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Hello Reader,

Features

[Will the U.S. Banking System Ever Work Again?](#)



After the \$700 billion TARP bailout and about \$10 trillion in various guarantees, infusions, insurance, and government purchased "troubled assets," the banks were able to recover to a certain degree in terms of stock price and profits. But lending is still down and there is risk of another implosion as it becomes clear that banks are still realizing losses on bad debt. Even experts are wondering, will the American banking industry ever *truly* recover?

[High School Football Game of the Week: Southeast at Manatee](#)



It's here! The biggest local game of every football season is this Friday Night: the Southeast Seminoles vs. the Manatee Hurricanes at Hawkins Stadium. The 'Noles are undefeated and looking to avenge last season's controversial loss, while the 'Canes are eager to pile up some W's after too heartbreaking losses to national powerhouses.



[Florida Playing Chicken with RNC – Set to Move Primary to Jan. 31](#)



In what could be just the first shot fired in what becomes a nationwide war over influence, state leaders say they expect Florida to choose January 31, for the state's presidential primary. Such a move would force a host of other states to leapfrog ahead of the Sunshine State, in order to protect their privileged spots ahead of the pack, while also inviting the wrath of the Republican National Committee.

[Manatee County School Board Ponders Redistricting Perimeters](#)



At Monday night's meeting, board member Karen Carpenter requested that an agenda item be added to address school board redistricting lines, which is an upcoming issue that will need to be addressed. The Fair Districts Amendment makes the redrawing even more potentially complicated.

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Government

Local


[Residents Offer Input on Proposed Districting Maps](#)



A few concerned citizens attended the informational open house Tuesday night at the Manatee County administration building. Many provided input regarding Manatee County district boundaries before the Manatee Board of County Commissioners votes on the districts this fall. IT Geographic Information Systems staff drew up three options for each district; the maps are based on census data.

[BOCC Shops Bus Benches & Shelters. Looks at Sign Ordinances](#)

What do we want our public transportation to look like, or at least the place that we wait when taking a bus. Commissioners struggle to keep these amenities new,



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[Red Cross Chief Nurse Visits Florida](#)



Dr. Sharon Stanley, PhD, RN

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 what's on your mind!

[The Open Mic](#)



clean, safe and beautiful. One thing is clear, they are taking it seriously and they don't want to sell the passengers short when they have to wait.

[Manatee County Accepting Applications for Special Magistrate & Code Enforcement Board](#)



Manatee County Government is now accepting applicants for vacancies on the Special Magistrate and the Code Enforcement Board which hold the authority to hear and decide alleged violations of Manatee's Land Development Code. All Manatee County residents may apply for any of the volunteer positions. The Special Magistrate is generally comprised of two people with a legal background and/or law experience.

[Palmetto City Commission Meeting Agenda Results, 9/26/2011](#)



The City of Palmetto set a new millage rate, approved their 2012 budget and said goodbye to their fellow commissioner, Mary Lancaster, who is retiring after 14 years of dedicated service to the city at Monday night's commission meeting.

[Manatee County Commission Proposed District Maps](#)



The redistricting process is an essential ingredient to representative democracy. Every 10 years, after the census, districts for federal, state and local offices are redrawn to ensure equal representation. This year, because of the Fair Districts Amendment, the process will be reinvented to some degree. Maps of the proposed districts are available for citizens to see and give feedback on.

[Manatee County Accepting Applications for Two CRA Advisory Boards](#)



The county has openings for two Community Redevelopment Area advisory committees that make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners. The advisory boards consist of between five and 15 volunteer members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. Members serve three-year terms. There are a number of vacancies on each board.

[Tampa Bay Business Journal Names Manatee County Government Healthiest Employer in the Region](#)



The Tampa Bay Business Journal has named Manatee County Government the healthiest employer in the region. The Manatee YourChoice health plan was named tops in the region from among hundreds of employers from seven counties during the Journal's 2011 Healthiest Employer awards Thursday. The Journal works with HealthiestEmployers.com, an Indianapolis-based research firm focused on corporate wellness

Schools and Education

[Teachers' Wishes for Literary Program Granted by Verizon](#)



On Wednesday, August 17, 2011, the Verizon Foundation awarded \$18,000 to the Manatee Education Foundation to fund Ca\$h for Cla\$\$room Grants for School District of Manatee County teachers. The grants, funded by Verizon, are literacy grants and were presented to teachers at the Manatee Education Foundation's inaugural "Ready for School Rally."

[Being an American Essay Contest Open to Local Students](#)



U.S. high school students and their teachers are invited to participate in the Bill of Rights Institute's sixth annual Being an American Essay Contest. The largest contest of its kind in the country, the Being an American Essay Contest explores the Founding principles outlined in the Constitution. The contest is administered by the Bill of Rights Institute, a non-profit educational organization in the Washington, D.C. area devoted to educating young people about the Constitution and Founding principles. The 2011-2012 contest is sponsored by the History Channel.

