

Junior wide receiver Tyreese Wigfall keeps his eye on the ball before catching a 56-yard touchdown pass in Monday night's game.

Bulldogs Thrash Rams, 59-6

Thomas Runs Wild Against Ridgewood In District Opener

by **Dave Walters**

It was a scoring parade for the Zephyrhills Bulldogs in a Monday night edition of high school football with the Bulldogs taking a 59-6 win in the Class 5A-District 8 opener against Ridgewood.

The Bulldogs and the Rams had their game moved from Friday to Monday because of the recovery efforts

from Hurricane Irma.

Leading the scoring assault were quarterback Charles Harrison III and receiver Jaquan Sheppard who opened the show with a 28-yard TD pitch and catch on the Bulldogs first possession.

After that, it was the Elijah Thomas providing the

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After a huge win against Ridgewood, the Bulldogs will host Fivay on Friday.

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Bank, Dealership Plug Into Future

Charging Stations Available For Electric Cars

Story and photos by **Keri McAlpine**

Pasco County's most established car dealership and bank are teaming up to produce an innovative idea.

First National Bank of Pasco recently reached out to Jarrett Ford to meet the needs of millennials and younger generations of drivers by providing electric car charging stations at the banks.

The Dade City bank branch at 13315 U.S. 301 already has two chargers set up in the parking lot, each offering two extendable cords to plug into electric vehicles for some extra juice. Charging stations will soon be installed at the two Zephyrhills branches and the future

branch site in Lutz, which is currently still under construction.

The parking spots are marked with green, eco-friendly logos signifying the spots are set aside for charging.

When FNBP was considering whom to partner with, they turned to Jarrett Ford for their expertise.

Ford Motor Company was recently recognized as America's top-selling plug-in hybrid brand and second overall in U.S. electrified vehicle sales, according to Jarrett Ford's vice president and general manager Cliff Martin.

"It's a great partnership, it's leading edge," Martin said.

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A circuit board pattern was added as extra decoration for the electric courier car.

Sports Briefs

ZCA Warriors Football

St. John Lutheran (0-3) forfeited their game against Zephyrhills Christian Academy on Monday, moving the Warriors' to 4-0. ZCA is away on Friday playing Tenoroc (0-2) in Lakeland at 7:30 p.m.

ZHS Bulldogs Football

Zephyrhills High School varsity football (2-1) plays at home on Friday against Fivay (0-2) at 7:30 p.m.

ZHS JV Bulldogs Football

The JV Bulldogs (1-1) will play today against Wiregrass Ranch (2-0) at 7 p.m.

ZHS Lady Bulldogs Volleyball

Varsity volleyball goes up against Wiregrass Ranch today at 7:30 p.m. The Lady Bulldogs then travel to Pasco on Tuesday for a rivalry game at 6 p.m.

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thrills as the senior running back put up career-high three touchdowns rushing six times for 171 yards.

“That’s all teamwork right there. The holes were real tight but they opened up real fast,” Thomas said of the work of his offensive line. “The line played solid and Ridgewood over-pursued, so I found places to run. When the holes opened, I found a lot of natural cutback lanes and that helped us run the ball consistently.”

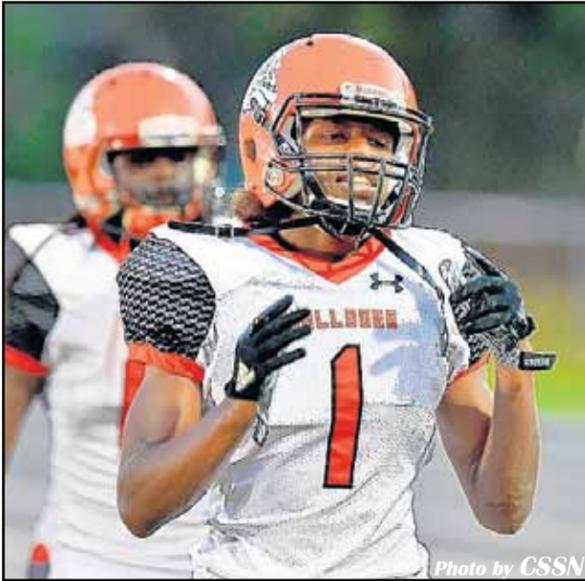
Cartrell Strong brought the crowd to their feet with an 82-yard punt return for a touchdown where he managed to break through Rams’ players grabbing his facemask and diving tackle attempts to find the end zone.

Harrison carried the ball once and that was for a 24-yard TD run.

That was the Bulldogs’ scoring in just the first half as they took a 45-6 lead at intermission. Late in the second quarter, the Rams were looking for relief as the Bulldogs took a big advantage forcing officials to run a continuous clock through the entire second half.

