMERCIAL • RESIDENTIAL

**South Bay Electric Co. of Ruskin**  
SERVICES UPGRADES ALL TYPES OF WIRING RENOVATIONS

LICENSED BONDED INSURED  
ER00126636

- SECURITY LIGHTS • CEILING FANS
- SWITCHES & OUTLETS • SPAS & DOCKS

**DON 645-8985** **JOHN 493-2861**  
145 21st ST. N.W. • RUSKIN

## K KENNELS

**DESIRE'S RANCH**  
Ruskin

Specialized Canine Boarding  
Air-Conditioned Kennels  
Canine Obedience  
Problem Solving

**(813) 645-3545**

## P PRINTING

**mm Printing Co.**  
COMMERCIAL SHEETFEED AND WEB PRINTERS

**PRINTING**  
From Design to Finish

- BUSINESS CARDS
- FORMS
- BROCHURES
- PRICE SHEETS
- CATALOGS
- SALES FLYERS
- PRESENTATION FOLDERS
- GRAPHIC DESIGN
- PRINT MEDIA MARKETING
- MEDICAL PRINTING
- FINANCIAL & LEGAL PRINTING
- NEWSPAPER PRINTING & PUBLISHING

Call us on your next printing project!

210 Woodland Estates Ave. S.W.  
Ruskin  
**645-4048**

## S STORAGE

**NOW OPEN**

**DOLLAR-A-DAY**  
LEGAL STORAGE

LOOKING FOR EXTRA STORAGE SPACE FOR YOUR...  
R.V. BOAT CAMPER ETC.  
ANY SIZE

**645-5222**  
cell: 240-2049  
1501 33rd St. SE  
Ruskin, FL 33570

Covered storage FOR RV, ETC.  
Limited Space Now Available

## A ATTORNEY

**D. KAY CARR, P.A.**  
Attorney at Law

- Family • Criminal • Probate
- Wills and Estate Planning
- Civil Litigation • Real Estate

214 Apollo Beach Boulevard  
Apollo Beach, FL 33572  
**(813) 645-7557**

## E EXOTIC PETS

The Bay Area's Premier Reptile Specialty Shop

**tampa bay exotics**

**10% Off Your Next Purchase**  
(Excludes Cages)  
Offer expires 12/31/12

- Reptiles
- Amphibians
- Arachnids
- Feeders
- Supplies

**TBEXOTICS.COM**  
6520 U.S. Hwy. 301  
Suite 109  
Riverview, FL 33578  
**813-675-4475**

## P PAINTING

**Timothy Sutton, LLC**

INTERIOR EXTERIOR  
PAINTING  
WALLPAPERING  
PRESSURE WASHING

29 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN OHIO  
NOW SERVING FLORIDA  
LICENSED BONDED INSURED  
**813-727-1013**  
LIC. #PA2809

## R ROOFING

**Buddy's Roofing**

"We're On Top Of It"

**"Leak & Re-Roofing Specialists"**  
WE FIX LEAKS NO ONE ELSE CAN!

Residential • Commercial  
New Roofs • Re-Roofs • Tile  
Tile Repairs • Hot Tar/Flat Decks  
Ventilation • Leaks Repaired

FREE Estimates • Financing Available  
• 24 Hr. Emergency Service  
• Senior Citizen Discount

We Carry Workers' Comp For Your Protection  
Lic #CCC1325993 • Bonded • Insured

**813-982-0218**  
www.buddysroofing.com

## W WINDOW CLEANING

**SUN VIEW WINDOW CLEANING, INC.**

• Exceptional Service •

Registered at Kings Point  
• Licensed • Insured • Bonded

Call now to book your appointment  
**813-944-8478**  
Here to Serve Your Community  
Year Round  
**FREE ESTIMATES**

## W WINDOW FILM

**HOME & AUTO TINTING**

- SOLAR
- STORM
- AUTO

**Solar Designs**  
**(813) 645-2200**  
103 College Ave. W. Ruskin, FL

Calling for repairs or services shouldn't be  
**FRIGHTENING...**  
Patronize these advertisers and get the results you need!

VISIT HYUNDAI OF BRADENTON DURING THE



SAVINGS AT EVERY TURN

SALES EVENT

\$0 DOWN PAYMENT!^ \$0 FIRST PAYMENT!^ \$0 SECURITY DEPOSIT!^

LOW LEASE DEALS ON HYUNDAI'S BEST LINE-UP!

NEW 2013 HYUNDAI ACCENT MDL#16402F45



LEASE FOR \$99 PER MO.

