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Hello Reader,

Features

[Searching for Superheroes](#)



In the quest for a Republican presidential candidate, voters are expressing rather steep expectations that beg the question, do Americans truly understand the role (and limitations) of their leader? There's a lot of evidence that they do not, which may account for the impossibly high bar that's been set, as well as the somewhat thin field of contenders.

[Editorial: Water: The Hidden Tax on Phosphate Mining](#)



The recent Piney Point incident drew much-needed attention to the long-term consequences of mining phosphate in Florida. However, in addition to the vast environmental concerns of the sites themselves and the surrounding waterways, there is another very obvious and expensive consideration that must be examined in deciding whether it is a viable industry, and that is the intensive use of one of our most precious resources – ground water.

[Tax Notices are Here but What do They Really Tell Us?](#)



Reading a TRIM notice is no easy task and for most taxpayers, there's often anger about what they pay, along with confusion on where to direct it. 20 year County Commissioner and TBT publisher Joe McClash breaks down your tax bill, where the money goes and who decides how much you pay.

[Weekend Adventures in Bradenton: Patriot Day Weekend](#)



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Government

Local

[Manatee County Land Use Meeting Results, September 1, 2011](#)



The highly contested Shunn-Shion Chun/ Springfield Subdivision, attempting to build 26 residences on Lyntnor Rd. east of Royal Palm way, was continued to 10/06/2011, while the 45 acre North County Transportation Facility between Erie Road and 69th Street East, that was controversial between residents and Planning, fell in favor to residents when the application was gracefully withdrawn by Planning. The county will look for alternative locations.

[Tara Bridge Eminent Domain Issue Deferred by County Until 9/20](#)



Manatee County Government has announced that it has postponed consideration of an eminent domain taking related to the future construction of the proposed Tara Bridge until Sept. 20. The BOCC had been scheduled to consider a quick claim condemnation of a vacant property of 3.86 acres on the north side of Honore Avenue along the Braden River at tomorrow's meeting.

[Commissioners Resolve Differences by Changing Hats](#)



Email raises questions of what business should be done where. After the regular session, commissioners moved to convene and put on their Port Authority Commission hats. Manatee County Board of Commissioners and the Manatee County Port Authority are the same seven people, they just change hats to do different business. Sometimes the different jobs get caught up under the same roof. It's not easy keeping the county's best interest in different drawers, but when you have to, this is how you do it.

[Manatee County Commission Meeting Results, September 6, 2011](#)



The Manatee County Commission met for a scheduled meeting Tuesday in Commission Chambers at the county administrative building. Several items were pushed to a later date and several county employees were recognized for excellent performance.

[Manatee Board of County Commissioner Adopts Millage Rate of 6.2993](#)



The Manatee Board of County Commissioners unanimously adopted a millage rate of 6.2993 mills instead of the previously proposed 6.3703 mills at Wednesday night's budget hearing. The millage reduction is the result a compromise with the Sheriff's Department.

Law Enforcement

[MCSO Announces August Employees of the Month](#)

Don Brown and Deputy Jason Vitoritt have been named Employee of the Month and Deputy

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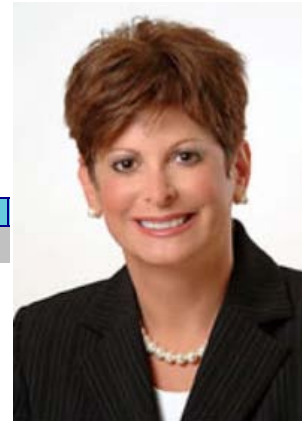
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Featured Business

[Ronald J. Hernden, CPA PA](#)

[The Open Mic](#)

Need to get something off your chest? Just want to express yourself on the issues facing our community? Let your inner editor loose in the Open Mic. Sound of and let everyone know whats on your mind!

[The Open Mic](#)



of the Month respectively, for August 2011. Both were honored as a result of excellent service that contributed to the department's success and citizen safety.

Bradenton Police Name September Officer of the Month



Officer Matthew Johnston has been named the Bradenton Police Department Officer of the Month for September 2011. Johnson was nominated by Lt. Tim Christensen for his persistence in determining the identities of a trio of burglars.

