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Seven arrested in meth bust

By Eric Kopp
Okeechobee News

A long investigation ended Tuesday afternoon when 12.05-pounds of methamphetamine was seized and seven people were arrested on felony drug trafficking and possession charges.

The confiscated meth was in powder form and had an estimated street value of \$258,000, said a detective with the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office (OCSO). The Okeechobee Nar-

cotics Task Force was assisted in this investigation by agents from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

"The seized meth was in powder form and they were going to convert it to ice," said OCSO Detective Sergeant Jimmie Mills. Ice is the crystallized form of meth.

Arrested Oct. 8 were: Adolfo Ayala Jr., 22, N.W. 24th Ave., Okeechobee; Jonna Leigh Kimla, 24, N.W. Seventh St., Okeechobee; Julio Cesar Luna, 28, Ohland Ave., Lorida; Mike Lewis Ramirez, 26, Wren Ave., Duncanville, Texas; Raul Aaron Rios, 26, also of Texas; Edgar Sanchez Segura, 26, N.W. 46th Ave., Okeechobee; and Oscar Segura, 21, S.E. 21st Court, Okeechobee.

Their charges and bonds are:

- Ayala: conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine 400 grams or more; trafficking in methamphetamine 400 grams or more; and, own/rent a structure for the purpose of trafficking methamphetamine. His bond was set at \$750,000.

- Kimla: possession of methamphetamine; possession of a controlled substance (hydromorphone); and, possession of drug paraphernalia, which is a misdemeanor. Her bond



Adolfo Ayala



Jonna Kimla



Julio Luna



Mike Ramirez



Raul Rios



Edgar Segura



Oscar Segura



Courtesy photo/OCSO

Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office K-9 Remi helped in the seizure of more than 12 pounds of powder methamphetamine (pictured above) Tuesday, Oct. 8, from a mobile home in Playland Park.

was set at \$65,000. She was also arrested on a Department of Corrections (DOC) warrant charging her with violation of probation - grand theft-firearm. She is being held without bond on that charge.

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County moves ahead with building plans

By Katrina Elsen
Okeechobee News

Without taking an official vote Thursday, the Okeechobee County Board of County Commissioners agreed to continue with their plans for a new building to house the Okeechobee County Property Appraiser, Tax Collector and Driver's License offices.

County Administrator Robbie Chartier explained that while all of the contractor bids came back over the \$1.8 million the commission had planned to spend on the project, there are sufficient funds in the capital outlay budget

to accept the bid by Ralph Della-Pietra Inc. in the amount of \$2,098,000. The lowest bid of \$2,096,000 from MVP Contractors was rejected because it did not meet the roof specifications, she explained.

Commissioner Bryant Culpepper and Commission Chairman Frank Irby both wanted to delay the project, but for different reasons.

"I think we could postpone it until times get better," said Commissioner Culpepper. "I can only assume from past experience that we will have change orders that could bump the price up even higher.

"It would be like sticking fingers in both of the eyes of the taxpayer if we go along with this," he said.

The commissioner suggested the county delay the building project for two years and watch the economy.

"Nobody on this board knows where this economy is going," Commissioner Culpepper said.

He also suggested the commission consider moving the \$1.8 million from the capital outlay budget into operating expenses, a move that

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Saturday Night: Overcast. Low of 63F. Winds less than 5 mph.

Sunday: Clear. High of 86F. Winds from the NNE at 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy. Fog overnight. Low of 64F. Winds from the North at 5 to 10 mph.



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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, 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!

Shutdown

- They're changing the name of 1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW from the White House to the Spite House.

- Obama tried to close the OCEAN and blame it on the Republicans. The guy is out of control. He is doing everything he can to try to upset people. Maybe if he skipped those Christmas vacations to Hawaii, they could get the deficit down a bit!

- On the plus side, since the shutdown started, Obama hasn't played a round of golf, as he does almost every weekend. And there was no fancy night at a restaurant for the president and Mrs. Obama, who marked their 21st wedding anniversary Thursday. If you remember, one such "date night" cost the taxpayers \$73,000.

- Shame on the administration for the refusal to pay for the funerals for military service members killed in action. The bill funding the military provided funds for that to make sure such a thing would not happen, but the Obama administration chose to refuse to pay for the funerals or for the family members to fly to the military services when the bodies arrive back in the U.S. The Obama administration has no respect for the military and no respect for the American people.

- The administration "barry-caded" the World War II memorial to keep Honor Flight veterans from visiting their memorial, but welcomed illegal immigrants for a rally on the National Mall. They insult the greatest generation and welcome people who broke the law of this country to illegally enter. What does that say about the president's priorities?

- I am an old person. I remember the 1960s and all the protests. I did not march on Washington then, but I am ready to march on Washington now. I am so sick and tired of the way the Obama administration treats the American people that I am ready to head to D.C. and join the protests. Of course, if I participate in "sit in," someone will probably have to help me back up.

Power outages

- I don't know about the rest of you, but Florida Plunder and Loot electricity supply is absolutely filthy lately. Between the brown outs and the power surges, it's just terrible. Oh yeah, I called. The response? "It must be on your side."

- Something is going on and I wish they would get it fixed before they ZAP something in my home. All I was asked, "Would you be interested in purchasing our surge protection insurance?"

- I did some research and saved my money and bought a number of Uninterrupted Power Supplies (UPSs). Battery back-ups - the good ones that are an isolated power supply. That means that the bad-evil FP&L wall current is not what is powering the things connected. My phone, sat-TV, DVD player, stereo, all computers, device chargers, etc. are connected to these UPS boxes. When the brown-outs, or surges happen, I can tell by the kitchen light and/or the ceiling fans. The UPS will sound an alarm when the voltage spikes, drops, or is not between 110 and 125 volts, and displays the input voltage. I have plenty of time to shut down anything connected, and if I turn the UPS off, then no spike in the world will get through because the devices are not connected to the FP&L powered wall sockets.

- Now just today, Donald Trump had a nice word for FP&L. He tweeted, "In my opinion, one of the worst utility companies in the country is Florida Power and Light."

- If "The Donald" is complaining too, it seems the problem is not just in the rural areas!

Skunk Ape

- Well I was glad to read in the paper that there has been a sighting of the Skunk Ape. No one had reported seeing him in a while and I was worried something might have happened to him. Of course, like his cousins Bigfoot and Sasquatch, the Skunk Ape is very shy and likes to keep to himself. We're happy to hear the Skunk Ape is apparently alive and well as the Skunk Ape stories add to the charm of Okeechobee.

Regatta

- The regatta was a blast, just a great day with the family. Anyone who missed it should mark their calendars for next year's regatta on Oct. 4, 2014. It's just good clean, sometimes wet, fun.

Letter to the editor

Fall and football

How sweet it is! Fall is here ... even in Florida. We don't have the changing colors of leaves, but we do have football! Ah, the anticipation of watching our chosen teams play in great hopes of them winning. It makes you so proud to be on the winning team's side.

But not only do we have football here in Okeechobee, the town seems to come alive with all kinds of activities this time of year. The fishing, the Minimal Regatta, Fall Fests, sales everywhere, from now 'til after Christmas, concerts, the Community Theater has two plays coming up in November and December, Gathering in Grace has a large concert coming up in November in the City Park, churches will be sponsoring Halloween programs to keep children safe and provide entertainment, fun, and let us not forget ... lots of candy!

Our Northern friends will be here again, so that means more yard sales and craft sales. Clubhouses will be filled with chatter as they all gather together and talk about where they've been and what they've done. Group trips will be planned, dinners and games and swimming in the pools.

But most of all football.

Then there's the crispness of Fall air. As the weather cools down, so do tempers. People don't seem as angry as they do when it's hot and miserable. Too bad it can't be Fall all year long. But that's the way God created it. Seasons change, but He never does. He is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow.

Isn't that wonderful?! Of all the things that change, the seasons, our lives, and in the whole

world, we can trust a God who never changes. He is faithful, He is Almighty, He is ever present and He loves us! It doesn't get any better than that ... unless you don't know Him. If you don't know Him, you can't experience or enjoy the joy and comfort of having Him in your life.

Just look around you and you can see the beauty and splendor of His creation. From the tiniest bug to the tallest mountain. Now man made buildings, but God gave man a brain to be able to think, design, and create such things.

"A scientist challenged God one day. He told God 'I can do anything you can' and God said 'Okay, make a man'. So the scientist bent down to scoop up some dirt and God said, 'Oh, no. Make your own dirt!'"

Man can do nothing without God. You can live without Him and you can boast of all your accomplishments, but you will never get to Heaven without Jesus Christ. Everything you have comes from God, your life, your money, house, car and He can take any of it away at any given time.

Read your bible. From Genesis to Revelation you can read how God made man for His pleasure, to fellowship with, to love and cherish, to care for and nurture. Start in the book of John and read how to form a relationship with God's only Son, Jesus Christ, so you can enjoy the presence of God. Jesus tells us, "No man comes to the Father but through Me."

Now, I love football, but the love of God is better than any game!! And I don't have to guess at the outcome ... I already know!

Happy Fall, Okeechobee!
Jesus loves you and so do I,
Cheryl Gawda

Adopt a pink hydrant

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COUNTY

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would require a 4-1 "super majority" vote, but found no support for that suggestion.

Chairman Irby also opposed accepting the construction bid.

"I think this is the wrong time to do it," he said. "I think it sends the wrong signal."

The chairman said he had been in favor of the building project when it was proposed earlier in the year.

"The economic recovery of Okeechobee is so-so," he said. "Mostly what I hear from folks in the community is 'why would we do this now?'"

"I am opposed to doing it at this price," he continued. "We started at \$1.5 million. We added to that budget to add space. I just don't think we can do it right now. I suggest we defer it."

"If we choose to spend capital dollars,

why not spend it on something we already own, like Okee-Tantie," Chairman Irby said. "I would prefer to spend money on something that is a very valuable asset to this community."

Chairman Irby said if they make the needed improvements and run the campground efficiently, it could make money for the county.

Commissioner Joey Hoover said he would like to go ahead with the building project, but wanted to keep it on budget.

"Let's give staff some time to give us options," he said.

