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Been punkin' farming long?

Left, Brady Hutchinson, 2, and his brother Austin, 4, take a break Oct. 26 after an exhausting Sunday afternoon of picking out, and agreeing upon, a pumpkin at the Indian River Community Methodist Church's annual Pumpkin Patch on Cheney Highway in Titusville. The boys' parents are Todd and Marianna Hutchinson of Titusville. Visitors of the Pumpkin Patch can choose from hundreds of pumpkins, big and small.

Todd Hutchinson

ELECTION 2008

Be informed when voting on amendments

By Susan Walden

Brevard County voters will make a decision on seven proposed amendments Nov. 4. Some amendments are straightforward, some cause head-scratching from the way they were written and others might not be as black and white as some think.

✓ The first one on the ballot is No. 1 Constitutional Amendment – the Declaration of Rights.

What is says: "Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to delete provisions authorizing the Legislature to regulate or prohibit the ownership, inheritance, disposition and possession of real property by aliens ineligible for citizenship.

What it means: On the surface, one could quickly vote thinking it's about not letting aliens own land. Stop the presses. This is about striking, what lead sponsor Sen. Steven Geller says, unused, archaic and discriminatory language from the state constitution. In 1926 the

legislature prohibited "aliens ineligible for citizenship" from owning land." The law aimed to deprive Asian immigrants from purchasing land. During those times, federal law used nationality and race to limit citizenship eligibility. Then during World War II there was an added prejudice and fear of Japanese, which landed them in internments.

Voting yes doesn't change or supercede federal laws. The conflict, which makes this amendment surface, is the wording. Voting yes strikes those words, which are not enforceable under the constitution.

✓ Amendment 2, the Florida Marriage Protection Amendment, is the next on the ballot. The language is pretty straightforward but is not as cut and dry as just a man-woman marriage issue. Those who are in a domestic partnership of any kind, including heterosexuals will be affected.

What it says: "This amendment protects marriage as

the legal union of only man and one woman as husband and wife and provides that no other legal union that is treated as marriage or the substantial equivalent thereof shall be valid or recognized."

What it means: Although most see it as a gay versus straight issue, it is centered on the subject and rights of a "legal union," which includes domestic partnership (boyfriend, girlfriend, etc.) and means, no other legal union be treated as such except for a marriage.

✓ The next, amendment, "Number 3," is the Changes and Improvements Not Affecting the Assessed Value of Residential Real Property.

What it says: "Authorizes the Legislature, by general law, to prohibit consideration of changes or improve-

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TPD puts brakes on motorcycle unit

Department to purchase 4 Chevrolet Impalas

By Susan Walden

Beginning in January, Titusville residents will no longer see Titusville police officers on motorcycles.

The city council voted unanimously Oct. 14 to end the motorcycle unit, consisting of four Harleys, and purchase three Chevrolet Impalas. The department was just awarded a \$42,000 grant from the Florida Department of Transportation to buy an additional vehicle

According to Titusville Police Department Assistant Chief John Lau, there are a number of reasons to end the motorcycle unit. "Safety is paramount," he said. Although there haven't been any recent motorcycle accidents in the department, the propensity for there to be injuries or death is always greater on a motorcycle. "There's no such thing as a minor accident on a motorcycle," he said. "There has been only one officer who was killed on a motorcycle but we've had several laid up for months due to injuries, although none of late." Across the nation, police and the courts are more dependent than ever on cameras that record visually and audibly. However, motorcycles are not equipped with the gear. "The video systems monitor sound and sight for everyone's safety. In the United States there have been tragedies, for instance, officers were shot. If it hadn't been for the camera the case wouldn't be solved."

Efficiency is the second reason, Lau said. Inclement weather forces motorcycle officers to go back to the station and use a patrol car. "We don't have enough cars," he said. Sometimes the officers have to buddy-up, which isn't well organized.

"The most practical reason (for the switch from motorcycles to cars) is that because of budget cuts and (shortfalls) from Amendment 1, we are being asked to do more with what we have. As the population goes up, service calls increase and not getting additional officers we are asking the motorcycle officers to do other job duties such as backing others and we need to give them proper equipment."

Lau said that officers in patrol cars do a much wider range of duties, such as take in people who are under arrest. Motorcycle police have to call for assistance when apprehending someone.

TPD motorcycles must be repaired at a specific business in New Smyrna Beach whereas patrol cars are maintained in Titusville. "It's a trip," said Lau.

