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Lizbeth Arellano, a Lennard High School student, performs a traditional folk dance. *See page 9 for more.*

Few people haven't been affected by Alzheimer's in some way

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A woman sits by the Alzheimer's Walk Promise Garden, where participants plant different colors of forget-me-nots representing those who have been lost to or currently have Alzheimer's, those who care for people living with the disease and those who support the cause and vision of a world without it.

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Grab your calendar, folks, to circle the dates for a series of events taking place between Sept. 21 and Oct. 11. All are public fundraisers for the 12th annual South Shore Walk to End Alzheimer's disease, and they're designed to support the cause in a fun way, said Connie Lesko, one of the events' three organizers.

"I'm really excited to have Ashley Peterson (of Stedman Clinical Trials) and Steven Wilson (of OurCare Health of Sun City Center) on board this year," she continued. "After 12 years, I think it's time to add some fresh ideas from other committed, passionate people."

The pre-walk events are sponsored by some of the teams participating in the Oct. 20 walk to increase their fundraising totals this year. Teams from Freedom

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STEVE JACKSON PHOTO

Durant corrals East Bay Indians' Joaquin Isidro, #24, after a short gain.

East Bay falls from unbeaten

Durant upsets Indians 10-7 with overtime FG

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PLANT CITY — Would've. Could've. Should've.

All three words that coaches and fans do not want to hear after a tough loss.

But these three words tell the tale after East Bay fiddled around and fell from the ranks of the unbeaten at the hands of underdog Durant in Plant City Friday, 10-7 in overtime.

East Bay came into the game riding a three-game season-opening winning streak. By failing to score on two golden opportunities, Coach Frank LaRosa's deflated squad bused back home 3-1 with a loss and an upcoming game in Gibsonton with the true Plant City powerhouse, the 4-0 Raiders. Durant tenaciously posted its first win to go 1-3 with 1-2 Strawberry Crest next.

The Indians struck first and easily at Durant. Joaquin Isidro hit Jayden Williams for a 43-yard scoring aerial and it appeared East Bay would waltz to a victory. Durant's Cougars had another dance in mind: The upset dance. The Indians contributed to their own downfall with an interception in the second quarter. But the real calamity was late in the third quarter when East Bay's offense finally woke up and was driving. Star running back for the Indians, Tre Everett, took a handoff over the left side from his own 45 and chugged down the sideline, struggling for the end zone near the Durant 4-yard line. However, with paydirt in sight, Everett was stripped of the pigskin by Durant senior Donnald Williams. Durant sophomore Audrea Thames plucked the ball out of mid-air and took off running, the other way, in front of a large, delerious Durant home crowd. Thames was not dragged down until reaching the Indians 45, the original line of scrimmage. The Everett non-score negated a possible two-touchdown lead. The Cougars had new life. East Bay was seemingly out of heart and out of gas.

The momentum switch allowed Durant to finally score on a 6-yard run and the extra point made in 7-7. Durant held East Bay scoreless the rest of the night, including the extra period when a Cougar 20-yard field goal spelled defeat for the shocked Indians.

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From filling prescriptions ... to writing them

Dr. Frederick Taylor retires after 43 years

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After starting his professional career in health care as the one who filled the prescriptions, Dr. Frederick Taylor switched gears to obtain his degree and certification as a D.O. (Doctor of Osteopathy). Now, 43 years later, Dr. Taylor is the one writing the prescriptions. However, he recently wrote his last prescription, as, after 43 years as a physician, Taylor has retired from the practice of medicine and from the BayCare Medical Group in Riverview.

Q&A with Dr. Frederick Taylor

Taylor is a physician with the D.O. degree instead of the M.D. degree. Physicians with a D.O. are fully licensed in all 50 states to practice medicine and surgery, as well as to prescribe medications. The education for both degrees is similar, and both are required to complete accredited medical residencies. There are some differences in the training and philosophy of health care. Doctors of osteopathy are trained to partner with patients to help them get healthy; they emphasize a whole-person approach to treatment and care.

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Dr. Frederick Taylor of BayCare Medical Group has retired after 43 years. He will be missed by multiple generations of patients that he has cared for in the area.

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East Bay

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Statistics are for losers, but here goes. East Bay had only 2 of 3 completions passing, but one of those was the early TD pass. Rushing-wise, the Indians never got it going. Everett carried 6 times for 69 yards, Isidro 19 times for 54 yards, and Zaron Wright carried 7 times for 37 yards. Defensively, East Bay was led by Levi Marshall, Tre Everett, Johnny Oliver, O. Onalaja, Britton Pascoe, Jaden Lopez, and Jontrell Oliver.

Durant's Ty Brooks lunges for the goal line pylon and the tying touchdown against East Bay, forcing the overtime which was won by the Cougars.

Lennard hangs tough behind O-line

Plant City outlasts Longhorns 56-28

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PLANT CITY — The devastating, leather-on-leather thud of a punted football being blocked by the opposition set the tone early as Plant City doubled up Lennard 56-28 last Friday. Lennard falls to 1-3 on the year with the district loss and now faces always-tough Bloomingdale in Ruskin this Friday night. Undefeated Plant City visits 3-1 East Bay in a district match-up.

With 6:35 left in the first quarter, Plant City's Tyreke Harrison rejected a Longhorn punt, setting up the now 4-0 Raiders on the Lennard 15-yard line. A quick toss from QB Braxton Plunk to Mario Williams put Plant City on the board first. It was all catch-up for the Longhorns after that. Lennard never gave up, cutting the score to 35-28 in the third quarter, but the Raiders continued to roll, mainly behind the passing of QB Plunk who put up 16 of 21 for 254 yards and four scores.

Lennard cut into the Raiders' 7-0 lead when Jah'tavis Philpart found a crease behind his offensive line and raced to the end zone. Lennard's PAT was blocked and 7-6 was as close as Lennard would get.

After Plant City responded with another TD and point after, Lennard's offensive line continued its good work and paved the way for a Tito Hunt 55-yard run straight up the gut. The two-point attempt was denied by the Raiders, making it 14-12.

Plant City quickly extended that lead to 21-12 by scoring on the ensuing kickoff. The back and forth continued as Hunt found the end zone again and Philpart followed suit on a two-point conversion. All of a sudden it was 21-20 with 5:43 remaining in the first half. Plant City, however, hit back with a rushing score and then a 43-yard TD aerial to move ahead 35-20 at the half.

STEVE JACKSON PHOTO
Lennard defender wraps up a Raider in loss to undefeated Plant City.

Lennard continued its resilience in the third quarter with another Philpart rushing score. A two-point conversion made it 35-28. The Longhorns refused to wilt. However, Plant City slammed the door on Lennard the rest of the way, scoring 21 unanswered points to put its first district win on ice and preserve its unbeaten season.

The Longhorns' main weapons on offense, behind some stellar offensive line play, were the duo of Hunt and Philpart. Hunt carried 22 times for 205 yards; QB Philpart passed for 62 yards on a 4 for 10 night and rushed for 63 yards on 19 attempts, as the Longhorns amassed 289 yards on the ground.

Riverview looks for 2nd win at home vs. Newsome

Spoto searches for victory in Tampa

Sharks, Spartans lose on the road last week

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Riverview, sporting a record of 1-3, hosts Newsome High School of Lithia Friday night hoping to bounce back after losing last Friday to Palm Harbor 41-25 on the road. Meanwhile, Spoto High is in the same boat, trying to notch a win this Friday in Tampa against King High after losing 28-24 to Robinson in Tampa.

Spoto jumped on the scoreboard first to momentarily quiet the Robinson home crowd and take a 6-0 lead. But Robinson stormed back in a big way with 15 points in the second quarter and 13 more in the third quarter to claim the victory. Both Spoto and Robinson are now 2-2 on the season and 0-1 in District play.

Spoto was led on offense, as usual, by #9 Kobe Smith, running for a pair of scores with 133 yards on 18 carries. The bruising senior running back also added 60 yards on two kickoff returns. Spartans Coach Melvin Jenkins may have found a star-to-be in the person of sophomore quarterback Jordan Guerard who has been outstanding on defense. In the Robinson loss, Guerard, playing at QB, passed for 11 of 22 for 179 yards and two touchdowns. Five of those aerials went to senior Jerson Singleton for 69 yards. Eric Lee reeled in one 45-yard pass for a TD and Caire Anders caught 4 passes for 50 yards and a score. Defensively, Spoto was sparked by Darius Gaffney, Guerard, Marcus Cobbins and Elijah Jacobs, all in on multiple tackles.

STEVE JACKSON PHOTO
Jah'tavis Philpart, #9, breaks up the middle for Lennard's first TD from the Plant City 20.

LOIS KINDLE PHOTOS

Resident aide Wakina Taylor Johnson, left, and home health aide Sherri Farr, are the recipients of scholarships from the Rotary Foundation of Sun City Center, to further their knowledge and skills by taking Hillsborough Community College's comprehensive CNA program.

Ranesha Young, right, a med tech at Sun Towers, visits with Digna Diaz, 86. Young recently was named recipient of a scholarship from the Sun Towers Residents Association and American Businesswoman's Association to become a CNA through a comprehensive training program offered by Hillsborough Community College.

Neuropathy education

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Local nonprofits enhance CNA education through scholarships for extended training

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The Rotary Club Foundation of Sun City Center recently issued $1,250 scholarships to two local healthcare aides who want to become certified nursing assistants. The Sun Towers Residents Association and American Businesswoman's Association have funded a third.

