



The hand of Phyllis Loury feeding a Zebra Finch that showed up on the back porch.



Survivalist Steve Clayton presents survival hints at the Ocala Business Leaders meeting.

## Governor Scott Urges Victims of Hospital Price Gouging to Share their Stories

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Governor Rick Scott is urging Floridians who have fallen victim to price gouging at hospitals in Florida to contact the Governor's Commission on Healthcare and Hospital Funding to share their stories. Last month, Governor Scott announced that he will work with the Florida Legislature to increase transparency for Florida hospitals and empower patients to fight against hospital price gouging during the upcoming 2016 legislative session.

Governor Scott said, "In order to better understand the hardship placed on Floridians when they are presented with inflated hospital bills, we are asking those who believe they are a victim of hospital price gouging to share their stories with our Commission

on Healthcare and Hospital Funding. We want to hear directly from Floridians who have suffered from this unfair practice so we can better empower patients to fight against price gouging at Florida hospitals.

"Last month, we announced major reforms to increase transparency and accountability so we can better empower patients. By requiring hospitals to post pricing information online, we will give patients the tools necessary to prevent and report the deceptive practice of price gouging. I look forward to hearing from Floridians and working with the Florida Legislature to increase transparency at Florida hospitals."

In order to visit [www.healthandhospitalcommission.com/pricegouging](http://www.healthandhospitalcommission.com/pricegouging).



Governor Rick Scott honors 101 veterans with the Governor's Veterans Service Award in Lakeland. Full story on page 10.



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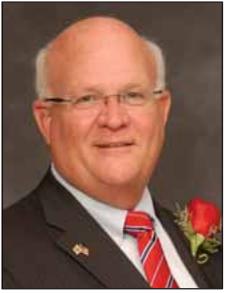


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Florida House of Representatives

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Florida Is Not The New Wild West

Currently, Florida law generally prohibits the open carrying of firearms and certain weapons. This year, we are working to change that. Representative Matt Gaetz has filed House Bill 163, which would allow concealed carry permit holders to openly carry. The bill has seen early support, passing the House Criminal Justice Subcommittee with an 8-4 vote.

Florida is one of only 5 states banning open carry. That means that 45 states have successfully implemented some form of open carry, and Florida should be the next to follow their example. These states have seen no evidence that open carry leads to an increase in violent crime, in fact, crime was 28 percent lower in open carry states.

This proposal by Gaetz is very narrow in scope and applies only to licensed concealed weapon permit holders. The bill does not expand when and where you can carry, only that the carrying may now occur open-

ly. This means the bill doesn't alter private property rights. If an individual is on private property, they are there as an invitee by the owner and the limitation of open carry on that property is implied by that relationship. This bill could also have a positive effect for law enforcement safety, because officers could recognize who is carrying more easily in the open. In fact, Brevard County Sheriff Wayne Ivey, praised it as a helpful tool in crime prevention, stating, "This comes down to giving our citizens the immediate ability to protect themselves".

For those concerned with holstering requirements, there will remain provisions against brandishing; those who do so can be charged with reckless endangerment.

Also, this bill applies strictly to handguns; long guns will still be prohibited.

Florida should be on the list of states that enhances people's rights and makes people stronger, not on the list of states that restricts the choices and the rights of our citizens. As stated above, where open carry is allowed, it has been a deterrent not an accelerant to violent crime. At the end of the day if you empower law abiding people to stop violent acts, they can, they will, and they did.

## MCSO Facebook Success Story

MISSING ENDANGERED JUVENILE FOUND AS A RESULT OF CITIZEN VIEWING MCSO FACEBOOK POST

MARION COUNTY, FL (October 22, 2015)- On Tuesday night, the Marion County Sheriff's Office received a call from a Summerfield resident saying their 17-year old daughter had left for the bus stop for school in the morning but had not returned home that afternoon. Her parents had assumed that she had runaway and deputies began searching for her as a missing runaway juvenile. Deputy Philip Minton was assigned to the case and began to conduct his follow-up investigation. On Wednesday afternoon, Deputy Minton was informed by the missing juvenile's parents that she has autism and Deputy Minton immediately upgraded her to a Missing Endangered Juvenile. A press release was done by MCSO's Public Information Office and was posted to our agency Facebook page as well as to our Crime Prevention Kiosks.

