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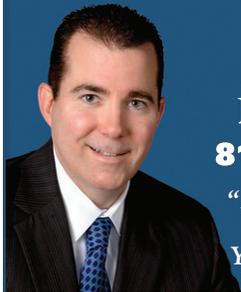
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COURTESY OF CINDY PERKINS

When chiropractor Cindy Perkins isn't treating her patients at the Back in Health Wellness Center, she's vying for the ceremonial title of Lutz Guv'na.

Guv'na candidate Cindy Perkins makes charity work a habit

By Michael Murillo

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Chiropractor Cindy Perkins hails from Browns Valley, Minnesota, a city of about 800 people. And perhaps for that reason, she feels right at home in Lutz.

"The Lutz area drew me in because it's a nice area," she said. "It still kind of has that small-town feel, but you still have a lot of accessibility to city things. And it's a nice place to raise a family."

This is one in a series of stories profiling the candidates for Lutz Guv'na.

Perkins has a son, Lyndon, 7, who wasn't born when Perkins first moved to Florida. That happened a decade ago, and she has spent the past five years in Lutz.

Her practice, Back in Health Wellness Center, 18942 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Suite

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New Rotary Club forming in Lutz

By B.C. Manion

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Business, professional and community leaders are forming a new chapter of Rotary Club International in Lutz, and the club is welcoming new members.

Doug Andrews, who is organizing the new Lutz Rotary Club, said the organization offers excellent opportunities to build business connections, meet new friends, get involved in service projects and take part in cultural exchanges.

Rotary Club of New Tampa is sponsoring the club until it forms its own chapter, which can happen as soon as it has 20 members, Andrews said.

The club meets on Tuesdays at 7 a.m., at Heritage Harbor Golf and Country Club, 19502 Heritage Harbor Parkway.

The club meets in the morning because Andrews said he thought it would be easier for people to make a morning meeting, especially commuters, than it would be to get to a meeting at noon.

Andrews is the foundation chair for the Rotary district including Hillsborough, Polk, Highlands and Hardee counties. That district has more than 45 clubs, with more than 2,000 members, Andrews said.

Those clubs are engaged in wide-ranging projects, he said. The Brandon club, for instance, is involved in a beekeeping project in Tanzania, while the Ybor City club is involved in a pediatric cardiac care project in Kingston, Jamaica.

Rotary Club of Tampa is providing 100 portable heart defibrillators to be carried in Tampa Police Department cruisers to provide life-saving help.

Other clubs are packing food to help feed the hungry, providing dictionaries for elementary school students, or helping out in other humanitarian ways.

Besides service projects, there also are opportunities for cultural exchanges. It includes a foreign exchange program for high school students and travel opportunities to other countries for adults, Andrews said.

Rotary also has a variety of programs aimed at helping to develop leadership among youths and young adults.

Anyone who is interested in learning about the Lutz Rotary Club can attend a meeting to see if they'd like to join, Andrews said. There is a \$10 charge for a continental breakfast.



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Theater troupe preps Dr. Seuss musical with local talent

By Michael Murillo

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The Grinch lives in Lutz.

Cameron LeVine, a freshman at Blake High School, has been cast as the iconic Christmas villain in the New Tampa Players' musical production of "Seussical." The play is based on the characters and stories created by popular children's author Dr. Seuss.

LeVine will play both the Grinch and Yertle the Turtle when the play gets under way this August. For now, he's excited to tackle the roles and start rehearsing.

"I'm so honored. The Grinch is my favorite out of the Dr. Seuss stories," LeVine said. "I love how over the top mean he is, but not in a bad way."

LeVine is just one of 50 performers in

the cast. His sister, Madison, also is part of the play as an ensemble performer. In all, "Seussical" has more than a dozen actors from Lutz and Land O' Lakes, and director Craig Hartfield said there was no lack of talent when they had auditions late last month.

"This audition process was terribly difficult, not because of (problems) finding talented people, but rather juggling them all," he said.

Hartfield went into auditions thinking he wanted around 35 for the production, but expanded it when he saw the potential among those who auditioned. In most versions of "Seussical," many actors take on dual roles, so it was easy to split them up to make room for more performers, he said.

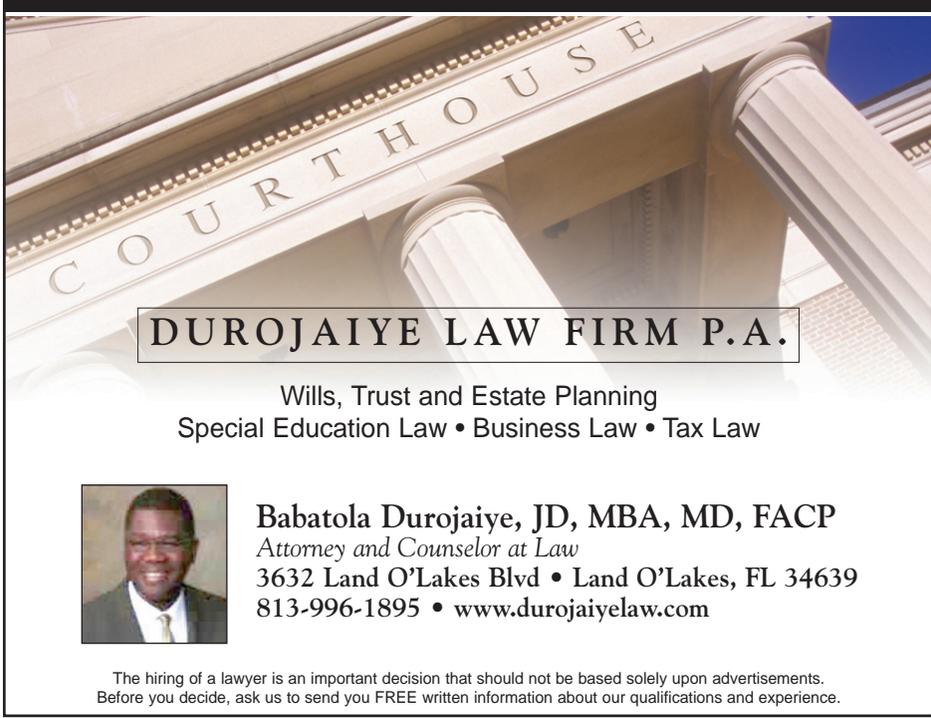
Hartfield hasn't seen any performances

of the Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty creation, and he prefers to keep it that way. Watching it could influence the New Tampa Players' production, and it's important to simply read through the script and assemble the play based on his own vision, Hartfield said.

He is, however, very familiar with the stories the musical is based on, and was attracted to the play partially due to growing up with the popular characters that will be represented on stage. Hartfield also is familiar with LeVine's work, and chose him due to the versatility he's displayed in previous plays.

"I've seen him in shows and been impressed with his ability to really change

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On the move: Tigers go from Dade City to Montana

By Michael Murillo
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Two Dade City sisters just moved to Montana.

There's more to the story, of course. The sisters, Jasmine and Sophie, are 2-year-old Siberian tigers who were born at Dade City's Wild Things, an ecotourism sanctuary zoo located at 37245 Meridian Ave. And they moved to Montana because they were donated to ZooMontana, a zoo in Billings to rejuvenate their tiger exhibit, which had just lost its only tiger due to cancer.

"They weren't interested in breeding and they didn't want babies," said Kathy Stearns, director at Dade City's Wild Things. ZooMontana "wanted young tigers that would be well-adjusted, and being that our tigers have worked with people, they were very adjusted."

Dade City's Wild Things does exhibit their own animals, but that's just a part of their mission. In addition to rescuing and adopting animals, often providing lifetime care, they also breed and supply other zoos when they can meet their needs. In this case, the tigers were deemed to be a good fit, so they arrived in Billings last week.

Determining a good fit is something Stearns takes seriously. She said that before any animals go to another facility, representatives from Dade City's Wild Things will visit the location to check living arrangements for size and safety. They also get a feel for the receiving location's philosophy and ability to handle the animals.

And in the case of the tigers, handlers will stay there for a day or two after they arrive to make sure the transition is smooth, the animals are adjusting, and all questions and concerns have been addressed. They also will monitor their progress in the future to make sure the sisters are doing well in their new home.

But even without the tigers, there are still plenty of other animals to care for in Dade City. They have a wide variety of residents living on their 22-acre facility, including bears, alligators and lions. They also house the infamous "Mystery Monkey," a rhesus macaque who had been on the loose in the Tampa Bay area for more than three years and had gained quasi-celebrity status before being captured in 2012.

Dade City's Wild Things is open like a regular zoo and has animals on exhibit. Education, however, is paramount, and that becomes evident in their tours.

"One thing that we do a little different is that ours (are) always guided," Stearns said. "We have people that go (with visitors) because we want to educate, we want people to learn about the animals. So instead of a free walk-around, you're going to have guides that actually go with you and talk to you about the animals."

Stearns believes the tigers are a good fit for their new home, and will help create an interesting and informative exhibit in Montana. And helping provide that information to zoo-goers around the country is in-line with her organization's mission of keeping the public educated as well as entertained.

"That's what we're all about is education, and getting people to be aware of these animals and their plight in the wild," Stearns said. "So we want people to be able to see these animals. People can't afford to go to Africa to see a lion. The whole point of zoos is to educate."

Dade City's Wild Things has more than 200 animals on display, surrounded by a botanical garden landscape. Walking tours and tram rides are available, as well as some hands-on encounters.

