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## Football Jamboree

Brandon Entry (left) found it hard to find some running room in the scrimmage between the Vikings and Cowboys at the OCRA Football Jamboree held on Saturday at the Sports Complex. For more photos from the Jamboree, see page 9.

## Jobless rates improve but still high

By Charles M. Murphy  
Okeechobee News

Unemployment levels dropped to 12.9 percent in Okeechobee County but Okeechobee still remained in the top six among Florida Counties in the jobless rate during August according to the monthly report from the Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation.

The report showed Okeechobee's rate fell from 13.3 percent to 12.9 percent and that 85 fewer residents filed for benefits last month. There were 2,401 residents who collected benefits in August.

Glades County saw the jobless rate fall one-half of one percent to 9.2 percent. There were 540 people who collected benefits which is 17 less than July.

The jobless rate in August, 2010 in Okeechobee stood at 14 percent when 2,658 people collected benefits. Only Flagler, Hendry, Hernando, Indian River and St. Lucie County had higher jobless rates than Okeechobee last month. Hamilton County had the same rate as Okeechobee.

Glades County was tied for 49th highest as they tied Clay and Bradford Counties.

Glades also saw improvement over August, 2010

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## Jimenez-Rodriguez given life in prison

By Eric Kopp  
Okeechobee News

When Circuit Court Judge Robert Belanger asked the prosecutor his sentencing recommendations for Jose Jimenez-Rodriguez his answer was short and to the point: "... the full and unmitigated wrath of the law."

And with that, Judge Belanger on Monday, Sept. 19, gave Jimenez-Rodriguez life in prison.

Jimenez-Rodriguez, 39, was convicted Aug. 10 of burglary of a dwelling with a battery and attempted sexual battery on a mentally defec-

tive victim 12 years of age or older. He was originally charged with sexual battery but the jury found him guilty of the lesser included crime.

He was given life on the burglary conviction and 15 years for attempted sexual battery. The sentences are to run concurrently.

Under current state law, Jimenez-Rodriguez will spend the rest of his life in prison.

The Okeechobee man was arrested in 2010 for entering a local home around 5 a.m. on Jan. 24, 2010, and going into the 16-year-old girl's bedroom where he sexually molested her.

"I was asleep in my room. I woke up and he was standing at my door. He smelled like very, very bad alcohol on him," testified the victim at the August trial. "He told me to pull my pants down. I was scared because he was drunk. I wanted to scream for help."

After Jimenez-Rodriguez left her bed, the girl fought back the urge to take a bath because her mother had told her that when something like this happens she should not bathe or clean herself.

The mentally retarded victim was taken to  
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## Okeechobee Retired Educators

Members of Okeechobee Retired Educators Association at the Regional Meeting of the Florida Retired Educators Association on Friday, Sept. 16. Attending were Pam Trent, Pat Cooper, Gay Carlton (seated); Kay McCool, Magi Cable, Doris Entry and Marion Davis (standing).

## PRISON

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Raulerson Hospital by her mother where a rape kit was performed and the girl's breasts were swabbed. That swab was then sent to the Indian River Crime Lab in Fort Pierce for DNA testing. The DNA of Jimenez-Rodriguez was found on one of the girl's breast.

As part of Monday's proceedings, the victim was allowed to address Judge Belanger before Jimenez-Rodriguez was sentenced.

"When he did this to me it broke my heart," she told the judge through her tears. "I want him to be sentenced to life in prison without parole. I don't want him coming out and doing this to another girl."

As Jimenez-Rodriguez stood before the judge in his orange and white county jail-issued clothing, he told Judge Belanger that he was wrongly accused.

"I'm innocent. This is not justice—this is wrong!" he stated.

"I understand there are those people out there who think this is an injustice," said the judge. "The jury came up with a verdict and I absolutely respect that verdict. There are no innocent or plausible explanations for his DNA being on her breast."

Defense attorney Roger Azcona had argued at trial that his client's DNA had been planted on the victim.



Jimenez-Rodriguez

"The nice thing about DNA evidence is, it doesn't lie. It is what it is," said Mr. Richardson during his closing arguments to the jury.

The judge went on to rule during the sentencing that Jimenez-Rodriguez will be designated as a sexual offender.

Jimenez-Rodriguez will receive credit for the 237 days he has already served in the Okeechobee County Jail. He was also ordered by Judge Belanger to pay all court costs and fees.

## JOBS

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when 592 residents collected unemployment benefits a rate of 10.6 percent.

The state jobless rate was 10.9 percent in August down from 11-percent in July. The national jobless rate fell from 9.3 percent in July to 9.1 percent in August.

# Plane crashes at airport

By Eric Kopp  
Okeechobee News

According to a law enforcement report, no one was injured Monday when a small plane crashed during landing at the Okeechobee County Airport.

A report by Deputy Sergeant Brian Hagan, of the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office (OCSO), stated that the 1993 Bakewg Deuce Experimental plane crashed Sept. 19 around 9:30 a.m. when the fixed landing gear gave way after the plane had landed and was slowing down.

The pilot—Peter Mikos of Satellite Beach—said when the landing gear gave

way the plane collapsed onto its belly which caused it to spin in a counterclockwise direction.

Mr. Mikos, 72, was not injured.

Sgt. Hagan's report said the plane spun 180 degrees before it came to rest on the airport's west runway. His report indicated that the plane's wooden prop was damaged, as well as the aircraft's right wing.

The report also stated that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) was notified and that the plane was removed by a local towing service.

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# Young offender gets a big break in court

**By Eric Kopp**  
Okeechobee News



**Sharod Kelly**

A young Okeechobee man caught a big break when he was sentenced Monday to community control and probation instead of prison.

"I'm going to give you enough rope to hang yourself," Circuit Court Judge Robert Belanger told Sharod Kelly at his Sept. 19 sentencing. "You have 40 years prison time hanging over your head."

Kelly, now 22, had been arrested Oct. 8, 2010, on felony charges of dealing in stolen property and giving false ownership information to a pawnbroker by Officer Lawrence Parzygnat of the Okeechobee City Police Department (OCPD).

According to the officer's arrest report, Kelly was arrested for selling a stolen air compressor at a local pawn shop and implying that the compressor was his to sell.

But Monday morning the owner of that stolen compressor, as well as Kelly's mother, spoke to Judge Belanger and told

him that the young man was not a bad kid and was simply running with the wrong crowd.

Linda Kelly told the judge that her son had been raised right and that he was only trying to get along with some other boys, who had actually stolen the compressor from the back of the victim's pickup truck.

"He needs to learn how to say no (to other people)," she said of her son, who stood quietly beside her clad in a white T-shirt and blue jeans.

