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Hello Reader,

Features

[President Obama Hanging His Hat on the Economy](#)



The Economy is seen by most Americans as the most important political issue. But it's also the one least likely to see meaningful change before next November. With polls showing the president losing independents, he's doing little to ignite his base; many of whom say he's failed to deliver on nearly every other core issue. Absent an economic miracle, is there a path for re-election in 2012?

[Is Governor Scott Lying to Himself...](#)



Florida Governor Rick Scott is being sued again... and again... and again. The jobs, jobs, jobs he speaks of might be for his legal council. Florida's largest fiscal savings to date could possibly come from firing them, considering the expenses defending a *persona non Grata* Governor with a 29 percent approval rate might add up to. How much more can we afford to lose?

[High School Football Game of the Week: Sarasota @ Southeast](#)



7A Sarasota will be an underdog when they come into John Kiker Memorial Stadium to face 5A Southeast High. Though the Seminoles put four players into Division I programs last season, they are again stacked at skill positions. Undefeated at 3-0, they've outscored opponents 96-38 so far this season. Looking to go into the big game with Manatee next week undefeated, the 'Noles are sure to bring their A-game for TBT's High School Game of the Week.

[U.S. to Build \\$100 Million Afghan Prison](#)



The federal government is soliciting bids to construct a giant new prison in Bagram, Afghanistan that will hold up to 2,000 inmates. The government also recently announced plans to expand the Baghdad Embassy in Iraq. Already roughly the size of Vatican City, its original cost was nearly \$800 million.

[Weekend Adventures in Bradenton, Sept. 23-25, 2011](#)



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Government

Local

[Land for Tara Bridge Over the Braden River is a Go](#)



The Eminent Domaine struggle to build a bridge over the Braden River is left with two options. Pay the amount stated by the owner, or let the courts decide on the price. The asking price is \$1.07 million for the 3.86 acres and \$500,000. for the adjoining 22.5 acres. If it goes to the courts, the 22.5 acres gets dropped from the deal.

[City Promotes Big Expectations for Riverwalk at Groundbreaking](#)



City officials lauded the \$6.2 million Riverwalk project as a revitalization that would redefine an entire city as the project broke ground on Monday. The enhancements, which will include rowing, an amphitheater, a skate park, boat docks and launches, as well as sand volleyball courts and picnic areas are expected to be completed within a year.

[44th Avenue Progress Report: If the Road Fits, Build It](#)



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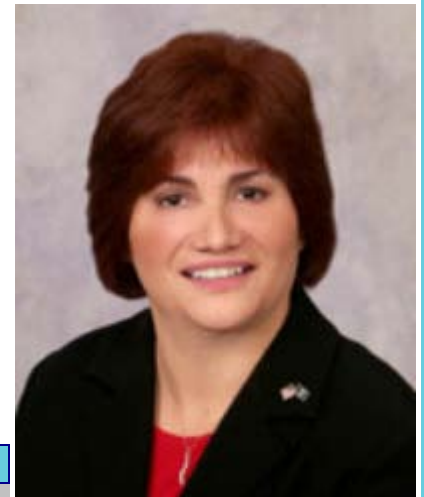
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The Community Notices

[Blake Medical Center
Welcomes New Chief
Nursing Officer, Ruth
DePalantino](#)



Featured Business

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

[The Open Mic](#)

Need to get something off
your chest? Just want to

Manatee

The stretch of road on 44th avenue, between 30th Street East and 45th Street East, will be the subject of yet another round by county staff to come up with a plan that pleases everyone. Not an easy job when the highway goes through the center of a neighborhood that has only been separated by a right of way for the last 10 years. But finally, it looks like it is getting close.

[Manatee County Commission Approves Final Tentative Budget of \\$462 million](#)



Members of the Manatee County Commission unanimously approved the final tentative millage rate of 6.2993 mills instead of the previously proposed 6.3703 mills at Thursday night's budget hearing. The approved levies are lower than what was advertised on resident TRIM notices that were delivered to households countywide – a difference of \$2 million or 0.071 mills.

[Manatee County Commission Results, Sept. 20, 2011](#)



The Manatee County Commission convened for a regularly scheduled meeting in the BOCC chambers of the county administration building on Tuesday. The 44th Ave. extension and Tara Bridge issues were among the items dealt with.

National

[Liberal Icons Reveal Plan to Challenge Obama in Democratic Primary](#)



Among the progressive-liberal base that makes up a good portion of the Democratic Party, there are few names bigger than Ralph Nader and Dr. Cornel West. Dissatisfied with President Barack Obama's corporatist policies, the two activists are attempting to recruit viable primary challengers to oppose him in 2012.

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Business and Financial

[Baird's Market Strategy, Week of 9/19/2011](#)



The focus of attention this week will be on the potential for new Federal Reserve strategies resulting from the FOMC meeting on September 20 & 21. The equity markets rallied sharply last week due to expectations that Ben Bernanke would initiate a third round of quantitative easing (QE3). In the two previous examples (QE1 and QE2) the equity markets soared following news of aggressive Fed easing.

