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### Community Calendar

**Buckler's Craft Fair**  
Buckler's Craft Fair, an annual event, takes place Sept. 7-8 at the Florida State Fairgrounds Expo.

**Cruisin' at Wiregrass**  
The Shops at Wiregrass will host the Cruisin' at Wiregrass Car & Truck Show on Sept. 8. A special show will honor first responders.

**9/11 Memorial Service scheduled at Zephyr Park**  
The Veteran's Walkway in Zephyr Park will be the site for what has become an annual traditional 9/11 Memorial Service. It will take place on Sept. 11 at 11 a.m.

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### Weather

For a welcome change of pace locals will not have to deal with daily rain and thunderstorms. Six of the next seven days are partly cloudy or sunny at times. Daily temperatures will remain primarily in the low 90s while evenings will stay mostly in the low 70s.

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### Sports

**Bulldogs struggle on offense in loss at home**  
Although it is still early in the high school football season, the Bulldogs' shot at extending their five-year playoff run might be in jeopardy. A lopsided loss to Ponte Vedra dropped Zephyrhills to 0-2.

**Pasco football team comes up short in comeback bid**  
They gave a valiant effort at the end of the game, but still came up short in a comeback bid with the Pirates losing 15-12 against Sunlake.

**East Pasco Cross Country teams at Lecanto meet**  
Runners from Zephyrhills, led by Joseph Hoppe, as well as Wiregrass Ranch make good impressions at last weekend's Lecanto Invitational.

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## Faculty and students rave about new C building



The new C building on the Zephyrhills High campus is shown behind the concession stand and track at Bulldog Stadium. **STEVE LEE**

*Zephyrhills High opens two-story building on campus as part of \$33 million expansion project*

BY STEVE LEE  
News Reporter

Now that the new C building has opened on the Zephyrhills High campus and school is back in session, the reviews are in. Administrators, teachers and students alike rave about the most recent expansion that is part of an overall \$33 million enhancement project.

"The air conditioning runs great, the bathrooms

are clean and I like the way it is structured," said Austin Williamson, a senior planning to join the U.S. Air Force before attending college. "It's very good architecture, how it goes into the other rooms."

The C building, referred to by some administrators as building 26, incorporates floors for seniors and juniors, and was ready when students returned to school in mid-August. The two-story structure with 17 classrooms also includes offices for guidance, administration and graduate enhancement, new bathrooms and additional storage space. There also are conference rooms on each floor.

"We tried to make it a junior-senior wing," said Matt Hayes, an assistant principal as well as a former teacher and student at Zephyrhills.

Students in the higher grades were well aware

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## Checkers coming soon to Zephyrhills

*Fast food restaurant's structure is now in place at Gall Boulevard and 9th Avenue*

BY STEVE LEE  
News Reporter

A Checkers Restaurant sign at the corner of Gall Boulevard and 9th Avenue has been in place for a while. Now there is a 980-square-foot structure that a large crane dropped in place on the half-acre site and hiring should begin soon.

William Bingham, who was raised in Dade City, graduated from Pasco High in 1999 and runs a real estate company in Zephyrhills, is the more prominent figure among five investment partners. He and the others are eager to open with a target of early to mid-November.

"It's happening fast," he said. "We're extremely excited. We're eager to get it open and to serve customers."

As is the case with many businesses, most notably restaurants, location is often pertinent to a successful venture. That said, Bingham is thrilled with the site.

"It's a corner, which is obviously ideal, so the visibility is great," he said. "It's also down there in the mecca with other fast food restaurants."

In close proximity to the new Checkers are Burger King, Wendy's, KFC and Hungry Howie's Pizza. A bit further north on U.S. 301 are McDonald's, Culver's, which opened last year, and Pizza Hut. There are a few other sit-down restaurants, which also do take-out orders, in the area as well.

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## Zephyrhills City Council looking for ways to retain veterans in police department

*Recent defections to Pasco County have council members looking for ways to retain their more experienced employees in the police department*

BY ANDY WARRENER  
News Reporter

At the last Zephyrhills City Council meeting, K9 Officer Lorenzo Limoges took the podium during the citizens comments period and issued a warning. He stated that six recent transfers from Zephyrhills Police Department recently took jobs with the Pasco County Sheriff's Office. It was certainly implied that more defections might occur unless the city could do something to create better incentives for their police department.