When questioned by defense attorney Rebecca Hamilton, the victim said he knew Sharod hadn't stolen the compressor. But, he knew who did and didn't report the theft until he could prove that they did.

Assistant State Attorney Jeff Davis said the plea deal was reached Aug. 15 and asked that Sharod be sentenced to six months in the Okeechobee County Jail, to be followed by two years probation.

"The fact is, you committed some serious crimes. But, the state is being pretty reasonable with you" Judge Belanger told the young man.

The judge went on to say that Sharod

had "impressed whomever you've come into contact with," in regard to law enforcement and probation officers. Officer Parzygnat's arrest report indicates that Sharod was honest and up front him. Sharod told the officer he didn't know the compressor was stolen, and that he went with "them guys" to the pawn shop because they didn't have the needed identification.

With everything in mind, Judge Belanger found Sharod guilty on both counts and ordered that he be under house arrest for six months then serve 54 months on felony probation. During that period he will be subject to warrantless searches and drug tests.

He was also ordered to provide a DNA sample and pay all court costs and fees, as well as \$707 in restitution to the victim.

Judge Belanger, impressing on the young man just how serious this matter is, told Sharod that if he violates his probation he could be looking at a long prison stint.

"You have no room for mistakes," he cautioned.

## Chamber to host Concealed Weapons Permit Class

The Chamber of Commerce of Okeechobee County is hosting a Concealed Weapons Permit Class on Thursday, **Sept. 22**, at the Hampton Inn from 7 to 9 p.m. Range training will be conducted on the following Saturday morning. The cost of the class is \$30, and a concealed weapon permit package will be provided to each participant. You do not need to own a gun to attend class. Preregistration is Required. Register online at: [www.OkeechobeeBusiness.com](http://www.OkeechobeeBusiness.com). Go to calendar of events and click on the Sept. 22, Concealed Weapons Permit Class. You may also contact the Chamber at [info@OkeechobeeBusiness.com](mailto:info@OkeechobeeBusiness.com) or 863-467-6246.

# Habitual traffic offender ordered to prison

**By Eric Kopp**  
Okeechobee News



**Michael Garcia**

As part of a plea deal with the state, an Okeechobee man is going to prison after he caused an injury accident and then walked away from the crash scene.

Michael Garcia, 30, U.S. 441 S.E., was sentenced Monday, Sept. 19, to 20.25 months in prison to be followed by two years on probation. He was also given credit for the 63 days he spent in the Okeechobee County Jail.

Circuit Court Judge Robert Belanger also ordered Garcia to pay \$12,750 in restitution to the victim in this case.

Garcia was arrested Feb. 19 on felony charges of leaving the scene of a crash involving injury and driving while license suspended - habitual offender. He was also charged with the misdemeanor of reckless

driving with damage to person/property.

As part of the Aug. 17 plea agreement, Judge Belanger found Garcia guilty on all counts and ordered him to prison on the two felony charges with the sentences to run concurrently. On the misdemeanor charge, Garcia was sentenced to one year in the county jail, with that sentence to be followed by one year of probation.

An arrest report by Sergeant Dawn Wendt, of the Okeechobee City Police Department (OCPD), stated that witnesses told her that Garcia was driving at a speed of about 70 mph when he approached a stop sign on N.W. Sixth St. at N.W. 11th Ave. Garcia did not stop and struck another vehicle.

Witnesses then told the officer that Garcia got out of his car and fled the scene.

Garcia was arrested later.

Sgt. Wendt's report stated that the woman in the other vehicle was taken to Raulerson Hospital, but did not specify her injuries.

The report also stated that Garcia's li-

cense had been suspended many times for failure to pay traffic fines and that it had been canceled indefinitely.

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*Speak Out has moved online, where it is quicker and easier to share your ideas and converse with others. Go to [www.newszap.com](http://www.newszap.com), click on the community name and your local or state Public Forum. There, you can create new topics or comment on existing topics. What follows is a sampling of some of the discussions currently taking place. Thanks for participating!*

### Customer service

• One day not too long ago, I was getting prepared for my wedding. I went to a salon that a friend had suggested. I walked in asking to see pictures and ideas to help me to make a decision for the style that would be suitable for my wedding day. An extremely rude man spoke up in a very loud voice and made what I thought were very degrading comments to me. That made me extremely embarrassed. I walked out, choosing to take my business elsewhere to a salon that wants to accommodate their customers and make them feel very comfortable in their establishment. The salon I chose to work with did a superb job and went the extra mile to make my special day perfect.

### High school

• I went to check my child out early from school at 1:45 p.m. I was instructed by the student in the guard shack to park in the parking lot to the left. So by the time I walked into the school to get my child for an appointment and back to the car I found that the buses had blocked the entire north entrance and I could not get out. I could not leave till the buses did. I was so upset that I could not see straight. What if I had an extreme emergency and needed to get out? Or better yet, what if an emergency vehicle needed to get in the north entrance?

• It's always funny how parents want their kid out of school 2 minutes before the final bell and can't understand why the school can't respond on time to their liking. Most of the time they just want to get their kid out first. The ones that appointments affect will get there earlier to get their kid out before the mass exodus.

• The school has a schedule it must go by and can't bend its rules to benefit yours. Consider it a lesson learned.

• Had there been an emergency, emergency vehicles could have entered through the south gate. There would have been no problem, so rest assured that no one would have gone without care.

### School days

• Here's an idea. Let's spend school time teaching and learning. Let's not spend the day holding a book fair. Some parents do not have the money to spend on these things. If you must have a book fair, do it after school rather than taking up learning time. The same goes for selling those knick-knack things and overpriced candy. I do not have the time or the money. Instead of spending hours for weeks going over school rules and forms, like my high school student has, send it all home and let's have class time. Students need to be prepared for college. Instead of having a pep rally every week for football, let's have a monthly pep rally for school spirit and honor all the teams and academic successes of that month. Why is football given so much emphasis and not the other activities? I mean, I love football, but there are other things just as important.

### Grandparents Day

• It was cute that the school invited grandparents to come for a program. But I always feel a little sorry for the kids whose grandparents live too far away to attend or whose grandparents are no longer with us.

### Happy Halloween

• I see some businesses are already collecting candy for the Halloween party at the Agri-Civic Center. I hope that all of those who plan to take their kids to the party remember to donate a bag or two of candy. If every family who attends the party donated a bag of candy, there would be more than enough to go around. Don't just show up with an empty bag and expect everyone else to provide the treats.

### 4-H and FFA

• I think it is nice that the 4-H clubs honored the FFA teachers. In so many places 4-H and FFA are competitors but in Okeechobee they work together. Many of the FFA students are also in 4-H clubs. There is no reason they can't be in both. Everyone works together to benefit the kids and that is how it should be.

