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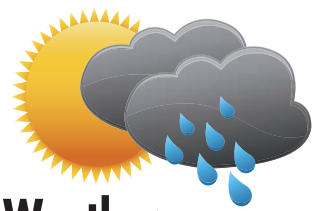
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## Happy Easter

Easter is here, and it brings one of our most favorite times of year. As we enjoy spring, beautiful flowers and a feeling of hopeful renewal local businesses and churches invite you to spread joy to family and friends.

► 12 & 13



## Weather

Higher temperatures will bring in a chance of rain for the weekend but temperatures will remain in the high 80s for Easter.

► 3

## Sports News

Zephyrhills wrestlers keep in shape with informal matches

Three days a week wrestlers lift weights and participate in wrestling sessions on the mats in the ZHS gym.

► 16

## Park News

Winters Bedrock residents keep busy with cornhole, billiards and coffee hour. Other residents make decorations.

Residents at Ramblewood Village are served coffee and donuts before the monthly HOA meeting.

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## City Clean-up

City employees clean up the streets of Zephyrhills with a dumpster staging at city hall. Some residents avoid code violations by dropping off large items and hard to get rid of items.

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# Leona Melchert celebrates 100th birthday



Leona Melchert was born April 25, 1922, in Michigan. She celebrated her 100th birthday with her friends at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Zephyrhills on April 5, just one of several celebrations this month. Melchert is an angel, having worked at Detroit County Day School and then as a caregiver to her grandparents, parents, sister and young children. The number one mission of her life was to visit the elderly at nursing homes and write letters to cheer-up others. Melchert is blessed with a loving spirit giving unconditional love to all she meets.

# Volunteers recognized at Zephyrhills High



Dozens of volunteers gathered in the commons area of Zephyrhills High School for refreshments and fellowship during Volunteer Appreciation Night. **STEVE LEE**

*Longtime volunteer coordinator Judy Williams organizes a collective thank you for all who contribute to school programs*

By **STEVE LEE**  
News Reporter

Giving back is in the DNA of Judy Williams, the school's parent involvement and volunteer coordinator at Zephyrhills High. Giving thanks to all 374 volunteers who contribute to school programs also is a must.

Last week in the newly refurbished commons area, refreshments were served to a few dozen of those volunteers. They showed up for Volunteer Appreciation Night. Some give their time or services while others chose to donate money and various items. A few give their efforts and contribute financially.

"There's good people around Zephyrhills," said Williams, Zephyrhills' parent involvement coordinator. "You couldn't live in a better community."

Support is primarily earmarked for needy families and students as part of the school's ABC program, which stands for Assist, Believe and Care. Since students returned after the winter break, Williams said about \$6,000 has been donated for such items as

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# City council welcomes new ZPD sergeants, pans Wire Road annexation

*Council meeting saw two new ZPD sergeants promoted and weighed a couple of small housing developments*

By **ANDY WARRENER**  
News Reporter

The April 11 city council meeting started off recognizing some of Zephyrhills Police Department's finest. ZPD officers John Oleson and David Dixon were promoted to sergeant. Oleson is a ZHS graduate and a former Navy master-of-arms. He was also the Officer of the Year in 2017. Dixon is also a ZHS grad, former Polk County Sheriff and school resource officer ZPD recently completed the selection process for the two vacant sergeant positions. The candidates participated in testing as well as an oral board interview. Zephyrhills Police Chief Derek Brewer was pleased to announce their promotion to the rank of sergeant. A standing ovation welcomed the two new police sergeants into the fold.

The Consent Agenda had just one item on it, approval of the March 14 regular meeting minutes. This measure passed 5-0.

In Business Items, Item 3.1 was a three-fold petition for an Annexation, Future Land Use Map Amendment and Zoning Assignment. The annexation will remedy a Pasco County enclave within the city. The amendment and Rezoning Petition has been presented to the city by Commercial Site Solutions. (CSS) on behalf of the property owner (ACME Development) for a 4.92-acre parcel on Wire Road north of County Road 54. A 55-unit townhome community is anticipated to be developed if this petition is approved. Senior Planner Rodney Corriveau estimated a net property tax increase of \$56,726.

The location of the parcel is on the east side

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## Residents keep busy with plenty of activities at Bedrock Winters



Bud Dow decorates bunnies for Easter. Cornhole team Mark Ellis holds first place for five weeks in a row. Plenty of activities at Winters Bedrock Mobile Home Park including billiards, cornhole and arts and crafts.



## Ramblewood Village residents get together for morning coffee and HOA meeting

By BARBARA TABOR

Randy and Diane Reed were the hosts for the morning coffee which was held before the monthly HOA meeting. The volunteers are asked to make coffee and to buy or make one other object. This week pastries and donuts were served. Sometimes there is cut up fresh fruit, juice, coffee cake or a breakfast casserole. The monthly meeting is held on the second Friday of each month. There were monthly social activities are planned. Annie led us in the pledge of allegiance in the absence of our vice president Mike Collens.



Diane and Randy Reed put out the refreshments for the morning coffee along with the silver, napkins and coffee fixings.

Officers seated are Annie Fischetti, member at large, Diane Reed, secretary, Dave Ballet, president and Bill Hyland, treasurer.

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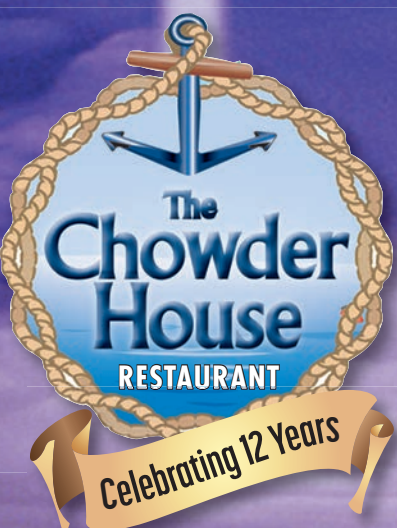
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**90|64**  
 Scattered Showers  
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 SUNSET: 7:54pm MOONSET: 6:29am