The appeal was timely as the city is in the process of finalizing their 2019/20 Fiscal Year Budget. That budget included a 3.5 percent increase in base salary for all city employees. The appeal also came the very

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The Zephyrhills Police Department recently lost a half-dozen employees to the Pasco County Sheriff's Office. **ANDY WARRENER**

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# David D. Roberts gets promoted to technical sergeant

David D. Roberts has been selected for promotion to the rank of technical sergeant in the Air Force. Roberts is currently serving as a section chief with the 2nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana. He has served in the military for 11 years. He is the son of David and Lynn Roberts of Dade City. He is the husband of Star Roberts of Barksdale Air Force Base, and son-in-law of Wade and Tammy Thompson of Wesley Chapel.



The airman is a 2008 graduate of Pasco High School, Dade City. He earned a bachelor's degree in 2018 from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach.

## CLUB NEWS

### East Pasco Networking Group

The networking group meeting is Sept. 10, 7:30 a.m. at IHOP, 13100 US 301 in Dade City. The guest speaker will be Danny Burgess, executive director of the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs. Networking is one of the best methods to make your business grow. For more information, call (813) 782-9491.

### Nature Coast Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society

The plant society meeting is Sept. 10, 7 p.m. at the Land O' Lakes Community Center, 5401 Land O' Lakes Blvd. The subject of the meeting will be "The Ruby-Throated Hummingbird," presented by Christine Rowland. Rowland is the president of West Pasco Audubon, the local chapter of the National Audubon Society. She inherited her interest in birds from her father who, at 91, just bought another pair of bird watching binoculars. She started attending the West Audubon Society meetings after she and her husband moved to Florida from New York City where she was a high school teacher. Learn more about this most common local hummingbird, its life, habits and migration. Want to attract them to your garden? The meeting will cover their favorite native plants as well as best practices for hummingbird feeders. Want to help researchers learn more about these hummingbirds? Discover ways you can help with their study and conservation.

Meetings of the chapter are free, and all interested parties are invited to attend, to bring questions about their yard, and participate in light refreshments and the native plant drawing. For more information call (727) 207-1853 or visit, www.pasconativeplants.org.

### Pasco County Genealogy Society

The genealogy meeting is Sept. 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Latter Day Saints Meeting Room, 9016 Fort King Rd. The program will be led by vice president, Tom SantaCruz who will be speaking on the DNA topics, "The Theory of Family Relativity" and "Auto Clusters." If you have had a

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Fresh Market, Sept. 7, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.** at The Shops at Wiregrass, 28211 Paseo Dr. in Wesley Chapel. The market includes local food, crafts and live music. For more information, visit theshopsatwiregrass.com.

**Hummingbirds in the Garden, Sept. 7, 9-10 a.m.** at the One Stop Shop, 15029 14th St. in Dade City. Learn from an accomplished hummingbird lover and birder how to attract these unique birds to your yard, including species that rarely make Florida their home. This seminar will highlight the best plants, trees and shrubs as well as where to locate them. Also, the importance of feed and water to help you create the perfect hummingbird home. For more information, call (352) 518-0156.



**Buckler's Craft Fair, Sept. 7-8.** The annual craft fair is at the State Fairgrounds Expo, 4800 U.S. Hwy. 301 N. Walk the many displays of handmade crafts, jewelry, candles, painted glass, baby items, painted furniture and much more. The hours are Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is \$6, children 12 and under are free. For more information, visit bucklersshows.com.

**RV One Mega RV Show, through Sept. 8,** at The Shops at Wiregrass, 28211 Paseo Dr. Come and browse through a wide variety of RVs. For more information, visit theshopsatwiregrass.com.

**Cruisin' at Wiregrass Car & Truck Show, Sept. 8, 12-4 p.m.** at The Shops at Wiregrass, 28211 Paseo Dr. There will be custom, classic and new cars that will cruise in and line the streets. This special show will honor first responders. For more information, visit theshopsatwiregrass.com.

**A 9/11 Memorial Service, Sept. 11, 11 a.m.** at the Veteran's Walkway in Zephyr Park. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a chair. The service will be by the flagpole with guest speakers, Zephyrhills Mayor Gene Whitfield and Danny Burgess. The memorial service will be presented by the Marine Corps League. For more information, call (813) 788-5676.

