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A sweet way to beat the heat

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Unless you live in a (blissfully cool) cave, you know that it is August and in Florida that means it's hot outside. In fact, the weather forecast between now and mid-September is a relatively simple matter: it will be in the low to mid 90s during the day and mid to upper 70s at night. While there may be no way to escape the heat, short of traveling to the upper reaches of our neighbor to the north (Canada, not Georgia — it's hot in Georgia, too), there are things you can do to mitigate it. One of the best ways is through the liberal consumption of ice cream. Kimi's Ice Cream and Sweets, located at 143 Harbor Village Lane, in the Sweet Bay Plaza in Apollo Beach is well stocked with the cold, heat-busting elixir, along with shakes, smoothies and a vast selection of candies. Above, Zolton Ambrus of Kimi's serves up a cone and a cup to ward off the heat of the day.

Only 1,181 days to go and Florida doesn't matter. Yet.

■ By MITCH TRAPHAGEN
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DES MOINES, IOWA - Here is something to make some Americans wake up screaming: it has only been nine months since the 2012 election with its relentless assault via the airwaves and our television screens on our senses and sanity, and the race for 2016 is already underway. Well, it is in Iowa, at least. And Florida's very own Senator Marco Rubio technically kicked the race off just two weeks after the last election by a visit to that state.

Wait! It's only 2013, right? Well in today's world of never-ending campaigning, that means there are only 1,181 days until election day, never mind that just next year every single member of the House of Representatives and 33 of the 100 seats in the Senate will go before the voters. It is 2016 that is bringing the presidential hopefuls to the Hawkeye State.

Although no one has yet officially announced their candidacy for president,

thus far it is primarily republicans making stops in Iowa, with democrats largely holding back, possibly so as the spotlight is not shifted away from President Obama, who still has three years left in office. That said, Vice President Joe Biden is expected to speak at Iowa Senator Tom Harkin's annual steak fry next month, a large politically oriented gathering that then-candidate Barack Obama attended in 2007. The Vice President, however, told *GQ Magazine* just last month that he could die a happy man without ever being President of the United States. But then again, most politicians, like most everyone, could always use a little more happiness.

Just four months after the Harkin steak fry in 2007, Obama surprised the nation with a win in the first-in-the-nation Iowa Caucuses, propelling the then little-known candidate past Hillary Clinton, who was at the time the presumptive nominee. Obama set up tent stakes early on in Iowa and that apparently paid off with two terms in the White House. Unless they have a better plan, most candidates for president consider Iowa to be essential.

The Tampa Bay area and the I-4 Corridor are considered some of the most valuable and volatile real estate on the political landscape. Further, with 29 electoral votes, tying New York and behind only California and Texas, Florida is considered an enormous prize for anyone with presidential aspirations. With Florida as the largest of the swing states, the Tampa Bay area is generally credited with doing the swinging. Iowa, meanwhile, has just six electoral votes.

More people live in the greater Tampa Bay metropolitan area than in all of Iowa, making it amazing the power such a relatively small state wields over the nation's choice for president. Although some states, including Florida, have attempted to jump ahead and hold primaries or caucuses before Iowa, such attempts have not only been unsuccessful, they have sometimes resulted in retribution from the respective parties. Although a long campaign in Iowa, particularly during the cold winter months, can't exactly be considered a vacation, the state does hold a certain appeal for aspiring candidates, and more importantly for those in charge of campaign finances.

No campaign manager in his or her

33rd Tampa Bay Senior Games sign-ups going on now

■ BY PENNY FLETCHER
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Couples like Barbara and Joe Mignogna find that doing things together sometimes involves more than having dinner or watching TV.

The Mignognas, who have lived in Sun City Center since 2009, won the pairs division competition in lawn bowling at the Tampa Bay Senior Games 32nd year event in 2012 and plan to enter again this year.

They're definitely the team to beat.

Neither had ever lawn-bowled before moving to Florida. In fact, neither had played much sports since their high school and college years.

"Years ago, I played baseball, basketball, softball and golf- some competitively," but I had never heard of lawn bowling until we came down to visit friends here in 2008. We liked it well enough to rent in 2009 and by 2010 had bought a house and moved here," Joe said.

This will be the first year Joe has not entered the golf portion of the Senior Games as well.

Married 45 years this month, the couple has three children, one in Riverview, and the other two out-of-state, in Seattle and

Los Angeles, all of whom spent their growing up years in Greensburg, Penn., where Joe and Barbara lived before moving to Florida.

Joe was in banking and Barbara was the manager of an energy company.

"I started lawn bowling because it was something I could do with Joe," Barbara said. "I only do pairs, and I only bowl with Joe."

Joe, however, is very involved with the Sun City Center team and is currently its president.

"Our trainer was Gretchen Miexner but she doesn't train anymore. Now we work with Dian Thomas," he said.

"Besides the fact we can do this as a family there are other great social aspects to lawn bowling," he continued. "We get to meet people from other clubs, even from out of state and out of the country."

They meet a lot of Canadians and Brits, where the game is very big, he continued. "We're going to host the 2014 Bowls USA National Tournament in November 2014."

There are about 160 members of the club at this time. "Once you are 90 (years old) you don't pay any dues," he explained.

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Barbara and Joe Mignogna show off their winners medals from the Lawnbowling Pairs Championships at the 2012 Tampa Bay Senior Games. The couple will compete again in October.

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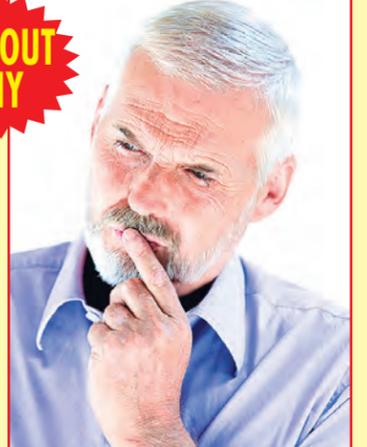
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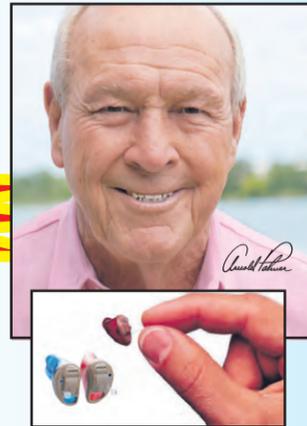
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Renovations to Summerfield Clubhouse to start by August's end

■ BY PENNY FLETCHER
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When the first homes were built in Summerfield just east of U.S. 301 on Big Bend Road in Riverview, many wondered who would ever choose to live in a development so far out of town.

It was definitely cattle country.

In the mid-1980s, the first residents had to shop in Riverview, Apollo Beach or Sun City Center, each between 10 and 12 miles away. There was no local grocery store, pharmacy or any kind of plaza surrounding the new development then.

But gradually, the goats disappeared from the northwest corner of the U.S. 301-Big Bend Road intersection, and a Hess gas station was built in their place. A Publix came to the northeast corner, followed by several other businesses.

But cattle and horses still circled the new homes.