About 30 minutes after the Missing Endangered Juvenile press release was posted to MCSO's Facebook page, several citizens called 911 in reference to the Facebook post. One man told dispatchers that he had seen the missing juvenile at Sonic Drive-In, located at the 17900 block of South Highway 411. Deputies responded to Sonic and found the missing girl unharmed. The juvenile was reunited with her family shortly after she was found Wednesday evening.

Sheriff Chris Blair would like to thank all of our Facebook followers for their continued support of the Marion County Sheriff's Office. "This citizen was able to bring this juvenile home to her family because of his vigilance and that is a wonderful and powerful thing," said Sheriff Blair. "Thank you to everyone who called in and to each of our 39,000 plus Facebook followers for being the eyes and ears we need every day."

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We are proud to announce that MCSO's Crime Prevention Kiosk Program will now be featured in every Walmart in Marion

County! 12 kiosks will be spread among six different Walmart locations within the county, with a kiosk placed at each store entrance and exit. The goal of this new partnership is to prevent and reduce crime in these high traffic stores by installing an instant, digital alert kiosk system that will show pictures and descriptions of wanted subjects, some of whom may be accused of stealing from Walmart stores. I believe that these kiosks could deter retail theft and fraudulent returns in Walmart and improve the environment for customers and Marion County citizens alike.

We would like to thank Walmart for being an outstanding community partner with their support of our kiosk program. With

their assistance, the kiosk will now have an unprecedented reach and will further assist

our efforts to reduce crime and keep our community safe!

—Governor Rick Scott —

## FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DESK

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING...

Business Leaders Call on Legislature to Endorse New Florida Enterprise Fund

ORLANDO, Fla. – Florida business leaders applauded Governor Scott's call for the Legislature to make four major reforms in the upcoming legislative session to fix the state's nearly bankrupt Quick Action Closing Fund and allow Florida to compete with other state, and countries, for major job creation projects.

Alan Becker, of Ft. Lauderdale and Vice Chair of Enterprise Florida said, "For

Florida to continue to be the best state for business, we must constantly improve as an organization, and Governor Scott's recommended reforms to the Quick Action Closing Fund will do that. I believe these four major reforms will provide a strong return on investment for Florida taxpayers while creating more opportunities for Floridians to get a job. I look forward to seeing these improvements come to fruition."

Jay Beyrouti, of Pinellas County and President of Monicarla L.T.D said, "When Enterprise Florida succeeds in recruiting new business, so do Florida families. Governor Scott's proposal to create the Florida Enterprise Fund and reform the way Florida achieves jobs wins is great news for every family in our state, and I look forward to working with the Legislature to implement these changes."

Kerry Byrne, of Orlando and President of TQL said, "There is a lot of competition to bring in new business and create new jobs. We applaud the Governor's efforts at working to make this a priority issue for the state."

Bryan Cole, of Orlando and Founder and CEO of Cole Engineering Services Inc. said, "To keep us on the right track as the best state for business, companies like ours need the resources necessary to do that. Cole Engineering has benefitted from Enterprise Florida, and we appreciate being a part of their team."

Neal Dunn MD, F.A.C.S, of Panama City and Chairman of the Board of Directors for Summit Bank, said, "There is no doubt that the Quick Action Closing Fund needs to be reformed so Enterprise Florida can continue our goal of bringing businesses to Florida. I applaud the Governor for proposing these reforms to move Florida forward as the best state for job creators and families to succeed."