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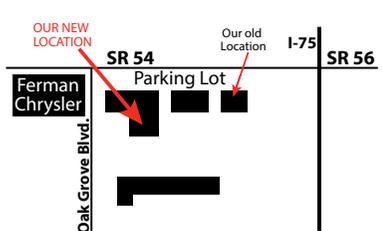
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Documentary could encourage a nude German invasion

By Michael Hinman
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The end of the Cold War may have spelled the destruction of the Berlin Wall, but a culture war continues between what was once West Germany and East Germany over one simple thing: being naked.

With nowhere to go anyway, East Germans found comfort and freedom from leaving their clothes at home. Being nude was a way of life, until their neighbors from the west arrived and told them to put those clothes back on.

Nudism doesn't have the popularity it once had in the European country, but it's prompted one film crew to travel the world to see what being naked is like in other countries. And they ended up in the American heart of nudism, Pasco County, this past week.

"The people in the east were definitely raised naked," said Bjorn Buck, the husband of documentary producer Monique Liliensiek, who both made the trans-Atlantic trip to Land O' Lakes. "All the Baltic Sea beaches were naked beaches, and that was absolutely normal to them."

Liliensiek found Pasco's nudist community thanks to a Google search, which introduced her to Caliente Resort. A phone call later, she was in touch with retired firefighter and nudism champion Pam Oakes, who introduced the entire film crew to the rest of the local community, setting up stops in a variety of places including Lake Como and Paradise Lakes.

"This has been a niche kind of tourism for Pasco all these years," Oakes said. "There was an opportunity to reach out to Europe where there are 50 million naturists alone, and they speak English."

The documentary is tentatively called "World of Nudism," and is set to air on Germany's Vox network next month — a

channel typically home to American shows like "CSI: Miami" and "Burn Notice." Liliensiek and her crew from Runge.TV already have visited places like Turkey and Austria, but plan to make Pasco's nudism community a primary focus of their two-hour exploration into nudism.

Pasco County commissioner Pat Mulieri has represented the area where most of the nudist communities are centered for the past two decades, and said even she had to have a little time to adjust.

"I'll never forget the one day at the beginning of my term, I was speaking at the Butt Hutt (at Lake Como), and I was thinking, 'I got this made,'" Mulieri said. "All the guys there had shirts on, and was fine, until they stood up."

The communities, however, are one of the key components to Pasco's tourism, and also to other services like charity, said county tourism director Ed Caum.

"I wanted to say thank you to our naturists and all you do," he told a crowd that gathered at Hungry Harry's Lake House last week to welcome the film crew. "They are great volunteers. I've never seen so many people without clothes do such a great job of collecting clothing to give to other people."

Buck spoke on behalf of his wife, who did not know a lot of English, but said he and his crew were welcome from the minute they stepped off the plane.

"We come from the second-largest network, and we have a little budget, but nobody cares about that," he said. "We were told that you're a family and you're a friend,



MICHAEL HINMAN/STAFF PHOTO
Monique Liliensiek, center, oversees filming of her German documentary 'World of Nudism' last week at Lake Como from the perspective of her travelers, Luise and Peter Krause.

and that is quite overwhelming."

This exposure on national television may not be the last time Pasco County ends up in German living rooms in the near future, either. While Liliensiek and her crew headed back to Europe last weekend, Buck stayed behind, and will explore other areas that might get a more in-depth look from the

crew. That's especially true for Caliente, which Buck says could warrant a feature of its own.

"This isn't only for the naked community in Germany, but for everyone there," Buck said. "In the end, I think what people will realize is that nudism is something good, or at least it's not bad."

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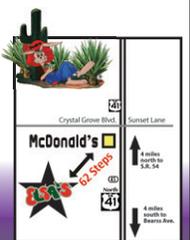
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CHAMBER QUARTERLY MEETING

The Greater Zephyrhills Chamber of Commerce will host a quarterly membership meeting June 11 at 9 a.m., at the chamber of-

office, 38550 Fifth Ave., in Zephyrhills.

Speakers at the meeting include chamber president Carolyn Sentelik on the value of membership, and Vonnie Mikkelsen on matching expectations to results.

For information, call (813) 782-1913, or visit ZephyrhillsChamber.org.

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The new principals are Arthur and Frieda Moseley. Arthur is a certified senior advisor and is vice chair of the Hillsborough Seniors and Law Enforcement Together Council. Frieda is a registered nurse with more than 30 years experience.

Working in the office will be Alice Gilbert and Hilda Hellwig, who have a combined 30 years of experience in the caregiving field.

For information, visit online at GriswoldHomeCare.com.

USAA HELPS FLORIDA WIN NATIONAL AWARD

The more than 1,200 new jobs affecting New Tampa's USAA location didn't go unnoticed by the company's development peers at the national level, as the United Services Automobile Association has helped Florida win another Silver Shovel award for job creation.

The award, which is given by Area Development magazine, recognizes state economic development agencies that drive

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USAA is expanding its existing Bruce B. Downs Boulevard campus into Brandon, and will create an estimated 1,215 jobs through a capital investment of \$164.3 million. Only Navy Federal Credit Union in Pensacola is bringing in more jobs — 2,200 after a capital investment of \$206 million.

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HART DRIVERS HONORED FOR SAFETY

The Tampa Area Safety Council has honored nine Hillsborough Area Regional Transit drivers with induction into the One Million Mile Club during its recent luncheon.

The drivers — Desmond Coulson, Demetra Jackson, Charles Evans, Rigoberto Oquendo, Luis Garcia, Thomas Palmore, David Gonzalez, Al Hughes and Antonio White — have careers with the bus system that date back to the late 1990s and early

2000s, and have completed an average of 14 consecutive years without a preventable accident.

The One Million Mile Club has been around since 1994, and now has 124 members. From that group, 24 of them are now inducted into the Two Million Mile Club, which requires 27 years of driving without a preventable accident.

Only one person, retired HART driver Samuel Baker, holds the title of a Three Million Mile Club member, a designation he earned in 2004 after driving 42 years without causing an accident.

WESLEY CHAPEL CHAMBER HEADING TO TUSCANY

The Greater Wesley Chapel Chamber of Commerce is planning a nine-day trip to Tuscany, Italy.

The trip is planned to begin Oct. 20, and space is limited.

For information, call (813) 994-8534, or email office@wesleychapelchamber.com.

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- How to Really Start Your Business June 17 at 5:35 p.m., at the Land O' Lakes Branch Library, 2818 Collier Parkway, in Land O' Lakes. This seminar presents key issues people need to know to start their own business. It will highlight business structure, the importance of a business plan and cash flow charts, among other things.

- E-Marketing Concepts June 11 at 5:30 p.m., at Hugh Embury Branch Library, 14215 Fourth St., in Dade City. Attendees can obtain an understanding of e-marketing technologies and how they may help to enhance the ability of a small business to reach customers and communicate their brand, products and services.



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New farmer's market opens on U.S. 41 in Lutz

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For months, it was hard to figure out what was going on at the lot the east side of U.S. 41 just north of Newberger Road.

First, the field was empty. Then, the land was cleared.

Then a building that looked like a barn was built. Then, the earth was plowed.

In mid-May, it became abundantly clear what was up — a new farmer's market was opening on the Lutz site, not far from Land O' Lakes.

The business, called The Family Farm on 41, opened May 23. It is co-owned by Angela Madonia and her mother, Josephine Argento.

The market has a diverse selection of fruits and vegetables, as well as a few flowering plants. Besides the old standbys of corn, potatoes, apples, melons, onions, zucchinis and tomatoes, there also are more interesting choices such as Italian squash,



Angela Madonia and her mother, Josephine Argento, own The Family Farm on 41, a business that wants to provide fresh vegetables and fruits to encourage healthy eating.

tomatillos, Hungarian wax peppers, specialty squash and jicama.

Beyond produce, the market stocks milk without hormones, farm fresh eggs, honey, cakes, jam, cheeses, ice cream and juices.

"The concept is providing the freshest and healthiest fruits and veggies to our customers," Madonia said. "We will be growing strawberries, tomatoes, cucumbers,



Besides fruits and veggies, the market also stocks other items, including Florida honey and jam.



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The Family Farm on 41 in Lutz hopes to entice passersby to drop by and pick up some fresh fruits and vegetables. The business opened on May 23.



Corn, watermelon and lots of other produce is available at The Family Farm on 41.

of Newberger Road, the family is planning a pumpkin patch and hayrides on another 8-acre tract.

The family chose the location because it is ideally situated between Tampa and Land O' Lakes, on a road traveled by thousands of people.

They chose to get into the fresh food business because they understand that people are becoming more interested in leading a healthy lifestyle, Madonia said. The business also fits her family's personal goals. Madonia and her husband have two small children, and they want to teach them how to eat properly to maintain good health.

Eventually, the business will offer a "U-pick" option for customers.

The market's hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., every day. At some point they plan to close one day a week, but they haven't determined which day yet. That will depend on customer demand, Madonia said.

squash, peppers, carrots, corn, radishes, pumpkins and okra. We will start harvesting in late August or early September."

The market and the field where the fruits and vegetables will be grown are on an 8-acre plot on the north side of Newberger Road. Just across the street, on the east side

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Pay it forward saves my dog

By Diane Kortus
Publisher



The "pay it forward" concept isn't a new one; indeed some sources say it dates back to the days of ancient Greece.

But it has a much more immediate meaning for me.

I live in Land O' Lakes in the Lakeshore Ranch community. My children are grown and I'm gone a lot for work and travel. Because of that, I've met just a few neighbors since moving here a year ago.

I'm content here with my 9-year-old dog, Jonas, a handsome Airedale terrier. He is a dear dog, and just a month ago, he completed chemotherapy treatments for a cancer common in large dogs.