40 MPG HWY\*

NEW 2013 HYUNDAI ELANTRA MDL#45412F45



LEASE FOR \$129 PER MO.

40 MPG HWY\*

NEW 2013 HYUNDAI SONATA MDL#27402F4S



LEASE FOR \$149 PER MO.

35 MPG HWY\*

LEASE FOR \$249 PER MO.



MDL#83422F45

NEW 2013 HYUNDAI TUCSON

LEASE FOR \$269 PER MO.



MDL#62422F45

NEW 2013 HYUNDAI SANTA FE

\*Based on EPA highway estimates for comparison only. Your actual mileage may vary with options, driving conditions, driving habits and vehicle's conditions. All leases are 36 months with \$2995 down (Tucson \$2699, Sonata \$3495, Santa Fe \$2999) with \$0 security deposit and approved credit for well-qualified lessees. 12,000 miles per year allowed, 20c per mile thereafter. Must qualify for Hyundai Loyalty to qualify for pricing. ^On select 2013 models for a limited term with approved credit for well-qualified buyers. Cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer. All offers exclude tax, tag, title, registration, destination charges and dealer fee. See dealer for complete details. Images for display purposes only, may not depict actual vehicle. Offers expire end of day 10/21/2012.



HYUNDAI OF BRADENTON A Gettel Automotive Dealership

2503 1st Street • Bradenton On 1st Street, 2 Blocks South of Where 301 Meets US41 1-941-747-9262 Monday - Saturday 9am-8pm • Sunday Noon-5pm HyundaiOfBradenton.com



# Candidates face off at public forum

Sixteen candidates for South County offices turned out to speak and take questions from the public at the Hilton Garden Hotel of Riverview / Brandon / Tampa on U.S. Highway 301. The event was sponsored by the Greater Riverview Chamber of Commerce and the SouthShore Chamber of Commerce, with residents Anne Madden, Charlotte Clark and Mike Peterson making up the committee that organized the forum. Election day is Tuesday, November 6.



Bob Henriquez, candidate for Hillsborough County Property Appraiser, speaks to the crowd while candidates Rob Townsend and James DeMio await their turn.

MITCH TRAPHAGEN PHOTOS



Property Appraiser candidate Rob Townsend gets a green light as a notification that his time to speak is nearing an end. Time runs out at the red light.



Property Appraiser candidate Rob DeMio.

At right, Candidates Bruce Barnett (State Rep. 57), Gail Gottlieb (State Senate 59) and Rich Glorioso (Supervisor of Elections) await their turn at the podium.



18 months  
**NO**  
 interest

## PAINTED SOLID SHUTTERS

# \$15<sup>95</sup> sq. ft.

Installed  
**ANYTHING LESS CAN'T COMPARE IN QUALITY!**  
 Will not warp or crack!

**We will not be undersold on HunterDouglas® products!**

Compare our quality against competitors before you buy!

PLEASE COMPARISON SHOP!

Nobody else sells this quality at this price.

# NAFFCO

FLOORING & INTERIORS Since 1937

**SOUTH TAMPA**  
 254-4066  
 1510 South MacDill Ave.

**CARROLLWOOD**  
 961-1362  
 14306 N. Dale Mabry Hwy.

**BRANDON**  
 413-8313  
 1920 W. Brandon Blvd.

Scan to see more!  
[www.Naffco.biz](http://www.Naffco.biz)

HISTORY | LUXURY & ROMANCE | ATTRACTIONS | BEACHES & NATURE | ARTS & CULTURE | GOLF & SPA

WORLD GOLF VILLAGE & HALL OF FAME

PONCE DE LEON CAME ASHORE HERE IN 1513

HISTORY IS ON EVERY STREET CORNER

WE'VE GOT  
 A LOT OF HISTORY  
 BUT YOU'LL

# Love

OUR STORY

*He wanted to impress her, and show her somewhere new. So he took her to Ponte Vedra, he knew she would love it, too.*

*They dropped their bags off at the inn, a sanctuary by the sea. Then set out for a round of golf at the famous TPC.*

*Off to St. Augustine's Lighthouse, where they journeyed to the top. Then caught a trolley into town to grab a bite and shop.*

*They wandered from place to place, collecting stories along the way. Last, a trip to the winery, to end a perfect day.*

*The oldest fort, the Fountain of Youth, there was so much to discover. But it was in this fascinating place where they really found each other.*

Don't miss Flavors of Florida's Historic Coast,  
 as 20 exceptional restaurants offer distinctive dining specials throughout October.  
 For details, visit [HistoricCoastFlavors.com](http://HistoricCoastFlavors.com) or call 800-498-3570.