Brian Lamb, of Hillsborough County and Regional President of Fifth Third Bank said, "We are working every day to attract businesses to Florida that will diversify our economy and ensure job opportunities are available for everyone who needs it. The Quick Action Closing Fund is necessary to securing those job wins, and Governor Scott's recommendations will make necessary improvements to help Enterprise Florida achieve our job creation mission."

Patrick Lavelle, CEO of Voxx International said, "Florida is on the right track to be number one for business, and I applaud Governor Scott for his dedication to Florida businesses and families. Florida provides an excellent location and pro-business climate and we want to position ourselves in this state for global expansion. Voxx appreciates EFI's support and hope for their continued success."

Belinda Keiser, of Broward County and Vice Chancellor of Keiser University said, "We have an incredible opportunity to grow

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## PUBLISHER'S NOTES



Christmas is coming - ready or not. Some of the businesses that run ads in this paper depend on Christmas season to help for next year. Let me list a few!

Bob's Coins and Jewelry has that perfect gift for anyone, they advertise year round to help keep us alive, so stop by and see about a gift for the one you love!

The next one is important! Everyone wraps, ships gifts. Use PAKMAIL they can wrap, ship, insure the biggest gift to the smallest expensive gift. I recently heard "Ship Happens!" well if you want it shipped they can make it happen! They are located in Churchill Plaza on 17th st Ocala.

Last but not least, if you live in Ocala and you're going out of town, have your car / truck / camper checked out at Walt's Brakes and more.

All of the above endorsements have ads in this paper so look them up. Watch for more endorsements next month.

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"Congress shall make no law that applies to the citizens of the United States that does

not apply equally to the Senators and/or Representatives; and, Congress shall make no law that applies to the Senators and/or Representatives that does not apply equally to the Citizens of the United States ..."

We must not tolerate an elite class of such people, elected as public servants and then putting themselves above the law.

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A reader writes:

WE are the dumbest people on earth (that includes ME) for we elected the idiot ideologues who have passed the bills that allow this? I live and work in a state.....which is now, completely overrun with illegals.

They make more money having kids than we earn working full-time.

A 30 year old illegal who has 5 kids makes about \$1,500 monthly for each; you do the math. Plus her own benefits.

An immigrant over 65, they can apply for SSI and Medicaid and get more than a woman on Social Security, who worked from 1944 until 2004.

She is only getting \$791 per month because she was born in 1924 and there's a 'catch 22' (notch) for her.

It is interesting that the federal government provides a single refugee with a monthly allowance of \$1,890 . Each Refugee can also obtain an additional \$580 in social assistance, for a total of \$2,470 a month

Governor Rick Scott

## FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DESK

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and improve as an organization, and Governor Scott today laid out a roadmap to achieve that. I applaud the Governor's thoughtful reforms to the Quick Action Closing Fund and his continued effort to make sure Florida does not ever become complacent in our efforts to support businesses that create jobs for our families."

Gary Mart, of Naples and President of Global Tech LED said, "Governor Scott's proposed reforms will ensure that Enterprise Florida can make transparent and accountable deals to bring new companies and new jobs to Florida. We want to make sure Florida can actively compete against other states, like Texas, in attracting the great jobs, and I look forward to welcoming these reforms."

Keith Norden, President and CEO of the Volusia County EDC said, "Enterprise Florida has created a renewed interest in Florida as a top state for business and it's important that EFI continues to have the tools necessary to make Florida competitive. We must continue to compete against other countries and states to win more jobs to support Florida's growth."

Tom Patton, President Charlotte County EDC said, "I support and appreciate the Governor's focus on job creation and making Enterprise Florida the best business recruitment organization in the world. We need to continue to grow our economy and investing

to attract more businesses to Florida is critical to long-term job creation."

Eric Silagy, of West Palm Beach and President and CEO of Florida Power and Light Company said, "We all want Florida to not just be the best state to live and work, but the premier place in the world for new job creation. Governor Scott outlined a vision today for improving Enterprise Florida that puts us on a path to accomplish that goal. We look forward to working together to make those improvements a reality so we can continue to attract job creators to our state."