Then, between 1999 and 2009, the Big Bend Road and U.S. 301 intersection became one of the county's three busiest intersections, according to the traffic division of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office in 2007.

A second school was built within the Summerfield Community. A clubhouse expansion and renovation was done. The South Fork development was built directly to the south of the community, and Panther Trace directly to its north border.

People learned that this was the growing area of Riverview and a whole new community, now called Big Bend, was born.

Now, in 2013, with more

than 3,500 residences and approximately 7,000 residents, the seven-person Summerfield Master Association Board of Directors has another clubhouse renovation in place set to begin the end of August and last approximately three months.

This renovation won't include anything outside the main clubhouse, although a plan to add a wing to it is in the not-too-far distant future, said board President Bob Abruzzese.

This renovation is all inside, doubling the size of the fitness area and adding more exercise equipment.

Abi James, who was assistant association manager, is now interim manager, and who Abruzzese says he hopes will soon hold the title of Community Manager, showed off the plans in a recent interview.

"The dues to residents won't go up," James said. "The money for this has been in reserve funds a long time."

That's how this board operates, Abruzzese said. "Absolutely everything, right down to the colors and every piece of furniture was put to a board vote," he said.

The approximately \$200,000 project will begin by breaking down the wall between two small exercise rooms, one for cardio and one for weight training, and making one large room which will then be a weight and exercise machine room.

What is now office space in the back on the front side of the clubhouse will become a new cardio room. "This will more than double the size of the fitness

area," James explained.

The back room where meetings are now held will also hold the office space. The large gymnasium will not change.

Euthenics, a planning and design firm based in Tampa, drew the plans, which include making what is now a small kitchen into a wireless Internet room and modernizing the entrance area and front office, James continued, pointing to the plans.

H.I.S. Design and Build — also based in Tampa — will do the contract and construction work.

"We are proud we are not going to have to raise HOA dues," said Abruzzese.

"This renovation is long overdue."

Many people in the community use the weight and cardio rooms and, at peak hours, they are crowded.

"Hopefully we will be finished in November," he added.

It may be four or five years before any outside renovations are done or the new wing is added, he said.

But the board is already planning for it so that it can handle payment the same way it is handling payment for this renovation: at the time it is done.



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Abi James, interim manager for the Summerfield Master Community Association in Riverview, checks over plans for a major clubhouse renovation due to start in less than two weeks.

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Unmusical Mary



By Jim Miller

Dear Mary,
Music has amazing power, especially for people with Alzheimer's disease. Studies have shown that listening to familiar

music can significantly improve mood and alertness, reduce agitation, and can help with a number of behavioral issues that are common in the middle-stages of the disease. Even in the late-stages of Alzheimer's, a person may be able to tap a beat or sing lyrics to a song from childhood.

Sitting and listening to music together can also provide a way for you and your dad to connect and bond with your mom, even after she stops recognizing your names and faces. Here are a few tips to help you create a music therapy program for your mom.

Create a Playlist

Your first step is to identify the music that's familiar and enjoyable to your mom. Does she like jazz, classical or Frank Sinatra? What songs make her want to get up and dance? Then go back to the era when she was a teenager through her early 20s. Research shows that music during this time period seems to get the best response and triggers the most memories.

If you need some help creating a playlist, the Institute for Music and Neurologic Function provides a suggested list of top songs by era and genre on its website at musictherapy.imnf.org — click on "Outpatient Services," then on "Top 10's For Memory."

The website pandora.com will also tailor a radio station to match your mom's musical taste when you select an artist, song or genre. And musicandmemory.org offers a free guide to creating a personalized playlist.

You can also get help from a music therapist. The American

Music Therapy Association offers a national directory of more than 6,000 therapists at musictherapy.org to help you find someone in your area.

To keep things fresh, it's best to create a diverse playlist of numerous artists, with no more than five to 10 songs per artist. It's also important to keep tweaking the playlist. Every week or so, ask your mom which songs she likes and which ones are just so-so. Remove the so-so ones, and build on the successful ones so you end up with 100 or 200 songs that all resonate.

Music Delivery

There are a number of ways you can deliver your mom's favorite music: a digital listening device, CD player, a computer or tablet, or even an old record player. If you don't have any music and are on a tight budget, check with your local public library. It may have CD selections you can check out.

Digital listening devices like an iPod or MP3 player are the most convenient and widely used options among music therapists for delivering music, because they're easy to add and remove songs from.

The \$49 Apple iPod Shuffle (apple.com/ipod-shuffle), and \$40 SanDisk Sansa Clip MP3 Player (sandisk.com) that require headphones, and the \$60 Peabod SweetPea3 MP3 Player (sweetpeatoyc.com) which has an external speaker, are three excellent devices that are extremely simple to use and very affordable.

Another option to consider for listening to music together is through an Internet radio service like spotify.com and rhapsody.com. These services will let you create a customized playlist (for free or a small monthly subscription fee) that your mom and you can listen to via computer, mobile device, home entertainment system, or a home Internet radio like the \$180 Logitech UE Smart Radio (ue.logitech.com), which is a great alternative that's simple to use and compatible with most online radio services.

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Entitled "Are You Prepared?" the program will take place at JSA's facility at 787 Cortaro Dr. in SCC.

The main speaker will be Bill Barron, president of CERT (Community Emergency Rescue Team), who will address the gathering at 3 p.m.

Also on hand will be Bay News 9 meteorologist Diane Kacmarik, Ted Williams of Hillsborough County Fire Rescue, and registered dietician Shirley Allen of South Bay Hospital, who will speak on nutrition needs during an emergency.

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Tracey and James Aiena, owners of Anytime Fitness.

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By William Hodges

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While enjoying my cookies, I talked with several lovely people. The first was with a very nice woman by the name of Anne Almony. Anne had just donated her 45th unit (or pint) of blood. She said that she gives a pint about every eight weeks. By the way, eight weeks is the minimum time between blood donations. It is hard to even imagine how many lives Anne's generosity has saved or benefited. Also enjoying his cookies was a very young man who had started his blood donor career when the blood center visited his high school. Quinn Crosby had just marked the giving of his first gallon of blood; this visit marked his eighth donation.

I am humbled by people like Anne and Quinn who love their fellow man enough to face their fears and give one of the most important gifts a man or woman can give — their own blood. These are people who truly make a difference. But what

about you — are you making a difference? We know that only about 4 to 5 percent of the eligible donors ever give the first pint of blood, and only about half the adult population is eligible to give blood because of a number of prohibiting factors. The pool is very small, but when you give blood, you become a big and very important fish in that pond.

If fear is standing between you and going down to a blood center, then I suggest you call the center to discuss your fears with them. They will be pleased to answer all your questions and, if you wish to visit the center beforehand, they will be pleased to give you a tour. All in all, no strain, no pain, and someone's life to gain, sums up my experience with the blood center. Did I mention that I'm now a proud member of the four-gallon club? I plead with you to take a few moments out of your day to give the gift of life to someone in need. Keep in mind that the person lying on the operating table needing that very blood could be someone close to you, or it could be YOU!