**SATURDAY**  
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 SUNSET: 7:54pm MOONSET: 7:03am

**SUNDAY**  
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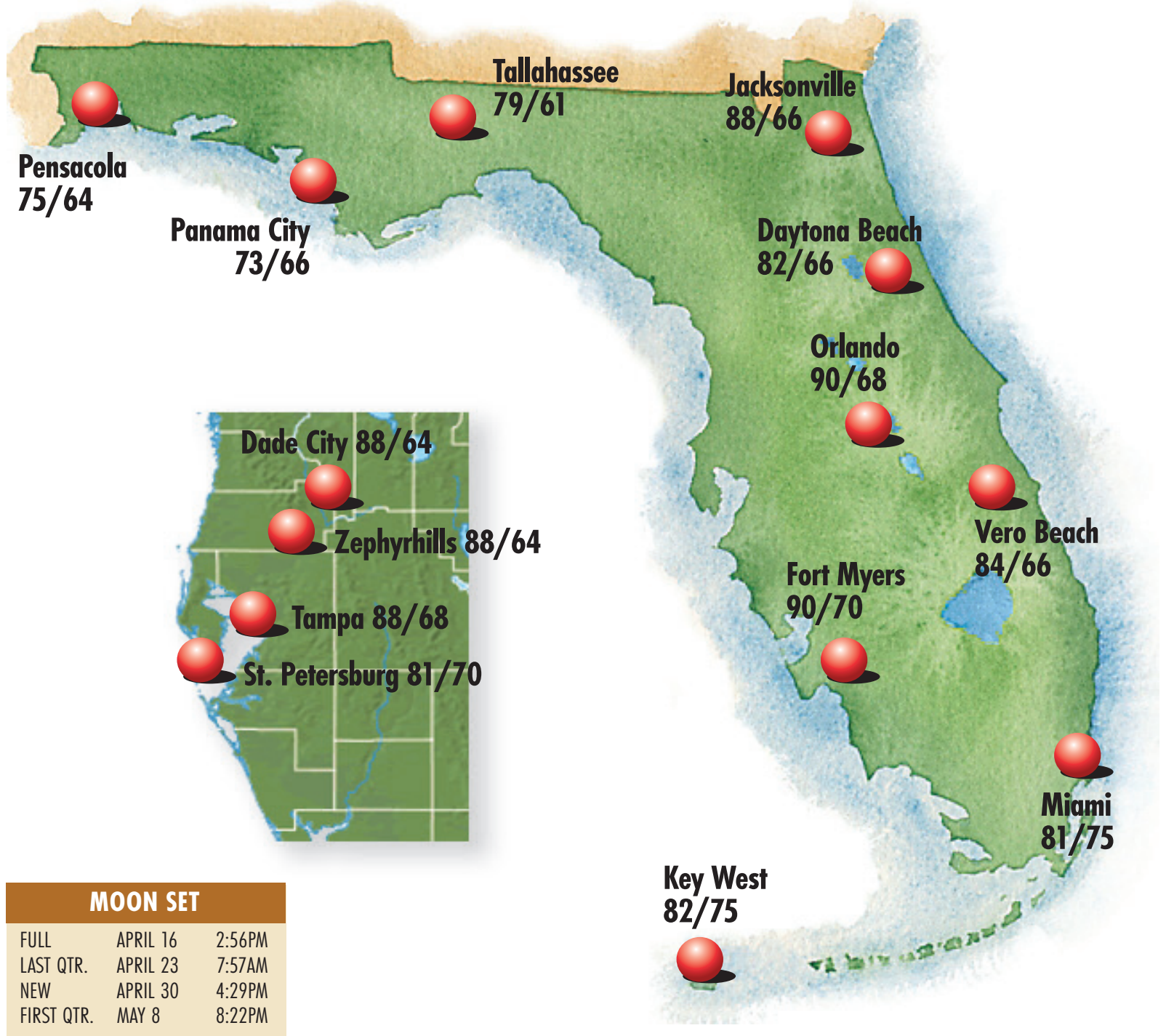
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 SUNSET: 7:56pm MOONSET: 9:04am

**WEDNESDAY**  
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Above: Judy Williams talks alongside Sid Jarrett of Jarrett Ford.



Above right: Judy Williams gives special thanks to April Simons.



Above: Judy Williams thanks volunteers.



Right: Judy Williams addresses the crowd.

STEVE LEE



Right: Judy Williams recognizes contributions from the Bahrs and Theresa Kinsman.

Below: Judy Williams thanks ladies from the Fellowship Baptist Church.

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backpacks filled with food for students to take home on weekends.

Additionally, volunteers from individuals to various groups such as churches and local businesses have helped fund holiday meals for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

"The look on the families' faces when we're able to do something for them," is what Williams said it's all about. "This community is so good. They just hand me the money. I know it's really in their hearts. They want to do it."

School counselor April Simons lauded Williams for her efforts. Williams worked at Zephyrhills for 22 years, primarily handling school discipline, before retiring in 2016. Less than two years later, former principal Angie Stone convinced Williams to return in her

current role.

"Angie Stone called me and asked me to come back and I said no," Williams recalled. "She said you'll love this job. It's you."

Indeed it is. Christina Stanley, who replaced Stone when she retired, along with many others feel that Williams is ideally suited to lead the volunteers. She also concurs with Williams about the giving nature of people in the community.

"One of the things that definitely is a blessing is how much this community loves this school," Stanley said, adding that she wants to let "people know that from the bottom of our hearts how grateful we are."

Simons noted that the giving nature of local people is fueled by Williams and her affinity for a community she has been a part of for three decades.



"She is a giver," Simons said. "She just has a love for people and a love for helping the students at Zephyrhills; and she keeps me laughing."

That good nature becomes a bit more serious when Williams realizes how much financial support is needed by some struggling families.

"After they've paid their rent and bought some groceries, there's no money to pay the light bill, and we have paid some phone bills," Williams said.

The ABC committee oversees the needs of

people who request help. Williams said there are currently 35 families benefitting from the program.

As for how long she will continue leading the volunteers, Williams, who is 82, offered a somewhat comical response.

"I guess I'm going to hang it up when they put six feet of dirt over me," she said with a hearty laugh.

Added Sue Ellen Smith, Zephyrhills High's retired kitchen manager, "She's great in that role. She's doing a great job with it."

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## CHURCH NEWS

**First Baptist Church of Zephyrhills**, 38231 5th Ave., invites you to Sunday services with Pastor Rob McKinney.

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

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

The Sunday services are: Sunday school for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; worship service, 10:45 a.m.; and evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday mid-week service, 6 p.m. and choir practice is at 5 p.m. For more information, call the church at (813) 782-5574.

**East Pasco Seventh-day Adventist Church**, 7333 Dairy Rd. invites you to Saturday services with Lead Pastor Ray Pichette and Associate Pastor, Ricardo Barriffe. Bible study is at 10:15 a.m. and worship services are at 9 and 11 a.m. Wednesday mid-week services are at 7 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous is Sunday, 7 p.m., Al-Anon (Noon Solutions) is Monday, 12 p.m., Al-Anon (Serenity), Wednesday, 7 p.m., Narcotics Anonymous is Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday 7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous is Friday at 10 a.m. and Overeaters Anonymous is Monday, 5:30 p.m. and Friday, 11:30 a.m.

Women's Ministries Bible Study Group is Thursday, 5 p.m.

The Adventist Health Food Store is open at the church Wednesdays, 1-4 p.m.

For more information, call (813) 782-2000.

**Crystal Springs Worship Center**, 2155 Paul Buchman Hwy. is an Assembly of God Church. Adult Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. followed by the morning worship at 10:30 a.m.

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 service at 10 a.m. with communion on the second and fourth Sundays.

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

**First United Methodist Church of Zephyrhills**, 38635 5th Ave. and Senior Pastor Steve Ezra invites everyone to worship services every Sunday, with contemporary service at 9:30 a.m. and traditional service at 11 a.m. Coffee and fellowship in Cooper Hall behind the sanctuary, every Sunday, 9-10:45 a.m.

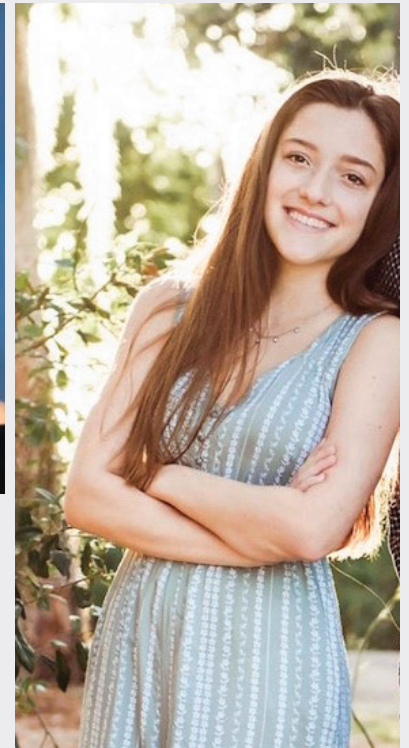
Adult Sunday school is 9:30 a.m. for the Crusaders and Lamplighters groups, then Truthseekers at 10:45 a.m. United Methodist Youth Group (grades 6-12th) meets every Sunday, 4-5:30 p.m. in Cooper Hall, youth room with group discussion about relevant topics with fellowship, praise and worship time. All are welcome and bring a friend.