### Pet/Rescue

• If you have old towels, sheets, blankets, rugs, dog beds or mats, please don't throw them away. Bring them to the Humane Society/Pet Rescue on U.S. Highway 98 (next to the Livestock Market).

## Letter to the editor

### Excessive speed

I am writing this letter in regards to speeding and the dangers and consequences it may cause.

On Aug. 11, I was on my way to a friend's house from Miami to Orlando driving on Interstate 95. With the music turned up and my friend and I singing, I was not paying attention to how fast I was going. Before I knew it, there was a police officer behind me instructing me to pull over. When he asked for my license, registration and insurance card. I asked him what I did wrong. He informed me that I was doing 107 mph in a 70 mph speed zone. I couldn't believe it when he told me, I didn't even realize I was going that fast.

The officer gave me a ticket for speeding and had me call my mother and inform her of what happened. As I called and told her what had happened, she started crying and telling me what could have happened and how dangerous it was.

Listening to how upset my mother was, I realized so many things could have gone wrong.

I will always be aware of obeying the speed limit from now on and share my story with the ones I love and make them aware as well.

Looking back, I don't think I could ever forgive myself of the possibilities that could have happened to me or anyone else on the road.

Sincerely,  
Desiree Baker

## Ministerial Association sponsors Prayer Walk

Tonight, Wednesday, **Sept. 21** is the last night of revival services at **Point of Light Fellowship Church**, 15399 S.R. 78 in Lakeport. The speaker will be Bishop Bennie Jones.

The **Okeechobee Ministerial Association** will sponsor their September prayer walks at 6 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. The **Sept. 27** prayer walk will include Okeechobee High School, Raulerson Hospital, Everglades Elementary and Okeechobee Health Care.

Those participating should meet at the



## Places of Worship

flagpole at Okeechobee High School at 6 p.m.

The Okeechobee **Seventh-day Adventist Church** will host a 5K walk on **Sept. 25**, to help raise awareness of childhood obesity. It will begin at 9 a.m., at pier 7. (the fishing pier) Participants are asked to come prepared to make a donation to Big Lake Mission (money or non-perishable foods).

*The Okeechobee News welcomes news from area churches for this column. E-mail [okeenews@newszap.com](mailto:okeenews@newszap.com) or call Pete Gauda at 863-763-3134, extension 4225.*

## Okeechobee Forecast

**Today:** Scattered showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly sunny, with a high near 90. East wind between 5 and 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

**Tonight:** Isolated showers and thunderstorms before 11 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 72. East wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

### Extended Forecast

**Thursday:** Scattered showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly sunny, with a high near 90. East wind between 5 and 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 50 percent.

**Thursday night:** Scattered showers and thunderstorms before 11 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 73. East wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

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# Proposed wildlife refuge could include part of county

By Pete Gawda  
Okeechobee News

Current plans call a large portion of Okeechobee and Osceola counties to be considered for conservation purposes.

The planners of the proposed Everglades Headwaters National Wildlife Preserve and Conservation Area, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, are looking at a large section of Okeechobee County to be potentially included in the preserve. According to the map that is part of the draft report on the project, over 35,000 acres in Okeechobee County is under consideration for purchase or lease.

Immediately to the north, an even larger area, 90 square miles, is being considered in Osceola County. The land under consideration in Osceola County consists of property south of S.R. 60 and west of the Florida Turnpike.

Throughout the planning process officials of the wildlife service have stressed that they will only be dealing with willing buyers or leasers. The project will consist of up to 50,000 acres that are bought outright by the wildlife service. On an additional 100,000 acres conservation rights will be leased. Those property owners will still have use of their property, with some restrictions, and the property will stay on the tax rolls.

The estimated cost of the project is \$625 million. That figure is based on buying 50,000 acres of ranchland at \$5,000 per acre and leasing conservation easements on 100,000 acres at \$3,750 per acre. The funding will come from user fees, the proceeds from the disposal of surplus public lands, the federal tax on motor boat fuels and oil and gas lease revenues.

The property in Okeechobee County being considered is in the northern part of the county immediately south of the Osceola County line between U.S. 441 and Kissimmee Prairie State Park and south of the park between Viking and the Kissimmee River. The 25 square miles of Viking will not be included in the project.

The two largest single properties in the county are each about 12,000 acres. One is owned by the Okeechobee Partnership whose mailing address is a post office box in Wachula. It is on the Osceola County line, west of U.S. 441. The Pat J. Corrigan Family Limited Partnership, with a mailing address in Vero Beach, owns 11,991 acres south of Kissimmee Prairie State Park and east of the Kissimmee River.

West of the Okeechobee Partnership is the 2,261 acres owned by Powell Brothers who have a barge terminal in Dania. This land was once part of the Tiger Cattle Company. J. S. Powell, Jr. one of the owners, stated that while the owners have received a manual on the proposed project, no one has approached them to lease or purchase their land. Abingdon Holdings LTD of Fort Pierce has 3,634 acres south of the Powell Brothers' property that the wildlife service is interested in. About 2,000 of the acres under consideration are owned by the Harvey family. The smallest parcel of land under consideration in the county is owned by the Banyon Lodge Limited Corporation of Fort Pierce.

"The conservation value of the Everglades Headquarters is tremendous," Cindy Dohner, southeast regional director for the wildlife service, stated in a press release. "Working with great partners like the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and private landowners, the opportunities are enormous to preserve and restore wildlife and their habitats, provide additional outdoor recreation, improve water resources, and help sustain the ranching heritage, economy and land stewardship in central Florida."

Details of the proposal can be viewed at [www.fws.gov/southeast/evergladesheadwaters](http://www.fws.gov/southeast/evergladesheadwaters). The wildlife service is taking public comments on the projects until Oct. 24. Comments may be emailed to [Everglades-HeadwatersProposal@fws.gov](mailto:Everglades-HeadwatersProposal@fws.gov), mailed to P. O. Box 2683, Titusville, FL 32781 or faxed to 321-861-1276.

# Electric car in Okeechobee

Gilbert Chevrolet announces the arrival of the Chevrolet Volt. The Volt is the first mass-produced electric vehicle; it is an electric car that uses a combination of fuel and electricity. Using a quiet onboard gas generator to provide electric power, its range can total up to 375 miles on a fully charged battery and gets about 95-mpg. Since Volt can drive initially on electric range for 35 miles, it uses significantly less fuel than a traditional gas-powered car, and has reduced tailpipe emissions.

