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Hello Reader,

Features

[Jobs Bill Takes a Pragmatic Approach that is Deeply Flawed](#)



I've had enough time to go through the President's proposed American Jobs Act. Many people have already asked me what I think, and let me be clear: I feel it's doomed, fatally flawed in a way that should it pass, could never create the sort of impact that would either satisfy the American people or justify the expenditures. Clearly, a big reason it's been proposed in this fashion is so that it might have the best chance at passing. But in this case, we need to get it right, or do nothing at all.

[Friday Night Lights: Don Bosco Prep @ Manatee](#)



To say that the event at Hawkins Stadium Friday night is huge, would be a monumental understatement. When our Manatee Hurricanes play host to the consensus number-one high school football program in the nation, Don Bosco Prep, they will have an opportunity to make history. In the rare role of underdog, coach Joe Kinnan and this year's 'Canes will shoot to knock off one of the most successful teams in all of high school football over the past decade.

[Big Box vs Mom and Pop - No Contest](#)



When it comes to returning revenue to communities, square feet of retail space generating annual sales, tax based initiatives, environmental impacts, fair wages, property taxes (for better schools) and customer satisfaction, in every case Mom and Pops eat Big Boxes' lunch. MidTown Manatee is raising awareness of that fact, so that local customers will hopefully take their business to such local owners.

[Weekend Adventures in Bradenton, Sept. 15-18, 2011](#)



It's football season and this weekend brings one of the biggest gridiron events in local history, while tonight marks the return of *Get Down Downtown*. Still not enough action? Get over to the PAC and try a Zumba class wiseguy – it's time for a Weekend Adventure in Bradenton!

Primary Watch

[GOP Primary: Why not Romney?](#)



Despite campaigning for president since around 2006, having tremendous access to campaign cash, and being a perfect orator of articulate conservative talking points, Mitt Romney has failed to resonate with the Republican elite. When a product is packaged so well, but still sits on the shelf, it's only natural to wonder why.

[GOP Primary: Huntsman Fails to Grab Spotlight Despite Clear Message](#)



Jon Huntsman certainly seemed like the most intelligent man on the stage at last Wednesday's Reagan Center debate, yet there didn't seem to be any sort of major reaction that indicated he was beginning to resonate with Republican voters. Huntsman consistently pointed out that his record of tax cuts, job creation and creating a strong environment for business development trumped fellow governors Rick Perry and Mitt Romney. Still, all of the post-debate focus surrounded the other former governors, with even the usually ignored Ron Paul getting more attention than Huntsman.

[GOP Primary: Can Revolution PAC Level Playing Field for Ron Paul?](#)

Despite the mainstream media doing its best to look the other way whenever Ron Paul starts talking, the feisty doctor keeps clawing his way back into the race. In the week since the last GOP debate, Paul has climbed in the polls and is beginning to demand notice as a serious



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contender for the Republican nomination. Aided by a well-organized PAC that just created an ad skewering Romney and Perry, which they intend to run in key primary states, it seems possible that Paul is forging a strong run at the top – with or without the support of the MSM.

[GOP Primary: Will the Real Rick Perry Please Stand Up](#)



When I first saw Rick Perry on a national news program in 2010, I was very impressed with the amount of presence he conveyed. It was shortly before candidates started forming their exploratory committees and announcing that they were running (or officially considering running) for the GOP nomination. At first glance, Perry struck me as the strongest candidate, at least in his ability to communicate a clear, conservative message in a way that seemed likely to resonate with Republican voters. Now in the race, he seems like anything but the savior of the GOP ticket and as his past begins to catch up with him voters are asking a reasonable question: who is Rick Perry?



Government

Local

[Manatee BOCC "Wetland" Work Session Sinks](#)



The Manatee County Board of Commissioners battled with the "Wetland" definition at Tuesday's work session. Building and Development Services Director John Barnott laid out what he called their "Professional Recommendation." From the get-go, it was obvious they weren't happy that they were requested to return before the BOCC for a workshop on what their team had thought to be a done-deal.

