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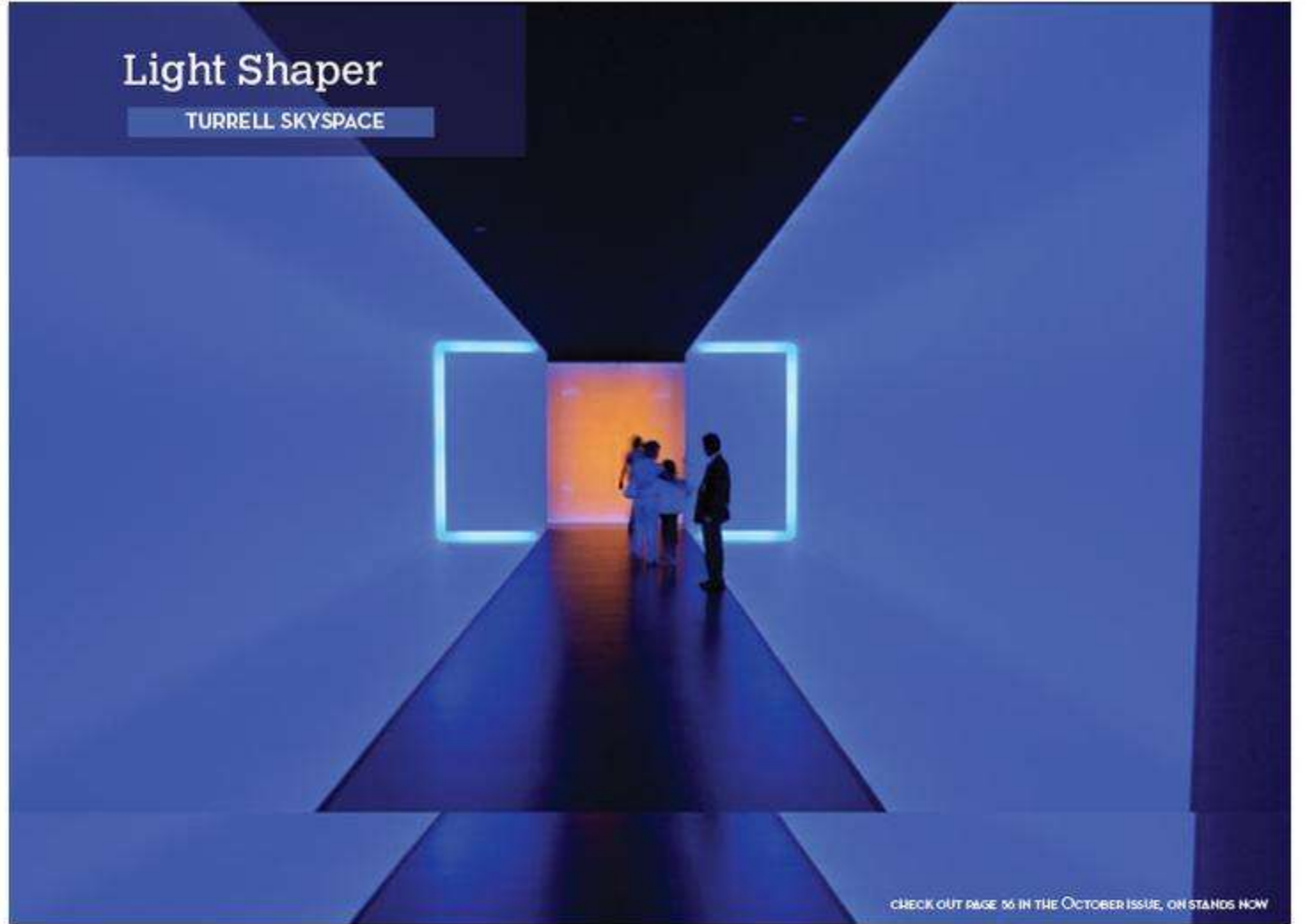
- Bob Bartolotta, Sarasota City Manager

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**[Government] Scrub Accusations Rile City Hall**

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Tensions between the Sarasota City Manager's office and the City Auditor and Clerk's office ramped up considerably this week when the hard drives of the administration's top executives were taken for a forensic examination. The drives were taken days after an email accused City Manager Bob Bartolotta of having files "scrubbed" from his hard drive.