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## Two teenagers who work at Chick-fil-A Zephyrhills are awarded scholarships



Grace Riner



Olivia Gillispie

Olivia Gillispie, 17-years-old, is graduating fifth in her high school class. She will have earned her certified nursing assistant license upon graduation and has plans to study civil engineering or environmental science in college. In addition to her academic achievements, Gillispie is praised for her work ethic and leadership skills.

Grace Riner, 19-years-old, is following in her mother's footsteps, heading into the medical field. The driven, disciplined Chick-fil-A Zephyrhills Team Member is studying to become a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists. Riner is commended for her

positivity and hard work at the restaurant.

Both girls were awarded a \$2500 Remarkable Futures Scholarship to further their studies.

"We could not be more proud of Olivia, Grace and all of our team members here at Chick-fil-A Zephyrhills," said Scott Amole, local restaurant operator of Chick-fil-A Zephyrhills. "We are proud to have two deserving Chick-fil-A scholarship recipients at our restaurant and we're honored to play a small role in their continuing education. We look forward to watching them chase their dreams."

## OBITUARIES



Jack Don Fortenberry

FORTENBERRY, Jack Don, 83, of San Antonio, entered into eternal rest on April 5, 2022. He was born in Pampana, Texas to Dewey and Johnnie Fortenberry, his family moved around many parts of Texas before settling in the town of Commerce, Texas where Jack went to high school, played football, and was an integral part of the Commerce community. Survived by his loving wife, of 23 years, LaNita Fortenberry; son, Joel R. Fortenberry (Shannon) of Summerville, S.C. and grandchildren, Emma Fortenberry and Tyler Fortenberry; daughter, Amy Taylor of Chapin, S.C. and grandchildren, Creighton Taylor, Mattie Taylor and Culey Taylor; sister, Joyce Paro of Tyler, Texas; and nieces and nephews all of Texas. He joined in Heaven, his parents, brother, James Fortenberry and son, Jason Ray Fortenberry. Military career: US Navy 1958-1962, Hospital Corps, Surgical Technician. After honorable discharge from the Navy, Jack attended the Texas Eastern School of Nursing's three-year

diploma program. It is well known in the nursing community that the diploma program of those days produced the finest and most skilled nurses. That couldn't be more reflective in Jack's nursing career. After nursing school, Jack commissioned in the US Army (1968-1971) and served his country in Qui Nhon, Vietnam (1969-1970) with the Operating Room Army Nurse Corps, 67th Evacuation Hospital, caring for the "walking and wounded." When he was not caring for US soldiers, he provided medical mission care to orphaned Vietnamese children with the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity. First Lieutenant Jack D. Fortenberry was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his outstanding meritorious service in connection with military operations against a hostile force. After military service, Jack settled in South Carolina beginning his civilian nursing career, and meeting his lifelong best friends Reed Finney and Don Coyner. The three ended up in Florida together, Jack and Reed working for Tampa General Hospital's Regional Transplant Center. It wasn't long after that in which Jack along with just six others were the first to work for the newly established Florida West Coast Organ Procurement Foundation which is now widely known as LifeLink. Jack is accredited as one of the founding fathers in the history of the program, setting the bar for a generation of transplant coordinators, and is the very first in West

Florida to recover bone tissue from a donor patient. Now LifeLink has the largest tissue bank serving about 50,000 patients per year and more than 1.5 million since Jack's first tissue recovery. Jack was also the first guest lecturer at the USF School of Nursing to share the message on organ donation and how to be empathetic with families facing such tragedy. His lecture paved the way to include this topic in the nursing curriculum. Jack retired from his operating room career from East Pasco Medical Center in Zephyrhills. In retirement he enjoyed traveling, mowing his pasture, his dogs, duck and turkey hunts, SEC football, classic movies, good music, good friends, and a good debate; the longest running debate was with his wife over who made who a better person. You win, my Love! The family asks that, in lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc at [www.guidedogs.org](http://www.guidedogs.org).

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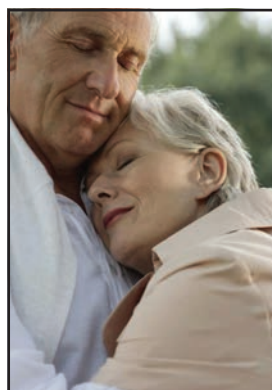
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Evening Service.....6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Worship.....10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Service.....6 p.m.  
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Tuesday.....8 a.m.  
Wednesday.....8 a.m.  
Thursday.....8 a.m.  
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# SALOME'S STARS ★★★★★

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A sudden change of plans could lead to a misunderstanding with a friend or family member. Be ready to offer a full explanation of your decision. A past favor is returned.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Expect pressure from those who want you to change your position on a matter of importance. However, the determined Bovine will be able to withstand the bullying and win out.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) It's time to stop dwelling on past disappointments and move on to other possibilities. By week's end, you'll be meeting new people and making new plans for the future.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) A long-simmering situation between co-workers threatens to heat up and could create problems with your work schedule. Best advice: Consult a supervisor on how to proceed.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You might have just learned that someone close to you is keeping a secret. And, of course, the Cat's curiosity has gone into overdrive. But be patient. All is revealed soon enough.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Don't give up. The recognition citing the good work you recently did will come through. Meanwhile, an opportunity opens up that can lead to a lot of traveling later on.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A financial crunch eases, but it's still a good idea to keep a tight rein on what you spend for non-essentials. Education becomes a major focus as the week winds down.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Recent encounters with stressful situations could require some restorative measures to get your energy levels back up. Talk to your doctor about a diet and exercise program.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) New connections follow changes on the job or in your personal life. But keep your feelings reined in until these relationships have a chance to develop.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Pay more attention to your aches and pains, but avoid self-diagnoses. Seek professional advice to make sure these problems won't lead to something more serious.

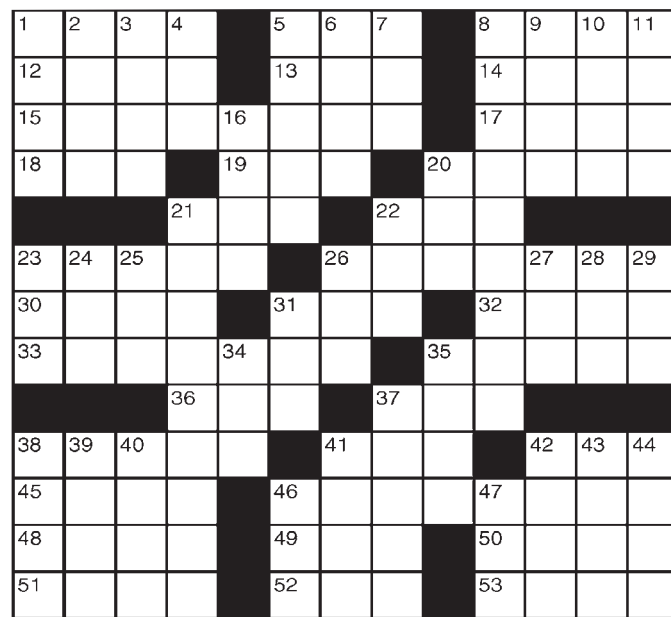
**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You love doing research and learning new things, so you'll be happy to know that education becomes a big part of your life at this time, and for some time to come.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your Piscean penchant for doing things logically could be challenged by an equally strong emotional reaction to a new situation. Best advice: Keep the two factors in balance.