"We wanted to help address the need for better educated CNAs (certified nursing assistant) in this community," said Georgana Collins, Rotary board member and administrator for Hanson Services, a local home healthcare agency. "Currently, all someone has to do to become one is to take a quick online course that includes no practical training to get certified. We want to help change that."

The scholarships were awarded to pay for a 130-hour CNA certification program offered by Hillsborough Community College, which includes 40 hours of hands-on clinical experience at a nursing home facility and hospital, said Craig Bobick, allied health officer for HCC's Institute of Corporate and Continuing Education.

Classes are usually taught at HCC's Ybor City campus, and the program has been offered a few times in the past at the SouthShore campus in Ruskin. But limited enrollment has made it impractical to continue to do so.

Now, through a partnership with the Rotary Club of Sun City Center and Sun Towers, HCC will once again offer the CNA program locally. Sun Towers is providing the space for the classes, which will take place three nights a week for the next two months.

The Rotary Club of Sun City Center is committed to raising funds for additional scholarships, Collins said. The money for each award goes directly to HCC.

"We're excited to offer the venue for prospective CNAs to take classes, receive hands-on training, and then offer immediate employment to those who are a good fit," said Debbie Caneen, Sun Towers director of admissions.

Collins added Hanson Services is ready to offer immediate positions, as well.

Ranesha Young, of Brandon, 32, a single mother of two children, was named recipient of the Sun Towers/ABWA award. Currently a med tech who's worked at Sun Towers for about three years, she wants to expand her duties to include all the things CNAs do and ultimately become a licensed practical nurse. She was thrilled and thankful, she said, to get the scholarship.

"I have so much fun working with the elderly and helping them," she said. "My number one priority is the patients."

Ruskin resident Wakina Taylor Johnson, 45, and Sherri Farr, 37, were selected by the local Rotary's foundation as its scholarship recipients.

> "We need more and better trained CNAs. Our hope is that other organizations will step up and provide scholarship funding for HCC's CNA program."
> — Debbie Caneen, Sun Towers director of admissions

Taylor Johnson, a resident aide for the past year at Cypress Creek Assisted Living and Belvedere Commons of Sun City Center, said she also loves working with seniors, looks forward to expanding her responsibilities as a CNA and hopes to become an LPN one day.

"I'm very excited about the scholarship. I was in tears when I heard I was getting it," she said. "I could never have afforded to take the course on my own. I so appreciate the Rotary's help."

Farr, a resident of Apollo Beach, has been a home health aide with Hanson Services for the past seven years.

Like the other women, she enjoys her work and hopes to go further into the healthcare profession as an LPN or "maybe a registered nurse."

"It's nice to be needed, and I'm really good at what I do," she said about her job. "I was very surprised and extremely grateful to have been chosen. I'm a single mom, and I just got remarried last December. We couldn't have paid for this ourselves."

Certified nursing assistants provide important services to clients or patients at home or in healthcare facilities, and they're especially critical in senior communities like Sun City Center. Their duties can include feeding, bathing and dressing; taking vital signs; serving meals, making beds and cleaning rooms; turning or repositioning those who are bedridden; answering calls; documenting and reporting health issues; helping with medical procedures; running errands; providing transportation and more.

"We need more and better-trained CNAs," Caneen said. "Our hope is that other organizations will step up and provide scholarship funding for HCC's CNA program. Anyone interested can call me at 813-892-2990, and I'll hook them up with the right people."

For information on the Rotary Club of Sun City Center Scholarship Program, call Collins at 813-545-3696.

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Positive Talk: The antidote for fear

I've always loved to be around people who are handy with tools; I learn much from them. I was always quick to try things, but I never liked heights, and now that I'm older, you will rarely find me perched on a ladder of any kind. It isn't fear now — it's just common sense.

It's fun to reminisce about earlier days though. On one occasion, hearing the noise, one of my neighbors came into the yard and shouted up to me, "Aren't you the guy who is afraid of heights?" I had to admit that I was. I recalled how just minutes before, holding on very tightly and with my knees shaking, I had inched up the ladder. I recalled the first few timid swings at the nail. What I don't recall is exactly when those timid swings gave way to an overwhelming desire to beat that nail into submission. I also don't recall when my fear of heights was overcome by my desire for accomplishment. It must have been when I stopped thinking about falling and got to work. Work is a powerful antidote for fear.

The more I thought about it, the more stories I heard from a variety of people began to make sense. I remember a Vietnam veteran who had been assigned to the First Cavalry telling me of his feelings just before jumping from a helicopter onto enemy ground. He said that the fear was nearly overwhelming. What right-minded human being would jump out of a perfectly good helicopter and run into enemy fire? He said that at least once, he remembers having a very warm feeling in his pants as he left the aircraft. He recalled how afraid he was when the battle began and how, after the first few steps into combat, the fear seemed to disappear.

In another instance, I remember a very fine surgeon, renowned in the medical community, who told me that much of the surgery he does is of a life and death nature, and the fear that he will make a minor error causes him great concern. The fear manifests itself in the shaking of his hands. He went on to say that when the time comes to begin the surgery and he is caught up in the routine of the operating room, his confidence returns and his hands steady. Work is a powerful antidote for fear.

I found many others who shared their personal experiences about how they had overcome fear by tackling the fear itself, and all agreed that keeping busy was a big part of the solution. The facts seem to overwhelmingly support the truth of what Franklin Delano Roosevelt said in his first inaugural address, "Let me assert my firm belief that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

Fear can paralyze us as individuals and as a nation. Worry and work start with the same first three letters and yet there is a world of difference between the two. Worry drains us of energy to no productive purpose. Work, on the other hand, may drain us of energy; but assuming we are working on the right thing, it produces a worthwhile result. When it comes to fear, work seems to be the antidote if not an outright cure. The next time fear poisons your outlook and negative thoughts fill your mind, be quick to apply the antidote so the fear can be overcome.

Maybe John Lennon, the British rock musician, said it best, "Work is life, you know, and without it, there's nothing but fear and insecurity." Now you know the antidote. Get busy and throw off your fears.

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South Shore organization a bridge to humanity

Sponsoring fundraising auction this Saturday, Sept. 22, in Ruskin

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The South Shore area is blessed with an overflowing cornucopia of "do-good" organizations and "do-gooders." Simultaneously, this unique geographic niche in southeast Hillsborough County is replete with interesting and talented individuals — some born and raised here, and some transplanted by choice or circumstances.

The phrase "do-good" is used here with all due respect and sincerity, not a sarcastic or cynical term used to describe a group or an individual who is self-seeking and self-glorifying, because we all know they also exist.

In this specific case, the epitome of "do-good" is embodied in the American Ideals Foundation and its founder Robert Moffa, a musician and artist originally from New Jersey, who has lived in the Ruskin-Sun City Center area since 1976. American Ideals Foundation serves as a "Bridge to Humanity," providing assistance, training and support right here in Hillsborough County as well as all over Florida and the world.

This Saturday, the general public has the opportunity to help the AIF (American Ideals Foundation) continue its wide-ranging, international altruistic work by coming out to enjoy an old-fashioned country-style auction with food, fun and great prices on a wide array of over 1,000 donated items.

The beneficiaries of this Saturday's AIF auction are the Military Veterans and First Responders. The auction is at the rambling estate of Robert Moffa, AIF founder and lead organizer, at 1414 33rd St., just off I-75 between Sun City Center and Ruskin at the corner of 33rd Street and 14th Avenue. Check in time is from 9 to 10 a.m., and the fast-paced auction runs from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. A food truck will be on site and cash, checks or credit cards will be accepted for such items as furniture, antiques, tools, jewelry, building supplies, lawn tools, leather sofas, an RV refrigerator, clothing lots and much, much more. The public is urged to bring their own chairs and sit in the shade to support this worthy cause with their presence and their check, cash or credit card. The AIF is a 501(c)3 nonprofit so anyone making a successful bid or making a donation is eligible for a tax deduction.

American Ideals Foundation is the brainchild of Moffa, an accomplished and renowned composer and pianist, a musician of special works who specializes in writing romantic, contemporary music for life legacies, humanity, historical works and special world and local events.

Inspired by his passion for the pursuit and securement of liberty since the early 1960s, Moffa established AIF in 1982 to recognize and honor visionaries, philanthropists, pioneers and social problem-solvers who have changed the way America supports its less fortunate and supports its national defenders: Military members and first responders.

According to Moffa, the AIF serves as a nonprofit, liberty-spirited, arts-in-action organization that honors the principles of hard work, dedication to duty, love of country and love of family.

Moffa points out that the AIF has created community arts councils to ensure cultural development. He said all such events are free to the public and include a variety of artistic productions, such as music, paintings, poetry, dance, theater and sculpture. These foundation events provide entertainment and fundraising events.

STEPHEN FLANAGAN JACKSON PHOTO
American Ideals Foundation officers preparing for a public auction this Saturday on the Sun City Center-Ruskin line east of I-75. AIF President Mary Crumbly, left; Mercedes Moffa, CFO; and founder of the humanitarian nonprofit and director Robert Moffa. The AIF helps communities, individuals, veterans, first responders, children and families.

Along with Moffa, other AIF board members are his wife Marcie Moffa, chief financial officer; Mary Crumbly, president; retired and service disabled U.S. Army SSG Lyle Allen; SFC Archie Sanders; and Donna Gavin Ashley, creator of Aunt Don's Butterfly Garden.