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

Although there is an urgent need for blood all year long, the summer months are the worst. With so many people on vacation, giving blood is the last thing on their minds. However, with increased activity comes more auto accidents, sports mishaps and sad to say, the heat also affects violent crime — all of which require more from our blood banks.

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Sign ups going on now for senior games

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The two volunteer time with the Security Patrol and Barbara also dances and takes Latin dancing classes, while Joe does some volunteering with the Men's Club Lifeline project.

Active in their homeowners association, he is president and she is chairwoman of the Architectural Committee.

"I also serve as president of the Suncoasters, which is the woman's lawnbowlers club. We do a lot of fun things there too."

Meanwhile, Mike and Brenda Perkins are also training for the Games.

They have lived in Sun City Center since 2004 and both were still working when they moved to the community.

"I was a superintendent for the Parks and Rec there for 31 years in New Hampton, N.Y.," Mike said. "I had to tell people what to do but I didn't get much chance to do it." Because of that profession, he was always involved in running sporting events, and has a

love of games.

"I had to sit at a desk and watch others. Now I can play," he said.

Brenda, who has been the director of risk management for hospital systems, said they have been married 30 years and have five children that are spread all over the States from Georgia to Maryland and one is in Germany.

Mike was a tennis player all through school and did cross country and basketball. He kept up his tennis afterwards, and played whenever he could get away from his administrative job.

"I didn't do sports at all until I got here," Brenda said. "I started in mixed pairs to be active and to be his companion," she said.

First they started with pickleball, but attended a free lawnbowling clinic in 2007 and decided it was better suited to them.

By 2008, Mike was the champion of the local club and is now the president of the Southeast Division of Bowls USA which includes seven states.

Online sign-ups for this year's Tampa Bay Senior Games have already begun at www.tinyurl.com/observer-senior1 and questions may be answered on the website at www.tinyurl.com/observer-senior2 or by calling Mary Clements Fowler at (813) 635-3519.

The games feature two weeks of competition in various activities, such as basketball, billiards, bowling, cribbage, dominoes, golf, hobby show, pickleball, pinochle, swimming, table tennis, talent showcase, tennis, and track and field. New events this year include, softball and corn hole.

The Tampa Bay Senior Games are hosted by the Hillsborough County Parks, Recreation and Conservation Department, Hillsborough County Family and Aging Services, City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Department, and Temple Terrace Leisure Services and will take place at various parks and pool locations around the county (depending upon the sport) locations of which are available on the website.

Anyone who is 50 or older before Dec. 31 of the current year is eligible to enter. They will be held Oct 7 through Oct. 18.



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Mike and Brenda Perkins get their new bowling gear in order in time for the Lawn Bowling competition at the Tampa Bay Senior Games. Mike is the president of the Southeast Division of Bowls USA which includes seven states.

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You, me and business: Working the budget

The other day I saw a pair of shoes that screamed out to me. As with most women, I am a shoe junkie. They were gorgeous shoes, but a tad on the pricey side. My conscience kicked in immediately with the usual mantra "they're not in the budget." I get so tired of my conscience doing that.

Who isn't on a budget these days? Every household and every business should have one. But before you curse the budget for not allowing you to splurge, think about all of the things overspending costs you.

There are a lot of people out there who hate their jobs. If they had frugal spending habits, many of them could take a lesser paying job they felt passionate about. Working for the Chamber, a non-profit, brings in considerably less than what I was making working the corporate gig. But I am much happier with my down-sized life!

My downsized life has much less clutter because my 1200 square foot condo can't hold all of the vases, knick knacks and other dust catchers I displayed in my 3000 square foot house. I have found discretionary income for vacations in not buying "stuff" I usually end up donating to Goodwill a couple of years later.

The savings account gets fuller as well. Emergencies come at us out of nowhere and obviously aren't planned. But extra funds stashed away help soften the blow when they do hit. For business owners, having emergency reserves is not just a smart idea, it's a must!

Staying on that budget also means less debt. There is a definite

peace that comes from not having a car payment and being able to pay off the credit card balance every month. When the condo is paid off in two years, there won't be a mortgage either!

For those who invest, it's great when you can purchase stocks when they are undervalued instead of when you get a little extra cash. By working crossword puzzles in the paper or socializing at home instead of paying for a pricey dinner out and a movie, you can rack up enough to invest in some great funds. Likewise, companies that are frugal can take those extra funds and re-invest them in additional resources.

And don't underestimate the power of that credit score! People with great credit get better interest rates on loans. I know, loans equal debt, but sometimes you HAVE to get a car loan or a mortgage.

At the end of the day, staying within the budget means more freedom. Freedom to take a few days off. Freedom to retire early if you want. And most importantly, the freedom to relax and not have to be constantly anxious living paycheck to paycheck. It sounds like a contradiction to say adhering to strict limits means more freedom. However, if I am frugal eating leftovers for lunch and turning off lights when I leave a room, I can purchase those killer shoes I wanted so badly!

I didn't buy the shoes. I decided the price was too high and enough to afford me a weekend out with Husband. And I like being free to do that once in a while.



By Dana Dittmar,
Executive Director
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South Bay Hospital hosts multi-chamber after-hours event

On July 30, 2013 a touch of *Southern Comfort* was extended by South Bay Hospital in Sun City Center. Inside its Outpatient Diagnostic and Rehab Center, the staff welcomed members of the Sun City Center, the Greater Riverview and the SouthShore Chambers of Commerce to an evening of "Southern Charm and Grace."

Rooms of refreshments were catered by the South Bay Hospital Dining Staff ... complete with sweet tea and lemonade, of course. Lace fans were distributed to the ladies and gentlemanly mustaches were available for the men. Many participants wore stylish hats to impress the crowd. With more than 200 local business people in attendance, there was continuous networking in which to participate.

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The workshop will take place at the Centre Club on the 8th floor of 123 S. Westshore Blvd. in Tampa. The cost of the workshop is \$79 per person.

The speaker will be Gary Teaney, of Transformational Consulting for Business, who will explain what it takes to win some of the billions of dollars that flow through local government municipalities. Teaney says, "If you have a business that generates under \$2 million in revenue, you can receive a government contract."

The training is designed specifically to help participants:

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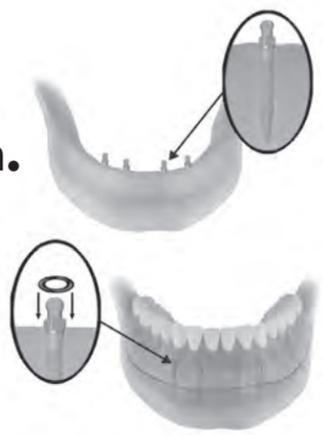
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Observations: These kids today

Young people have been in the news lately, and most of that news hasn't been particularly favorable. If you have read any such articles you could be left with the impression that young people today are unmotivated, have an unrealistic sense of entitlement, are still living with their parents (who still drive them around) and, generally, are unemployed.

The latter two speak, perhaps, more of the current economic climate than they do about young people but the prevailing sense is that young people are lazy and seem to believe that iPhones and other luxuries are considered necessities of life — and are absolute expectations without the recognition that such things must be paid for with money and work.