He said they might be able to make modifications in the building plan that could get the cost down.

He went on to say he thinks the county needs the new building.

"The policy of 'make do and get by' ends up costing us more in the long run," he said.

He said the money in the capital outlay account is earning less than 1 percent inter-

METH

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- Luna: conspiracy to traffick in methamphetamine; trafficking in methamphetamine 400 grams or more; own/rent a structure for the purpose of trafficking methamphetamine; trafficking in methamphetamine (four counts); sale of methamphetamine; and, possession of methamphetamine with intent to sell. His bond was set at \$1,350,500. He was also arrested on a misdemeanor charge of driving while license suspended. His bond was set at \$500 on that charge.

- Ramirez: conspiracy to traffick in methamphetamine; trafficking methamphetamine 400 grams or more; and, own/rent a structure for the purpose of trafficking methamphetamine. His bond was set at \$750,000.

- Rios: conspiracy to traffick in methamphetamine; trafficking methamphetamine 400 grams or more; and, own/rent a structure for the purpose of trafficking methamphetamine. His bond was set at \$750,000.

- Edgar Segura: conspiracy to traffick in methamphetamine; trafficking methamphetamine 400 grams or more; and, own/rent a structure for the purpose of trafficking methamphetamine. His bond was set at \$750,000.

- Oscar Segura: conspiracy to traffick in methamphetamine; trafficking methamphetamine 400 grams or more; own/rent a structure for the purpose of trafficking methamphetamine; sale of methamphetamine; and, possession of methamphetamine with intent to sell. His bond was set at \$950,000.

All seven are still being held in the Okeechobee County Jail.

Sgt. Mills said these arrests are not connected with last week's arrest of four people who were actively cooking meth in a home at 1742 S.W. 24th Ave. in Okeechobee.

When asked about the number of arrests on meth charges recently by the task force, Sgt. Mills explained that the use of meth is on the upswing because it's become easy to make it.

"What you're seeing now is the ability to manufacture meth has become simpler since the one-pot cook," said the detec-

tive. "People are now able to cook meth in 45 minutes to an hour. The ingredients are cheaper and it's cheaper to manufacture.

"But," he added, "the street price hasn't changed."

Arrest reports by task force detectives indicate the 12 pounds of meth was actually found in a mobile home at 2828 N.W. 46th Ave. The OCSO Special Response Team executed a search warrant on that mobile home, but no one was found inside.

Besides the meth, a subsequent search of the residence by task force detectives, along with FDLE and DEA agents, reportedly turned up: digital scales; two large cooking pots; a large fan; a trash bag containing three cans of acetone; a large plastic tub; large metal screeners; and, measuring cups.

Also found were documents belonging to Edgar Segura, who is the registered owner of the home, stated the reports.

A second search warrant was served on a home at 3573 N.W. 24th Ave. where law enforcement reportedly found Ayala, Edgar Segura, Rios and Ramirez. Arrest reports state various types of drug paraphernalia were found in the home.

"I'm very proud of the narcotics task force, Special Response Team and the many deputies who helped with this investigation," said Sheriff Paul May. "We intercepted this shipment before it could be distributed to our citizens. All of the officers on this case did an outstanding job."

Sgt. Mills said this investigation is continuing and that federal authorities are actively involved. He went on to say this case could possibly be prosecuted at the federal level, but that hasn't been decided yet.

All of the suspects in this case are scheduled to appear in circuit court on Wednesday, Oct. 30, at 9 a.m.

While this was a large bust, it was not the county's largest meth seizure. The task force's largest meth seizure was on March 15, 2010, when they found 22.7 pounds of meth hidden in special compartments in the floorboard of a GMC Yukon driven by Rafaela Huerta-Aranda of Okeechobee.

It turned out Huerta-Aranda brought the methamphetamine to Okeechobee from Mexico, and that she was a courier for a Lake Wales man.

"It would be like sticking fingers in both eyes of the taxpayer if we go along with this."

— County Commissioner Bryant Culpepper

est and building costs keep going up. If they delay the project, it will cost even more than the current bids, he said.

Commissioner Ray Domer was in favor of accepting the bid.

"If the dollar continues to inflate, the building will be worth double what we paid for it in a short period of time," he said. "The cost to do business is going up. Things like this are not going to be this price again."

"When we built the emergency operations center, we were catching a lot of flak," he said. "Had we not done it then, we would have a problem now."

Mr. Domer said the county will get more

value for the money by not waiting.

With two opposing the building project and two in favor, that left Commissioner Margaret Helton to be the deciding voice.

"I want to move forward with this," said Commissioner Helton of the building project. She added that she would like to see if there are options to bring the cost down.

The board has 42 days to accept or reject the bids. County staff was directed to investigate options for lowering the construction cost, then bring the information back for the next board meeting.

Food bank offers help with applying for assistance

The Treasure Coast Food Bank is going to be at Welcome House, 1925 U.S. 441 S.E., on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 1 until 3:30 p.m. Sandra Iglesias will help people with the SNAP program: such as applying and recertification for food stamps and temporary cash assistance. She will also make appointments for the Health Navigator Program for people who need health insurance. For information, call 863-467-1026.

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Medicare program offered

A representative from the Area Agency on Aging's SHINE program will be at the Okeechobee County Public Library, 206 S.W. 16th St., Friday, **Oct. 11**, at 10 a.m. to provide a Medicare 101 presentation. For information, contact Darlene Forage, SHINE project director, at 772-349-5073.

Quarter auction is Oct. 11

Okeechobee Chapter No. 128, Order of the Eastern Star, will host a quarter auction on Friday, **Oct. 11**, at the Okeechobee Masonic Lodge, 107 N.W. Fifth Ave. Doors will open at 6 p.m. The auction will begin at 7 p.m. Numerous vendors are expected for this evening of fun and great prizes. Bidding paddles are only \$2 and our kitchen will be open serving hot dogs, chili dogs, chips and drinks. A dessert table will showcase many homemade items from our great cooks. Bring your quarters – we'll have plenty of change for paper money, too – and join us while supporting the charities of the Eastern Star. For information, contact Mary Ann Holt at 863-763-5210.

Dinner-dance gala planned

The Eighth Annual Boots and Pearls dinner dance will be held Friday, **Oct. 11**, at the Okeechobee KOA. Tickets are available at Eli's Western Wear (863-763-2984) or at Hospice on Southeast Fourth St. Call Hospice at 863-467-2321 for information. Social hour will be from 6 until 7 p.m. Dinner is at 7 p.m., and will be followed by a live auction and dancing to the music of Chris MacArthur and the Florida Cracker Boys.

Moose plans Celebrity Night

Buckhead Ridge Moose Lodge will host a Celebrity Night on Saturday, **Oct. 12**, from 5 until 7 p.m. with dinner for a \$7 donation. There will be a 50/50 drawing and an auction for all members and qualified guests. All proceeds go to Moose Charities and Community Service.

B.R.A.T. dance to be held

The Okeechobee B.R.A.T. Club (Building Relationships Among Teens) will host a Halloween Teen Dance Party at the Okeechobee Freshman Campus, 610 S.W. Second Ave., on Saturday, **Oct. 12**, from 7 to 10 p.m., for students ages 12-16. The cost is \$7 and includes pizza, soda and chips. There will be a prize for the best costume. For information, contact Allison Chandler at 863-697-9096.

Animal workshop planned

A Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshop will be held on Saturday, **Oct. 12**, at the Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center. Sign in is at 8 a.m. Pre-register online at <http://www.floridastatefairag.com/ethics>. For information, contact Debbie Clements at 863-763-6469.

Legion offers Sunday bingo

American Legion 64 will host Sunday night bingo **Oct. 13** at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m. in the bingo area. The kitchen will offer a limited menu. Payoffs will be determined by player attendance. All proceeds to benefit the American Legion veterans' programs. The event is open to the public. The American Legion now has free WIFI for its lounge and dining room patrons.

Obituaries

Obituaries should be submitted to the Okeechobee News by e-mailing 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.

Leslie Arnold, 72

OKEECHOBEE — Leslie Arnold of Okeechobee died October 8, 2013. He was a lifelong resident of Okeechobee.

Mr. Arnold was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Oleta Arnold; sister, Marjorie McClure; and nephew, Edgar Thomas.

He is survived by his nieces and nephews, Rita Thomas, Roy Thomas (Colleen), Leon Thomas (Sandy), Wanda "Susie" Sellers (Wilburn), Esta Huls (Jamie), Debbie Arnold, William "Booster" Thomas (Annie) and William McClure; and many great nieces, nephews and friends.

The family would like to thank Janet, Cindy, Carol and Rhonda of Okeechobee Senior Services for all the love and support they have given Leslie over the past years. It was so greatly appreciated. God bless you all.

The family will receive friends 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, October 12, 2013 at Buxton & Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home.

Those wishing to leave a message of condolence may sign the online register book at www.OkeechobeeFuneralHome.com

All arrangements are entrusted to the care of Buxton & Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home, 400 North Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee Florida 34972

Masons hosting breakfast

The Masonic Lodge, located at 107 N.W. Fifth St., will host a breakfast with all the fixings Sunday, **Oct. 13**, for \$6 per plate. The public is welcomed and carry-out is available. Breakfast will be served from 8 until 11 a.m. All proceeds go to local Mason giving.

Workshop set for Oct. 13

Martha's House will host the Cut Out Domestic Violence workshop for salon owners, cosmetologists, nail technicians, barbers, massage therapists and beauty consultants Sunday, **Oct. 13**, at 3 p.m. at The Hampton Inn on S.R. 70 East in Okeechobee. Admission is free, and refreshments will be served. Contact Shirlean Graham or Irene Luck 863-763-2893 to RSVP.

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The Fielden Institute for Lifelong Learning at Indian River State College will kick off its full season of offerings with Open Houses held the week of Oct. 21-25 at all five IRSC campuses. Free and open to the public, men and women age 50 and better are invited to join the group for coffee and conversation and learn about the more than 45 programs being offered in 2013-2014.