The AIF, according to Moffa, is comprised of several divisions, each with a specific target beneficiary group and each with different service programs.

The one common thread, said Moffa, is that they all have a positive impact on the lives of the individuals served and on humanity. In fact, Moffa likes to refer to the various programs as the Bridge to Humanity, followed by a phrase specifying the particular program, such as Housing/Job Training, or the Medical Arts, or the Power of the Arts, or Our Children, or Our Military Heroes.

Moffa sums up, saying, "The American Ideals Foundation has consistently preserved and honored the American ideals of freedom, and expressed mankind's quest for the life that liberty offers."

Robert Moffa, composer, pianist and founder of American Ideals Foundation.

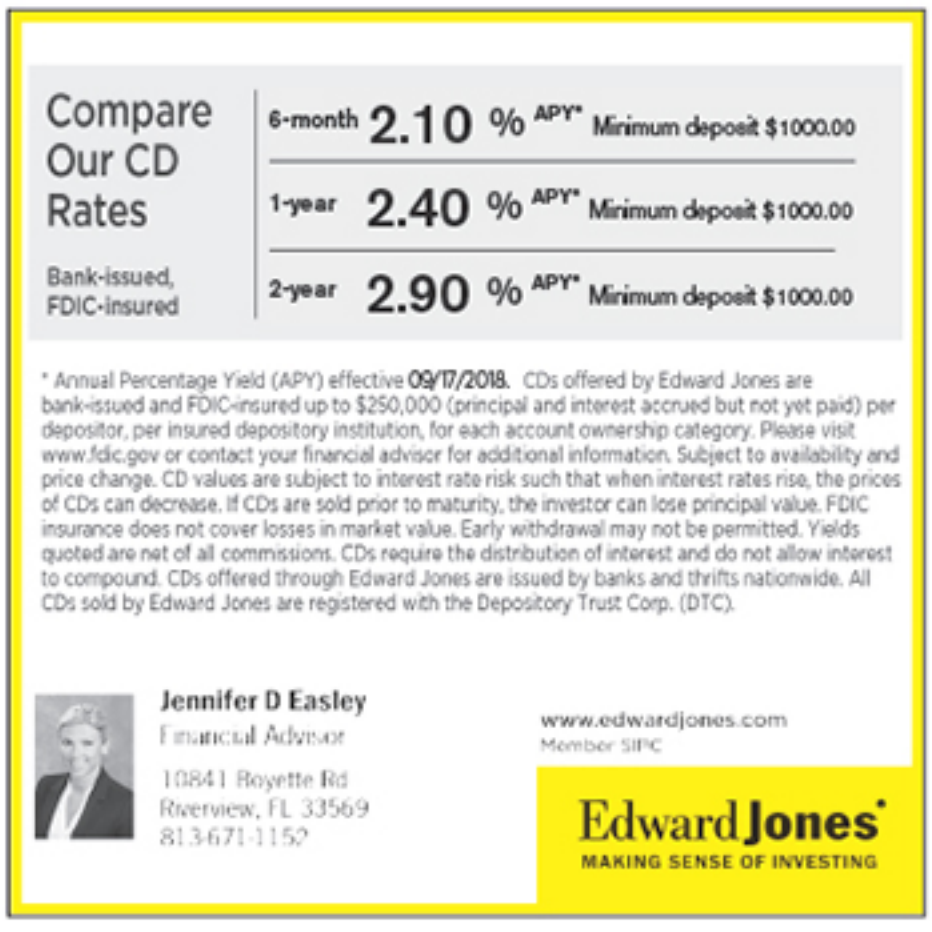
Elks Lodge craft show Sept. 29

Saturday, Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Elks Lodge 2672 will host a craft show at 1630 U.S. 41 S. in Ruskin.

Go browse and pick up early holiday gifts. It will feature over 30 vendors with talents from crocheted items, wreaths (large and small), watercolor paintings, pottery, items for your favorite pet, Christmas stocking stuffers, table runners, lamp ideas, handmade jewelry, and quilted array of specialty items, travel experts, handmade towels and even fresh produce.

Hot dogs, chips and soft drinks will be sold.

For more information, call the lodge at 813-645-2089.



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Folks of all ages are invited to participate in the 12th annual South Shore Walk to End Alzheimer's at 9 a.m. Oct. 20 at the United Methodist Church of Sun City Center. Registration for the event begins at 8 a.m.

Even if you don't come to walk, you can come out to the 12th annual South Shore Walk to End Alzheimer's, and join the celebration.

Alzheimer's

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Plaza and Aston Gardens have already raised thousands with their own, previously held fundraisers.

First up is a free, community concert at the United Methodist Church of Sun City Center. Local artists Maureen Fitzgerald and Don Larson, aka the Easy Reflections, will present their smooth combination of vocals, strings and keyboards, as they perform recognizable pop, folk, gospel and country hits from the '50s, '60s, '70s and '80s.

The event will take place at 7 p.m. Sept. 21 at 1210 W. Del Webb Blvd. Love offerings will be accepted to benefit the Alzheimer's Association.

A Market to Remember will follow on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the GFWC Ruskin Woman's Club, 503 U.S. 41 S., Ruskin. It will feature the sale of all kinds of "pre-loved" women's accessories, including handbags, jewelry, wraps and belts priced to move and vendors selling candles, photographs, clothing and other women's items, Lesko said.

It will also have a bake sale and raffle of prizes donated by the vendors. Tickets are $2 apiece, three for $5 and 10 for $10. If you'd like to enter the raffle but can't attend the market, call Kim Bauer at 813-344-9213.

Vendor applications, donations of ladies' accessories or baked goods and offers to volunteer can be made by contacting her, as well.

Then on Oct. 4, Freedom Plaza will host Remember to Dance from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in its auditorium at 1010 American Eagle Blvd., Sun City Center. The free, public event will feature live music by Thor Stevens, an affordable cash bar and prize raffle for items like an iPad, Florida Orchestra tickets, jewelry, restaurant gift cards and wine and cheese baskets.

Be sure to wear purple because there will be a prize for the best-dressed male or female dancer donning that color.

To RSVP, call 813-633-4467.

The last event before the walk, Mystery at Little Harbor, will be Thursday, Oct. 11, at 536 Bahia Beach Blvd., Ruskin. This is set to start at 4:30 p.m. and end at 7:30. Come sleuth and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and beverages, while uncovering the mystery's plot. Raffle prizes will include a weekend getaway to the Resort & Club at Little Harbor and a getaway to Orlando. Admission is free.

"This is yet another opportunity to get involved by volunteering or registering a team," Lesko said.

For more information, call Justin Rosales at 813-922-6167.

The big event

The 12th Aannual South Shore Walk to End Alzheimer's will take place Saturday, Oct. 20, starting at 9 a.m. at the United Methodist Church of Sun City Center, 1210 W. Del Webb Blvd. Registration for individual walkers and teams begins at 8, and if you'd like to just come and be part of the celebration, you're welcome to do so, Lesko said.

The actual walk is a 2-mile loop that begins and ends at the church, and there's a bus at the half-way point for anyone needing or wanting to return early. Awards will go to both the team and individual raising the most money.

"There has never been a greater need for residents to join in the fight against Alzheimer's disease by participating in the Walk to End Alzheimer's," said Angela McAuley, executive director of the Alzheimer's Association, Florida Gulf Coast Chapter. "Funds raised at the walk will help provide care and support services to residents in the area living with Alzheimer's, while also contributing to advancing critically-needed research.

"Thanks to increased funding, scientists are now advancing basic disease knowledge, ways to reduce risk, new biomarkers for early diagnosis and drug targeting, and developing the needed treatments to move to clinical testing."

For Lesko, it all comes down to one thing.

"As long as I draw a breath, I will participate in this cause," she said. "Every year, I feel we get one step closer to finding a cure."

For more information, call Lesko at 813-927-1147 or email her at corrielesko@tampabay.rr.com.

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Planning for Riverview's 23rd annual holiday dinner for seniors has begun

By YVETTE C. HAMMETT
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Planning is now under way for Riverview's 23rd annual holiday dinner for seniors, but more than 100 volunteers are needed to make it happen.

Now is also the time for businesses and individuals to step forward with donated food for shut-ins and gift bags for seniors who will attend the event. There is also a pet food drive underway.

The dinner is by invitation-only for people who would otherwise be entirely alone for the holidays, no matter their socio-economic status. Names of those in need come from the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, senior centers across the county and other agencies that work with seniors.

A group of core volunteers is meeting weekly at Summerfield Crossings Golf Club to organize committees for the dinner, scheduled for 4 p.m. Dec. 13 at The Showman's Club in Gibsonton.

"We need volunteers to help us to coordinate the event, and then we need volunteers the day of the event," said businesswoman Theresa Turner, who is chairing the dinner. "The problem with people who volunteer is not showing up," she said. Those who commit to work the event need to be prepared to follow up on that commitment, she said. Last year a group of 100 volunteers backed out two weeks before the dinner.

YVETTE C. HAMMETT PHOTO

Volunteers gathered at Summerfield Crossings Golf Club recently to begin planning for the 23rd annual Riverview holiday dinner for seniors. Theresa Turner, standing, is chairing the event, which needs 100 volunteers to get food and small-gift donations and help the day of the event.

"The more bodies we have the better it is," she said. "We want to break down into committees.

"If you are going to volunteer and you want to be on a committee, it is a lot of work and we don't expect you to do it alone, but we expect you to be there and help," said Barbara Jones, founder of the dinner.