Thomas also stood out on defense, blocking a Ridgewood punt that was scooped up by Nyjohn Moody and returned five yards for a touchdown.

And backup quarterback Jake Adams got into the show by hitting receiver Tyreese Wigfall with a 56-yard



Junior Cartrell Strong’s touchdown after an 82-yard punt return brought the Bulldogs faithful to their feet.

touchdown pass to extend the lead to 59-6.

“They are explosive players and we try to get them an opportunity to make plays,” said Zephyrhills coach Nick Carroll

Defensively, the Bulldogs spent most of the night terrorizing Rams’ quarterbacks Jayelin Luke and Eric Howard.

“As soon as we got back there, they tried to throw the ball quick. So, he had to get rid of it because of the pressure we put on him,” said senior defensive end Sterlin Williams. “They tried to switch things and then we had Kameron Allen going to the outside and that worked for us.”

Allen made his presence known in the backfield forcing the quarterbacks to make blind passes to receivers.

“We were just trying to get to the quarterback and help our defensive backs as much as possible,” Allen said. “They were just throwing up ducks and hoping for the best. We were too quick off the line and we tried to bury the quarterback into the ground.”

Carroll was happy with the win, but is by no means thrilled with all aspects as the Bulldogs committed nine penalties for 115 yards.

“We gave them some free first downs in the first quarter and we wanted to get them off the field, but 59-6, we’ll take it,” Carroll said. “We have to keep flying.”

The Bulldogs won’t get much time to prepare for Friday night’s home opener against Fivay.

“We have to get past this and move on to Fivay,” Carroll said. “Our goal is to go on to 2-0 in the district.”

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Steve Hickman, left, and Cliff Martin charge a car purchased from Jarrett Ford as part of First National Bank of Pasco’s mission to offer alternatives for drivers with electric cars.

In January, Ford announced the addition of 13 electrified vehicles they will add to their stable in the next five years, adding up to a \$4.5 billion-dollar investment.

“We both believe in this technology and this is what the millennial culture is moving toward and we want to be a part of that,” said FNBP President and CEO Steve Hickman.

FNBP purchased two electric vehicles from Jarrett to be more eco-friendly when driving throughout the county. One vehicle is a courier, used to pick up banking business from commercial customers, primarily in central and western Pasco and Hillsborough, said Hickman. The courier vehicle is wrapped in new advertising showing the joint venture between the two

local companies.

The other purchased vehicle is used to travel to various business meetings.

The bank has taken full advantage of the charging stations, and invites customers as well as non-customers to stop by and use the stations. The stations come up on an Internet search for drivers looking for a place to charge up, and since their installation about a month ago, Hickman said one person has stopped by to use them.

Technology is always developing, and both Hickman and Martin acknowledged the future of wireless charging for vehicles is something they both want to get on board with once the technology becomes more available.

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Bingo Brightens Sight Program

Lions Club Volunteers Love What They Do

Story and photos by **Keri McAlpine**

On the first Thursday of each month members of the Zephyrhills Lions Club meet in the club lobby bright and early to deliver the gift of sight.

Lions Clubs across the nation have historically served their communities, but with a focus on helping those who are blind or visually impaired.

The Zephyrhills club supports more than a dozen organizations, non-profits and school sports or clubs through money raised through their Bingo nights.

Held every Tuesday and Friday, Bingo at the Lions Club is always packed with locals who stop by, purchase dinner and Bingo cards hoping to win big. Proceeds go to the local benefactors and the Sight Program.

Any Pasco County resident is welcome to apply – not just Zephyrhills or east Pasco residents.

Applicants must bring documentation to prove they are county residents and to prove their income and insufficient or lack of insurance qualifies them for the

free program. Applicants can visit www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/zephyrhills to view a checklist of things to bring.

Eye program volunteer Sandy Crabtree greets visitors at the door, offering them an application to fill out and a number showing their place in line. This month's sight program was short, most likely because of the threat of Hurricane Irma, according to Crabtree, but usually the club receives a couple dozen of applicants per month.

Crabtree said out of four Pasco County Lions Clubs, the Zephyrhills charter, founded in 1943, is the only one offering such a program. After asking several club members how long the Sight Program has been in place, no one knew an exact year but all said it has been around for as long as they can remember.

Next, applicants must undergo a blood pressure check and diabetes screening. Diabetes is often associated with eyesight, according to screener David Reifsteck. Although the club cannot diagnose, they will advise guests whether they should seek further medical attention based on the results of those tests.