After a rough few months of surgery and then chemo, Jonas is doing amazingly well now.

So, imagine my panic when a few days after his final chemo treatment, Jonas went missing.

When I left in the morning, I was running late for a breakfast meeting and I raced out of my house without realizing that I'd left the sliding glass door wide open to my backyard. After breakfast, I dropped by my house before heading to work to check on Jonas.

I came in through the garage door and immediately saw the open sliding glass door. As soon as I saw that, I knew that Jonas was gone.

Fear set in as I looked into my backyard, which borders on a lake. The yard doesn't have a fence, and I've seen gators in the lake. To make things worse, I had taken off Jonas'



Jonas, shown, caused his owner Diane Kortus to panic when she couldn't find him, after Jonas got loose after she forgot to close the sliding glass door that leads to her backyard that borders a lake, where Kortus has seen gators swimming.

collar before I left. So, even if anyone found Jonas, they wouldn't know where to call.

I had no idea where to look first. Jonas had a two-hour head start.

I drove up and down the streets of my neighborhood, calling out for Jonas. A couple colleagues came out to help in the search.

I showed a picture of Jonas to the people I saw and asked them to call me if they found him.

When the search turned up empty after an hour, I was feeling frantic.

Then, Suzanne Beauchaine, a co-worker and fellow dog owner, decided to walk my street again, this time carrying a leash.

About halfway down the block a woman saw Suzanne holding the leash and asked if she was looking for a dog.

It turns out that another neighbor, Diana Gonzalez, had seen Jonas wandering in her backyard not long after I had left home, and had put him in her lanai. Diana took a picture of Jonas and posted it on her Facebook page, asking friends if anyone knew who owned the dog.

Within minutes, a neighbor told Diana said she knew where the dog lived, and Diana left a note on my door, letting me know she had found him. I didn't see that note, though, because I'd gone into my house through the garage.

This story's happy ending relates back to the concept of paying it forward. When I was talking to Diana after I got Jonas back, she told me her husband initially didn't want her to get involved because Jonas is a large dog and he wasn't wearing tags.

Understandably, Diana's husband was concerned for her safety.

But Diana said seeing Jonas reminded her of an occasion when her dog, Rocky, a 13-year-old golden mix, was lost shortly after they moved to Lakeshore Ranch.

"We were out of town and my sister was taking care of Rocky when he wandered off," Diana recalls. "She was looking for Rocky and we were so worried. Then a neighbor saw her searching and told her that another neighbor had put Rocky in her lanai."

So, when Diana saw Jonas, she told her husband it was their turn to "pay it forward" for someone else.

To those of you who are pet owners, I'm sure you realize how grateful I am to the Gonzalez family for their kindness. They protected my pet, who I nearly lost to illness, and then nearly lost again because I forgot to close the door.

Now, Jonas is back where he belongs.

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HART wants public input on Route 51X changes

The Laker/Lutz News Staff Report

Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority is hosting a community meeting and public hearing about changes the organization expects to make to a popular bus route that links Pasco County to downtown Tampa.

HART has three options that it's considering for its Route 51X. The first would be to continue morning and afternoon express service between Pasco and downtown Tampa, providing hourly midday service between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., between HART's University Area Transit Center and southern Pasco via Bruce B. Downs Boulevard.

The second option would be to discontinue direct express service between Pasco and downtown Tampa in favor of continual hourly midday service between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m., along a similar route. Those riders wishing to go downtown can use other routes that would take them from the University transit center.

The final option would be to still discontinue direct express service in favor of continual hourly midday service between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m., with additional stops at the University of South Florida. Once again, rid-



FILE PHOTO

HART's Route 51X, which connects Pasco County and downtown Tampa, could change come November, and the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority is giving riders a chance to chime in.

ers who want to go downtown could take another bus from one of those stops.

The changes are being made based on

ridership trends, and to help improve cost-efficiency of the system, according to a release from HART.

An open house is planned for June 17 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., at New Tampa Community Center, 17302 Commerce Park Blvd.

A public hearing is scheduled for July 8 beginning at 5 p.m., at New Tampa Library.

Riders also can email comments to 51xcomment@gohart.org.

Recommendations will be made to the HART board of directors in September, with implementation set for November.

For information, call (813) 254-4278.



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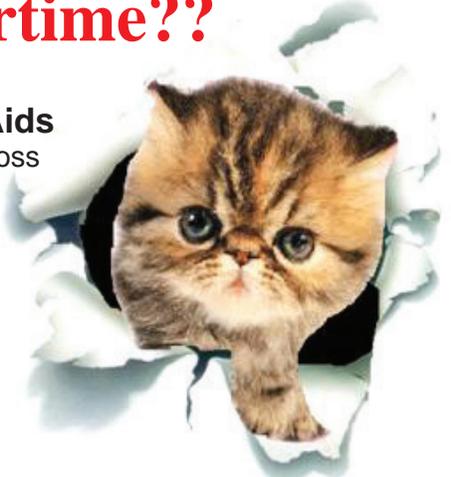
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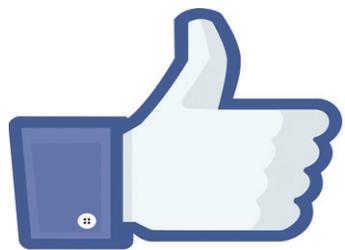
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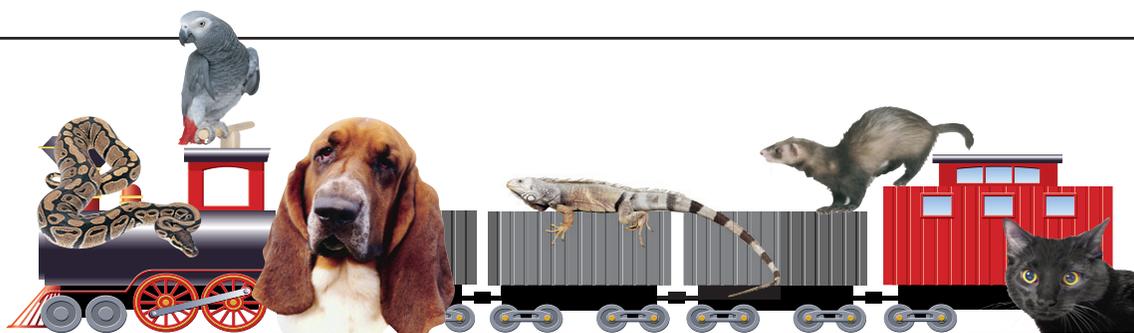


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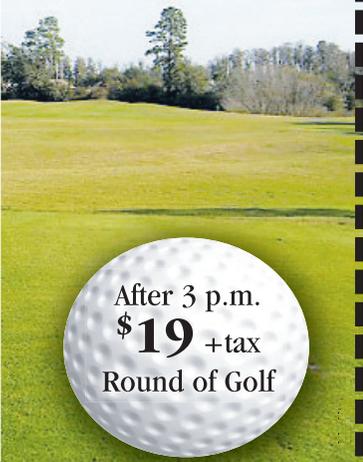
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LUTZ GUV'NA FUNDRAISER

The GFWC Lutz-Land O' Lakes Woman's Club is supporting Jay Muffly for Lutz Guv'na, and will sponsor a fundraiser luncheon at the Lutz Civic Center, 98 First Ave., N.W., June 12 from 10 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$6. For information, call Sharon Bard at (813) 996-4909.

PACA MEETING

The Pasco Alliance of Community Associations will meet June 12 at 7 p.m., at the Land O' Lakes Community Center, 5401 Land O' Lakes Blvd. Guest speaker will be attorney Steve Mezer. For information, call Ron Litts at (813) 475-4561.

RETENTION POND SEMINAR

The Pasco County Cooperative Extension Service is hosting a free seminar on retention ponds June 14 at 9 a.m., at the Land O' Lakes Community Center, 5401 Land O' Lakes Blvd. Topics include best maintenance practices, retention pond purposes and common pollutants. For information, call (813) 996-2411.

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Young artists on display

The Gallery at Carrollwood Cultural Center, 4537 Lowell Road in Tampa, is hosting an art show by children ages 6 to 12 during June. The exhibit, "Little Artists," showcases contest results from students in Hillsborough County schools. The gallery is open Monday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. For information, call (813) 922-8167, or visit CarrollwoodCenter.org.

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HILLSBOROUGH SUMMER CAMPS

The Hillsborough County Parks, Recreation and Conservation Department is offering a variety of summer camps for children ages 6 to 16, during a series of two-week camps from June 16 through Aug. 8. Camps are on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at various locations. Online registration is now open at HillsboroughCounty.org/SummerCamps.

COBB'S FREE KIDS SHOWS

Grove 16 Cobb Theatres, 6333 Wesley Grove Blvd., in Wesley Chapel, will begin its free summer kids shows at 10 a.m., every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, starting with "Turbo" and "Walking with Dinosaurs" on June 17, June 18 and June 19. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. Schools, groups and camps are welcome. Same-day ticketing only. For information, call (813) 948-5444.

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ART GALLERY WORKSHOPS

The Downtown New Port Richey Art Gallery, 6231 Grand Blvd., will host a series of digital camera workshops beginning June 18 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person. To RSVP, call (727) 848-6500, or email nprgallery1@gmail.com.

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST VBS

Land O' Lakes First United Methodist Church, 6209 Land O' Lakes Blvd., is offering a free one-day vacation Bible school June 21 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. The theme is "Souled Out: The Jonah & The Whales Tour." To register, visit LOLUMC.org.