Danny Gaekwad, of Ocala and President of NDS Global, said, "To keep us on the right track as the best state for business, we need the resources necessary to attract and retain high quality jobs. That's why the Governor's commitment to reforming the Quick Action Closing Fund is incredibly important as we move forward. I look forward to working with the Governor and legislature to make these reforms happen."

Nathan Sparks, Executive Director of the Okaloosa County EDC said, "Florida is a business-friendly state but we need to be the most competitive state in the nation for companies looking to invest, expand and succeed. That is why I support the Governor's recommendation for making major reforms to the Quick Action Closing Fund that

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### Newspaper Deadlines

*Editorial & Ad Copy for December*

**Seniors Voice & Ocala DownTown**

**12am, November 18th**

**Lady Lake Magazine & Village Spectator**

**12am, November 25th**

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## CEP/OCALA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS



While most people will think of the CEP's very successful business incubator, the Power Plant, when asked about our Business Creation efforts, our goal is to be much broader. We want to work to create a climate which encourages and embraces entrepreneurship. As a result, the Power Plant is the center of our entrepreneurial activities out of which a number of other initiatives radiate. A great example of this is coming up this month.

The CEP will recognize Global Entrepreneurship Week (GEW) from November 16-

22, 2015. GEW, which has been celebrated in the US since 2007, is an initiative to promote entrepreneurship to young people on six continents. To date, over 10 million people from 102 countries have participated in entrepreneurship-related events during the Week. Bringing the celebration to Ocala/Marion County, the CEP has announced a keynote speaker to headline our November exCEptional mornings breakfast and a business plan competition for area high school students.

Keynote: Kevin Harrington – November 18, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Marion County Extension Auditorium

While watching television one night in 1984, Harrington noticed that sometimes the

only thing on the screen were the color test bars that stations ran when they had nothing else to air, thus giving him the idea to produce the industry's first 30-minute infomercial to fill that dead air space. This creation led him to be coined the Inventor of the Infomercial. In 2009, Harrington was selected as one of the original Shark Tank Sharks on the ABC hit show. As an innovator and pioneer in the industry, he has been featured on over 150 Shark Tank segments over the last five years on both ABC and CNBC.

Registration for the breakfast is \$15 for CEP Partners, who can register online at [www.OcalaCEP.com](http://www.OcalaCEP.com). Registration is \$20 for non-CEP Partners. RSVP by emailing [Jessica@OcalaCEP.com](mailto:Jessica@OcalaCEP.com) and pay at the door. This event is being generously sponsored by Webster University and Neighborhood Storage.

Youth Business Plan Competition – Final

Event: November 20, 6 PM, CTAE Brewster Hall

The CEP encouraged 9-12th grade students in Marion County to "Enter the Shark Tank" this fall by competing in the Second Annual Marion County Youth Business Plan Competition. First place receives \$3,500 cash, a one-year CEP Partnership & Affiliate Membership at the Power Plant Business Incubator, and their photo on the cover of two magazines. The 2nd place prize is \$1,000 cash and 3rd place is \$500 cash.

Students must have submitted their application packet, including their business plan, by October 30, 2014 at 5 p.m. EDT to be considered. Five finalists will be selected to present to a panel of "local sharks" or judges on November 20.

Students may enter individually or in teams of no more than five, and may come from any public, private, or homeschool institutions within Marion County. This competition is being generously sponsored by Taylor College and OC LAO, Inc.

The Youth Business Plan Competition has allowed our team to go into several area high schools to promote both the program and the competition. Repeatedly, we have heard comments about how excited they are to learn about the resources available "here at home" and the amazing companies growing in Ocala. It has provided an opportunity to share with this important age group that no matter what their dreams, they can do it here in Ocala-Marion County.