All of the open houses will be held in the morning from 9:30-11 a.m. On Monday, Oct. 21 in Stuart, the group will meet in the Wolf High Technology Center Auditorium on the Chastain Campus; Tuesday, Oct. 22 in Vero Beach at the Richardson Center, Au-

ditorium, Mueller Campus; Wednesday, Oct. 23, in the McAlpin Fine Arts Center lobby, Main Campus, Ft. Pierce; on Thursday, Oct. 24 in Port St. Lucie the open house will take place in the Schreiber Conference Center on the Pruitt Campus; and, on Friday, Oct. 25 in Okeechobee at the Williamson Center on the Dixon Hendry Campus of IRSC.

To RSVP, you may phone the main office at 772-462-7880 or go online at www.irscfoundation.org by Oct. 18. The open houses are opportunities to meet members and peer leaders, tour the facilities, enjoy refreshments and register.

The purpose of the Fielden Institute for Lifelong Learning is to deliver peer-driven programs that enhance the knowledge and social experiences of its members, and increase community awareness and appreciation of IRSC. Volunteers lead a wide variety of member-requested offerings on topics including computer, history, current events, music, wellness, literature and art. The offerings are designed for men and women age 50 and better and do not apply to any IRSC degree or credit program. Hosted by IRSC, The Fielden Institute is a program of the IRSC Foundation.

Man accused of stealing \$10,000 in gold coins

By Eric Kopp

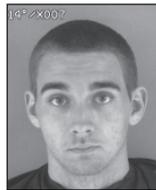
Okeechobee News

An Okeechobee man was arrested after he apparently bought a car by using stolen gold coins.

William Dakota Fulwider, 19, S.W. 10th St., was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 8, on a felony charge of grand theft. He was booked into

the Okeechobee County Jail under a \$5,000 bond.

An arrest report by Officer Michael Jordan, from the Okeechobee City Police Department (OCPD), stated Fulwider is accused of stealing Mexican gold coins from a local residence that had a



William Fulwider

total value of about \$10,000.

Sometime after the alleged theft, stated the report, Fulwider purchased a car. The report does not indicate the price of the vehicle, or if Fulwider paid cash for the vehicle or financed it.

The officer's report went on to state that Fulwider is unemployed and has no way to get money.

Man arrested for allegedly touching child

By Eric Kopp

Okeechobee News

A man charged with molesting a young girl is being held without bond in the Okeechobee County Jail.

Julio Olvera, 18, N.W. 42nd Ave., Okeechobee, was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 8, on one felony count of lewd and lascivious molestation victim under 12 and offender 18 years of age or older.

An arrest report by Detective John Fisher, of the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office (OCSO), stated Olvera touched the 11-year-old child inappropriately while she pretended to be asleep.

The detective's report also indicated that the molestation was restricted to touching. According to the detective the victim

pretended to be asleep because she was scared.

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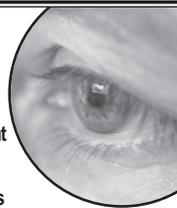
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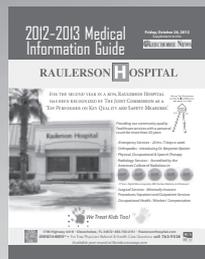
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Craft Fair in the Woods will be held Saturday, **Nov. 9**, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Freedom Ranch, 11655 U.S. 441 S.E. There will be handmade and home made items, with Christmas decor, jewelry, woodcrafts, fine art, baked goods and so much more. For information on the event or to become a vendor, call 863-763-9800.

V.F.W. to host euchre club

V.F.W. Post 10539, on 441 S. will start its euchre club on Monday, **Oct. 14**, for the fall. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Irene at 863-801-4863.



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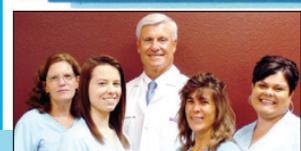
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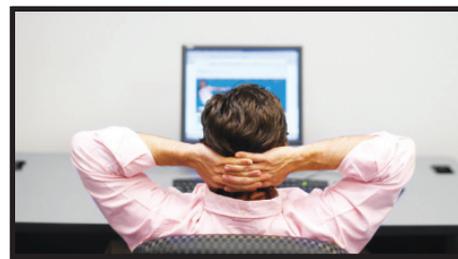
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Brahmans - Jaguars tilt a must win for OHS

By Charles M. Murphy
Okeechobee News

The Okeechobee High School Brahmans face a must win for any playoff hope tonight when they tangle with district opponent Port St. Lucie. Both teams are 1-1 in the district this year. Port St. Lucie is 1-3 and Okeechobee record sits at 1-4.

The Jaguars are led by quarterback Tyrell Moring who is a dual threat. He has struggled with passing, but rushed for 122 yards two weeks ago against Jensen Beach. Fritz Nonombre is their leading inside rusher. Tavon Lindsey had an interception return for a touchdown in recent games. Place kicker Donald Delahoye has connected on a 46-yard field goal this year.

The Jaguars lost to Heritage-Palm Bay, 51-7 last year. They defeated Jensen Beach



Scouting Report

17-14, lost to Treasure Coast 20-10 and lost to Palm Bay 30-6 earlier in the year.

Okeechobee has made some changes to their game plan for tonight's game. They intend to add some Wing-T formations and basic misdirection plays. The coaches hope to get more touches for players like Drayton Billie, Khalil Smith and Adrian Minondo. They think that will allow them to do a better job of game management where they

can control the football and shorten the game.

Coach Chris Branham said his mistake of trying to throw the football near the half against Heritage is something he won't do again. The Panthers intercepted a pass and scored a touchdown as they put up 14 points in the final minute of the first half to break open a close game. He said the Brah-

man wide receiver corps is already thin and will be missing top threat E.J. Neal due to a thigh bruise tonight. The team does expect to get Edrick Neal back to help on the offensive line. He has battled a knee injury. Branham said he expects to have one wide receiver sets, and could use both of his tight ends at times. The Brahmans still intend to run some I-formation and utilize fullback Cory Vickers.

Branham said Port St. Lucie has good athletes and some speed that his team will have to contain the Jaguars' playmakers in order to be successful.

"We just have to take care of our assignments, contain their speed and can't make silly penalties. We need to put our heart

into it and give more attention to detail," he suggested. Branham said the off week gave the coaching staff more time to focus on fundamentals, tackling, blocking and assignments. The Brahmans have four straight games of district play and know they can't afford another loss.

"I feel we're capable of being the district runner-up this year. The opportunity is out there for us, we just have to go after it," he added.

The Brahmans also invite the public to support the Okeechobee Touchdown Club being formed by Joe Levy. The group plans to hold fundraisers to help the football program. Tonight's game kicks off at 7 p.m. There is a charge for parking and admission.

Okeechobee Retired Educators to meet

The Okeechobee Retired Educators will be meeting on Monday, **Oct. 14**, beginning at 11 a.m. at Beef O'Brady's in the meeting room. Members are reminded to bring their books to be donated to our "Hooked On Books" project. We also have our historic Christmas ornament available for purchase and our monthly collection for "End the Hunger." Any retired educator is invited to come.

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Okeechobee Community Theatre presents 'The Drowsy Chaperone'

Abundant wetlands make Florida great for duck hunters

By Andi Cooper
Ducks Unlimited

For most people, Florida brings to mind one of two images—beaches or Everglades. Florida has more than 11 million acres of wetlands, including tidal marshes, Southern swamps, mangrove swamps, river-side or riparian flooded forests and freshwater marshes. These wetlands make Florida an incredibly diverse state and provide habitat for many species of fish and wildlife, including waterfowl.

As the terminus of the Atlantic Flyway, Florida can provide important wintering habitat for a variety of waterfowl. For this reason, Ducks Unlimited, the world leader in wetlands conservation, has worked with state, federal and private partners across the state to restore and enhance nearly 27,000 acres of important wetland habitat, much of which is open to public hunting.

Thanks to its abundant wetlands, waterfowl habitat covers vast expanses of Florida, and hunter success rate is nearly



Photo courtesy Ducks Unlimited

In Florida, hunters find ducks plentiful, such as this ring neck drake.

twice the national average. Florida also boasts easier access to hunting areas than in many parts of the country. In general, duck hunting is permitted on any water body that has public access unless it's closed for a specific reason such as being in an area where firearms discharge is

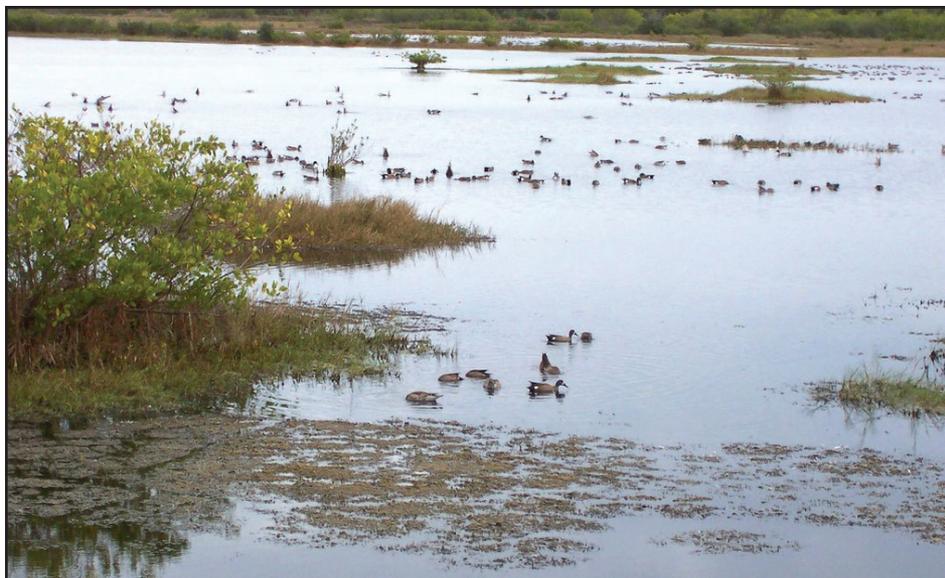


Photo courtesy Ducks Unlimited

Florida's wetlands provide wintering habitat for a variety of waterfowl.

prohibited. To find out when and where you can hunt, contact the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's regional offices. Here we offer a few examples of prime public waterfowling in the Sunshine State.