Recently one motorcycle had to be transported to South Florida because of a malfunctioning radar. "In our patrol cars if we have problems with radar, we can detach it and install another one," he said.

"This year our motorcycle repairs and problems were significantly more than in the past years."

The motorcycles, which are leased, will be returned to the leasing company early and the department won't be penalized monetarily.

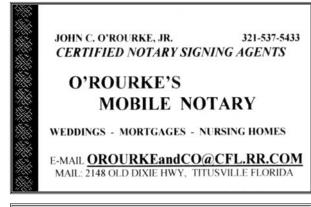
Lau said the idea to put away the motorcycles for good came from a road officer. "We took a vote and it was overwhelming. It isn't a morale thing although I'm sure some of our officers have really enjoyed their time on a motorcycle."

Other police agencies in Florida are interested in the concept and have contacted Bollinger.

"We are proud the department thought out of the box," said Lau.









Construction begins on Titusville bridge in 2009

By D.D. Remini

The wheels grind slowly but finally the A. Max Brewer Bridge in Titusville will be transformed beginning in 2009.

A dedication ceremony for the new construction was held Oct. 27.

Work will begin on the replacement of the existing bridge at the approximate cost of \$48 million. The new 2,700-foot long bridge will be a high-level, fixed-span structure that will accommodate marine vessels up to 65 feet above sea level.

The bridge will have two 12-foot travel lanes, plus eight-foot outside shoulders and sidewalks on each side

For the fishermen, the bridge will sport a 660-foot loop fishing catwalk under the west side fo the bridge, thanks to the funding of Brevard County, the Florida Inland Navigation District and the Florida Department of Transportation.

The A. Max Brewer Bridge was built in 1949 and connects Titusville to the barrier island and provides access to the Merritt island National wildlife Refuge, the Canaveral National Seashore Park and the Kennedy Space Center.

Representatives in attendance were State Rep. Ralph Poppell, Assistant Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation Kevin Thibault, city council members, county commissioners and others from various agencies.



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Opinions

You're never too old to rock n' roll

My View

By Susan Walden



Rock on, man.

My husband and I have been going to some great concerts lately. HippieFest, Blue Oyster Cult, Fog Hat and Classic Albums Live Led Zeppelin – all just in a few months.

The experiences made me feel old and young – depending on whom I was sitting next to. The most interesting aspect of those concerts was that the people who went to these concerts were kids from 7 to 85. Some were three or four generations in one family all jamming to the music together. When I was younger and those bands were in the Top 10, there was no way mom, dad or grandma would ever go with me. I was lucky if they'd even let me go to a concert.

Here are some of my observations:

1. The music seems to have gotten

louder at concerts. I never remembered my ears bleeding from the music. Maybe I didn't care how loud it was back then. It sure was a good way to come home back then and tell your parents, "No, I actually didn't hear you tell me to take out the garbage."

I do remember going to a Yes concert once in the 1980s and I couldn't hear for about three days. All I got was a humming sound. That's why I dumped my date. I just couldn't hear him and he didn't know sign language.

- 2. Lately when I'm at these concerts I keep wondering why it takes so long to be over because it's getting late and I have to get to bed (on a weekend). It took me awhile to admit this to my husband but even though I was rocking and rolling, I was tired and yawning.
- 3. The environment at the concerts is more sterile than I'd remembered. No alcohol and no smell. Now the smell I'm talking about is that wacky tobacky that filled the air in concerts of yesteryear. I used to pray that when I got home I didn't have red eyes or smelled like it for fear my parents would think I was smoking that stuff. Perish the thought. I think for the concerts I went to recently, especially HippieFest they should have a fake wacky tobacky air freshener they spray in the air every 10 minutes just to make it more authentic.

4. You have to learn your rock history before you go to one of these concerts. When you are really rocking to the song you need to know when it was popular. Do I hold up my hand with my index and pinky finger like I used to when we went to Judas Priest or Ozzie? I did this gesture at the Led Zeppelin concert and my husband sort of nudged me and shook his head like I made a terrible rock and roll faux pas.

- 5. Some people never grow up. I'm not sure if I fit in this category but some people looked like they just got out of their hippy VW busa t HippieFest. Some actually did, now that I think about it. The 1960s look looks OK on some but others, forget it. Gravity doesn't go with some of those hippy shirts. And the fat oozing over some people's hip huggers was just plain scary. The old hippies are popping pills again but this time it's Zocor, Cozaar, Lasix and that little blue pill.
- 6. We don't move around as much as we used to at concerts. Now we sit in our seat our ticket tells us to and we don't dance around much (except for those multi-generational families who came together show offs!). Every once in awhile we nod and beat the rhythm on our knees. The lady next to us at the Classics Album Live Led Zeppelin concert was in her 80s. She was so cool.