The CEP will be hosting a number of other programs and seminars that week all aimed at supporting and encouraging entrepreneurs in our community. Please make plans to join us for one or more of these great events.

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## “Not All Who Wander Are Lost”

Not All Who Wander are Lost: - But I'm pretty certain my wallet is...

After staying in Barcelona Maria left, headed to Iceland to begin her own travel adventure. She was going to spend a couple months living and working on a farm there in exchange for food and lodging. After that she would be heading to England to be an au pair for a sweet family with two young boys. The mother was an English teacher. This was an especially great experience for Maria as her whole reason for wanting to travel was to improve her English so that could eventually lead to a job in the United Kingdom and shake her life up a bit. Her flight left Barcelona the morning before mine so I had an extra day in the city. I said goodbye to her in the early morning and went back inside the hostel- similar to a hotel but rooms are usually dorm style and have 4-12 beds, which makes the cost much lower.

As I came back in another girl was just waking up. We introduced ourselves and started chatting. She was from Canada and if I recall correctly she was born to Korean parents and was in her 3rd year of medical school in Calgary, Canada. She was beginning to feel some burn out from the stress that is med. school and decided against the best wishes of her family, to go traveling alone through Portugal and Spain during her summer break. She said she had never done anything so liberating and I thought she was very brave to make such a decision.

It's too common that people have big

dreams and plans that are never followed through on because they are just too big, they don't have enough support, or any other reason. This young woman had all of these obstacles and stood up to pressure from her family and their cultural norms, and still went and did it anyway. And I was grateful to hear another inspiring story and was proud of her for it.

We spent my last day together in Barcelona and explored the city for a final time. We went to the famous outdoor market, shared Paella for lunch, saw Gaudi's famous Sagrada Familia Cathedral, and watched the sun set over the beach. We talked and talked like we were old friends that had known each other years- a common phenomenon that happens amongst travelers. We said our goodbyes and exchanged information, hoping to one day intersect again.

In the morning I left to catch my flight to Denmark, for the second time. I caught a bus to the airport and paid for my fare in Euros, trying to use my last remaining Euros. I would need to get new currency again once I arrived back in Denmark because although Denmark is a part of the European Union it uses the Danish currency, "Kroner", instead of the Euro. After I got to the airport and made it through security I decided to do one final check for my most important things; passport, wallet, etc. But to my horror I could not find my wallet. I had just used my passport to cross the security points in the airport but hadn't had my wallet since I



was on the bus. Barcelona was also known to be a pick pocket's paradise. I panicked. I double checked my steps but couldn't leave past the security check point. I went to two information desks to ask for their best advice and to find the nearest police station in the airport, but the airport was so large that I was not going to be able to make it to them and still catch my flight. I still had my iphone and while I had no calling plan the airport gave 15 minutes of free wifi access. I hastily emailed my mother and told her my situation, said I was still going to board my plane to Denmark, and tried to begin cancelling my cards. When my 15 minutes ran out I was still panicking. This meant that I was

now in a foreign country with no credit or debit card, only about 5 Euros (that would be useless anyways once I landed in Denmark) and no other money or access to it. Worse yet in the US it was about 2 am so I knew that it would be a long time before anyone was able to get back in touch with me. Once I had done all that I reasonably could and for lack of any better options coupled with sheer frustration and fear, I sat down and cried before regaining my composure and boarding the plane.

Once I was on the plane I sat next to a nice young Indian woman my age and her father. We had some things in common to

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### CEP OCALA / MARION COUNTY CHAMBER & ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

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# SENIOR SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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8th AVENUE – TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD & 4TH, 2015 AT 1:30 PM BARBARA G. WASHINGTON – THURSDAY & FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH & 6TH, 2015 AT 1:00PM

“HOT PURSUIT” STARRING: REESE WITHERSPOON, SOFIA VERGARA, MATTHEW DeINEGRO, MICHAEL MOSLEY AND ROB KAZINSKY

An upright and by-the-book cop tries to protect the sexy and outgoing widow of a drug boss as they race through Texas, pursued by crooked cops and murderous gunmen. RATED PG-13