[Manatee County Commission Endorses Organizational 'Culture of Health'](#)



Manatee County Commissioners unanimously adopted a resolution formally endorsing Manatee County Government's "Culture of Health." Employee Health Benefits Manager Kim Stroud told the Board Tuesday morning that Manatee County fits into a group of "forward thinking agencies" that have created healthy programs to promote physical activity, healthy nutrition, tobacco cessation and stress management in order to promote a culture of health.

[County Accepting Apps for Dori Slosberg Driver Education Safety Trust Fund](#)



Manatee County Community Services Department is accepting applications for about \$130,000 in financial assistance to enhance driver education programs provided by public and private schools. The Manatee County Driver Education Safety Trust Fund is made possible through the Dori Slosberg Driver Education Safety Act, named for Dori Slosberg, who was killed in a 1996 car accident in which another teenager was driving.

[Manatee County Accepting Applications for Planning Commission](#)



Manatee County has one opening for a four-year term on the Planning Commission, a citizens advisory committee that makes recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners on land use items. The four-year term begins Oct. 14, 2011. Planning Commissioners are given a \$60 stipend per meeting. The Planning Commission is composed of seven members who are appointed by the County Commission.

[Manatee County BOCC Work Session Results](#)



The Manatee County Commission convened for a scheduled work session yesterday afternoon in the commission chambers. The session was dominated by a debate over wetland mitigation that has been brewing for some time as the county moves forward on a plan that would allow developers to simply pay for destroying wetlands in development.

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Last Week's Poll Results
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Do you think FL is better or worse since the 2010 elections?

Choice	%
Better	18%
Worse	67%
About the same	14%

New Poll:

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Will Manatee High Upset No.1 Don Bosco Prep

Let us know what you think!

State

[League of Women Voters Steps in on New Elections Law](#)



The League of Women Voters have filed a motion to intervene in the State of Florida's lawsuit against the Department of Justice over the state's new elections law. Last month, the legislature withdrew the four most controversial sections of the law under DOJ review. A federal court must now decide whether or not to "pre-clear" the law under the National Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Schools and Education

[School Board to Outsource Two High-Paying Positions and One P/T Position](#)



The School District has been actively moving to outsource services in order to save in the cost of benefits area. Members of the board approved, 3-2 with Julie Aranibar and Robert Gause dissenting, to outsource two prominent positions. Robert Dorn Consultants will now employ the early childhood education coordinator and the assistant director of human resources, as well as the part-time position of substitute school registrar.

[Manatee County School Board Regular Meeting Results Sept. 12, 2011](#)



The Manatee County School Board approved (3-2 with Julie Aranibar and Robert Gause dissenting) to outsource three positions to Robert Dorn Consultants. *Just for Girls* will open an all-female charter school next year. The Lakewood Ranch Mustangs were recognized for ranking number one in the state's Florida High School Athletic Association and 11 county schools received the Five-Star School Award at Monday night's school board meeting.

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Business and Financial

[Baird's Market Strategy, Week of 9/12/11](#)



The high volatility in the equity markets the past two months is due to the abrupt weakness in the U.S. economy and the risks associated with the debt crisis in Europe. The situation in the Eurozone is particularly ominous due to the fact that the banks in Germany and France own much of the sovereign debt that is in jeopardy of default..

[Manatee Glens Chief Wins State's Administrator of the Year Award](#)



Patti Greenough, FADAA President, presented Manatee Glens CEO Mary Ruiz with the FADAA 2011 Administrator of the Year Award named in memory of Dr. Donald " Jerry" Feulner in Orlando at the August 25, 2011 statewide awards luncheon with more than 900 addictions and mental health professionals in attendance.

[Manatee Glens Director Named FADAA Professional of the Year](#)



The Florida Alcohol and Drug Abuse Association presented Catherine Wilson with its 2011 Professional of the Year Award for her work in the field of alcohol and drug abuse treatment and prevention services. Presenting the award on August 25 at the annual FADAA conference in Orlando, Patti Greenough, President of FADAA thanked Catherine for her dedication and professionalism in service to clients and community.