They'll need people to set up, make coffee, decorate, get food donated, serve tables, converse with the seniors and cleanup afterward.

Heather Michael, president of the Riverview Women's Club, who is chairing the entertainment committee for the dinner, said she hopes her members will get involved making gift bags for attendees and also volunteering the day of the event. But her group won't be nearly enough.

No one is expected to stay all day, Turner said. Some can volunteer for setup, others for the party itself, and another group for cleanup. And there is plenty to do ahead of time.

Those who volunteer for the food committee will be drumming up donations from local restaurants for pizzas, chicken wings and other "tailgate foods," since this year's theme is "All Star Christmas."

Attendees can wear sports gear for their favorite sport, and the decorations at The Showman's Club will reflect the theme.

Those working on a gift committee will be asked to call on local businesses for donations like pens, backpacks, crossword puzzles, flashlights, keychains, even old jewelry. Residents can donate small gifts like socks, slippers, pajamas or kitchen towels.

Two area memory care centers will bring patients with Alzheimer's disease, and there will be a table of homeless veterans. They'll get fed, get gifts and if they want seconds once everyone is served, they'll get seconds, Turner said. "We'll give 'til there is no more to give."

Jones will box up "gift baskets" of food for the lonely who cannot make it to the dinner.

This year, Riverview Our Town Inc., the nonprofit set up to support the dinner, is planning several fundraisers, including a bingo night at Summerfield Crossings. Also, Michael is planning a Halloween party at the golf club with half of the entry fee going to the dinner fund.

Turner explained that the group wants to have funds it can use throughout the year to help shut-ins with emergency needs.

"Everything is provided by the community," Turner said. "We want to build on fundraising year-round, so we have a pot. We ask a lot of people to give a little."

It's all about giving them someone to spend the holidays with, Michael said. "We had one man last year who sat alone in the room the whole time. I went back to see him four times." It is about making everyone feel welcome and having someone, even for a couple of hours, she said.

The gung-ho can make it a day. Those who work can pick a shift, Turner said.

The goal this year is to serve 550 seniors.

Tax-deductible donations can be made through PayPal on the Riverview Our Town Facebook page. Those who volunteer will be added to a special Facebook page just for the event.

Community Church College updated trip agendas

The Community Church College continues to update their trip agendas for fall 2018 and spring 2019. You can see the latest additions on their website at www.4lifelearning.org/trips2.html. Order forms can be printed from the Trip Page by clicking on the green "Trip Order Form."

A major note on the "50 Years of Rock and Roll," they need to close out the sale of tickets on Oct. 12. This will give Ruth Eckerd Hall time to release tickets to other patrons. If the buses are sold out by Oct. 12, they continue to maintain a wait list. Remember, the best way to be notified of college activities is to be part of their email database. Tell your family and friends to go to www.4lifelearning.org/contact.html and provide an email address or subscribe at the bottom of the page. Again, your email address is for the sole purpose of the college and will not be shared with any organization including their church.

Volunteers needed at South Bay Hospital

South Bay Hospital is seeking volunteers for several highly visible patient experience positions throughout the hospital. If you have the desire to help others, the ability to provide exceptional service and can offer courteous communication skills, this could be the perfect opportunity for you.

Volunteers are needed on weekdays, and hours are flexible. Customer experience is a plus. Patient experience training, background screening and orientation will be provided.

If you are interested in volunteering at South Bay Hospital, call 813-634-0187.

For more information about South Bay Hospital, call 813-634-0496 or visit www.SouthBayHospital.com.

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Old-time country auction to benefit veterans, first responders Sept. 22

The American Ideals Foundation, Inc. a 501(c)3, will be hosting an old-time country auction of donated items on Saturday, Sept. 22, at the corner of 33rd St. S.E. and 14th Ave. in Ruskin; look for the signs. Bring your own lawn chair. There will be a food truck on site.

The auction will benefit the Assistance Division of AIF. All proceeds will go directly to help veterans, first responders and their families. All forms of payment accepted.

Check in is 9 a.m. and the auction is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Over 1,000 items for sale:

- Estate items
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For more information call 813-416-8456.

Read the corresponding article on page 5 of this issue.

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

C.A.R.E. is an all-volunteer, nonprofit 501(c)3 organization (59-3678003) registered with the Fla. Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services, No. CH-14526. The shelter is funded solely through donations, adoptions, spay/neuter fees, fundraisers and small grants.

For more information, volunteer opportunities or donations, visit www.careshelter.org, or call 813-645-2273.

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Miles

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For more information, visit www.CareShelter.org. C.A.R.E. is open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

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For more information, visit www.CareShelter.org or call 813-645-2273.

Riverside Club seeks vendors for Arts and Crafts Festival

Riverside Club Golf and Boating Resort is seeking vendors for its annual Arts and Crafts Festival to be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Landings Clubhouse, 1 Pier Drive in Ruskin.

The event, which is free and open to the public, will feature a variety of artists and crafters in various media, as well as food and music.

The vendor entry fee is $20 for nonresidents and $10 for residents, which includes an 8-foot table. The registration deadline is Oct. 27.

Call Elaine McCurry at 813-645-7791, or email emccurry@tampabay.rr.com or jets1956@yahoo.com for a registration form and/or more information.

Riverside Club is at 2550 Pier Dr., Ruskin which is on U.S. 41, approximately 4 miles south of the intersection of U.S. 41 and College Avenue in Ruskin.

Small Business Loan Conference Sept. 24

Registration is underway for the Small Business Loan Conference, which will offer advice on how to tap into nearly $6 million in small business loans this year.

The Sept. 24 conference in Tampa features loan professionals representing minority- and women-owned business loan programs, no-bank lending programs and banks. Learn how to qualify for new and existing loan products for small businesses and entrepreneurs.

Participating lenders and agencies include the following:

- Capital Access Loan Program
- Neighborhood Lending Partners
- Tampa Bay Black Business Investment Corporation
- TD Bank
- Bank of the Ozarks
- Small Business Administration

The Small Business Loan Conference is from 8 a.m. to noon on Sept. 24 at the Entrepreneur Collaborative Center, 2101 E. Palm Ave. in Tampa. Participation is limited to 75 businesses; advanced registration is recommended. For more information, call Florida SBDC at Hillsborough County at 813-204-9267 or visit www.HCFLGov.net/FSBDC.

VFW essay contest to find next Buddy Poppy King and Queen

The Ruskin VFW Post 6287 is looking for a new Buddy Poppy King and Queen for this years Veterans Day Parade on Nov. 10.

This is open to all third, fourth and fifth-grade students. Each contestant is required to write an essay on "My favorite American hero." The essay is to be 50 to 100 words and is to describe each student's personal viewpoint and must be submitted in the students own handwriting (printed or cursive). Entries will be judged on content — not on penmanship. Deadline for entry is Oct. 4. All essays will be judged and the winners notified so plans can be made regarding their participation in the annual Veterans Day Parade.

The Buddy Poppy King and Queen will ride in the Veterans Day Parade on Nov. 10 and will receive further recognition at the spaghetti dinner. The winners will receive a crown, trophy, sash and other awards on Oct. 15 at 6 p.m.

For more information, call Lois McBride at 813-634-2315, or email Lorise2@aol.com.

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Multicultural festival of food, fun, fellowship at Our Lady of Guadalupe

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Ev Ibarra, left, and Lizbeth Arellano, both Lennard High School students, perform a traditional folk dance at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Church festival last Sunday.

Various Hispanic countries were represented with food kiosks at the Multicultural Festival last Sunday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Wimauma. Serving food with a background and heritage from Puerto Rico were church members, from left, Carmen Rodriquez, Elba Velazquez, Ricardo Carrasquillo, Emma Feliciano, Eliesa Rabell and Carmen Rabell.

The country of Colombia is represented at this kiosk by Guadalupe Church member Liadi Bermudez, left, and Marina Soche with Isabella Rodriquez of Mexico in front.

Enjoying a taco at the Mexico food booth are Javier Hernandez, left, and Lennard student Luis Santos. Serving are Guadalupe Church members Lithia Pablo and Margaret Davila.

Lizbeth Arellano, a member of Guadalupe Church and a Lennard High School student, with her cousin Bryan Arellano, a Shields Middle School student, pose at the entrance to the Guadalupe Church on U.S. 301 in Wimauma.

Young church members performed a variety of colorful folk dances in front of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church last Sunday in Wimauma.

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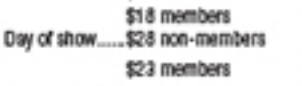

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Every Sunday - Come and enjoy a Rib Eye Steak right off the grill, $15, with all the trimmings, 4 to 6 p.m. Tickets should be purchased in advance.
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Sept. 24 - Lunch with Val noon till sold out $5; Queen of hearts 7 p.m.
Sept. 25 - Lunch with Val noon till sold out $5; Bar Poker 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Sept. 26 - VFW Riders meeting 6 p.m.
Sept. 27 - Lunch with Val noon till sold out $5; Bar Bingo 6 p.m.
Sept. 28 - Fish Fry is back. Fish Fry 4:30 to 7 p.m.; Music by Music by You 2 Kan 7 to 11 p.m.

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Every Saturday - Steak Shoot 2 p.m.; Jukebox Night, 7 p.m. til close
Every Sunday- Breakfast 8 to 11 a.m.; Flea Market 7 a.m. to noon; Happy Hour 4 to 7 p.m.
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Free Basketball Clinic for ages 6 through 14 at SCF, Manatee-Sarasota Sept. 22

The Manatees basketball team at State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota (SCF) will host a free clinic for youth ages 6 through 14 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sept. 22. Participants should bring their own basketball and meet in the Hal Chasey Gymnasium, Building 17, at SCF Bradenton, 5840 26th St. W.