She held her hand up (and she knew what fingers to put up) and she seemed to really know the music. Now, did she know the music because her daughter or son used to blare it on the record player or was she one of those cool moms who went to the concert too?

7. I never realized when I was younger that when you sit in a concert seat you have a silent war going with the people on either side of you to put your elbow on the rest. In the last concert I sat next to a kid in his 20s who just plopped down and splayed out, elbows firmly on both rests. I never thought he'd move. "Maybe he'll jump up in the air, then I'll get my chance to slam my elbow down and take possession," I thought. Finally it happened and I had control of the rest, but not two minutes into it I got excited because I liked the song they were playing and clapped. Mr. this-is-my-rest moved in and planted his bony elbow there. I learned that next time I'll apply gorilla glue on both of my sleeves and stick my arms on the rests. How I'll get them off will be a mystery, but I'll be happy that no one can have my rests. It's called visualizing success.

If you haven't been to a concert lately, you really should go. But, get plenty of rest the night before, bring ear plugs, gorilla glue and do your rock homework first

Capitalism and democracy bound to freedom



Capitalism has such a complimentary relationship with democracy. The more that we grow to understand the positive aspects of capitalism, the more that we understand the necessity that it plays in modern democracy and world economics.

If capitalism and democracy are kept in perfect balance, an ideal society would emerge, and grow. It would prosper and endure through even the harshest of social and economic climates.

It is unfortunate that democracies without an element

of capitalism, and balanced international trade naturally move toward socialism. It is likewise unfortunate that capitalism without the boundaries and oversight provided by a legitimate democracy has the potential to press toward an economic form of totalitarianism.

The marriage of capitalism and democracy has undoubtedly been beneficial to the growth of the entire world. As with most complimentary relationships, it has not been without mistakes and failures. However, it matters little what challenges are encountered between them, if the solutions are grounded in a commitment and dedication to one another.

Although capitalism can exist and flourish without democracy, it can develop into a formidable negative force if one is found to be inherently lacking the necessary tools, structures, and institutions that would empower "the people" with the ability to keep power and corruption in check.

When the cords of any democratic government become unbecomingly entwined in capitalism; it can result in a falling away of the goals and principles that initially formed, shaped, and balanced their relationship.

Creating an environment in which the human spirit can break the chains of ignorance through education, and the protection of religious freedom must always be the goal of any responsible government.

By the careful combining of democracy and capitalism, our forefathers brilliantly set up our nation with forces that exist in apparent opposition. But if we look deep enough we will discover that they compliment each other perfectly despite their elementary differences.

With this in mind, we must choose our leaders based on their experience, character, dedication to democracy and all of its time tested ideals. A leader that will diligently work to create an environment that is beneficial to economic growth with fiscal responsibility. Someone who will faithfully serve our republic through and by the preservation, protection and defense of the U.S. Constitution-Effectively secure the rights and safety of all of the people. Exercise sound diplomacy, and judgement in foreign affairs. They are worthy of our support, our trust, our respect, and our vote.

Letter to the editor

"Help."

"Please help me." "I need your help, please."

Simple sentences to say. Difficult questions to ask.

Today's moms, like many moms before us, face many challenges. Juggling home and school. Yard work and grocery stores. Managing checkbooks. Finishing degrees. Homeschooling little ones. Doctor's appointments, both for our children and ourselves. Keeping a clean home. A "positive" home? A loving home. Determining adequate levels of stimulation -- Port St. John Library Hour and Titusville Library Hour? Soccer or Ballet? Should an aging parent live with us or need something more?

The pressure we place on ourselves is enormous.

Asking for help when we need it can be terribly daunting. We ask for directions easily. We ask whether an item is on clearance without blinking an eye. We ask for appropriate accommodations for our child at school or in a special program fearlessly.

But, when it comes to asking a friend to watch our children while we head to the movies with our husband who hasn't said more than two sentences in three weeks or a friend to pick up something for us when they are heading to the grocery store anyway, many of us hesitate.

How many appointments have we canceled because we hesitated to impose on friends? How many times have we lugged multiple children to the store for a single gallon of milk or package of diapers?