Lake Okeechobee is one of the most popular and historic waterfowling areas in Florida. The lake attracts large numbers of wintering waterfowl which are primarily found in the marshes along the western shore. Large flocks of scaup can be found in the more centrally located, open-water portions of the lake, but they can be challenging to hunt.

Lake Okeechobee can offer some excellent duck hunting throughout the season, wintering a significant number of birds, including dabblers and some divers. The former are often found along the edge of lake in the marsh, while the latter prefer the open water in the middle of the lake.

Big Bend Wildlife Management Area's (WMA) Hickory Mound Unit is an im-

pounded salt marsh in Taylor County managed to provide habitat for waterfowl and other wetland wildlife. In 2006, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conserva-

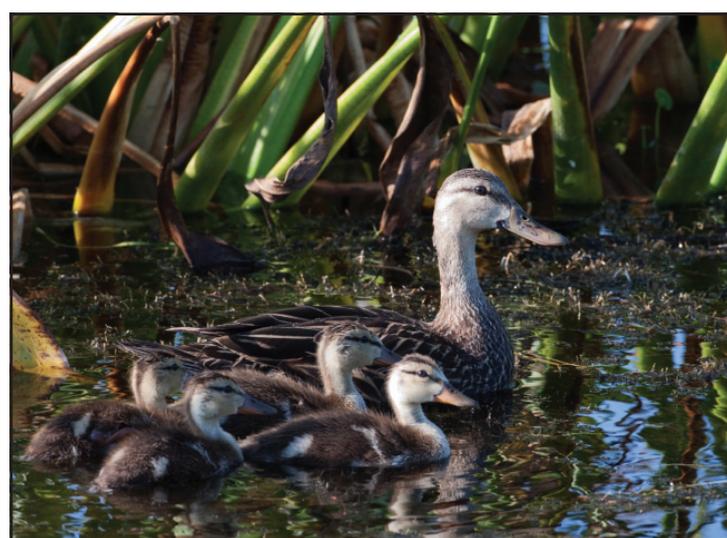


Photo by Ron Bielefeld

Mottled Ducks can be found in lakes and in storm water treatment areas (STAs).

tion Commission (FWC) partnered with Ducks Unlimited to renovate the water control infrastructure and allow im-

proved management for waterfowl. The project was supported by a North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) grant, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and the Taylor County Board of County Commissioners.

Other Ducks Unlimited projects improved habitat and hunting opportunities on Lake Miccosukee, T.M. Goodwin WMA and Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge. T.M. Goodwin WMA is the only area managed by the FWC exclusively for waterfowl. Through a NAWCA grant, Ducks Unlimited helped FWC restore nearly 4,000 acres of marsh from agriculture to waterfowl habitat impoundments. The lakes and marshes of the upper St. Johns River basin have long been recognized among the best wintering waterfowl habitat in Florida. Historically, peak duck numbers averaged 15,000 with populations occasional exceeding 30,000. Merritt Island NWR generally holds the state's largest concentration of pintails, and teal, mottled ducks, wigeon and scaup are frequently abundant.

In addition to state agency-managed wildlife management areas and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service-managed national wildlife refuges, Storm Water Treatment Areas managed by the South Florida Water Management District in conjunction with the FWC often offer outstanding public hunting opportunities in Palm Beach, Broward and Hendry counties. Free STA permits for waterfowl hunting are available through the FWC Total Licensing System at license.myfwc.com. American wigeon, green-winged and blue-winged teal and northern pintails are often found on these areas.

For season dates, bag limits and other regulation information <http://myfwc.com/hunting/by-species/waterfowl/>.

October means the hunt is on in the state of Florida

By **Tony Young**
FWC

Football season is in full swing, and the 2013-14 hunting season is cranking up.

Zone A is already into general gun season. Three hunting seasons that are just around the corner in other zones: muzzleloading gun, gray squirrel and dove.

Immediately following the close of crossbow season in each zone, the muzzleloading gun season begins. Season dates on private lands run Nov. 23 - Dec. 6 in Zone B, Oct. 19 - Nov. 1 in Zone C and Dec. 7-13 in Zone D.

During muzzleloading gun season, bows and crossbows are also legal methods of taking game on private lands, in addition to muzzleloaders. But on wildlife management areas (WMAs), only muzzleloaders may be used.

The most common types of game to take during muzzleloader season are deer and wild hog. In the deer category, only bucks may be taken, and one antler must be at least 5 inches long above the hairline. The daily bag limit on antlered deer is two. You can hunt wild hogs year-round on private lands, and there are no bag or size limits.

For hunting deer, muzzleloaders firing single bullets must be at least .40-caliber. Guns firing two or more balls must be 20-gauge or larger. During muzzleloading gun season, you may not use muzzleloaders that take smokeless powder, ones that can be loaded from the breech or those with self-contained cartridge ammunition capabilities.

It's also legal to shoot gobblers and bearded turkeys during muzzleloading gun season. You may take only one per day, and there's a two-bird, fall-season limit. But you can't hunt turkeys in Holmes County during the fall or winter. On WMAs, bag limits and antler/size restrictions can differ, so check the specifics of the area before you hunt.

Gray squirrel season on private lands

starts Oct. 12 statewide and runs through March 2. There's a daily bag limit of 12 gray squirrels, and shooting fox squirrels is against the law.

Legal shooting hours are from a half-hour before sunrise to a half-hour after sunset. Except for turkeys, hunters may take resident game over feed such as corn but only on private lands. No baiting is allowed on WMAs.

The first phase of the mourning and white-winged dove season began Oct. 5 and ends Oct. 28 statewide. Shooting hours during this first phase are noon to sunset, and there's a 15-bird daily bag limit.

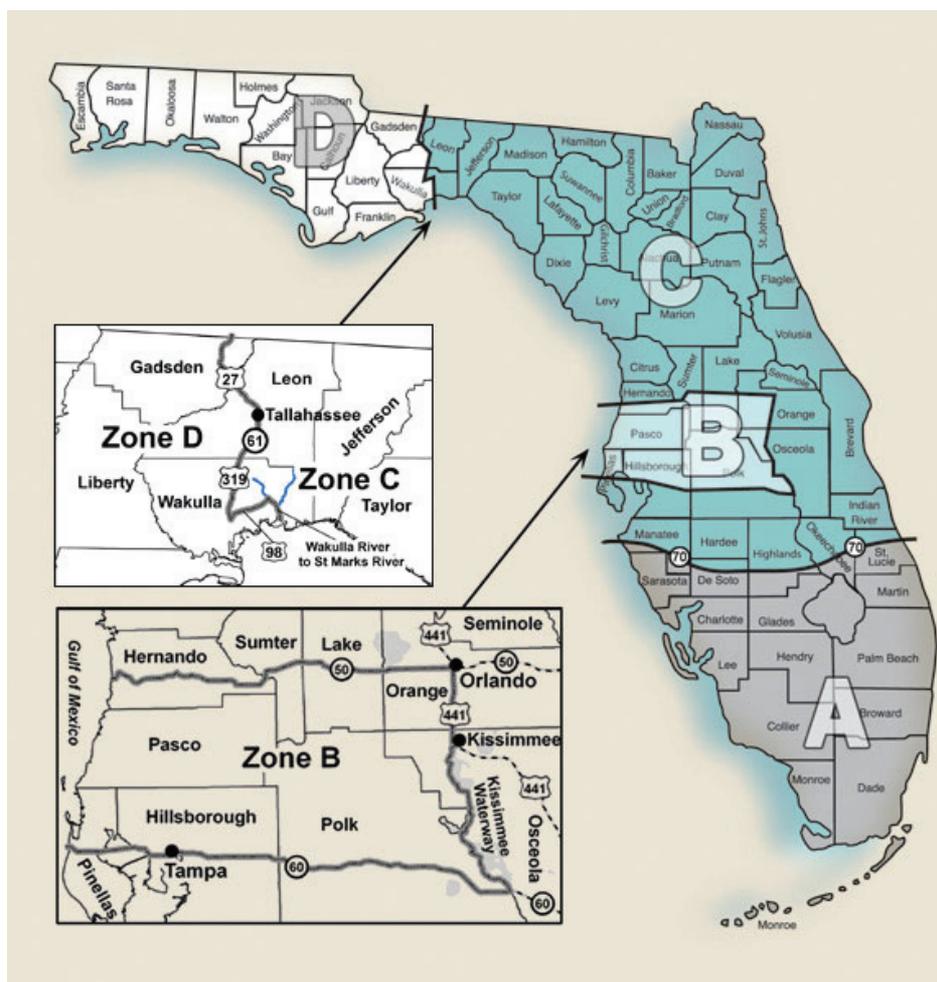
The only firearm you're allowed to use for hunting doves is a shotgun, but you can't use one larger than a 10-gauge. Shotguns must be plugged to a three-shell capacity (magazine and chamber combined).

You may hunt doves over an agricultural field, as long as the crop has been planted and manipulated under normal agricultural practices. However, it's against the law to scatter agricultural products over an area for the purpose of baiting.

Some things you can't do while dove hunting include using rifles, pistols or crossbows; shooting from a moving vehicle; and herding or driving doves with a vehicle.

In addition to a Florida hunting license, you'll need a \$5 muzzleloading gun permit to hunt during muzzleloader season. To hunt deer, you need a \$5 deer permit, and if you'd like to take a fall turkey, you'll need a \$10 turkey permit (\$125 for nonresidents). If you're going to hunt doves, you'll need a no-cost migratory bird permit, and if you hunt on a WMA, you also must have a management area permit, which costs \$26.50.

All are available at your local county tax collector's office; through license agents; by calling 888-HUNT-FLORIDA; or by going online to License.MyFWC.com.



Area special events...

Hot Rides and HotDogs Cruise In

LABELLE—The South Central Florida Car Club will host its monthly Hot Rides and HotDogs Cruise In on Oct. 15 starting at 5 p.m. in Barron Park in LaBelle. All area car lovers are welcome to come and join in. They will be serving up grilled hot dogs that are served with chips and your choice of drinks. For information, call 863-634-1791 or 674-0128.

