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## Will Titusville teen win NBC's America's Got Talent?



Courtesy of Kevin Broad

**Arcadian Broad, 13, from Titusville was a finalist to play in Broadway's new Billy Elliott, but now he could win \$1 million and a Vegas act by winning NBC's America's Got Talent. He passed the first round of judging on the show June 24 and his performance floored the judges and audience. Now his TV performance is one of the most watched videos on the Internet.**

*By Susan Walden*

Titusville's Arcadian Broad is the latest sensation on NBC's America's Got Talent and he's the hottest video on the Internet.

The 13-year-old was the last contestant on the show June 24 and he brought down the house, even making judge David Hasselhoff shed a tear.

Echoes from fans of the show write on blogs and other Internet sites that he could go all the way and hope he does.

He endeared the America's Got Talent fans with his story.

"What I love to do the most is dance. In school, I never thought I was good enough for things ...," said Arcadian to the camera before going onstage. He explained on national TV how he was bullied in school and was never picked for things like sports – a predicament many can relate to.

"No one wanted to pick me, they'd pick on me and bully me. It was just really bad. I'd get angry and upset at things and it just didn't feel good. My confidence ended up being really low. But then I found dance. It was wonderful. I felt free."

Confidence came from not only dance, but the teen can also sing and play the piano like nobody's business. *The Beacon* reported recently how Broad was on the short list to play Billy Elliott on Broadway, which is the hottest show presently. He came within a hair of getting the job. The show is based on a true story of a musically-talented boy who grows up and makes it big.

As in anything, Broad learned that life has ups and downs. He picked himself up, dusted himself off and is ready to show America that he has talent.

Ironically, many fans and Internet

stories ask, "Is Arcadian Broad the new Billy Elliott?"

"My mother and sister always taught me to feel like nothing will get in my way," he said to the camera. "Tonight is going to be my chance to go out there and give it my 110 percent – to show everyone I *do* have something great inside of me to give out."

He went onstage in Miami for the first round of pickings and eliminations in front of the three judges, Hasselhoff, Sharon Osborne and Piers Morgan – as well as an auditorium full of people. He danced to "I'm Still Standing," by Elton John. Leaps, twirls, hip action here and there, splits – his dance brought the audience cheering and to their feet, the judges smiling and shaking their heads.

When the song ended, Broad smiled, his hair just slightly out of place from the performance.

Hasselhoff asked him how he thought he did, and the dancer said he thought he did good.

"I thought you were amazing," Hasselhoff said.

Osborne smiled. "There are very few people who are lucky enough to have a natural God-given gift. What can I say? You have a magnificent talent," she said.

Morgan agreed. "You were absolutely great."

"Keep going kid because you have an amazing talent," said Hasselhoff.

The three voted a "yes" and now Broad will make it to the next round in Las Vegas, which will be aired after the show continues choosing contestants in

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# Next round – Vegas for dancer

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cities.

After the vote, Broad did something the judges say they've never seen – he ran around the stage, skipping and jumping with hands triumphantly in the air. Hasselhoff wiped a tear from his eye.

Then the cameras followed Broad off stage where he ran into the arms of his mother, Kathy Broad, and 27-year-old sister Audrianna.

The show followed him through another door, where Broad shed some tears finally realizing the magnitude of what had just happened and what could be next – perhaps winning the contest – \$1 million and a year contract to work in Las Vegas.

"Wow, I finally got the chance to get out and show what I have and it paid off," he said with tears streaming down his face to the TV viewers.

His dad, Kevin, owns Express Copy on Hopkins Avenue. Right now, the Broads aren't allowed to give interviews to the press until NBC gives the go-ahead depending upon how Arcadian progresses in the competition.

Being a contestant on America's Got

Talent is a logical progression in Arcadian's life.

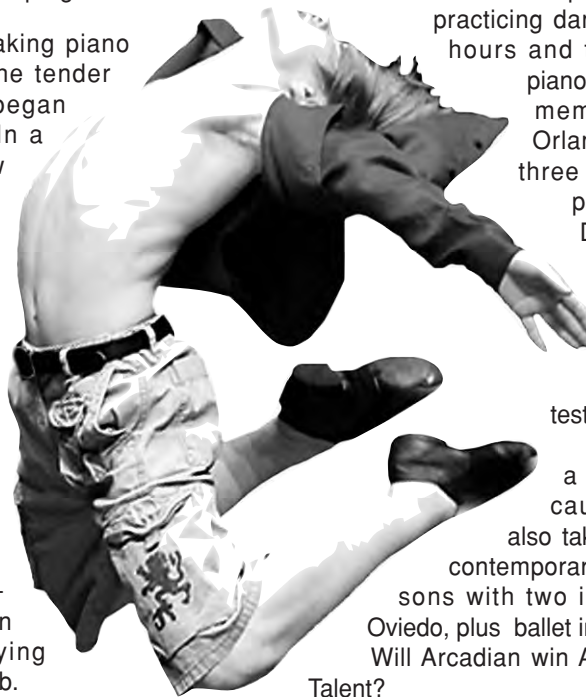
He's been taking piano lessons from the tender age of 4 and began dancing at 7. In a *Beacon* interview in 2007, his mother said she knew letting him take lessons was the right thing to do.

