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## Community Calendar

- Tree lighting and Santa's arrival at Wiregrass**  
The Symphony of Lights Tree Lighting and Santa's Arrival is set for Nov. 16 at The Shops at Wiregrass, 5-9 p.m.
  - Turkey jump in Zephyrhills**  
Skydive City will host a Turkey Meet that includes various jumps, beer, food and more from Nov. 22-Dec. 1.
  - Civil War reenactments**  
Pioneer Florida Museum in Dade City hosts Living History and Civil War Reenactments on Nov. 22-24. Battles will take place with tours of Union and Confederate camps.
- 2A



## Weather

At long last seasonable weather has arrived with the hot weather giving way to cooler days and nights. Daytime temperatures will hover near the 70s while it is expected to get quite chilly in the evenings.

➤ 3A

## Sports

- Bulldogs swept by Bulls in boys soccer doubleheader**  
The rebuilding Bulldogs were no match for the perennial playoff-contending Bulls in varsity and junior varsity boys soccer games on Monday.
  - Pasco routs Stewart 8-0 in middle school boys soccer season opener**  
For a second straight season, Pasco opens with a dominating 8-0 win over Stewart in middle school boys soccer. Both teams are aiming for a turnaround season.
  - Cyclones struggle in girls basketball loss to Rushe**  
The Centennial Middle girls basketball team had a hard time against Rushe, but did put some points on the board following a scoreless first half against the Ravens.
- 1B

## Veterans Day Parade pays homage to U.S. service men and women



Several riders on the Zephyrhills Elks Lodge 2731 float expressed their patriotism and waved to the crowd.

STEVE LEE

*Main Street Zephyrhills hosts downtown event that has become a staple in Zephyrhills*

BY STEVE LEE  
News Reporter

Numerous U.S. military veterans, family members and supporters came out in droves for last Saturday's Veterans Day Parade along the downtown streets. Main Street Zephyrhills hosted the traditional

event that pays homage to those who have served the nation on battlefields as well as during peace time.

With only four parades to honor veterans scheduled last weekend throughout the Tampa Bay area, the only other such event in Pasco County was cancelled in New Port Richey due to a lack of entrants, according to Main Street Zephyrhills Coordinator Anna Stutzriem.

Two days later, on Nov. 11, a ceremony honoring veterans took place in Zephyr Park with local dignitaries and key community members, as well as current and retired military personnel, taking part in that annual event. Similar ceremonies in Zephyrhills include

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## Danny Burgess relishes new role as champion for U.S. veterans

*Longtime Republican leader served three terms as a state representative for District 38*

BY STEVE LEE  
News Reporter

Like many U.S. military veterans, Danny Burgess can pinpoint the exact moment he felt compelled to take action by serving his country. As a Zephyrhills High School student he watched aghast as the north and south towers of the World Trade Center crumbled in clouds of dust and debris after terrorists directed commercial airplanes to crash into those world-renowned buildings.

He said the 9/11 terrorist attacks, which also included crashes into the Pentagon and a rural field in Pennsylvania, mobilized a nation. It also prompted him into action.

"I knew I wanted to serve," said Burgess, who now is in the Army Reserves. "The post 9/11 era really instilled a new sense of service and purpose."

That sense of service and purpose instilled in Burgess bodes well for the duties in his current role as executive director of the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs. Previously, he was a Republican member of the Florida House of Representatives, representing District 38 in eastern Pasco County for three terms (2014-2019).

Burgess, known affectionately as the youngest mayor and city council member in the history of Zephyrhills, was tabbed by Governor Ron DeSantis for his new role earlier this year. Nowadays, the former Zephyrhills resident who is raising his family — wife Courtney along with their children Adelina, Daniel III and Eleanor — in Wesley Chapel, can appreciate the bipartisan nature of his job.

"It's an incredible opportunity to get to work every day on such a noble mission that everybody rallies around and everybody wants to support," he said. "Coming from a political world it's very refreshing to work on something that can unite people rather than divide people."

Zephyrhills has an annual Veterans Day parade, which Burgess always is a part of. He also helps to honor hometown American heroes by being involved in Memorial Day and 9/11 commemorations at Oaklawn Cemetery and Zephyr Park, respectively.

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## Variations of Volkswagens highlight two-day weekend event

*31st Annual Florida Bug Jam draws thousands of enthusiasts and onlookers to Pasco County Fairgrounds*

BY STEVE LEE  
News Reporter

Iconic Volkswagens drew thousands of enthusiasts and curious onlookers to the Pasco County Fairgrounds last weekend. They came from near and far, like they have for years, for the 31st Annual Florida Bug Jam that took place Nov. 9-10.

The two-day event kicked off last Saturday with a poker run, pre-jam party, VW parade, off-road track and live musical entertainment. Sunday was highlighted by the VW car show and swap meet. It literally turned out to be a fun-filled weekend of everything Volkswagen.

Randy Yoho, the owner of Dade City Motors, which is adjacent to the fairgrounds and had its track open for a weekend of VW rides, has helped organize the event for the past six years. Like many who showed up during the weekend, he was impressed with the variety of VWs as well as all of the accessories and other aspects of the annual event.

"It was probably as good as any of them" he said, noting that numerous people with VWs set up

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Among the many unique Volkswagens on display at the Bug Jam was this version promoting a Boston Lobster Feast.

STEVE LEE

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Fri. & Sat. 1, 4, 7, 10

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Sun.-Thurs. 1, 4, 7

CINEMA 5 R

TERMINATOR

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Sun.-Thurs. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30

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MALEFICENT 2

Fri. & Sat. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10

Sun.-Thurs. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30

CINEMA 7 R

DOCTOR SLEEP

Fri. & Sat. 1, 4, 7, 10

Sun.-Thurs. 1, 4, 7

CINEMA 8 PG

PLAYING WITH FIRE

Fri. & Sat. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 9:45

Sun.-Thurs. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45

CINEMA 9 PG13

LAST CHRISTMAS

Fri. & Sat. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 9:45

Sun.-Thurs. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45

CINEMA 10 PG13

HARRIET

Fri. & Sat. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:45

Sun.-Thurs. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15



Left: Danny Burgess speaks at a Memorial Day ceremony.

Below: Burgess accepts an award from Saint Leo president Jeffrey Senese.

### VETERANS AFFAIRS: From Page 1A

"I feel it is my job to serve those that have served us," he said of an obligation he welcomes. "I look forward to (those aforementioned events) every year, because it is my hometown and those are the people I grew up with. They helped inspire me to want to serve."