# KING CROSSWORD - APRIL 14

**ACROSS**

- Swiss peaks
- roll (winning)
- Lily variety
- Not worth debating
- Chest muscle
- Here (Sp.)
- Shop tools
- Void partner
- Chemical suffix
- MGM motto start
- Enlighten
- Elev.
- Petrol
- Prima donnas
- Thornton Wilder drama
- B -- boy
- Grass shack
- "Closer" actor Clive
- "Blue Bloods" actress Moynahan
- El Greco's birthplace
- Sunbather's goal
- Carrier to Amsterdam
- Cabbage choice
- Chairman of China
- Persian, for one
- Recognized
- Sightseeing stop
- Falco of "The Sopranos"
- Whatever number
- Unruly kid
- Volition
- Zee preceder
- Priestly vestments



- Rm. coolers
- Desert hazard
- Iso-
- Chasm
- Unctuous
- Droops
- Listener
- Small wiper
- Belly
- Apply cream
- Medit. nation
- Half of XIV
- Ump's call
- Have bills
- Drench
- SSW opposite
- Chick's mom

- Carefree
- Lummox
- Rap star West
- Distort
- "The King --"
- Bridal accessory
- Oodles
- Poet Sandburg
- Basra resident
- B'way booth sign
- Legislation
- CEO's deg.

**DOWN**

- Both (Pref.)
- Burden
- Corn recipe
- Norm (Abbr.)
- Dizzying designs
- Reporter's quest

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- Down
- ELBOW** \_\_\_\_\_
- First
- MEDIAN** \_\_\_\_\_
- Discount
- BEATER** \_\_\_\_\_
- After
- ALERT** \_\_\_\_\_

**TODAY'S WORD** \_\_\_\_\_

# STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

• Now, here's a good reason not to neglect checking your spam email folder from time to time: A Michigan woman bought a lottery ticket online but forgot about it until, opening said folder days later in search of a missing message, discovered that she'd won \$3 million.

• In 1985, a sting operation dubbed Operation Flagship mailed letters offering free tickets for Washington Redskins games to fugitive criminals. More than 100 arrests resulted, including two of America's top 10 most wanted.

• Domino's Pizza Group has its own registered Tartan in its brand hues of red, white and blue.

• In 2007, Ben Carpenter got the most terrifying ride of his life when his wheelchair's handles were caught in the grill of a semi-trailer. Carpenter was pushed for several miles at a speed of over 60 mph before a pair of police officers followed the truck to its place of business and informed the stunned driver. The chair's wheels had to be replaced, but Ben survived without injury.

• FedEx's founder nearly bankrupted his company with a Las Vegas trip, in which he used the corporation's last \$5,000 to play blackjack. Fortunately, he managed to turn the sum into \$27,000 and keep things running until he obtained more funding.

• The movie "Babe" required one animatronic and 48 real pigs, due to their rapid growth rate.

• Remember playing "Simon Says" in your youth? In France, it's "Jack Says"; in Norway "The King Commands"; in Japan "Teacher Says" and in Ireland "O'Grady Says."

• In 1920, Anoka, Minnesota, became the first U.S. city to put on a Halloween celebration, in an effort to distract kids from playing Halloween pranks.

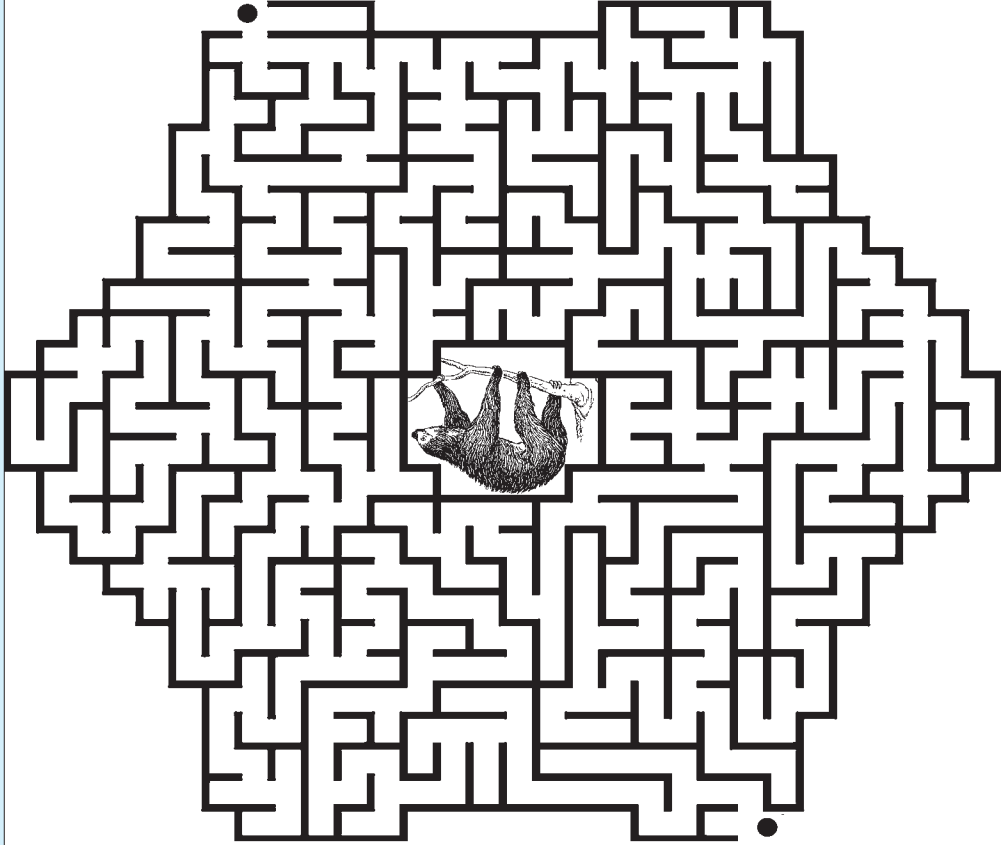
Thought for the Day: "Winning doesn't always mean being first. Winning means you're doing better than you've done before." -- Speedskater Bonnie Blair





# Mega Maze

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**HOCUS-FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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J H E B Y V T Q O L I G D E B  
Y W T R P M K C I B F D N B Y  
W U S Q O M K I A F A E O U D  
B ( S I R I U S ) Z A S D R Y K S  
X W U A S X Q O G L T N C S U  
L J A Z H F U D E A L O O A P  
C A Y I W V T L V S C E R G O  
Q P N L R I A T L A K I P R N  
I H F E C T B Z E O Y W P A A  
V U S R Q P A P N M P L J S C

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: CLOSEST STAR TO EARTH

Acra	Capella	Peacock	Sirius
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J	W	E	I	O	N	R	G	F	L	U	P	K
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**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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8			3					4
		6		4		5		
	4			3		7		
		5		2				6
7			8			1		
		3			2	4		
	9		1					7
6				5				1