I believe our lives would be more peaceful if we came to terms with the art of asking for help. Rather than thinking of this occasional request as an imposition, why not think of it as a way to more deeply connect with a friend. Why not think of it as a way to care for ourselves so we are better equipped to handle the helm of our families' ship. Why not think of it as a way to offer friends the opportunity to bless us?

Did you know that North Brevard Charities' Sharing Center has a lovely woman answering the phone who is happy to tell you how she can connect you with a service that will help you with looming prescription costs?

Did you know that there are three food pantries within a five-mile radius of one another that can help your precious family during that horrible paycheck? Did you know that there is a ministry on the campus of Indian River Community Methodist Church in Titusville that will fix the cars of single moms and those in desperate need? Did you know that there is a pastor here on campus with a doctorate, from Harvard if I remember correctly, in psychology or counseling that can offer tender guidance to a suffering heart during a simple appointment? Available, to you, upon the asking.

There are seasons when you can help others and there are seasons when you, yourself, need assistance. Recognizing that you are part of this bigger picture can be freeing.

If I came to you today, and told you that I was in desperate need of going to the doctor for a two hour time period but couldn't take my three children, would you help me?

Would you resent me for asking or would you, extra commotion and all, be glad to help a friend?

Titusville MOPS, made up of fellow moms and friends, is here for you. We are here for each other. So, welcome, welcome to guest services! How may we help you?

Linda Benson Titusville MOPS' Coordinator

Change Your Clock & Change Your Smoke Detector Batteries November 2

Titusville Fire and Emergency Services reminds you to wind your clocks back an hour Nov. 2 and to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and make sure that they are functioning properly.

National Fire Protection Association statistics show that 3 of every 10 reported fires in home equipped with smoke alarms, the devices did not work, most often because of missing, dead or disconnected batteries. Households with non-working smoke alarms now outnumber those with no smoke alarms at all. If citizens of Titusville need assistance in changing the batteries, checking their smoke detectors or, installing new detectors, firefighters are available to help.

Also, if citizens of Titusville need smoke detectors but can not afford them, Titusville Fire and Emergency Services will provide and install smoke detectors. FREE of charge.

For more information or to set up an appointment for a detector check or install, contact Titusville Fire and Emergency Services Headquarters at 321-383-5708.

Learn about amendments before voting

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ments to residential real property which increase resistance to wind damage and installation of renewable energy source devices as factors in assessing the property's value for ad valorem taxation purposes. Effective upon adoption, repeals the existing renewable energy source device exemption no longer in effect."

What it means: The mouthful says that the amendment, if approved, would encourage homeowners to invest in measures to harden their homes against hurricane damage by investing in renewable energy devices by exempting solar panels and hurricane shutters, as examples, from property tax assessments. If the voter fills in the Yes bubble, that means he/she is in support of those products being exempt from property tax assessments.

✓ The Property Tax Exemption of Perpetually Conserved Land; Classification and Assessment of Land Used for Conservation is another potential head-scratcher in the voting booth.

What it says: "Requires Legislature to provide a property tax exemption for real property encumbered by perpetual conservation easements or other perpetual conservation protections, defined by general law. Requires the Legislature to provide for classification and assessment of land used for conservation purposes, and not perpetually encumbered, solely on the basis of character or use. Subjects assessment benefit to conditions, limitations, and reasonable definitions established by general law. Applies to property taxes beginning in 2010."

What it means: Simply put, this amendment will create a new tax exemption for land conservation. It encourages property owners to protect their land through conservation easements to ensure the land is maintained in its natural state. By providing a property tax exemption, landowners will be using their land to protect water resources and natural species. Vote "Yes" if you support this.

✓ The next amendment is about working waterfront property.

What it says: "Provides for assessment based upon use of land used predominantly for commercial fishing purposes; land used for vessel launches

into waters that are navigable and accessible to the public; marinas and drystacks that are open to the public; and water-dependent marine manufacturing facilities, commercial fishing facilities, and marine vessel construction and repair facilities and their support activities, subject to conditions, limitations, and reasonable definitions specified by general law.

What it means: If approved, this would require that property used as a working waterfront be assess for tax purposes based on its "actual use" rather than "highest and best use." And this means that it would encourage communities to maintain the historic nature and uses of their unique waterfront areas. Vote yes if you support this taxation usage.

✓ Amendment 8 "Local Option Community College Funding" is pretty straightforward.

What it says: "Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to require that the Legislature authorize counties to levy a local option sales tax to supplement community college funding; requiring voter approval to levy the tax; providing that approved taxes will sunset after 5 years and may be reauthorized by the voters."