Bartolotta said the accusations were not only false but impossible. "Everything is backed up on the server," he said. "There is no such thing as scrubbing a computer here."

The drives were taken at the request of City Auditor and Clerk Pam Nadalini, but are in the custody of the City Attorney's Office and will be examined by an outside forensic examination.

On Friday, former state Sen. Bob Johnson emailed the city accusing Bartolotta and Deputy City Manager Marlon Brown of having files scrubbed shortly before the Information Technologies department was moved from the manager's auspices to the clerk's supervision. Beyond the email from Johnson, Nadalini said her office received anonymous tips making a similar accusation and a call from a media outlet which heard the same claim. Nadalini said complaints were specific, naming a particular IT employee who did the "scrub." "It is one thing to make a claim about the manager and the deputy, but when they also name an IT employee, that heightens the level of concern," she said.

Nadalini and Bartolotta met Monday about the accusation, and Bartolotta said he would be fine having the computers inspected. On Tuesday, Nadalini asked for the drives. Bartolotta said he then asked for a copy of the files on disk for a record and on a computer so his work would not be disrupted, and he asked for the computers to be kept at the City Attorney's office. Nadalini said her staff was initially denied access, but by the day's end, the drives were given for inspection.

Federal investigators have looked into double-billing allegations regarding a Front Porch grant, but Nadalini was reluctant to say whether the deleted files, as some have suggested, are related to that issue. "I really have no information to substantiate that allegation," she said. "I have no idea what has been deleted or scrubbed. That's what the professionals will come in and identify."

Bartolotta noted the city had been proactive about the double-billing charges, and had taken immediate action investigating the issue themselves. SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [c](#)

## ARTS &amp; CULTURE

**[Dance] Community Forged Through Dance**

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The Institute for Public Policy at the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee dedicates the institution's academic resources to community outreach, bringing expert lecturers to the campus, hosting in-depth workshops and putting together discussion panels to tackle critical policy and leadership issues that are relevant to the local constituency. However, not all of the IPPL's activities solely involve bright minds and articulate speakers; the Institute also honors the arts' ability to connect people and get them thinking in new ways about big pictures.

In an outdoor, interactive performance designed specifically for USFSM's campus centerpiece, the Clyde G. Nixon Courtyard, Fuzión Dance Artists will use their bodies to express the process of building a community both diverse and cohesive.

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## TODAY'S POLL

**[Politics] Managing Growth**

Sarasota County Commissioners just established special density and height restrictions for a Nokomis critical area plan. Should commissioners loosen development restrictions in certain areas to spur development? Vote in our poll at SRQMag.com.

Last week, we asked our readers if they supported the recent Occupy Wall Street protests. Of those who responded, **66 percent said YES, 26 percent said NO and 7 percent said they were NOT SURE.**

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## THINGS TO DO

**[TODAY] CHARITY: Chowdown for Charity, Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association, Oct. 14, 6pm**

The Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association presents the 3rd Annual Chowdown for Charity event at the Riverhouse Reef and Grill. Local restaurants compete for votes from celebrity judges and guests to become this year's Chowdown Champ. Enjoy delicious food, drinks and tropical music. Tickets are \$25 and \$50 for VIP. **Riverhouse and Reef Grill, 995 Riverside Dr., Palmetto, 941-545-3620.** SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [c](#)

**[TODAY] ART: Out-Of-Door's Community Art Gallery, Oct. 1-27, 10am-5pm**

Meet the artists and see a special Black Box Theater event at the opening celebration for Out-Of-Door's Community Art Gallery and Black Box Theater Art Show. Doors open 15 minutes prior to screening. The first short film starts at 7pm with the second to follow at 8pm. Frank Colson presents sculptures and a short video presentation. Elaine Murphy introduces her new line of jewelry and paintings on display. Stacey Goes shows her installation presentation and paintings on display. Diana Colson presents two "can't miss" short films. **The Out-Of-Door Academy Uihlein Campus, 5950 Deer Dr. Sarasota, 34240, 941-554-5950.** SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [c](#)