"We get to help the community – identify people might have diabetes they didn't know about. And the main concern is diabetes retinopathy is the leading cause of blindness," Reifsteck said. "I just love what I do."

Fellow screener Debbie Phelps sits beside Reifsteck and has volunteered for the eye program since she joined the club five years ago. If she ever wasn't helping with the eye program, Phelps was managing the kitchen, cooking food for the Bingo players.

"When you see people that are sitting here with tears in their eyes saying, 'I'm going to get to go get my eyes examined in three days and get me some glasses,' you can't put nothing on that. I brag about it," she said enthusiastically.

Phelps explained that other clubs around the state cannot compare to the donations the Zephyrhills Lions bring in through the Bingo program.

"We can do what they can't do and that's because of our Bingo players," she said.

After applicants are screened, they are then interviewed by volunteers to confirm they qualify for



Sandy Crabtree organizes the paperwork sight program candidates must fill out prior to their screening at the club.



David Reifsteck, left, and Debbie Phelps take a finger prick blood sample of sight program candidates on Sept. 7 at the Lions Club.

the program.

"It's a wonderful program. It's just a lot of people don't know it's here. We're trying to get more community awareness for that," said interviewer Carole Thomas.

The sight program helps locals with varying eye problems from acquiring reading glasses to receiving cataract surgery.

Once accepted to the program, the Lions Club will schedule an appointment at one of two participating optometrists, Eye Clinic of Florida or Florida Medical Clinic Eye Care, for a routine eye exam. The club will cover the exam as well as glasses if needed.

If the optometrist sees anything a routine eye exam cannot alleviate, the club will then work with the patient to acquire funding to undergo cataract surgery, corneal transplants or other major surgeries. Funding for these surgeries is acquired through the Lions Club Foundation or Florida Division of Blind Services.

Located at 5827 Dean Dairy Road, applications from any county resident are accepted and reviewed from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The next sight program will be held Oct. 5.



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Theresa Finley completes an application on Tuesday morning for help from FEMA after Hurricane Irma caused a tree to hit her home on Sept. 11.

Cruise Cancelled, Then Tree Drops In FEMA Help Sought To Restore Power To Woman's Home

Story and photo by Joe Potter

Theresa Finley had her bags packed on Sept. 9 and was in Gibsonton with friends waiting to embark on a cruise out of Miami on Sept. 10.

But a force of nature named Hurricane Irma changed all of that.

The hurricane caused the cruise to be cancelled and it also brought a large tree down onto her home on Sixth Street early on Sept. 11.

She returned to Zephyrhills on that day after her mother, Ellen Conger, called her and told her about the damage.

The house has been uninhabitable and without power since then and Finley said her power company, Duke Energy, has not done much to help her.

She was at the Zephyrhills Public Library on Tuesday seeking help from the Federal Emergency Management Administration to try and get electricity restored to her home.

Pasco County residents affected by Irma were declared eligible to receive assistance from FEMA last week.

Finley was one of several people who came to a Pasco County Disaster Assistance forum held from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. in the conference room of the library located at 5347 Eighth St.

The event was cosponsored by U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, D-FL, and U.S. Rep. Gus Bilirakis, R-FL (12th).

Finley said Duke Energy personnel who had visited her home told her power could not be restored until the tree was removed.

"We don't know if any of the electronics in the house are damaged," Finley said.

Both she and her daughter have been staying with friends and though FEMA offered to provide a motel room for both she didn't want to take money that could be used to help others since her family had someplace to stay, Finley said.

Nelson's representatives Shara Anderson and Taleen Mekhdjavakian attended the forum along with Bob Hatfield, who is a member of Bilirakis' district staff.

Hatfield assured Finley after she had completed her application that he was confident she would be hearing from FEMA soon regarding her situation.

New 24/7 ICU Technology Comes To FHZ

Florida Hospital Zephyrhills has partnered with Advanced ICU Care, the nation's largest independent provider of advanced critical care telemedicine programs. Advanced ICU Care works with a patient's doctor to deliver monitoring by highly trained intensivist physicians and critical care specialists 24 hours a day, seven day a week. This service is now available in the hospital's Intensive Care Unit and Cardio Vascular Intensive Care Unit.

"The Advanced ICU Care team of intensivists work remotely around-the-clock complementing the care provided by the Florida Hospital Zephyrhills physicians," said FHZ's Chief Nursing

Officer Gwen Alonso, RN, BSN. "Patients in our ICUs are typically facing life-threatening medical conditions. This program continuously monitors real-time patient vital signs, medications, labs and clinical status to provide an extra layer of care that enhances patient safety".