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## MOMENTS IN TIME

### The History Channel

- On April 14, 1912, just before midnight in the North Atlantic, the RMS Titanic fails to divert its course from an iceberg, ruptures its hull, and begins to sink. The Titanic's hull was divided into 16 presumed watertight compartments, and the ocean liner was considered unsinkable.
- On April 15, 1967, a massive parade to protest Vietnam War policy is held in New York. Police estimated that 100,000 to 125,000 people listened to speeches by Martin Luther King, Jr. and Dr. Benjamin Spock. Prior to the march, youth burned nearly 200 draft cards in Central Park.
- On April 16, 1897, Frederick William Winterbotham, one of Britain's top code breakers, is born. Winterbotham would play a decisive role in the World War II Ultra code-breaking project, enabling MI-6 to intercept top secret messages transmitted to and between German armed forces.
- On April 17, 1882, several copies of Sheriff Pat Garrett's wildly inauthentic, fictionalized biography, "An Authentic Life of Billy the Kid," arrive at the Library of Congress. The first full, realistic biography of William Bonney (the Kid's principal alias) was not published until 1989.
- On April 18, 1906, in San Francisco, an earthquake registering 8.0 kills 3,000 people as 30,000 buildings are destroyed. Two days later, 20,000 refugees trapped by a massive fire were evacuated from the foot of Van Ness Avenue onto the USS Chicago.
- On April 19, 1993, near Waco, Texas, after a 51-day siege, the FBI launches a tear-gas assault on the compound of Branch Davidian leader David Koresh and his disciples as part of an investigation into illegal possession of firearms and explosives. The compound at Mount Carmel was burned to the ground, and some 80 Branch Davidians, including 22 children, died in the inferno.
- On April 20, 1841, Edgar Allan Poe's story, "The Murders in the Rue Morgue," first appears in print. The tale, generally considered to be the first detective story, describes the methods used to solve a series of murders.

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# Wealth of Health

## Strategies to lose weight safely

The struggle millions of individuals experience in regard to maintaining a healthy weight has led public health agencies to characterize overweight and obesity as a major public health crisis. According to the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, nearly one in three adults in the United States are overweight, while more than 40 percent are considered obese. Data from Statistics Canada indicates individuals also are struggling with their weight in Canada, where nearly 27 percent of adults can be classified as obese and more than 36 percent are classified as overweight.

With so many adults in North America classified as overweight or obese, it's no wonder that fad diets and additional programs to lose weight are so easy to find. Individuals who are overweight or obese should aspire to lose weight, as doing so can lower their risk for

various conditions, including some which can be deadly, such as cardiovascular disease and diabetes. But it's vital that individuals lose weight in a safe way that gives them the best chance to keep weight off. In recognition of that, the U.S. Department of Agriculture offers these tips to lose weight safely.

- Recognize what makes up a healthy weight loss program. Individuals have all sorts of options that promise to help them lose weight, but that doesn't mean each of those options is safe and/or effective. For example, the American Academy of Family Physicians notes that the typical fad diet is unhealthy and does not result in sustainable weight loss. Some such diets can even be dangerous to your overall health. The USDA describes healthy weight loss programs as those that consist of reasonable and realistic weight loss goals. A reduced-calorie, nutritionally-balanced eating plan is

another feature of a healthy weight loss program. Such programs also should encourage routine physical activity and a plan to help people change their behaviors so they can stay on track and meet their goals.

- Know what to expect out of a healthy meal. The USDA notes that calories, portion sizes and nutrition all combine to make a healthy meal. Avoid high-calorie meals by limiting portion sizes. The online health resource Verywell Fit offers a useful breakdown that can help people determine healthy portion sizes:

- 1 palm: a serving of protein
- 1 fist: a serving of vegetables
- 1 thumb: a serving of fats
- 1 cupped hand: a serving of carbs

This breakdown can act as a guideline for individuals, who also can discuss appropriate portion sizes with their physicians or a licensed dietician.

- Change your lifestyle, not just your diet. A successful weight loss strategy will help individuals develop lifestyle habits that help them maintain healthy weights. Fad diets and other quick fixes only provide short-term weight loss, and the USDA urges individuals to avoid programs that "go on" and "go off" at predetermined intervals. Long-term, healthy weight loss is achieved by changing one's lifestyle,

which requires a permanent commitment to physical activity and healthy eating.

A significant percentage of adults in both the United States and Canada is considered overweight or obese. When attempting to lose weight, those individuals can look to a comprehensive approach rooted in healthy eating and routine exercise that can help them shed pounds and keep those pounds off for good.



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Right: Zephyrhills city staff put multiple departments to work cleaning up the downtown area on Saturday - from left to right: Bobby Black, Dondi Ward, Rob Funnell, Tim Mericle, DeQuane Anderson, Jacob Hood, Kameron Stewart and Taywon Harrold.



# Neighborhood cleanup clears code violations and difficult-to-dispose-of items

*The public works department hosted a neighborhood cleanup that helped residents dispose of bulky but non-hazardous trash on Saturday*

By ANDY WARRENER  
 Sports Reporter

residents a golden opportunity to both avoid a citation and get rid of some unwanted bulky items.

"We've been doing this since 2015," code enforcement officer Joel Bacon said. "It's amnesty day, an opportunity for residents to take advantage before citations get handed out."

It worked. Many residents jumped at the opportunity.

"Some people were dragging stuff out just as soon as they saw us pull up," street superintendent Rob Funnell said. "They're bringing stuff out just as fast as we can haul it out."

Residents pulling up with their own loads approached the city hall parking lot, where their residency was confirmed and then their bulky junk was taken off their hands. City staff patrolled the streets with a truck, trailer and front-end loader and got busy. The city typically conducts three drop offs a year but combing the streets helped residents that would otherwise not be able to haul the bulky items. Residents were grateful to dispose of the junk and perhaps even more grateful to avoid code violations.

"This is a great bunch of people here, they all basically volunteered to help with the event," LeBlanc said as Bacon fired up the grill in a barbecue-like atmosphere. "It takes an entire team, office personnel, the sanitation department, street department - everyone is doing their part to contribute. I'm proud of my team."

At 10 a.m. on Saturday morning, front end loaders, trailers, trucks and roll off dumpsters, headquartered in the city hall parking lot and then took to the streets. In the city hall parking lot, Zephyrhills Public Works Director Shane LeBlanc, along with other city staff awaited residents coming in to drop off their bulky items. Front end loaders were on-hand to collect and dump the items into one of many roll off dumpsters, while other staffers combed city streets and alleys between Gall Boulevard and 12th Street, and 12th Avenue to 5th Avenue. By 11 a.m. three of the 30-yard roll off dumpsters were already full.

"We're taking electronics, TVs, tires, old furniture and general junk people have," LeBlanc said. "On Monday, we'll prepare an inventory report and deliver the trash to their respective locations, the electronics will go to Shady Hills, the tires will head to the transfer station. It's going well. By 10:40 a.m., we already had 13 drop offs. Someone even rolled an old recliner out on a dolly for us to take."

It was an amnesty day of sorts. Code enforcement was on hand as well. Code enforcement canvassed the target area ahead of the clean up and gave

Right: City employees check residency of someone with a trailer load of bulky items to dispose of.



Above: A front end loader takes the dropped off items and deposits them in one of the 30-yard roll off dumpsters.

Right: Zephyrhills Public Works Director Shane LeBlanc is ready to check on the operation in the city streets.

Below: Rob Funnell, street superintendent, operated the main front end loader.



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Left: Zephyrhills Police Chief Derek Brewer (right) with his new sergeants - David Dixon (center) and John Oleson (left).