**Friends of the Hugh Embry Library Book Bazaar, Sept. 13-14, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.** This book bazaar features a diverse selection of slightly used books, audio and videotapes, magazines and related materials. Hugh Embry Library is located at 14215 4th St., Dade City. For more information, call (352) 567-3576.

**Music and Motorcycles Sept. 14, 4-9 p.m.** in downtown Zephyrhills. Come and enjoy motorcycles, live music, food and vendors. Awards will be presented at 8:30 p.m. to the first and second place winners and best in show. For more information, call Main Street Zephyrhills at (813) 780-1414.

**Bromeliads, Sept. 17, 2-3 p.m.** at the New River Branch Library, 34043 S.R. 54 in Wesley Chapel. Come learn about this interesting species of plants. They range from tiny to huge in size. Their beauty is unsurpassed and they love living in Florida. For more information, call (352) 518-0156.

DNA test lately, this session will be explaining the new technology that can bring genealogy and DNA together. For more information, call (813) 788-8894.

### Zephyrhills Garden Gate Garden Club

The garden club meeting is Sept. 19, 10 a.m. at Magnuson Hotel, 5734 Gall Blvd. Members will discuss their visits to local and foreign gardens, and listen to a master gardener speak about "Working in our Florida soils." Snacks will be served. For information, call (813) 782-8004.

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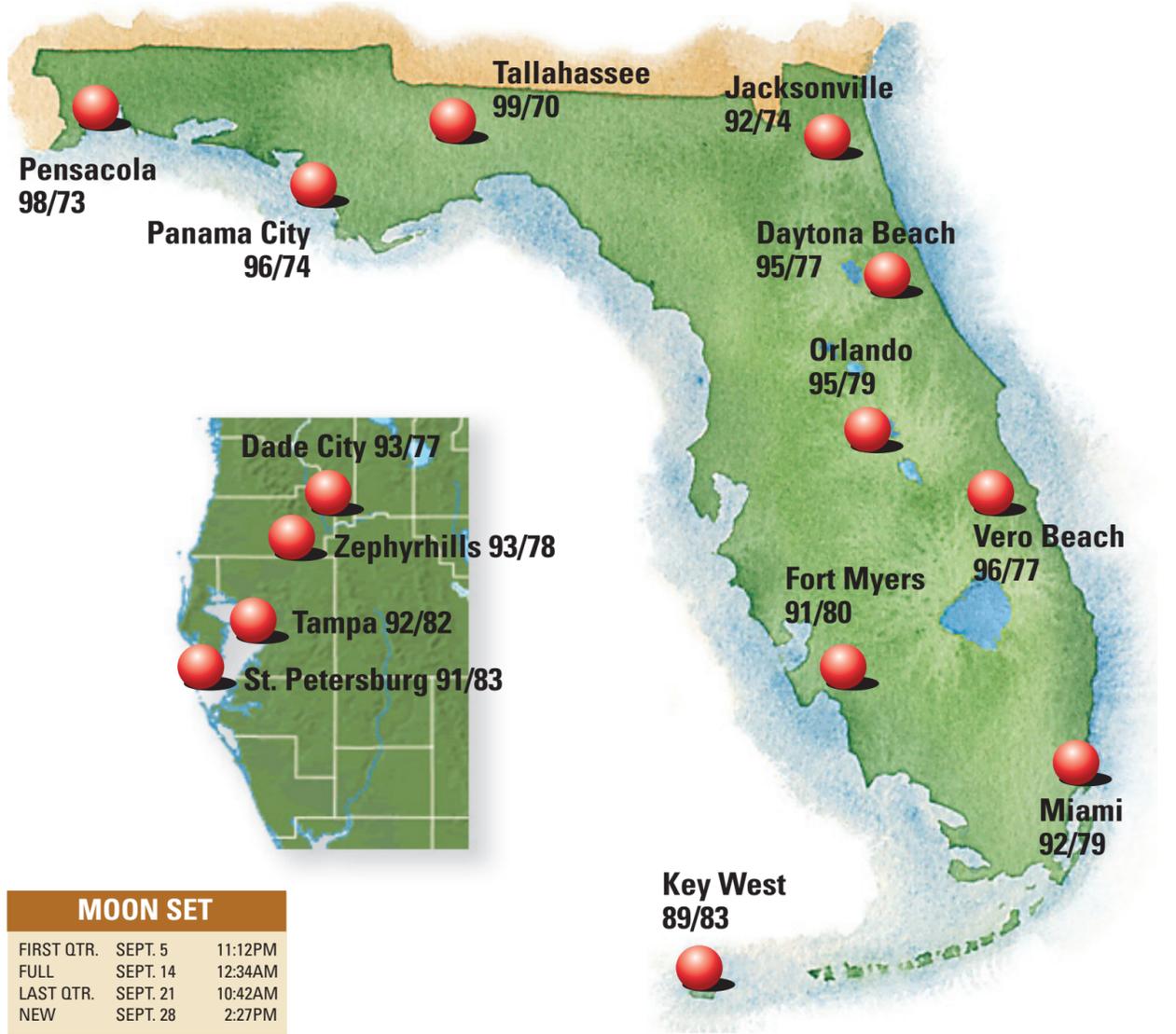
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Left and below: The new structure for Checkers Restaurant is now in place at the corner of Gall Boulevard and 9th Avenue. Infrastructure work is under way and the new owners are targeting an early November opening with hiring beginning soon. William Bingham, a local realtor, is among a five-member partnership behind the new fast-food restaurant.