Advanced ICU Care has its own intensivists who are physicians specifically trained and credentialed to treat the critically ill. The Advanced ICU Care team operates from another location with access to the most up-to-date patient data. Patients will continue to be cared for by their bedside physician at the hospital who works in collaboration with Advanced ICU Care intensivists and critical care nurses.

Should a situation arise that requires immediate medical attention, an electronic alert notifies the Advanced ICU Care team who works with the hospital nursing staff to provide immediate medical care. Two-way video has been installed by every ICU bedside to enable face-to-face consultations with intensivists and FHZ's critical care team members.

"Advanced ICU Care does not replace the care that one's physician or our ICU staff provide," Alonso said. "Rather, it offers peace of mind for the patient and family, knowing that their care is monitored by an intensivist physician every second of the day at no additional cost to the patient."



FHZ Director of Inpatient Cardiology and of the Cardiovascular Intensive Care Unit Joe Kennard, speaks with one of the intensivists and a registered nurse last week at Advanced ICU Care. Photo Provided



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October 22nd 11am-4pm

This popular annual event began in 1967 and put San Antonio Florida on the map! It is the primary fundraiser for charitable projects organized by the Thomas Promise Foundation. The event kicks off with the annual Rattlesnake Run, and features free admission, traditional snake shows and wooden gopher tortoise races, live music, handmade arts and crafts, children's games, pony rides, food vendors, beer garden and so much more. 2017 marks the 51st anniversary of this great community event.

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Church News

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Joy Fellowship - Everyone is invited to this Christ-centered gathering for women from all denominations on Sept. 28 at 9:30 a.m. at the Family Life Center of Zephyrhills First Assembly, 36322 S.R. 54. Joy Fellowship is an inter-denominational organization where women can affirm one another in their walk of faith. The featured speaker will be Rev. Susan Pippen. Contact Sandra Warrell at (813) 713-3363 or Linda Bartlett at (813) 312-8739 to RSVP. A continental breakfast will be served and a free will offering will be taken. Come and meet new friends.

First Baptist Church - Pastor Rob McKinney invites everyone to visit a going church with a coming Savior.

Our teen ministry (TRUTH Ministries) is held on Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. with director Jason Hicks and youth leaders Barbara Hicks and Kaylee Hickey. Bus transportation is available.

Church visitation is every Monday at 5 p.m. The Sunrise Prayer Warriors meet weekdays from 6-7 a.m. in the church conference room. Everyone is welcome.

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. Children's activities and choir practice are at 6 p.m. Call the church at (813) 782-5574. First Baptist Church is located at 38231 Fifth Ave. in Zephyrhills.

St. Joseph Catholic Church - Are you or someone you know interested in the Catholic faith? Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is getting ready to start and everyone is welcome to come and learn what it means to be Catholic. RCIA is the formal process one goes through to be initiated into the Roman Catholic Church. While the process take about eight months, the reward is so much greater. Classes are beginning soon and will take place on Tuesdays in the Social Hall. Times are still to be determined.

Call the parish office or email Blanca at reled@stjosephzephyrhills.org if you are interested in attending.

Zephyrhills First Church of the Nazarene - Men's breakfast is held on the first Saturday of each month at 8 a.m. in the Errickson Auditorium. Women's prayer meetings are held Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m. and contemporary worship is at 10:45 a.m. Sunday evening services start at 6 p.m.

On Wednesdays adult classes begin at 5 p.m. with childcare provided. Children and teens each have fellowship and classes at 6 p.m.

ZFN is located at 6151 12th St. in Zephyrhills. Call (813) 782-7032 or visit zfnfamily.org for information.

Vine Church - We are a family friendly church located at 4743 Allen Road. The

pastoral staff is comprised of senior pastor Carlos Santana, associate pastor John Englada and youth pastor James Bishop.

We are a non-denominational, non-traditional church where God's Holy Spirit is in control of all services. Service times are Sunday at 10 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. Children are welcome. Pasco County Mobile Health Unit and a mobile shower unit are with us every second Thursday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Food is provided for all who utilize these services.

Vine Church provides food for the less fortunate on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 4:30 p.m. in Zephyr Park, and Saturday at 8 a.m. in New Port Richey's Sims Park.

Christway Baptist Church - Come visit our church located at 38543 Fourth Ave. in Zephyrhills. Sunday service times are: Sunday school at 10 a.m.; morning service at 11 a.m. and evening service at 5:30 p.m. There is also a mid-week Bible study on Wednesday at 7 p.m. Call (813) 838-0086 or visit christwaybaptistchurch.com for information.