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TAMPA THEATRE FUNDRAISER

The Tampa Theatre, 711 N. Franklin St., in downtown Tampa, will host its "Beer and Loathing in Las Vegas" fundraiser July 12. Premium sampling begins at 7 p.m., and tickets are \$70 in advance. Grand sampling begins at 8 p.m., and tickets are \$45. Theater members save \$5 off advance tickets. Guests are invited to dress as their favorite character, or come in a "Loathing"-inspired costume. For information, visit TampaTheatre.org.

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A new priest walks among us

He was known as Kyle Smith as a parishioner at Our Lady of the Rosary, but is now known as Father Kyle Smith. The newest priest was ordained May 16 at the Diocese of St. Petersburg, joined by the Knights of Columbus Honor Guard Council 8104, who attended his first Mass.



Father Smith starts mass with deacons and other priests looking on at Our Lady of the Rosary in Land O' Lakes.

'Well-known sports figure' takes over Colonial Four RV

By Michael Hinman
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Colonial Four RV park in Zephyrhills was sold last week, but who actually purchased the recreational vehicle park is clouded in a bit of mystery.

The park, located at 6991 Fort King Road, sold for \$875,000, according to a news release from Marcus & Millichap, a real estate brokerage company with an office in Tampa. Dan Mulkey, the company's vice president of investment, would not disclose any details on the buyer or seller, except to say, in a release, the new owner of Colonial Four is a "well-known sports figure looking for a local investment."

According to county property records, Bruce and Darlene Flansburg have owned Colonial Four since 2007, when they purchased the 5-acre, 57-site park popular with Canadian seasonal residents, for \$700,000. On May 2, they signed the property over to a company known as White Marlin LLC, which lists no managers or other identifying information in the state corporations database.

White Marlin was created just last March, and lists a physical address at a Pak Mail box in New Tampa. That address also is publicly used by two companies associated with former NHL defenseman Stan Neckar, who played for the Tampa Bay Lightning toward

the end of the team's 2004 Stanley Cup playoff run.

One of those companies is Neckar Hockey, a youth sports training company Neckar says he runs with his wife. However, Neckar also uses the address for another company, Mobile Cigar Lounge Co., which — according to its website — is co-owned with popular retired Lightning winger Dave Andreychuk.

Neckar, who was first traded to the Lightning in 2001 in a trade that also included popular goalie Nikolai Khabibulin, told The Laker last week that he is not the new owner of Colonial Four. He said he also talked to his business partner, who he would only identify as another former hockey player, who said he wasn't the new owner, either.

It was unclear if Andreychuk was the partner Neckar spoke to.

However, Neckar was unable to explain why White Marlin was using the same Pak Mail box address as his other companies.

Colonial Four is geared toward the 55 and older crowd, and dates back to the 1970s. It has a mix of both seasonal and permanent residents, and the new owner — whoever that may be — has plans to improve the community even more, Mulkey said.

"His plans include bringing in additional permanent units, thereby stabilizing the park's annual income," he said, in a release. "I feel confident he will be pleased with this purchase."

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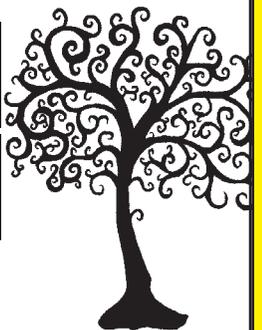
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When it comes to protecting the family from the devastation of unexpected events, some may think homeowners insurance is all they need to be covered.

However, most standard homeowners insurance policies don't cover flooding — the No. 1 natural disaster in the United States.

"If it can rain where you live, it can flood," said Jeanne Salvatore of the Insurance Information Institute. "Just because you haven't experienced a flood in the past doesn't necessarily mean you won't in the future. Flood risk can change rapidly from year to year."

Experts advise to prepare for the worst. Here are some tips for homeowners to help keep their head above water as they make

plans to prepare for a flood:

- Know the causes. Many may not think of flooding in winter, but the season can bring weather that can cause devastating floods, like heavy rains, rapid snowmelt and winter storms. Also, areas that have experienced a wildfire are at a significantly increased risk of flash flooding for up to five years.

- Be proactive. Just a few inches of water can cost tens of thousands of dollars in damage, and federal disaster assistance is usually a loan that must be paid back with interest. Additionally, disaster assistance is only available if the President signs a declaration of disaster.

Not all floods are declared a disaster, so flood insurance might be needed before catastrophe strikes.

- Don't wait to get covered. Typically, there's a 30-day waiting period before flood policies take effect. Don't wait until the storm clouds gather to get insured.

- Insure wisely. Flood insurance, which is recommended for almost everyone, is available through the National Flood Insurance Program to homeowners, renters, condo owners and business owners. While rates are set and don't differ from company to company or agent to agent, opting for a flood-savvy agent means getting questions answered properly.

- Stay safe. What's even more important than protecting a home during a flood is protecting people. Floods can be life-threatening events, so monitor weather reports to assess impending flood risk and get to a safer location when needed.

Be sure to know what to do for flood safety. And if flooding occurs, go to higher ground, avoiding flood-prone areas on the way. Never attempt to walk across flowing streams or drive through flooded roadways.

Listen to a battery-operated radio for information. Turn off all utilities at the main power switch, and close the main gas valve if advised to do so.

Floodwater can contain harmful substances like gasoline and bacteria. Anyone who comes into contact with floodwaters should wash their hands with soap and clean water.

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Scott, Legislature set guidelines for Constitutional convention

By Michael Hinman
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Now that Florida has taken the first official step to call for what is described as an Article V Constitutional convention, preparations are being made just in case the other 33 needed states sign on and make it happen.

Gov. Rick Scott signed into law H.B. 609 on June 2, which outlines what Florida will do in case such a convention is ever convened. The state had not put together any protocol for such an occurrence in the past, but only because since the U.S. Constitution was ratified more than 200 years ago, no such convention has ever taken place.

But the possibility of an Article V convention happening started becoming a reality when H.M. 261 — a companion bill of S.M. 368 introduced by state Sen. Wilton Simpson, R-Trilby — gained the approval of both the House and Senate. That measure takes a big first step toward amending the U.S. Constitution to force Congress to consider only single-subject bills.

“This is about having the federal government start conducting themselves in a professional manner,” Simpson told The Laker/Lutz News back in January. “Most of the frustration we have with our government is that you have something like a spending bill in Congress. They always add on several hundred million dollars of something that has nothing to do with the subject they are dealing with. And as a citizen of the state of Florida, I am tired of our federal government being operated this way.”

An Article V convention is one of two ways to amend the Constitution. The other is to have an amendment proposed by Congress itself, and then ratified by a super majority of the states — exactly how previous Constitutional amendments were implemented.

H.B. 609 passed the House on April 11 by a 73-42 margin, and the Senate on April 25 by a 21-15 vote. Simpson, who introduced the original memorial calling for the convention, did not vote on this supplemental bill.

The new law will allow both the House and Senate to appoint delegates and alternates to an Article V convention, if one were called. It would require the Legislature to

adopt a resolution from both the House and Senate providing instruction to those delegates, according to a House analysis of the bill.

All of the delegates would be required to swear an oath to support the constitutions of both the United States and Florida, and abide by all the instructions of the Legislature. Failing to do that could mean living life as a convicted felon.

If a delegate does not follow those instructions, their vote would be voided and their appointment to the convention would be forfeited. They also could be charged with a third-degree felony.

Whether or not such a violation took place would be up to an advisory group appointed by the Legislature, given final say on whether a delegate is acting within the law or not.

W. Spider Webb Jr., a former Tallahassee lobbyist who founded the group Single Subject Amendment, is not surprised there would be such restrictions on delegates, since they are meant to be agents of the Legislature if such a convention were called.

“They are representatives of the state legislatures, and it is the state legislatures that are sending their representatives and doing the will of the legislatures on their behalf,” Webb said. “They are agents, and can only act within the authority given to them by the principal. If they act outside that agency, then the principal is not bound by their actions.”

Even if a convention was called, it does not necessarily mean an amendment would be produced. The goal, Webb said, is to get the states together to discuss it, and find some consensus in getting an amendment on the table.

In the meantime, other states may start following the lead of Florida and Indiana in putting together guidelines on how delegates to such a convention would be selected and managed. Indiana passed its own guidelines not long after the senate president there called for what he described as a “Mount Vernon Assembly” to discuss the possibility of amending the Constitution outside of Congress, according to published reports.

Scott signed H.B. 609 along with a number of other bills to start off June, including the state’s \$77 billion budget.

Moore is not attending because he’ll be out of town, according to club secretary Nils Lenz.

The event will take place at the Zephyrhills Woman’s Club, 38549 Fifth Ave., in Zephyrhills.

It will include introduction of new city leaders including Mayor Gene Whitfield, Councilman Alan Knight, and interim city manager Steve Spina.

For information, call Lenz at (813) 782-9491, or email him at nilslenz@gmail.com.

MIKE WELLS FUNDRAISER, ENDORSEMENT

Mike Wells Jr., who is seeking the District 4 Pasco County Commission seat currently held by Henry Wilson, is holding a fundraiser June 17 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the home of Steve and Lynn Hickman, 37402 Church Ave., in Dade City.

As expected, Wells also received official public support from his father, Pasco County property appraiser Mike Wells Sr., who is encouraging supporters to either attend the June 17 fundraiser, or make contributions to him for his son’s campaign.

To RSVP, email debjwells1@gmail.com.

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U.S. Rep. Dennis Ross, R-Lakeland, will host mobile office hours July 8 from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the Lutz Library, 101 W. Lutz Lake Fern Road in Lutz.