Lodging from \$59-\$369

ST. AUGUSTINE  
 PONTE VEDRA

FLORIDA'S HISTORIC COAST™



## American Cancer Society fights to end Breast Cancer Women reach out to AMS for help, support

An analysis by the American Cancer Society shows one out of two women diagnosed with breast cancer turns to the Society for help and support. The Society offers 24/7 support to those diagnosed with breast cancer and their loved ones, with information, day-to-day help, and emotional support every step of the way. The American Cancer Society estimates that in 2012, there will be 226,870 new cases of invasive breast cancer and 39,510 deaths from breast cancer among women in the U.S. This October, the Society will be using National Breast Cancer Awareness Month to remind women about the importance of breast health.

In 2011, the American Cancer Society provided free information and services to 115,270 of the estimated 230,480 women diagnosed with breast cancer in

the U.S. Through its local offices, national 24-hour phone line, and referrals from health care professionals, the Society provided these women with help, including information about breast cancer, referrals to programs in their community and to financial assistance, and transportation and lodging assistance. In fact, breast cancer is the top reason for calls to the American Cancer Society.

“The American Cancer Society is the most effective breast cancer-fighting organization in the world and has helped translate knowledge into action to help save lives,” said Otis W. Brawley, M.D., chief medical officer at the American Cancer Society. “Nearly three million breast

cancer survivors will celebrate a birthday this year thanks in part to early detection and improved treatment.”

Breast cancer is a leading cause of cancer death in women, second only to lung cancer. The Society recommends women 40 and older to have a yearly mammogram and clinical breast exam. Also, the Society recommends that women ages 20 to 39 receive a clinical breast exam at least once every three years. The five-year survival rate is 99% for breast cancer that is diagnosed in the earliest stages.

The Society is currently funding more than 240 breast cancer grants totaling \$88 million. The Society has spent more on breast cancer research than on any other cancer, and has played an important part in nearly every major breast cancer research breakthrough in recent history, including demonstrating that mammography is an effective screening test for breast cancer, the development of tamoxifen and herceptin, and knowledge that genetics, lack of exercise, overweight and obesity, and moderate drinking increase a person’s breast cancer risk.

The Society also offers newly diagnosed women and those living with breast cancer a variety of programs and services to help them in their breast cancer experience.

- The **Reach To Recovery** program helps newly diagnosed patients cope with their breast cancer experience. Reach To Recovery volunteers offer the unique understanding, support, and hope from the perspective of someone who has survived breast cancer.