Community Harvest Church - Tom Marino and pastor Dean Knight invite you to Community Harvest Church, a place to call home. Sunday worship services are at 10 a.m. and at 6 p.m. Wednesday worship and prayer service is at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome and is invited to attend all services. Full church fellowship dinners are held twice a month. The church is located at the corner of U.S. 301 and 16th Street near Enterprise.

Trinity Church of Wesley Chapel - Sunday school is at 9 a.m. Traditional service is held at 8:30 a.m. and a contemporary service at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday. Family night is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. There is a monthly Fish Fry on the last Friday of every month from 4-7 p.m. The price is \$7 for fish, two sides, dessert and a drink. The church is located at 33425 S.R. 54 in Wesley Chapel. Call (813) 788-2898 for information.

Just Church - Join us at 5221 Eighth St. in Zephyrhills. Pastor Ken Ringeisen invites you to Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m., led by Karl Bayles, followed by the anointed Word of God preached. 'JC Gang' is our children's church ministry run by husband and wife Jeremy and Jessica Hinz. Evening mid-week service begins at 6:30 p.m. until we are released by the Holy Spirit. Current series is free. Pastor Ken Ringeisen welcomes you to the little church with the power of a big God.

First Congregational Church of Zephyrhills - Regular church service is at 10 a.m., with Sunday school from 9-9:45 a.m. An evening Bible study is held on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. We are currently studying First Corinthians.

The Men's Breakfast is held in the education building at 8 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month.

Our Men's Work Group (aka The God Squad) performs small handy work for our church members in need.

The church is located at 7900 Fort King Road. Visit www.fcczhills.org or contact the office at (813) 780-6027 or fcczh@aol.com for information. Office hours are 9 a.m.-12 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

First Presbyterian Church - Located at 5510 19th St. Worship services are at 10 a.m. on Sunday. Dinner is served on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. followed by classes from 6-7 p.m. for all ages, including an adult Bible study. Choir practice begins at 7 p.m. Call (813) 782-7412 for information.

Cornerstone Community Church - Service times are Sunday school at 9 a.m.; Sunday worship at 10 a.m.; children's church at 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m.; and Saturday Night Life at 6 p.m.

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St. Elizabeth Episcopal / Anglican Church - Service times are Saturdays at 4 p.m., Sundays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6 p.m. The church is located at 5855 16th St. (corner of 12th Avenue and 16th Street). Everyone is invited to attend. Our Sunday school meets at 9 a.m. Children of all ages are welcome to attend.

Wesley Chapel Church of the Nazarene - You are invited to join us for a traditional church service every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. and an evening service at 6 p.m. Our Sunday school classes start at 9:30 a.m. There is also a Bible study at 6 p.m. on Wednesday evenings.

Everyone is welcome and invited to attend any or all of our services. The church is located at 34106 State Road 54 West and you may call (813) 780-7600 for more information.

Heart of Worship - Heart of Worship is a family friendly non-denominational church located at 10628 U.S. 301 (at the Market Hill Shopping Center) between Zephyrhills and Dade City. Pastor Tony Disano is committed to his faith in God and preaching the Bible.

Sunday service is at 11 a.m. You are welcome to come early for a cup of coffee and a bite to eat. Bible study class is at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. We have a praise team and great music. Family fun night is the last Sunday of the month with activities for children and adults.

There are graded school rooms for the children and teens as well as a nursery. All are welcome to attend. Visit www.thehowchurch.org for information.

Faith Baptist Church - Sunday morning worship service is held at 10:15 a.m. Growth groups for children, teens and adults are held Sundays at 6 p.m. On Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. is Summer BLAST for children ages 4-11 as well as adult Bible study and prayer meeting. Friday is teen night - call the church for further information.

The church is located at 38634 C.R. 54 East in Zephyrhills. Faith Baptist Church has been loving the Zephyrhills community for 44 years, providing answers for a changing world, strengthening marriages, and giving practical help in times of trouble. Visit fbczephyrhills.org or call the church office at (813) 782-0880 for information.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) - Worship with us on Sundays at 10 a.m. at 6040 Eighth St., Zephyrhills (behind the post office).

Communion is available at all of our services and is open for all believers. We have morning and evening Bible studies; an active women's service group, men's breakfast and more. Call (813) 782-1071 for information.

Drong Ngur Buddhist Dharma Center - Sunday meetings are open to all and are held from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Located at 30520 Lynne Drive in Wesley Chapel. Visit www.dnjus.org or call (727) 809-0867 for information.

Thrifty Angel Boutique at St. Joseph's Catholic Church - Open Wednesdays from 8 a.m.-noon. Donations accepted on Mondays from 8 a.m.-noon. The store carries gently used clothes, shoes, handbags, jewelry, knick-knacks and household goods. Located at 38640 Sixth Ave. in Zephyrhills. (813) 780-7309.

