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Hello Reader,

Features

[House Defense Bill Finally Addresses the Rape Epidemic in U.S. Military](#)



A young woman who joins the military in the United States of America instantly doubles her chances of being sexually assaulted. She has a greater chance of being raped by a fellow soldier than of being killed in combat. Imagine that – if your daughter were to enlist in the service today, the greatest fear you should reasonably have is not that she will be deployed to a combat zone, but that one of the men serving with her will forever scar her with the emotional and physical trauma of sexual assault. This is a reprehensible reality that can no longer be ignored.

[U.S. House Approves Buchanan's Bill Requiring Tribunals for Terrorists](#)



Congressman Vern Buchanan's (FL-13) legislation requiring foreign terrorists to be prosecuted in a military tribunal instead of civilian court passed the U.S. House last week 246-173. Introduced earlier this year as the "Military Tribunals for Terrorists Act," it was adopted as an amendment to the Defense Authorization Act.

[Regatta Point Marina is the Area's Prime Place to Celebrate Summer Sailstice](#)



This year marks the 10th anniversary of Summer Sailstice, a national holiday that brings sailors all over the world together to celebrate and demonstrate a life under sail.

[TC and the Troublemakers Bring a Heavy Dose of Southern Blues to the Local Music Scene](#)



"Experience is what you have five minutes after you needed it," says Tim Chandler, lead singer of the local southern rock band, *TC and the Troublemakers*. Throughout his 30 year music career, Chandler says he's gotten himself into quite a bit of trouble -- gaining him lots of experience. And it's that perfect mix of trouble and experience is the essence of this powerful local blues/rock trio.

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Government

Local

[New County Budget Would Cut Spending. "Cut" Taxes and Cut Some Checks](#)



The 2011-2012 FY budget for Manatee County, presented to the BOCC Wednesday, contains at least \$500,000 in cuts to the \$97.75 million MSO budget, as well as \$1,000 "supplementary compensation" checks for all county employees. It also "cuts" taxes by \$8 million, County Administrator Ed Huzker said, through decreased property values. The extra salary checks for 3,200 employees comes from \$6 million in pension savings the county realizes from new employee pension contributions.

[Manatee County Accepting Applications for Vacated Myakka City Fire Control District Seat](#)

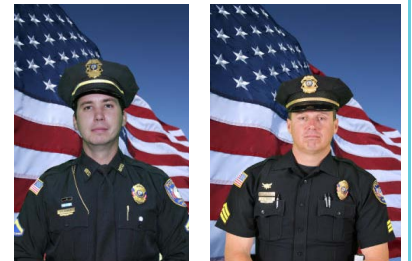
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The Community Notices

Two sergeants to share Officer of the Month honor



Sgt. Dennis Stahley Sgt. James Racky

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



The Manatee County Commission is taking applications for a recently vacated position on the Myakka City Fire Control District. There are two years remaining on a four-year term for Seat 2 being vacated by a fire commissioner who has relocated.

know whats on your mind!

[The Open Mic](#)

[You May Qualify for Mortgage Assistance](#)



The federal government has allocated funding to help pay the mortgages of qualified homeowners who are unemployed or underemployed through no fault of their own. Homeowners who qualify for financial assistance may receive up to six months of monthly mortgage payments and/or funds to pay past due mortgage payments to bring the mortgage current; these funds are paid directly to the loan servicer/lender.

The Community Notices

[Bearded Clam Restaurant Two-day buffet raises over \\$3K for American Red Cross](#)

State

[\\$10 Million in Local Money Falls Under Veto Pen](#)



Despite historic cuts in the proposed state budget, in order to balance plunging revenues, the Florida legislature still managed to sign off on nearly \$100 million of last minute-pork as the session came down to the wire. Few survived as Governor Rick Scott struck a record \$615 million in vetoes, including two local projects that had been slated to receive around \$5 million in state funding each – the Benderson rowing facility just over the Manatee border in Sarasota County, and a library renovation project at SCF.



National

[The Forgotten Story of How the Fallen of WWII Came Home](#)

TBT
Special
Feature

Fifteen million Americans served in the military during World War II, and about 359,000 Americans died in the war. After the war ended in 1945, the U.S. government embarked on an unprecedented project of incredible magnitude -- to recover as many of the dead as possible and to bring them back to home for reburial.

Schools and Education

[FCAT Results Released for Third Graders](#)



Even in the face of more rigorous assessments and standards resulting from the transition to FCAT 2.0, a full 50 percent of Manatee District Schools recorded gains in third-grade reading and math according to Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test results released today by the Florida Department of Education. Individually, the percentage of Manatee District third graders scoring at grade level or above dipped slightly in relation to 2010, according to the results released today. Just over 3,600 third-grade students in Manatee County took the FCAT this year.

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[Every Child A Reader Program Proves to be Huge Success](#)



They say kids are like sponges during their early stages of life. They seem to absorb everything around them – even the stuff parents don't necessarily want them to. In order to provide pre-kindergarten children with an early desire for reading, three area organizations developed a plan to promote literacy at a pre-school level.

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Local News

[AmericanStyle Ranks Bradenton a Top 10 Small City for Art](#)



The City of Bradenton is receiving more attention from one of the country's premier publications on the arts. The current issue of American Style magazine ranks Bradenton No. 10 in its Top 25 Small Cities for Art, which looks at a city's public arts and cultural amenities that make the city a nationwide destination. Bradenton ranked 22nd in 2010, the first time it was recognized in the poll.