I have learned that the news is wrong. It seems every generation believes that the following generation is filled with slackers, a mindset that almost certainly began long before, but was likely heightened by, the generation clash of the late 1960s. Yet the mindset continues on today, it's the same but different, reflecting a far different world.

The past weekend was filled with the kind of young people the news seems to be overlooking. Michelle and I flew up north to see my nephew marry a beautiful and smart young woman. To leave for even an overnight trip, we hire a dog sitter to stay at our house with our pets. For this four-day trip, two young women joined forces to handle the spoiled quadrupeds. Alexa and Sammie

were wonderful. They put up with our many text messages and, through a security camera mounted at the front door that points down to a cat dish set out in the hopes we'll see our still-lost cat, we noticed that they even took off their shoes before going into the house, which made them far more conscientious than me, despite that I have blue jeans that are older than the two of them.

For most of my life I've lived away from *home*, making the journey back to Minnesota once or twice a year, and in my mind my brother's three boys are frozen as children excited about opening wrapped toys at Christmastime. But the reality is that all three already have their own lives, one was married a few months ago and now the second of three was getting married.

This weekend, in the span of a mere instant, time and reality caught up with me. Those three kids tearing open presents at Christmas were grown men, speaking eloquently in public as they offered up toasts to their brother and his new wife during the wedding reception. All three of them have college degrees and have their own careers, most notably careers that serve and help others.

Zach, the nephew who was the reason for the trip, got married on Saturday and on Monday was coaching football practice at the school at which he teaches in rural Minnesota. So much for unmotivated young people.

At the wedding reception, I reconnected with teachers I had in school, all of whom have since retired and yet they all looked much the same as they did three decades ago. If kids are really getting worse by the day, it certainly wasn't apparent on their faces. They clearly enjoyed educating and, the truth be told, taking care of our kids through a few generations. Coming from a family of teachers, I know all too well that their jobs are not easy — but that generally isn't due to the kids.

The reception was over and before long the dance started and some differences between kids of old and kids today became clear in the music that erupted from the speakers. Suffice to say that I recognized very little of it and Michelle and I decided that tired old folks like us could easily slip out unnoticed to get ready for bed.

The next day as we boarded our flight home to Tampa, Michelle sent a text message to Alexa and Sammie asking if they could let the dogs out one last time during the early evening hours. "Yes, Ma'am," came the immediate reply, along with a little smiley face. On the plane we speculated about the condition of the house. With three shedding dogs, cleaning at our place is an industrial operation involving a vacuum cleaner that costs roughly that of an older used car. They're just kids, we thought, so we probably should be prepared to clean up, despite the late night arrival of our flight. We've had a number of wonderful pet-sitters over the years and we know very well that a person really has to be motivated to manage the daily



Observations
By Mitch Traphagen
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MITCH TRAPHAGEN PHOTO

My nephew Zach with his wife Sarah at their wedding reception on Saturday. Okay, so they may be messy with cake but we don't have to worry about young people today. They'll be just fine.

deluge of fur.

Exhausted after a long day of travel, we unlocked the door and were greeted by a bunch of overly happy dogs. On the table was a note that began, "Dear Mr. and Mrs. Traphagen....". It went on to say that they cleaned up a little and they hoped everything was okay.

The house was immaculate.

And with that, I was struck that I had some growing up of my own to do. Alexa and Sammie aren't *kids*, any more than my grown nephews are kids. They are all just young people trying to make

their way in life, with jobs and responsibilities and dreams that are all their own. Like those of us who came before them, and those who came before us, they are decent, caring, people motivated to doing something good. What I learned this weekend was that we don't have to worry about *kids* today. Sure they like their iPhones and other expensive toys — so do I — but they'll be just fine. These kids today are something else. In fact, they might even be something better than their parents (and uncles) could ever hope to be.

Re-scheduled Date

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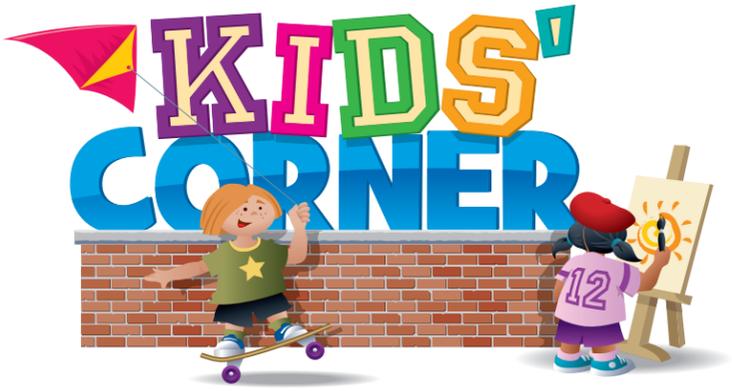
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Q: How do you stop a circus?
A: Go for the juggler!



Name That Animal

Some circus acts have animals in them. Fill in the blanks to name some of the animals found at a circus.

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Answers: 1) Lions, 2) Tigers, 3) Dogs, 4) Elephants, 5) Sea Lions, 6) Chimps, 7) Horses

Fact or Fiction? Circus Challenge

Circuses have many acts from lion tamers to acrobats. Here are some questions about circuses and circus acts. How many can you answer correctly?

1) Some circuses take place in a tent known as the small top.
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3) Only one act can perform at a time in a circus. **Fact or Fiction?**

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5) The ringmaster wears baggy jeans and a bright-colored T-shirt. **Fact or Fiction?**

6) Trapeze artists perform some of the most high-flying acts in a circus. **Fact or Fiction?**

7) Tightrope walkers use big cats in their acts. **Fact or Fiction?**

8) Most circuses have clowns. **Fact or Fiction?**

9) A circus clown might ride a one-wheeled bike called a tricycle. **Fact or Fiction?**

10) Some circuses also have dancers and fire breathers. **Fact or Fiction?**

Answers: 1) Fiction, a circus tent is called the big top, 2) Fact, 3) Fiction, more than one act often performs at a time, 4) Fact, 5) Fiction, the ringmaster wears a top hat with a brightly colored topcoat and tails, 6) Fact, 7) Fiction, tightrope walkers usually do not perform with animals, especially big cats like lions and tigers, 8) Fact, 9) Fiction, a one-wheeled bike is called a unicycle, 10) Fact

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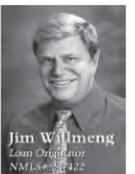
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Below is a list of Florida Certified Wineries, two of which have festivals in the coming weeks.

■ Rosa Fiorelli Winery, Bradenton, (941) 322-0976, 4250 CR 675 E, Bradenton, FL 34211. www.fiorelliwinery.com. Open Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Sunday 12 to 5 p.m., closed Tuesdays. The **August Harvest Fest** is August 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Enjoy grape stomping, arts and crafts vendors, u-pick grapes, food and beverage vendors, Wine tasting. \$10 admission includes souvenir wine glass and a sampling of five wines. Free admission for kids.

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Every four years, the relatively small state of Iowa and Des Moines, its largest city (shown above) become the center of the political universe as candidates vie to win the first-in-the-nation Iowa Caucuses. Lately, though, it seems the campaigns just don't stop.