The language of dance can be both subtle and visceral, so patrons will get a chance to engage in a question and answer session with the dancers, the musicians and Fuzión's Artistic Director Leymis Bolaños Wilmott about the choreography process for this piece, aptly titled "Community in Motion." The performance will begin at 5:30pm this Tuesday. SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [t](#)

## HUNTING & GATHERING

### [Daily Shop] Jeans, Freshly Delivered

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In order for a pair of jeans to be dubbed your go-to denim, it must possess a few attributes. It must be able to match almost any top in your closet, wear as if custom-designed for you and be all-day comfortable. Can't find one in your personal collection? No need to fret. Ripe for the picking are J Brand Jeans. Although they may not possess any magical powers that are worth the purchase of a roundtrip ticket around the world, they will give you that I-can-accomplish-anything-today feeling, as good jeans should. SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [t](#)

[Lotus, 1451 Main Street, Sarasota, 941-906-7080](#)



### [Good Bite] Seafood Yum-Bo

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Robbi's Reef brings bayou flavor to Venice with the Gulf Coast Gumbo, a sunset-colored bowl packed with protein, vegetables and spices. The sausage bites are Cajun hot and swim alongside shrimp, clams and fresh fish. Tomatoes, onions, carrots, celery and red pepper are slow-cooked to a melting point. Finally, the gumbo is poured over rice and topped with crisp green scallions. SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [t](#)

[Robbi's Reef, 775 US 41 Bypass S., Venice, 941-485-9196](#)

## RECIPE

### [Recipe from the Chef] Truly Authentic

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If the romantic in you is brewing up ideas for a perfect at home date-night, look no further. Café Amici has provided a dish so authentic you'll feel as if you're dining on your honeymoon in Italy. So set the table, light the candles and pour the wine. Your vacation is only a boil away.

#### Orecchiette With Radicchio Provolone E Porcini Mushroom Sauce

*Ingredients:* 1 lb. orecchiette, 1 head of radicchio, 10 oz. dried porcini mushrooms, 10 oz. sharp provolone cheese, a touch of olive oil and a cup of water.

Prepare the pasta, al dente. In the meantime in another saucepan sauté the radicchio with the olive oil on low heat and soak in a glass of water the mushrooms for about 15 minutes. Once the radicchio has been sautéed add a cup of water and the soaked mushrooms to the saucepan and let it reduce for five to ten minutes. Drain the pasta, toss it in with the sauce and let it marinate for



### [TODAY] MUSIC: Third Annual Doctor Idol, Boys and Girls Club, Oct. 14 7pm

Sarasota Orthopedic Associates is proud to be the presenting sponsor for Sarasota County's third annual "Doctor Idol" Competition, a continuation of the popular battle of the bands featuring local musician/physicians. Fashioned after the national hit *American Idol*, the fundraising proceeds from the event will benefit Boys and Girls Clubs of Sarasota County. Previous year's events have benefitted Florida's Vision Quest and the Ear Research Foundation raising more than \$10,000 and have drawn more than 700 attendees. This year's Master of Ceremonies is veteran stand-up comedian and television personality Tim Wilkins. Celebrity judges panel to include: ABC 7 Chief Meteorologist Bob Harrigan, *This Week In Sarasota's* Matt Orr, author and television personality Michelle Phillips, and our very own *SRQ* magazine Owner and Publisher Wes Roberts, along with award winning radio talk show host Cliff Roles. For event information, tickets and sponsorship opportunities, visit [www.doctoridol.org](#) or call Prime Marketing and Events, Molly Turner, 941- 685-0367. **Michael's On East, 1212 East Ave. S., Sarasota, 941-388-4441.** SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [t](#)