Recently, Burgess said he was honored to receive the annual Lieutenant General James B. Peake Award for supporting the statewide veterans legal hotline operated by Bay Area Legal Services during the last legislative session.

In 2018 as a state representative, Burgess filed a trio of veterans bills for that year's legislative session. Those bills, which he said constituted a veterans improvement package and were designed to make Florida a veteran-friendly state, addressed the critical issues of mental health and licensing.

The three bills were as follows:

Alternative treatment for a veterans pilot program, which dealt with mental health and substance abuse issues. It noted that up to 17 percent of veterans returning from combat are affected by depression, post-traumatic stress disorder or suicide;

Services for veterans and their families, such as a crisis hotline to connect with behav-



ioral health care services 24 hours a day;

Temporary employment or appointment of officers, which addresses excessive licensing and training requirements for returning service members.

"We still need to do so much," said Burgess, who also previously worked for a Dade City law firm.

The crisis hotline is near and dear to Burgess' heart. So much so, he said, that he still has the napkin he wrote the proposal on nearly four years ago.

"That's pretty special," he said.

Some in the east Pasco communities and surrounding areas feel that way about Burgess. Notably Zephyrhills Mayor Gene Whitfield, who often introduces Burgess at various events in the city and has praised his character and accomplishments on numerous occasions.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Symphony in Lights Tree Lighting Celebration and Santa's Arrival, Nov. 16, 5-9 p.m.** at The Shops at Wiregrass. This amazing holiday light show is choreographed to music featuring Trans-Siberian Orchestra. The center court is transformed into a Winter Wonderland with snow. For more information, visit [www.theshopsatwiregrass.com](http://www.theshopsatwiregrass.com).



**Living History and Civil War Reenactments, Nov. 22-24**, at the Pioneer Florida Museum, 15602 Pioneer Museum Rd. in Dade City. Skirmishes will emerge from the village and battles will

take place at 2 p.m. both days. There will be a tour of an authentic confederate and union camps and get a glimpse of how they lived during the Civil War. For more information, visit [pioneerfloridamuseum.org](http://pioneerfloridamuseum.org).

**Skydive City Turkey Meet, Nov. 22-Dec. 1** at Skydive City, 4241 Skydive Lane. This boogie is the big kick-off to the winter season. There will be competition, night and high-altitude jumps, beer, food and much more. Enjoy the skydivers making jumps throughout the week. For more information, visit [www.skydivecity.com](http://www.skydivecity.com) or call (800) 888-JUMP.



**Thanksgiving Bluegrass Festival, Nov. 28-30** at the Sertoma Youth Ranch, 85 Myers Rd. in Brooksville. Enjoy live entertainment by Lonesome River Band, Appalachian Road, Sideline, Carolina Blue and many more. There is camping available. For more information or tickets, visit [www.sertomayouthranch.com](http://www.sertomayouthranch.com) or call (828) 265-9929.

**Buckler's Annual Holiday Craft Fair, Nov. 30-Dec. 1.** There is handmade creations, jewelry, candies, painted glass, pet items, woodworking, toys, quilts and much more. The craft fair is located at the Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. Hwy. 301. Saturday hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission price for adults is \$6; and children 12 and under are free. For more information, visit [bucklercraftfair.com](http://bucklercraftfair.com).



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<p><i>Mother's Homemade Thanksgiving Desserts</i></p> <p>Pumpkin Praline Cheesecake</p> <p>Coconut Cream Pie</p> <p>Warmed Apple Cake with Pecan Glaze</p>	

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**72|53**  
 AM Rain  
 SUNRISE: 6:50am MOONRISE: 8:19pm  
 SUNSET: 5:36pm MOONSET: 9:38am

**SATURDAY**  
**66|48**  
 Partly Cloudy  
 SUNRISE: 6:51am MOONRISE: 9:16pm  
 SUNSET: 5:36pm MOONSET: 10:36am

**SUNDAY**  
**68|49**  
 Partly Cloudy  
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 SUNSET: 5:35pm MOONSET: 11:30am

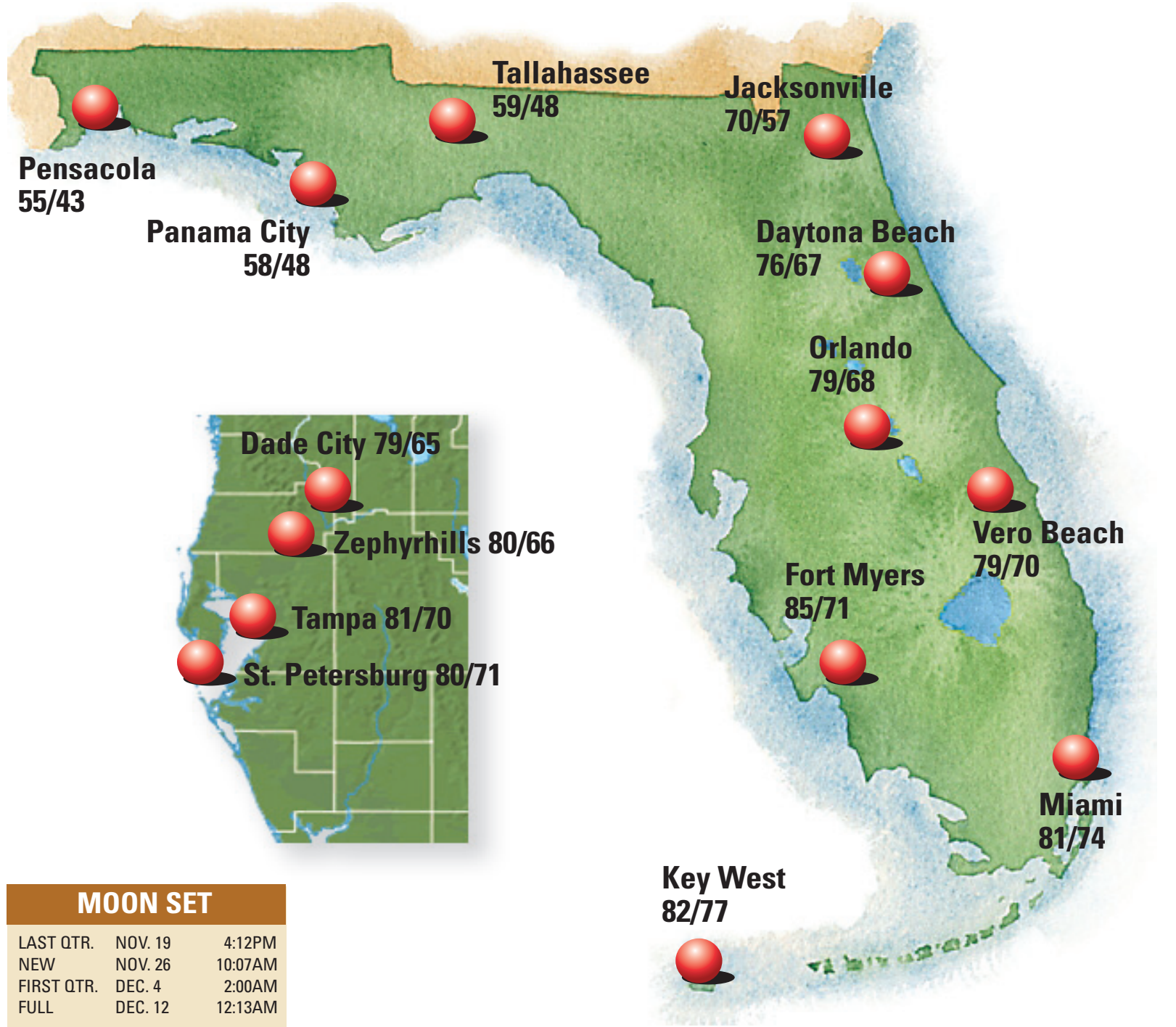
**MONDAY**  
**70|53**  
 Partly Cloudy  
 SUNRISE: 6:52am MOONRISE: 11:19pm  
 SUNSET: 5:35pm MOONSET: 12:21pm