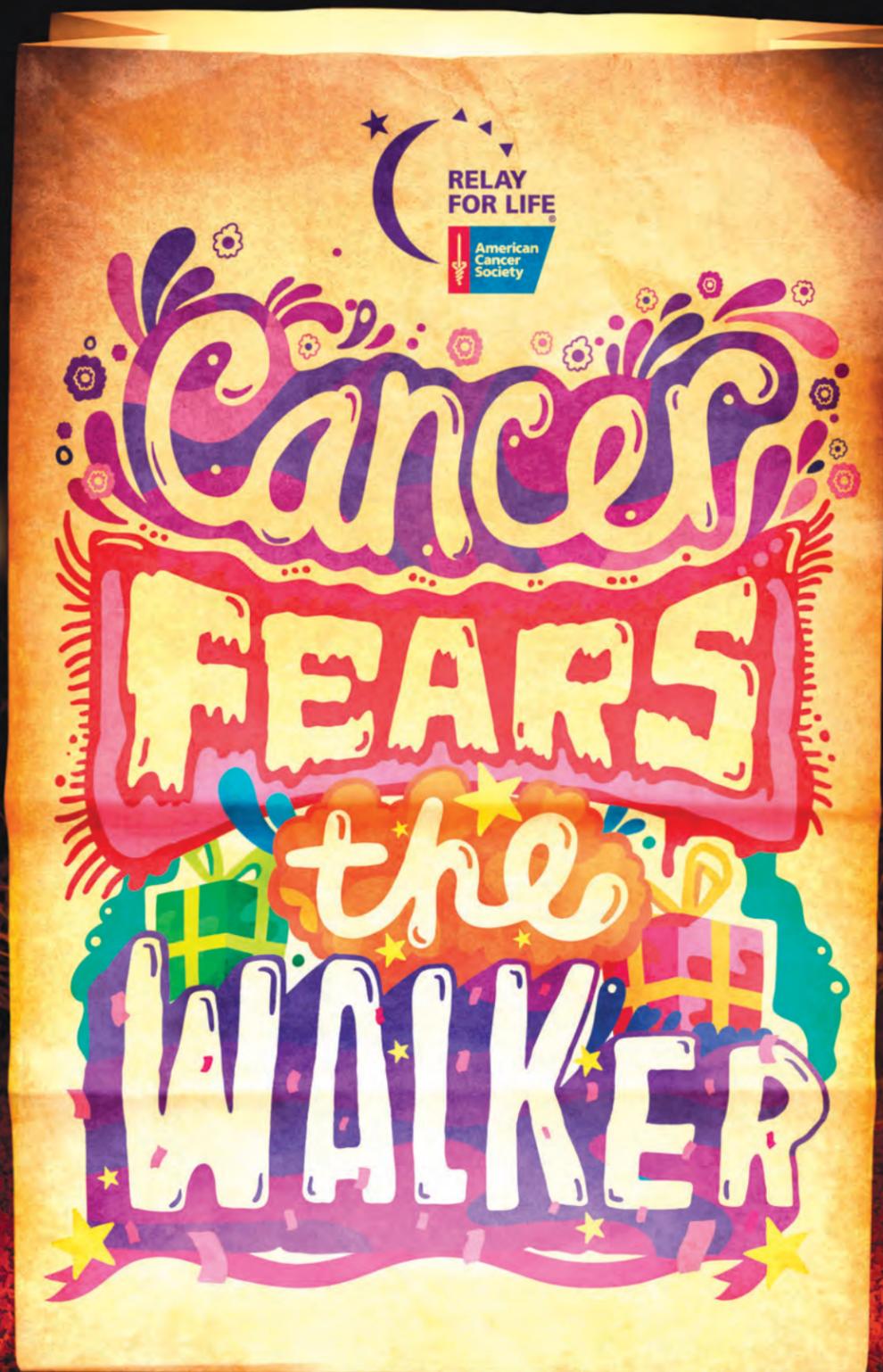
- The **Look Good Feel Better** program helps breast cancer patients manage the physical side effects of treatment. Patients gain beauty techniques to help improve their self-esteem and quality of life, but also a sense of support, confidence, courage and community with other cancer patients in the program.

- The **Hope Lodge** program offers patients and their caregivers free lodging for those receiving treatment far from home.

- The Society offers free information to help make treatment decisions and access to its programs 24/7 through 1-800-227-2345 or [cancer.org](http://cancer.org).

The American Cancer Society’s affiliate advocacy organization, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action NetworkSM (ACS CAN), continues to fight back against breast cancer by working to increase funding for the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (NBCCEDP) that provides low-income, uninsured and underinsured women access to mammograms and Pap tests. Current funding only enables the program to serve less than one in five eligible women ages 40 to 64 nationwide. ACS CAN encourages anyone touched by this disease to let Congress know that support for the NBCCEDP is important and that an increase in funding for this program is vital to its continuation. To get involved, or to learn more about this effort, please visit [acsan.org/breastcancer](http://acsan.org/breastcancer).

To learn more about the American Cancer Society or to get help, call anytime, day or night, at 1-800-227-2345 or visit [cancer.org](http://cancer.org).



# Three ways to help provide comfort

*For those suffering from Breast Cancer*

(Family Features) Breast cancer affects millions of women, which in turn affects their families and their friends.

You don't have to have breast cancer in order to help raise awareness of it and provide comfort. There are things you can do to take on this disease and make a difference in your own life and in the lives of others while providing much-needed comfort and support.

### Team Up with Friends

Multiply your impact on breast cancer awareness by getting a group of friends together to take action:

Host a Fundraising Party. Put together a girls' night out or a potluck dinner party, and challenge guests to bring donations to support breast cancer research.

Get Moving. Sign up as a group to participate in a walk or run event that raises awareness or funds.

Volunteer Together. Check out local breast cancer awareness events and find ways your group of friends can serve together. If there isn't a local event, sponsor one of your own. Visit [www.NationalBreastCancer.org](http://www.NationalBreastCancer.org) to find out how.

### Give Comfort to Others

You can personalize and send free virtual Comfort Packages to friends and family via a digital tool on the Hanes Facebook page. For each package sent, Hanes will donate \$1 to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, Inc. (up to \$25,000) to promote early cancer detection and provide mammograms for those in need.