Zephyr Park Christian Church - We are close to God and close to nature. Located under the large American flag behind Zephyr Haven. We meet every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. with singing and praising the Living Lord. We are giving you a challenge: visit us for four weeks and you will be so blessed you won't be able to stay away. Bible study is available. Call (813) 484-9906 for information.

United Methodist Mission Thrift Shop - The United Methodist Mission Thrift Shop at the corner of Sixth Avenue and 11th Street in Zephyrhills has a nice selection of housewares, small appliances, Christmas decorations, jewelry, books and men's, women's and children's clothing. Store hours are Wednesday and Saturday from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.



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Zephyrhills Lions Club

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Come join our Tuesday and Friday night Bingo, the largest Bingo in east Pasco. Doors open at 3 p.m., first Bingo session begins at 6 p.m., second session begins at 8 p.m. so come for one session or stay all night. Our kitchen opens at 4 p.m. with a delicious array of freshly prepared foods and desserts. Daily Specials, when available, are \$5.

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Monday is Bingo from 1-4 p.m. and the kitchen is open from 12-2 p.m. Every Tuesday is Karl Sapp from 4-7 p.m. with the kitchen open from 4-6:30 p.m. Wednesday is Ship, Captain and Crew from 1-3 p.m.; the Queen of Hearts is at 5 p.m.; and Corn Toss is also on Wednesdays. Thursdays from 4-7 p.m. is a meat raffle. Friday is our famous Fish Fry from 4:30-6:30 p.m. with other menu choices available. Entertainment is from 7-10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. On Sundays join E-bowling at 1:30 p.m. AMVETS is located at 4645 Airport Road in Zephyrhills. Find us on Facebook or call (813) 780-8180 for information.

Military Order of the Purple Heart

Chapter #705 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH) is calling all combat wounded veterans to join us promoting patriotism, history, fraternalism and assistance. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at AMVETS Post #550, 4645 Airport Road, Zephyrhills. Life membership is available for all combat wounded veterans, their dependents and survivors, for \$50, payable in two convenient payments of \$25 each. Call Earl McMillan at (813) 782-3425 or email emcmillan1@verizon.net, or contact Guy Patterson at (864) 561-6644 for information.

VFW #8154

Veterans of Foreign Wars #8154 is located at 3954 Paul Buchman Highway (State Road 39). Post and Auxiliary meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Wings and Things will continue to be from 1-6 p.m. on Sundays with music from 4-7 p.m. Monday Meat Drawings begin at 4:30 p.m. with music by Billy Cole from 5-8 p.m. Come enjoy and participate in Karaoke on Saturdays from 5-8 p.m. Call (813) 782-7194 for information.

Alcoholics Anonymous

If you have, or even think you may have, a problem with alcohol, call (813) 933-9123 (24 hours) for a local meeting or just someone to talk with.

Pet Loss Support Group

Gulfside Hospice's team of bereavement counselors are offering a monthly pet loss support group, held the last Thursday of the month at the Gulfside Center for Hospice Care in Zephyrhills, 5760 Dean Dairy Road. The next meeting is Sept. 28. Call (727) 845-5707 for information.

Support Group for Grieving Adults

Adults who are grieving the death of a loved one are welcome to participate in an ongoing grief support group, offered at no charge by HPH Hospice. The group meets the second and fourth Monday of each month, from 3-4 p.m. at Humana, 7920 Gall Blvd. in Zephyrhills. No registration is required. An HPH bereavement counselor facilitates the group and one can attend as often as they'd like. Call HPH at (800) 486-8784 for information.

East Pasco Amateur Radio Society

Monthly exams for all levels of amateur radio licenses are available on the third Tuesday of every month. The test sessions are held at Saint Leo University, 33701 S.R. 52, at 5:30 p.m. Email k4ex@arrl.net or visit eparsonline.org to schedule a test please or for more information.

Al-Anon Support Group

The Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve their common problems. Al-Anon has but one purpose: to help families of alcoholics.

There are local day and evening groups throughout the area that meet weekly. Call (352) 697-0497 or visit www.nfldistrict5.com for meeting locations/times and more information.

American Legion Post #118

The honor society of American veterans, the 40/8, is now in Zephyrhills. Our promenades are the third Saturday of each month at 9:30 am. at American Legion Post #118.

American Legion Zephyr Post #118 meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 5340 Eighth St., Zephyrhills, at 7 p.m. Auxiliary meets at 1 p.m. the third Wednesday. The club is open for Legion members, veterans and guests at 3 p.m. Monday-Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. Canadian veterans are welcome. Membership is open to all eligible veterans. Call (813) 782-0481 for information.