Generally, electricity is a cleaner source of power than gas. Using electricity to help fuel automobiles can drastically reduce tailpipe emissions and decrease dependence on oil. The Volt can be charged from a standard outlet for on average \$1.50 per day, around the same cost as running a common household appliance.

Chevrolet has designed the 16-kWh lithium-ion battery pack specifically for use in

electric vehicles. It combines the power of 288 lithium-ion battery cells to create a durable and reliable power source. The Volt battery pack went through numerous environment-specific test including corrosion and hot- and cold-weather testing. The pack is backed by a 100,000 mile/8-year Battery and Volt Component Warranty.

The Volt has been honored with such accolades as Motor Trend 2011 Car of the Year, 2011 North American Car of the Year, 2011 Green Car of the Year, and many more.

In addition to saving money at the fuel pump, purchasing the Volt may qualify consumers for a tax credit of up to \$7,500 for consumers and businesses.

Gilbert Chevrolet is proud to showcase the Chevrolet Volt at The High Voltage Event Saturday, Sept. 24. For this Ride and Drive event a test track will be set up to allow an opportunity for local residents to experience this brand new technology.

## NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Children's Services Council of Okeechobee has tentatively adopted a budget for 2011-2012. A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on:

**September 26, 2011  
at 5:01 p.m.**

**at  
Okeechobee County School Board  
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### BUDGET SUMMARY

**Children Services Council of Okeechobee Fiscal Year  
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**THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE  
CHILDREN SERVICES COUNCIL OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY ARE  
1.6% LESS THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES**

Millage Per \$1,000	0.3060	
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<b>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</b>		<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>

<b>Taxes:</b>	<b>Millage Per \$1000</b>	
Ad Valorem Taxes	0.3060	\$ 426,980
INTEREST INCOME		\$ 9,000
<b>TOTAL SOURCES</b>		\$ 435,980
<b>Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets</b>		\$ 1,049,357
		\$ 1,485,337

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
AGENCY ALLOCATIONS	\$ 370,250
ANNUAL AUDIT/ACCOUNTING	\$ 9,000
COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE	\$ 8,000
COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS	\$ 72,500
GRANT EXPANSION PROJECT	\$ 145,468
HUMAN SERVICES	\$ 20,000
MEDICALLY NEEDY	\$ 15,000
OTHER PROJECTS/EXPENSES	\$ 45,000
PROPERTY APPRAISER	\$ 22,160
SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$ 75,000
SUMMER PROJECTS	\$ 175,000
TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 8,540
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 965,918</b>

<b>FUND BALANCE/AND TRANSFER/RESERVES</b>	<b>\$ 519,419</b>
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<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES</b>	
<b>TRANSFERS, RESERVES &amp; BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 1,485,337</b>

**THE TENTATIVE, ADOPTED, AND / OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD.** PUBLISH: 9/21/2011

## Obituaries

Obituaries should be submitted to the Okeechobee News by e-mailing [obits@newszap.com](mailto:obits@newszap.com). Customers may also request photos and links to online guest books. A link to the obituaries is available at [www.newszap.com](http://www.newszap.com).

### Wilbur Karey Penn, 59

OKEECHOBEE — Wilbur Karey Penn, 59, passed away peacefully on Sept. 19, 2011, at Columbia Hospital in West Palm Beach.

Karey graduated from Okeechobee High School and was a paramedic at Raulerson Hospital in Okeechobee. He was a veteran and served in the U.S. Army. Karey was a painter and professional truck driver. His favorite pastime was playing his guitar and singing. He loved the bands he played in and his buddies. Fishing in the waters around Okeechobee brought him solace and serenity. He did so love nature.

Karey is survived by his daughter, Brittany Nicole Parr; and two granddaughters, Katie and Kylee Terry of Okeechobee; sisters, Wilda (Don) Hall of Pensacola and Selina Jane (John) Abney of Gainesville; two nieces, Victoria (Bill) Brock and Cynthia (Todd) Aceto of Pensacola. Karey had one great-niece and three great-nephews. Also many cousins and loving friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Wilbur K. Penn Sr.; mother, Bernice Hazel Hollon; and step-father, Cecil Hollon. A grandson, Ayden Parr, also preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be held at a later date to be announced.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Vitas Hospice or Fisher House both in West Palm Beach.

We will miss his great relaxed nature; his love of family and friends; his laughter and great sense of humor. He loved life and having a good time. He taught us much. Our hearts are broken, but he is in a wonderful place and at peace. His struggles are over.

We would like to express our gratitude to those who cared for Karey. St. Mary ASLF staff (who became family and friends) for their great love! Also, staff of Vitas for their wonderful care at home ASFL and at Columbia Hospital. Thank you all. Karey is free!

Arrangements by All County Funeral Home and Crematory.

### Robert R. Johnston Sr., 85

OKEECHOBEE — Robert R. Johnston Sr., age 85, died Sept. 16, 2011, at the Hamrick Residence in Okeechobee.

He was a resident of Okeechobee coming from Port St. Lucie earlier this year. During his lifetime he was a craftsman woodworker. He proudly served his country in the US Navy during WWII as an Electrician's Mate Third Class.

Mr. Johnston is survived by his wife, Nannie of Okeechobee; also, a stepson, Wendell Hannon (Diane), also of Okeechobee; and five step grandchildren.

There are no services scheduled at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Okeechobee, PO Box 1548, Okeechobee, FL 34973.

Friends may sign the guest book and leave condolences at [www.BassOkeechobeeFH.com](http://www.BassOkeechobeeFH.com)

All arrangements are entrusted to the loving care of the Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home, 205 NE 2nd Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972.

### Pedro Juan LopezDeharo Sr., 51

OKEECHOBEE — Pedro Juan LopezDeharo Sr., age 51, of Okeechobee died Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2011, at Lawnwood Hospital, Fort Pierce. Pedro was a long time resident of Okeechobee; born in Puerto Rico, moving to Brooklyn, N.Y., as a child.

Pedro is survived by his loving and long time companion, Maria Rodriguez; son, Pedro LopezDeharo Jr.; mother, Dilia Vargas (James Cosgriff); father, Pedro Luis LopezDeharo, Sr.; step children, Kristy Duarte and Miguel Rodriguez; granddaughters, Isis and Nani; and brothers, Richard Ortiz (Gloria) and Luis Eduardo Ortiz.

Friends may sign the guest book at [www.BassokeechobeeFuneralHome.com](http://www.BassokeechobeeFuneralHome.com).

All arrangements are entrusted to the care of Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home, 205 NE 2nd St., Okeechobee.



### Helen M. Wallace, 88

OKEECHOBEE — Helen M. Wallace, age 88, died Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011, at the Hamrick Home.