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[Siesta Key Beach Ranked Number One in United States: Coquina Beach Among Top for Families](#)



Well, it finally happened. Our local beaches, long perennial entries on various *best of lists* throughout the U.S., have finally reached the summit. Siesta Key was ranked number one on Dr. Beach's Top 10 List for 2011, while Family Magazine has listed Coquina Beach on Anna Maria Island as the number seven family beach in the nation.

Last Week's Poll Results
(as of 6/1/2011)

Do you agree with the proposed Medicare Overhaul?

Choice	%
Yes	96%

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Choice %
Yes 96%

Opinion

No Undecided 2%
0%

[Letter to the Editor: Regarding Fines for False Alarms](#)



In an effort to curb costs and dangers associated with the misallocation of manpower responding to false alarms from home security systems, Manatee County has enacted ordinances that call for progressive fines and the MSO has created a "Flase Alarm Reduction Unit." One citizen was incensed at when he recently got a \$40 fine for his third violation in six years and a notice that future incidents would cost him fines of \$200 each.

New Poll:
[Vote on this NEW Poll!](#)

Business and Financial

What best describes your political beliefs?

[Baird's Market Strategy. Week of 5/30/2011](#)



The popular averages have declined for four consecutive weeks but the losses have been miniscule measuring just over 2.0% for the period. The weakening economy and the expiration of the Fed's QE2 program in June have raised investor anxiety. This has been offset by falling energy prices and a sharp drop in bond yields, which is the reason the decline has been exceptionally shallow.

Let us know what you think!
[View all of our Polls](#)

Community

Find Local Businesses in our:

[Hurricane Season Starts Today. Experts Predicting High Activity](#)



Hurricane season in the Atlantic begins today and runs through November 30. Although hurricanes can strike at any time, this is the time frame when a hurricane is most likely to form in the Atlantic Ocean. Colorado State's respected Tropical Meteorology Project, which studies weather patterns and forecasts each season, has predicted "well above-average activity for the 2011 Atlantic hurricane season," with 9 hurricanes, 5 of which they think will be major.

[Business Directory](#)
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Over 1,000 businesses listed!

[Community News - Manatee Movers and Shakers. 6/2/2011](#)



- Two sergeants to share Officer of the Month honor
- Grapevine Communications Named a Finalist for the 2011 Manatee Small Business / Industry Excellence of the Year Award
- Two-day buffet raises over \$3K for American Red Cross
- Serendipity Announces New Membership & Marketing Director
- Audrey Beecher Earns Registered Paraplanner Professional Designation
- Florida Highwaymen Exhibit Coming to Palmetto!
- Saint Stephen's Episcopal School Appoints Director of Marketing

**** Catch of the Week ****



Khara Geders holds up a gorgeous mahi-mahi she caught while deep water trolling

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Fishing

[Captain Favorite's Fishing Forum Week of May 30, 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 June 3, 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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Sports

[Marauders' McPherson Has No-Hit Bid Foiled in Ninth](#)



The Bradenton Marauders, Class A-Advanced affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates, came two outs from history Tuesday night, as pitcher Kyle McPherson carried the franchise's first no-hitter one out into the ninth inning. A Sean McCraw homerun ended the bid. The Marauders ended up beating the visiting Brevard County Manatees 4-1.



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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!

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June 2011

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

View the [Full Calendar](#)

Other Notable Events:

June 2, 2011

- [Speed Networking Event hosted by Southern Commerce Bank](#) Time: 5:30 pm
- [Bradenton Marauders Vs Brevard County](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 12:00 am

June 3, 2011

- [Pancakes & Politics - A Legislative Session Recap](#) Time: 7:30 am - 9:00 am
- [Why you need a Pet Trust and How to get yours for FREE](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 2:00 am
- [Mike Sales Presents Friday Night Beach Party & Drum Circle](#) Time: 5:30 pm - 10:00 pm

June 4, 2011

- [Manatee County Audubon Society - Open House at Felts Audubon Preserve](#) Time: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
- [AMI Sail & Power Squadron - he America's Boating Course](#) Time: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm
- [Bradenton Marauders Vs Charlotte](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 12:00 am

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[Florida Highwaymen Exhibit Coming to Palmetto!](#)

June 5, 2011

- [Shell Key Preserve Kayak](#) Time: 9:30 am
- [Mote Marine Aquarium World Ocean Day](#) Time: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
- [Bradentucky Bombers vs. Gainesville Roller Rebels](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

June 6, 2011

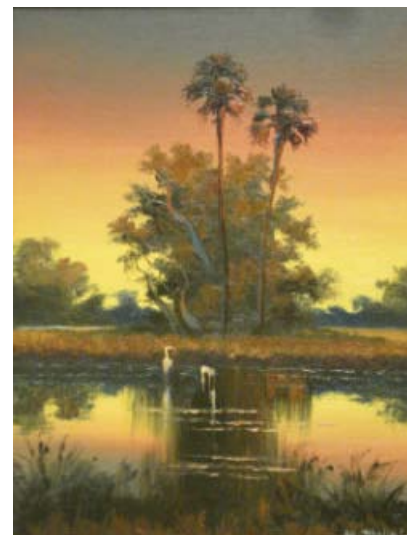
- [Rotary Club Business Luncheon](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
- [How to Start and Manage Your Business](#) Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

June 7, 2011

- [S.W.A.T. Networking - Successful Women Aligning Together](#) Time: 11:45 am - 1:00 pm
- [Business Luncheon Sponsored by Fox Business Group](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 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

June 8, 2011

- [Manatee County Health Department - Teen Health Clinic](#) Time: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- [Gaming Night featuring Wii and various board games](#) Time: 6:00 pm
- [think+drink \(science\)- The Naked Universe Series](#) Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm



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