Below: Now-sergeant David Dixon gets his badge pinned on his uniform.

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of Wire Road, approximately 1,000 feet north of CR 54. The property is bordered to the west by the Driftwood Villas residential subdivision. To the east is the Village Grove mobile home park, to the south is the Sleepy Hollow mobile home park, and to the north - larger lot single family homes.

Corriveau said that staff recommended the annexation on the grounds that it would eliminate a Pasco County enclave and that infrastructure for municipal services is already in place. Projected general water service demand is 16,500 GPD (55 units at 300 GPD = 16,500). According to the utilities department, capacity is currently available based upon the Water Use Permit (WUP) estimates. The remaining capacity for entitled development is 174,281 GPD, estimated remaining capacity post development of a 55-unit townhome is 158,781.

Zephyrhills City Manager William Poe Jr. stated during discussion that he, Zephyrhills City Attorney Matthew Maggard and Zephyrhills Utilities Director John Bostic on Monday, met with representative from the South-West Florida Management District (SWFMD) and that they basically said, "demonstrate the need and we will work with you."

This is positive news for a city whose margins of water service are shrinking in the face of an onslaught of development. Finding new water sources is what will allow development to continue. The development does address a need in the city for smaller rentals. It is a proposed 55 units of townhomes. It was a non-action item, staff merely seeking direction from council on if or how to proceed with the planning.

Ultimately, council said for Corriveau to proceed but with the limitation of 55 units.

Item 3.2 asked for review and approval of the final plat for a 5-acre, 55-unit townhome community by Lennar Homes called Townes of Leafside on Court Street just south of State Road 54. The parcel has R-4 zoning and is expected to have a density of 11 units per acre. Corriveau estimated a net property tax increase of \$56,187. This again came into the grips of the potential water shortages the city faces in light of rampant development. It was discussed that while water and sewer infrastructure was not currently installed at the property, it was in the process of being installed. The parcel was annexed into the city in 2008 and is slated for a fee simple plat, allowing the developer to subdivide and sell the 55 individual units. This was an action item and was approved 5-0.

In the City Manager's Report, Item 4.1 asked to hire an accreditation manager to attend training to remain current and up-to-date on accreditation matters. It was determined that hiring an independent contractor to prepare the department for accreditation, and an accreditation succession plan is the best course of action.



The department obtained three quotes from various consulting services specializing in accreditation. Areaka Jewell Consulting Services, Cynthia Pugsley C.A.P., and Patricia Stanton Consulting all submitted quotes, with the lowest quote coming from Patricia Stanton.

Stanton is a retired sergeant from the Temple Terrace Police Department and has extensive experience with the accreditation process with her former agency and as an independent contractor. Zephyrhills Police Department staff have met with her and feel she is the best fit to help us meet our accreditation goals. Stanton's hourly rate is \$33.50 per hour, and she is expected to work up to 30 hours per week. Should she be utilized for the entirety of the 12-month contract, the fiscal impact will be \$48,240.

Brewer asked that council allow him to re-allocate captain's salary from the recently departed Reginald Roberts to the accreditation subcontractor as Brewer does not intend to immediately fill Roberts' position. Accreditation opens up a law enforcement department to enhanced training opportunities and grant funding, among other things. This item passed 5-0.

Item 4.2 and 4.3 set times and dates for city council uncontested election results for Seat 1 and Seat 4, a reorganization of council and a ZOOM meeting to discuss best practices for the city charter. This date was set for April 18 and to commence at 6:15 p.m.

In Citizen Comments, Steve Forsyth, a resident living on Simons Road bemoaned the traffic backup at Simons Road and Eiland Boulevard. He also mentioned a large dead tree that is dropping large limbs. The tree in question is located in a Pasco County right-of-way.

Zephyrhills Public Works Director Shane LeBlanc spoke to both issues. First, that the Simons and Eiland intersection will eventually be a signalized intersection. Second, that LeBlanc personally, would try to work with the county to remedy the situation with the tree.



Above: A rendering of what the 55-unit development off Wire Road might look like.



Left: The location of the Leafside development from Item 3.2 off of State Road 54.



Below: The location of the Wire Road annexation property.

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## Explaining the meaning of Easter to children

Explaining Easter to children can be a delicate matter, especially for very young children who may not fully understand the tenets of the Christian faith. Although Easter ends with Jesus Christ emerging from his tomb, prior to this glorious miracle there are subjects of betrayal, suffering and death. These religious messages can confound when commingled with the imagery of bunnies delivering chocolates, chicks and pastel-hued eggs. How do well-meaning parents relay the message of Easter without scaring or confusing children?

placed on a cross, as was customary during that era, but forgo the finer details.

### Focus on the Resurrection

Parents will not want to talk about death without ending on the high note of Jesus' Resurrection. Remind children that Christ's death was temporary and that He now always will be with adults and children. Read passages from scripture that exemplify the Good News and the happy components of the Easter celebration.

### Explain secular images

Young children may be more focused on the commercial images of Easter rather than the religious ones. Parents may want to gear symbolism toward the religious explanations and focus their traditions thusly. Baking hot cross buns can be fun and showcase the crucifix. Explain how eggs are representative of Jesus Christ's new life when coloring them is another way to cut through mixed messages.

### Temper the message to the audience

A child's age bears consideration when gauging just how much to share about Easter. Between Palm Sunday, when Jesus triumphantly entered Jerusalem, to Easter Sunday's Resurrection, the story of Easter features torture and death - which are topics not easily digested by anyone, especially children. Even the core symbol of the Christian faith - the crucifix - is shocking.

For the youngest children, the extent of the torture and betrayal can be muted. For example, parents may say that Jesus was bullied and made fun of and that people didn't believe him when he spoke. Parents can note that even some of the closest friends to Jesus had their doubts. This may be easier for kids to digest because it's something they may relate to. Children may not understand the death on the cross; it's even challenging for adults to wrap their minds around that visual. It briefly can be mentioned that he was



### Read books

Some authors already have taken the challenge out of explaining Easter to children. Visit a religious bookseller, the church or a book store to find Easter stories geared to children.

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## Easy Polish Easter Babka

Babka is a sweet Polish yeast bread, similar to Italian panettone, that can be made with rum-soaked raisins and iced, or left plain.

It's an Easter favorite that often takes pride of place in a swiecone basket that is taken to church to be blessed on Easter Saturday. In fact, every Eastern European country has its own traditional Easter bread.

Traditional babka is made with a staggering number of egg yolks and requires two or more yeast risings. This recipe is lighter on the cholesterol load, requires no kneading, and only takes one rise.



### Ingredients For the Cake:

- 1 (1/4-ounce) package (2 1/4 teaspoons) active dry yeast
- 1/4 cup warm water, no hotter than 110 F
- 6 ounces (12 tablespoons) salted butter, chilled
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk, scalded
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 large eggs, at room temperature, beaten
- 4 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons lemon zest, optional
- 1/2 to 1 cup raisins, light or dark
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar, optional

### For the Optional Icing:

- 2/3 cup confectioners' sugar
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon boiling water

### Make the Cake

Gather the ingredients. In a small bowl, dissolve the yeast in warm water and set aside. If the mixture doesn't look bubbly after 15 minutes, it could mean your yeast is old. Start again with fresh yeast before proceeding to the next step.

Place butter, sugar, and salt in a large bowl or stand mixer, and pour the scalded milk over it. Using the paddle attachment, mix until the butter has melted and the milk has cooled to 110 F or below. Mix in the vanilla and eggs. Add yeast and mix until well combined.