8TH AVENUE – TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH & 18TH, 2015 AT 1:30 PM BARBARA G. WASHINGTON – THURSDAY & FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH & 20TH, 2015 AT 1:00 PM

“THE AGE OF ADALINE” STARRING: BLAKE LIVELY, HARRISON FORD, MICHEL HUISMAN, ELLEN BURSTYN, KATHY BAKER

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lowing herself to get close to anyone who might reveal her secret. But a chance encounter with charismatic philanthropist Ellis Jones reignites her passion for life and romance. When a weekend with his parents threatens to uncover the truth, Adaline makes a decision that will change her life forever. RATED PG-13

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Where: E.D. Croskey Recreation Center – 510 NW 4th Street, Ocala

Time: 9am-12pm

Cost: FREE

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## COMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER 2015

SENIOR TRIP: DINNER THEATER – AL CAPONE

When: Wednesday, November 4th, 2015

Where: Orlando, Florida

Cost: \$60.00 per person (includes Transportation, Meal and Admission)

Time: Leave 8th Ave. at 9:00 AM Return 6:00 PM

What: Knock three times, give the secret password and discover the mysterious world of 1931 gangland Chicago. The show is entertaining as it delivers loads of laughs,

gangster action, audience interaction and toe-tapping musical productions. The show is fun for everyone. Pre-registration is required. Seating is limited to 45 persons.

For more information, please call Grace at 629-8357.

## SENIOR FISHING DERBY

When: Monday, November 9th, 2015

Time: 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

Where: Tusawilla Park

Cost: FREE

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Real Estate..... 2.5%	Visited Last 30 Days..... 3.8%
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ONE PERSON'S OPINION

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To The Eitor

After reading you note in Lady Lake Magazine I believe that there are a great many people that feel the same way as you. Our country has lost sight of the values that our fore fathers had and everyone, or almost, is in the political arena to get as much as they can for themselves. Where this will all end probably will not be seen in our lifetime and I feel sorry for our great-grandchildren who will reap the benefits for our ability to not have decent upstanding people elected to our national zoo.

Bill

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To the editor

The sheep dip was thick as all get out on Sunday. The Tea Party is a worthless bunch of naysayers. Thanks for the info. Now everyone knows.

By implication that means liberals are geniuses, according to James Harris. His pronouncements are so profound. Socrates could not have done it any better. There is no room for any thoughts, but his.

Perhaps, a little knowledge in addition to all that hot air might be useful. Liberalism Is a Sin, written in 1886 by FR. Felix Sarda Y Salvany, and The Liberal Mind by Lyle Rossiter, Jr, MD might prove enlightening to MR. Harris. His self righteousness might take a tumble.

Good and Evil exist in this world, and they seem to be elusive concepts to Mr. Harris.

A definition of Poor would have helped his cause, but he did not even offer that, as proof of his righteousness. Are the poor stoned out drug addicts? The 250 to 300 pound waddlers with baskets full of goods at Walmart, etc.?

The people driving brand new cars, that my family {gainfully employed} cannot afford?

People with TVs, smart phones, computers, refrigerators, stoves, dishwashers, washers and dryers, clothes galore, and yes those indispensable items, hair styles, manicures, and pedicures? Things I have never indulged in. These are the POOR? Give us a hint!

Hot air is available by the wagon load. Knowledge is something you have to work for.

The TEA PARTY people are the hard working, God fearing, patriotic people who

still believe in GOD vs belief in government.

One last book for MR. Harris: THE LAW by Bastiat, written in the 1850's. Perhaps legal plunder is beyond Mr. Harris's comprehension level. Legal plunder is and has been the business of governments for millennia, and it is not a positive concept. Reading all perspectives helps make a body knowledgeable.

Reading does a body good.

There are at least 2 sides to every story. Equal time, please?

