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Around Pinellas

Health notes

Sunstar joins Safe Night Out

On Oct. 1, a group of Sunstar Paramedics employees participated in the city of Clearwater-sponsored Safe Night ter.

Out, "America's Night Out AgainstCrime," at the Clearwater Mall. Attendees were given

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the opportunity to tour Sunstar's pink Breast Cancer Awareness ambulance

and interact with Sunny Star, a remote controlled robotic ambulance that provides information about emergency vehicles and

Other organizations in attendance included the Clearwater Police Department, Clearwater Fire Department, Target. Bayflite, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, SWAT teams and Safe Kids Pinellas.

Clearwater Safe Night Out is part of National Night Out, a program of the National Association of Town Watch.

National Night Out was introduced in 1984 as an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Today, the program involves more than 37 million people and 15,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. Territories, Canadian cities and military bases world-

Premiere Racing Institute invites the public to celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness Month by signing up for Pretty in Pink (formerly the Ace of Hearts), a Institute on Aging, Alzheimer's 5K or 15K chip-timed race that

Oro Park, 401 McMullen-Booth Road, Clearwa-

On race day, runners can begin picking up their race packets on site at 6:40 a.m.

The 15K will be run on city of Clearwater roads and Ream Wilson Trail; the 5K will be run on the Ream Wilson Trail exclu-

Runners will receive awards in several race categories, as well as for dressing in pink.

A big post-race party featuring pink food and drinks is planned. Registration is \$20 for the 5K, \$30 for the 15K.

For more information, call (727) 736-8232 or visit premierracinginstitute.com.

Health and fun will be artfully combined at ManorCare of Dunedin's seventh annual Senior Oktoberfest Health Fair 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday at 870 Patricia Ave.,

The event brings together local health-related vendors offermassages,

memory screenings and hearing, vision and blood pressure tests with live music and a free Oktoberfest lunch.

Enjoy beer samplings provided by Dunedin Brewery and mingle with friends on the front patio as \$50 raffle baskets and giveaways are dispersed throughout the

For more information and event details, call ManorCare of Dunedin at (727) 734-8861.

According to the National disease is the most common

begins at 7:30 a.m. today at Del cause of dementia among older

The irreversible, progressive brain disease slowly destroys memory and thinking skills, and eventually even the ability to carry out the simplest tasks. In most people with Alzheimer's, symptoms first appear after age

In an effort to raise awareness and funds to fight Alzheimer's disease, the Alzheimer's Association expects nearly 1,400 people from the Pinellas area to participate in its Walk to End Alzheimer's on Saturday at Bright House Field, 601 N Old Coachman Road, Clearwater.

Those who register for the 2mile walk that begins at 10 a.m. will learn more about Alzheimer's disease, advocacy opportunities, clinical trial enrollment, and support programs and services of the Alzheimer's Association.

Each walker will also join in a meaningful tribute ceremony to honor those affected by Alzheimer's disease.

To start or join a team, call (727) 578-2558 or visit act.alz.org/

Dance stress away at Monster Mash Zumba Bash at 6 p.m. Saturday. at Highland Recreation Complex and Family Aquatic Center, 400 Highland Ave. NE,

Dress in comfortable clothing or costumes and dance shoes or sneakers and enjoy healthy treats, raffle prizes and non-stop Zumba with a haunted twist.

The cost is \$10 in advance or \$15 the day of the event.

For details, call (727) 518-3016 or visit largo.com/department/ division.php?fDD=13-61.

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