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A tennis injury helped spark Vero Beach resident Ken Nowell to write a religious thriller and start his own Christian-based publishing company.

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Florida Power & Light plans to increase its natural gas pipeline capacity, company officials told state regulators.

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U.S. counterterrorism officials are investigating an unconfirmed al-Qaida threat to New York City or Washington, timed to coincide with the 9/11 anniversary.

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“The new conventional wisdom on 9/11: We have created a decade of fear.”

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Sept. 11 changed our lives forever on Treasure Coast

■ In ensuing decade, details remain sharp in peoples' minds

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Ten years after the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, Treasure Coast residents can recall in crisp detail where they were that tragic Tuesday when nearly 3,000 people lost their lives.

COMING SUNDAY

A special section reflecting on the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001.

In the decade since, events of 9/11 still rouse strong feelings and stark memories.

They've also changed forever the way we talk, travel and secure our surroundings.

“It's my generation's Pearl Har-

bor,” said Joe Griffin, 65, Sebastian's community development director and airport manager, referring to the Japanese airstrikes against Hawaii on Dec. 7, 1941, that led to America's entry into World War II.

And from renewing a driver's license, to catching a plane, planning a trip or attending a ballgame, area experts agree that the 9/11 terrorist strikes forced the nation to adopt a security-at-all-costs mentality that shapes the way Treasure Coast residents go about their daily lives.

TRAVEL INTERRUPTED

Commercial flying changed once airports and major transportation outlets fell under the

control of the Transportation Security Administration, created by the Aviation and Transportation Security Act passed by Congress Nov. 19, 2001.

Since then, travelers have learned the TSA security drills that by 2006 included removing shoes and restricting the carrying of liquids.

TSA spokeswoman Sari Koshetz said post-9/11 security strategies go well beyond physical screening at airport checkpoints.

“Even before a passenger can print out their boarding pass, they have been checked against terrorist watch lists. When they

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Red, white, blue memories



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Sebastian River Middle School seventh-grade student Makario Henry lines up in front of the school along with the rest of the student body before a 9/11 remembrance ceremony Friday morning at the school. About 1,000 students dressed in red, white and blue for the program. STORY, 1B



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See more coverage of the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, including photos and databases, at TCPalm.com/sept11.

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ON TV

■ Live television coverage of Sunday's memorial services in New York, Washington and Shanksville, Pa., will begin at 8 a.m. on ABC, CBS and NBC as well as on cable channels CNN, CSPAN, Fox News and MSNBC.

■ There will be live radio coverage on NPR and audio stream at NPR.org.



Indian River County Schools Superintendent Fran Adams (from left, behind flag) Sebastian River Middle School social studies teacher Jack Hodge, American Legion Post 189 representative Ed Motyka and Post 189 Commander Ed Irons prepare for the 9/11 remembrance ceremony at Sebastian River Middle School on Friday morning in Sebastian. The flag, containing names of those killed in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, was used to conceal a piece of the World Trade Center (lower left) before it was revealed during the ceremony.

9/11 Events in Indian River County

9/11 Observance Ceremony:

Guest speakers, music by the Navy Band Southeast; recognition of IRC Public Safety Honor Guard Units. Veterans Memorial Island Sanctuary, Vero Beach, 8:30 a.m., Sept. 11.

9/11 Observance Ceremony:

Riverside Theatre, 3250 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach, 4-6 p.m., 7-9 p.m. Ticket: 772-231-6990.

Presentations: By Vero Beach Moose Lodge, 226 43rd Ave., 2:30 p.m., Sept. 11.

9/11 Observance Music:

World Trade Center artifact consecration; wreath laying ceremony; Speaker Capt. Ernest Joy, USN Ret. Community Patriot Day at Riverview Park War Memorial, Sebastian 1 p.m., Sept. 11.

Memorials

■ Sebastian has a 9/11 memorial at the Veterans Memorial near Riverview Park on Indian River Drive.

■ Indian River County Fire Station 2 at 3301 Bridge Plaza Drive, Vero Beach, has a 9/11 memorial featuring a section of I-beam twin tower steel provided by a group of retired New York City fire chiefs back in 2002.

VERO BEACH

Electric rates likely to rise

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VERO BEACH — Both Vero Beach and Florida Power & Light Co. electric rates are expected to rise early next year as city officials work to determine the impact of a potential sale of the city's system.

The city's current electric rate is \$113.14 per 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity. Next month, the rate is expected to rise by about 1.2 percent to \$114.43, not counting the local taxes or franchise fees.

City Manager Jim O'Connor said that because of scheduled, as well as some unforeseen, increases from the city's wholesale power supplier, Orlando Utilities Commission, the rate could go up another 6 to 7 percent in January. A 7 percent increase would raise electric bills to \$122.44 for 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity.

After that increase, O'Connor said he did not expect the rates to increase for the remainder of the coming budget year, which ends Sept. 30, 2012.

FPL rates also are scheduled to increase from \$96.54 to \$99.10 in January. FPL spokeswoman

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New jury to decide if sentence stands

■ Rodney Tyrone Lowe on death row for 1990 botched robbery

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VERO BEACH — Linda Burnell still cries when she recalls being age 11 and fearful about her mother staying behind in Palm Bay when the family left for a New England summer vacation in 1990.

It was the last time she and her sister Paula Burnell, then 10, would speak to their mother, Donna M. Burnell, 30, who was gunned down July 3, 1990, during a botched robbery at the Nu-Pack Market in Sebastian, where she worked as a clerk.

“We had a bad feeling something was up. My sister and I freaked out, we didn't want to leave our mother,” Burnell said by phone from Middleboro, Mass., where she lives with her 15-year-old daughter.

“My last words were not great to my mother when

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