Zephyrhills Family Moose Lodge

Mondays – Corn Hole Toss, 7 p.m. in the SQ and Spagetti/Chicken dinner from 5-7 p.m.; Tuesdays – Ship Captain Crew at 2 p.m. in the SQ, darts at 7 p.m. and taco Tuesday from 5-7 p.m.; Wednesdays – Dance on Hall Side and Karaoke with Cathy on SQ Side Wind Night from 5-7 p.m.; Thursdays – Live music in SQ from 2-5 p.m.; and burgers from 5-7 p.m.; Fridays – Fish Fry 4-7 p.m. every Friday.

All events are for members and qualified guests. Public Bingo on Thursdays at 6:30 pm is open to the general public. The lodge is located at 3211 Gall Blvd. and can be reached at (813) 782-1771.

Zephyrhills Eagles #3752

Smoking and non-smoking Bingo is held every Saturday at 1 p.m. Come early to enjoy our kitchen's burger sliders – two for \$2. Friday fish fries are from 5-7 p.m. and stay for Billy Cole Karaoke from 7-11 p.m. Monday night is good home cooking for \$6. Wednesday and Thursday are open menu items, and Sunday morning breakfast from 8-11 a.m. Stop in to visit and stay for a while. Calendars are on Facebook at Zephyrhills Eagles #3752 or call (813) 780-1558 for information.

Ladies Oriental Shrine Cairo Court #97

The local LOSNA group, Cairo Court #97 of Zephyrhills, meets on the third Wednesday of each month (September through May) at the Zephyrhills Masonic Hall at 5950 12th St.

Marine Corps League

The Sgt. Maj. Michael S. Curtin Detachment #1124 of the Marine Corps League (MCL) are looking for a few good Marines and Fleet Marine Force (FMF) Navy Corpsmen to join their ranks. The MCL meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #8154 located at the southeast corner of State Road 39 and Tucker Road at 3954 Paul Buchman Highway in Zephyrhills. Call (813) 788-5676 for information.

Elks Lodge #2731

The Zephyrhills Elks Lodge is located at 6851 Wire Road. A fish fry is held every Friday evening from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with music and dancing. Menu is fried or baked haddock, shrimp or baked chicken, baked potato or French fries, coleslaw or applesauce. Cost is \$10. All events are open to Elks and their invited guests. Karaoke with Dudley is every Tuesday beginning at 5:30 p.m. Summer hours are currently in effect – please see the Lodge bulletin for details. Call (813) 782-4604 for information.

Marine Corps League Auxiliary

The Marine Corps League Auxiliary meets the first Saturday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Zephyrhills V.F.W. Post #8154 located at 3954 State Road 39. Call Vanice Holland at (772) 480-0658 for information.

Senior Golf Group

Our senior golf group plays rotating courses each Wednesday in Pasco and Hillsborough counties year round. Meet new golfing friends and get a group rate. Call Walt Bockmiller at (813) 527-8211 for information.

Zephyrhills Historical Association

The Zephyrhills Historical Association meets every first Tuesday at the Zephyrhills Public Library, 5347 Eighth St. The business meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. followed by the program at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend and refreshments will be served. Contact Clereen Brunty at (813) 782-8763 or clereen@tampabay.rr.com for information.

Eagles Ladies Auxiliary

The Eagles Ladies Auxiliary is a great way to volunteer your time to make a difference in someone's life. We are a community-based organization that is not for profit located at 4149 New River Road in Zephyrhills.

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Obituaries

Lulu Jean (Hacker) Back

BACK, Lulu Jean (Hacker), of Zephyrhills, was peacefully called home to the Lord on Sept. 9, 2017, in Tampa, with family by her side. After moving to just inside Hillsborough County from Ohio in 1958, she and her young family settled in Zephyrhills in 1960, where she resided for more than 57 years. She was a tireless and giving mother who devotedly worked with her husband, Emanuel Burton Back, as business manager and bookkeeper for Back Construction, as well as in their apartment business later in life. He preceded her in death in 2011. Her six children, Alice (Randy) Batenhorst of Raleigh, N.C., Richard (Charlotte) Back of Dade City, Betty Jean (Barry) Bahr of Palm Harbor, Charles Back of Lutz, Barbara (Jack) Schwey of Zephyrhills and William "Bill" Back of Zephyrhills survive along with 13 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and two grand dogs. Private services were held at Chapel Hill Gardens in Dade City. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her memory to the Moffit Cancer Center Foundation. Hodges Family Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Betty Lou Honeyman Blessing