**TUESDAY**  
**71|48**  
 AM Showers  
 SUNRISE: 6:53am MOONRISE: NONE  
 SUNSET: 5:35pm MOONSET: 1:07pm

**WEDNESDAY**  
**73|49**  
 Sunny  
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Right: Members of the Zephyr Airport Cadet Squadron and Civil Air Patrol carry a huge American flag along the parade route and stopped in front of the grand stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Below: The Zephyrhills High Marching Band proudly walks down Main Street.



Above right: The Pasco County Fair Association's float promoted several pageant winners.

Right: The Pasco Sheriff's Posse regularly appears in all of the city's downtown parades.



STEVE LEE

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a Memorial Day event at Oaklawn Ceremony and 9/11 commemoration in Zephyr Park.

"It's amazing," Stutzriem said at the conclusion of Saturday morning's parade. "It's fantastic and we really want to thank Danny Burgess, who helped us get it together."

Burgess, executive director of the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs, previously was a Republican member of the Florida House of Representatives. The former Zephyrhills resident, a Zephyrhills High graduate who was once the city's youngest mayor, now lives in Wesley Chapel with his wife Courtney and their three children.

"I look forward to this every year," said Burgess, who also serves in the Army Reserves.

As the downtown speakers in the medians along the parade route blared patriotic and other popular American songs, the procession marched on in front of a few hundred spectators. It included 43 entries, highlighted by city and community leaders, school bands and youth organizations, scouting troops and dance squads, as well as a few local businesses displaying their support.

"It's what we're all about," Stutzriem said. "It's about our small-town charm. It's appreciating our veterans and their service."

Among the veterans lining 5th Avenue for the parade was Robert Halstead, a U.S. Army veteran who spent 23 years in the military and is a snowbird from Syracuse.

"This means a lot to us. I love it," he said. Closer to home was Army veteran Chuck Morris, who served in Vietnam after graduating from Zephyrhills High in 1968.

"I try to make (the parade) every year," he said.

Veterans Day is a federal holiday observed on Nov. 11. On that day in 1918, the Allied nations and Germany signed an armistice ending World War I, which killed more than 15 million people. A year later, King George V of England proclaimed that date Armistice Day.

The Treaty of Versailles, which formally ended the war, was signed on June 28, 1919. That year, President Woodrow Wilson noted the monumental changes that World War I provoked. In 1954, in response to calls for recognition of veterans of World War II and the Korean War, President Dwight D. Eisenhower changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day.

It's that history that some veterans say is not taught to or learned by much of today's youth.

"Recognizing veterans is going downhill, but it's still good that they do it," said Morris, adding that he wished more people came out for last Saturday's event. "I wish that there was a lot more of the young generation coming to the parade."

Clara Clevinger, a Zephyrhills retiree whose father John spent 31 years in the U.S. Air Force, concurred. A former elementary school teacher in Virginia she said there were plenty of "older folks here, but it would have been nice to see more families with little ones."

As the crowd dispersed, Burgess had a parting sentiment for Morris as one veteran to another.

"Thank you for your service," Burgess said. "We can't forget about it."



Above: Danny Burgess and his family rode in the Veterans Day Parade.

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CHURCH NEWS

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Communion is observed the first Sunday of the month. Sunday school for adults is at 8:30 a.m. Children and youth are dismissed to classes during the 10 a.m. worship service. A nursery is provided for convenience during the service. After worship there will be conversation and a light snack in the fellowship hall.

Wednesday's Bible study begins with a meal at 5:30 p.m. and then breaks into separate classes as follows, elementary, middle school and high school and adults. Choir practice is Wednesday, 7 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Zephyrhills is a Stephen Ministry Congregation. For more information, visit [www.firstpcz.org](http://www.firstpcz.org) or call (813) 782-7412.

**First United Methodist Church of Zephyrhills**, 38635 5th Ave., along with Pastor Jim Thomas invites the community to traditional Sunday worship services, 8 and 11 a.m.; contemporary service, 9:30 a.m.; coffee and fellowship, in Cooper Hall, 9-10:30 a.m.; adult Sunday school, 9:30 and 11 a.m.; children's church, 11 a.m.; and youth Bible study is 11 a.m.

Children and youth meet on Wednesdays, 6-7:30 p.m., with dinner served at 6 p.m. For adults, on Wednesday evenings, Bible study is at 5 and 7 p.m. in the chapel.

For more information, call the church at (813) 782-5645 or visit [www.fumczhills.org](http://www.fumczhills.org).

**Crystal Springs Worship Center**, 2155 Paul Buchman Hwy. is an Assembly of God

Church. Adult Sunday school starts at 9:30 a.m. followed by the morning worship at 10:30 a.m. with children's church meeting at the same time. The middle and high school students meet with the Authentic Small Group after the praise and worship time.