"We noticed a special ability in him at age 3," she said.

She introduced her five children to classical music when she was carrying them in her womb.

The Broad's oldest child, Audrianna, is a professional dancer and owns The American Dance Competition.

Arcadian has won numerous competitions in dance, voice and piano culminating with being a Broadway show finalist.



Arcadian spends his days practicing dance for seven hours and two hours of piano. He's been a member of the Orlando Ballet for three years and is part of the New Dimensions Dance Company, in which he competes in contests.

Each day is a busy one because Arcadian also takes piano and contemporary dance lessons with two instructors in Oviedo, plus ballet in Orlando.

Will Arcadian win America's Got Talent?

As they say, stay tuned to NBC every Tuesday at 8 p.m. and the *Beacon* will provide updates.

*Photo courtesy of Kevin Broad*

## Enjoy fireworks on Fourth of July

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## Opinions

# New puppy exhausting, loads of fun and other things ...

### My View

By  
Susan  
Walden



*I purchased a puppy a few weeks ago and everyone is asking me to write my commentary about him and share him with our readers, so hear goes. ...*

My life has been totally turned upside down.

No, it isn't because one son is at camp all summer and the other is touring with his band around the country.

No, it isn't because I'm working so hard to bring you the best *Beacon* ever.

It's because I have a puppy.

"Oh, how cute," you say. You might even dream of a cute little puppy. Stop.

Angus, the destroyer of all toys, is very cute, but boy do I need the "Dog Whisperer."

He is eight pounds full of mischief that jumps like Charles Barkley, and I can't understand how eating a little bit of dog food produces so much ...., well, you know.

I went into a local pet store to sell an ad for the *Beacon* and came out with a puppy. I don't know how it happened. I guess I need to hire the pet store lady to sell ads because she's good.

Angus is half West Highland Terrier (Westie) and Pomeranian. I was attracted to him because we have a 12-year-old Westie (who is very mad at me right now). You don't see Westies or Westie mixes often. Angus, as my husband likes to tell everyone, is a product of an unauthorized liaison between the breeder's Pomeranian and housedog Westie.

Right now, I think he looks more like a dingo, which no one can understand because both breeds have a lot of hair. He is getting fuzzy though – that's when I can look at him. Usually all I see is a butterscotch/white streak go by.

I bought Angus for my husband and he is so happy to have him. He opened the door the other day after a long day at the office and the puppy was at the other end of the hall. Angus, put his ears back and ran full speed at him. My husband scooped him up and Angus



Susan Walden

### **Six-month-old Angus gets some love from his older brother Robert.**

gave him warm wet kisses. "This is one of the best things in the world," said my husband.

Having a puppy is not for the faint-hearted. "Oh God, what does he have in his mouth now?" is usually being screamed all over the house. The next question yelled often is, "How did he get *there*?" Followed by, "Geez, Angus, I need a shovel to clean *that* up."

He wants to go to the forbidden land. That's the living room. We've got two trombone cases and a huge box piled on top of each other so he won't jump over it like an Olympic gold-medalist. But, he did. He climbs to the third stair and judging airspeed, wind draft and turning ratio in midair, Angus can calculate how to soar over the piled pieces and land in the living room.

So, I put my favorite tall round table I bought in France on top of the pile. Wrong move. First, he was scared of the table and kept growling at it. Then decided he'd conquer it. I heard a yelp and bang and my table is now in seven pieces. He didn't get hurt, thank goodness, but he yelped because it scared him. He knew Mom was upset when I ran after him with the table leg, screaming at him. I was getting on his level, and that wasn't right, doggone it.

The other day I was on the phone talking to a nice reader who said she baked banana bread for me. As I was speaking with her I walked onto our enclosed patio

and Angus bolted out. I kept a carefully eye on him as I watered my organic garden.