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Hair emergencies are not a problem for Rebecca

by Mike Matthew
special to The Laker / Lutz News

Rebecca Weeks, owner of Rebecca Does Hair in Wesley Chapel, schedules appointments to meet the clients needs. “If a client needs a midnight appointment, then I’ll be here,” says Rebecca. “Hair emergencies are not a problem. If something comes up and you need your hair styled at the last minute, I’ll make time for you.”

She started out working in a large salon in 2010 after graduating from the prestigious Paul Mitchell School of Cosmetology in Tampa. Her dedication and excellence won her a trip to Las Vegas to study with Paul’s top stylists, learning color, cutting, styling and finishing.

Rebecca opened her own salon in September 2013. “It was scary starting out on my own,” says Rebecca. “I began with 4 clients my first week. Word of mouth has helped me to grow my business successfully.”

She left the large salon due to the impersonal atmosphere there. “It was impossible to get to know my customers,” says Rebecca. “I like to get to know my clients personally. I see the person sitting in my chair as a friend, not just a customer.”

Her clients love her salon. It’s a one-seat salon where she can focus on her client without distractions or interruptions. The atmosphere is calm, relaxed and very personable. “I schedule appointments so no one feels rushed,” says Rebecca. “I make sure each client has plenty of time for special attention.”

One nice thing about a one-seat salon is that clients don’t have to worry about odors from another workstation. For clients who are especially sensitive to chemicals, she schedules their appoint-

ments when the salon air is fresh and clean.

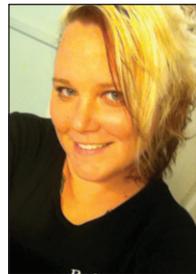
Rebecca works with all ages and types of hair. “Many of my clients have curly hair,” says Rebecca. “They tell their curly-haired friends about me. That seems strange since I have straight hair, but they love what I do for them.”

She also receives a lot of compliments for her ability to add body and volume to very fine hair. Rebecca primarily uses Redken color, but she also has an organic color line (Organic Colour System) which is especially nice for pregnant women concerned about chemical odors. Her services include perms, up-dos and hair extensions.

Rebecca originally enrolled in college for nursing, then changed her major and graduated with a degree in digital publishing. But her work wasn’t fulfilling. It was her mother who suggested hair styling. Rebecca had always enjoyed styling her family and friend’s hair. She decided to follow her passion and is very happy with her career choice.

She lives in Wesley Chapel with husband and 9-year-old daughter. “I was born in Tennessee,” says Rebecca. “We moved here before I was two, so I consider myself a true Floridian. I’ve never even seen snow. A lot of my clients moved down here to get away from the snow. Maybe one day I’ll take my daughter up north to play in the snow. I think that would be fun, as long as I don’t have to shovel it.”

Rebecca is active in the community. She recently volunteered to cut hair at Watergrass Elementary School with proceeds going to Relay for Life.



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WILSON ENDORSED BY PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP

Pasco County Commissioner Henry Wilson’s re-election campaign has received the endorsement of Pasco County Public Safety. That’s a group that includes the West Central Florida Chapter of the Police Benevolent Association, the Fraternal Order of Police Pasco County Sheriff’s Lodge No. 29, and the International Association of Firefighters Pasco County Local 4420.

Wilson also received the endorsement of the West Florida Women’s Conservative Republican Network.

Wilson is looking to return to his District 4 seat, but has a primary challenge by fellow Republican Mike Wells Jr., in August.

Wilson raised \$200 for his campaign in April, bringing his total to \$19,245. Wells, in his first month of campaigning, raised \$20,700.

If no Democrat enters the race, Wells and Wilson will battle it out in an open primary Aug. 26.

COMMISSION CANDIDATES TO DEBATE

The Conservative Club of East Pasco will host a debate between District 2 Pasco County Commission candidates Ken Littlefield and Bob Robertson June 16 at 6:30 p.m.

The two are racing against Mike Moore for the Republican nomination for the seat.

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102, is located in Lutz as well. And if all goes well during her campaign, she hopes to be the next Lutz Guv'na.

The ceremonial title is given to the candidate who raises the most money for charity during the "campaign," which concludes over the Fourth of July weekend. Armed with a number of fundraisers, Perkins hopes to raise the biggest total and come away with the title. But either way, she wants to be part of an effort to help area organizations.

The money raised by all the Guv'na candidates goes to local groups.

"It really appeals to me that the money that's raised through the Guv'na campaign goes back to local schools or local nonprofits or the library," Perkins said.

Helping charities already is part of her regular regimen. Perkins has been a team captain and served on the executive planning committee for Carrollwood Relay for Life benefiting the American Cancer Society. She also participated as the chiropractor for the sports medicine team at the Susan G. Komen 3-Day Walk in St. Petersburg, a 60-mile trek to raise funds and awareness for breast cancer.

Aside from chiropractic services, Perkins' practice also provides massage therapy, exercise rehabilitation and acupuncture. She performs most of the services herself, and said she enjoys working closely with different patients, treating a variety of issues and providing them with education regarding how to live healthier and resume enjoyable activities.

And while that education often includes specific and detailed treatments, the Guv'na hopeful has a quick tip regarding back health: Don't stay in that chair too long.

"Our bodies weren't designed to be sitting for four, six, eight hours a day, and it leads to bad things to your neck and for your back," Perkins explained. "Get up and move around and stretch just a little bit every hour or two."

Perkins has decided to be active when it comes to her campaign, with plenty of events designed to draw in the dollars. She has a Bunco event scheduled for June 13, a quarter auction on June 21 and a potential bowling event with the other candidates in the works as well.

In addition, Perkins is having a drawing for a one-year massage membership and offers "flamingo flocking," where a person can have a friend's yard decorated with lawn flamingoes for a donation. The recipient can then donate to have them removed and order their own flocking for someone else.

But even though she's going all out to take the title, Perkins said she's built a strong camaraderie with the other candidates, since they're all active participants in the community and share a common goal of raising funds for needy local causes.

"It's all in good fun. We're all doing it for the same reason, to try and raise money for the community and try to make a difference in the community," she said.

For more information about the Back in Health Wellness Center, call (813) 909-0961 or visit BackinHealthWellness.com.

For information regarding Perkins' Lutz Guv'na campaign, or visit tinyurl.com/GuvnaPerkins.



COURTESY OF NEW TAMPA PLAYERS

From left, McKinnley Nelson, Darby Spiegel, Alicia Spiegel and Cameron LeVine go over songs at an early rehearsal of the New Tampa Players' production of 'Seussical.' LeVine will play Yertle the Turtle and the Grinch in the play, which debuts in August.

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himself to take on different roles," Hartfield said. "I saw him recently in a show where he played two different characters, and he did them so differently that I think a lot of people wouldn't have recognized him as the same guy. He changed his whole physicality."

LeVine is ready to do the same for this production. Even though he also hasn't seen any versions of "Seussical," he already has an idea of how he wants to approach the Grinch.

"I feel that, as a character, he'd be very loose so he'd walk around goofy," LeVine said. "And he would have this very distinct, mean face that's cringing all the time at everything."

Yertle the Turtle is a very different character, so he plans to approach that portrayal as an older animal with a more distinguished presence.

While this is LeVine's first play for New Tampa Players, he's already performed in nearly 30 productions. There are many opportunities to sing and act in the area, and community theater is alive and well, with actors he's met from nearby communities like Dade City and Fishhawk Ranch in Lithia coming here to perform, he said.

He also gets to work with actors he knows very well. Since his younger sister

also is in the play, LeVine will have an opportunity to share the overall experience with Madison as he prepares for his roles.

While they don't get to perform together on a regular basis, he appreciates having a sibling with the same mindset during the run-up to opening night.

"It makes it so much easier, because now someone in the family understands my craziness when I'm talking about stuff about 'Seussical' or any other show we're in together," he said.

While rehearsals have just begun, Hartfield said the process has gone so well that he can shape the production to his liking without any singing or acting deficits in the cast.

"Honestly, in community theater, there's often a role or two that you are still looking to fill after you're done with auditions because there was nobody who showed up who was exactly right for this character. That happens more often than not," he said. "But in this case I came out of this going, 'I should have no problem having all the right sounds I need and all the actors are really great for what they're going to be doing.'"

"Seussical" will be performed at CrossPointe Church of the Nazarene, 919 Debuel Road in Lutz, on the weekends of Aug. 1-3 and Aug. 8-10.