What it means: If approved, this amendment allows citizens to vote on a county sales tax increase to supplement funding for their local community college.

✓ The next one is the most talked about because it could give you a headache trying to figure it out. It's a Brevard County proposal.

What it says: "Shall the County Charter be amended to limit increases from the previous year in ad valorem tax revenues from the tax rates imposed by the Board of County Commissioners, to three percent or the increase in cost of living index, whichever is less, providing exceptions for voter approved taxes, or when a supermajority of the Board find that an emergency or critical need exists, excluding certain revenue changes from the computation or revenue increases?"

What it means: If approved, the amendment caps property tax revenue increases at 3 percent or the change in the cost-of-living index, whichever is lower. Only county taxes would be affected. Brevard is the only Florida county that can enact this cap, which was granted by the Florida senate.



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SPACE HEATER SAFETY

Shopping for a space heater? Here's some advice from safety experts and the Consumer Product Safety Commission:

- Choose a heater with a safety grill around the flame area or heating element.
- Be sure the heater is sturdy and cannot tip over easily.
- Select a space heater that has been tested and certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory.
- Be sure your model has an alarm or automatic shut-off feature in case it falls over or overheats.
- Buy one of the newer convection models, with heating elements that are non-glow or ceramic and stay cool to the touch. These are safer when children are around.



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Fire department offers free CPR classes

By Debi Fleming

According to the American Heart Association 75 percent of all cardiac arrests happen at home and effective bystander CPR given immediately after the heart attack can double a victim's chance of survival. Being trained to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation can literally mean the difference between life and death.

To help the general citizens of the community be better prepared to handle emergencies, the Titusville Fire and Emergency Services Department, in partnership with Parrish Medical Center, offers CPR classes to the community. The classes are a onenight certification in American Heart Association Heartsaver Adult/Child CPR. Infant CPR in not included.

The classes are free to the public on a first-come first-served basis, and classes are limited to 10 students and registration is mandatory. Attendees must be at least 16 years old to register. No unattended children will be admitted to the class.

"Because of our partnership with Parrish Medical Center we've been able to certify three of our employees to provide this training," said Scott Gaenicke, division chief of administration for the fire department. "We encourage all interested citizens to register for the four-hour class, and if there is enough interest we'll continue the classes next

According to Gaenicke, because of heightened standards the class training is rigorous and physically.

"Even our trained fire fighters who provide CPR on a regular basis find it required effort, so we want those attending the class to know they will be kneeling, bending and using some energy.

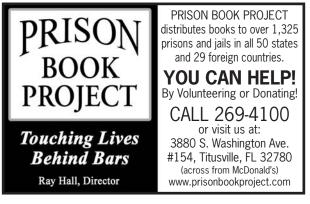
Dates for the upcoming classes are: Friday, Nov 7; Thursday, Nov 13; Friday, Nov 14; Friday, Nov 21; Friday, Dec 5; Tuesday, Dec 9; Friday Dec 12.

The classes will be held in the department's Training Room, located on the second floor of the Titusville Fire Headquarters Building, 550 South Washington Ave., Titusville. Those completing the class will receive a certificate and card.

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Former Welcome Wagon members reunite

By Debi Fleming

In days gone by newcomers to the community were welcomed to the area and given their first dose of southern hospitality by members of the Welcome Wagon. Apart from the baskets of goodies, discount coupons and information from local businesses new residents received from Welcome Wagon hostesses, they were also invited to attend monthly social gatherings with a speaker, lunch and chance to get acquainted with others in the area. Once members were in the group for two years they were "graduated" to the Wagon Wheels program.

The Welcome Wagon program was disbanded in Titusville in 1990 as the Senior Center had been built and took over the job of providing older citizens a place

to mix and mingle.

Those formerly in the Welcome Wagon and Wagon Wheels program have felt a need to reconnect, and all who have been a part of the groups are encouraged to attend the second reunion at 1 p.m. Nov 5 at Whistle Junction in Titusville.

"This is a chance to reconnect and socialize with former members," said former Welcome Wagon president Carol Briggs. "Most of us are over 60 years old and some of our former members have moved away or have passed on. We're hoping to have all members still living in the area come and join with us. One of our oldest members, Marion Madson is 100 years old and she's planning on attending and is excited about seeing her

old friends from the group."

Two former members from out of the area will be attending, and attendees are encouraged to bring photo albums, scrap books and other memorabilia items to share of their Welcome Wagon days.