Then he bent over to get a drink of pool water and fell in. I said to the lady "Hold on, I have to get my puppy who just feel in the pool." He was beginning to swim toward the middle of the pool. I hurriedly patted myself down to make sure I didn't have my cell phone in my pocket, kicked off my shoes, threw the phone on the ground and dove in to save Angus. We got out of the pool and my husband came home to find me wringing wet, mascara running down my face with a wet puppy in my arms who wanted to do it again.

Scotty, my poor old Westie, just looks at me as if to say, "You get everything you deserve for allowing that brat in the house." Angus tries real hard to make friends with Scotty, but the old man has to act strict and tough, although he is good with him.

He allows Angus to put is snout in his mouth, a wolf pack stance that puppies do to show they are subservient to the older dog. It looks like he's cleaning Scotty's teeth. "Geez Angus, were you a dentist in your former life?" I asked the other day. Poor Scotty is almost totally blind, so Angus likes to take Scotty's bone away from him. It's a mean puppy thing to see how far he can get with the old man.

Like a 2-year-old kid, you have to baby-proof your house. Been trying to find a paper clip lately? The puppy will find it and anything else sharp and deadly to put in his mouth. He's good exercise because I have to keep bolting from my chair, running after him and sometimes prying his mouth open to retrieve something. And just like a small child, when he's quiet, he's up to something. You find him and he's so excited to see you that you just melt – your shoe in five pieces.

Someone sent me an e-mail today that says it all:

If you want someone who will eat whatever you put in front of him and never says it's not like your momma made, then adopt a dog.

If you want someone always willing to go out, at any hour, for as long as you want, then adopt a dog.

If you want someone who will never touch the remote and will watch romantic movies with you, adopt a dog.

If you want someone who is content to get on your bed just to warm your feet and doesn't push you when you snore, then adopt a dog.

If you want someone who never criticizes what you do – doesn't care if you're pretty, ugly, fat or thin or young or old – who acts as if every word you say is especially worthy of listening and loves you unconditionally and perpetually, adopt a dog.

Angus is a handful but an answer to an empty nest, a light in a harried and bad day and another example that God put dogs and people together very well.

# Brevard schools earn top grades

The Florida Department of Education released the 2008-09 school grades and Brevard Public Schools continue to perform well.

Eighty-two out of 84, or 98 percent of Brevard schools received a grade of an A or B – with 72 schools receiving As. These results contributed to the district receiving a Grade Point Average of 3.8 or an overall grade of A from the DOE for the sixth consecutive year, giving BPS a ranking of third in the state, behind St. John and Gilchrist Counties.

“The leadership of dedicated education professionals and hard work of students and parents has kept Brevard at

the top,” stated Superintendent, Dr. Richard DiPatri. “I congratulate everyone involved for this distinguished accomplishment.”

According to the DOE results, at the elementary level 54 BPS schools earned an A, two earned a B, and one earned a D.

At the secondary level 18 schools earned an A, eight earned a B, and one received a grade of D. None of Brevard Public Schools received a grade of F (these results exclude charter schools).

Across the state schools, especially high schools, were hit hard by the penalty point assessed based on the perform-

ance of the bottom 25 percent of students. At the state level the number of A high schools dropped from 120 in 2007-08 to 68 in 2009-09.

Brevard schools fared the same. Eight Brevard schools earned enough points for a higher grade, but did not receive the higher grade due to penalties assessed. Riverview Elementary, Eau Gallie High, Melbourne High, Merritt Island High, Palm Bay High, Satellite High and Titusville High earned As but received Bs due to the penalty. Cocoa High earned a grade of C but due to the penalty received a D.

School grades are based on student

performance on the FCAT, which assesses student understanding of the Florida Sunshine State Standards in reading, math, writing and science. Schools earn points based on student results.

For 2008-09, grades were based on the following point scale: 525+ points equals an A; 495-524 points equals a B; 435-494 points equals a C; 395-434 points equals a D; anything less than 395 equals an F. The state assesses a penalty of one letter grade if a school does not record at least half of its lowest 25 percent of struggling students as making learning gains in reading or math.

## New law: No seatbelt, get a ticket

By Susan Walden

Buckle up, it's now the law.

The Florida Safety Belt Law changed June 30 to allow police officers to enforce seatbelt violations as a primary offense, meaning officers who notice unbelted drivers or passengers is just cause for law enforcement to pull over vehicles and issue citations.

A seatbelt violation in Brevard County is \$104.

Prior to the change, drivers and passengers could only be cited for seatbelt violations if they had been stopped for another offense.

The new law is music to the ears of the Titusville Police Department because they know all too well the importance of seat belts in saving lives and preventing serious injuries during vehicle crashes. Quarterly surveys conducted in the city show an average safety belt compliance rate of drivers at 75 percent.