Only 1,181 days to go

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right mind would want a heavily populated state such as Florida as a proving ground. The media costs alone in building and proving a candidacy in a state like this would be formidable, something reserved only for the wealthiest candidates and even then, the relatively few of those willing to part with their wealth. Iowa, on the other hand, has a handful of smaller media markets, led by the capital city of Des Moines, along with a population that has a long history of getting involved with the candidates, an affect that thus saves the all-

important early campaign dollars as the people tend to come to the candidate for any number of fish fries and pancake breakfasts held at Legion halls, VFW posts and firehouses throughout the state.

And now, with the 2012 election still in the rear-view mirror, the candidates are already beginning to line up in Iowa for 2016, a pack that includes a number of newly elected politicians such as freshman Texas Senator Ted Cruz, who visited Iowa last weekend. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania, who eventually (but possibly too late) won Iowa in 2012, after a drawn out challenge that saw him first losing to Mitt Romney, also visited the state this past weekend, making a stop at the Iowa State Fair. Other politicians who can't seem to get enough of Iowa lately include former Vice Presidential nominee Paul Ryan of Wisconsin, Senator Rand Paul of Kentucky, and Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal. Even Donald Trump has just happened to be in the neighborhood.

As President, Obama has returned to Iowa several times, although these days his sights seem to be set more on Florida, with a visit to Orlando last week

speaking before 3,000 military veterans, who, coincidentally, also happen to be voters. The President may not be running for another office and he came with his own message to a group that is well represented in the Sunshine State, but his party is looking to 2014 and 2016 and Florida is far too important to ignore.

The upside for a jaded public worn out by the newly never-ending campaign cycle is that despite our own weariness, it is the candidates themselves that will likely suffer the most, consuming more fried foods on a stick, shaking more hands, wearing perma-smiles with eyelids droopy from exhaustion, and kissing more babies than anyone should be forced to in any lifetime. So while the ever-lengthening campaign process may be painful for us, just be glad that you aren't the candidate. There are some things that nature never intended to be fried on a stick and the memories, some may call them nightmares, will last long into even the next election cycle which, the way things are going, will probably begin in a month or two. After all, Election Day on November 3, 2012 is only 2,637 days away.



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Thurs., Aug. 22 • 2:30-4 p.m. • Mental Wellness Support Group. Facilitated by Edmond Dubreuil MSW, RCSWI mental health professional. Supported by South Shore Coalition on Mental Health & Aging and the United Methodist Church of Sun City Center

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PENNY FLETCHER PHOTOS

Bill Van Deman goes over open sea procedures with his teammate Aaron Schmidt at the Bimini Bay pool in Apollo Beach. Van Deman is president of the Florida Skin Divers Association and one of only five instructors in Florida certified to teach the Performance Freediving International method taught to Navy Seals and Red Bull Athletes.

Safety is first concern for Apollo Beach dive instructor

■ By PENNY FLETCHER
penny@observernews.net

Imagine holding your breath for 11 whole minutes. That's the world record, according to Bill Van Deman, and he should know. Van Deman is the president of the Florida Skin Divers Association, the past president of the Tampa Bay Spearfishing Club and has served as the Event Chairman of the Florida State Championships in both

Spearfishing and Photography.

He is one of only five people in the State of Florida certified to teach the Performance Freediving International method that is taught to Navy Seals and Red Bull Athletes.

Van Deman has been an Apollo Beach resident for eight years but his family ties to South County go back much farther.

"My dad worked here selling houses when Andulucia and the houses on the boulevard down by the water were just being built," he said. "We lived in Brandon when I was growing up and then I went to Purdue University in Indiana, where I met my wife Molly."

Bill and Molly have one child, Drew, five, who is already learning water safety.

"Safety is the most important

thing I teach. I get a lot of scallopers, people who go lobstering or stone crabbing and a lot who take underwater photography. I also get surfers who need to learn the breath-holding method because if they ride a 100-foot wave and go under, they can be underwater for three or four minutes."

The surfers he's trained are often professional, or the type of amateur that follows the waves.

"Maybe they go to some remote beach in Indonesia and surf when the surf's up, and when the water is calm, they spearfish."

Van Deman's competitive team, Abyss Freediving, has gone to national competition more than once and currently has a father-son team competing in Rhode Island.

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Roundup wrap up

The SonWest Roundup VBS at South Bay Church in Riverview came to a close Friday night with a rip roarin' hoe down that showcased what the kids had learned throughout the week. Students from kindergarten through fifth grade attended in record numbers to learn stories about Moses, play games, make crafts and — a crowd favorite — sing and dance to uplifting music led by teen volunteers. Students brought offerings of money and school supplies each night to contribute to Haiti Gospel Ministries as well as local children. South Bay Church is located at 13498 U.S. Hwy. 301 South, Riverview, just south of Big Bend Road. Visit www.SouthBay.cc for more information about services times and ministries.

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Powerstories Theatre performs at So. Hillsborough Elks Lodge

Girlstories Leadership Theatre program, which is part of Powerstories Theatre, is a theater arts program for girls living in Hillsborough who will be in the 6th, 7th and 8th grades next year.

The girls practiced at the Elks Lodge for six weeks this summer from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and put on a show for the Lodge on July 24. Lunch and snacks were provided for the girls, thanks to a \$2,000 grant from the Elks National Foundation.

Girlstories Leadership Theatre was awarded the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award from First Lady Michelle Obama at the White House in 2010.

Safety is first concern for Apollo Beach dive instructor

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This is one of the top three teams in Florida and has been state runner-up two years in a row, and gone to nationals four out of the past five years.

He started his business, classes and team by first becoming certified through Performance Freediving International which can be viewed at www.performancefreediving.com.

Freediving is basically skin diving deeper than 15 feet. A snorkel and 3 1/2 foot fins are used as divers go down without scuba tanks (no oxygen) and hold their breath.

They are taught to go between 100 and 400 feet down, at about 1 meter per second, holding their breath for about 60 seconds to start, Van Deman said.

First he trains in the classroom, then in a pool, and then in the open water.

"I do classes on Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday, too, so people can get their certificate in a weekend if they want to," he said.

He teaches in several counties and all around the Bay and currently does local pool classes at the Brandon Sports and Aquatic Center, 405 Beverly Blvd. in Brandon.

"There's a real danger with kids — especially boys — from 18 to 24 because they may have the physical ability to do it without training and then find themselves in trouble because they don't know the proper safety procedures."

He keeps coming back to safety. "Never dive without supervision. That means you shouldn't be alone. Another thing is no one should wear anything that would weigh them down —

keep them from floating."

Too much gear or clothing can cause someone to drown.

"You should have someone watch you for 30 seconds after you surface from a dive," he said.

Ill effects from an improper dive, or caused by other conditions, will show in the first 30 seconds after resurfacing, he added.

"When I teach, it's about 30 percent technique and 70 percent safety and supervision," he said.

"Many people take diving so they can be better fishermen," he explained.

Spearfishing is a more ancient way of catching fish, and is very challenging. The fishing tournaments he enters are usually the type that call for so many (perhaps three) of each type named, which means you must learn the waters, how to hunt a particular fish and then bring them in before the clock runs out.