Add the flour, lemon zest (if using), and raisins and mix thoroughly. The dough will be of a thick cake batter consistency.

Heat oven to 350 F. Lightly coat a 10-inch babka pan, kugelhupf pan, Turk's head pan

(turban pan), Bundt pan, or tube pan with cooking spray.

Pour the batter into the prepared pan and cover lightly with greased plastic wrap. Let rise in a warm place until doubled in bulk or until dough reaches the top of the pan but no higher.

Bake about 40 to 45 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean, or until an instant-read thermometer registers 190 F.

Cool completely on a wire rack and dust with confectioners' sugar before serving or, immediately after cooling, with the optional icing.

### Make the Optional Icing

Gather the ingredients. In a small bowl, whisk together 2/3 cup confectioners' sugar, lemon juice, and boiling water until smooth. Drizzle over cooled cake.

### Tips

Store cooled babka in an airtight cake saver at room temperature for up to one week.

Alternatively, the babka can be frozen by wrapping it in plastic wrap and placing it in a plastic freezer bag for up to six months.

### How Babka Got Its Name

Babka, which literally means "grandmother" in Polish, probably got the name because its shape is reminiscent of an old woman's wide, swirling skirts. Yet others say it is named after the top knot or bun often worn by elderly ladies in Polish villages years ago.

Interestingly enough, babkas in the Jewish tradition are baked in loaf pans, so it appears the name's origin and the pan it is made in are up for debate.

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At Christ's first coming the angels proclaimed tidings of great joy, comfort, and peace unto all people on the Earth (Luke 2). And now after Christ's rejection by men, and after his sacrificial death, burial, and resurrection from the dead for sin, God now proclaims "Grace and Peace" to his enemies in Acts 9!

The Most-High God of Heaven and the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the ascended and risen Saviour, now gives commandment to his most-bitterest enemy, Saul of Tarsus, also known as the apostle Paul, to proclaim the new message of "grace and peace" unto all.

Grace now proclaims that God was in Christ at Calvary, thereby making reconciliation for man's sins. Now unto all who believe this gospel, in that Christ died to pay for their sins, he was buried, and he rose from the dead on the 3rd day for their justification, God imparts salvation (1 Corinthians 15:1-4). His grace is the gospel and peace comes with the sealing of God's Holy Spirit for our comfort (Ephesians 1:13-14).

"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9).

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"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

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CRIME REPORTS

Active warrant

A 45-year-old Zephyrhills man was arrested March 23 at Zephyrhills Police Department, 6118 8th St. after a check allegedly revealed a warrant out of Lake County for a writ of bodily attachment charge.

Arrested was Jeremiah Stephen Canaday of 5408 5th St.

Canaday was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and transported to the Pasco County Jail.

Possession of methamphetamine

A 64-year-old Zephyrhills woman was arrested March 26 at 4th Street and 6th Avenue after a traffic stop, for a stop sign violation, allegedly revealed a methamphetamine pipe, .79 grams of methamphetamine, 18 alprazolam pills and a marijuana pipe.

Arrested was Mona Sue Nolin of 4523 Thornton Dr.

Nolin was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and transported to the Pasco County Jail.

Active warrant

A 38-year-old Zephyrhills man was arrested March 29 at his home after a check allegedly revealed a warrant out of Pasco County for violation of probation on a possession of oxycodone charge.

Arrested was Robert Justin Badia of 4939 8th St.

Badia was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and transported to the Pasco County Jail.

Trespass in a structure

A 57-year-old Zephyrhills man was arrested March 29 at Coin Laundry USA, 5951 Gall Blvd. after he was allegedly given a trespass warning on March 30, 2019 and returned to the property.

Arrested was Robert J. Sheldon of 38718 B Ave.

Sheldon was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and given a notice to appear.

Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon

A 39-year-old Zephyrhills woman was arrested March 29 at her home after she allegedly poked her husband with a kitchen knife and threatened him. A search allegedly revealed nine phentermine hydrochloride capsules, 14 amphetamine-dextroamphetamine tablets and 22 escopiclone tablets.

Arrested was Araya T Devhonda White of 37311 Picketts Mill Ave.

White was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and transported to the Pasco County Jail.

Possession of drug paraphernalia

A 32-year-old Brooksville man was arrested March 29 at Eiland Boulevard and Handcart Road after a traffic stop, for a stop bar violation, allegedly revealed a glass pipe, which tested positive for crack cocaine.

Arrested was Johnathan Allen Griffin of 15330 State St.

Griffin was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and given a notice to appear.

Possession of drug paraphernalia

A 36-year-old Wesley Chapel woman was arrested March 30 at Coats Road and Chancey Road after a traffic stop, for an obscured license plate, allegedly revealed a plastic bag, which tested positive for methamphetamine.

Arrested was Jessica Lyndsey Griffin of 6138 Boyette Rd.

Griffin was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and given notice to appear.

Pasco County Parks announces summer day camp registration

Online 2022 camp registration began April 9 at select sites

Summer is right around the corner, and this year could be the best one yet for your kids. Pasco County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources is excited to announce the 2022 Summer Day Camp - seven weeks of summer fun with games, arts and crafts, movies, guest speakers, field trips and much more. Registration began April 9.

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Pasco County residents can register for the full, seven-week program beginning April 9 at 10 a.m., and for the full and partial programs beginning April 11 at 10 a.m. Non-Pasco County residents and county residents can register for any remaining Summer Day Camp spaces beginning April 16 at 10 a.m.

For easy enrollment, create an account here: bit.ly/PascoCreateAccount.

Pasco County also offers an inclusive Exceptional Play in Camp (EPIC) for children who may excel with additional support.

For more 2022 Summer Day Camp information, including a list of locations, EPIC Camp details, camp capacities, costs and financial assistance, visit: bit.ly/Pasco-SummerCamp.

Active warrant

A 32-year-old Zephyrhills man was arrested March 31 at Plum Street and C Avenue after a traffic stop, allegedly revealed a warrant out of Pasco County for failure to appear on a larceny charge.

Arrested was Joshua Ryan Hunt of 5231 Braddock Dr.

Hunt was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and transported to the Pasco County Jail.

Criminal mischief

A 77-year-old Zephyrhills man was arrested April 1 at 12th Street and County Road 54 after he allegedly attempted to throw a temporary construction street sign, valued at \$800, into the trunk of his vehicle.

Arrested was Lucio Reyes of 6201 Cameo St.

Reyes was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and given notice to appear.

Active warrant

A 46-year-old Zephyrhills man was arrested April 2 at Arby's, 7446 Gall Blvd. after a check allegedly revealed a warrant out of Pasco County for a failure to appear on a driving without a license charge. A search allegedly revealed a handcuff key within a green pouch attached to his waist.

Arrested was Delaney Gene Heidenreich of 5858 Gall Blvd.

Heidenreich was processed by Zephyrhills Police Department and transported to the Pasco County Jail.

Active warrant

A 30-year-old Zephyrhills woman was arrested April 3 at 7242 Gall Blvd. after a traffic stop, allegedly revealed a warrant out of Polk County for a hired lease personal property for more than \$300 charge.

Arrested was Jessica Amy Hughes of 5733 Broadmore St.