Born in Renton, Wash., Helen had been a resident of Okeechobee since 1948. For several years, she was employed with the Okeechobee School System in Food Service. During WWII, Helen served her country and the Armed Forces as one of the many "Rosie the Riveters" building aircraft.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thurman Wallace; and a sister, Annis Harper.

Survivors include a son, Daniel (Jan) E. Raulerson of Okeechobee; two grandchildren, Jason and Amy Raulerson; and two great-grandchildren, Zack Stanley and Sara Raulerson.

Graveside services were on Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2011, at Evergreen Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, friends may make memorial donations to Hospice of Okeechobee, P.O. Box 1548, Okeechobee, Florida 34973.

Friends may send online condolences at [www.buxtonseawinds.com](http://www.buxtonseawinds.com).

All arrangements are under the care and direction of Matthew and Paul Buxton of Buxton-Sea-winds Funeral Home, 3833 SE 18th Terrace, Okeechobee, Florida.

### Margaret G. Bodden, 85

OKEECHOBEE — Margaret G. Bodden, age 85, died Monday, Sept. 19, 2011, at Raulerson Hospital.

She is survived by her son, Asquith "Denny" (Sherri) Bodden II; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 24, 2011, at Treasure Island Baptist Church.

Friends may send online condolences at [www.buxtonseawinds.com](http://www.buxtonseawinds.com).

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## Community Events

### American Legion

#### Post to host Taco dinner

The American Legion Post 64 will host Taco day Wednesday, Sept. 21. Food will be served from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Music from 3 to 6 p.m. with Carl Cable. Everyone is invited.

### 4-H starts up Cooking Club

The Kick-Off meeting of the new 4-H Cooking Club for boys and girls ages 8-18 is scheduled for Wednesday, **Sept. 21**. The club will meet in the Extension Office Kitchen at 7 p.m. Regular meetings will be the 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 7 p.m., same location. Parents are encouraged to participate, and volunteers are welcome. Please contact Diane Conway 863.634.7840, email [Dianzmail@yahoo.com](mailto:Dianzmail@yahoo.com) or the Okeechobee Extension Office 863.763.6469 for more information. Hope to see you there!

### American Legion to host

The American Legion Riders Post 64 will host \$1 day on Thursday, **Sept. 22**. We offer a large variety of items from beans and corn bread to hamburgers. Food will be served from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Music with Cowboy Jody will be from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to join the fun.

### Senior/parent informational workshop at OHS

A special night has been scheduled for the graduating class of 2012 and their parents. All parents of seniors are urged to attend on Thursday, **Sept. 22**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall at Okeechobee High School. Parents will be given information about senior expenses, graduation requirements, FCAT retakes, discussion of the college admissions process, details about visiting colleges, work programs, information about Florida Bright Futures Program, SAT/ACT information, scholarship information, questions you should ask when visiting different post-secondary institutions, and important tips that parents and seniors need to know to have a successful senior year and a successful first year at a post-secondary institution. This is an excellent opportunity for parents to ask questions that are pertinent for all seniors.

### Hospice to host Yard Sale

Hospice of Okeechobee's next yard sale will be on Wednesday **Sept. 21** and Thursday **Sept. 22**, from 8 a.m. until noon. The yard sale is located at the corner of SE 4th Street and SE 3rd Ave. For information call 863-467-2321 or see our web page: [www.hospiceofokeechobee.org](http://www.hospiceofokeechobee.org) and click on Events tab.

### Friends of Lake to meet

Friends of Lake Okeechobee will meet on **Sept. 22**, at 7 p.m., at the Holiday Inn of Okeechobee (3101 US Hwy. 441 S., Okeechobee). Please come with your concerns and ideas to help. Everyone is welcome. Call 937-728-1344 for questions or details.

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# OHS volleyball team beats Port St. Lucie



Okeechobee News/Charles Murphy  
**Sarah Davis led the Brahman in digs and service points against Port St. Lucie on Monday.**

**By Charles M. Murphy**  
Okeechobee News

Maranda Serrano had 13 kills and nine service points as she adjusted to a new position as the Okeechobee High School volleyball team blasted Port St. Lucie 25-11, 25-

16 and 25-14 on Monday night in the OHS gym.

Paige McCrary had 11 kills and Sarah Davis had four aces, seven digs, and 15 service points to lead the Lady Brahman to their fourth win in five decisions.

Coach Todd Jones said he felt the girls needed to play better than they did last Thursday when they lost to John Carroll in Fort Pierce.

"This was the team I expected to see," Coach Todd Jones said, "Against John Carroll we gave up some long runs where they pulled away and you can't afford that in this game."

Okeechobee took the lead in the first and third games by wide margins. Okeechobee led (8-2) in the first game, and (7-2) in the third game. The second game was close for awhile as Port St. Lucie and Okeechobee were tied (9-9) before the Lady Brahman pulled away.

Serrano said she really felt good about

moving from middle to outside hitter and has liked how she has played this year. "Being on the left side gives me more advantages as a hitter. I feel like I'm doing a lot better. I have more opportunity to hit the ball."

Serrano said the Lady Brahman were better at the net because of their height and experience.

Darby Jones had seven digs for Okeechobee while Rebekah Bryan added two service aces.

Okeechobee competes in the East Coast Challenge Tournament at Martin County and Jensen Beach starting on Friday, Sept. 23.

Coach Jones said the tournament includes top teams like Cardinal Gibbons, ranked fourth in the nation, and Martin County, ranked 33rd in the nation.

Serrano said she and the girls are also looking forward to some great competition. "We've been ready to play volleyball against other teams. I felt we responded well from our first loss."

The Brahman junior varsity team has also experienced success this year. The (7-2) Brahman defeated Port St. Lucie 25-12 and 25-22. They also finished third out of 12 teams at a recent tournament hosted by Park Vista High School.

The Lady Brahman lost to John Carroll 18-25, 17-25, 25-22, and 20-15 on Sept. 15 in Fort Pierce.

Rebekah Bryan had a strong game for Okeechobee (3-1) as she had 16 kills, 13 digs and four service aces. Maranda Serrano had eight kills and Paige McCrary added six kills at the net.

On defense Darby Jones and Maci Thomas each had 13 digs.

# OHS swim team defeats Port St. Lucie

**By Charles M. Murphy**  
Okeechobee News

Okeechobee High School fell to Lincoln Park but defeated Port St. Lucie soundly in a swim match between the three schools hosted by the Brahman last Thursday at the Okeechobee County Sports Complex.

Lincoln Park swept the Brahman (100-71) in the boy's match and (109-61) in the girls match. OHS defeated Port St. Lucie (149-15) in the girls match and (129-26) in the boy's match.