Tom Parks, SCF's new head coach, is committed to getting young players excited about SCF basketball. Youth who participate in the clinic will interact with the SCF team and learn drills and techniques the players use on the court.

"This is a great opportunity for young basketball players to have fun and improve their skills," said Parks. "The team and I are really looking forward to helping cultivate future Manatees for success and building relationships with the community."

Everyone will be invited to come back and cheer on the Manatees during their 2018-19 season. General admission tickets (cash only) are $4, seniors and children are $2, and SCF students and staff get in free with their SCF ID. For more information about SCF Manatees basketball, including schedule information, visit www.SCFManatees.com.

Southshore Yacht Club unveils new model homes designed for waterfront living

The waterfront community of Southshore Yacht Club has opened its newest model homes, with floor-plans and features designed for a luxurious waterfront lifestyle.

Southshore Yacht Club is located along picturesque canals in Ruskin that lead to the deep waters of Tampa Bay. The homes in the community are built for anyone who enjoys the waterfront way of life — whether it's by taking in the quiet, relaxing views and privacy, fishing right off the back dock, or hopping into your boat outside the back door.

The newly opened model homes are the Pompano and Sandestin floor-plans, which vary in price and style, but have coastal architecture exteriors, open-concept design and sophisticated features. For homes on the canal, the new floor-plans offer waterfront views from the kitchen, dining room, living room and master suite.

Each home in the community has a large covered back patio with access from the master suite and an optional outdoor kitchen for the ultimate backyard setup.

The homes all have modern, upgraded luxury features available to buyers, including quartz countertops, built-in double oven, gas stove cooktop and a tile roof. Waterfront homes are able to have a dock and boatlift added after the home has been purchased.

"Southshore Yacht Club's model homes showcase new-home luxury waterfront living," said Mark Metheny, division president for Lennar Tampa, the parent company of WCI. "Each home has a wide range of features for buyers — whether it's extra living space in a loft, a waterfront patio and balcony, or an elevator."

A dog park and clubhouse with a resort-style pool also recently opened in the community.

Southshore Yacht Club is at 3079 Bermuda Sloop Circle in Ruskin, off U.S. 41 and Shell Point Road, near the waterfront Resort & Club at Little Harbor.

For more information on WCI homes in Southshore Yacht Club, call 877-205-1328 or visit www.wcitampabay.com.

Volunteer tutors needed

Volunteer tutors are needed to assist kindergarten and first grade students with reading at Ruskin and Wimauma elementary schools. Parents and Children Advance Together (PCAT) Literacy Ministries, is a nonprofit after-school literacy program. Students are recommended into the programs by their teachers, as they are at risk of school failure. Without additional assistance, they might not be promoted to the next grade. Children who are not reading properly by third grade, experience poor grades and tend to drop out of high school, a situation that is magnified by poverty. Consider joining the after-school literacy programs at either Ruskin or Wimauma elementary schools. Schedule is Mondays through Thursdays, either from 3 to 4 p.m. or 4 to 5. For more information, call Christene Worley, or email christene.pcat@gmail.com, or call 813-598-2103.

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'Uncommon Edibles' class at The Folk School at FMM Sept. 28

Go to the Folk School at Florida Maritime Museum on Friday, Sept. 28, and John Dawson with the Florida Master Gardener Program at U.F/I.F.A.S Manatee County Extension Office will present a class on uncommon edible plants from 10 a.m. to noon.

These plants grow well in our part of Florida but you may not find them in local grocery stores. Go and learn about intriguing tropical fruits, unusual vegetables and herbs, and edible flowers. Students will learn how to obtain and cultivate these plants and prepare their harvests. Limited samples will be available for tasting and various propagation methods will be demonstrated during a hands-on portion of the presentation.

The class fee is $10, and preregistration is required. Register online at www.FloridaFolkSchool.org or call 941-708-6120.

The Folk School at Florida Maritime Museum is at 4415 119th St. W., Cortez, Fla.

Frontier Airlines adds 3rd nonstop destination at SRQ

Frontier Airlines announced they will add nonstop service from Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) to the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport (SRQ). Service between ATL and SRQ will begin on Dec. 10, 2018, with thrice-weekly flights offered on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays using Airbus A320 aircraft. To celebrate these new routes, Frontier is offering special introductory fares as low as $39 each way.

Flight times are as follows:

Departs Atlanta at 8:09 a.m. and arrives at SRQ at 9:39 a.m.

Departs SRQ at 10:30 a.m. and arrives Atlanta at 12:10 a.m.

Honor Flag has traveled 7 million miles since 9/11 to honor those who've made ultimate sacrifice

■ By Airman 1st Class Ryan C. Grossklag, 6th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs

When former U.S. Army Sgt. Chris Heisler was gifted the Honor Flag by the Texas House of Representatives following the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center buildings in New York, he had not quite realized the adventure that awaited him.

Seven million miles and still traveling—this American flag's journey spans land, sea and space. It tells the story of patriotism, leads the way with pride and honors those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

"Putting my time in was something I just became accustomed to as a way to show respect for the uniformed personnel who lost their lives in the line of duty," said Heisler.

The Honor Flag's story began when Heisler traveled to New York to attend funeral services and memorials for the first responders lost in the 9/11 attacks. Heisler's original intention was to present the flag to the widow of a police officer during their funeral service, thus ending the Honor Flag's journey.

"Upon handing the widow the flag, she requested that I hold onto the Honor Flag and cherish it for what it meant and what it represented," said Heisler.

Heisler said that he has personally traveled with the flag for most of its journey, with the exception of the flag's presence on Space Shuttle Atlantis and the International Space Station in 2011 for NASA's final shuttle mission. Heisler was spending over $70,000 on travel expenses each year in order to deliver the flag for ceremonies and presentations. To alleviate the costs, Heisler and his wife Cynthia, a retired police officer, purchased a truck and trailer to hit the road on their own when satisfying requests for the flag. When the Heislers are not on the road travelling, they stick close to family in Tampa by residing at the FAMCAMP Annex on MacDill.

Much like many other patriotic Americans, Heisler was motivated to volunteer for a greater cause following the 9/11 attacks and decided to enlist in the U.S. Army at 34 years old. It didn't take long before Heisler found himself serving overseas.

"When I deployed to Iraq in 2003, I brought the Honor Flag along with me," said Heisler. "I was there 11 months and 18 days before injury caused by an exploding mortar round landed me in the hospital."

While in the hospital, Heisler received a request to present the Honor Flag at the memorial for three police officers who died in the line of duty in Midland, Texas. Given his medical state, Heisler could not physically fly back to the U.S. for the services, and allowed the flag to be transported to Midland under special care.

The Honor Network, which Heisler founded to manage the operating functions of requests and use of the Honor Flag, takes pride in caring for the Honor Flag and is particular about its use in memorials and ceremonies. Exclusivity is maintained in the handling of the flag — only current or former uniformed personnel are allowed to hold the flag. When handling the flag, it must be carried firmly pressed to the body, as seen in Honor Guard presentations. Lastly, every person who carries the flag must wear clean, white gloves provided by The Honor Network.

After spending 20 years in the line of duty, Cynthia cherishes the experience of honoring those who gave their lives working for a greater cause.

"It's incredible honoring the heroes who serve with a passion for helping others," Cynthia said. "It's a dream come true to honor the lost family members. The flag represents the sacrifice of my brothers and sisters who will be remembered for doing what they love."

Mr. and Mrs. Heisler maintain a busy schedule thanks to the constant travel they do with the Honor Flag, but aim to ensure its presence is available to memorialize lost personnel.

"We get more requests for the flag than we can keep up with," said Chris. "I feel this flag represents the true spirit of patriotism, and I intend on keeping it moving as long as I can.

COURTESY PHOTO

Former U.S. Army Sgt. Chris Heisler, president and CEO of The Honor Network, which operates requests and use of the Honor Flag, poses for a portrait with a service dog. Heisler received the Honor Flag from the Texas House of Representatives following the 9/11 attacks and traveled to New York to present the flag at memorial services for fallen first responders.

U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS RYAN C. GROSSKLAG

The Honor Network trailer, owned by former U.S. Army Sgt. Chris Heisler, sits at FAMCAMP Annex on MacDill Air Force Base. Heisler and his wife Cynthia, a retired police officer, travel around the country with the Honor Flag, a ceremonious U.S. flag used in memorials for fallen uniformed personnel.

COURTESY PHOTO

An Honor Guard member from Sun Prairie, Wis. salutes the Honor Flag at a memorial on July 14, 2018. On July 10, 2018, a gas explosion resulted in the death of one firefighter and multiple injuries.

Private Investigator course to be offered at SCF Bradenton

State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota (SCF) Workforce Solutions will offer a private investigator course Oct. 26 through 28 and Nov. 2 through 4 at SCF Bradenton. The course provides the basic information on becoming a licensed private investigator, including industry regulations, department rules, licensing criteria and investigation techniques. Cost of the six day, 40-hour course is $395.