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► **CHECKERS:** From Page 1A

Already Bingham, president of Bingham Realty, and his investment partners are reviewing some applications with a general manager in training. More hiring will take place in early October with plans to bring in 50 people, although that number of employees might not remain that high over time.

The Checkers at the new location is the first but not the last for Bingham's group. Plans call for 10-15 in total with franchises expected to open in Pasco, Hernando, Citrus and other areas northward.

"This is kind of our tester," Bingham said of the Zephyrhills location. "If it does well we'll do more."

For now, the project's infrastructure is being put in place.

"We're just waiting on the site work, trying to get all the underground in," Bingham said. "Just typical site work at this point. This is the part I know. It's the other side (namely, running a restaurant) that's new. I am learning as we go."

Being a local businessman and lifelong resident of east Pasco endeared Bingham to the community. The Greater Zephyrhills Chamber of Commerce welcomes his new business venture with open arms.

"I think it's great that one of our local residents is expanding his horizon and going into a new venture," said Melonie Monson, the chamber's executive director who often has worked with Bingham on economic development matters. "He really is based in this community and wants the community to expand and grow in positive ways, so I'm excited for him."

The feeling is mutual with Bingham adding, "We appreciated the city of Zephyrhills in helping make this happen."

As for the food, plenty of folks have eaten at Checkers and some have their favorites. When it opens, however, Monson, for one, will be a first-timer.

"I'll give it a try, for sure," she said, adding, "I do think the location is great for the surrounding businesses. It will give another option for people on their lunch break and to get quickly back to work."

**7-Eleven opens with a ribbon cutting**



Pasco County Commissioner Mike Moore was on hand for the ribbon-cutting for the new 7-Eleven at 6050 Dean Dairy Rd. in Zephyrhills on Aug. 29. Franchise owner Vic Patel is pictured along with the rest of the 7-Eleven team.

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## CHURCH NEWS

**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.

GriefShare, a 13-week grief recovery support group and seminar, will begin on Sept. 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m. The cost for the book is \$15.

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 Presbyterian Church of Zephyrhills**, 5510 19th St., invites everyone to attend Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. 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 during the service. In the fellowship hall after worship will be time for conversation and a light snack.

REFRESH Wednesdays begins with a meal at 5:30 p.m. and then a break into separate classes as follows, kindergarten-first grade; second-fifth grade; F.R.E.S.H. Youth Group; and adult Bible class at 6 p.m.

Choir practice is Wednesdays, 7 p.m. First Presbyterian Church of Zephyrhills is a Stephen Ministry Congregation. For more information, call (813) 782-7412 or visit [www.firstpcz.org](http://www.firstpcz.org).

**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.Bible-TruthForToday.com](http://www.Bible-TruthForToday.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).

**Victory Baptist Church**, 6950 Forbes Rd., invites you to join them for their services on Sunday at 10 a.m.; Sunday school, 11 a.m.; and worship service, 6 p.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.