The Ladies of Light Ministry Bible Study meets on Tuesdays 9:30 a.m. Wednesday night service starts at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call (813) 788-1612.

**Our Savior Lutheran Church**, 5626 20th St., invites you to Sunday school at 8:45 a.m. and worship service at 10 a.m. There is a Saturday service at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, call (813) 782-1369.

**First Christian Church**, 6040 8th St., invites you to Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. Communion is available to everyone.

There is an active women's group.

For more information, call (813) 782-1071 or visit [www.firstchristianzhills.org](http://www.firstchristianzhills.org).

**Dade City Grace Bible Church**, 15000 U.S. Hwy. 301, Dade City Business Center, Suite 403, meets Sundays, 9:30 a.m. for fellowship. The Song and Devotional Bible Thought for the Week begins at 10 a.m. along with Pastor Willard L. Sessoms preaching the morning Grace Bible Study message. Youth Bible study lesson, for ages 6-10 years old, is during the morning Message Hour.

The church provides a Tract and Literature Ministry at the Webster Flea Market on Mondays during the season.

For more information, visit [www.BibleTruthForToday.com](http://www.BibleTruthForToday.com) or call (352) 567-3955.

**First Baptist Church of Zephyrhills**, 38231 Fifth Ave., invites you to Sunday services with Pastor Rob McKinney.

The children ministry, TeamKid, is Wednesdays at 6 p.m. with director, Lorraine McKinney, and teachers, Carol Arnold and Sarah Lutz.

The teen TRUTH ministries, is Wednesdays at 6 p.m., with director Jason Hicks and youth leaders, Barbara Hicks, Carla Berger and Paul Warner. Bus transportation is available.

The Sunrise Prayer Warriors meet weekdays, 8-9 a.m. in the church conference room.

The Sunday services are: Sunday school for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; worship service, 10:45 a.m.; evening service, 6 p.m.; and Wednesday mid-week service, 6 p.m. Choir practice is at 6 p.m.

For more information, call the church at (813) 782-5574.

**Atonement Lutheran Church**, 29617 S.R. 54, Wesley Chapel invites the community to Godify Worship Service on Saturday at 5 p.m.; a Sunday Rise and Shine Service with communion, 8:30 a.m.; Sunday traditional worship service 10 a.m.; and Child of God Family Service, 11:30 a.m.

For more information, call (813) 973-2211.

**Bible Missionary Church**, 5521 23rd St., Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. followed by a Sunday worship service at 10:45 a.m. and an evening service, 6 p.m. There is a Wednesday evening service at 6 p.m.

For more information, call (813) 782-8772.

**Awake at Zephyrhills a Wesleyan Church**, 38924 C Ave., invites the community to a contemporary service on Saturday evenings, 7 p.m. and a traditional service Sunday morning, 10:45 a.m. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. and Nursery and pre-k under 5 years old is offered at each service.

For more information, call (813) 782-7510 or visit [AwakeWesleyan.org](http://AwakeWesleyan.org).

**The Church at Chancey Road**, 34921 Chancey Rd., and Pastor Tim Mitchell would like to invite you to Sundays at 10:15 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m. for worship, Bible study and communion. Nursery and kids programs are available at all services.

The Abundant Blessings Food Pantry is open, Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. For those in attendance at either the Sunday 10:15 a.m. or Wednesday 6:45 p.m. services the Food Pantry will be open after each service.

For more information on the ministries of the church visit: [www.thechurchatchanceyroad.com](http://www.thechurchatchanceyroad.com) and you can also watch live on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/tim.mitchell](http://www.facebook.com/tim.mitchell) every Sunday and Wednesday.

**Zephyrhills Church of Christ**, 5444 4th St. welcomes you to visit with them for Sunday Bible study, 9:30 a.m. followed by Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. There is a mid-week Bible study on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

If you have any questions you can contact Preacher Kevin Heaton, at (205) 405-7700 or [heatonkevin@yahoo.com](mailto:heatonkevin@yahoo.com). You may also reach one of the members: Joe Bates (813) 846-9441 or Wayne Frye (352) 424-0144. Visit [zephyrhillschurch.com](http://zephyrhillschurch.com) or the blog page at [acordofblue.wordpress.com](http://acordofblue.wordpress.com).

**Victory Baptist Church**, 6950 Forbes Rd., invites you to join them for their services on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday school is at 10 a.m. There is a mid-week service on Wednesday, 7 p.m. Nursery and children's programs are available.

For more information, visit [www.vbczhills.com](http://www.vbczhills.com) or call (813) 783-8300.

**East Pasco Seventh-day Adventist Church**, 7333 Dairy Rd., has a mission to reach others by living and sharing God's love. Bible study is Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. and a church service at 10:45 a.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous group meets Friday, 10 a.m. and Narcotics Anonymous meets Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call (813) 782-2000 or visit [eastpascoadventist.com](http://eastpascoadventist.com).

OBITUARIES



**Jeanette Marvin Brown**

BROWN, Jeanette Marvin, 85, of Dade City, passed away Nov. 6, 2019 at Gulfside Hospice. She was born Nov. 3, 1934 in Rochester, N.Y., the only child of Curtis Allan and Sara Gulliver Marvin. She moved to Florida in 1958 and spent the rest of her life either in Tampa or Dade City. She was a homemaker. Mrs. Brown was a 1954 graduate of Lasell Junior College, Newton, Mass., a 1957 graduate of the University of Rochester School of Nursing, and a 1982 graduate of the University of South Florida. Mrs. Brown was predeceased by her husband of just over 50 years, Lee Gilbert Brown. She is survived by three sons: Mark Alan and his wife Margaret (Meg) of Lisbon, Portugal, Paul Marvin and his wife Diane of Denver, Co. and Steven Andrew of Dade City; a daughter

Gail Ilene Brown Slane, son-in-law Harold Lee Slane, grandson, Calin Patrick Slane, granddaughter, Sara Mikayla Slane all of Belleville, Ill.; and granddaughter, Lindsay Kaye Brown of Jacksonville. Jeanette said: "One day my life shall end, and lest some whom should prompt you to review it, let her who knows the subject best, tell you the shortest way to do it: then say, 'Here was one doubly blest'. Say 'She was happy', say 'She knew it'. A Celebration of Life will be Dec. 7, 10:30 a.m. at the 301 Chapel of Hodges Family Funeral Home. Donations in Jeanette's memory can be made to The Rotary Foundation, Gulfside Hospice or the University of Rochester School of Nursing.