Craft Fair in the Woods

OKEECHOBEE—Freedom Ranch, 11655 U.S. Highway 441 S.E., will host the Seventh Annual Craft Fair in the Woods on Saturday, Nov. 9. The fair will include handmade and homemade Christmas decorations, jewelry, wood crafts, fine art, baked goods, canned goods, fabric, yarn, paper and wire crafts, home and yard decor and more. Relax in beautiful surroundings as you enjoy a barbecue dinner and a bowl of swamp cabbage. Experience nature close up on a swamp buggy ride and watch talented riders and horses at the arena demonstration. For more information, call 863-763-9800 or email crafffairinthewoods@gmail.com.

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Seminole Casino Brighton giving away 2 Chevy Sparks during active October

BRIGHTON SEMINOLE RESERVATION—Amidst a flurry of activity during the month of October, Seminole Casino Brighton (SCB) will hand over the keys to two Chevy Sparks during a Grand Prize drawing here on Saturday, Oct. 26.

Casino customers may gain access to the end-of-the-month car drawing by earning daily entries all through October. Named Kelly Blue Book's "Coolest New Car under \$18,000" the Chevy Spark is considered a globe-trotting city car that packs a big punch.

As one dreams of winning a new car, one will probably work up a nice appetite and SCB has that covered in a big way at Josiah Restaurant & Lounge.

On each Sunday for the next two months from 8 a.m.-10 a.m., Josiah will offer AYCE Pancakes in a "pancake-alpooza" kind of deal. Simply stated, you keep eating them, and they will keep making them.

Of course, October also means Oktoberfest celebrations and customers will be able to take advantage of SCB's Oktoberfest Buffet on Oct. 18 & 19, which will feature German specialties like cabbage rolls, schnitzel, pork ribs and the casino's own Oktoberfest Pizza. And, to be sure, beer and brats will be available in the lounge all month long.

Sticking with the food theme, SCB will also mark Halloween with a number of restaurant specials and "Spooktacular" dishes on Oct. 31.

On the entertainment side, SCB will conduct Comedy Bingo nights on Oct. 10, 17 and 24 at 6 p.m. Area comedians will be performing for free in the Bingo Hall.

Needless to say, there will also be plenty of opportunities to win big money at SCB through the month.

On Oct. 11, customers will have the chance to "Pick the GM's Wallet." Lucky Seminole Player's Club members will win up to \$1,500 in cash or free play. Swipe your card and you just might swipe the General Manager's (Marty)

wallet.

The middle of the month will feature the casino's "Mid-Month Madness Cash Drawings." Entries can be earned from Oct. 1-15 and at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Oct. 15, drawings will be held for \$5,000 in cash.

There will be a "Weekend of 50 Winners" on Oct. 19-20. With just one swipe of your card on either day, you could be one of 25 Seminole Player's Club members to walk off with \$100 cash.

Also, on Oct. 19, at 6:45 p.m., SCB will host a special Bingo Session. There is a \$70 buy in (\$75 with computer). Regular games pay \$750, plus \$13,000 will be available in jackpot games.

Please contact the casino or visit www.seminolebrightoncasino.com for information on bus transportation and group packages.

See the Player's Club for promotion details. One must be at least 21-years-old and a Seminole Player's Club member to participate. If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, please call 1.888.ADMIT.IT.

About Seminole Casino Brighton

Seminole Casino Brighton is a 27,000-square-foot casino with 419 slot and gaming machines, live action blackjack e-tables, a six-table poker room, and high-stakes bingo action, and Josiah, a full-service restaurant and lounge. Its warm and friendly staff, ultra-modern air-conditioning system, clean atmosphere, and rewarding casino promotions are a welcome alternative to big city gaming. The casino also recently opened a new area with 30 slots for those who prefer to play slot machines in a smoke-free environment.

The Seminole Casino Brighton is located in the Brighton Indian Reservation, 17735 Reservation Road, 34974, in Glades County. For more information, call toll-free 800-360-9875 or 863-467-9998. Or visit www.seminolebrightoncasino.com.

Swamp Doggers Hog Round Up set for Nov. 1-3

The Fred Smith Rodeo Arena at the Brighton Seminole Indian Reservation will host the Second Annual Swamp Doggers Hog Round Up Nov. 1-3. The participants and their dogs will hunt all weekend and arrive at the arena on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 3, to weigh in their catches. On the day of the weigh in, to make it exciting for spectators, the arena will host several activities that everyone is invited to attend. These events include an open archery competition, a Red Ryder BB gun shoot for the kids, and a BBQ Rib & Swamp Cabbage cook-off. Local companies will bring buggies to display to the public and vendors are invited to set up booths. Anyone wishing to participate in any of these events is asked to register by 4 p.m. on Oct. 28. For more information give Fred Smith Rodeo Arena a call at 863-467-6039, an e-mail at KendraMurphy@semtribe.com, or checkout rezrodeo.com.



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Plays, concerts and more ...

Firehouse Community Theatre hosts movies

LABELLE—The Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St. in LaBelle, will host movies on Friday, Oct. 11 and 18. Movies are geared for the “over 30 but under AARP crowd.” For more information, see their web site at www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

The Drowsy Chaperone

OKEECHOBEE—Okeechobee Community Theatre will present “The Drowsy Chaperone” in November. Winner of Broadway’s Tony Award for Best Score and Best Book, this is an affectionate spoof of musicals of the 1920s. Not only riotously funny, but it’s full of songs you’ll be humming days later. It’s a musical within a comedy.

All OCT shows will be in the auditorium of the Okeechobee Freshman Camps, at the intersection of Southwest Second Avenue and Southwest Seventh Street (one block west of Golden Corral Restaurant).

Performances will be Nov. 1, 2, 8 and 9 at 8 p.m., plus a 2 p.m. matinee on Nov. 9.

For ticketing information, go online to www.okeechobeecommunitytheatre.com or call 863-763-1307. If there are seats still available on the night of a show, tickets will also be available at the box office.

IRSC Variety Concert

FORT PIERCE—Join the Indian River State College “Company” Singers, Jazz Ensembles and Jazz Combo under the direction of Dr. Dale Rieth and Dr. John Southall in a celebration of classic jazz, pop and Broadway music on Oct. 17, 18 and 19 at 7 p.m. and Oct. 19 at 2 p.m. at the IRSC McAlpin Center, 3209 Virginia Ave. in Fort Pierce. For ticket information, contact the box office at 1-800-330-9915.

Of Mice and Men

FORT PIERCE—Indian River State College McAlpin Center, 3209 Virginia Ave. Fort Pierce, will present “Of Mice and Men” on Oct. 31, Nov. 1, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 2 at 2 p.m. The play depicts John Steinbeck’s tragic story of friendship between two migrant workers, George and the mentally challenged Lenny, and their dream of owning a farm. For ticket information, contact the box office at 1-800-330-9915.



Atlantic City Boys

BELLE GLADE—The Atlantic City Boys will perform at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center on Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 7:30 p.m. The Atlantic City Boys are four dynamic lead singers who lend their world-class vocals to the rock-n-roll harmonies of the 60s – singing the hits of The Drifters, The Beach Boys, and of course, Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons.

The box office is located at the southeastern corner of the building, 1977 S.W. College Drive, Belle Glade. Box Office Hours are: Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m. to noon. The box office also opens one hour prior to performances. Groups are welcome, with discounts available. Please call the office at 561-993-1160, for more information or visit www.palmbeachstate.edu/theatre/dollyhand.

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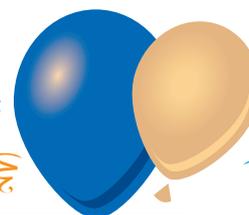


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Christian Team Trail hosts bass tournament

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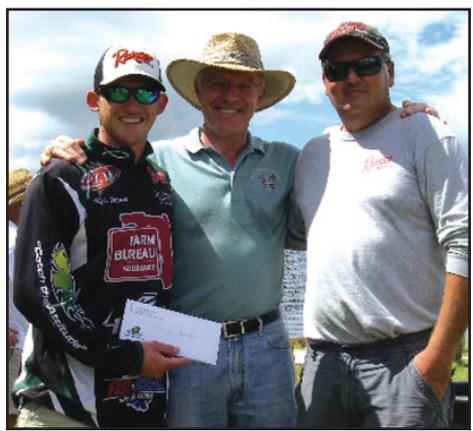
The Christian Team Trail held a bass tournament on Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Okee-Tantie Marina. Fifty-two boats and 100 fishermen participated in the event. A large crowd of fishermen and spectators gathered for the weigh-in and enjoyed hot and soft drinks provided by Oakview Baptist Church.

Winners Kyle Monti and Steve Broughton took top honors, weighing in five fish for a total of 23.84 pounds. Second place honors went to Ryan Krieger and Craig Maret with five fish that weighed 22.18 pounds. Ryan Krieger also captured big fish honors with a 9.32-pound largemouth. Chase Marsocci of Fast Break Tackle took second place big fish with an 8.04 pounder.

Dr. John Garrison, Senior Pastor at Oakview, presented the gospel.

The Christian Team Trail, known in local circles as "The Christian" is sponsored by Oakview Baptist Church and is not a fundraiser but a ministry devoted to using the example of fishing to bring people to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Christian Team Trail would like to thank the sponsors for providing door prizes for the participants: Okeechobee Fishing Headquarters, Garrard's Tackle Shop, Fast Break Tackle Shop, Eli's Western Wear, Arby's Restaurant, Pogy's Restaurant, Charlie's



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Pastor John Garrison of Oakview congratulates Kyle Monti and Steve Broughton on their win.

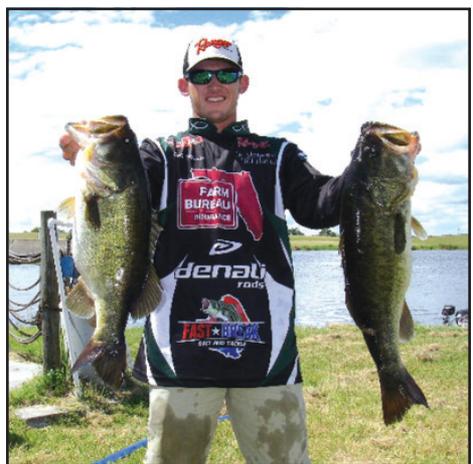
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Christian Team Trail tournaments are held on the first Saturday of the month, September-March. The classic is held on the first Saturday in April. The next tournament will be held on Saturday, Nov. 3, at Okee-Tantie Marina.