“We would like to see a higher compliance rate as a result of this new law,” said Maj. Doug Massey, who oversees the department’s Traffic Enforcement Unit. “Our zero tolerance approach to seatbelt violations is about saving lives.”

In the past two years, Titusville police were on the scene of two fatality crashes that involved drivers who were not buckled up. Investigators concluded that both drivers would likely have survived with minimal injury had they been wearing seatbelts.

## Dinner celebration highlights Apollo astronauts

Forty years ago, the Apollo 11 crew sat down for their pre-launch dinner at Kennedy Space Center, prior to embarking on the mission that landed mankind on the moon. In keeping with that same tradition, the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation is offering a limited number of devoted fans the chance to dine with Apollo 11 Command Module Pilot Buzz Aldrin, and other Apollo astronauts, at an intimate, Apollo 40th Anniversary dinner in Cocoa Beach July 15 – the same date the crew enjoyed their pre-launch meal.

Guests will savor a four-course meal with several Apollo astronauts including Aldrin, Vance Brand, Jerry Carr, Walt Cunningham, Charlie Duke, Bruce McCandless, Edgar Mitchell, Rusty Schweickart, and Al Worden.

The ticket also includes a commemorative keepsake autographed by the astronauts in attendance and a photo CD of images from the evening.

In addition, guests will receive VIP tickets to the public Apollo 40th Anniversary Celebration at Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex on July 16.

Only 25 dinner tickets are available for \$1,000 each at [www.astronautstore.org/asfceap40an.html](http://www.astronautstore.org/asfceap40an.html) or by calling 321-455-7015. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

All proceeds go directly to the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation, a nonprofit organization which provides scholarships to exceptional college students pursuing degrees in science and engineering. Ticket price, over fair-market value, should be considered a donation.

The Astronaut Scholarship Foundation awards 19 \$10,000 college scholarships annually and has awarded \$2.8 million to students nationwide. For more information, log on to [www.AstronautScholarship.org](http://www.AstronautScholarship.org) or call 321-455-7012.

## Less invasive colorectal cancer screening available

Parrish Medical Center offers a new colorectal cancer screening that requires no doctor’s orders and costs \$20.

The American Cancer Society reports that excluding skin cancers, colorectal (or colon) cancer is the third most common cancer diagnosed in both men and women in the United States. Only 39 percent of the people who should get colon cancer screenings actually get them, while colon cancer is one of the most preventable cancers if caught early.

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## Suspect allegedly lures girls on Internet

A 39-year-old Mims man has been arrested for soliciting teenage girls on MySpace.

Daniel Coyle was charged with two counts of computer solicitation of a minor and is held in the Brevard County Jail on \$70,000 bond.



Coyle

The investigation revealed that Coyle allegedly developed a plan to introduce himself to a young female by using a multiple of fake personas on MySpace in order to make the victim believe he was a teenage girl.

He allegedly contacted the victim on the Internet using the names "Angie" and Lina.

"Once the potential victims re-

sponded and became involved in on-line conversation, they would be solicited for pornographic pictures and videos of themselves.

After a period of time, these personas would allegedly introduce Coyle to the victim as their "mentor." Police say Coyle then began conversing directly with the victim under the screen name "Dan-da-Man."

The perpetrator offered to meet the victim's parents in order to gain their trust and allow the victim to accompany him on trips alone to locations within Central Florida.

The victim became uncomfortable with the conversations and told her mother of the contact with the suspect. The victim's mother contacted law enforcement and the investigation began.

At this time, the Sheriff's Office

has identified two potential victims. Information revealed during the investigation leads investigators to believe that there could be more victims, as Coyle had over 600 friends on his MySpace with numerous profiles belonging to teenage girls.

The Sexual Offender Registration Tracking Unit of the Sheriff's Office is asking that anyone who may have been victimized by Coyle, contact Agent Mike Spadafora at (321)-633-8419 or CRIMELINE at 1-800-423-TIPS (8477).

All calls to CRIMELINE are confidential, and callers can remain anonymous and be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to an arrest.

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## New shoe repair shop good for bad economy

By Susan Walden

Enrique Valvidia can do lots of jobs, but shoe repair is in his soul.

That's why he's back in the business of what he does best and has just opened Riverside Shoe Repair – right where an old shoe repair shop used to be in Baldwin Plaza off U.S. 1 in downtown Titusville.

"I was looking around for a job and it didn't look promising," said Valvidia, who lives in Mims with his wife Carmelin and son Steven, 17, who helps him.

"Everyone asked me, 'what do you do?'" so I decided to go back into the shoe repair business."