The Comfort Package is fully customizable with photos, videos, recipes, T-shirt designs, music and messages. Sending a Comfort Package is one of many gestures that can brighten someone's day and help provide support and com-

fort to a loved one.

As a longtime supporter of breast cancer awareness, Hanes has made cash and in-kind donations totaling \$1 million since 2009 and is donating up to \$125,000 to NBCF this year. Learn more at [www.Facebook.com/Hanes](http://www.Facebook.com/Hanes) or [www.HanesPink.com](http://www.HanesPink.com).

### Buy and Wear Pink Products

The next time you are at the grocery store or the mall, think about purchasing the pink version of your favorite items. Your purchase can help raise money as well as awareness for the cause.

In addition, wearing your favorite pink items is a stylish way to show support and demonstrate your commitment. Consider wearing pink once a week in October to feel connected to the cause.



**Absolute Surgical Specialists, PLLC**  
Proud supporter of Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**Join the fight... one step at a time!**

- Breast Lumpectomies & Biopsies
- General Surgery • Lymph Node Biopsies

**Call 813.633.0081**  
**Absolute Surgical Specialists, PLLC**  
139 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Suite #200 • Sun City Center, FL 33573  
[www.absolutesurg.com](http://www.absolutesurg.com)

Dr. Craig Amshel

**mm Printing Company, Inc.**  
Established in 1968 SHEETFEED & WEB PRINTING

210 Woodland Estates Ave. S.W.  
Ruskin, FL 33570  
**(813) 645-4048**  
[www.MMprintinc.com](http://www.MMprintinc.com)

**We support Breast Cancer Awareness and the fight to find a cure.**

**Hanson Services, Inc.**  
*applauds all*  
**Breast Cancer Survivors & Thrivers**

*We offer FREE in-home and private consultation to see how we can help you with your needs to be comfortable in your home.*

*We accept most long-term care insurance policies.*  
Lic #30211040  
**(813) 634-6617**

It's like having a personal staff a phone call away.

**Annette's Beauty Salon**  
**New Location • Same Plaza**

*Fight the fight... find the cure!*

**FULL SERVICE SALON for Men & Women**  
Corner Hwy. 301 & S.R. 674, Suite #201  
Between Bogg's Jewelers & 3-Legged Poodle

- Golf Cart Accessible •
- HOOURS: Tues.-Sat. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
- 634-5422**
- Color Specialist • Nail Tech
- Specializing in Foiling Hi-Lites • Hablamos Español
- Permanent Tattooing for Breast Reconstruction

3016 E College Ave - Ruskin, FL 33570 813-642-0940

**Breast Cancer Awareness**

Purchase any breast cancer stamp or stamp set and 50% of the proceeds will go to the Susan B Komen Foundation For the month of OCT

**Sparkle N Sprinkle**

Scrapbooking & Cardmaking Classes available

We are proud supporters of **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

**GOT SCREENED?**  
If you are concerned about a skin growth, we would be happy to evaluate it for you.

**CALL TODAY FOR A FREE SKIN CANCER SCREENING!**  
NOW ACCEPTING AV-MED INSURANCE

Sign up for a **FREE SKIN CANCER SCREENING**  
Bring this coupon to receive a **FREE GIFT!**

**The Skin Cancer Centers / Dermatology Associates**  
Howard A. Oriba, M.D. | Michael G. Caruso, M.D. | Leslee Baute, P.A.-C  
4002 Sun City Center Blvd. Unit 102  
Sun City Center, FL 33573  
(One Block West of the Hospital)  
**813-634-1455**

In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**South Shore Auto Repair**  
Greg & Sue Killingsworth  
**Family Owned & Operated**

2107 College Ave. E.  
Ruskin, FL 33570  
**(813) 645-1674**  
[southshoreautorepair@yahoo.com](mailto:southshoreautorepair@yahoo.com)

**Sunshine Cafe**

We are proud supporters of Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**NEW MENU... come check us out!**  
Kids always drink FREE

**HOURS:**  
Mon. - Sat. 6:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
Sunday 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Breakfast Served ALL DAY

**3808 Sun City Center Blvd.**  
(former Danny Boys' location)  
**Sun City Center**

**TO GO ORDERS:**  
(813) **633-3344**

[sunshinecafe3808@yahoo.com](mailto:sunshinecafe3808@yahoo.com)

**THE BEST OF SOUTH SHORE** **Sunshine Cafe** **"like" us on Facebook**

# In breast cancer detection, the test matters

*Important facts every woman should know*

One in eight American women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime. However, early detection coupled with advanced treatment options has cut mortality rates by a third in the U.S. over the past 20 years. Today, a new breakthrough technology is poised to provide a dramatic improvement in breast cancer detection by making mammograms more detailed and accurate.