The course will be offered at SCF Bradenton, Building 18, 5840 26th St. W. on Friday, Oct. 26; Saturday, Oct. 27; Sunday, Oct. 28; Friday, Nov. 2; Saturday, Nov.3; and Sunday, Nov. 4. Friday classes are 6 to 10 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday classes are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

This course meets the state licensing requirements to earn the Private Investigator Class CC intern license and qualifies those who pass the course to apply for a private investigator's internship through the Florida Division of Licensing. For more information, call Lee Kotwicki, director of Workforce Solutions, at 941-363-7218, or email KotwicL@SCF.edu. To register, visit www.SCF.edu/CCDEnroll.

Local Mommy and Me Gardening Club planting seeds in a new location

On Sept. 11, the Mommy and Me Gardening Club hosted by Pineapple Acres, introduced the benefits of attracting native mason bees into your garden and backyard. The parents and children built mini-mason bee homes.

Katrina Thorpe and Stephanie Koeser founded this club, which they created after they recognized that many children are fascinated with the outdoors, but sometimes parents don't know where to begin in expanding this curiosity. The vision for the club is to have fun in Florida's natural landscape and educate children and families about eco-friendly gardening.

The next Mommy and Me Gardening meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 9, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Ruskin Recreation Center, 901 6th St. S.E., Ruskin. The group plans to create spooky gardening decorations for their community garden. For more information about the Mommy and Me Gardening Club, visit www.learningtogrowinflorida.com, or call 813-504-3097. You can also join the Facebook group under Mommy & Me Garden Club. The classes follow a WaterWize program sponsored by 4-H Youth Development that will run from Sept. 25 to Oct. 23.

Recently, the group moved from the Balm Park to the Ruskin Park to expand their program. Thorpe and Koeser were invited to begin a Regenerative Gardening Program at the park that launched Sept. 18. This month the program is discussing bees and pollinating plants. October will feature fall gardening in Florida and some Halloween fun; November will focus on mindfulness in the garden and nature; and December will be filled with holiday gardening.

Consider joining this program from 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday at the Ruskin Recreation Center, 901 6th St. S.E., Ruskin. For more information or to register, call the park at 813-672-7881.

Stephanie Koeser loves helping children explore nature.

The children of the Mommy and Me Gardening Club exploring mason bee home.

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Little Greek Fresh Grill opens in Riverview

Greater Riverview Chamber of Commerce (GRCC) members were invited to celebrate the opening of Little Greek Fresh Grill in Riverview. The crowd was treated to samples of some of the items being offered at Little Greek.

Nino Delucia, owner of this and two other Little Greek Fresh Grills, was happy to meet and mingle with his new GRCC family as he showed off his restaurant. Little Greek uses the freshest ingredients to deliver its Greek goodness. Each dish is lovingly made to order using fresh high-quality ingredients and served with their warm and attentive customer care.

Little Greek Fresh Grill is at 10173 Big Bend Road in Riverview, at the intersection of Big Bend and Lincoln roads. You may order online at www.LittleGreekRestaurant.com or call 813-560-8162, and they will have it ready and waiting for you. Be sure to check out the selection of desserts when you are at the counter.

River of Life Christian Center dedicates new basketball court

Greater Riverview Chamber of Commerce (GRCC) was invited to perform an official ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the dedication of a new basketball court at the Reflection Apartments complex. Chamber representatives, River of Life Christian Center personnel as well as Reflection Apartments staff and residents all took part in the festivities.

Attendees were treated to hot dogs and hamburgers freshly grilled by River of Life Christian Center volunteers right next to the new court. This new basketball court was coordinated and made possible by the church's Seeds mentoring program. Seeds mentoring program is sponsored by River of Life to help provide a better tomorrow for at-risk children in the community. They were thrilled to be able to present this new basketball court to the families of Reflection Apartments where they have been providing community outreach.

While the teenagers made good use of the basketball court and the smaller children enjoyed the water slide brought in for the day, Marcus Marshall, the Outreach Director, prayed over the court and dedicated it to instilling teamwork, friendships, and hard work into the students. Gratitude was also expressed to eCycle Florida, Jabner Inc. and Old Castle for helping to make this dream a reality.

If you would like to know more about River of Life Christian Center and all of the many programs they support, visit www.riveroflifechristiancenter.org. Visit one of their Sunday worship services at 9 or 11 a.m. The church is at 6605 Krycul Ave. in Riverview. For specific questions, you may call them at 813-677-4453, or email info@rolccfl.org

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HCC receives $1 million gift for Allied Health Building and scholarships

With gratitude, Hillsborough Community College (HCC) announced today that it has received the largest cash gift from an individual in the college's 50-year history.

Drs. Kiran C. and Pallavi Patel have donated $1 million to HCC for the Allied Health Building and scholarships for students enrolled in health science programs. This tremendous support will serve as the lead gift for the HCC Foundation's 50th Anniversary fundraising campaign, HCC Rising: Together We Lift Our Community.

The facility, which is currently under construction at the Dale Mabry Campus, will be named the Drs. Kiran and Pallavi Patel Allied Health Building. With a projected opening in fall 2019, the three-story, 62,670-square-foot facility will feature classrooms and lab space, along with a simulated hospital allowing multiple health science programs to work together, creating conditions found in real-life situations.

"Hillsborough Community College is unique in filling the gap between high school and the university," stated Dr. Kiran Patel. "It is a means for many people that are working and trying to obtain an education. Hillsborough Community College has a niche of filling the requirement of such a vast community who for a variety of reasons would have been left behind and unable to access a university education right away."

Dr. Ken Atwater, HCC president, made the gift announcement at the annual Presidential Showcase event that was held on Thursday, Sept. 13, which served as the official kick-off to HCC's 50th anniversary celebration.

"The HCC community is humbled and grateful for the generous support and commitment of Drs. Kiran and Pallavi Patel who are extremely passionate about the transformational impact of education on the well-being of people," stated Dr. Ken Atwater.

The generous gift to HCC highlights the philanthropic commitment of the Patels to better the lives of people through education in the Tampa Bay community, the state of Florida and throughout the world.

The Hillsborough Community College Foundation supports HCC in its mission to deliver affordable educational opportunities that help students become successful, productive citizens. Through annual scholarships, endowments, program and faculty support, and college-wide funding initiatives, the foundation has awarded more than $12 million since its inception and changed thousands of lives for the better.

Hillsborough Community College serves over 44,000 students annually at its five campuses located throughout Tampa Bay. The college is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. For more information, visit www.hccfl.edu

Flight simulation is an exploding industry

Safer, stronger warfighter readiness

In a continual effort to remain the world's greatest air power, MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., uses flight simulation to train aircrew to expect the unexpected.

Specifically, MacDill's KC-135 Stratotanker pilots undergo at least six to seven training sessions annually in a flight simulator, but recently, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C., sent MacDill another simulator, currently housed at Civil Aviation Electronics until space is made available on base.

"The additional simulator gives us more capabilities to complete our goals," said Lt. Col. Jeffrey Quick, a KC-135 instructor pilot assigned to 6th Operation Support Squadron. "Civil Aviation Electronics also has instructors with prior military and KC-135 experience giving us continuity and stability in our training, which is critical to our mission."

As a result, MacDill pilots and boom operators train to difficult scenarios ultimately leading to better performance.

"Flight simulation is an exploding industry," said retired Col. Brett Pennington, a CAE flight instructor and former Air Force pilot with 24 years of experience. "The simulators now can render such realistic environments, and it allows for better training through trial and error because out in the field, the room for error in a military aircraft is none."

Pennington explained that during these training sessions, pilots demonstrate knowledge of various systems such as electrical, pneumatics, engines, fuels and hydraulics while showing their ability to fly and handle emergency scenarios.

"The simulator does a fantastic job in recreating certain environmental conditions that we don't see often in the MacDill area," said Capt. Christopher Watz, a KC-135 pilot assigned to the 91st Air Refueling Squadron.

Watz went on to explain that there are maneuvers and situations during flight simulations that they wouldn't want to practice in an aircraft because of the inherent risk.

After all, when a KC-135 costs approximately $40 million to build, and an Airman's life is irreplaceable, it only seems logical to conserve resources through the use of a risk-free flight simulator.

"During a simulation, you don't use a large amount of resources, and if you add everything up, the benefits are substantial," said Pennington.

According to the Office under Secretary of Defense for fiscal year 2018, the dollar amount per hour for operation and maintenance to fly a KC-135R is $11,843.

"As an industry standard, one-tenth of the cost per flight hour is typical when compared to an actual flight for any aircraft," said Ray Duquette, the president and general manager of CAE U.S.A.

To put this number into perspective, in calendar year 2017, MacDill AFB registered approximately 3,000 flight hours in its simulator. At an average cost of $11,843 per flight hour, MacDill saved roughly $32 million last year.

However, the ultimate benefit of flight simulation is the possibility of saving lives.

"The biggest benefit pilots receive is how to mitigate risk in an aircraft, and that can be directly attributed to numerous hours in flight simulation," said Quick.

Every month, new technology and training scenarios emerge, increasing the realism of flight simulation while bolstering the lethality of our joint forces.

"We have come a long way since the early '70s and '80s of only having night flight simulators or black and white flight simulations without motion responses," said Duquette. "Ultimately, flight simulators will continue to improve in its synthetic environment and motion simulation capabilities providing solutions for our warfighters."

During each simulation flight, two pilots train on their ability to fly and handle emergency procedures while being tested on their knowledge of various systems such as electrical, pneumatics, engines, fuels, and hydraulics in the KC-135 Stratotanker aircraft flight simulator.