He's been repairing shoes and leather for 33 years and hails from California where he once owned a shop. Valvidia says that ever since he's opened his doors a few weeks ago customers have been piling in and are as happy as a clam.

"They say they're happy there's a shoe repair in town again and now they don't have to go to Merritt Island. They keep saying, 'I'm so happy that you're here.'"

Valvidia's services include repairing all sorts of shoes, sandals and boots, even building up prescription orthopedic shoes. He repairs handbags, belts and just about anything made of leather.

Valvidia considers his repair business a win-win situation. In this economy, it's more cost efficient to get your favorite shoes cleaned up, resoled and fixed instead of buying another pair.

"It's a great market for me right now and it helps other people save money."

He also does zipper repairs on jackets and boots, and can repair some luggage such as replacing those pesky wheels. When it comes to purses, Valvidia can do most anything, including shortening or lengthening straps, as well as restitching.

Customers can also take advantage of the shop's while-you-wait service that includes shoe shines, repair-



Susan Walden

**Enrique Valvidia, owner of Riverside Shoe Repair in Baldwin Plaza in downtown Titusville, says customers are happy he's here. He offers a full service of shoe and leather repair.**

ing most heels, strap and some belt repair.

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By Kim Kuhn  
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According to UF researcher Stephen Talcott "this study was an important step toward learning what people may gain from using beverages, dietary supplements or other products made with the berries." He cautioned that the study was not intended to show whether compounds found in acai berries could prevent leukemia in people but that "we are encouraged by the findings" and that "compounds that show good activity against cancer cells in a model system are most likely to have beneficial effects in our bodies."

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tight the fascia is in your arch. When standing, balance yourself against a wall and lean your weight forward onto the ball of your foot. Your heel will rise as your weight goes forward and you should be able to feel the stretching. Plantar fascia injuries are more common among middle-aged people who have been inactive and suddenly increase their activity. Other factors that can aggravate the plantar fascia are wearing shoes that don't fit properly and sudden weight gain. Talk with your podiatrist about these and other exercises that can keep your feet healthy.

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## Police warn drivers to be sober

By D.D. Remini

Don't even think about drinking on Fourth of July and driving home.

The Titusville police will be out in full force cracking down night and day on impaired drivers with an aggressive "Drunk Driving Over the Limit/Under Arrest" enforcement blitz.

"Driving while drunk isn't worth the tremendous risk. No matter your age, if you've had too much holiday spirit, you'd better find a safe and sober ride home or your chances of arrest are high," said Chief Tony Bollinger.

Drunk driving is one of America's deadliest problems. "In 2007, there were 12,998 people who were killed in traffic crashes nationwide that involved at least one driver or motorcycle rider with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 or higher," said Maj. Doug Massey, of the Titusville Police Department.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, during the July 4th holiday period in 2007, there were a total of 200 traffic-related fatalities nationwide; 44 percent involved a driver or motorcyclist with a BAC of .08 or more.

"Too many people fail to understand that alcohol and driving don't mix. Impaired driving is no accident – nor is it a victimless crime," said Bollinger. "We are committed to making our roadways as safe as possible this holiday."

Follow these tips:

- ✓ Plan a safe way home before the festivities begin
- ✓ Before drinking, designate a sober driver and give that person your keys
- ✓ If you're impaired, use a taxi, call a friend or family member
- ✓ If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact your local law enforcement.

## Here's a tip I've just got to share .....

The next time you pick up your prescription drugs, get in the habit of counting your pills. On a recent trip to the drug store, I picked up one of my prescriptions, felt the bottle was a little light but didn't count the pills. Why should I? There's never been a mistake before.

A few weeks later, I had one pill left so I phoned in the prescription. When I went to the drug store the pharmacist told me I must wait one more week be-

cause my insurance wouldn't pay for it. I went home and figured out I was given only half my pills. I went back to the store and had a talk with the manager who provided me with the rest of my medication. I was told pills are counted by hand, so mistakes can occur.

- Susan Walden

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Signed,  
 Old enough to know better;  
 still too young to care

Dear Timely Tammy,  
 I have heard this question throughout the years, and I've seen many different ways of handling this dilemma. I have seen beautiful brunettes turn gray for their aging loved ones.

I have witnessed natural blondes add color they didn't need to give the appearance of gray for the same reason. Well in today's market you have 20-year-olds married to 50-year-olds. etc. I think that as "old school" as it may sound, you will never be out of style when you are styling with the one you love. I never recommend that a person wear a style or color that she or he isn't committed to.

In short, if it feels right it usually is. If that doesn't help you then just wait until you get the first AARP notification. That will get you together!

Until my urgent attention  
 is requested,  
 Christian Allen

Got a beauty question? Ask Christian Allen!  
 Write him at christianallens@aol.com.