Brahman Swim Coach Brian Turner said he felt Lincoln Park has an excellent squad this year, "They have a very good team. They will compete for district and regional titles this year. They are very well coached and have a lot of experienced swimmers," he added.

Top performances for Okeechobee in the boys match included the 200 medley relay which finished in second place, the 200 freestyle relay which finished first, and the 400 freestyle relay which also finished first. Ben Kielbasa finished second in the 200 freestyle, and Ryan Reister won the 50 freestyle and finished third in the 100 butterfly race. Dustin Houston finished second in the 100

backstroke and won the 100 freestyle. Jason Rucks finished second in the 100 breaststroke. Anupsinh Chauhan finished third in the 50 freestyle.

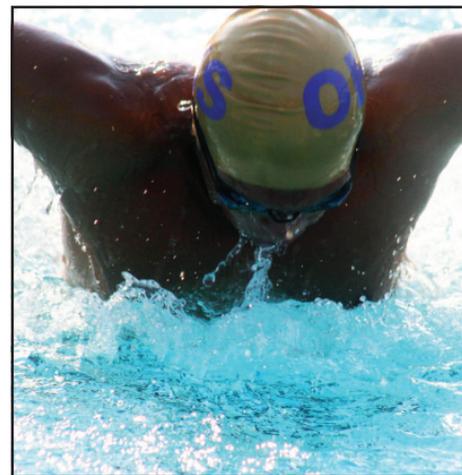
Top performers for the Okeechobee girls swim team included Jessica Wackler who won the 200 freestyle and finished second in the 200 freestyle. Sage Douglas finished second in the 200 freestyle. Kathryn Van Beek finished third in the 50 freestyle and Savannah Whitlock finished second in the 100 freestyle and third in the 200 individual medley. Hunter Bosworth finished third in the 100 butterfly and Jordan Bolan finished third in the 100 freestyle.

Emilie Lege took second place in the 100 breaststroke. Okeechobee also placed in the 200 freestyle relay and 400 freestyle relay.

Coach Turner said his team's improvement over the past four years really showed in the dominant victory over Port St. Lucie. He said Port St. Lucie looks a lot like the Brahman did when he started as coach four years ago.

"It was good for our kids to see how their hard work has paid off and that they have accomplished something," he said, "Taking a program from nothing to a contender

is not an easy task and with every step it becomes more difficult but we have built the foundation for the future and hopefully within the next two to three years we can look like Lincoln Park."



Okeechobee News/Charles Murphy  
**Nick Kielbasa of Okeechobee High School finished second in the 200 freestyle in the OHS swim meet with LPA on Thursday, Sept. 15.**

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# OCRA hosts Football Jamboree



Okeechobee News/Charles Murphy  
Michael Harvey showed off some impressive running skills in the game between the Vikings and Broncos at the OCRA Jamboree held Saturday.



Viking Cheerleaders coached by Tina Maggio this year include (R-L) Kalyen Hammil, Madalyn Peterson and Carlee Osceola.



Chad Williams rushed for a touchdown as the Vikings got off to a great start in the OCRA jamboree on Saturday at the Okeechobee Sports Complex.

At right, cheerleaders for the OCRA Vikings this year include Alyssa Baldwin, Makayla Brifil, Heaven Bast, Samantha Teardo, Shayla Chandler, Bridget Curl and Sofia Zapata. Their coach is Trina Bast. They were cheering on their team on Saturday at the Football Jamboree.



Okeechobee News/Charles Murphy



Blaine Gibson runs for the Cowboys during a Mighty Mites Division scrimmage Saturday for OCRA football's jamboree at the Okeechobee Sports Complex. Jessie Weber scored twice as the Cowboys won the scrimmage over the Vikings.



OCRA Midget Division Cowboy Cheerleaders this year are (left to right) Rylee Kesner, Chelsea Johnson, Emily Wilson and Elexis Garcia.

## Teen Dance Party planned

The B.R.A.T. (Building Relationships Among Teens) Club of Okeechobee will host the Teen Dance Party on Saturday, **Sept. 24**, at the Okeechobee Freshman Campus from 7-10 p.m. \$7 admission includes pizza, soda & chips along with entertainment. Ages 12-16. Proceeds will benefit B.R.A.T. Club events. Please call Teresa Chandler at 863-801-4996 for info.



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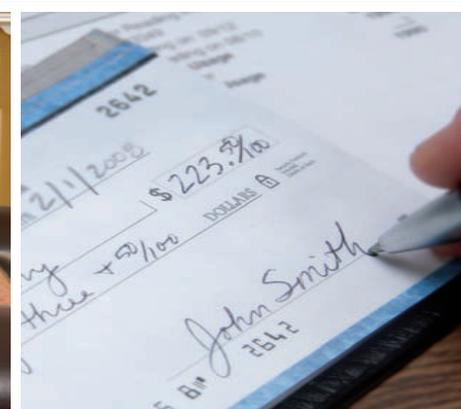
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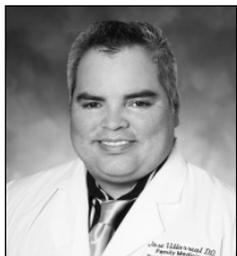
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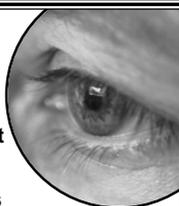
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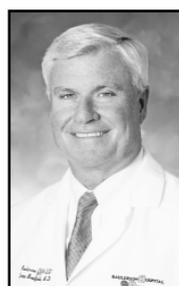
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**Swampkatz**  
Under which we expect to engage in business at:  
**20025 N.W. 27th Street Okeechobee, FL 34972**  
In the City of Okeechobee/County of Okeechobee, Florida  
That the parties interested in said Business enterprise are:  
**Helen M. Lipscomb**  
Dated at Okeechobee, Okeechobee County, Florida this 19th day of Sept. 2011  
By: Helen M. Lipscomb 398154 ON 9/21/2011

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION**  
File No. 2011-CP059

IN RE: ESTATE OF EDWARD W. SALTZMAN, JR. Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of Edward W. Saltzman, Jr., deceased, whose date of death was December 27, 2010, is pending in the Circuit Court for Okeechobee County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 312 Northwest 3rd Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court

**Public Notice**

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL LANDOWNERS AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE COQUINA WATER CONTROL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL OWNERS OF LANDS LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE COQUINA WATER CONTROL DISTRICT THAT, PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE LAW, A MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF THE COQUINA WATER CONTROL DISTRICT WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2011 AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE ADMINISTRATION ANNEX BUILDING, OKEECHOBEE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE, LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM, 458 HIGHWAY 98 N., OKEECHOBEE, FLORIDA, FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

1. ELECT ONE SUPERVISOR;
2. RECEIVING ANNUAL REPORTS AND TAKING SUCH ACTION WITH RESPECT THERETO AS THE LANDOWNERS MAY DETERMINE; AND
3. TRANSACTING SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD.