U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS SCOTT WARNER

The 50th Air Refueling Squadron, perform preflight procedures in the KC-135 flight simulator at MacDill Air Force Base

The view from inside the cockpit of the KC-135 Stratotanker, right, and the flight simulator are compared to illustrate the realistic training environment of the simulator. The KC-135 simulator is modified in tandem with upgrades on its aircraft counterpart to allow familiarization for aircrew.

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Southshore Community Cleanup Sept. 29

Southshore is seeking volunteers for the Southshore Community Cleanup on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 8 to 11:30 a.m.

Check in begins at 8 a.m. at The Dog House, 106 U.S. 41 in Ruskin. Water, bags for trash, cleanup tools and rides back to The Dog House will be provided. Lunch will be provided by The Dog House and served at 11:30 a.m.

They ask that you RSVP by calling Peter Schwarz at 813-654-7350 or email schwarz@schwarbaskin.com

Save the date for South Shore United Methodist Fall Festival

South Shore United Methodist Church wants you to save the date of Oct. 27 for their Fall Festival.

On Saturday, Oct. 27, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. they will host a free community Fall Festival with a trunk or treat, pumpkin patch, cake walk, bounce house, food trucks and much more.

Everyone is invited. Be sure to bring cash for the food truck.

South Shore United Methodist Church is at 11525 Big Bend Road in Riverview. For more information, call 813-677-9482.

The Vibe Music Store hosts free jam sessions

Every Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m., The Vibe Music Store at 6136 U.S. 41 N. in Apollo Beach hosts free jam sessions. Take your instrument and go meet and jam with other musicians.

For more information, call 813-641-2016.

Dr. Frederick Taylor retires

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Dr. Taylor has been a staple in the community for many years, he has treated multiple generations of the same patient families in the area.

In between his busy practice at BayCare and his transition to exiting, Taylor engaged in an interview about his practice of medicine. He responded to the questions below:

Q How long have you been a physician in Hillsborough County?

A I have been a physician here for 43 years.

Q What type of medical practice?

A I'm a Family Practice Physician.

Q What did you do professionally before your present work?

A I was a pharmacist.

Q Where did you grow up, attend high school, and attend college?

A I went to Vassar High School in Vassar, Mich., and finished up my senior year of high school at Spring Vale Academy in Owosso, Mich. I received my degree in pharmacy from Ferris State Collage in Big Rapids, Mich. In 1974 I graduated from Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine. From there, I moved to Mt. Clemons, Mich. and did a rotating internship. In 1975 I moved to Tampa and opened my first family practice office, which was located on Westshore Boulevard. In 1977 I opened a family practice office in Apollo Beach. In 2013, I moved my practice to the BayCare Medical Group Primary Care facility, which is located on Big Bend Road in front of St. Joseph's Hospital—South.

Q&A with Dr. Frederick Taylor

Q What are some of the challenges of your D.O. practice — now and as compared to when you first started?

A The biggest challenge is trying to find a balance between my private life and my work. There is a significant amount of after-hours work that goes into preparing for the next day in the office. When I first started in practice in the 1970s, the majority of work could be accomplished during the office hours. But now there is quite a bit of preparation to assure my patients receive everything they need. Insurance involvement in patient care has increased significantly.

Q What gives/gave you a sense of contentment and satisfaction with your practice?

A I would say just having the privilege to take care of my patients and knowing they trust me to make decisions about their health care. It is very exciting to know that patients are achieving a better level of health because they are following our recommendations and instructions. There is a true sense of gratification watching my patients improve and overcome their health issues. This excitement has not diminished during the past 43 years of practice. It's also great to work with team members in my practice who have the same level of commitment to patient care and who go above and beyond to care for our patients.

Q What advice would you have for a young person concerning practicing medicine?

A I have never been unhappy that I chose medicine as my vocation. Nothing makes me happier than interacting with my patients. This is truly a great profession. I would recommend that they consider joining a group practice like BayCare Medical Group to help them balance their personal and professional time appropriately. After all, you must take care of yourself in order to better serve your patients.

Q What is/was your favorite type of work as a D.O.?

A I personally love donating time to help patients who cannot obtain care any other way, like the work I do with Sister Sara Proctor, who coordinates the Catholic Charities free mobile medical bus. I also enjoyed doing house calls. When I first started my practice in 1975, I did quite a bit of house calls to see patients who could not get to the office. I enjoyed this interaction with my patients on a totally different scale.

Q What is the short term and long-term outlook for the South Shore area?

A The South Shore area has seen rapid growth during the past several years. Like many residents in the area, I would like to see infrastructure in place that will improve access to the interstate.

Q Anything you would like to add, either about your business or your personal/family life?

A I will miss my office family a great deal, and also all of my patients.

NARFE Chapter 1074 meeting Sept. 26

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Associations (NARFE) Chapter 1074 will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 11:30 a.m. at Denny's, 3747 Sun City Center Blvd., in the back room.

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For more information, call Paul Buerkle at 813-938-3049 or Charles Steinberg at 813-633-3441.

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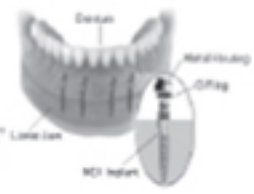

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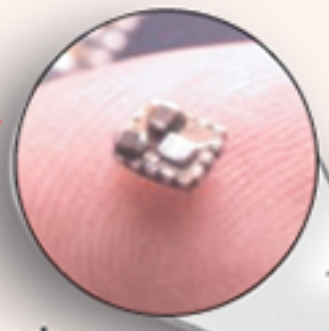

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Area Obituaries

Raymond David Kahle

Raymond David Kahle, 87, of Sun City Center, Fla. passed away August 31, 2018. He served in the United States Army and retired from Hillenbrand Industries as Vice President of Manufacturing Sales. He volunteered for the Sun City Center Emergency Squad, Safety Patrol, his neighborhood Homeowners Association Board of Directors and the Nearly New Shop in Sun City Center, Fla.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years Patricia Raymond Kahle; three daughters and son-in-laws, Patricia Lynn Kahle and her husband David Knapp, Janet Rae Wynn and her husband Gary and Barbara Kahle Caputo and her husband Christopher; a brother and sister-in-law, Warren Kahle and his wife Gay; a sister-in-law Dorothy Coens; nine grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018, with military honors at 3:30 p.m. at the Sun City Center Funeral Home, 1851 Rickenbacker Drive, Sun City Center, Fla.

Bennet S. Simonton

Retired USN Capt. Bennet S. Simonton, beloved and respected mentor to so many, died August 29, 2018, at a hospital near his home in Tampa, Florida. He was 82 years old.

Simonton graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1957 and served as an officer for 26 years. He was Captain of the USS *South Carolina* after serving as Reactor Officer on the USS *Nimitz* aircraft carrier reporting directly to Admiral Hyman Rickover, the Father of the Nuclear Navy. In addition to attending Nuclear Reactor School, Simonton obtained a Master's Degree in Computer Science at the Naval Post-Graduate School in Monterey, Calif.

His final two years of service were spent at the Pentagon where he directed equipping all U.S. Navy surface ships with weapons systems, like the new Tomahawk Missile system. Heavily recruited by the private sector, after retiring from the U.S. Navy, Simonton went on to spend 10 years as Vice President of the New York City electric utility, Consolidated Edison. While there, he directed the transformation of Con Edison's largest plant from oil to natural gas. Plant management and workers fondly renamed the power plant, "The USS Ravenswood." Then he managed 1,300 unionized employees responsible for overhauling electric turbines and plants.

Upon retiring from Con Edison he launched his own eponymous management advisory consultancy – Simonton Associates. He published to wide acclaim by its many early readers a seminal book on managing people entitled, *Leading People to be Highly Motivated and Committed*. He dedicated his book "To Admiral Hyman G. Rickover whose personal courage and demonstrable respect for people were so inspiring."

Bennet S. Simonton is survived by his wife Joan; his two daughters Lorraine and Kimberly and his adored grandson Brooks and son-in-law John. He was the son of Theodore Eames Simonton and Beulah Hulsebus Simonton of Cazenovia, N.Y. Arrangements by Zipperer's Funeral Home.

Beverly Parker

Beverly Parker, 85, of Sun City Center, passed away on Friday, September 7, 2018. Born and raised in Ithaca, N.Y., she moved to Miami, Fla. in 1950 to attend the University of Miami majoring in accounting. She then moved to Houston, Texas where she worked for Mitchell Oil, owned a restaurant and began a career in real estate that was to last up to her recent passing.

In 1987 she moved to Sun City Center, Fla. where she became well known as a local Broker-Realtor and co-founder of Coleman Connection Realty. Many would know her from the successful Beverly's Estates Sales where she met many lasting friends.

Beverly enjoyed pets, including dogs, cats, horses and of course, her exotic birds. She was proud to be involved with Mary & Martha House over the years and served on their board of directors. She was also a broker associate with A1 Connection Realty until her passing.

Beverly is survived by her daughter Joni Russell and son-in-law Randy Russell; grandchildren Jessica and David Russell, wife Jennifer and great-grandson Brannon Russell; Beverly's sister Patricia Wilbert; nieces Kathy Bolduc, Mary Ward; nephew Richard Mahaffy and cousin Nancy Kraszewski.

Per Beverly's wish, there will be no formal memorial service.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.zippererfuneralhome.com

'Breaking Open the Word' at Prince of Peace starts Sept. 21

Prince of Peace Catholic Church is pleased to announce that "Breaking Open the Word" will begin on Friday, Sept. 21. Breaking Open The Word is an informal discussion on the readings for the upcoming Sunday. The discussion begins at 9 a.m. and runs for about an hour.