**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 midweek 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).

**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 now 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 as well 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.

**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).

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Gall Blvd. Dr. Ahmed will focus on who benefits from a defibrillator, how the device works and is implanted, and its lasting power. A light lunch will be provided. Reservations are required by going to the news and events page at [AdventHealthZephyrhills.com](http://AdventHealthZephyrhills.com) or calling (877) 534-3108.

## OBITUARIES



**Germaine (Gerry) Newcomb**

NEWCOMB, Germaine, 88, of Zephyrhills passed away Aug. 17, 2019 peacefully at Gulfside Hospice. She was predeceased by her husband, Harold Newcomb. Gerry was born to the late Emile and Philomene Miller on May 26, 1931 in Nashua, N.H. The passion in her life was to knit, crochet, and donate to local hospitals and other organizations for 75 years. She received a certificate of "Special Congressional Recognition" for outstanding and invaluable service to the community. Germaine was survived by her three children, Kathi Nicolosi and husband Alfred, Robert Dumont and Roger Newcomb; and six grandchildren, Christopher Nicolosi, Jessica Lane, Kristi Newcomb, Todd, Freddy, Christine and Katie

Nicolosi and their spouses; and 15 great-grandchildren. She will be sadly missed "but not forgotten by everyone." Services are Sept. 12, 10 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Zephyrhills. Following the service, she will be interred at Bushnell National Cemetery at 1 p.m.

**Judith Ann Miller**

MILLER, Judith, Ann, 71, of Zephyrhills passed away July 31, 2019. Service was Aug. 30 at Poasttown First Church of God in Middletown, Ohio.

**Elinore LaMoynne McLemore**

MCLEMORE, Elinore LaMoynne, 71, of Zephyrhills passed away Aug. 17, 2019. Ms. McLemore is survived by her loving family.

**Amy Marie Kinsman**

KINSMAN, Amy Marie, 48, of Dade City, passed away Aug.

18, 2019. She is survived by her husband, Raleigh; mother, Clara; and her sister, Angie.

**Angeline Ann Loysch**

LOYSCH, Angeline Ann, 97, of Zephyrhills passed away Aug. 24, 2019. Mrs. Loysch is survived by her loving family and friends.

**Christine Marie Chicoine**

CHICOINE, Christine Marie, 50, of Zephyrhills, passed away Aug. 28, 2019. Christine is survived by her husband, Neal 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) 782-3558.

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Youth Church.....11 a.m.  
Tuesday  
Ladies Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday  
Evening Service.....6:30 p.m.  
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Youth Church.....7 p.m.

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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.  
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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.  
[www.AwakeWesleyan.org](http://www.AwakeWesleyan.org)

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Sunday  
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Saturday  
Mass.....4 p.m.  
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Wednesday.....8 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
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Pastor Robert McKinney  
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Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
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Wednesday  
Service.....6 p.m.  
Choir Practice.....6 p.m.  
Children's Activities.....6 p.m.  
TRUTH teen ministries.....6:15 p.m.

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7333 Dairy Rd.  
(813) 783-8300  
Ray Pichette, Lead Pastor  
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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.  
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Sunday  
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Worship service.....10 a.m.  
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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.

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Worship.....9 and 11 a.m.  
Wednesdays  
Worship.....6:30 p.m.  
[www.dadecitycc.net](http://www.dadecitycc.net)

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Morning Worship.....10:45 a.m.  
Evening Service.....6 p.m.  
Wednesday Service.....6 p.m.

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34921 Chancey Rd.  
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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.  
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**CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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Pastor Stephen R. Lamb  
Sunday  
Adult Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
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# STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was British politician John Sweeney who made the following sage observation: "How can a society that exists on instant mashed potatoes, packaged cake mixes, frozen dinners and instant cameras teach patience to its young?"
- Golfers beware: Don't chew on the tees. One golfer who was in the habit of gnawing while he played overdosed on pesticides after playing 36 holes in one day.
- The longest word in the English language that can be typed using only one hand is "stewardesses."
- It's been reported that the last words of 19-century American author, essayist, biographer and historian Washington Irving were, "Well, I must arrange my pillows for another night. When will this end?"
- Famed actor Gary Cooper was offered the role of Rhett Butler in the film adaptation of Margaret Mitchell's novel "Gone With the Wind," but he turned down the part. He said he believed the movie would be "the biggest flop in Hollywood history." The film went on to win 10 Academy Awards, including one for Best Actor, which was taken home by Clark Gable, who took the part that Cooper refused.
- If you know you have coronary issues, beware of extreme temperatures. Those who study such things say that you're more likely to have a heart attack on a particularly hot or a particularly cold day.
- Records show that in England in 1552, William Shakespeare's father had to pay a fine for littering.