### [TODAY] FESTIVAL: Incredible India, South Florida Museum, Fri. Oct. 14, 6-9pm

The sights, sounds and smells of this vibrant culture will come alive through classical and modern Indian dance forms, traditional music, delicacies and a diverse marketplace offering authentic treasures from the mystical East. Visitors will have the opportunity to experience a variety of traditional Indian dance forms and music in addition to learning the history and cultural significance of Mehndi (Indian henna art), Bindi dots and other iconic Indian symbols. An Indian market will feature rich textiles, traditional art forms, jewelry and more. A delectable Indian feast is included in the ticket price. Children's activities and performances by children's dance groups make this a fun family event. Advance ticket prices (available through Oct. 10) are \$25/adult and \$15/child (ages 4-12) for general admission with member pricing available for \$15/member adult or \$10/member child (ages 4-12). After Oct. 10, general admission prices are \$35/adult and \$20/child (ages 4-12) and members tickets \$25/member adult and \$15/member child (ages 4-12). Children ages 3 and younger receive free admission with no food tickets. Reservations are required and space is limited. **South Florida Museum: Bishop**

about five more minutes. Sprinkle the concoction with a little bit of extra virgin olive oil and garnish it with the provolone cheese. [SHARE: f in c](#)

## BUSINESS

### [Exec Moves] [Soldinger to Manage ABC 7](#)

Steven Soldinger has been named as the new vice president and general manager of ABC 7 (WWSB-TV). Soldinger was last vice president and general manager of WGNT in Virginia and has also worked at WUPA in Georgia and WTOG in Tampa. He has owned and operated a radio station, and has served as group general manager for Sinclair Television's WBFF Fox 45 and WNUV WB54 in Maryland and Sinclair's ABC and UPN stations in North Carolina. [SHARE: f in c](#)

[ABC 7](#)

### [Opening] [Trail Overpass Celebrates Opening](#)

A grand opening and ribbon-cutting celebration for a Legacy Trail pedestrian overpass has been scheduled at the Venice Train Depot on Nov. 5 at 9am. The opening will mark the first time time pedestrians can use to the trail to cross over U.S. 41. The overpass connects two long sections of the Legacy Trail, allowing users to travel 10 miles from Palmer Ranch Parkway in Sarasota to downtown Venice, then hop the Venetian Waterway Trail and continue to Shamrock Park and Caspersen Beach. [SHARE: f in c](#)

[The Legacy Trail](#)

### [Opening] [Workforce Solutions Pros Opens](#)

Human Resources specialists Patricia Mathews and Michelle Colburn have opened Workplace Solutions Pros, a Sarasota-based HR consulting firm which will help clients with employee relations, surveys, training and recruiting. Mathews has previously worked in management and consulting for companies including Occidental Petroleum, Anheuser-Busch, Emerson Electric and Edward Jones. Colburn was previously director of business and development for CallMe! and director of internal recruiting for COMFORCE. [SHARE: f in c](#)

[Workforce Solutions Pros](#)

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## LETTERS

### [Letter from Edward Ogiba] [Hearing-Friendly Community](#)

The Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall last week became the first theatre in the area to employ a hearing loop system, which is the only system that sends sound from a microphone on stage directly into the audience's hearing aids. It delivers the clearest, cleanest sound imaginable and since it does not require a headset, there is no interference. By month's end, the First United Methodist and Venice Presbyterian will become the first local churches to also have a loop system. It was after theatres and churches in numerous Europe cities got behind the loop that community centers, retailers, banks, pharmacies and many other locales recognized the business-building payback and quickly followed suit. This low cost, maintenance-free system was not only be a huge boon to the hearing loss, but it also proved to be an audience builder for countless European organizations by encouraging so many who had given up on community activities to return.

The long-term potential opportunity is much bigger here as more than 110,000 people with hearing loss reside in Manatee and Sarasota counties, accounting for 16.1 percent of the population, the highest in the nation. The system would not

**planetarium Theater, 201 10th St. W., Bradenton, 941-746-4131.** [SHARE: f in c](#)



**[TODAY] FESTIVAL: Afterglow: Where Art Meets Food, October 14, 7pm**

Whole Foods Market will present the second annual Where Art Meets Food, On Lemon Avenue in downtown Sarasota between 1st Street and Main Street. The event is in conjunction with sARTEE and the Ringling International Arts Festival. Twelve to fifteen graduates and students representing the "Made By Gallery" from Ringling College of Art will participate demonstrating their various art forms. Local downtown restaurants will participate for a "taste of downtown", such as: Carigiuilos, The Bijou Cafe, Mattison's City Grill, Whole Foods, Epicure, Marina Jack and several others. Guests will enjoy culinary delights, while artists demonstrate their various talents. Some of Sarasota's finest artists and restaurants come together creating delicious pieces, literally. In addition, there will be live entertainment and the Sarasota Ballet will perform at Studio 20, its Lemon Avenue site. Come join the ultimate taste of downtown from 6pm-9pm. \$25 per person. **Whole Foods Market and Mattison's, Lemon Avenue, Between Main Street and 1 Street Downtown Sarasota, 941-366-7040.** [SHARE: f in c](#)