[UK-based Global Components Selects Manatee County for U.S. Manufacturing Hub](#)



The Manatee Board of County Commissioners approved \$60,000 in performance-based incentives for the company, matching a \$240,000 commitment from Florida's Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund and Enterprise Zone incentive programs to lure Global Components Inc. to Manatee County. The company, a division of U.K.-based plastic component manufacturer TCB-Arrow, plans to create 50 jobs over three years.

Community

[Community News - Manatee Movers and Shakers, 9/15/2011](#)



- Teen Room at Bradenton Boys & Girls Club Dedicated to Senator Mike and Dee Bennett
- Help send Bradenton's SWAT Team to the annual competition in Orlando
- Retired Senior Volunteers Recognized by County Commission for Their Contributions to the Community
- Faye Butler earns Women's Council of REALTORS State Award
- Tandem Construction Hires Jodi Crabtree as Project Engineer / Estimator
- Bonnie Hitt, CPA/CFP, Receives CCIFP Credential

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Health

[Shining a Light on Prostate Cancer](#)

TBT Special Feature

With so much attention given to breast cancer and other diseases affecting women, prostate cancer is not always given the attention it deserves. However, September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month and a local group of physicians from WellSpring Oncology is shining a spotlight on this all too unspoken disease by inviting the community to join the fight.

Environment

[Clean Water Network Weighing Suit Against EPA for Approval of FL Water Rules](#)



In light of the EPA's approving Florida's request to make changes to designated use categories for state waters, lawyers at the Clean Water Network of Florida are investigating the possibility of suing the EPA. The new regulations would broaden the ability to pollute certain waters, while removing a clear path for legal objections.

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Fishing

[Captain Favorite's Fishing Forum Sept. 12, 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. 14, 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.

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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View the [Full Calendar](#)

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

Other Notable Events:

September 15, 2011

- [Manatee Memorial Hospital and The Mark Wandall Foundation Car Seat Check Up](#) Time: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- [Manatee County Retired Educators Association](#) Time: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
- [9th Annual Gulf Coast Builders Exchange \(GCBX\) Networking Fundraiser](#) Time: 5:30 pm

September 16, 2011

- [Reels at Rossi Park](#) Time: Sunset
- [Lakewood Ranch Republican Club](#) Time: 12:00 pm
- [The South Florida Museum Film Fridays](#) Time: 5:00 pm
- [High School Football - Manatee Vs Don Bosco Prep](#) Time: 6:00 pm - 12:00 am
- [The Manatee Memorial Hospital Suncoast Challenge](#) Time: 6:00 pm
- [High School Football - Bayshore Vs Lakewood Ranch](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Braden River Vs Palmetto](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Lakewood Ranch @ Bayshore](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Palmetto @ Braden River](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Southeast @ Booker](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am

September 17, 2011

- [League of Women Voters of Manatee County - Beach Candidate Forum](#) Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- [Manatee County District 4 Business Expo](#) Time: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
- [Highwaymen Artist Robert L. Lewis Calendar Signing & Demo](#) Time: 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

September 18, 2011

- [The Manatee-Sarasota Sierra Club - Little Manatee River Kayak](#) Time: 9:30 am
- [Tampa Bay Buccaneers @ Minnesota Vikings](#) Time: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

September 19, 2011

- [Republican Club of Manatee County](#) Time: 12:00 am
- [Anna Maria Island Democratic Club](#) Time: 12:00 pm

September 20, 2011

- [KIWANIS CLUB OF BRADENTON](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
- [FDOT Public Workshops to Discuss Premium Transit Study](#) Time: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- [Federation of Manatee County Community Associations, Inc. - Regular Meeting](#) Time: 6:45 pm - 8:45 pm
- [Magic of Manatee Sweet Adelines](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm

September 21, 2011

- [Fall Storytime at Braden River Branch Library](#) Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

- [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](#)
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- [Early Learning Coalition](#)
- [Evan Guido Financial Advisor](#)
- [Henry Raines Show](#)
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- [Hurricane Computers](#)
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- [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](#)

- [Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium - Home School Day "Conserving Our Coasts"](#) Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
- [The City of Bradenton Update of Urban Forestry Master Plan](#) Time: 2:00 pm - 12:00 am
- [FDOT Public Workshops to Discuss Premium Transit Study](#) Time: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- [Friends of the Central Library Fall Book Sale](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm



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