Thought for the Day: "You will die. You will not live forever. Nor will any man nor any thing. Nothing is immortal. But only to us is it given to know that we must die. And that is a great gift: the gift of selfhood." — Ursula K. LeGuin

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## STICKELERS

by Terry Stickels

Who is the tallest?  
Jag is taller than Jam, who is shorter than Jal, who is shorter than Jag, who is shorter than Jax.

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## Mega Maze

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## Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

|                      |               |                     |               |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 1. Alphabet member   | __ E __ _ _ _ | Brood of puppies    | __ I __ _ _ _ |
| 2. Dracula's garment | __ _ _ A _ _  | Big Ben, e.g.       | __ _ _ C _    |
| 3. Hive treat        | H _ _ _ _     | Greenbacks or coins | M _ _ _ _     |
| 4. Downpour          | __ _ _ G _    | Hoodwink            | __ _ _ D _    |
| 5. Williams or Hood  | __ _ B _ _    | Bow wax             | __ _ S _ _    |
| 6. Mr. Munster       | H _ _ _ _     | Munich's language   | G _ _ _ _     |
| 7. Make eyes at      | __ _ _ R _    | Firestarter         | __ _ _ N _    |
| 8. Seem to be        | __ _ _ _ R    | Judicial review     | __ _ _ _ L    |
| 9. Take to the altar | __ A _ _ _    | Cheerful            | __ E _ _ _    |
| 10. Semblance        | __ _ _ S _    | Tour escort         | __ _ _ D _    |

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals C, it will equal Q throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: F equals V

YCXMBGMA QXO JMVHAK XEXR  
CV XFXVGB CKJ LHAGIGYC'Y  
LHMNKJY, G'FJ LIXNJB WRYJIQ  
VHC VQ XOW'Y EXR.

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## CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X\* for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and format on all the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

J TZWM VTQV VTN  
OQUNDVTNCNG QUN YI EQU  
VTN PZCV JPOZUVQDV OQUVC  
ZE Q DZD-YLCJDNCC WNVVNU,  
— M.T. WQGUNDHN

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Right: The Bo Harrison Building, named after the late Pasco Sheriff's Officer killed in the line of duty, is located in Dade City near John S. Burks Park off State Road 52.

ANDY WARRENER



Above: Two flagpoles are at the entrance of the Pasco Sheriff's East Operations Center in Dade City.



Left: K9 Officer Lorenzo Limoges, pictured with Bolt, let council members know that some employees of the Zephyrhills Police Department have left.

► ZEPHYRHILLS POLICE: From Page 1A

night of a salary study presentation by Clifton, Larson, Allen, LLP (CLA).

Base pay for a Patrol Officer as defined by the City of Zephyrhills starts at \$43,261.76 annually, while the Deputy Patrol position at the Pasco Sheriff's Office starts at an annual salary of \$42,409.90. The current salary cap for a City Patrol Officer is \$66,623.11. At the Pasco Sheriff's Department, the max is \$68,952.

Pretty comparable. Almost identical. As is usually the case, the devil is in the details. Both departments offer annual salary increases determined by their budgets. As stated earlier, Zephyrhills is implementing a 3.5 percent increase across all departments. This includes an immediate bump up to what the new proposed minimums are for each pay grade, based on the CLA study.

"We recently went through a salary study of our own and, with the support of our county commission, we were able to get raises for our members the last three years," PSO Assistant Executive Director Chase Daniels stated. "The raises varied based on certified vs civilian members but were at least 2 percent. This year, as well, the sheriff has requested for raises and it is pending approval of the BOCC."