But more and more people are getting into diving just for the beautiful underwater photography that is available between what they could get snorkeling (just under the surface) and having to deep dive. With freediving, either underwater still cameras or the new GoPro underwater video cameras can be used.

"There's so much under water to get excited about," Van Deman said. "People from all walks of life are getting really interested."

Water sports can be done as a family, or with groups of friends as well as alone.

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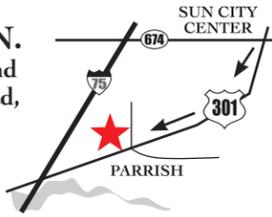


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Fish Tales: Catfish are abundant this time of year

Anglers are getting used to early morning fishing, watching the weather, and arriving ashore before the rains. As much fun to catch as a game fish in saltwater.



By Jonie Maschek
Member: Florida Outdoor Writers Association

This is the time of year that saltwater catfish are everywhere. Use care when handling this fish. Catfish can harm you with their fin spines. They have three of these needlelike stingers.

Most people know oysters produce pearls, but did you know the sail catfish has two pearls located in front of its eye sockets in the inner ear cavities? These 'pearls' are ear stones and are used as a balancing mechanism for the fish. The stones are also used by scientists to tell the age of the fish. Most fish ages are calculated by their scales, but the catfish has no scales or rings to count.

There is one on the front part of its dorsal fin, which is the back fin, and two more behind each pectoral fin, which is the chest or breast fin. If your skin is punctured by one of these spines they infest you with a toxic substance which is very painful.

Another unusual fish is the walking catfish. They are an unwelcome invasive fish to Florida which were imported to our state by tropical fish dealers. They will walk across land from pond to pond.

Talking to some Ruskin natives, I found an old fashioned remedy for a catfish sting. Take your knife or oyster knife and scrape some slime off the fish. Rub this slime into the wound. It takes away the pain. Some swear by this and others say it works temporarily until you get ashore.

As for the food value of a catfish, nothing is better than fried freshwater cats and cheese grits with hush puppies.

Our saltwater cats are fun to catch, but aren't such a good tablefare. However, some old-timers skin the saltwater cats and soak them in milk before cooking. They say they are then as good as freshwater cats.

Morning fishing has been good for all anglers venturing out early with the usual catches of flounder, reds, and trout.

Freshwater catfish are abundant in lakes and upper freshwaters of the Alafia and the Little Manatee Rivers. There are those that fish only for freshwater catfish telling us that they give you a workout before you can boat them, and they are just

Redfish is one per person, per day of legal size not less than 17 inches or more than 28 inches.

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A legal spotted trout is not less than 15 or more than 20 inches with 4 per harvest, per day.

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Book Discussion: Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress by Dai Sijie - Thursday, Aug. 15 at 2 p.m.

Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress is an enchanting tale that captures the magic of reading and the wonder of romantic awakening. An immediate international bestseller, it tells the story of two hapless city boys exiled to a remote mountain village for re-education during China's infamous Cultural Revolution. There, the two friends meet the daughter of the local tailor and discover a hidden stash of Western classics in Chinese translation. As they flirt with the seamstress and secretly devour these banned works, the two friends find transit from their grim surroundings to worlds they never imagined.

Internet: Introduction and Google Search - Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 12:30 p.m.

Introduction to the Internet and related terminology. Learn how to use Google to find information and tips for evaluating what you find. Basic mouse and keyboarding skills are recommended. Limit: 20.

eBooks for Kindle and Kindle Apps - Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 10:30 a.m.

Learn how to check out and download free library eBooks to read on the Kindle or any device using the free Kindle app and Overdrive! Also discover how to use library eBooks with an Amazon.com account. Presented by the Tampa Bay Library Consortium Limit: 20.

Elder Law Seminar - Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 2 p.m.

This program will provide information and education regarding legal issues for seniors including planning for incapacities and long term care with emphasis on public benefits. Medicaid, Medicare, and V.A programs will be discussed.

Mah Jongg Club - Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of the popular table game, Mah Jongg. Participants are asked to bring their own Mah Jongg set or card. Limited to 28 players. Register in advance at the Information Desk or call 813-273-3652.

SouthShore Needle People - Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 6:30 p.m.

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Windows 7: More Windows - Thursday, Aug. 22 at 12:30 p.m.

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Peace Corps needs 1000 new volunteers, comes to Tampa Aug. 20

Peace Corps is reaching out to those who are interested in making a difference in the lives of others around the world, while at the same time making a difference in their own lives. It is seeking 1000 new volunteers who would be interested in using their education, work, and volunteer experience to help those who live in developing countries. The Agency's Southeast Regional Recruitment Office will be looking for new volunteers when it visits Tampa later this month to answer questions about the opportunities it has for citizens of all ages and backgrounds.

The information session is from 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday Aug. 20 at the Tampa Public Library - John F. Germany Branch, at 900 North Ashley Dr. in Tampa.

"Serving as a Peace Corps volunteer is probably one of the most rewarding experiences a person can have in their life," said Chad Chernet, a Returned Peace Corps volunteer and a recruiter for the Peace Corps. "You give so much of yourself, but you get so much in return — new friends, a new culture, and the feeling of giving back."

Plant City resident Stephanie Joy Sheffield has already decided that she wants to serve her country by making a difference in a developing country. Sheffield will be leaving home on Aug. 27 to spend two years as an Education volunteer in Colombia.

"What attracts me to the Peace Corps is that it combines many of my passions — traveling, teaching, and language education, experiencing other cultures, and serving others," said Sheffield. "I was able to hear from other people in my community about how much their sons and daughters absolutely loved their experiences in the Peace Corps which encouraged me even more to apply."

There are currently 36 volunteers from the Tampa Bay area who are serving overseas. More than 850 volunteers from the Tampa Bay area have served with the agency since it was founded by President Kennedy in 1961. Returned volunteers are also expected to attend the Aug. 20 event.



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Thursday, Aug. 15 - Bar Bingo with Jerry 6 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 16 - Fish & Chips 4:30 - 7 p.m. Queen of Hearts 7:30 p.m. Music by Rick Bourbon 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 17 - Crew Games in Lounge, 6 p.m. free hot dogs. Music by You 2 Kan 7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 18 - Music by Bert & Sassy 6:30 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 19 - Crew Games & free hot dogs, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 20 - Games in Lounge 1-4 p.m. Kitchen opens 4:30 p.m. Bingo, 6 p.m.

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Russell L. Marchese

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Born in Batavia, NY on March 2, 1934, to the late Joseph R. and Carrie Marchese, Sr., Russ owned and operated Marchese National Food Stores in the Batavia community for many years.

He is survived by sons Russell L. Marchese, Jr. (Diane Marchese), of Batavia, NY and Matthew J. Marchese (Melody Marchese), of Williamsville, NY, as well as daughters Marianne L. Jensen (Billy Jensen), of Herndon, VA, Kathleen A. Dermody (Bergen, NY, Joan M. Marchese (David Foster), of Bolton, MA, Lisa K. Marchese (Karen Evans) of Albuquerque, NM, and Jennifer L. Crockett (Timothy Crockett), of Grand Island, NY.