D.I. L.

Governor Rick Scott

# FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DESK

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Enterprise Florida uses to attract businesses who want to create more opportunities for families in our state."

Rick Weddle, President and CEO of the Orlando EDC said, "Florida is a business-friendly state but that is not enough. We need to be the most competitive state in the nation for companies looking to invest and expand. The Orlando EDC is a big supporter of the EFI toolkit and we support the \$250 million Florida Enterprise Fund, as proposed, and believe it to be a positive step forward in our collective efforts to bring new, good paying jobs to our region and state."

Dominic Calabro, of Tallahassee and President and CEO of Florida Tax Watch said, "EFI works to ensure that businesses have the tools to be successful in the Sunshine State. We must properly fund EFI's incentive toolkit and continue investing in the future of our state. I support the Governor's recommendations and look forward to making Florida the most economically diverse and prosperous state in the nation."

Mark Wilson, of Tallahassee and President of the Florida Chamber said, "Don't forget what the Governor said. This is about diversifying the economy, which is the entire reason we created this organization in the first place. I think it's time to double down on that."

Doug Wheeler, of Tallahassee and President and CEO of Florida Ports Council said, "Ensuring that businesses have the best opportunity to succeed is vital to Florida's economic success and I am proud to support the Governor's recommendations for Enterprise Florida. Reforming the Quick Action Closing Fund and increasing incentive funding will give our state the competitive edge Florida's seaports need to help attract new business to our state."

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Gov. Rick Scott: Florida's Private-Sector Growth Rate Again Tops All Large States in September

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - Governor Rick Scott announced that Florida's private-sector job growth rate of 3.4 percent in September was the highest among the ten most populous states, including Texas and California. This is the seventh month in a row Florida's growth rate has been first among large states. Florida's job growth rate is also significantly higher than the nation's, which is at 2.2 percent.

Governor Scott said, "Florida continues to lead other large states, including our

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## “Not All Who Wander Are Lost”

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talk about as they were traveling to Copenhagen for her to begin her first year of graduate school, the same school as two of my friends that also lived in Copenhagen were about to begin. We talked a bit before take-off and I told them how my wallet had just been stolen and asked if I could borrow the fathers’ phone to alert my friend who would be picking me up in Copenhagen about what had happened. He was kind enough to oblige me, a desperate stranger and nobody to him. It was a short but very stressful flight and I wasn’t able to sleep through it at all. How long would I have to go without having any access to money and how much of a problem would this be once I met my new, soon to be, Danish host?

Once landing in Copenhagen and seeing my Danish friend, whom I had met just before the completion of my earlier summer study program, I felt a thousand times better to see a familiar face. From his house I contacted my family and they were able to wire me some money the next day. This was a relief but still only a temporary fix for the problem. My parents were not joint account holders so getting my banks to send me out new cards at their request and to ship them to another country instead of my home address proved to be a crazy process. Even after my father was able to ship me a new credit card, it didn’t have a chip in it, only the swipe portion on the back. Rarely does anyone in Europe use the swipe part and

mainly only uses the chip. So even after I got my card I wasn’t able to use it anywhere and still needed to have cash sent through Western Union. It also wasn’t feasible for me to contact my banks because all I could call was 1-800 numbers that would have had me on hold for WAY too long considering the cost of international calling rates.

The consequences of this seemingly minor loss, proved to be heavy and great even far into the future. The lesson I learned here? Make sure you plan out in advance an action plan for in case you get robbed. Make certain you know how to get in touch with and receive banking services while abroad. Above all, make sure you have the names of at least one other person that you trust on your bank accounts. That way if any tragedy does befall you, there is someone stateside that can act on your behalf.

In the end, it took me the better part of three months before I was able to have money again, without relying on Western Union. Luckily, while I was there in Denmark I was able to find access to Western Unions, and because I was living with another new HelpX host named Mette, my food and basic necessities were taken care of.