### Become a BSO guild member

The Brevard Symphony Orchestra North Guild annual membership drive is under way. Participation is open to anyone interested in BSO programs and activities. For more information, contact Jean Holley, membership chair, at 267-8060.

The Guild has scheduled several fund-raisers for the upcoming season. Details on each event will be announced as dates approach.

Contact persons are ways and means co-chairs Shirley Ericson at 268-1093 or Carolyn Van Heusen at 289-3104, or North Guild president Ann-Marie Brush at 385-1513.

Events also will be listed on the guild site at <http://nbbd.com/npr/northguild>.

### Come to meeting

The Space Coast Area Transit holds a public workshop and accepts comments and concerns about bus service July 20, 2-4 p.m. at the Mims-Scottsmoor library. For more information, call 635-7815,

### Synagogue moved to PSJ

Magen David Messianic Synagogue has moved. The new location is 3900 Fay Blvd, in Port St.

John, Florida (facility of the First Baptist Church of Port St. John). Erev Shabbat service on Friday evenings at 6:30 pm, followed by snacks and fellowship. For info or directions, contact Rabbi Jem Golden at (321) 213-2259.

### Volunteers needed

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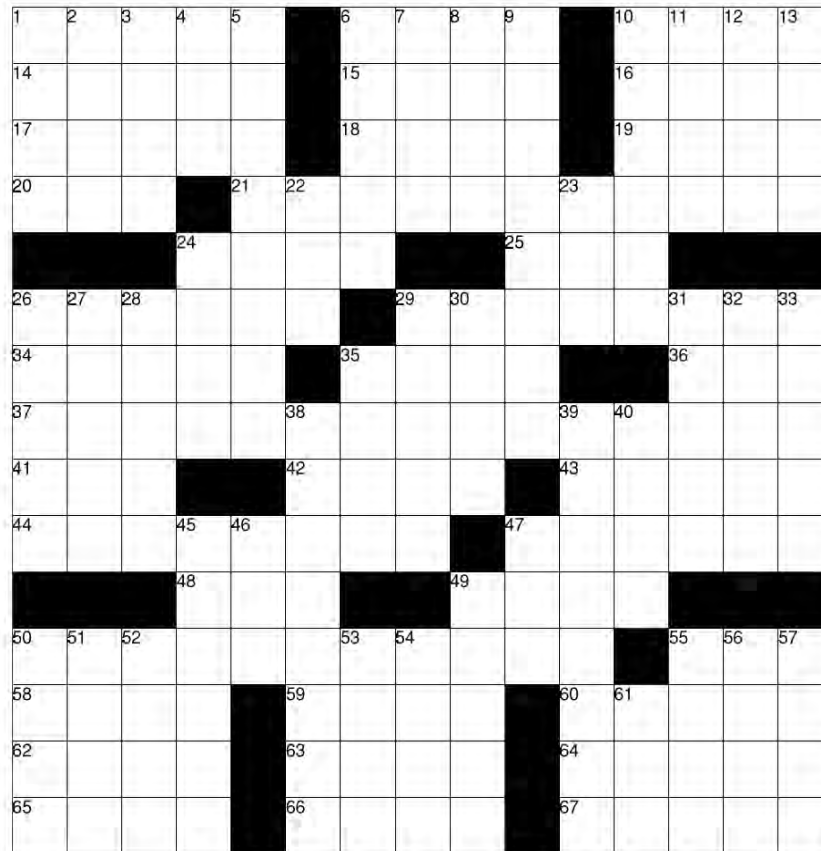
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# July Horoscopes

**ARIES** (March 21 – April 20) Bury that resentment you've had for so long because it's dragging you down. Pay better attention at work and on your projects; you've been procrastinating.

**TAURUS** (April 21 – May 21) There's a lot going on this month, so remember to find time to relax and do things you like to do. You're about to get some "glorious green" money to improve your financial condition. Be happy!

**GEMINI** (May 22 – June 21) The connections just don't seem to be right making communications in relationships out of whack. There is a possibility of a new love interest – just when you're not looking for it.

**CANCER** (June 22 – July 22) Keep your buying impulses at bay and your finances will go on a great path. Keep this conservative financial path and your dreams will be realized.