**[TODAY] MUSIC: Celtic Thunder, Van Wezel, Oct. 14, 7:30pm**

The Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall is pleased to welcome Celtic Thunder to its stage on October 14. Since the airing of their first Public Television special in 2008, Celtic Thunder consistently remains one of the most popular musical acts for the network. In addition to its impressive sales stats of almost one million units combined, it has sold over 350,000 concert tickets. Its official YouTube channel "Thunder Tube" has received over 15 million upload views since its inception in 2008. Celtic Thunder had the distinct honor of performing for President Obama at The White House's St. Patrick's Day celebration in 2009, and also opened New York City's famed St. Patrick's Day Parade on 5th Avenue two consecutive years in a row. The band also performed on the Today Show, CBS Early Show's Saturday Second Cup Café, and numerous regional shows in major cities across America. **Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall, 777 North Tamiami Trl., Sarasota, 941-953-3368.** [SHARE: f in c](#)

**[SOON] ART & DISH: Libby's Kimchi Roll**

From Oct. 15-31, Libby's will feature the Kimchi Beef Summer Roll, a Korean-style roll inspired by local artist

only provide vital access for these residents, but it could also deliver a much-needed boost in traffic for many organizations in our flagging economy. Education is critical. Hearing aid users must recognize that access to these miraculous loops requires the use of a T-coil, an ingenious tiny receiver, which almost all new hearing aids come equipped with and that over 70 percent of aids in use today have. But the majority of aid wearers are not aware of T-coils, as many have never used theirs for the telephone, its original reason-for-being. If so, you will need to see your audiologist to make sure it is activated and you know how to turn it on. This is a win-win opportunity for those with hearing loss and for so many organizations in town. Let's Loop SRQ! It's time.— *Edward F. Ogiba, Hearing Loss Association of Sarasota president* SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [t](#)

Tim Jaegar's "Horse Study" for our feature **Converge Art 5x5 Dish** in the 2012 edition of *Converge Arts and Culture Book*. Chef Fran Casciato pairs the roll with Libby's house Kimchi, avocado, garlic Chile Glaze, and radish sprouts to pay tribute to the inspiration paintings' vibrancy. Pick up the 2012 *Converge Arts and Culture Book* for the full feature. **Libby's, 1917 South Osprey, Sarasota, 34236.** SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [t](#)

[Art 5x5 Dish](#)

**[SOON] ART & DISH: Pattigeorge's Lamb Mirhet**

From Oct. 13–16, visit Pattigeorge's for a delectable art-inspired dish created by Chef Tommy Klauber for **Converge Art 5x5 Dish**. The Lamb Mirhet dish was inspired by Larry Forgards' painting "Flaming Queen" and is sure to be a delicious homage to its artistic inspiration. Pick up the 2012 *Converge Arts and Culture Book* for the full feature. **Pattigeorge's, 4120 Gulf of Mexico Dr., Longboat Key, 34228.** SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [t](#)

[Art 5x5 Dish](#)

**[SOON] GALA: Goodwill Ambassador Awards Dinner, Hyatt Regency Sarasota, Nov. 17, 6pm-11pm**

Join Goodwill for it's inaugural Ambassador Awards Dinner at the Hyatt Regency Sarasota from 6pm to 10pm. With the help of event chair Peter Crowley, President of RE/MAX Alliance Group and CS&L, title sponsor of the event, awards will be given to those who have demonstrated exceptional leadership, commitment and dedication to our community by serving as role models and who have truly improved the quality of life for others. Tickets are \$100 a person can be purchased at [www.goodwill-foundation.org](http://www.goodwill-foundation.org). **Hyatt Regency Sarasota, 1000 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota, 941-355-2721.** SHARE: [f](#) [in](#) [t](#)



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