For more information about the Christian Team Trail, please contact Darrell Marlow or Bill Bartlett at Oakview Baptist Church, 863-763-1699.



Special to the Okeechobee News/CTT
Ryan Krieger and Craig Maret show off part of their second-place catch.



Special to the Okeechobee News/CTT
Kyle Monti shows off part of the winning catch.



Special to the Okeechobee News/CTT
Ryan Krieger hoists a 9.32-lb. largemouth, the big fish for the tourney.



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"Reasonable accommodations are made for applicants as well as employee." "Pre-employment, reasonable suspicion, random (fitness for duty) and follow-up drug testing will be implemented as per the School Board's "Drug Free Workplace Policy"
An Equal Opportunity Employer

Equipment Operator

Heavy equipment operator - min. 2 years exp. on dozer/compactor/etc. Valid FL DL with clean driving record. Apply in person only at: 1501 Omni Way St. Cloud, Fl. 34773 No phone calls. EOE(M/F/D/V) & Drug-Free Workplace, Vet preference.

Employment Full Time

CLASS A OR B CDL DRIVER wanted
Augger Exp. A Plus for local deliveries. Must know the area, have clean driving record and pass a drug test. Benefits available, apply at: Walpole Feed & Supply Co. 2595 NW 8th St.

Looking for a place to hang your hat? Look no further than the classifieds.

Employment Full Time

CERTIFIED PARALEGAL OR LICENSED ADJUSTER

Walpole is looking for a certified paralegal or licensed adjuster.
Full time position at the corporate office.
Workers Compensation or Auto Liability experience preferred.

WALPOLE!
EOE/DFWP

Call Sandie at **(800) 741-6500** or apply online www.walpoleinc.com

Alan Jay Chrysler

is looking for a Salesperson for new and used cars. Experience preferred, bi-lingual in English and Spanish a plus. Benefits, vacation, 401k available. Must have valid driver license and pass drug screen. Apply in person. Alan Jay Chrysler Dodge Ram Jeep, 202 W Sugarland Hwy Clewiston

CLASS A - CDL DRIVER

needed, must have DOT medical, clean driving history and 2.5 yrs. tanker endorsement. Call 863.467-9800. M-F 9:00 to 4:00.

Faith Academy

Preschool is accepting applications for Substitutes minimum requirements 40 hours Childcare training. Call 863-763-8800.

Pine Creek

Sporting Club Hiring for housekeeping position. Only exp. need to apply. Apply in person @ 23721 NE 48th Ave.

Employment Full Time

Financial

Business Opportunities

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Some 800 and 900 telephone numbers may require an extra charge, as well as long distance toll costs. We will do our best to alert our reader of these charges in the ads, but occasionally we may not be aware of the charges. Therefore, if you call a number out of your area, use caution.

How fast can your car go? It can go even faster when you sell it in the classifieds.

Reading a newspaper helps you understand the world around you. No wonder newspaper readers are more successful people!

Employment Medical

LINCARE LEADING
National Respiratory Company Seeks caring **SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE**
Serve patients in their home for oxygen and equipment needs. Warm personality. Age 21+, who can lift up to 120LB's should apply. Growth opportunities are excellent. Drug Free Workplace. EOE. Fax resume to: (863)763-5191 or apply 107 SW 17th St., Suite B in Okeechobee.

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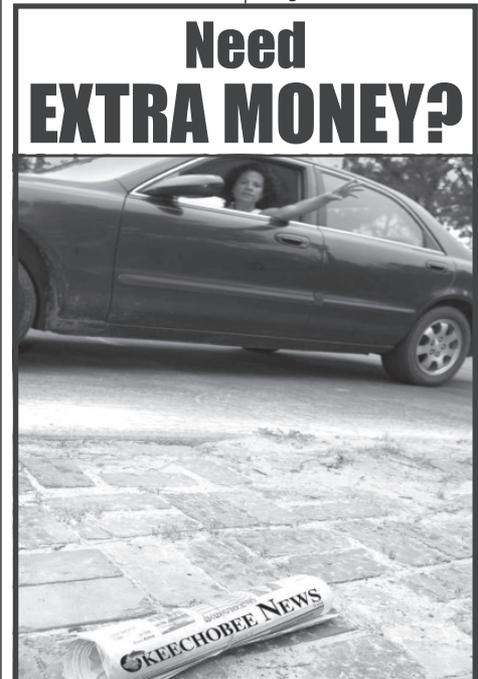
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Business Opportunities

Get a quick response to any item you may be selling with a classified ad.



OKEECHOBEE NEWS

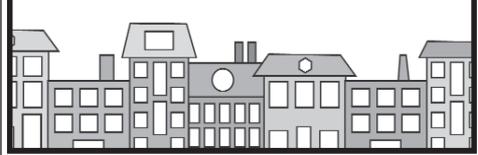
107 SW 17th St • Suite D

Inquire Within

NO PHONE CALLS

Reading a newspaper provides the opportunity to get involved in your community.

No wonder newspaper readers are more popular!





Services

Excavation

LESLIE SUMMERFORD EXCAVATING LLC. Call us for your excavation needs; land clearing ponds, hauling of fill dirt, shell, millings (when available) transportation of heavy equipment. Call Leslie for excavation needs. (863)763-9330 or (863)634-7659.



Merchandise

Pets/Supplies

Bullmastiffs sired by Kong, puppies (2) 1yr old, also available adult females. And very tiny Yorkies available at times weighs 3-4lbs full grown shown by appointment only. call 863-261-3246 leave message



Agriculture

Lawn & Garden

COMPOST for Organic Gardening and Farming - Okeechobee Recycling Facility, enter at Waste Management, 10800 NE. 128th Avenue. Pickup or Delivered *Public Welcomed* Please call. (216)956-0949



Rentals

Apartments

450sq. ft Apartment Located on Rim Canal. Furnished, dock access for boat. \$650 monthly, includes cable, internet & elec. Call 561-853-6669

BASSWOOD - 2 BR, 1 BA, Separate laundry & storage room. \$600 mo. 1st & sec. \$500. Home Reality Services, LLC. (863)801-4498

IN TOWN - 1br./1ba. furnished or unfurnished. Nice area. Utilities & lawn included. \$700/mo., 1st & \$300 sec. Non smoking environment. No pets. 863-610-0861.

NW OKEE: 2 BR Apts available on quiet street. Pets welcome. \$550mo, and \$650mo. 1st, last & \$500 sec. 561-346-1642.

Apartments

OKEE- 2/1 - Newly updated - 12 miles N.E. of town center. Lawn, pest, trash and water included \$ 498.00 mo. Call for details. Mon - Fri. No Pets 863-467-9800.

On The Rim Canal 2 sm travel trailers not in a park 1BR each 1 with enclosure \$475. mth, the other is \$450. mth incl ele/gas/basic dish. Sec dep \$300. no pets. 863-697-0214.

Commercial Property

OKEECHOBEE - Warehouse Bay for lease. 1000 sq. ft. Great visible location, downtown on SW 2nd Ave. \$550 month + Sec. 863-763-4414.

Condos/Townhouses Rent

Taylor Creek Condo- 2BR/1BA, furnished, boat dockage, pool & water included, totally new kitchen & bath, \$800/month + 1 month security. Call (863)658-4264 or (305)522-5024

Houses - Rent

3bd/2ba Very Clean, all utilities, cable and lawn paid. 1 yr Lease located in Lakeport Fl. Furnished \$1,250.00 per month screened deck, 1.5 acre lot, 1st & last plus deposit, No pets 537-718-8074 or 537-718-3624

AFFORDABLE new house - 3BR, 2BA, full size 2 car gar. 2200 sq. ft., full appliances w/dishwasher, lg. M/BR with walk-in closet, 4 person Jacuzzi tub, 300 sq. ft. Italian tile walk-in shower, lg. kit. w/cent. island bar, \$1395/mo. 1st, last & sec. Call (561)723-2226

AFFORDABLE new house - Large 3BR, 2 BA, Large yard. Bring pets. Available for monthly rental. \$950 mo. Call (561)723-2226

COTTAGES AT THE LAKES: 2 BR, 2 BA, Loft, furnished. Boat dock. Covered parking. Water, Sewer & Lawn included. \$1200 mo., 1st, last & sec. Home Reality Services, LLC. (863)801-4498

OKEECHOBEE - 3BR/1BA Duplex, W/D hook-up, central a/c & heat. \$625 mo. + \$500 sec. (863)763-4414.

OKEECHOBEE - 3BR, 2BA, 2 acres, FR, LR, 2 porches, detached gar. & carport, lg. Oaks. 1st, last sec. Refs. \$1300/mo. (561) 346-4692

Houses - Rent

S.W. Section 3BR/2BA 1 Car garage. Lrg back yard with mature Oak Trees. \$950.00 monthly. 1st, last & security total \$2,300 to move in. Call 863-634-5586

It's never too late to find the perfect gift. Look for it in the classifieds.