**LEO** (July 23 – Aug. 22) You've got high expectations for material things but no way to get it. But this month, a friend comes through and helps.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23) Watch your emotions and don't take your frustrations out on others, especially loved ones. Things will go smoother if you take things in stride and take time for yourself to relax, meditate and pray.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23) Slow down, you move too fast especially in the first half of the month. The second half of the month, romance improves.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22) You're going to get some excellent financial information around the beginning of the month. Those looking for a love relationship have a good chance of finding one this month.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21) You'll relieve stress this month by finding and doing a physical activity you like to do. This leads to more romance.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20) Important decisions will be made this month but remember to be quiet and listen to what others have to say as well. Your relationships are strongly tested, but you know what to do.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18) Look before you leap this month. Some things, especially around money, are too good to be true, so be careful. Emotional situations simmer down toward the end of the month.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 – March 20) A difficult problem will be solved this month, as things settle down. Be careful with your spending this month. Someone sees your creative potential.

### Take caregiver classes

Hospice of St. Francis offers a caregiver course. This program consists of a six-one and a half hour classes. The classes are designed to teach caregivers how to care for themselves as they care for others. The training class is offered at no cost to any Brevard County resident.

Each class focuses on a different caregiver issue:

Class 1: The Experience of Caregiving – What is our commonality? Class 2: Important Decisions and Communication - How do we make and whom do we tell about our Advance Directives? Class 3: Community and Personal Relationships – Are we as alone as we think? Class 4: Care of Self with Care of Others – How can we do both? Class 5: Meaning, Purpose and Finality of Life – What needs to be done at life's end, and what does death look like? Class 6: Grief and Bereavement – What's normal, and how do we know?

The upcoming six class session of Caregiving in the Last Years begins on Aug. 3, 4-5:30 p.m. at Cocoa Beach Library located at 550 N. Brevard Ave., Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. Classes are Monday and Thursday Aug. 3, 6, 10, 13, 17 and 20. To register, call Barbara Borman at 269-4240 or e-mail her at [caregiving@hospiceofstfrancis.com](mailto:caregiving@hospiceofstfrancis.com).

### Go to fun camp

Registration for the BCC Kids 2009 Bone Diggers Camp, hosted at the Brevard Community College Titusville campus, is now open for students entering the fourth, fifth and sixth grades in the fall.

Students will spend July 13-14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., exploring a career in archaeology. Elementary school students can spend two days in a fun and very interactive archeology program where they will explore the skills needed for a career in archeology.

Classes will be held at the BCC Titusville campus, 1311 N. U.S. 1. Lunch and snacks will be provided. The cost is \$65 per child. Registration is required.

For more information or to register call Janice Weaver at (321) 433-7535 or e-mail her at [weaverj@brevardcc.edu](mailto:weaverj@brevardcc.edu). The registration form can be found at [www.brevardcc.edu/ice](http://www.brevardcc.edu/ice).

### Seniors honor vets

In honor of veterans, the North

Brevard Senior Center holds a red, white and blue ice cream social Aug. 22 at noon. Also enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres. The event includes a sundae bar, senior games, gift cards and more. Tickets are \$8. Get tickets at the reception desk by July 17 or call 268-9530.

### Get seats checked

Brevard County Agriculture and Extension Service and the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences offer child safety seat checks, as well as classes on traveling with children and drowning prevention, next month.

Parents and caregivers can bring their children and their children's safety seats to be checked for proper selection, installation and fit July 6 and 31 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Cocoa Extension office. There is no cost to attend; but an appointment should be scheduled at (321) 952-4536. Low-cost car seats are available.

"Kids and Cars: A Child Passenger Safety Primer" is July 28, 2-4 p.m. at the Cocoa Extension office. In this free class, participants will learn to properly select, install and use child safety seats; crash dynamics; and best practices for child seat and seat belt use for all family members. Registration is required. Low-cost car seats are available.

"Water, Water, Everywhere: Preventing Unintentional Drowning of Young Children" is July 6 from 6-7 p.m. at the Cocoa Extension Office. Participants will learn about types of pool barriers and alarms, Florida pool barrier laws, and ways to protect children around water. Registration is required, and the cost to attend is \$5.

Register at <http://brevard.ifas.ufl.edu> or (321) 633-1702.

### Actors needed

To prepare for Florida's upcoming 500th anniversary in 2013, a new living history group, La Compañía de Juan Ponce de León (The Company of Juan Ponce de León), is now forming. This group of historical re-enactors will present the 16th-century company of Don Juan Ponce de León, the founder of Florida, who led the first documented European expedition to what is now the continental United States in 1513 and established the first European colony in the continental

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U.S. in 1521.

The purpose of this group is to offer a historically accurate, research-based presentation of Florida's founding at the beginning of the 16th century.

It will be dedicated to fostering an understanding of the state's early history through public programs, events, demonstrations, portrayals, media relations, and publications. The group will also play an exciting, colorful role in Florida's 500th anniversary observances in 2013.