**Jean A. Gangell**

GANGELL, Jean A., 61, of New Port Richey, passed away Oct. 12, 2019. She is survived by her loving family.



**Bill D. Kerwood**

KERWOOD, Bill D., 86, of Zephyrhills passed away Nov. 6, 2019 surrounded by his loving family at the Rucki Hospice Care Center. He was born on Sept. 24, 1933 in Marietta, Ohio to the late Sam and Thelma Kerwood. He retired from the Tampa Tribune where he was employed as a driver for many years. He was known for his great sense of humor and stories. Mr. Kerwood was a member of the Hillsborough Masonic Lodge 25. Bill is survived by his wife, Betty Lou (Crabb) Kerwood; his children, Dean Dwayne, and Derek; grandchildren, Josh, Dusty, Amanda and their mother Mindy and Kristen and Christopher; great-grandchildren, McKenzie, Keira, Kali and Gabe; and many nieces and nephews. Bill was predeceased by his brother, Jack. Memorial services for Mr. Kerwood will be Nov. 15, 2 p.m. at Whitfield Funeral Home, 5008 Gall Blvd.



**Sara Lynn Cameron King**

CAMERON KING, Sara Lynn, 42, passed away Nov. 2, 2019. Sara is survived by many loving family members.



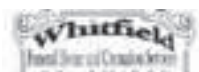
**Arthur E. Phelps, Jr.**

PHELPS, Jr., Arthur E. of Zephyrhills, formerly from South Glens Falls, N.Y. passed away Nov. 5, 2019 with his loving family by his side. A graveside service was Nov. 8 at Chapel Hill Gardens. Full obituary at [www.hodgesfuneralhome.com](http://www.hodgesfuneralhome.com).



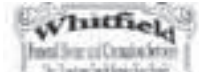
**Willard Benson Gray**

GRAY, Willard Benson, 76 of Zephyrhills, passed away Nov. 6, 2019. Mr. Gray is survived by his wife Paula and other loving family members.



**Patty Jean (Beddard) Shuel**

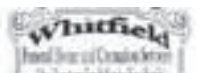
SHUEL, Patty Jean (Beddard), 76, of Wesley Chapel passed away Nov. 7, 2019. Patty is survived by her loving family.



**Mark Stephen Dorton, known as "Markie"**

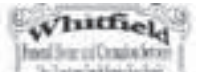
DORTON, Mark Stephen, passed away Nov. 8, 2019. He was born March 31, 1960 in Cleveland, Ohio. Mark served in the Navy. Then he found his true love, Marlene Endemann Dorton. He was stepdad to Rob Endemann (Judy), Tara Sisco (Earl), and Tamra Meadow (Shawn); his sister, Tina Kaufmann (Mark); his brothers, Bill Dorton of Germany and Paul

Dorton (Diane) of Kansas; four beautiful grandchildren, Trevor Weismantle, Grady, Sage and Crosby Endemann; many nieces and nephews; and his TFFT family also survive Mark.



**Sherfie J. Raymer**

RAYMER, Sherfie J., 86, of Dade City passed away Nov. 11, 2019. Mr. Raymer is survived by his loving wife, Faye and loving family.



Obituaries are available in The Zephyrhills News. Information is due Monday before noon in order to appear in the same week's publication. For pricing call the office at (813) 782-1558.