Rental Needed

2 Senior's, no pets wants vacation rental in or near Okeechobee for Jan, Feb and March 2014. Will pay \$1,200-\$1,600 a month. Call 615-886-9988

Waterfront Rentals

FOR RENT: WATER FRONT -IT DON'T GET ANY BETTER THAN THIS -FISH OUT YOUR BACK DOOR-ONE BEDROOM ONE BATH CONCRETE BLOCK FURNISHED HOUSE- LESS THAN A MILE FROM TOWN - ALL UTILITIES INCLUDED - LONG OR SHORT TERM - 1ST & SECURITY (COMING AVAILABLE IN NOVEMBER -ONE BEDROOM ONE BATH DUPLEX) C A L L (863) 467-4371 OR 863-447-0742



Real Estate

Houses - Sale

CBS HOME 2 BR, 1 BA w/1 Car garage on almost half acre of land. Large shed. **Owner financing available.** Cash or Conventional. Asking \$ 5 9 , 9 0 0 (561)308-1300

Furnished 6yr. old CBS, Buckhead Ridge Home for sale. 3bd/3ba, liv/din room, double garage, dual entrance to home (possible mother-in-law quarters) laundry room in house. Screened back porch overlooking the lake \$ 2 2 5 , 0 0 0 . 0 0 . 305-389-4434 or 863-467-0674

Land - Sale

75 Acres, 5 minutes from Wal-mart, \$320,000.00 Contact for more info 561-307-9330

Lots - Sale

RV LOT FOR RENT OR SALE, 55 PLUS PARK INCLUDES LAWN MAINTENANCE, POOL, REC HALL, CLUBHOUSE AND LAUNCH RAMP, WI-FI AVAILABLE. 12 MONTH LEASE PAY YOUR OWN ELECTRIC. \$275.00 PER MONTH. JOHN 863-357-1344



Recreation

Campers/RVs

Wanted all Travel Trailers, Motor Homes and Fifth Wheels. Any Condition, Cash paid on the spot Call 941-347-7171



Automotive

Autos Wanted

CASH FOR CARS No Title Needed, Any Condition. 268junk.com Located in Okeechobee Call (863)268-5865

Pickup Trucks

1994 CHEVY UTILITY BODY - plumbing work truck in good condition. ALL TOOLS FOR GAS/PLUMBING CAN BE PURCHASED AT ADDITIONAL COST, V-8, air conditioning, automatic transmission \$2,500 (561)202-7213



Public Notices

Public Notice

Request for Qualifications

The Okeechobee Utility Authority (OUA) will receive proposals for the purpose of securing Engineering Services for the following:

* WTP Water Softening Equipment Design

Detailed RFQ documents are available upon request from the office of the Executive Director, located at 100 S.W. 5th Avenue, (Tel.) 863-763-9460, (Fax) 863-763-3746. The OUA intends to review the submitted RFQs and reserve the right to reject any or all RFQs. The OUA selection committee may elect for presentations or select a qualified firm from the RFQs received.

The RFQ's must be delivered to the Executive Director's office, located at Okeechobee Utility Authority Administrative Office, 100 S.W. 5th Avenue, Okeechobee, FL 34974, on or before 3:00 PM on November 20, 2013. The submittal must be contained in a sealed package clearly marked on the outside with the submitter's name and the project for which the submittal is made.

John F. Hayford
Executive Director
454538 ON 10/11,13,16/2013

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE

The Value Adjustment Board of Okeechobee County will convene its **Annual Organizational Meeting** on Tuesday October 15, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the "Judge William L. Hendry Courtroom" at the Historic Courthouse, 304 N.W. 2nd Street Okeechobee, Florida.

Any person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may be required to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the County Administrator's Office not later than four (4) working days prior to the proceeding at 304 N.W. 2nd Street, Room 123 Okeechobee, Florida 34972, or call 863.763.6441. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD 1-800-222-3448 (voice) or 1-888-447-5620 (TTY).

Commissioner Joey Hoover, Chairman
Value Adjustment Board

Sharon Robertson, Clerk
Value Adjustment Board
453981 ON 10/11/2013

PUBLIC NOTICE: CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **Tuesday, October 15, 2013**, City Council Regular Meeting has been **cancelled**.

The next regular scheduled meeting is **Tuesday, November 5, 2013, 6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible, at City Hall, 55 SE 3rd Ave, Rm 200, Okeechobee, Florida. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. Contact City Administration at 863-763-3372, or website www.cityofokeechobee.com, to obtain a copy of the agenda.

ANY PERSON DECIDING TO APPEAL any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceeding is made and the record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal will be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), any person with a disability as defined by the ADA, that needs special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, contact the City Clerk's Office not later than two business days prior to proceeding, 863-763-3372.

BE ADVISED that should you intend to show any document, picture, video or items to the Council in support or opposition to any item on the agenda; a copy of the document, picture, video, or item **MUST** be provided to the City Clerk for the City's records.

By: James E. Kirk, Mayor
Lane Gamble, CMC, City Clerk
454543 ON 10/11/2013

NOTICE OF AN OKEECHOBEE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD / BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS MEETING

NOTICE: The Okeechobee County Planning Board/Board of Adjustments and Appeals will hold their next regular meeting on **Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 6 p.m.** in the Okeechobee County Health Department Auditorium, 1728 NW 9th Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida. In the event that all items scheduled before the Board are not heard, the meeting shall be continued to Wednesday, October 23, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Okeechobee County Health Department Auditorium, 1728 NW 9th Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES SHALL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT PUBLIC HEARINGS. Any person deciding to appeal any decision by the Board of Adjustments and Appeals with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made and that the record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal will be based. Planning and Development tapes are for the sole purpose of backup for official records of the department.

William D. Royce, Planning Director
454460 ON 10/11/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

2013TD269

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **A & G CATTLE CORPORATION** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1862** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2010**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS GRANADA CIRCLE PLAZA AMADA**

1-06-36-34-0030-00000-0PA0

Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:

**ADA ROGERS WILSON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL
IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
S E WILSON JR**

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **7th day of November, 2013**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
Okeechobee County, Florida
/s/ Robin R. Parrish
Deputy Clerk

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452795 ON 9/27/10/4,11,18/2013

NOTICE OF SALE To Satisfy Owners Lien

70 West Self Storage
2190 SR 70 West
Okeechobee, FL 34972
10-26-13 @ 10:00 AM

Unit #128 - Julia A. Rodriguez
Unit #201 - Robert T. Hill
Unit #218 - Jarree M. Jones
Unit #246 - Jessica C. Pantojas
Unit #249 - Jessica C. Pantojas
Unit #414 - Roy L. Melvin
Unit #425 - Tina M. Elder
4514452 ON 10/11,18/2013

Grab a bargain from your neighbor's garage, attic, basement or closet in today's classifieds.

When doing those chores is doing you in, it's time to look for a helper in the classifieds.

Public Notice

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Okeechobee County School Board will consider amendment of the School Board policy listed below at their meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., in Room 303 of the School Board Administrative Office at 700 S.W. Second Avenue, Okeechobee. A copy of the proposed amendment is available in the Superintendent's Office, Room 307, 700 S.W. 2nd Avenue, Okeechobee.

Amendment of School Board Policy 8.80 Online Information Services Use

- School Board Policy 8.80 provides guidelines for use of the District's online information services.
- The proposed revision brings the policy in line with current acceptable practice.
- Legal authority for this policy is FS 1001.42. Laws implemented are FS 2000.21, 1001.43, and State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.0014.
- This policy amendment will not affect individuals from an economic standpoint.

Ken Kenworthy
Superintendent of Schools
454533 ON 10/11/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

2013TD267

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **2492** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2010**

Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 5 LOT 13 BLOCK 58**

1-05-37-35-0050-00580-0130

Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:

PATRICK J OMALLEY ESTATE

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **7th day of November, 2013**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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Okeechobee County, Florida
/s/ Robin R. Parrish
Deputy Clerk

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452803 ON 9/27/10/4,11,18/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

2013TD270

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **A & G CATTLE CORPORATION** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1863** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2010**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS GRANADA CIRCLE PLAZA CENTRAL CIRCLE ON LAT**

1-06-36-34-0030-00000-0PC0

Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:

**ADA ROGERS WILSON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT
TRUST FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
S E WILSON JR**

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452797 ON 9/27/10/4,11,18/2013

LEGAL NOTICE

A public auction of stored personal property from **Okeechobee Store-N-Lock** to be conducted at the following locations in Okeechobee, FL: **WEST - 2701 Hwy 70 West; NORTH - 3050 SW 3rd Terrace;** and **SOUTH - 4129 Hwy 441 South.** The auction will be held to pay unpaid storage fees (pursuant to the Florida statutes, Section 83.806). Public Auction to be held on **October 26, 2013** beginning at **9:00 a.m.** at the WEST location. We will then proceed to the NORTH location and end at the SOUTH location. All payments must be made in full, **CASH ONLY**, by the date/time of auction.

WEST
ROBERT JOYNER, Unit # 2-19
RAUL DELGADO, Unit # 6-57
LUCINDA ANGIANO, Unit # 8-38

NORTH
ONEVA JONES/OSCEOLA, Unit # 95
BETTY MONTAIN, Unit # 115
KIZZY BOSWELL, Unit # 135

SOUTH
JUSTIN BOLING, Unit # 20
JARARDO LARRA, Unit # 121
ANGEL HARDY, Unit # 23
JOHN LAMB, Unit # 29
DONNA MAE AVANSINO, Unit # 70
4544667 ON 10/11,18/2013

Public Notice

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD277

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **PPF HOLDINGS III LTD** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **2863** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2011**

Description of Property: **CONNERS GABLES REVISED LOT 15 BLOCK 23**

1-24-37-35-0010-00230-0150
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
MICHELE RIOS

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **7th day of November, 2013**.
 SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD268

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **A & G CATTLE CORPORATION** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1851** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2010**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS SECTION A LOTS 35 TO 38 INC BLOCK 7**

1-06-36-34-0010-00070-0350
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
MRS C C MIZE

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **7th day of November, 2013**.
 SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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 Okeechobee County, Florida
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 Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD266

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1743** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2011**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS SECTION A LOTS 25 & 26 BLOCK 15B**

1-06-36-34-0010-0015B-0250
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
BROWNIE H CUTHBERT
BROWNIE SEARLE
T R CUTHBERT ESTATE

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **7th day of November, 2013**.
 SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD278

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **2251** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2011**

Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 1 LOT 8 LESS RD R/W BLOCK 1**

1-05-37-35-0010-00010-0080
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
HECTOR O WILLIAMS
LORNA H WILLIAMS
WILLIAMS PROPERTY INVESTMENT

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **14th day of November, 2013**.
 SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD275

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **RICHARD III LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **79** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2007**

Description of Property: **LOTS E & F OF TRACT 23 W1/2 OF W1/2 OF S1/2 OF N1/2 OF TRACT 23 & E1/2 OF W1/2 OF S1/2 OF N1/2 OF TRACT 23 09 34S 33E**