For more information, call Michelle Szczepanski, at 813-634-2328 or email michelle@popcc.org.

Prince of Peace Catholic Church is at 702 Valley Forge Blvd. in Sun City Center. For more information on their parish community, visit www.popcc.org.

Lois Beth Smith

Lois Beth Smith, age 94, went to her final home with the Lord and to be reunited with her departed loved ones on Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018. For 94 years, Lois was the essence of Love. She was born on March 5, 1924, in Whitewater, Wis. to Fern and Birdie Lemke, the third of four children. Lois was a spirited soul, whose love for life and family was abundant. She worked hard on the family's dairy farm, earned high grades in school and was an active member of the community. In 1941, she was awarded Jefferson County's prestigious honor of "Dairy Queen."

As a young woman, Lois was employed as a secretary and worked in real estate. In the summer of 1942, a barefoot Lois went to the neighbor's house in search of a cup of sugar. It was there she met the love of her life, Milton Roger Smith. After serving in World War II, Milt returned home and in June 1948, they married. They built their life together in Rockford, Ill., raising four beloved children: Cindy, Tom, Amy, and Ted. Lois' caring nature came to fruition during this time as she cheered her children on in academics, pageantries, art shows, sporting events and much more. The family enjoyed summer vacations at Lauderdale Lakes, swimming, waterskiing, fishing, golfing, and taking long walks to procure sweets at the local marina.

After their children married or left for college, Lois and Milt moved to Middleton in 1976. While there, Lois worked for 15 years at the Dane C. Hwy. Dept. and Clerk of Courts. Lois found great fulfillment from her career. As Lois' life grew, so did her family. Lois and Milt's next adventure was grandparenting. While she may have cheated at Skip-Bo from time to time, she always made up for it with a joke and a Dilly Bar. In her home, the family laughed a little louder, hugged a little tighter and loved a little stronger.

After 56 years of marriage, Milt passed away in 2004. The following summer, Lois moved to Sun City Center, Fla., to be closer to family. Lois spent her time making jewelry, writing letters, playing the organ, creating care packages for loved ones and making new friends. She was an active member of the Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father; three siblings Da Nette, Doris and Helen; and her beloved husband Milt. Lois is survived by her children Cindy (Dr. John) Grow of Kiowa, Kan., Tom (Carmen) Smith of Brandon, Fla., Amy Blackshear of Colorado Springs, Colo. and Ted (Lyndal) Smith of Alamosa, Colo. Memories of Lois Smith are cherished by her extended family of 12 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and countless friends.

Lois' life was built on the foundation of love and family. Lois was a positive force of nature — staunchly independent, extremely joyous and loving without measure. Those who knew Lois know the world is a better place because of her. While she is no longer here in physical form, Lois' light and the love she gave endlessly, lives on in all of us. Services for Lois will be held at Cold Spring Union Cemetery on Friday, Sept. 21, 2018. Online condolences may be made at www.gundersonfh.com.

"Love is not an emotion; it is your very existence." – Rumi.

Robert (Bob) Ratcliffe

Robert (Bob) Ratcliffe, 88, of Sun City Center, Florida, formerly of Latham, N.Y., passed away on September 7, 2018, at Sun Terrace. He is survived by his beloved wife Rita, whom he was married to for 67 years.

Bob served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Bob was the son of the late Albert and Margaret Ratcliffe. He was predeceased by his four brothers: John, Albert, Edward, and William. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his four daughters Noreen (John) Thompson, Marlene (Derek) George, Darlene (Philip) Murray, and Charleen (William) Cox; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Burial will be at Saratoga National Cemetery at a future date. Arrangements by Zipperer's Funeral Home.

Jack Eugene Swain

Jack Eugene Swain, 88, passed away September 11, 2018. Jack is preceded in death by his wife Jaynet Marie in February 2018. The Swains had no children. Mr. Swain is survived by nephew Harry Lee Biddison, James Harold Biddison and grandniece Julie Ann Foreman.

Jack served in the United States Navy for 25 years and reached the highest U.S. Navy enlisted grade of Master Chief, E-9. One of Jack's rating officers is quoted as follows: "Chief Swain is most distinguished by this command presence. His alert yet relaxed manner backed by sound judgment and oblivious concern for his men sets him apart. He has successfully blended the accomplishments of his Naval career to produce a unique leadership capability. The degree of authority and forcefulness he employs in exceptionally appropriate and always tempered with humility, integrity, and selflessness."

Master Chief Swain loved his country, the United States Navy, and served both to the best of his ability. Thank you, Jack.

A Graveside service will be held at Sarasota National Cemetery at 11:30 a.m. Friday, September 29, 2018. Arrangements by Sun City Center Funeral Home 813-634-9900.

Wednesday morning ladies Bible study

South Shore United Methodist Church at 11525 Big Bend Road in Riverview started a Wednesday morning Ladies Bible study from 9 to 11:30 a.m. They are using Beth Moore's study titled *Jesus The One and Only*. The classes are open to all denominations.

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Community Sing Sept. 24

South Hillsborough Ministerial Association (SHMA), an organized, interactive group of local church ministers and congregations committed to the work of the Lord Jesus Christ in South Hillsborough County, will resume hosting the monthly Community Sing on Monday, Sept. 24, at the Maranatha Church of God, at 55 6th Ave. S.E., Ruskin, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served afterward. For more information, call 813-645-1538.

Temple Beth Israel schedule of High Holy Day services

Temple Beth Israel The Jewish Congregation of Sun City Center schedule of High Holy Day services are:

- Sukkot – Monday, Sept. 24, 10 a.m.
- Shemini Atzeret, Simchat Torah, Yiskor – Monday, Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m.

For guest tickets call Janet Corin at 401-524-0847 or Sandy Zians at 330-509-0123

Beth Israel is at 1807 Del Webb Blvd. E. in Sun City Center.

Beth Shalom sauvignon and soda in the Sukkah Sept. 23

Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon, 706 Bryan Road, Brandon, is celebrating Erev Sukkot by enjoying a dairy pot luck dinner in the Sukkah.

Sukkot is a weeklong Jewish holiday that comes five days after Yom Kippur. Sukkot celebrates the gathering of the harvest and commemorates the miraculous protection for the children of Israel when they left Egypt. They celebrate Sukkot by dwelling in a foliage-covered booth (known as a Sukkah).

You are invited to join them at 5 p.m. on Sunday Sept. 23. They will provide the sauvignon (juice and soda as well). All ages are welcome. To RSVP send an email to sslavkin50@gmail.com

Shabbat services — Welcome the Sabbath on Friday evenings at 7 p.m. Oneg, nosh and mingle follows.

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UF study shows buyers want environmentally safe strawberry production

As buyers browse strawberry packages at the supermarket, they might see labels such as "organically grown" or "locally grown." But they'd also like to know if the fruit was produced in a way that preserves the environment, a new University of Florida study shows.

Consumers say they'll pay more for strawberries grown in a manner that is sustainable, the research shows. Researchers defined "sustainable" as production methods that help keep the ecosystem healthy. More specifically, researchers described five sustainable practices: Less fertilizer, less pesticide and fewer negative impacts on air, soil and water quality.

That's helpful news for growers in the $300 million-a-year Florida strawberry industry. If they could label their products with data such as "uses less fertilizer," they could make more money, said Zhifeng Gao, an associate professor of food and resource economics at the UF Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences.

"The study provides good information regarding the development of some new food labels in the market," Gao said. "To help growers receive the highest potential financial benefit from sustainable practice adoption, policymakers may consider giving growers more flexibility to label their products."

Consumers, growers and regulators must work together to achieve sustainability and sustainable agriculture, he said.

To help growers and consumers, Gao led a UF/IFAS study in which researchers surveyed 2,525 people nationwide to find out how much participants would be willing to pay for certain strawberry production methods.

Buyers want systems that keep water clean, and they want less pesticide used, the study showed. Researchers zeroed in on sustainable agricultural practices.

Farms that adopt best management practices (BMPs) usually use less fertilizer than those that don't, Gao said. In most cases, those practices can reduce the negative impact on water quality.

If growers adopting BMPs could label their product as either "uses less fertilizer" or "reduces the negative impact on water quality," or both, they would obtain the most financial return from adopting this type of sustainable practice, Gao said.

"This flexibility may motivate more growers to adopt sustainable practices," he said. "Educating consumers could lead more of them to support sustainably produced products."

The UF/IFAS study is published in the journal *Ecological Economics*.

Was your fruit produced in a way that preserves the environment?

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AR Workshop celebrates new location

On Aug. 17 Greater Riverview Chamber of Commerce (GRCC) along with Valrico-Fishhawk Chamber members were invited to celebrate with valued member, AR Workshop Brandon. A large group of chamber members along with AR Workshop staff and owners, Greg and Stephanie Paxton, showed up to partake in the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

During the event, guests enjoyed networking together while creating their very own take home piece of art. Between the painting of mermaids, pineapples and even footballs, guests learned all about AR Workshop and the many events they can host.

AR Workshop Brandon is a DIY workshop and boutique offering a fun environment to make custom décor. It is the perfect place for a night out, birthday parties, corporate events, and more. At AR Workshop Brandon you can join an instructor-led workshop where you can make custom wood-plank signs, framed signs, canvas pillows, round signs, lazy susans, centerpiece boxes, canvas tote bags and more.

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