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<p><b>FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b>                  6040 8th St.                  (813) 782-1071                  Sunday                  Sunday School.....9 a.m.                  Morning Worship.....10 a.m.                  Second Saturday of the month                  Men's Breakfast.....8:30 a.m.                  Third Wednesday of the month                  Women's Group.....9:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>CRYSTAL SPRINGS WORSHIP CENTER</b>                  2155 Paul Buchman Hwy.                  (813) 788-1612                  Pastor Linda Davis                  Sunday                  Adult Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.                  Children's Church.....10:30 a.m.                  Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.                  Youth Church.....11 a.m.                  Tuesday                  Ladies Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.                  Wednesday                  Evening Service.....6:30 p.m.                  Kid's Church.....6:30 p.m.                  Youth Church.....7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>ATONEMENT LUTHERAN CHURCH</b>                  29617 S.R. 54                  (813) 973-2211                  Pastor Scott Lindner                  Saturday                  Godify Worship Service.....5 p.m.                  Sunday                  Worship Service with                  Communion.....10 a.m.  <a href="http://discoveralc.com">discoveralc.com</a></p>	<p><b>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN</b>                  5510 19th St.                  (813) 782-7412                  Pastor Denise Lay                  Sunday                  Worship.....10 a.m.                  Sunday School                  (Nursery/Grades K-12).....10 a.m.                  Adult Study.....8:30 a.m.                  Coffee fellowship after worship                  Wednesday                  REFRESH supper.....5:30 p.m.                  REFRESH Youth Group.....6 p.m.                  Adult Bible Study.....6 p.m.                  Choir Practice.....7 p.m.                  Second Saturday King's Men                  (in fellowship hall).....9 a.m.  <a href="http://www.firstpcz.org">www.firstpcz.org</a></p>	<p><b>AWAKE AT ZEPHYRHILLS A WESLEYAN CHURCH</b>                  38924 C Ave.                  (813) 782-7510                  Pastor Dennis Harneson                  Saturday                  Contemporary Service.....7 p.m.                  Sunday                  Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.                  Traditional Service.....10:45 a.m.                  Adult Bible Study.....4 p.m.                  Wednesday                  Kid Min (1st-5th grade).....6:30 p.m.                  Teens (6th-12th grade).....6:30 p.m.  <a href="http://www.AwakeWesleyan.org">www.AwakeWesleyan.org</a></p>	<p><b>ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH</b>                  38710 5th Ave.                  (813) 782-2813                  Reverend Allan Tupa                  Sunday                  Mass.....7, 9, 11 a.m.                  Saturday                  Mass.....4 p.m.                  Weekday Masses                  M, T, Th, F.....8 a.m.                  Wednesday.....8 a.m. and 7 p.m.                  Saturday and Holidays.....8 a.m.                  The Sacrament of Reconciliation:                  Saturday Morning.....8:30 a.m.                  Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration:                  Thursday.....8:30-9:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ZEPHYRHILLS</b>                  38231 5th Ave.                  (813) 782-5574                  Pastor Robert McKinney                  Sunday                  Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.                  Worship.....10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.                  Wednesday                  Service.....6 p.m.                  Choir Practice.....6 p.m.                  Children's Activities.....6 p.m.                  TRUTH teen ministries.....6:15 p.m.</p>	<p><b>OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH</b>                  5626 20th St.                  813-782-1369                  Reverend Tod A. Shouse                  Saturday                  Worship.....5:30 p.m.                  Sunday                  Sunday school.....8:45 a.m.                  Worship service.....10 a.m.  <a href="http://oursaviorlutheranchurchzephyrhills.org">oursaviorlutheranchurchzephyrhills.org</a></p>	<p><b>EAST PASCO SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH</b>                  7333 Dairy Rd.                  (813) 782-2000                  Ray Pichette, Lead Pastor                  Ricardo Barriffe, Associate Pastor                  Saturday                  Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.                  Worship Service.....10:45 a.m.                  Thursday                  ALNON.....7 p.m.                  Ladies Bible Study.....7 p.m.                  Friday                  Alcoholics Anonymous.....10 a.m.                  Overeaters Anonymous                  Monday, 5:30 p.m. and Friday                  11:30 a.m.                  Narcotics Anonymous                  Sunday, Wednesday and                  Thursday, 6:30 p.m.  <a href="http://www.eastpascoadventist.com">www.eastpascoadventist.com</a></p>	<p><b>VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH</b>                  6950 Forbes Rd.                  (813) 783-8300                  Pastor David Toulson                  Sunday School.....10 a.m.                  Morning Worship.....11 a.m.                  Evening Worship.....6 p.m.                  Wednesday                  Bible Study/Prayer.....7 p.m.                  Kids Club.....7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>THE CHURCH AT CHANCEY ROAD</b>                  34921 Chancey Rd.                  (813) 317-4975                  Pastor Tim Mitchell                  Sunday                  Worship.....10:15 a.m.                  Worship, Bible Study and                  Communion                  Monday                  Prayer and Bible Reading.....12 p.m.                  Overcomers Bible Study.....6 p.m.                  (12 step program)                  Tuesday                  Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.                  Wednesday                  Fellowship Dinner.....6 p.m.                  followed by Bible study for all ages                  at 6:45 p.m.                  Thursday                  Heart Dance Ladies Group.....10 a.m.                  Friday                  Prayer and Bible Study.....7:45 a.m.  <a href="http://www.thechurchatchanceyroad.com">www.thechurchatchanceyroad.com</a></p>	<p><b>DADE CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b>                  11800 Windsorwood Blvd.                  (352) 518-0072                  Minister Keith Smith                  Associate Minister                  Kyle Morrissey                  Sundays                  Sunday School.....10:10 a.m.                  Worship.....9 and 11 a.m.                  Wednesdays                  Worship.....6:30 p.m.  <a href="http://www.dadecitycc.net">www.dadecitycc.net</a></p>	<p><b>BIBLE MISSIONARY CHURCH</b>                  5521 23rd St.                  (813) 782-8772                  Pastor Wayne Taylor                  Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.                  Morning Worship.....10:45 a.m.                  Evening Service.....6 p.m.                  Wednesday Service.....6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>DADE CITY GRACE BIBLE CHURCH</b>                  Dade City Business Center                  Suite 403                  15000 U.S. Hwy. 301                  (352) 567-3955                  Pastor Willard L. Sessoms                  Fellowship.....9:30 a.m.                  Sunday Service.....10 a.m.  <a href="http://www.bibletruthfortoday.com">www.bibletruthfortoday.com</a></p>	<p><b>CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH</b>                  5434 7th St.                  (813) 783-2727                  Pastor Stephen R. Lamb                  Sunday                  Adult Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.                  Coffee and Donut Fellowship.....10:30 a.m.                  Morning Worship.....11 a.m.                  Evening Worship.....6 p.m.                  Wednesday                  Prayer and Praise Service...6 p.m.                  "The end of your search for an old fashion church"  <b>ZEPHYRHILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST</b>                  5444 4th St.                  (205) 405-7700                  Evangelist Kevin Heaton                  Sunday                  Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.                  Worship.....10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.                  Wednesday                  Bible Study.....7:30 p.m.  <a href="http://www.zephyrhillschurch.com">www.zephyrhillschurch.com</a></p>	<p><b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST</b>                  38635 5th Ave.                  (813) 782-5645                  Pastor Jim Thomas                  Sunday                  Traditional Worship...8 and 11 a.m.                  Contemporary Worship...9:30 a.m.                  Children's Church.....9:45 a.m.                  Children's Sunday School...11 a.m.                  Youth Bible Study.....11 a.m.                  Wednesday Children/Youth...6 p.m.                  Nursery provided.  <a href="http://www.fumczhills.com">www.fumczhills.com</a></p>
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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A long-sought workplace change could be happening soon. Consider reworking your ideas and preparing a presentation just in case. A personal relationship takes a new turn.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Your persuasiveness doesn't really start to kick in until midweek. By then, you can count on having more supporters in your camp, including some you doubted would ever join you.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Your workload is still high, but -- good news! -- you should start to see daylight by the week's end. Reserve the weekend for fun and games with friends and loved ones. You deserve it.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Regardless of how frustrating things are, keep that "Crab" under control. A cutting comment you might think is apt right now will leave others hurting for a long time to come.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Be more sensitive to the emotions of loved ones who might feel left out while you're stalking that new opportunity. Be sure to make it up to them this weekend. A nice surprise could be waiting.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) The gregarious Virgo rarely has a problem making new friends. But repairing frayed relationships doesn't come easily. Still, if it's what you want to do, you'll find a way. Good luck.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A misunderstanding with a partner or

spouse needs to be worked out before it turns into something really nasty. Forget about your pride for now and make that first healing move.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Communication dominates the week. Work out any misunderstandings with co-workers. Also get back in touch with old friends and those family members you rarely see.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) As busy as your week is, make time for someone who feels shut out of your life. Your act of kindness could later prove to be more significant than you might have realized.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Congratulations. Your busy work-week leads to some very satisfying results. Sports and sporting events are high on your weekend activities aspect. Enjoy them with family and friends.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Your generosity of spirit reaches out once again to someone who needs reassurance. There might be problems, but keeping that line of communication open eventually pays off.