He will be missed by his 14 grandchildren: William Marchese and his spouse, Jessi Marchese; Sarah, Joanna and Rebecca Jensen; Kristina Marchese and her fiancé, Greg Thurber; Katelyn and Shannon Dermody; Owen and Henry Foster; Louis and Carmela Marchese; Zoe and Sasha Evans; Evan Crockett; and great-grandchildren Ronan and Elliot Marchese.

In addition, Russ is survived by brother Robert Marchese (Judith) of New Port Richie, FL and sisters Carolyn McGorray (Thomas McGorray) of Tucson, AZ and Dorothy Marchese of Batavia, NY; brother-in-law Louis Marazza (Marian) of Erie, PA and sister-in-law Arlene Gavazzi of Corry, PA; as well as many cousins, nieces and nephews. Russ was predeceased by sisters Rose Nigro and Florence Joy and brother Joseph R. Marchese, Jr.

While living in Batavia, Russ served the community for many years as a member of the Sertoma Club. When he retired to Florida, he became an active member of the Sawdust Engineers in Sun City Center, FL to which he was elected President and served as a member of the board. He also sat on the Cypress View Community Board of Property Owners Association. He volunteered as a driver for Samaritan Services of Sun City Center and the Sun City Center Security Patrol.

A memorial mass will be celebrated on August 24, 2013 at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Sun City Center, FL. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to LifePath Hospice, 3723 Upper Creek Dr., Ruskin, FL 33573.

Learn more about the Catholic faith

Are you non-Catholic and interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Do you want to know how to become Catholic?

On Sunday, Aug. 25 at 9 a.m., Prince of Peace Catholic Church will offer a special presentation for all those interested in becoming Catholic or for those wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith. The presentation will take place in the RCIA Room of the Conesa Center. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

For more information, visit www.popcc.org or call 813-634-2328. Prince of Peace Catholic Church is located at 702 Valley Forge Blvd. in Sun City Center.



Virginia Catherine Tosch

Virginia Catherine Tosch, 91, born Virginia Catherine Lesnau, from Sun City Center, Florida, went to Heaven to be in the presence of the Lord, on Tuesday, August 6, 2013.

Virginia or "Virg" was born in Detroit Michigan on Nov. 16, 1921. Virg was the youngest of six children born to Joseph and Cassimira Lesnau. She attended Nursing School at Providence Hospital in Detroit for over three years after high school. Virg then entered the U.S. Army as an Operating Room Nurse in 1945. She had the rank of Second Lieutenant. She earned the WWII Victory Medal and American Campaign Medal and was Honorably Discharged after serving for 21 months. She was married to James "Jim" Tosch on Oct. 1, 1949. She and Jim lived happily for 46 years together, before he passed away in 1995 in Sun City Center.

Virg loved everything she did and always had a positive attitude toward everyone. She loved going to Bob Evans on Sunday with her best friend in her whole life, Lois Perrew. She loved Prince of Peace Catholic Church. She loved playing cards with her friends. She loved her dog Bella. She loved *Wheel of Fortune*. She had a long hobby of sewing. Virg was always there for her children and they loved her very much. She loved her nursing during her long life. She was an avid shopper and always found the "deals."

Virg is survived by daughter Denise Stafford and husband Reid of Friday Harbor, Washington; sons Scott Tosch and wife Apple of Sun City Center, Fla, and Mike Tosch and wife Gloria of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; grandchildren Amanda Reyes and husband Doug of Wolf Creek, Ore., Amy Stafford of Santa Fe, NM and a student in Chicago, Brandon Tosch and fiancée Irene Manay of Canoga Park, Calif., and Melissa Tausig and husband Ian of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; grandstepson Andrew Johnson of San Diego, Calif.; and great-grandchildren Ember Reyes, and Madera Reyes of Wolf Creek, Ore., Kurt Mann, Kayla Tausig and Riley Tausig, all three of

Thousand Oaks, Calif.

A funeral/memorial service is being planned at a date yet to be determined at Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Sun City Center. Virg's ashes, along with late husband Jim Tosch's ashes, will be laid to rest at a private interment at Bushnell Veteran's Cemetery in Ocala, Fla. at a date yet to be determined.

In lieu of flowers for the memorial services, contributions would be appreciated to Prince of Peace Catholic Church: In memory of Virginia Tosch - 702 Valley Forge Blvd., Sun City Center, FL 33573

High Holy Day services schedule is announced

Beth Israel, the Jewish Congregation of Sun City Center, has announced the schedule for High Holy Day services. All services will be officiated by Rabbi Carla Freedman and Cantorial Soloist Dr. Sam Isaak.

Rosh Hashanah

- Erev Rosh Hashanah Service will start at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 4

- Day 1 Rosh Hashanah service will start at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 5

- Day 2 Rosh Hashanah service will start at 10 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 6

Yom Kippur

- Erev Yom Kippur / Kol Nidre service will start at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 13

- Yom Kippur Day morning service will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 14

- Yom Kippur afternoon service will start at 3 p.m. Yizkor, Concluding and Havdallah services will immediately follow the afternoon service

There is no charge for all members, spouses, parents, children and their spouses, and grandchildren and their spouses. For extended family members - \$50 each for each of the two holidays. For community members - \$100 each for each of the two holidays. Members of the military and college students are welcome at no charge.

For additional tickets, call Fred Levine at 813-672-7656, or email flevine@tampabay.rr.com.



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St. Andrew members share African safari

Dick and Marge Yarger, longtime members of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in Sun City Center, recently returned from a 33-day safari to Tanzania and Zimbabwe.

They were so enthusiastic in their descriptions of all they saw that many members asked to see their photos.

Dick assembled the photos, along with captions, into a PowerPoint presentation and showed it on a large screen at the church. The attendees were so awed with all the animals, terrain and natives the Yargers saw up close that the presentation lasted over two hours.

In addition to camel and elephant rides, the Yargers took two jeep drives every day through the back country to see and photograph the animals. They ate local foods cooked on site by a native chef and slept in tents.

The highlight of the trip was visiting a small village ("boma") where the natives were as enthusiastic to meet them and ask questions, as the Yargers were toward the natives.

Dick and Marge learned that the men build and protect the boma and hunt for food; the women thatch the huts, cook, and take care of the small children. The older children take care of the livestock, leading them out to graze and herding them home in the late day.

The afternoon presentation was thoroughly enjoyed by members and guests of St. Andrew, located at 1239 Del Webb Blvd. West in Sun City Center.

Congregation Beth Shalom presents stage drama to prepare for Jewish High Holy Days

On Saturday, Aug. 31, Congregation Beth Shalom in Brandon will present *Dedication*, the fifth in a series of original stage dramas written and directed by congregant Anna Brubaker. Serious yet tinged with some lighthearted comedy, the play follows a small group of friends and relatives through one long, trying day that will test their relationships and emotions in both characters and the audience.