## Catching breast cancer early

Studies show that when breast cancer is detected early the chance for successful treatment is nearly 100 percent. Mammograms are a critical component of a successful screening program. In fact, mammograms can identify an abnormal breast mass up to two years before it can be detected by touch. It's for this reason that the American Cancer Society recommends every woman, every year, starting at the age of 40, get a mammogram.

## 3D mammography - Changing the face of breast cancer screening

A new imaging technology called 3D mammography or breast tomosynthesis is changing how doctors screen for breast cancer. This sophisticated technology significantly improves breast cancer screening by identifying small cancers that may have been missed by traditional mammography. If cancers are found when they are small, treatment options are generally less traumatic and the chance for a cure is greater.

Another benefit of 3D mammography is its ability to reduce stress-inducing call backs. As many as one out of 10 women who have a routine screening mammogram will be asked to come back for additional tests. The majority of these women - up to 80 percent - will experience what's called a "false-positive" which means that an area that looked suspicious on their screening mammogram turned out, upon further testing, to be normal.

## 3D mammography makes finding breast cancers easier

Current mammography relies on a 2D image. However, this technology has its limits because the breast is a 3-dimensional object composed of different structures, such as blood vessels, milk ducts, fat, and ligaments. All of these structures, which are located at different heights within the breast, can overlap and cause confusion when viewed as a 2-dimensional, flat image. This confusion of overlapping tissue is a leading reason why small breast cancers may be missed and normal tissue may appear abnormal, leading to unnecessary call backs. Many doctors have reported that the introduction of Hologic's Selenia Dimensions tomosynthesis system improves breast cancer detection by overcoming many of the limitations inherent in conventional 2D mammography.

Although patients will notice little difference between a 2D and a 3D mammogram, the 3D technology gives doctors a clearer view through the overlapping structures of breast tissue. Reading a breast tomosynthesis exam is like flipping through the pages of a book to view one page at a time instead of seeing the whole breast reduced to a single frame, as is the case with conventional 2D mammography. The ability to

look at each layer of breast tissue millimeter by millimeter allows doctors to identify individual structures in the breast free from the confusion of overlying tissue.

## The bottom line

Women should talk to their physician about the best screening program for them, based on their

age, family history and medical profile. Women need to pay attention to any changes, such as unusual lumps, swelling, irritation, dimpling, or pain in the breast or nipple. Finally, women who are 40 and older should be sure to have a mammogram every year.



Dr. Susan Curry, founder and medical director of the Women's Center for Radiology in Orlando, says that 3D mammography makes a real difference in the center's ability to diagnosis patients with dense breasts and women with other high-risk factors.

## What resources are available in our community?

### Information, 24 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week

Help and information are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week online at cancer.org and by calling the American Cancer Society at 1-800-227-2345. Callers are connected with a Cancer Information Specialist who can help them locate a hospital, understand cancer and treatment options, learn what to expect and how to plan, help address insurance concerns, find financial resources, find a local support group, and more.

### Day-to-day Help and Emotional Support

#### Support during treatment

When women are in active cancer treatment, they want to look their best, and *Look Good...Feel Better*® helps them do just that. The free program, helps women learn beauty techniques to restore their self-image and cope with appearance-related side effects of cancer treatment. Certified beauty professionals provide tips on makeup, skin care, nail care, and head coverings.

#### Transportation to treatment

Cancer patients cite transportation to and from treatment as a critical need, second only to direct financial assistance. The ACS Road To Recovery® program matches these patients with specially trained volunteer drivers.

#### Lodging during treatment

ACS Hope Lodge® facilities provide free, home-like temporary lodging for patients and their caregivers close to treatment centers, thereby easing the emotional and financial burden of finding affordable lodging.

#### Finding hope and inspiration

People with cancer and their loved ones can connect with others who have "been there" through the ACS Survivors Network®. The online community is a welcoming and safe place that was created by and for cancer survivors and their families.

#### Hair-loss, mastectomy products

"TLC" *Tender Loving Care*®, is a magazine and catalog in one, offers helpful articles and a line of products to help women battling cancer restore their appearance and dignity at a difficult time.