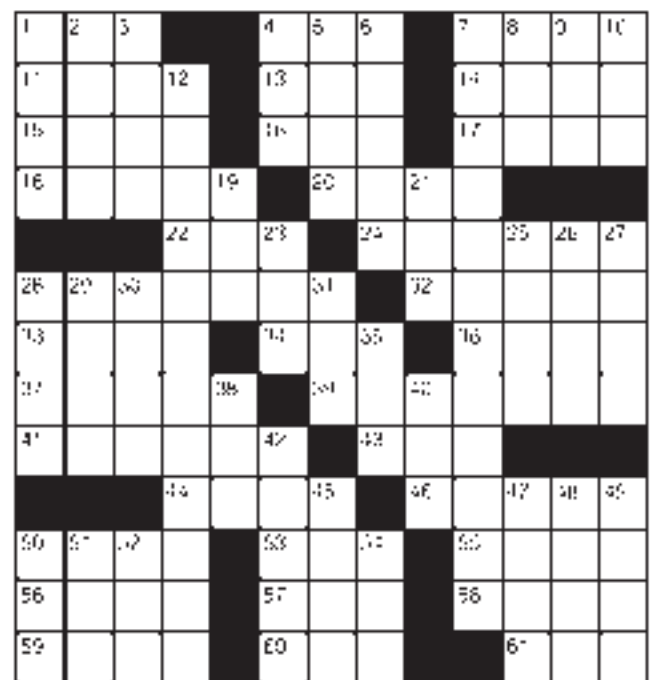
**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You are among the truth-seekers in the universe, so don't be surprised to find yourself caught up in a new pursuit of facts to counter what you believe is an insidious exercise in lying.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You believe in loyalty and in keeping secrets. All things considered, you would probably make a perfect secret agent.

**KING CROSSWORD - NOV. 14**

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- Sedona automaker
- Electronic dance music
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- Sandbank
- Lotion additive
- Massachusetts cape
- Knitting stitch
- Pays attention
- Balearic island
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- Cow's comment
- Responsibility
- Formal decree
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- "Damn Yankees" vamp
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**ANSWERS TO KING CROSSWORDS NOV. 7**



**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆

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**HOCUS-FOCUS**

By WENTY BOLDFORT



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## Give the gift of love to a deserving senior this holiday season

*Be a Santa to a Senior kicks off in East Pasco County*

The holiday season is also the season of giving and a time to share smiles with those around you. As you gather to drink hot cocoa and sing carols with family and friends, it's important to remember there are seniors in your community who would love to celebrate, too. However, many seniors live alone, without someone to share this special time.

Home Instead Senior Care serving East Pasco County is once again offering the community a chance to spread joy to local seniors. Through the Be a Santa to a Senior program, community members can give a senior a special holiday gift. Since the program's inception in 2003, the Be a Santa to a Senior program has mobilized more than 60,000 volunteers, provided approximately 1.2 million gifts and brightened the season for more than 700,000 deserving seniors nationwide.

"The Be a Santa to a Senior program is all about including seniors in the joy of the holiday season," said Michele Bonneville, owner of the Home Instead Senior Care office in Wesley Chapel. "A simple gift shows them they are a loved and vital member of our community."

It's easy to help. Visit one of the participating locations listed below and look for the Be a Santa to a Senior tree on display now through Dec. 10. Each tree will be decorated with ornaments featuring seniors' first names and gift suggestions. Holiday shoppers can choose an ornament, buy the requested gift and return it

to the store with the ornament attached. There's no need to worry about wrapping — community volunteers and program partners will wrap and deliver the gifts to local seniors in time for the holidays.

"While it may seem like a small act of kindness, it can really make a difference for someone this holiday season," said Bonneville. "Watching seniors open the gifts they received through Be a Santa to a Senior and seeing the smiles and appreciation on their faces is one of my favorite parts of the holiday season."

Be a Santa to a Senior is a true community program, with generous support from local businesses, nonprofit organizations, retailers, numerous volunteers and members of the community. The Home Instead Senior Care office serving East Pasco County has partnered with businesses and organizations to help with gift collection and distribution.

Be a Santa to a Senior trees can be found at the following locations: Bealls Outlet, 21701 Village Lakes SC Dr., Land O Lakes; Bealls Outlet, 5351 Village Market, Wesley Chapel; Bon Worth Women's Clothing, 7409 Gall Blvd.; Pasco County Tax Collector - Dade City, 14236 6th St., 100, Dade City; Pasco County Tax Collector - Land O' Lakes, 4135 Land O' Lakes Blvd.; Pasco County Tax Collector - Wesley Chapel/Lutz, 4610 Pet Ln., 101; and Sweet Darling Quilts, 26240 Wesley Chapel Blvd., Lutz.

For more information about the program, visit [BeaSantaToASenior.com](http://BeaSantaToASenior.com) or call (813) 991-7524.

## PARK NEWS

### Ramblewood Village collects food items instead of candy



Left: Barbara Tabor, Phyllis Fields and Linda Mollison show off their trunk load of donated food.



Left: Larry and Dona Mennig, with the help of Faith Stivers, load their trunk full of food for the center.

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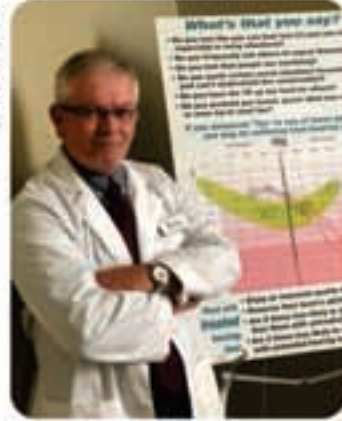
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Right: Ramblewood Village residents, John Generazzo, Sally Holmes and Annie Fischetti helped collect the donated food for the center.



Halloween and trick-or-treat gave the residents of Ramblewood Village an opportunity to put their own spin on the holiday. Instead of asking for sweet treats, the park family donated non-perishable items for those people in need.

They collected three vans of food and other items from the generous residents. The efforts were greatly appreciated by the workers at the center.

## CLUB NEWS

### Pasco County Historical Society

The historical society meeting is Nov. 16, 12 p.m. at Melton's Machinery Museum, 34226 Harris Hill Rd. in Dade City.

The museum is a collection of antique agricultural machinery from the turn of the 20th century. Each piece is restored to working order. The speaker for the meeting will be Steve Melton. He will lead a tour of the museum adding his own interesting facts and personal stories.