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—Governor Rick Scott —

## FROM THE GOVERNOR’S DESK

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number one competitor Texas, in job growth because our pro-business, low-tax policies are out-competing other locations as a top place for jobs. Florida’s economy is booming, but we cannot become complacent or slow down our efforts to make Florida first in the world for job creation. We look forward to working with the Legislature to create the new Florida Enterprise Fund to make Florida more competitive for jobs.”

In September, Florida ranked second among the largest states in total private-sector jobs added, with more than 234,000 jobs created over the year. This is the sixth consecutive month that Florida has created more private-sector jobs over the year than Texas, even though Texas’s population is significantly higher.

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Executive Director Jesse Panuccio said, “For the seventh month in a row, Florida had the highest rate of job creation among large states. We even beat Texas—again. The Scott Administration’s pro-growth policies are working and Florida is showing the nation how to create economic prosperity.”

Since December 2010, Florida businesses

have created 941,000 private-sector jobs. In September, the unemployment rate dropped to 5.2 percent, less than half the December 2010 rate and the lowest in seven years.

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Governor Rick Scott Appoints Two to the Diabetes Advisory Council

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Governor Rick Scott announced one appointment and one reappointment to the Diabetes Advisory Council.

Dr. Mark Kummer, 57, of Pensacola, is a physician and community health center division chief at Nemours Children’s Clinic. He fills a vacant seat and is appointed for a term beginning October 23, 2015, and ending July 1, 2016.

Dr. Leslene Gordon, 57, of Lutz, is the community health director for the Florida Department of Health in Hillsborough. She is reappointed for a term beginning October 23, 2015, and ending July 1, 2019.



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Governor Rick Scott  
**FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DESK**

Gov. Scott Honors 101 Veterans with Governor's Veterans Service Award in Lakeland.

LAKELAND, Fla. – October 23rd, Governor Rick Scott awarded 101 Florida Veterans with the Governor's Veterans Service Award for their service to Florida and the nation.

Governor Scott, "Following the 240th birthday of the Navy last week, I am honored to recognize fellow Navy veterans and many other American heroes today for their brave service. As a Navy veteran myself, I recognize that it is important to take every opportunity to thank our military members for their commitment to protecting our state and nation."

The Governor recognized the following Florida Veterans in his speech today:

Harry Alexander

Harry Alexander is a World War II Veteran and a Second Class Petty Officer who was a gunner on patrol boats in the Philippines from 1942 to 1947. He has received three Purple Hearts during his service in the U.S. Navy. He received his first medal in the Philippines in 1944 where he was shot by a sniper while his boat traveled through a narrow passage. Only a week later, an artillery shell exploded on the same boat and he received shrapnel wound to his lower back. His third Purple Heart came later that year where he was shot at by a Japanese plane

and thrown into the Gulf. Harry was also presented with a Quilt of Valor from the Lakeland Military Order of the Purple Heart this past June.

Jack Merrill

Jack began his naval career in 1959 and attended the Submarine School in Connecticut. Only two years later while still stationed at a base in Key West, Jack served during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Jack left the Key West submarine base several years later, and returned to Maine after his service in Florida. This past year, he was also instrumental in establishing the Submarine Veterans Memorial in Bartow to honor submariners who have served in the military.

Danny Johnson

Danny Johnson holds the distinction of being the longest serving soldier within the 53rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team with more than 40 years of service in the Florida National Guard and 30 years of service in the Full Time Technician Program. He has served multiple deployments in Operation Desert Storm and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

He continues to serve as a member of 2-116th Field Artillery as the Senior Intelligence NCO in the Battalion S2 Section and is the Surface Maintenance Mechanic Leaderman at FMS 4. Danny Johnson is married with three children and one grandchild, and currently resides in Haines City, Florida.

Florida Veterans Medal

The "Governor's Veterans Service Award" honors Floridians who have served in the U.S. Military. The front of the medal depicts the Great Seal of the State of Florida.

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