[In Tough Economy, CareerEdge Charts 159 New Jobs/84 Worker Raises](#)



Amid lingering double-digit unemployment and the recurring threat of a double-dip recession, there is a bright spot in the Sarasota-Manatee region. CareerEdge, a nonprofit workforce-development initiative, is helping local employers create and fill real jobs with skilled workers. It is helping incumbent workers in the healthcare sector gain new skills, and the pay raises that come with them. And it is helping the unemployed secure jobs at growing manufacturing businesses like PGT Industries.

Community

[SHIP Funds Available for Housing Rehab, Down Payments](#)



Money is available to help residents buy a home or fix up their existing one. The City of Bradenton Housing & Community Development Division received \$71,358 in State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funding from the Florida Housing Finance Corp. for the 2011-12 program year.

[Local Woman to Lobby Congress at Cancer Summit](#)



Manatee County resident to represent Congressional District 13 at the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network Leadership Summit and Lobby Day September 25 -28. Cancer survivor, American Cancer Society volunteer and Holmes Beach resident, Nancy Ambrose, will be the voice of cancer patients and their families when meeting with Florida's members of Congress.

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Last Week's Poll Results

(as of 9/21/2011)

Will Manatee High Upset No.1 Don Bosco Prep

Choice	%
Yes	31%
No	68%

New Poll:

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[Photo Gallery: Children's Summit](#)



Palmetto Mayor Shirley Groover Bryant once again declared Children's Summit Day this year, encouraging all Manatee County citizens to come out to the Manatee County Convention and Civic Center to exchange information on services available for Manatee County children, as well as sharing ways to better serve abused, neglected, abandoned, at risk and economically disadvantaged children in our area. The event was once again a huge success and fun for all – especially the kids, who enjoyed facepainting, a rock wall, balloon sculpture and more.

[Manatee County Seeks Court Watch Participants](#)

Manatee

Want to make a difference in the local courts system? Manatee County is now recruiting members for the Court Watch Program which gives residents the chance to have a greater role in the criminal justice process in cases involving repeat criminal offenders negatively impacting local neighborhoods.

[FEMA Recognizes Manatee County for Becoming Class 5 Community](#)

Manatee

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has categorized Manatee County as a Class 5 community -- a one-grade improvement from the Class 6 Manatee County achieved in 2004. The new rating resulted in nearly 12,000 flood insurance policy holders inside high risk 100-year floodplain areas seeing premium savings increase from \$174 per year to \$218 per year.

[Community News - Manatee Movers and Shakers, 9/22/2011](#)



- Blake Medical Center has appointed Ruth DePalantino to be its new chief nursing officer.
- Local Financial Professional Gleans Industry Insight and Knowledge at Conference
- Manatee County accepting applications for two Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Advisory Boards
- Barry Grooms Earns Prestigious Designation To Assist Real Estate Investors
- Children's Guardian Fund Appoints Tonya Schrott As Development Coordinator

- The Players Theatre Promotes Office Manager
- Suncoast Communities Blood Bank Announces Appointment

Environment

[Help Keep Ware's Creek Clean](#)



The Historic Ware's Creek Neighborhood Association is seeking volunteers to help clean Ware's Creek as part of state-wide efforts by Florida Coastal Cleanup and The Ocean Conservancy to keep local communities looking beautiful.

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Fishing

[Captain Favorite's Fishing Forum Sept. 19, 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. 22, 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.

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Other Notable Events:

September 22, 2011

- [Friends of the Central Library Fall Book Sale](#) Time: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
- [Area Agency on Aging Public Hearing](#) Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- [Renaissance on 9th presents "Girls Night Out"](#) Time: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- [Making Strides Against Breast Cancer - An Evening of Entertainment](#) Time: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

September 23, 2011

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

September 24, 2011

- [Manatee Glens - Walk for Life](#) Time: 7:30 am - 11:00 am

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[Bradenton Dance Center](#)

[Concrete on Call](#)
[Coral Way Properties](#)

[Cruz Photography](#)
[Corky's Bait & Tackle](#)

[Demetrios Pizza House](#)

[Eat Here](#)
[Early Learning Coalition](#)

- [Sarasota Bay Estuary Program - National Estuaries Day Program](#) Time: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
- [Tall Tails Tribe: Deep In The Swamp](#) Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
- ["Music on the Porch" at Florida Maritime Museum](#) Time: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

September 25, 2011

- [Bradenton Movies](#)
- [Tampa Bay Buccaneers Vs Atlanta Falcons](#) Time: 4:15 pm - 7:15 pm

September 26, 2011

- [Sarasota/Manatee Black Caucus](#) Time: 5:00 pm
- [Manatee County School Board Meeting](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 12:00 am

September 27, 2011

- [KIWANIS CLUB OF BRADENTON](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00
- [Open House to discuss County Commission lines](#) Time: 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
- [GUTI Free Fall Fashion Show](#) Time: 6:30 pm

September 28, 2011

- [Fall Storytime at Braden River Branch Library](#) Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
- [Manatee County Health Department - Teen Health Clinic](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- [The City of Bradenton Update of Urban Forestry Master Plan copy](#) Time: 6:00 pm - 12:00 am
- [Bradenton City Council](#) Time: 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

[Evan Guido Financial Advisor](#)
[Henry Raines Show](#)
[Heintz & Becker](#)
[Hurricane Computers](#)
[Juci Sun](#)
[Kern Construction, Inc.](#)
[Manatee Rural Health](#)
[Nails Tech](#)
[Planet Beach](#)
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