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR COQUINA WATER CONTROL DISTRICT WILL HOLD A BOARD OF SUPERVISOR MEETING AT 9:30A.M. A COPY OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA MAY BE OBTAINED UPON REQUEST FROM THE UNDERSIGNED. IF ANY PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION BY THE BOARD WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT SUCH MEETING, THAT PERSON WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND FOR SUCH PURPOSES THAT PERSON MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, WHICH INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED, IS MADE. ANY PERSON WISHING TO SPEAK AT THE MEETING MUST HAVE THEIR NAME AND TOPIC PLACED ON THE AGENDA ONE WEEK BEFORE THE DATE OF THE MEETING. ALL PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE DISTRICT ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PERSONS NEEDING A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION OR AN INTERPRETER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCEEDINGS SHOULD CONTACT THE DISTRICT'S OFFICES BY CALLING (863)763-4601 AT LEAST TWO (2) DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE MEETING.

NOTICE: COQUINA WATER CONTROL DISTRICT HAS AN ONGOING AQUATIC SPRAYING PROGRAM, DISTRICT WIDE.

WILLARD M. BYARS  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
17429 NW 242ND STREET  
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34972  
(863)763-4601 OR (863)634-3166  
397983 ON 9/21,30/2011

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398074 ON 9/21 CGS 9/22/2011

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The date of first publication of this notice is September 14, 2011.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Kevan Boyles, Esquire  
Attorney for Roberta C. Saltzman Florida Bar Number: 285854 319 8th Street West Palm Beach, FL 33401 Telephone: (561) 833-2472 Fax: (561) 837-6611 E-Mail: kb@boyleslawfirm.com  
Personal Representative: Roberta C. Saltzman 6305 NE 2nd Street Okeechobee, Florida 34974 397394 ON 9/14,21/2011

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 19th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION**  
Case No.: 47-2010-CA-00040

**CONSUMER SOLUTIONS 3, LLC,** Plaintiff  
VS.  
**ROBERTO SORHEGUI, ET AL** Defendants

TO: **Roberto Sorhegui** 1101 NE 361th St. Ct. Okeechobee, FL 34972

**Unknown Spouse of Roberto Sorhegui** 1101 NE 361th St. Ct. Okeechobee, FL 34972

**Unknown Tenant #1** 1101 NE 361th St. Ct. Okeechobee, FL 34972

**Unknown Tenant #2** 1101 NE 361th St. Ct. Okeechobee, FL 34972

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for foreclosure has been filed against you regarding the subject property with a legal description, to-wit:

**LOT 15, Block 7, Lake Montaza Estates, Section Six, According to the Plat thereof**

**Public Notice**

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**Together with that certain mobile home designated as follows: Make : Spec Year 1990 Title Numbers: 49483877 & 9483900 ID Number: FH3611096A & FH3611096B**

**Which Mobile Home is permanently affixed to said land.**

and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Gary I. Gassel, Esquire, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 2191 Ringling Boulevard, Sarasota, Florida 34237 within thirty (30) days from the first date of publication, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated this 15 day of September, 2011.

SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF THE COURT  
By: Linda F. Young Deputy Clerk  
398001 ON 9/21,28/2011

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**Hillbetty Outfitters**  
Under which we expect to engage in business at:  
**19786 NW 282nd St Okeechobee, FL 34972**  
In the City of Okeechobee/County of Okeechobee, Florida  
That the parties interested in said Business enterprise are:  
**Penny M. Anderson**  
Dated at Okeechobee, Okeechobee County, Florida this 19th day of Sept. 2011  
By: Penny M. Anderson 398229 ON 9/21/2011

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**Crossword Puzzle**

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

**ACROSS**

- 1 Leaders in the dugout: Abbr.
- 5 Univ. hot shot
- 9 Saran, for one
- 13 Layered cookie
- 14 Dainty embroidered mat
- 15 McKellen and Fleming
- 16 Breakfast pair
- 19 Apt to shy, as a horse
- 20 Like a dark room
- 21 HBO competitor
- 22 Japanese sleuth Mr. \_\_\_
- 24 Lunch pair
- 32 Don, as apparel
- 33 Keep one's \_\_\_ the ground
- 34 Miracle-\_\_\_: garden product
- 35 Bickering
- 36 When Juliet drinks the potion
- 37 Former Fed chairman Greenspan
- 38 Incite to attack, with "on"
- 39 Rocket engineer Wernher von \_\_\_
- 40 Pilot light site
- 41 Dinner pair
- 44 Lotion ingredient
- 45 "Gross!"
- 46 Fancy burger beef
- 49 Just in case game snack pair
- 57 In \_\_\_ of: replacing
- 58 Abated
- 59 Feedbag fill
- 60 "Benevolent" fraternal order
- 61 Orchestral phrase
- 62 Estimate phrase

**DOWN**

- 6 Ho Chi \_\_\_
- 7 Ancient
- 8 Dancer Charisse
- 9 Separate grain from chaff
- 10 \_\_\_ Julia, who played Gomez Addams
- 11 Opposed to
- 12 Hissed "Hey, you!"
- 14 Football's "Prime Time" Sanders
- 17 Wharton's "\_\_\_ Frome"
- 18 Perform better than
- 22 Former quarterback Dan
- 23 Being aired, as a sitcom
- 24 Muscle cramp, e.g.
- 25 Noticeable wheel
- 26 City near Syracuse
- 27 Ten-year period
- 28 Stopped slouching
- 29 Domed Arctic home
- 30 Want badly, as chocolate
- 31 Sharpens
- 36 River of Florence
- 37 Where to see wild animals in cages
- 39 Modeler's wood
- 40 "America's Funniest Home Videos" host Bob
- 42 Zodiac bull
- 43 Adjusted the pitch of, as a piano
- 46 Skilled
- 47 Armstrong in space
- 48 Nerd
- 49 \_\_\_ facto
- 50 Gratis
- 51 Start of many a letter
- 52 Diner orders, for short
- 53 Old U.S. gas
- 55 Prefix with natal
- 56 Brylcreem bit

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**

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## Community Events

### VFW announces weekend plans

Join the good folks at VFW Post 4423 (300 NW 34th St.) on Friday, **Sept. 23**, where the kitchen will be open 5-9 p.m. with Karaoke 7-10 p.m. Don't miss Saturday Seafood Night (5-7 p.m.) and karaoke 7-10 p.m. Sunday we will be having Lori's Oven BBQ Chicken 2-4 p.m. for a donation of \$6.50 and there will be karaoke 6-9 p.m. Be sure to stop by for lots of fun, good food and great people.