The beginning of the Jewish High Holy Day season is marked by the observance of Selichot. Selichot is held on the Saturday night preceding Rosh HaShanah (Jewish New Year) and is designed to direct congregant's hearts and minds toward self reflection, prayer, repentance and forgiveness.

"In Jewish tradition, the month before the New Year is one of spiritual preparation and reconciliation, with special prayers and the daily sounding of the Shofar (ram's horn), culminating in the Selichot service and our annual play," explains Rabbi Betsy Torop, also an actor in this year's play, "I am very grateful for the dedication of our Beth Shalom players, led by Anna Brubaker, which helps us do the sacred work of this season in a meaningful and engaging way."

Rabbi Torop will also lead the audience in an interactive discussion of issues highlighted in the presentation after the show.

Guests will be able to enjoy various dairy desserts after the discussion, and the evening will end in a traditional Selichot service.

The drama will begin on Saturday, Aug. 31 at 7 p.m. at Beth Shalom, 706 Bryan Rd. in Brandon. Admission is free and the public is invited. Contact the synagogue office at 813-681-6547 for more information.



UCC supports Paws for Patriots

The Mission of the month of August at United Community Church in SCC is Paws for Patriots, part of the Southwest Guide Dogs of Florida. Nick Olson, a volunteer at Southwest Guide Dogs, brought ambassador Bobby to the church service Aug. 4. Nick talked about the role of guide dogs and how important they are to veterans in need of assistance. Bobby seemed to have a good time and he made a lot of friends at UCC.

Fall studies at South Bay

The women's ministry at South Bay Church, Riverview, has chosen *A Woman's Heart God's Dwelling Place* by Beth Moore for its fall study which will begin Tuesday, Sept. 10.

A Woman's Heart God's Dwelling Place (updated edition) is a 10-week study. The two hour classes will be offered at 9:15 a.m. and again at 6:45 p.m. every Tuesday.

Workbook is \$16. Information and registration is available in the church lobby or by email to faith@southbay.cc

The men's ministry will begin their study of the popular book *Not a Fan* by Kyle Idleman beginning Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 7 p.m. Join them weekly as they take a deeper look at what it means to be a completely committed follower of Jesus. Register at info@southbay.cc or in the church lobby.

Both studies are open to all men and women in the area.

Childcare is available upon registration for a \$5 donation per family per week. Space is limited so register soon.

South Bay Church is located at 13498 U.S. Highway 301 South, Riverview. Visit their website at www.SouthBay.cc or call the office at 813-677-0721.

Beth Israel Sisterhood plans opening meeting

At 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1, the Beth Israel Sisterhood of the Sun City Center Congregation will hold its opening meeting of the 2013-14 season. The event will take place in the Henry Gibson Social Hall, located in the synagogue at 1115 Del Webb Blvd. East.

The opening meeting speaker will be Rabbi Carla Freedman. Her topic is to be announced.

Refreshments will be served.

Ruskin Aglow meets Saturday

Ruskin Aglow meets the third Saturday of the month. The next meeting is at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 17 at Palm Garden, 3850 UpperCreek Dr. in Sun City Center. All are welcome.

Next month the group will meet on Saturday, Sept. 21. In October, it will start a new Bible study.

For more information, call 813-633-9613.

Christian music concert at Oak Grove United Methodist Church

Up in Arms, a Christian music group, will perform at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 24 in the sanctuary of Oak Grove United Methodist Church in Tampa.

Doors open at 2:30 p.m.; the concert is from 3 to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5 and tickets can be purchased at the door on the day of event. The general public is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

After the concert, there will be a bake sale with lots of homemade goodies for purchase.

All proceeds from this concert will benefit Manna Ministries – a community outreach feeding program meeting the nutritional, spiritual, and fellowship needs of the homeless community.

The hot evening meal is provided on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month starting at 6 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.

Oak Grove United Methodist Church is located at 2707 W. Waters Ave. in Tampa, at the corner of Waters and Habana avenues.

For more information, contact Chris Shaver at 813-335-1758.

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Many of these classes, offered statewide, fill up fast during hunting season as people scramble to get certified. Often, August and the preceding summer months offer smaller class sizes and a better opportunity for students to take a class, because they have more free time than they will once school cranks up and they get busy with homework and school-related activities.

People born after May 31, 1975, must complete the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's (FWC) hunter safety class before they can buy the type of hunting license that allows them to legally hunt alone. A law passed a few years ago by the Florida Legislature enables individuals to hunt without having to complete the state's hunter safety certification, but they may hunt only while under supervision.

It's called the Hunter Safety Deferral, and it allows people the opportunity to purchase a license to hunt while under the supervision of a licensed hunter who is at least 21 years old and meets the hunter safety requirement. It's designed to encourage experienced hunters to teach novice hunters safety, ethics, wildlife and hunting skills and respect for the great outdoors.

It's a great incentive for getting more people to try hunting. Also, I hope, the experienced hunters among us can hook some new folks on the sport we love. However, to hunt by yourself, unsupervised, you have to take and pass a hunter safety class and purchase a regular hunting license.

If you're a youngster and already hunt, I suggest you go ahead and take a hunter safety class before you turn 16. Of course, until then, you may hunt under adult supervision and don't need a license.

You can register for a hunter safety class by going to MyFWC.com/HunterSafety or by contacting your nearest FWC regional office. Also, there are two versions for your convenience.

There's the traditional course, which is 12 hours of classroom instruction plus a four-hour "field day," or you can opt for taking the online or CD-ROM version at home. But, you'll still have to sign up for the "skills day" part.

The traditional course is offered during four weekdays or on a Saturday-Sunday. If you take it during the week, each session is three hours and offered after normal working hours. On the weekend, you'll spend eight hours Saturday and four hours Sunday morning in the classroom. The remainder of Sunday you'll move over to the shooting range to complete your certification.

The first thing you'll learn about in the traditional class is Florida's hunting laws. An FWC law enforcement officer gives this introduction. Volunteer hunter safety instructors teach the remaining curriculum.

You'll be taught ethics, hunter responsibility, parts of firearms, various hunting lingo and the proper way to shoot.

You'll discover the differences between various bullets, calibers and gauges; how to identify game animals; and learn wildlife conservation and best management practices for native species. In addition, you'll find out about outdoor survival techniques and learn how to administer first aid in the field. Archery and fundamentals of

bowhunting also are taught.

In your last hour in the classroom, you'll be given a standardized test of true and false and multiple-choice questions.

You need to score an 80 percent or better to move outside to the shooting range for the field day portion.

This part takes about four hours. During that time, you'll get to shoot clay pigeons with a shotgun, practice your archery skills and target practice with a .22 rifle.

You'll also receive a muzzleloader demonstration, where you'll have

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After you complete the field day, you'll be given your hunter safety card. At that point you can purchase a Florida hunting license and get ready for opening day.

If you choose to take the hunter safety class online or by CD-ROM, you'll learn all of the above-mentioned material and be given a practice test to prepare you for the last segment – the skills day.

Skills days take about four hours to complete. You'll learn much of what is taught during

the traditional course, including hunting laws and ethics, how to handle firearms safely, when to take a shot and where to place the crosshairs. Then you'll get to shoot on the range and be given the same standardized test.

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