For more information, contact Glen M. Thompson at [bookbolland@icloud.com](mailto:bookbolland@icloud.com) or call (352) 567-7449.

### Zephyrhills Garden Gate Garden Club

The garden club meeting is Nov. 21, 10 a.m. at the Magnuson Hotel, 5734 Gall Blvd.

There will be a speaker and program about raising and using herbs in gardens. For information, call (813) 782-8004.

### East Pasco Networking Group

The networking group meeting is Nov. 26, 7:30 a.m. at IHOP, 13100 U.S. HWY. 301 in Dade City.

The guest speaker will be Pasco County Judge, Kent Comp-ton.

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# Saint Leo University honors veterans

Left: Retired U.S. Army Lt. Gen. John LeMoine speaks at a Veterans Appreciation lunch at Saint Leo University.

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Right: Retired U.S. Marine Corps Col. Richard "Dick" Johnson, a member of the Saint Leo University Board of Trustees and a 1968 graduate, places a wreath representing the Marine Corps.



## University community representatives lay wreaths for each branch of military

Saint Leo University began its Veterans Appreciation Week on Nov. 8, with a special veterans appreciation luncheon and an Honoring Our Veterans ceremony.

The public was invited to join the university community at the For Those Who Serve sculpture for the ceremony, which included a presentation of the colors by Saint Leo's ROTC cadets; brief statements by president Jeffrey D. Senese and guest speaker retired U.S. Army Lt. Gen. John LeMoine; a wreath laying ceremony featuring representatives of branches of the military; and patriotic music by Saint Leo students accompanied by Dr. Cynthia Selph.

LeMoine, who also spoke at an invitation-only luncheon prior to the ceremony, served 40 years, including combat tours in Vietnam, Panama, and Iraq. He received five awards for valor and the Purple Heart for wounds he received in combat. When the terrorist attacks of 9/11 occurred, LeMoine was asked to delay retirement to serve as chief of human resources and personnel for the Army at the Pentagon to help rebuild the team following the attacks. His grandson is a freshman at Saint Leo.

After cajoling his grandson with, "you better make your grades," LeMoine spoke about leadership and management. "There are two proven pathways to societal growth," he said. "Military service and education."

LeMoine said he was a college dropout, but his military service allowed him to begin classes again and earn a bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and a master's degree from Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.

"Google 'leadership' and 'management,' and you will find a lot of the same terms," he said. "The real key is to unlock potential."

He said leaders are born, but everyone has the potential to become a leader under certain circumstances.

LeMoine said good leadership has many traits, but two stand out—which coincide with Saint Leo University's core values—"One, your personal integrity is sacrosanct," he said. "Lie one time, and you will never be trusted. "And two, treat people with respect."

"Today's generation is the next Greatest Generation," LeMoine concluded.

At the Honoring Our Veterans ceremony, Senese reminded everyone of Saint Leo's history of educating military personnel and veterans. "We now operate on 14 military bases," he said. "And we just received permission to operate at Naval Weapons Station, Joint Base Charleston (SC)."

Earlier at the luncheon, Senese shared the university's gratitude for its student-veterans and all who have served in the military. "On behalf of a very grateful Saint Leo University, I want to thank you for your service," he said.

Dr. Luke McClees, director of the Office of Military Affairs and Services, introduced members of the Saint Leo community, who represented their branches of the military and placed a wreath at the base of the sculpture. Representatives included: U.S. Army, retired Lt. Gen. John LeMoine; U.S. Marine Corps, Col. Richard "Dick" Johnson, a member of the Saint Leo University Board of Trustees and a 1968 graduate of Saint Leo; U.S. Navy, Noel Boeke, former Saint Leo trustee; U.S. Air Force, Frank Hernandez, Class of 2014, and an adjunct faculty member in the Tapia College of Business; and U.S. Coast Guard, freshman Olivia Johnson, who is a member of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve.

The ceremony concluded with a blessing by Father Kyle Smith, university chaplain, and a performance of "God Bless America" by student Olivia Callahan and the Saint Leo Chamber Singers.

Above: Saint Leo University's ROTC presents the colors during Veterans Appreciation Week ceremonies.



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Right: A major draw to the Bug Jam was the swap meet where parts and accessories were available.

STEVE LEE



Above: Time Travelers, a local band with some members from Zephyrhills, entertained the crowd.

Right: One of the more creative VWs was this particular model.

**BUG JAM:** From Page 1A

camp on the motocross property during the weekend of activities. "They're all pretty good."

A significant factor in the high turnout to check out nearly 700 VWs was beautiful weather with afternoon temperatures hovering around 80 then dropping down into the high 50s at night.

"I think we had the best weather ever," said Yoho, reminding of some previous unseasonable hot weekends for the Bug Jam.

As for people coming from near and far, Zephyrhills VW enthusiast Walter Bell said he has come to the past four Bug Jams.

"Ever since we started coming down for the winter," he said of he and wife Rhonda's relocations as snowbirds from Michigan for the past few years. "I have a couple of VWs at home, but I won't drive them all the way down here."

"He loves this show," added Rhonda, noting that the local Bug Jam "is bigger than anything like this back home."

Another local couple, Sue and Duane Pritchard, have been to the past two Bug Jams and liked what they saw over the weekend.

"We like it, especially this time of year," Sue said, adding that her husband "Loves it, looking at all the vehicles."

"I always talk about buying something, but never do," Duane added.

Another VW enthusiast, who actually tried to make some money at the event, was Scott Gencarelli from Ocala. He and his family had a booth for their business, VDub Factory. They also do shows in other cities throughout the state and have 23 VWs.

"This is my life. Volkswagens are my life," said Gencarelli, a collector for the past 35 years. "This is one of the biggest (shows)."

Melbourne's Amos Bowlen concurred, saying, "He's right. This is the biggest and best show in Florida."

As folks walked around the fairgrounds property, a local band, Time Travelers, with some members from Zephyrhills entertained the crowd.

Gerald Newsome and his friend Harold Krug, who came up from Ellenton, lugged out some VW parts from the swap meet before purchasing a few beers and stopping to listen to the band.

"I restore VWs and you can always find parts here," said Newsome, who carried a front bumper.

Krug, who carted around some heavy-duty engine parts, said he has learned a lot from his friend.

"I haven't been doing this as long as him," Krug said. "He helps me out with my bug."

It helps that the annual Bug Jam coincides with veterans with Yoho taking measures to recognize veterans by bringing in local JROTC units and offering some discounts for veterans.

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