#### Other sources:

#### National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program

1-800-CDC-INFO or 1-800-232-4636 [cdc.gov/cancer/nbccedp/](http://cdc.gov/cancer/nbccedp/)

This Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) program helps low-income women gain access to timely, high-quality screening programs for the detection of breast and cervical cancer.

#### Sisters Network

1-866-781-1808 [sistersnetwork-inc.org](http://sistersnetwork-inc.org). This national African American breast cancer survivors support group is committed to increasing local and national attention to the devastating impact that breast cancer has in the African American community.

#### YourShoes 24/7 Breast Cancer Support Center

1-800-221-2141 (English), 1-800-986-9505 (Spanish) [y-me.org](http://y-me.org). YourShoes is a 24-hour hotline staffed by trained peer counselors who are breast cancer survivors.

 **Finding a cure starts with hope!**  
Proud supporter of Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**HEARING LOSS?**  
We can help you! No Pressure! No Gimmicks!  
Get what you see advertised!  
Hearing Aid Not Working?  
FREE In-office Cleaning & Repairs

 **A+ Hearing Center**  
1647 Sun City Plaza • Suite 203A  
813-642-8200  
Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

*"He who has ears, let them hear."*



Mountcastle Vein Centers Proudly Supports Breast Cancer Awareness

**It's Your Time Now!**

**Support Breast Cancer Awareness**

**Vein disease is a serious issue, that all women should be screened for.**

Vein treatment is 'cosmetic'... **NOT TRUE!**  
96% of our work is 'medically necessary' and paid for by Medicare and private insurance plans.

"If my legs look fine, the veins must be ok".... **NOT TRUE!**  
Patients often have terrible varicose veins inside their legs that are not visible on the outside. Although their legs appear 'normal', these patients suffer with painful and tired legs. 90% of varicose veins are inside the leg. A patient with symptoms needs our ultrasound evaluation. It is very clear cut...you either have vein disease or you do not.

Vein treatment is 'expensive'.... **NOT TRUE!**  
Except for simple, cosmetic spider vein injections, Medicare - as well as most private insurance plans - cover medically necessary vein treatments.

Vein treatment is 'painful'.... **NOT TRUE!**  
All of our treatments are non-invasive with no stripping or incisions.

Vein treatment 'takes a long time'.... **NOT TRUE!**  
Treatment takes no longer than a half hour.

Recovery from vein treatment is long.... **NOT TRUE!**  
After treatments, patients can go back to normal activity the same day.

Like us on 

Now accepting **HUMANA**, now offering **Vein Gogh** for spider vein treatment.

[www.MountcastleVeinCenters.com](http://www.MountcastleVeinCenters.com)

**Mountcastle VEIN CENTERS**  
*Younger Legs!*™

 In network with most insurances including Medicare, AETNA, BCBS, UHC and many others

**727-865-6941**  
(at Isla del Sol) **ST PETERSBURG**  
(next to Largo Medical Center) **LARGO**  
(at The Fountains, Alderman & US 19) **PALM HARBOR**  
**813-634-1333**  
(next to South Bay Hospital) **SUN CITY CENTER**

# Uncovering facts about a leading cancer treatment: Radiotherapy

(Family Features) Forty years ago, President Nixon declared a “War on Cancer.” Since then, there have been impressive advances in cancer prevention, detection and treatment, and most importantly, improved survival rates for many types of cancer. People facing a cancer diagnosis today have more options than ever. Patients are now encouraged to talk with their physicians to get the facts about their treatment options in order to be true partners in their care.

For many, radiotherapy will be an option. In fact, nearly two-thirds of all cancer patients will receive radiotherapy as some aspect of their treatment regimen. Thanks to decades of innovation, radiotherapy can now pinpoint a tumor while minimizing exposure of nearby tissues. In fact, when comparing earlier approaches with today’s more advanced radiotherapy technologies, studies have shown increased reductions in side effects and improved outcomes for many forms of cancer.

“I see the positive impact of radiotherapy, but I know that many patients still have outdated perceptions,” said John J. Kresl M.D., Ph.D., FACRO, managing partner, Radiation Oncologists of Central Arizona. “Today’s radiotherapy is an effective treatment for many types of cancer. It was once used only to relieve pain, but is now used more often in the hopes of helping patients become survivors.”