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Lake Padgett Pines Pool Home! Newly renovated 3/2/2 in Eagle Island with formal dining and living rooms, custom kitchen with solid wood cabinets, new stainless steel appliances, 2 closet pantries and a breakfast nook. Additional shed for extra storage. **\$205K.** (swa)



Hunters Green Pool Home! Conservation lot! This 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, pool home is move-in-ready. Soaring ceilings and filled with light, this excellent property has one of the best positions currently available in gated Hunters Green. Granite counter-tops. **\$329.9K.** (qua)



Wilderness Lake Preserve! Well-maintained 4/2.5/2 two story home offers a beautiful pond view. The kitchen opens up into the large family room which is separated from the front open living room by the stairs leading to the bedrooms. Screened back porch. **\$207K.** (cit)



Willow Bend! Fabulous 4/2.5/3 home plus office is located on a conservation lot. Formal living room and dining room with vaulted ceilings and arched plant shelves, large family room with wood burning fireplace and an extra-large kitchen. **\$285.3K.** (son)



Ashton Oaks Villa! Maintenance free Villa with conservation view. This villa located in Ashton Oaks boasts 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. The master in large and can accommodate any size furniture. Kitchen features all stainless steel appliances. **\$127.5K.** (ash)



Lexington Oaks Village Pool Home! Beautiful open 4/3/2 with wood floors throughout foyer, dining room & great room. The spacious kitchen is open to the great room & offers granite counters, upgraded 42" cabinets and stainless steel appliances. **\$259.9K.** (riv)



Unique Home in Whisper Run! This 4/2.5/2 features a wood burning brick fireplace. The master bedroom leads out to a private lanai that's in a fenced in area. It has large walk-in closets plus 2 extra closets for storage. No CDD, HOA or deed restrictions! **\$274.9K.** (whi)

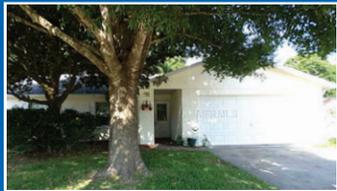
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Palm Harbor Condo! First floor 2/1 in excellent location has an upgraded kitchen with 42" cabinets, black appliances, corian counters, and an eat-in area. Spacious living room with sliders leading out to sunroom and a large master suite with walk-in closet. **\$57.8K.** (fox)



Heritage Isles in Tampa! This open floor plan 2,523 Sq. Ft. one-story, 4/3/3 home sits partially on hole 16 of the golf course and on conservation for maximum privacy. Home features many upgrades: hardwood floors, tile in the wet areas, and crown molding. **\$279K.** (pla)



Henderson Road Sub. In Tampa! This beautiful and well maintained 3/2/2 home offers a nice open floor plan with a large 22 foot living room with fireplace and with pretty laminate wood floors, very functional tiled kitchen with lots of breakfast counter space. **\$139.9K.** (wal)



Eastwood in Brandon! This beautifully remodeled 5/3 home boasts a spacious kitchen with lots new cabinetry, updated counter tops and brand new stainless steel appliances and a breakfast nook. The massive living room is perfect for any type of entertaining. **\$219.9K.** (hom)



College Heights in Dade City! Completely remodeled 3/2 is a real doll house on an extra-large lot. Spacious open great room plan with laminate floors, gourmet kitchen with custom cabinets and granite counter tops is all just minutes from St. Leo. **\$99K.** (abb)



Brooksville Pool Home! A colorful and well-kept garden greets you as you enter this 3/2.5/2 home with den/office located in The Cascades is a 55 plus community. The home features a large great room, with 14" tray ceilings, a separate dining room. **\$269.9K.** (tat)



Pinecrest in Tampa! This 3/2 completely renovated bungalow, kitchen has all new cabinets, granite counter tops, stainless appliances, refrigerator, range, microwave, dishwasher and water heater are new and under warranty. **\$149.9K.** (tal)



Lakeview Knoll in Zephyrhills! This 3/2/1 is on an extra-large fenced lot, spacious open great room floor plan, large kitchen with lots of cabinets, new stainless steel side by side refrigerator, range dishwasher, microwave, blinds, ceiling fans and security. **\$119K.** (arm)



Pool Home at Province Lakes in Brandon! This 3/2.5/2 home has been well-cared for and is certainly move-in ready. Filled with light, space and soaring ceilings, this two story property features a modern floor plan with focus on an open family life style. **\$220K.** (sco)



Misty Woods Pool Home in Tarpon Springs! This 4/3.5/3 with office has an outdoor kitchen with pavers overlooking pasture with horses. The master suite is downstairs with a walk-in closet, shower, garden tub with granite countertops & double vanities. **\$358K.** (mis)

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Coopers Pond! Gorgeous 4/2/2 pool home in excellent condition, floor plan has lots of living space with large living/dining room combination featuring cherry wood floors and a split bedroom layout. **\$2100/mo.** (dol)



Apex Lake Estates! This 3/2/2 home sits on just over 1 acre and is a one of a kind property. Located on Lake Burrell this property has it all. The front of the house faces the lake and the back yard is fenced in and very, very large. **\$1595/mo.** (lak)



Lake Padgett Estates East! This 3/2/1 feature a split bedroom plan, nice open family room, and kitchen with eating space as well as a breakfast bar, and a fireplace in the family room. Huge screened lanai and privacy fenced back yard. **\$1200/mo.** (mer)



Seven Oaks Townhouse! Immaculate 2/2.5/1 looks like new, pretty kitchen with granite counter tops, and breakfast bar. Beautiful wood floors throughout downstairs, large bedrooms each with private bath and walk-in closets. Outside area for grilling. **\$1295/mo.** (bir)



Meadow Pointe Townhouse! This Mediterranean style 2/2/1 townhome in gated Tullamore, open floor plan downstairs, kitchen/family room combo is ideal for holiday entertaining and offers easy access to the screened lanai, or private front courtyard. **\$1150/mo.** (bla)



Cute Duplex! This 3/2/1 is bright and airy. Combination living/dining room area with spacious eat-in kitchen with plenty of cabinets and counter space has been freshly painted inside and out, new carpet, and a huge fenced in yard! **\$1050/mo.** (pen)



Odessa Pool Home! This 4/3 home with wonderful setting on one acre and screened in pool! The home is located in pretty area with lots of privacy. Enjoy the spacious split floor plan and with Large master suite and bath! Fenced acreage with storage shed. **\$1900/mo.** (viv)



Terra del Sol! Immaculate 3/2/2 home the desirable Tierra Del Sol community in Land O Lakes! Situated on a cul-de-sac street, and offering over 1600 Sq. Ft. so you will appreciate the care taken throughout. There is a formal dining room. **\$1250/mo.** (nar)



Meadow Pointe! This beautiful 4/2/2 home has it all including a stunning view!! Enter into the formal living room dining room combo that are both big enough for all of your formal furnishings. Continue into the kitchen that has plenty of room for entertaining! **\$1450/mo.** (cni)



Westchester in Tampa! Fabulous 3/3/2 home in gated community, beautiful light bright floor plan. Formal living and dining room combo, fully equipped kitchen with lots of counter space and cabinetry includes indoor laundry with washer and dryer. **\$1650/mo.** (cyp)

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EIGHTH-GRADER WINS ESSAY CONTEST

Madeline Jones of Land O' Lakes Christian School won the American Association of Christian Schools essay contest.

Students submitted entries on the topic "Life is Made Up of Moments." Entries were judged on content, originality and communication of the piece.

SARAH COLLINS GRADUATES MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Sara Collins, a 2011 graduate of Sunlake High School, has graduated from the University of Tampa magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in nursing.

At UT, Collins was a member of Phi

Kappa Phi and Sigma Theta Tau honor societies, as well as a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success.

She is the daughter of Martin and Linda Collins.

PHSC CAREER CAMPS

Pasco-Hernando State College is offering two academic career-themed summer camps designed for middle and early high school students beginning in June.

The camps will be at the school's New Port Richey campus, 10230 Ridge Road, and will run four half days from Monday through Thursday.

- Business and Technology Careers — Participants can create a new business plan, participate in a mock trial from the viewpoint of a paralegal, and expand the virtual world by creating a miniature version of the Internet, among other activities.

Sessions run from June 23-26 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., or July 14-17 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$90.

- Health Careers — Participants can take on simulations and other hands-on activities related to the school's paramedic, nursing, dental and radiography programs.

They also can become CPR-certified.

Sessions run from June 16-19 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., or July 21-24 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$100.

Each session is limited to the first 12 students to register.

For information, visit PHSC.edu/summercamp, or call (727) 816-3256.

KINDERGARTEN CAMP

Double Branch Elementary School, 31500 Chancey Road in Wesley Chapel, will host a kindergarten camp July 29-31 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Incoming kindergarteners will have an opportunity to meet teachers and become familiar with the school.

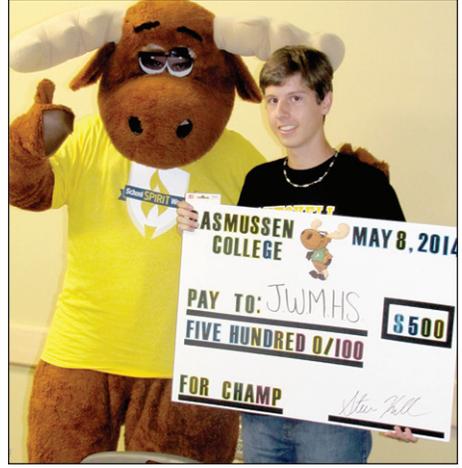
Cost is \$40.

For information, call (813) 346-0402.

TAMPA CATHOLIC REUNION

The Tampa Catholic High School Class of 1974 will celebrate its 40th reunion Aug. 22-24 at Tradewinds Island Resort in St. Pete Beach.

For information, call Robin Rogers Nasco at (813) 390-0257, or email tch-class74@gmail.com.



COURTESY OF RASMUSSEN COLLEGE

Students face off in first high school challenge

The Land O' Lakes campus of Rasmussen College hosted its first High School Challenge in May, pitting students from Sunlake, Wesley Chapel and Mitchell high schools against each other. Koehler Macklus of Mitchell came back from a 2,400-point deficit, beating out his opponents to take home a \$500 school donation and a Visa gift card.

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PHSC finishes fourth in first-ever World Series trip

By Michael Murillo
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The Pasco-Hernando State College baseball team didn't have a great start to the 2014 season.

It was a slow beginning in February by going 1-6. By the middle of March, the Conquistadors sat at 8-11 with no momentum and the season slipping away.

So when longtime head coach Steve Winterling made vacation plans for the end of May, he assumed there would be nothing on his schedule.

"I didn't have the World Series marked on my calendar book. I haven't been there in 23 years, so why would I have it on there," he said.