All genders, all races, all ages are welcome. Sailors, soldiers, and settlers are needed. Native American re-enactors, portraying Timucua, Ais, and Calusa, are especially welcome. No previous re-enacting experience is necessary.

For more information on La Compañía de Juan Ponce de León, contact [info@companyofponce-deleon.org](mailto:info@companyofponce-deleon.org) or call 877-FLA-HIST (877-352-4478)!

### Childbirth classes offered

Birth Resources of Brevard hold childbirth classes in Titusville July 7 – Aug. 7 from 6:30-9 p.m. at the Children's Center on U.S. 1. Cost is \$50 per family. For reservations and to find out more, call 252-4573.

### Fun camp features nature

The Brevard County Agriculture and Extension Service and the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences offer a Junior Naturalist Summer Camp for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders July 15-17, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Campers must pro-

vide their own lunch, snacks, and drinks.

The camp includes teambuilding exercises, seining, hiking, GPS activities and more. Pick up and drop off will be at the Cocoa Extension Office, 3695 Lake Drive, with transportation being provided to local environmental and outdoor venues throughout Brevard County.

The cost to attend is \$65, and registration is required. For more information, or to register, please call Vanessa Spero or Diana Doughty at the Cocoa Extension Office at 321-633-1702.

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## DEATH NOTICES

ALCEDO Caridad, 85, of Titusville, died June 22. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

BARRIERE Elizabeth, 66, of Titusville, died June 26. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

BOHLMANN-COSKEY Julia, 56, of Titusville, died June 20. Arrangements by Newcomer Funeral Home in Titusville.

CAUDELL Carl, Sr., 70, of Titusville, died June 26. Arrangements by North Brevard funeral Home in Titusville.

DePRIEST Jean, 73, of Titusville, died June 24. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

EDGAR Velma, 92, of Titusville, died June 25. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

FRIER Ethel Margaret, 82, of Titusville, died June 13. Arrangements by North Brevard

Funeral Home in Titusville.

GRAMM Erwin, 77, of Titusville, died June 23. Arrangements by Funeral Solutions in Cocoa.

HEALY Isabel, 82, of Titusville, died June 17. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

KURAK Beatrice, 73, of Titusville, died June 21. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

MOISE Roch, 84, of Titusville, died June 19. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

MYERS Walter Vernon, 92, of Titusville, died June 27. Arrangements by Beckman-Williamson Funeral Home in Rockledge.

NAIL Catherine, 80, of Titusville, died June 25. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

OWENS James, 67, of Titusville,

died June 22. Arrangements by Lewis-Ray Mortuary in Titusville.

SCHAMBERGER William, 62, of Titusville, died June 16. Arrangements by Atlantic Mortuary in Cocoa.

SIERRA Richard, 64, of Titusville, died June 27. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

SLIGER Howard, 78, of Titusville, died June 25. Arrangements by North Brevard Funeral Home in Titusville.

SMITH Marion Anna, 82, of Titusville, died June 26. Arrangements by Palm Bay Funeral Home.

WELLS Janice, 73, of Titusville, died June 17. Arrangements by Newcomer Funeral Home in Titusville.

WOMACK W.R. "Bill", 85, of Titusville, died June 20. Arrangements by Brevard Memorial Funeral Home in Cocoa.

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## PETITION FOR REINSTATEMENT

Douglas Wayne Baker, formerly of Titusville, Florida, currently of Temple Terrace, Florida, was suspended from the practice of law for a period of 91 days by Order of The Supreme Court of Florida dated May 21, 2008. Said suspension was served beginning June 12, 2008. Douglas Wayne Baker was suspended on a Contempt and Order to Show Cause Case for violation of Supreme Court Order dated April 6, 2006 wherein he failed to follow the terms of his probation.

Douglas Wayne Baker has filed a Petition for Reinstatement to the practice of law with The Supreme Court of Florida pursuant to Rule 3-7.10(b) of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar.

Anyone wishing to comment on Douglas Wayne Baker's Petition for Reinstatement is requested to contact Jodi A. Thompson, Bar Counsel, The Florida Bar, 4200 George J. Bean Pkwy., Suite 2580, Tampa, Florida 33607, telephone number 800/940-4759.

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**Date:** August 4 – 6, 2009

**Location:** University of Central Florida, Orlando

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While kids work on fundamentals, adults can hear from Parrish Human Motion Institute physician, Anthony J. Allotta, DO, Board certified Primary Care and Fellowship trained in Sports Medicine.

Camp is open to the public. Camp fees are \$199. For camp details, visit [www.DwightHowardCamp.com](http://www.DwightHowardCamp.com).

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