[Manatee County School Board Regular Meeting Results Sept. 26, 2011](#)

The School Board recognized this year's history fair winners. Several public comments addressed the redistricting boundaries; members of the school board plan to have an upcoming workshop on the issues. Members set October 24, 2011 as the public hearing to



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(as of 9/28/2011)

Do you think Congress should pass the Jobs Bill?

Choice	%
Yes	49%
No	51%

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Who will win this week's big game?

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consider a proposed amendment to offer the school breakfast program at no charge to any student attending schools where over 80 percent of their students are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Several students and teachers were recognized for their outstanding achievements.

Local News

[Palmetto Commissioner Mary Lancaster Says Goodbye](#)



Long time City of Palmetto Commissioner Mary Lancaster retires after 14 years of dedicated service. Hugs and love filled up the room as all said goodbye. Mayor Shirley Grover-Bryant said she was still going to keep Mary close for all of the hard decisions, because she was just used to having her around.

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Business and Financial

[EDC Launches Sports Performance Video to Lure Jobs to Manatee County](#)



The Manatee Economic Development Council (EDC) recently unveiled a five-minute, sports performance video the organization will use in its recruitment missions and meetings nationally and around the globe. The video is now available for public viewing online at their website.

[Tiger III Grant Could Accelerate Port Manatee's Growth](#)



The "Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery" grants, also known as "TIGER" provide a unique opportunity for the U.S. Department of Transportation to invest in road, transit and port projects that promise to achieve critical national objectives. And that is just what they will achieve in Port Manatee.

Community

[Water Service May be Affected for Part of Bradenton](#)



The City of Bradenton will be conducting a water main valve exercising program for about a month in conjunction with the state's construction project on State Road 64, and water quality and pressure could be affected. The exercising program will run from 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. on weekdays from September 23 until the end of October. The area that could be affected is along S.R. 64 between 14th-15th streets west and between 3rd-6th Avenues

West.

[Community News - Manatee Movers and Shakers, 9/29/2011](#)



- Red Cross Chief Nurse Visits Florida
- Manatee County Medical Society Partners with PhoneRover
- Audubon And Toyota Announce 2011-2012 "Pennies For The Planet" Campaign
- Kelly Mason Joins Polo Grill and Bar/Fête Catering and Ballroom as Catering & Event Sales Director
- Manatee Habitat For Humanity Annoucnes New Director
- Octex Breaks Ground on 26,000 S.F. Expansion

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Fishing

[Captain Favorite's Weekend Fishing Forecast Sept. 29, 2011](#)

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Mary Howard won a \$10 gift certificate for [Ocean Harvest Market and Grill](#) with her flounder catch.

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[Captain Favorite's Fishing Forum Sept. 25, 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.



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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!

The Community Notices

[OCTEX Breaks Ground on 26,000 S.F. Expansion](#)



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Other Notable Events:

September 29, 2011

- [Manatee County Central Library Storytime](#) Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
- [Area Agency on Aging Public Hearing](#) Time: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- [Meet Florida House Economic Affairs Committee Chairman](#) Time: 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

September 30, 2011

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

[Anthony's Cooling - Heating - Electrical](#)

- [High School Football - Braden River @ Port Charlotte](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Bayshore Vs Cypress lake](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Lakewood Ranch @ Palmetto](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Manatee Vs Southeast](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Palmetto Vs Lakewood Ranch](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am
- [High School Football - Southeast @ Manatee](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am

October 1, 2011

- [Stock Up On Plants From Manatee County Extension Master Gardeners!](#) Time: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
- [Crate Label Swap Meet in Palmetto!](#) Time: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- [International Coastal Cleanup](#) Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- [Manatee Children's Services Country Night Dance & Dinner fund raising event](#) Time: 6:30 pm - 11:30 pm

October 2, 2011

- [Track"-Teaching Road Awareness & Consequences To Kids](#) Time: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm
- [Project Light of Manatee - Night of Comedy](#) Time: 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

October 3, 2011

- [International Olympian Art Display](#) Time: 10:00 am - 4:30 pm
- [Manatee Conservation Committee](#) Time: 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- [Tampa Bay Buccaneers Vs Indianapolis Colts](#) Time: 8:30 pm - 11:30 pm

October 4, 2011

- [SWAT Networking- Bradenton Meeting](#) Time: 11:45 am - 1:00 pm
- [KIWANIS CLUB OF BRADENTON](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
- [Tea Party Manatee - Weekly General Meeting](#) Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

October 5, 2011

- [Manatee County Health Department - Teen Health Clinic](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- [Living With Hearing Loss](#) Time: 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
- [Community Picnic at Katie Pieola Park](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

- [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](#)
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