Big mistake, coach.

The team went on a 10-game winning streak and eventually qualified for the National Junior College Athletic Association Division II district tournament. The Conquistadors qualify for the tournament on a regular basis, but this time they did something they had never done before: They were the last team standing and qualified for the first World Series berth in school history.

Winterling was happy to cancel his vacation plans and lead his team to Enid, Oklahoma for the Division II World Series last month. PHSC came to play in that tournament as well, winning a couple of games before being eliminated by regular World Series participant Madison College. The Conquistadors finished their run in fourth place and with a feeling that their success was a total team effort.

"We just had some clutch players. Like I told the guys afterward, as hard as it was losing, everybody at one point in the season did something to help us win," Winterling said. "We had some guys who would get that key hit. We didn't have one guy that really carried us."

Sophomore Brennan Allen is one of the players who earned a key hit when the team needed it. In the district tournament, Allen hit a two-run home run in the bottom



COURTESY PASCO-HERNANDO STATE COLLEGE

Sophomore Brennan Allen was one of the athletes whose play helped the Pasco-Hernando State College Conquistadors reach the World Series for the first time in school history.

of the eighth inning to erase a 4-2 deficit and tie the game against Wake Technical Community College. PHSC would go on to win. But after that play, they never doubted the outcome.

"At that point, everyone thought this was our game no matter what," Allen said. "We had all the momentum."

Allen batted .311 during the season (.378 with men in scoring position) and said the

team always had talent, but needed to get past early-season struggles and play up to their potential. As he considers options for playing baseball farther into his college career, having a World Series appearance on his resume should help attract attention from potential schools, he said.

The trip to Oklahoma should help PHSC as well. Winterling said athletes who want to be part of the program already are contacting him, making his recruiting job a lot easier.

"People want to come to a program that's been to the World Series or won a regional tournament because that's what everybody plays for," he said. "E-mail and phone calls have been pretty heavy."

The tournament run concludes a year of firsts for the baseball program and the school. In addition to their first World Series berth, the team registered their first no-hitter when Danny Rodriguez, a Steinbrenner High School graduate, threw one back in March.

And when the school raises a banner for the team's achievements, it will be the first at the school to read "Pasco-Hernando State College." The school changed its name from Pasco-Hernando Community College in January.

Winterling, who was also named the school's athletic director last year, isn't the type of coach to take much credit for himself or dwell on previous successes. He's proud of his players and what they accomplished, but he's already back to work, with a showcase coming up and some players to sign.

For his part, Allen said he recognizes the district title and World Series run as something he and the other players won't soon forget.

"Going from such a small school, not being known by many people and now putting them on the map, and finishing fourth in the nation, is going to be a pretty awesome thing to look back on for the rest of our lives, really," he said. "It was a great experience. It was a lot of fun, and I wouldn't change anything."



STEINBRENNER WRESTLING CAMPS IN JUNE

Steinbrenner High School wrestling coach Paul Noble will lead wrestling camps June 16 through June 19, June 23 through June 26, and June 30 through July 3. The sessions, designed for children ages 5 through 17 run each day from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Campers will meet at the school cafeteria, 5575 W. Lutz Lake Fern Road. The cost is \$60 per session.

For information, call Noble at (813) 478-1148, or e-mail paul.noble@sdhc.k12.fl.us.

STEINBRENNER BASKETBALL CAMPS THIS SUMMER

Steinbrenner High School, 5575 Lutz Lake Fern Road, will host two basketball camps this summer for boys and girls entering first through eighth grade.

The first will be June 16-19, and the second will be July 7-10.

Campers will receive instruction in fundamentals such as dribbling, passing and defense, and will participate in skill-related games. Awards will be given to group and gender winners during the camp.

The cost is \$90 per camper, with discounts given for multiple siblings. Same-day

registration is \$100.

For information, call Steinbrenner coach J.R. Allen at (813) 792-5131, or e-mail warriorbasketballcamp@gmail.com.

BASKETBALL CAMPS AT GAITHER

Gaither High School, 16200 N. Dale Mabry Highway, will host basketball camps in June for boys and girls grades 2 through 8.

Session II will be June 16-19, and Session III will be June 23-26.

The cost is \$90 for one session, and \$165 for two.

For information, call Coach Dwayne Olinger at (813) 975-7340, or send e-mail to dwayne.olinger@sdhc.k12.fl.us.

REBELS HOME GAMES THIS SUMMER

The Tampa Bay Rebels, a semi-pro basketball team, has three upcoming home games at Freedom High School, 17410 Commerce Park Blvd.

The Rebels will play the Heartland Prowl on June 14, the Miami Midnites on June 21, and the Palm Beach Knights on July 26.

Tickets are \$10 for fans older than 13. Children 13 and younger are admitted free.

For more information, visit TampaBayRebels.com.

WIREGRASS RANCH GOLF EVENT JUNE 21

Wiregrass Ranch High School will host its annual Bull Chip four-person golf scramble June 21 at the Quail Hollow Golf

Course, 6225 Old Pasco Road in Wesley Chapel.

Proceeds will benefit the school's band boosters.

Check-in will begin at noon, with a shotgun start at 1 p.m.

The cost is \$75 per person, or \$300 per foursome. It includes green fees, cart and barbecue dinner.

For more information, call (813) 862-8314, or send e-mail to wrhsbandboosters@yahoo.com.

DOUBLES TENNIS PLAYERS SOUGHT

Tennis 4 u/Tennis Para Ti is looking for doubles tennis players for matches in Dade City.

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SUMMER CAMPS AT LAKE JOVITA

Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club, 12900 Lake Jovita Blvd., in Dade City, will host three camps this summer.

Two general summer camps will include golf, tennis and swimming, and one will be golf-specific that focuses on rules, swing techniques and sportsmanship.

The general summer camps will be June 24-27 and July 22-25, and the golf-specific camp will be Aug. 12-15.

Each camp costs \$300 per attendee.

For information, call (352) 588-9200, or e-mail rveber@lakejovita.com.

SENIOR SPORTS LOOKING FOR PARTICIPANTS

Senior Sports is looking for interested tennis, volleyball, golf and bowling players who live in Pasco County.

For information, call Walt Bockmiller at (813) 527-8211.

CHEER CLINIC AT SUNLAKE

The state champion Sunlake High School cheerleading team will host a Little Seahawk Cheer Clinic over four days in July.

The event is targeted toward students of Oakstead, Lake Myrtle, Denham Oaks, Odessa and Rushe middle schools.

The clinic will be July 21-23 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. The cost is \$25 per student and includes a T-shirt and an opportunity to cheer with the varsity team at a game.

For information, email coach Penny Garcia at pgarcia@pasco.k12.fl.us.

VOLLEYBALL CAMPS IN JULY

Gaither High School, 16200 N. Dale Mabry Highway, will host volleyball camps twice weekly this summer.

The middle school camp runs through July 16 on Mondays and Wednesdays, and the high school camp will run through July 17 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All camp sessions will run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The cost is \$75 per person. For information, call (813) 975-7340, or email tim.boylan@sdhc.k12.fl.us.



MICHAEL HINMAN/STAFF PHOTOS

Conference helps vets transition

Social worker April Steen explored how to connect with families of soldiers who have been killed during the Veterans in Transition military conference at Saint Leo University.



Conference attendees had a lot to talk about and hear about during the Veterans in Transition military program at Saint Leo University.

Humana offering up to \$350,000 for nonprofits

The Laker/Lutz News Staff Report

The Humana Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the insurance company Humana Inc., has relaunched its signature Humana Communities Benefit program, which awards multi-year grants totaling \$350,000 to eligible nonprofit companies.

The program is now underway in the Tampa Bay area, as well as Chicago and San Antonio, Texas, for organizations focused on promoting healthy behaviors and relationships.

But now Humana wants the online community to be involved, letting an online vote be a part of the overall judging process.

"This new approach with Humana Communities Benefit is a natural evolution for the program as Humana and the Humana Foundation work to improve the health of the communities we serve nationwide," said Bruce Broussard, president and chief executive of Humana, in a release. "We have added several new features to the program, including the online vote, which provides an opportunity for each community to have a stake in which organization in each region is awarded our \$350,000 grant." The new program will award nonprofits

a three-year infusion of funds, enabling the winners to receive \$200,000 the first year, \$100,000 the second year, and \$50,000 in the final year. The funds will be used to create new programs or enhance ongoing activities that have a positive, transformational impact on the organization and the community.

Tampa Bay was one of three locations chosen because it employs more than 3,500 employees here, more than in any other area outside of their Louisville, Kentucky, headquarters.

The foundation has given more than \$8 million to nonprofits in 11 communities nationwide since starting in 2003. The previous program awarded one-time, \$100,000 charitable grants, including one to Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful in 2013, which used the money to build the Humana Educational Pavilion at the Florida Learning Garden in Tampa.

Locally, the competition is open to local nonprofits in Pasco, Hillsborough, Hernando and Pinellas counties. Applications can be submitted to Humana.com/hcb, but must be completed by June 30.

Judging, including an online component, begins in August.

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Cancer survivors and caregivers are invited to attend.

For information, call (813) 949-4565.

AFO FASHION SHOW

The Alzheimer's Family Organization will host its annual Alberta's Fashion Show June 17 at the Heritage Springs Country Club, 11345 Robert Trent Jones Parkway in Trinity. There will be lunch, raffles, auctions and vendor tables. Tickets are \$30. Tables of 10 are available for the price of nine tickets.

All proceeds benefit the Alzheimer's Family Organization.

Sponsorships available. For information, call (727) 848-8888.