So the salary ranges are similar, why is ZPD losing veteran officers to Pasco County? One of Limoges' points makes the case. Limoges stated that while the salary range might look great, he questioned how long it might take an officer to advance through that pay grade. The answer? Zephyrhills really doesn't have a step or incentive program in place. At 3.5 percent, it could take a Zephyrhills patrol officer 15 years to reach the maximum salary at that pay grade. Naturally, a patrol officer would have likely advanced in rank and pay grade for that matter, in 15 years but the fact remains.

"I think a step plan of five years is pretty

fair," councilman Lance Smith said. "If you stay in a position for five years, you must be doing a good job or you wouldn't be around for those five years."

PSO has a step plan and theirs is every two years.

"We do have a step plan, in which the deputy moves a step after they complete two years in their current step," Daniels said.

Pasco County's step plan might be something the city could look at in future budgets but again, details need to be sorted out. There was much discussion regarding the subject at that same city council meeting. Both step plans and performance pay bonuses were floated as ideas. Performance pay might get sticky for police officers. Would it be based on number of arrests? Number of citations? It's not a great scenario. While the CLA even recommended a merit pay or pay-for-performance option in their report, is it something that just applies to certain departments in the city and not police? Then what does the city do to create incentives for their police?

"I think in some instances, we might try performance pay but would we rather do that than just give so-and-so a raise?" Smith said. "The step plan guarantees that if you stay so long you get so much raise in salary but is it fair to give the police department steps and not other departments?"

Truly, those are valid questions and ones both the council and perhaps a new entity could help determine in the future. Part of the CLA report was a recommendation to form a compensation committee. There was universal support at the last council meeting in forming such a committee. It would be an added set of perspectives to help figure out how to be fair, frugal and generous at the same time. While it's too late to implement it into the 2019/20 Fiscal Year Budget, the council and perhaps this new committee will be examining these options going forward.

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Above: The new two-story building houses 17 classrooms, primarily for juniors and seniors, as well as some offices and storage areas.  
Left: Teachers in the new C building include Katie Dorkowski (left) and Christine O'Laughlin. Both spoke highly of the new building and its amenities.



Above: Students Sarah Davis and Pamela Rioseco step off the elevator.

Right: Assistant principal Matt Hayes and teacher Theodora Eggleston discuss an assignment.



STEVE LEE

► **ZHS ADDITION:** From Page 1A

they would be walking into a new building upon returning to school for this semester. Like Hayes, some said they could not wait to see how it turned out since many saw it being constructed during the last academic year.

"I was pretty intrigued," Williamson said. "I really wanted to see what it was going to be."

Several students spoke of how a new addition marked by cleanliness and with plenty of room enhances their learning experience.

"The newness of it makes it a lot more enjoyable to learn and a pleasure to be in class," said Kade Schaefer, a sophomore taking three advanced classes in the new wing. "It enhances the learning experience 100 percent."

"I feel like it does help a little bit," Williamson added. "It feels like it helps the (learning) environment."

The additional classrooms help alleviate overcrowding in the 10 portables on campus. Hayes said eventually the school could get down to just two portables

with the remaining ones being sent to other county schools in the area.

"We're a pretty big campus and on the south wing we have those portables," Hayes said. "We're happy that when all the construction is done we'll have only two teachers in portables. The district will just come and take those and put them at other schools. The freshmen, by the time they're seniors they'll have a whole new campus."

Abigail Boyko, a senior headed to Pasco-Hernando State College next year, is among many students glad to get out of the portables. She felt the expansion was long overdue.

"It gets pretty crowded at school and the younger classes are getting bigger and bigger," Boyko said.

Added Schaefer, "I was really excited to be out of those portables."

Math teacher Elizabeth Winslett, who is in the new building, concurred: "We could get rid of the portables. We were in need of some new classrooms."

Julie Moore, a school counselor working with the senior class, also is in the new building. She is thrilled to have a window for the first time ever.

"It's fresh, it's new," she said. "I have a window so it's open. I'm there and (the seniors are) there. For me it's all about effectiveness and being there for the kids."

Theodora Eggleston, who teaches history and government is in the C building having shifted from the B building, which was an



Above: Assistant principal Matt Hayes walks up the stairs behind the C building and adjacent to the back of Bulldog Stadium.

extension of the original structure.

"I came from the B building, so I've never been to the old building," said Eggleston, whose classroom on the second floor has plenty of windows.

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