After nearly 20 years we do not pretend to be anything but the "older generation" and are making it easy for members to get together by holding it at Whistle Junction," Briggs said.

According to Briggs the North Brevard Museum has a trophy listing all past presidents.

Those wishing to attend may pay for lunch at the restaurant and will be directed to the conference room. For more information call 268-5418.

Valiant Air Command Warbird Museum offers free admission Nov. 15-16

By Debi Fleming

There's no better time to visit the Valiant Air Command Warbird Museum than during the upcoming Veteran's Day Open House Nov 15-16 with the theme "Planes, Trains and Automobiles."

Not only will admission be free for all Brevard county residents and all active or retired military, but attendees will be able to celebrate the holiday by paying tribute to the many men and women who have served our country, and learn firsthand about the aircraft that took them into battle.

In addition to entry to the Warbird Museum with thousands of artifacts, memorabilia and displays, those attending will be able to view nearly 30 vintage warbirds from World War I to the present. Several veteran pilots who have flown the aircrafts will be on hand to answer ques-

tions and tell of their experiences. Of particular note will be the "Tico Belle," a C-47 which flew in the D-Day invasion, being number 50 in the group of planes that invaded Normandy in 1944. Those attending can look her over, and even climb up in the cockpit. In the hangar for the past seven years undergoing work to get her flying again, the Tico Belle is expected to be flying for the spring 2009 Tico Air Show.

As a special bonus to the aircraft and memorabilia on display, the Space Coast Train Club will have operating train layouts and there will be an antique car show as well. Outside, the Florida Blood Centers blood mobile will be on site for blood donations that are always needed in our community.

The museum will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hot dogs and drinks will be

available for purchase and parking is

Museum had its beginning in 1977, and is
dedicated to finding and preserving his-

"We offer the free open house twice a year, for Memorial Day and Veteran's Day to honor our veterans and to appeal to Brevard county residents," said Public Relations Officer for the Valiant Air Command Colonel Terry Yon. "We want people to see it as a family attraction and return with their friends and family."

According to Terry, there isn't one main attraction in the Museum, but with all the memorabilia, aircraft, antique automobiles and the train display "there will be something for everyone," Yon said.

The Valiant Air Command sits on 10 acres at the Space Center Executive Airport in Titusville. The museum displays, maintains and restores all types of aircraft indigenous to the world's military Air Forces starting before WWI. The

Museum had its beginning in 1977, and is dedicated to finding and preserving historic aircraft that have been an integral part of our national aviation heritage.

The Main Bay/Display area contains approximately 30,000 square feet and is wide and high enough to accommodate the sing span and tail assembly of all but the largest bombers. There is another 15,000 square feet dedicated to the display of memorabilia.

The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Days. Normal admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors/military and \$5 for children ages four through 12. The museum is located at 6600 Tico Road, Titusville.

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Read to succeed

On November 1, Brevard Public Schools will collaborate with the branches of the NAACP and the United Third Bridge for the Read to Succeed Program. The Read to Succeed program is a book giveaway with approximately 2,000 books being distributed to children. Locations and times for the book giveaway are as follows:

Riverview Elementary, 300 Jolly Street, Titusville, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Call 269-2326. And Cocoa West Recreation Complex, 230 S. Burnett Road, Cocoa. Call 720-0893.

Anyone wishing to support the book giveaway program can call the Brevard Schools Foundation at 633-1000 ext. 754. For more information about the Read to Succeed Program, contact the specific site or the Brevard Public Schools Customer Service Center at 633-1000 ext. 500.

Join holiday season

The Brevard Museum of History and Natural Science is decorating for the holidays and welcoming everyone to its grand opening of the new exhibit "Home Sweet Home" Nov. 6, 10 a.m. – noon. Enjoy refreshments, decorate the tree and more. The museum is located at 2201 Michigan Ave., Cocoa. For more details, call 632-1830.

Computer enthusiasts meet

The Titusville Computer Club meets for the General Membership Meeting, with a Q & A session Nov. 13, 7 p.m. at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church, 414 Pine St., Titusville, in the Fellowship Hall on Palm Ave. This will be the only meeting held in November due to Thanksgiving Day. Everyone is welcome. For further information call 267-3746.

Mims Elementary salutes vets

This year, Mims Elementary is going all out to recognize and salute veterans of Nov. 7, 9 a.m. in the school's pavilion.