Fire Services

Liberty Mutual Selects Bradenton Fire Department as a Contender in the "Be Fire Smart" \$10,000 Grant Competition



As a demonstration of their commitment to fire safety and the firefighters who protect our communities, Liberty Mutual's Be Fire Smart Fire Safety Pledge program will be giving away ten \$10,000 grants to fire departments in communities across the U.S. Through the Be Fire Smart Pledge, community members can take an online fire safety quiz that can in turn help their local fire department win a \$10,000 grant.

Schools and Education

Walk Against Performance Enhancing Drugs on Saturday



There is a rising problem in sports... CHEATING! Athletes at all levels are making poor decisions to take performance-enhancing drugs (PED's) to gain an "edge". The United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) is working to correct this through education in our young students across the country.

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Business and Financial

Baird's Market Strategy, Week of 9/5/11



The equity markets enjoyed the second best week of the year supported technically by an oversold condition and renewed confidence in the financial sector. The headwind for stocks continues to be the economy which has resulted in downward adjustments to forecasts for productivity and corporate earnings.

C Products Defense Inc. Plans 100 Jobs with Move to Manatee County from Connecticut



C Products Defense Inc. has moved its manufacturing operation and distribution arm from Connecticut to Manatee County where the company plans to add 100 employees in the next five years, according to Sharon Hillstrom, interim executive director of the Manatee Economic Development Council (EDC). C Products Defense (CPD) uses robotic welding units to manufacture ammunition magazines for law enforcement, military and U.S. rifle manufacturers.

Community

Manatee Water Customers Eligible for \$100 Rebate Under Toilet Replacement Program



The Southwest Florida Water Management District and Manatee County are again offering Manatee County residents a financial incentive to save water by replacing high-volume toilets with low volume models. Manatee County water customers can apply for a rebate of up to \$100 per replaced toilet for every high-volume toilet that is replaced with a low-volume model. There is a limit of two toilets per dwelling unit – residential, commercial or industrial.

Stress in Your Life Puts Stress on Your Heart



Laughter and a positive outlook really may be the best medicine - at least when it comes to heart disease. Recent studies by Duke University have shown that a positive attitude can decrease the likelihood of death by 30 percent over a 15-year period in those diagnosed with heart disease. And not only does optimism offer an increased lifespan in those with heart conditions, it also increases quality of life and overall health.

Manatee County to Co-sponsor Sept. 13 Wellness Expo



Manatee County Government will team with the School District of Manatee County and Woodland—The Community Church to sponsor the third annual Wellness Expo. The Expo will be held at the church, 9607 State Road 70 East, on Tuesday, Sept. 13 from 6 to 9 p.m. Health and wellness vendors and Manatee County healthcare providers will provide health screenings and tips at more than 100 informational booths this year.

Movers

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Last Week's Poll Results
(as of 9/7/2011)

Is the mainstream media guilty of ignoring Ron Paul?

Choice	%
Yes	82
No	17

New Poll:

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Manatee County Commissioner Initiates Business Growth Strategy Starting with a District 4 Business Expo

- Saddle Creek Names New President of Transportation
- Sarasota Boot Camp Comes to G.T.Bray Park
- Dirk Meyer Named Associate Conductor
- New Museum Exhibits debut at Manatee Village Historical Park

Arts and Entertainment

Cyber Relationships: Real, Fantasy, or Just WAY OUT?



After an exhausting day, all you want to do is put your feet up and spend time with the person you care about the most ... and then your spouse walks into the room. Upon their arrival, you close your computer hoping you don't appear too startled to raise suspicion. Sharing intimate details of your life on Facebook with someone else probably wouldn't go over so well with your significant other. Your relief is temporary, because this will likely become a reoccurring theme when you continue to "network" with that special person.

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Recreation

FWS Hosts National Public Lands Day Events at Refuges Nationwide



On September 24, Americans across the country will participate in National Public Lands Day, the nation's largest, single-day volunteer event for public lands. The event calls people of all ages to connect to America's great outdoors and care for the country's public lands. This year's National Public Lands Day supports the efforts of Let's Move Outside, a program of First Lady Michelle Obama's Let's Move! campaign. The volunteer experience allows children to explore and enjoy the outdoors while benefitting the community.

Fishing

Captain Favorite's Fishing Forum Sept. 5, 2011



Our forum has everything you need to know for fishing this week. The Bradenton Times will now feature a catch of the week, fishing regulation updates, a fishing report from a local charter captain and weather forecast. This forum is unique because it allows for the reader to send in questions, pictures and comments. Its purpose is to promote interaction between average anglers and the fishing experts.