### American Legion to host dinner dance

The American Legion Post 64 will host a Friday, **Sept. 23**, night dinner/dance. We offer fish, chicken and country fried steak with sides. Desert is included. All dinners are \$6. Dinner music from 5 to 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

### Moose holds Jukebox Saturday Night

The Okeechobee Moose Lodge, #1753, at 159 N.W. 36th Street, will serve burgers/fries or wings, for a \$4 donation on Saturday, **Sept. 24**, from 5:30-7 p.m. The Queen of Hearts Drawing will be held at 7 p.m. Will have a Jukebox Saturday Night with pool.

### Feathers & Furs 4H hosting Rabbit Clinic

Feathers and Furs 4-H club is having a Rabbit Clinic on Saturday, **Sept. 24**, at Jones Supply, 801 S.W. Park Street, Okeechobee. Contact Cathy Arthur at 863-763-1512 or Cathy Corby at 772-216-8669 for more information.

## Arrest Report

The following individuals were arrested on felony or driving under the influence (DUI) charges by the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office (OCSO), the Okeechobee City Police Department (OCPD), the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) or the Department of Corrections (DOC).

- Stephen Rodney Guhl, 63, S.E. 108th Drive, Okeechobee, was arrested Sept. 13 by the OCSO Street Crimes Unit on a North Carolina warrant charging him with a felony sex offense. He is being held without bond.

- Conner James Hall, 14, N.W. 43rd Ave., Okeechobee, was arrested Sept. 16 by Detective Rosemary Farless on felony charges of sexual battery (two counts) and lewd and lascivious molestation. He was booked into the Okeechobee County Jail then taken to the St. Lucie Regional Detention Center in Fort Pierce.

- Cody Marshall Maupin, 22, N.E. 120th St., Okeechobee, was arrested Sept. 18 by Officer Chad Troutman on a felony charge of fleeing and eluding a law enforcement officer, and a misdemeanor charge of racing on a highway. His bond was set at \$3,000.

### American Legion Riders to host party

The American Legion Riders Post 64 will be hosting a birthday party/anniversary this Sunday, **Sept. 25**, beginning at 3 p.m. Covered dish is welcome and some food will be provided. We will have live music with Cowboy Jody. Everyone is invited.

### Freedom Outreach holds fishing tournaments

The Freedom Outreach fishing tournaments will be held on its final Sunday, **Sept. 25**. The \$80 (cash only) entry fee includes the big fish pot and Classic fund. All tournaments will be held at Okee-Tantie Marina Boat Ramp from safe light until 2 p.m. Scott Driver will be used as a backup if low water occurs. The Classic, on Sunday, Oct. 30, will be a one-day event with a \$120 entry fee, cash only. You must fish at least three tournaments to be in the Classic. Register early. Please call 561-719-5989 or 863-634-8127 to register or with questions.

### Masonic Lodge to breakfast

The Masonic Lodge, at 107 N.W. 5th, will hold a breakfast on Sunday, **Sept. 25**, for \$6. The public is welcome and carry outs are available. The traditional eggs and pancakes breakfast menu is available from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

### 5k walk planned for Sept. 25

The Okeechobee Seventh-day Adventist Church will host a 5K walk on Sunday, **Sept. 25**, to help raise awareness of childhood obesity. It will begin at 9 a.m., at pier 7. (the fishing pier) Participants are asked to come prepared to make a donation to Big Lake Mission (money or non-perishable foods).

- Steven Williams, 19, N.E. 11th Way, Okeechobee, was arrested Sept. 18 by Deputy Sarah Green on an Okeechobee County warrant charging him with violation of probation - possession of marijuana over 20 grams. He is being held without bond.

- Sandra Torres Garcia, 26, N.W. 45th Terrace, Okeechobee, was arrested Sept. 19 by Deputy Arlene Durbin on an Okeechobee County warrant charging her with violation of probation - battery. Her bond was set at \$2,500.

- Scott Michael Gabor, 43, S.E. 59th Circle, Okeechobee, was arrested Sept. 19 by Deputy Corporal Aric Majere on DOC warrants charging him with violation of probation - possession of alprazolam (two counts) and violation of probation - possession of oxycodone. He is being held without bond.

*This column lists arrests and not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Anyone listed here who is later found innocent or has had the charges against them dropped is welcome to inform this newspaper. The information will be confirmed and printed.*

### CCC plans meeting

The Community Collaborative Council of the Okeechobee County Shared Services Network will conduct their monthly meeting on Tuesday, **Sept. 27**, at 10 a.m., in the board room of the Okeechobee School Board Office. Spotlight Speaker: Lenora, Treasure Coast Food Bank and Angela Lowe, Mary's

Shelter. The purpose of the meeting is to allow the community to identify issues, collaborate, and share information regarding services for children and their families. The meeting is open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, please call Sharon Vinson at 863-462-5000, Ext. 257.

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# Soccer club hosts 9-11 memorial tournament

The weekend of Sept. 11 was a momentous time for many across the nation. For soccer players in South Florida, it was a weekend of remembering what was lost and celebrating what remains.

Okeechobee Club Soccer hosted a 9/11 Memorial Tournament on Saturday, Sept. 10. Teams from Okeechobee, Jupiter, Clewiston and LaBelle participated. Okeechobee Ladies tied Clewiston 1-1 to end the day.

However, Clewiston's win earlier helped them place first overall. Okeechobee took first place in the boys 18 & under division. They beat Jupiter 5-2 and LaBelle 2-1. Erick Garcia, Brian Guerrero and Christian Toribio had outstanding games.

The team's overall performance pleased spectators, including Club Soccer's head coach, Ken Davy and OHS boys varsity coach, Lonnie Sears. Coach Davy anticipates

another District Championship Title this year and possibly a State Championship Title. The younger Okeechobee boys showed great potential in the 14 & under division. They defeated Jupiter 1-0 with a last minute goal. Goal keepers Luis Perez and Tyler Selph played a key role. Abraham Baltazar, Gabriel Hernandez and Javier "Chicharito" Hernandez played solid defense throughout the game.

At one point during the tournament, all players, parents and spectators gathered on the field to share a moment of silence and a prayer. Okeechobee Club Soccer would like to host this tournament annually to remember the victims of 9/11. Club Soccer will also be fundraising year-round to re-establish a scholarship fund for graduating seniors.



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