The school choir performs patriotic songs directed by Ms. Lisa Weikel, Mims Elementary music director. The entire student body will also perform the Star Spangled Banner, My Country Tis of Thee, and God Bless America, with the first grade presenting a very special performance. The presentation of the flags will be given by members of the American Legion Post No. 1 Honor Guard in Titusville and the pledge of allegiance will be led by special guest speaker and Veteran, Lt. Col. Earl Driscoll, a member of the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol.

Mims Elementary School is located at 2582 N. US Hwy 1, on Friday, November 7th at 9:00am in the pavilion. All veterans, parents and local community are encouraged to attend this celebration of our country's courageous veterans!

Crafts and pasta specials at church

Enjoy a craft bazaar and spaghetti din-

ner at the Indian River Methodist Church Nov. 7, 5-7:30 p.m. The church is located at 1355 Cheney Hwy., Titusville. This fund-raiser is for the church's nonprofit group Mothers of Preschoolers.

Catholic women hold craft bazaar

Holy Spirit Church Council of Catholic Women presents its annual Fall Craft Bazaar at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 3450 Kilmarnochj Lane (off State Road 405), Titusville Nov.7 and Nov. 8 from 8 am to 3 pm. Featured are arts and crafts, a silent auction and bakesale. In addition, a lunch room offering soup, chili and sandwiches each day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. offers holiday shoppers an opportunity to rest and eat between visits to other holiday events that weekend. Call (321) 269-7531 or (321) 269-4178.

Get your flu shot

Walgreens offers flu and pneumonia vaccines at various locations at times:

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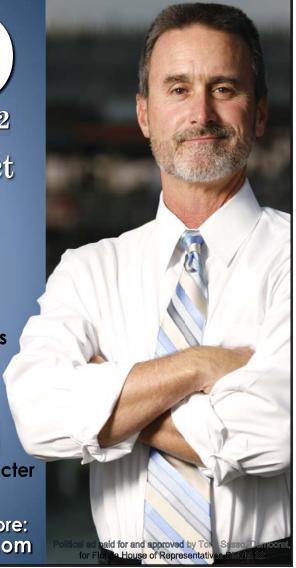
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I have always said that if it's round, it's round. No matter what you dress it up with or wrap around it, no pun intended, it is still round. With that said know this, the premise that a hairstyle would change the shape of your face started when women teased and set their hair long ago. Then the shape of the hair was molded to created and il-

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Library has fun events

The Titusville Library holds ongoing children's program: Family Story Time, Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. (All Ages); Toddler Story Time, Wednesdays, 10 a.m. (Ages 2-3); Preschool Story Time, Wednesdays, 11 a.m. (Ages 3-5); Infant Story Time; Thursdays, 9:15 a.m. (Ages 1 monthwalking); Pre-Toddler Story Time; Thursdays, 10:15 a.m. (Ages walking-2 years); Holiday Paper Craft, Mondays, 6 p.m. (Ages 6-9); Holiday Paper Craft, Mondays, 7 p.m. (Ages 10-up); Puppet Club for Teens, Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. (Ages 13-up); Manga Drawing, Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. (Ages 10-up); Special Programs are: Special Thanksgiving Craft, Nov. 22 at 10 a.m. (Ages 3-6) and 11 a.m. (Ages 7-12)

The Titusville Public Library is located at 2121 S. Hopkins Ave. For information and to register, call 264-5026 and ask for Youth Services. All programs are free.

Make wreaths

Titusville Garden Club holds a Wreath Work Shop Nov. 22, 10 a.m. - noon at the Garden Center, 5275 Sisson Rd., Titusville. Fl.

Bring items you would like to apply to your wreath, also glue gun, and clippers.

Cost is \$10 to cover all other materials. To register call Georgia (321) 302-2815. Open to the public.

Come to the Cruise In

It's the last Cruiseln of 2008. The car show comes fully loaded with more than 300 vehicles showcased in Downtown Titusville Nov. 1, 4-8 p.m.

Stroll around the cars, trucks and motorcycles, and enjoy vendors. For more details, call Karen Johnson at 267-3036 or e-mail her at Johnson@titusville.org.

Garden Club meets

Titusville Garden Club monthly meeting will be held at 5275 Sisson Rd., Titusville Nov. 5 with a 9:30 social, 10 a.m. meeting followed by a program at 11 a.m. Guest speaker Anneke Penn, of Mrs. Mango's. The topic will be "Culinary

Herbs and Honey Varieties. Any more info, call 264-4266.