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HOLLYWOOD by Tony Rizzo



Robert Pattinson in "The Batman"

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For years, we've written how Robert Pattinson desperately needed a hit. After "The Twilight Saga" (2008-2012), he chose to play off-beat characters to prove his acting skills. After nine uninspiring films (from 2015-2020) that didn't make any money (including Christopher Nolan's "Tenet"), he finally agreed to become "The Batman." Of all the Batman films, only three have cracked Box Office Mojo's top 100 films of all time: two from Christopher Nolan -- (No. 32) "The Dark Knight Rises" and (No. 49) "The Dark Knight" (for which Heath Ledger won an Oscar) -- plus "Batman v Superman" at No. 73.

Originally, Ben Affleck was to star, co-write and direct "The Batman," but in 2017, Affleck decided to step down as director, but still planned to star and produce the film. In 2019, Affleck declined to play Batman after all. The shortlist for "The Batman" became Nicholas Hoult, Armie Hammer, Aaron Taylor-Johnson and the front-runner ... Robert Pattinson. Director Matt Reeves, who also refashioned the screenplay, said he wrote the script with Pattinson in mind after seeing him in "Good Time" (2017), which cost \$2 million and grossed only \$3.2 million.

Pattinson, a longtime Batman fan, had big ideas on how to bring a unique portrayal to the relationship between Batman's superhero activities and his identity as Bruce Wayne. Then it came down to just Pattinson and Hoult. Pattinson was signed on May 31 for \$3 million, and he agreed to make two more "Batman" films (as did all the lead actors in the film), with escalating salaries and points in the film. Batman makes big bucks: Affleck made \$10 million-\$20 million; Christian Bale made \$9 million-\$10 million, plus a \$20 million performance bonus and \$15 million for "The Dark Knight." Val Kilmer made \$25 million and Michael Keaton made \$15 million for his two "Batman" films. Pattinson, at 35 and 6-foot-1, will be the one most movie fans will remember.

"Crazy Rich Asians," which made stars of Henry Gouling, Constance Wu and Awkwafina, has hung in limbo for 2 1/2 years since its \$30 million cost netted a \$238 million gross. The two writers hired to create the new screenplay quit over a pay dispute, and a new writer was hired. The sequel hasn't even been written and they're already planning a threequel. Maybe they should crack open their fortune cookies first!

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THURSDAY APRIL 14, 2022. TV schedule grid for Thursday, April 14, 2022. Channels include 3PBS, 34, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.

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DAYTIME TV schedule grid for the week. Channels include 3, 34, 4, 8, 9.

DAYTIME TRIVIA section. Includes a trivia question about a Looney Tunes character and a list of trivia questions.

SOAP UPDATE



Krista Allen is "Taylor" on "The Bold and The Beautiful"

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL Sheila threatened Thomas to keep his mouth shut about her secret. Brooke, Ridge and Taylor had an unexpected moment of peace and understanding. Taylor made a valiant attempt to talk a guilt-ridden Sheila off the ledge.

against Leo. Gabi delights in Ava's downfall. Eric Brady returns to Salem!

GENERAL HOSPITAL Alexis found a clearly troubled Harmony on the pier. The legal battle between Nina, Michael and Willow intensified. Nikolas received some tough love advice regarding Spencer. Sasha and Brandon explored what was next for them.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES A desperate Xander tried to get through to Sarah. Tony informed Anna that her future looked bleak. Victor presented Sonny with a life-changing offer. Gabi sought Rafe's help to get rid of Ava.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Jack set boundaries with Diane. Tessa and Mariah made an important decision. Rey's loyalty was tested. Victor set a trap for Ashland. Sharon took a stand. Nikki set the record straight with Victoria.

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<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>LIVE MUSIC...</b> 15th Conspiracy Theory 8pm-11pm 29th Southern Knights 8pm-11pm	<b>Every Sun. and...</b> Pool Tournament 1:30-3:30pm Karaoke - Christine & Willie 3pm-7pm
<b>RED SHIRT FRIDAY</b>	<b>MONDAY</b> Every Mon. and... Aerie Bingo 12:30pm-3:30pm Queen of Hearts 7pm-7:15pm
<b>SATURDAY</b> 16th, 30th Aerie Bingo 12:30pm-3:30pm 23rd Snake Farm and Guests 7pm-10pm	<b>TUESDAY</b> Every Tues. 19th Trustee's Meeting 6pm-6:30pm Aerie Members Meeting 7pm-8pm
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Right: Assistant coach Cory Miller demonstrated numerous techniques with wrestlers during last Wednesday's informal practice session.



## Offseason sessions offered once again to Zephyrhills wrestlers

For a second straight spring, coach Mike Martinez oversees weightlifting and wrestling sessions for newcomers and returners alike

By STEVE LEE  
 News Reporter

The first year of a spring offseason wrestling program paid off in the form of the Zephyrhills High team being a district runner-up this season, the best finish since winning a district championship in 2003.

Now in its second season, the spring program might not lead to a repeat considering the Bulldogs are losing nine wrestlers to graduation. Nonetheless, the recent turnaround after years of the Bulldogs being on the bottom in the standings is something to build on for local wrestlers.

"We're trying to change the culture here at Zephyrhills," said Mike Martinez, now in his third season as the school's wrestling coach.

The program consists of lifting weights after school three days per week, which is followed on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays with wrestling sessions on mats in the gym. Both activities are conducted on an informal basis and overseen by Martinez and assistant coach Cory Miller.

"We get in (the weight room) and we lift. Then we go in the gym for a little bit," Martinez said. "I'm just trying to keep my guys busy. It's whoever shows up. It's better that they're active, rather than sitting at home doing nothing."

Miller, a 2006 Zephyrhills graduate, noted that he would have liked a program like the current one when he wrestled at the school. It might have made a difference for the two-time regional qualifier (once at 135 pounds and the other time at 152) who came up short in his bids for the state level.

"We didn't lift in the offseason," Miller re-



Left: Zephyrhills wrestlers Nicholas Laserino (gray shirt) and Christian Bird (black shirt) battle in a series of scrimmages.



Above: Mark Dortch, a basketball player, likes showing up for the weightlifting sessions.



Left: Zephyrhills wrestling coach Mike Martinez and assistant Cory Miller chat in the weight room.

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called, who is in the U.S. Navy Reserves, adding, "If you don't focus on getting bigger you can get stronger. Really, if they get stronger overall, they'll be a lot better off."

One person who lifts with the wrestlers but does not go back for the wrestling sessions in the gym is Marc Dortch. The graduating senior played guard for the Zephyrhills basketball team for the past four seasons and has enjoyed lifting with the wrestlers for the past two springs.

"It's good to stay strong and condition; staying in shape and all that," said Dortch, who is unsure if he will play basketball at the next level.

Regulars at both the weightlifting and wrestling practices are Jaiden Martinez, the coach's son, and Dalton Arrington. Both won district titles this year.

Newcomer Joshua Barnes, and eighth-grader at Stewart Middle, is eager to get a head start on his high school wrestling career.

"I want to get a good head start," he said. "It's a good workout and it helps with self-defense."

Returners Nicholas Iserino, a junior, and sophomore Christian Bird, squared off on the wrestling mat to work on their techniques.

"Just going all-year round is probably what's best," Iserino said. "Everyone else is working, so we don't want to fall behind."

So far, the only girl to come out to the spring sessions is Martinez' daughter Kohana, a district champion, regional runner-up and state qualifier. A handful of girls wrestled for the Bulldogs for the past few seasons and the Florida High School Athletic Association is mulling over when to make girls wrestling a sanctioned sport.

"I've got to start recruiting some girls," Martinez said. "There's a rumor that the girls are going to be completely separate next year."