SIBLING CLASSES

The obstetrics program at Medical Center of Trinity, 9330 State Road 54, offers monthly sibling classes.

The classes cover topics such as what a new baby looks like, how to become a big helper, and how to make friends with the new baby.

The next class is for children 2 to 6 years old on June 18 at 5 p.m.

The cost is \$10 per child. For information, call (727) 834-5630.

CANCER SUPPORT AT KEYSTONE

Keystone Community Church, 21010 State Road 54 in Land O' Lakes, hosts a cancer support group program with local doctors and hospital and clinic professionals.

Dr. Ghassan El Haddad will present "Cancer and the Treatment of It" June 19 at 7 p.m. Haddad is the section head for radionuclide therapy at H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute.

For information, call Walt Bockmiller at (813) 527-8211, or the church at (813) 948-4522.

HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE SUPPORT

The Medical Center of Trinity, 9330 State Road 54, hosts a monthly support group for anyone whose life is affected by Huntington's disease.

The next meeting is June 19 at 6:30 p.m.

For information, call Nina Qualters at (727) 236-3578, or email npappasqualters@gmail.com.

FREE PREGNANCY CARE

LifeChoices Women's Care, 1527 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 101, in Lutz, offers free pregnancy testing and free limited obstetrical ultrasounds to teens, women and couples facing an unplanned pregnancy.

The center is open Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Appointments are recommended.

For information, call (813) 948-7734.

LYMPHEDEMA SUPPORT MEETING

The Medical Center of Trinity, 9330 State Road 54, will host monthly lymphedema support group meetings.

Lymphedema is a persistent swelling, usually affecting an arm or leg that sometimes occurs as a side effect of cancer treatment.

The next meeting is June 19 at 3 p.m. Seating is limited, and reservations are required.

For information, call (727) 834-5630.

REV. JACK LONG RECEIVES HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Regional Medical Center Bayonet Point has honored chaplain the Rev. Jack Long with its 2013 Frist Employee Humanitarian Award.

The award honors outstanding individuals whose daily dedication and caregiving epitomizes the highest standards of quality and personal commitment.

REGIONAL MEDICAL EXCELS IN PATIENT SAFETY

Hospital Safety score recently honored Regional Medical Center Bayonet Point with an "A" for patient safety.

The grade is compiled by how well hospitals protect patients from accidents, errors, injuries and infections.

The first and only hospital safety rating to be peer-reviewed in the Journal of Patient Safety, the score is designed to give consumers information they can use to protect themselves and their families when facing a hospital stay.

FOOD ADDICTS PROGRAM

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous meets at Seventh-day Adventist Church, 33420 State Road 54 in Wesley Chapel, Thursdays at 7 p.m.

The program is based on the 12-step program of Alcoholics Anonymous.

For information, visit FoodAddicts.org.

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The Regional Medical Center Bayonet Point nursing staff celebrate the 'Blessing of the Hands' by chaplain, the Rev. Jack Long, during a ceremony May 9. It symbolizes the nursing commitment to care, healing, and relief of pain and suffering. Janet Brown, director of the hospital's Neuro Spine Unit, receives water from the chaplain's chalice during the ceremony.

Alliance on Mental Illness offers two monthly support group meetings at 7 p.m.

- Family & Friends Support Meetings: North Tampa Behavioral Health, 29910 State Road 56 in Wesley Chapel, first and third Tuesday of each month. This group is for family and friends of those with mental illness.

- NAMI Connections: NAMI Pasco Office, 6480 Jallo Plaza, 6480 Land O' Lakes Blvd., Land O' Lakes, every Tuesday. This group is for those living with mental illness.

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NAMI offers one-stop shopping for veterans

National Alliance on Mental Illness Pasco County participated in a veterans fair at East Lake High School May 17 to provide veterans and their families information on resources for medical care, claims, services, education benefits, job placement, employment services, housing and social services. NAMI offers support groups and educational programs for those with a mental illness — including depression and post-traumatic stress disorder — and their families. Helping at the NAMI resource table were, from left, Gloria Strother, Nancy Whitener and Joe Prizzi.

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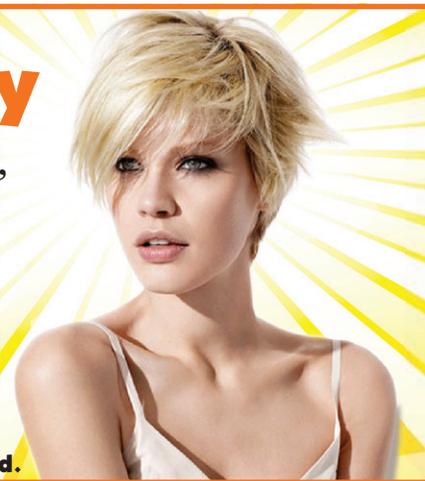
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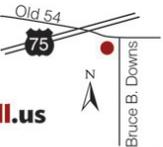
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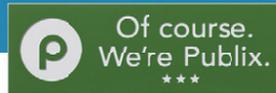


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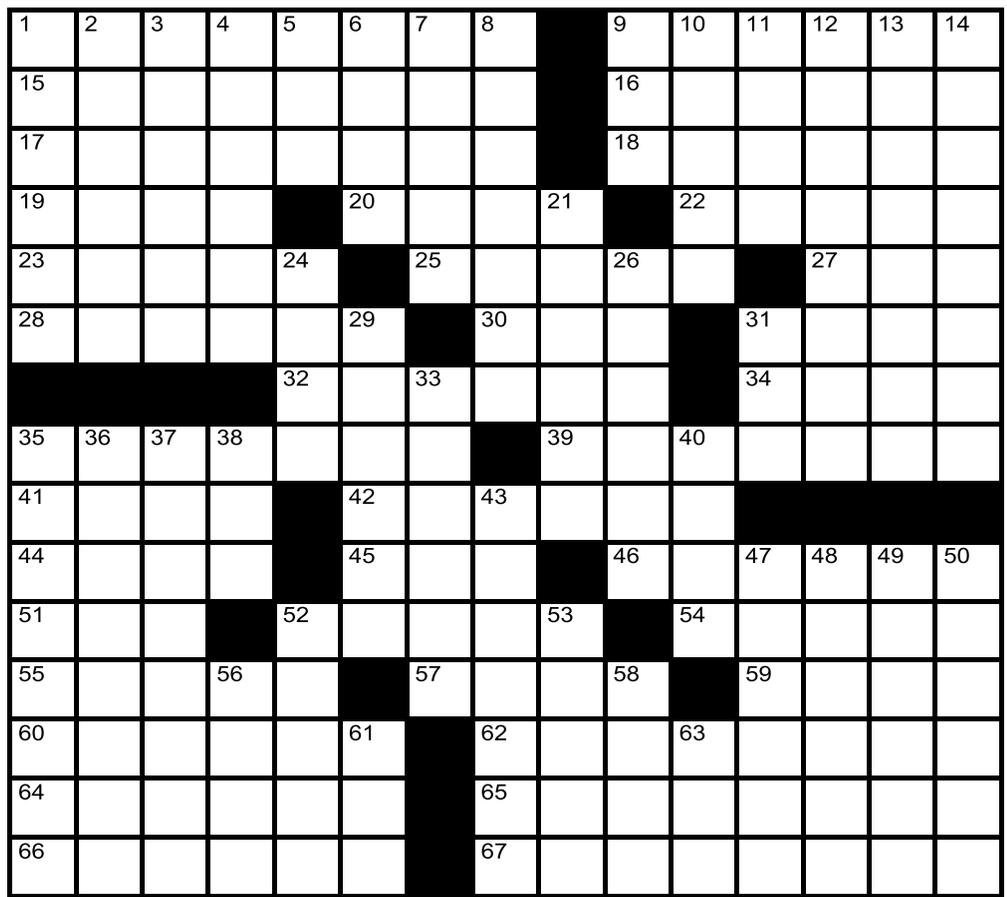
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- 22. Mixes up
- 23. Greek island in the Cyclades
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- 27. Barbecue site
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- 31. "____-Team" (2 wds)
- 32. Glossy linen
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- 41. Born's partner
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- 44. Large pigs
- 45. "Don't give up!"
- 46. Stout, hoofed mammals with a long, fleshy upper lip
- 51. Mozart's "L' ____ del Cairo"
- 52. Absolute
- 54. Control ____
- 55. Toothed wheel with a pawl
- 57. Pigeon pea
- 59. Icelandic epic
- 60. Prescribed order of a religious ceremony
- 62. High place offering a view
- 64. Allow
- 65. Much less (2 wds)
- 66. Tend to, as a bad lawn
- 67. Caught

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- 1. Rebounds
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- 3. Offer previously bought for sale
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- 6. Homebuilder's strip
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- 8. Bureaucratic stuff (2 wds)
- 9. Antiquity, in antiquity
- 10. Clamorous
- 11. Actors
- 12. Short liturgical text sung responsively
- 13. Most cheerful
- 14. ____ gland in males
- 21. Public road in a city
- 24. Comme ci, comme ca (hyphenated)
- 26. 14-line poem
- 29. Moderate heat
- 31. Not just "a"
- 33. Arranged in layers
- 35. One who loathes
- 36. Local anesthetic
- 37. Boat races
- 38. Driver's lic. and others
- 40. Mouth, in slang
- 43. Tiny security window in a door
- 47. Spanish dish
- 48. Not al fresco
- 49. Fixed
- 50. Quenched
- 52. Fissile rock
- 53. Deep black
- 56. 27, to 3
- 58. "____ go!" (contraction)
- 61. Certain digital watch face, for short
- 63. Amscrayed

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