Knowing the facts about radiotherapy is the first step in understanding whether it is an option for you or a loved one. Use the following information to talk to your doctor about radiotherapy. What is radiotherapy? The most commonly used form of radiother-

apy, called external beam radiation therapy (EBRT), utilizes targeted x-rays produced by a machine outside of the body. These high-energy beams are precisely controlled by a medical team guided by advanced imaging technologies. Radiotherapy works by damaging cancer cell DNA. This stops tumors from growing further and can make them smaller. Radiotherapy is sometimes used in combination with a chemotherapy regimen to jointly target cancer cells. Radiotherapy is also sometimes used after surgery to kill remaining cancer cells, which may prevent the disease from returning.

Sophisticated technology: Radiotherapy machines are quite large, but the beam they deliver is actually small. Continually advancing hardware and software allows the beam to be precisely shaped to fit the contours of a patient’s tumor. This results in delivering the treatment where it is needed while minimizing impact on surrounding healthy tissue.

Radiotherapy and lifestyle: A radiotherapy treatment course often allows patients to go about their daily routine with limited interruption. A course of treatment can involve anywhere from one to 35 separate treatment sessions, delivered on an outpatient basis, with each session taking from 15 minutes to an hour. Some types of radiotherapy use higher doses of radiation per session, resulting in fewer total appointments.

Possible side effects of radiotherapy: Serious side effects can occur and are usually caused by damage to normal cells during the course of treatment. Side effects are typically cumulative, which means they can develop over the course of treatment. They can be

minor or severe, and depend on the size and location of the tumor, disease state, general medical condition, and the treatment technique that is used.

Two of the most common side effects associated with radiotherapy are irritation or damage to the skin near the treatment site, and fatigue. Skin irritation may include dryness, itching, peeling, or blistering. Fatigue, for some patients, may mean feeling slightly worn out, while other patients experience severe exhaustion.

Other side effects are usually specific to the type of cancer being treated, such as hair loss or a sore throat when the head and neck region is treated, or urinary prob-

lems when the lower abdomen is treated. For more details about the side effects of radiation therapy, patients should talk to their doctors about what may occur during a

particular treatment.

Patients should talk to their doctors to learn the facts about radiotherapy. To learn more, they can also visit [www.RTanswers.org](http://www.RTanswers.org).



## Pretty in Pink Celebration

South Bay Hospital will be celebrating National Breast Cancer Awareness Month by hosting a Pretty in Pink Party from noon - 2 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 18 at the Outpatient Diagnostic and Rehab Center. Celebrate with lunch, massages, make-up application and information on the importance of getting mammograms. Seating is limited, so call 1-888-685-1595 to reserve a seat.

The South Bay Hospital Outpatient Diagnostic and Rehab Center is located at 4051 Upper Creek Dr. in Sun City Center, just one block west of the hospital. For more information about this event, or Digital Mammography, call Natalia Diaz at (813) 634-0496.



## Free cancer resource guides help patients navigate cancer journey

When Barbara George’s friend and colleague in the media business was diagnosed with a recurrence of breast cancer 11 years ago, George volunteered to help her figure out her next steps. But what they did not find surprised them.

“We thought, here we are as marketers and we’re having trouble finding needed resources in our community. What difficulties might others also be having?” says George of Kansas City, Mo. “We were looking for resources - like wig shops, local support groups and even local physicians - but finding them was proving to be time-consuming and unsuccessful. It was really frustrating.”

In 2001, George created *Cancer Matters*, a grassroots, community-based initiative, aimed at tackling this information gap that faced individuals living with cancer and

their loved ones. She developed the Cancer Matters Resource Guides, free booklets featuring a comprehensive listing of local cancer-related businesses and services. Resources include cancer support groups, hospital services, home health and more. They also provide tips for the newly diagnosed and information on health and wellness.

These comprehensive resource guides are available in 35 U.S. cities. The guides are updated and distributed annually to local hospitals, physician’s offices, nonprofit organizations and support groups. They are also available online at [CancerMatters.com](http://CancerMatters.com) or by calling 913-385-7332. Cancer Matters is supported by Lilly Oncology. Lilly Oncology does not control the content of the resource guides or website.

# Working Together

**Brandon Regional and South Bay Hospitals are here for the whole you.**

Early detection of breast cancer may help you live a full life. Brandon Regional and South Bay Hospitals are committed to offering the women of Hillsborough County convenient access to quality breast care services.

- The latest in diagnostic testing and treatment options
- State-of-art digital mammography for better comfort and results
- Timely results

For more information or a physician referral, please call **1-877-HCA-DOCS**.



Brandon Regional Hospital • 119 Oakfield Drive • Brandon, FL 33547

South Bay Hospital • 4016 Sun City Center Boulevard • Sun City Center, FL 33573