Captain Favorite's Weekend Fishing Forecast Sept. 9, 2011



Your fishing forecast features, coastal temperatures, sea conditions, tides and peak fishing hours. However, the best part of this fun feature is that you can customize your own forecast by following the links. So utilize The Bradenton Times to get you where you need to go and help you catch that big one.

Sports

Marauders Drop Playoff Opener



The Bradenton Marauders, Class A-Advanced affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates, dropped the opener of the Florida State League playoffs 4-2 to the St. Lucie Mets at McKechnie Field. Up 2-0 in the sixth, the Marauders let the lead slip, allowing runs in each the sixth and seventh innings to tie the score at two.

Grossman, Holt Named to Arizona Fall League Rosters



The Pittsburgh Pirates have announced Marauders outfielder Robbie Grossman and Altoona Curve shortstop Brock Holt as two selections for the Arizona Fall League this offseason. The AFL is a prestigious off-season instructional league for the top prospects in baseball.

Marauders Double Attendance Figures in Second Season



In just their second season or existence, the Bradenton Marauders, Class A-Advanced affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates, drew a total regular season attendance of 103,978 fans in 2011. The number doubles the inaugural season attendance of 51,856.

Upcoming Events

There are hundreds of things going on in Bradenton and Manatee County every week. Our Events Calendar is the most comprehensive in the area. Take a look and find something going on that is just right for you!

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Jerry Roth won a \$10 gift certificate for [Ocean Harvest Market and Grill](#) with this nice redfish.

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View the [Full Calendar](#)

Other Notable Events:

September 8, 2011

- [North River Democratic Club](#)
- [Manatee Tiger Bay Club, Inc. - Monthly Meeting](#) Time: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
- [Divorce Care Seminar and Support Group](#) Time: 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

September 9, 2011

- [The South Florida Museum Film Fridays](#) Time: 5:00 pm
- [High School Football - Bayshore @ Port Charlotte](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Braden River @ North Port](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Lakewood Ranch Vs Southeast](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Manatee Vs Riverview](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Palmetto @ Sarasota](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Southeast @ Lakewood Ranch](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am

September 10, 2011

- [14th Street West CRA Neighborhood Market Day](#) Time: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
- [Walk Against Performance Enhancing Drugs](#) Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- [South Manatee Library Special Events](#) Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
- [Keeping Kids Safe Project - Fingerprint, Photograph, and Child Safety Fair](#) Time: 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

September 11, 2011

- [9/11 Prayer and Memorial Service](#) Time: 8:30 am - 10:00 am
- [9/11 Remembrance Ride](#) Time: 12:00 pm
- [Tampa Bay Buccaneers Vs Detroit Lions](#) Time: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

September 12, 2011

- [How to Start and Manage Your Business](#)
- [League of Women Voters Hot Topic: "Poverty in Manatee County"](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
- [Rotary Club Business Luncheon](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

September 13, 2011

- [Friends of the Braden River Branch Library Book Discussion Group](#)
- [S.W.A.T. Networking - Successful Women Aligning Together](#) Time: 11:45 am - 1:00 pm
- [Tea Party Manatee - Weekly General Meeting](#) Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

September 14, 2011

- [Fall Storytime at Braden River Branch Library](#) Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
- [Palmetto Branch Library Storytime](#) Time: 10:00 am
- [Manatee County Health Department - Teen Health Clinic](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Proudly supports the following local businesses and urges you to seek out a local business whenever you can.

- [Anthony's Cooling - Heating - Electrical](#)
- [Bill's Discount Center](#)
- [Bradenton Dance Center](#)
- [Concrete on Call](#)
- [Coral Way Properties](#)
- [Cruz Photography](#)
- [Corky's Bait & Tackle](#)
- [Demetrios Pizza House](#)
- [Eat Here](#)
- [Early Learning Coalition](#)
- [Evan Guido Financial Advisor](#)
- [Henry Raines Show](#)
- [Heintz & Becker](#)
- [Hurricane Computers](#)
- [Juci Sun](#)
- [Kern Construction, Inc.](#)
- [Manatee Rural Health](#)
- [Nails Tech](#)
- [Planet Beach](#)
- [Riverhouse Reef & Grill](#)
- [Red Barn Flea Market](#)
- [Saturn 5 Family Entertainment Center](#)
- [StaffMarket Services](#)
- [USA Fence](#)
- [USA Dumpsters](#)
- [Wake up Beautiful/Signature Salon](#)



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