Go to feral cat workshop

Space Coast Feline Network conducts a workshop for feral cat colony caregivers at the Central Brevard Library Nov. 8, 1-4 p.m. The workshop is for those involved with the care of feral cats and includes demonstrations on how to use traps and discusses feral cat issues. Call the helpline to register at 631-7729 or register by sending \$5 to Space Coast Feline Network PO Box 624, Cocoa, FL 32923.

Performer rocks at library

The Merritt Island Library hosts performer Amanda Birdsall, Orphan Trains AKA Dakota Rose Nov. 12, 3-4 p.m. The musician is a folk-songwriter who plays guitar and harmonica musician.

She has a repertoire of over 100 songs by other famous singers that she will be performing. The program is sponsored by the Merritt Island Tax District Board.

Register at the Merritt Island Library Reference Desk or call 321-455-1369 to register for the program.





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Another big problem is buying too small. "People don't realize that their shoe size changes over time and that their foot can get bigger and wider as time goes on," says Dr. Royer. "And most people haven't had their foot measured in years." Dr. Royer says that your foot grows not only through the years, but throughout the day as well. Because of normal swelling, the afternoon is the best time to

test-run before you buy. "Don't believe in the myth of breaking the shoe in," advises Dr. Royer. "If the shoe doesn't feel good in the store, no matter how good it looks, you need to get a different shoe.

One very common misstep is simply not shopping often enough. "One of the big problems we see with runners is that they run past the life of the shoe," says Dr. Royer. ' A general rule of thumb – and it doesn't apply the same to every shoe -300 to 400 miles on a running shoe or 300 hours of activity in that athletic shoe." Another tip is to take your own athletic socks when trying on shoes to get a true

Experts also suggest that when it comes to shoes, you do often get what you pay for. Don't be afraid to dish out a few extra bucks for com-

www.BrevardPodiatryGroup.com Risa L. Vinarub, DPM, FACFAS, FACFAOM Robert G. Rosen, DPM, FACFAS, FCCWS

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BALL Niven, 83, from Titusville, died Oct. 19. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

BISBING Renee, 52, of Titusville, died Oct. 24. Arrangements by Newcomer Funeral Home in Titusville.

BORNT, Bladys, 92, of Titusivlle, died Oct. 22. Arrangemetns by East Coast Cremation in Rockledge.

BROWN Shirley May, 77, of Titusville, died Oct. 14. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

CHAMBERLAIN Lloyd, 54, of Merritt island, died Oct. 24. Arrangements by Wylie-Baxley

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DAUBS Maxine, 80, of Titusville, died Oct. 20. Arrangements by Brevard Memorial in Cocoa.

DAVIS Tom, 86, of Port St. John, died Oct. 11. Arrangements by Lewis-Ray Mortuary in Titusville.

DIOGO Joan, 82, of Port St. John, died Oct. 11. Arrangements by East Coast Cremation.

DUGGER Jane, 84, of Merritt Island, died Oct. 20. Arrangements by Wylie-Baxley Merritt Island Funeral Home.

EVANS Lee, 85, of Titusville, died Oct. 21. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

FARRELL Audrey, 87, of Port St. John, died Oct. 15. Arrangements by Funeral Solutions in Cocoa.

GILLIGAN Betty, 85, of Merritt Island, died Oct. 4. Arrangements by

Wylie-Baxley Funeral Home in Merritt Island.

GOLDCAMP Ruth, 59, of Titusville, died Oct. 18. Arrangements by Beckman-Williamson Funeral Home in Cocoa Beach.

HELTSLEY Viola, of Titusville, died Oct. 16. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

KELLY Donald, 73, of Merritt Island, died Oct. 18. Arrangements by Wylie Baxley Merritt Island Funeral Home.

LEE John Henry, 77, of Titusville, died Oct. 22. Arrangements by Lewis-Ray Mortuary in Titusville.

LLOYD Janet, 56, of Port St. John, died Oct. 25. Arrangemetns by Brevard Memorial Funeral Home in Cocoa.

MUTTER Phyllis, 81, of Merritt Island, died Oct. 17. Arrangements by Florida Memorial in Rockleddge.

NICHOLS Harry, 82, of Titusville, died Oct. 18. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

REDFERN Mitchell, 58, of Merritt Island, died Oct. 23. Arrangements by Wylie Baxley Merritt Island Funeral Home.

REED Margaret, 85, of Titusville, died Oct. 20. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

STEWART Patricia, 83, of Merritt Island, died Oct. 20. Arrangements by Wylie-Baxley in Merritt Island.

WALKER Bettie, 63, of Titusville, died Oct. 19. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

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