BLESSING, Betty Lou Honeyman 91, passed away Sept. 13, 2017, at Heartland of Zephyrhills. She was a long-time resident of Dade City and spent many years in Key West before returning to this area to be near her children. Betty was born in Miami County, Ohio, on May 4, 1926, to Robert and Dorothy Honeyman and she grew up on a dairy farm. While living there, she met her husband, Robert (Bob) Blessing, in high school. They were married after he returned from the New Hebrides Islands where he had been stationed while serving in the Navy during World War II. After 54 years together, Bob preceded her in death in 2000. She was also predeceased by her brothers Ned, Bobby and Ben Honeyman. Her sister, Karen (Chris) VanSchaik, survives along with four children, Brant (Beth) Blessing of Dade City, Charlotte (Les) Krapf of Kissimmee, Danny (Marjean) Blessing of Opelika, Ala. and Chuck (Ginger Potwin) Blessing of Dade City; 14 grandchildren, Bart Blessing, Benjie Blessing, Shelly Hearn, Lindy Story, Bradley Blessing, Jeremy Blessing, Beau Blessing, Ruth Blessing, Sarah Rudolph, Amelia Blessing, Emily Tyson Blessing, Margaret Blessing, Elizabeth Blessing and Daniel Blessing; and 18 great-grandchildren. After a dozen years of farming and four children, she followed Bob's dream of moving to Florida! They bought the Gray Moss Inn in Dade City in 1959. During those years Betty was very busy with running the Inn and raising her family. She could always be seen at her children's many athletic events, cheering and smiling! She also built circuit boards when she worked at Honeywell in Tampa. After retirement, she and Bob moved full time into the Key West home they had been building in stages over several years. Friends and family came to visit often and Betty introduced them all to the beauty and wonders of God's creations in the waters of the Keys. In the years following Bob's passing Betty divided her time between tending her palms and mangroves in the Keys, treasure hunting at yard sales with her daughters and granddaughters in Kissimmee and traveling to far-away places. She enjoyed attending family events all over Florida and bird watching from her porch on Lakeside Drive in



Zephyrhills. She was always busy and on the go. Betty loved God, her family and life! We loved Betty and will miss her greatly! Memorial services will be held Sept. 23 at 3 p.m. at the U.S. 301 Chapel of Hodges Family Funeral Home in Dade City.

Julie Ann (Thomas) Brannon

BRANNON, Julie Ann (Thomas), 63, of Crystal Springs, passed away Sept. 1, 2017 after a long and brave battle with cancer. Her parents; and her son, Samuel Patrick, preceded her in death. Her sister, Sharon Sweeting of Tampa; her daughter, Sarah Ann of Crystal Springs, and fur baby, Savannah, all survive. Julie was a talented baker who enjoyed gardening and raising orchids. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Services were held Sept. 8 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Dade City. Whitfield Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Evelyn V. Chambers

CHAMBERS, Evelyn V., 87, of Zephyrhills, passed away Sept. 11, 2017. She was born on Dec. 20, 1929. She is survived by her loving family and friends. Services will be held later. Hodges Family Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Earl D. Handley

HANDLEY, Earl D., 90, of Zephyrhills, passed away Sept. 16, 2017, at his home. He was born Sept. 2, 1927, in Culloden, W.Va., to Earl and Grace Louise White Handley. He was a U.S. Navy veteran and

a member of the Local Union #123 United Association of Plumbers & Pipefitters. His wife, Doris Ann Handley, survives along with two children, Kathy McLeod and Susan (Albert) Maginness; two sisters, Francis Adams and Barbara Chaney; one brother, Carl Handley; one sister-in-law, Mary Jane Handley; five grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. His first wife, Betty Lou Handley, preceded him in death along with one granddaughter, Christina Nicholas; and two brothers, Jack Handley and Clyde Handley. Services will be held Sept. 21 at 11 a.m. at the U.S. 301 Chapel of Hodges Family Funeral Home, with burial to follow at Floral Memory Gardens. The family will receive friends one hour prior to service time at the funeral home.

Preston Paris

PARIS, Preston, 61, of Zephyrhills, passed away Sept. 6, 2017. He was born June 22, 1956, in Greer, S.C., to Perry Paris and Nellie Norris and grew up in the Greenville area. He was a U.S. Army veteran and a manager with Pizza Hut. Preston is survived by his fiancé, Ashley Boyette; six children, Jessica Paris, Melissa Tucker, Preston Paris Jr, Lindsay Paris-Madrid, Damien Paris and Dustin Paris; one brother, Wayne Paris; and numerous grandchildren. Services were held Sept. 15 at the Fifth Street Chapel of Hodges Family Funeral Home. Burial followed in Dade City Cemetery.

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