1-09-34-33-0A00-00023-E000
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
ANTHONY F DEBROWSKI II
RANDA DEBROWSKI

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **7th day of November, 2013**.
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD276

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **TRC-SPE LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1435** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2011**

Description of Property: **LOTS A B C F G H OF TRACT 15 E1/2 OF N1/2 & E1/2 OF W1/2 OF N1/2 OF TRACT 15 32 34S 33E**

1-32-34-33-0A00-00015-A000
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
CRYSTAL RUTH PEARSON MESA
HELEN CHAMPAGNE
JOHN MESA

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD265

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1742** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2011**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS SECTION A LOT 15 BLOCK 15B LESS THAT PART LYING WITHIN HIGHWAY 98 STATE ROAD 59 AS SHOWN IN 47 471**

1-06-36-34-0010-0015B-0150
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
BROWNIE H CUTHBERT
BROWNIE SEARLE
T R CUTHBERT ESTATE

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD271

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **A & G CATTLE CORPORATION** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1864** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2010**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS GRANADA CIRCLE PARCEL A**

1-06-36-34-0030-00000-00A0
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
ADA ROGERS WILSON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
S E WILSON JR

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2013TD273

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Certificate No: **1866** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2010**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS GRANADA CIRCLE PARCEL C**

1-06-36-34-0030-00000-00C0
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
ADA ROGERS WILSON
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S E WILSON JR

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2013TD274

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Certificate No: **1867** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2010**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS GRANADA CIRCLE UNIDENTIFIED PARCEL HALF CIRCLE IN BLOCK 42**

1-06-36-34-0030-00420-0090
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2013TD272

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Certificate No: **1865** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2010**

Description of Property: **NEW OKEECHOBEE HEIGHTS GRANADA CIRCLE PARCEL B**

1-06-36-34-0030-00000-00B0
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
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PUBLIC NOTICE: CITY PLANNING BOARD MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Okeechobee Planning Board will meet as the Local Planning Agency on **Thursday, October 17, 2013 at 6 PM** or as soon thereafter as possible, at City Hall, 55 SE 3rd Ave, RM 200, Okeechobee, FL, to consider any proposed amendments, submitted by City Staff or citizens, to the adopted City Comprehensive Plan, which may include amendments to the adopted Land Development Regulations (LDRs). All amendments are forwarded, with a recommendation, to the City Council for final consideration.

Items of discussion received to date, but not limited to: Review and compare currently adopted definitions and regulations in the Code of Ordinances and Comprehensive Plan with similar communities relating to Agriculture and Non-Agriculture types of Animals, Public Nuisance, types of animals permitted within the various Zoning Districts, and minimal lot requirements for agriculture animals such as livestock and fowl.

All interested parties, and calling special attention to any 4-H or Future Farmer of America member who raises livestock and/or fowl for Exhibits, Livestock Shows, and/or County Fairs; or any persons with livestock or fowl on property within the City Limits are encouraged to review the proposed amendments, and attend this meeting. Contact General Services at 863-763-3372, plbunette@cityofokeechobee.com, or website, cityofokeechobee.com, to obtain a copy of the agenda. The proposed amendments can be reviewed and printed from the City website or at the Office of the City Clerk, during normal business hours, at the address above.

ANY PERSON DECIDING TO APPEAL any decision made by the Planning Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceeding is made and the record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal will be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), any person with a disability as defined by the ADA, that needs special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, contact the General Services Office no later than two business days prior to proceeding, 863-763-3372.

BE ADVISED that should you intend to show any document, picture, video or items to the Planning Board in support or opposition to any item on the agenda; a copy of the document, picture, video, or item must be provided to the Board Secretary for the City's records.

BY: Brian Whitehall, Zoning Administrator
 454544 ON 10/13/2013

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Last year's contracts are adopted by school board

By Charles M. Murphy Okeechobee News

It took over a year to reach agreement on the 2012-13 contracts between Okeechobee County Schools and their unions.

Tuesday night, the school board adopted the contracts with only brief discussion.

The contracts, ratified by the union membership in September, included language for one step on the salary schedule for classified employees. Teachers ratified the contract in a rather close vote of 91-73. Teacher salaries were frozen at their current level for the 2012-13 school year. The classified employees approved the contract by a vote of 66-24.

Superintendent Ken Kenworthy said they are pleased with the ratification of this contract by the union. He expressed optimism about the 2013-14 contracts. The state recently set aside \$1 million to pay for teacher salary hikes for 2013-14.

In other actions, the board issued a proclamation to honor Roger L. Jones, a former school superintendent, who died Sept. 1. Mr. Jones was school superintendent between 1948 and 1952. He also served on the Okeechobee County School Board from 1972-1982. His children, Donald Jones and Toni Wiersma, accepted the resolution.

The board also approved a resolution to continue to participate in the Heartland Education Consortium. The dues have increased by \$6,096 to \$21,572 this year. Board member Joe Arnold voted against the expenditure as he cited the district's tight financial condition.

The board approved a resolution that proclaimed the week of Oct. 21-25 as National School Bus Safety Week. The board applauded the excellent safety record of the transportation department.

Transportation director Lois Piper said seven drivers have been hired since the beginning of the year.

The board approved a policy amendment that allows school principals to hire non full time employees to serve as coaches of sports at the high school and middle schools.

They also agreed to hire four new school bus drivers. The district has reported the constant need for school bus drivers in recent years.

The district paid \$3,000 to participate in the Heartland Regional Science and Engineering Fair again this year.

The board honored OHS senior Brandon Alvarez, who was selected out of a group of 260,000 students, as a National Hispanic Program Scholar as a result of his performance on the Pre SAT. About 5,000 students received this recognition nation wide.

The board honored Linda Heater upon her retirement from the Transportation Department. She worked 12 years for the school system.

The board approved a license and use agreement with Rasha Rentals, LLC to use property at Red Top Dairy on S.E. 74th Way

for a school bus turn-around to remove a possible safety hazard for students. School buses will be allowed to enter the property off S.R. 710 and pick up students rather than sit on the busy highway. School officials said it had been a dangerous situation for students.

They renewed their dual enrollment class agreement with Indian River State College to meet all requirements of state law.

They scheduled a workshop meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 4 p.m. to discuss the district strategic plan for 2013-14.

They approved a five-year work plan described as 'thread bare' by facilities director Dale Barrett. He said the state must realize they can't continue to take away maintenance and capital project funds from the district. Mr. Barrett said he will not compromise on needed purchases of new school buses each year. School board member India Riedel pointed out that any shortage in funding for maintenance would come from the general fund and ultimately come from the classroom.

They approved temporary amendments to class size reduction requirements to allow students who enroll in school after Oct. 1 to attend school. Mr. Kenworthy said they fully intend to meet all requirements of 18 students per classroom up to fourth grade, 22 students through eighth grade and 25 students maximum at the high school, Okeechobee Achievement Academy and the Freshman Campus.

"This allows us if a 19th student moved in from K-3, we can place him in a class, as long as we are in compliance by next October," he said.

Mrs. Riedel said the district should strive to meet class size requirements throughout the year because she believed this has a huge impact on the quality of education offered.

The board learned various schools including North Elementary, South Elementary, Everglades Elementary and Yearling Middle School will host advisors from the Florida Department of Education to discuss school strategic plans in an effort to improve student performance. Two Okeechobee schools were given D grades this year and two other schools avoided Ds due to a late state policy change.

The board learned that ethics training is mandated by the state for each school board member on an annual basis. They can attend a training meeting in Tampa or get the training on the web.

New parent guides for Okeechobee schools will be sent home with each student on Oct. 18.

Negotiations with the union on the 2013-14 contracts will take place Oct. 16, Oct. 25, Oct. 29, Oct.30 and Oct. 31 at 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Kenworthy is now a certified superintendent.

The appeal planned for the grade for Okeechobee High School was denied by the Florida Department of Education.

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION Pursuant to Section 324 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know act of 1986 (EPCRA), the following information is available to the public upon request during normal business hours by contacting the Florida, District VII, Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for Hazardous Materials.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY. PROBATE DIVISION. CASE NO.: 2005-CP-303 IN RE: The Estate of WALTER J. BORAK, Deceased, NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of WALTER J. BORAK, deceased, whose date of death was (found on) September 7, 2003, is pending in the Circuit Court for Okeechobee County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972.

OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

- ACROSS 1 *Rock conqueror? 6 Ilk 10 *Soy milk brand 14 Diminish, as trust 15 Court target 16 Singer with the platinum 1992 album "The Celts" 17 *Dental checkup freebie 19 Hungarian spa city 20 "30 Rock" is loosely based on it, briefly 21 Georgia campus 22 Transparent personality? 23 Webber's partner 24 Stink ending 25 Are proper for 28 *Wile E. Coyote buy 32 Napoleon, before seeing Elba? 33 Its symbol is "\$" 34 West Bank initials 35 *Gets creative 39 *Extent 41 "Alice" spinoff 42 Gives goose bumps, maybe 44 Pennsylvania port 45 *Flashy display 48 Umbrella brand 49 Idiot 50 Finalize, as a comic strip 52 Pub drinks 54 Sudden outpouring 55 Sch. with a Phoenix campus 58 Comic book buyer of old? 59 *Beginner's piano piece 61 Analogous 62 Forceful takeover 63 John who played Gomez Addams 64 *Forged check 65 Maker of Kate Moss fragrances 66 It celebrates National Day on October 1 (and it's where the answers to starred clues were invented)

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	<p>1008-H: In town Beautiful landscaped 2 bd, 2½ ba CBS home on large fenced lot, extra room could be third bdrm, large living rm, family room, screen porch and large shed. \$190,000 MLS # 207126</p>		<p>2000-C: Taylor Creek Condominium upstairs 1 bd, 1 ba apartment, 680 total sq ft, screen pool area, boat ramp, boat dock, rim canal. \$47,500 MLS #207066</p>
	<p>5008-M: Pioneer Estates 2/2 DW on ½ acre with two sheds. Additional ½ acre in the back available for \$15,000. \$45,900 NOW \$40,000 MAKE OFFER! MLS #206211</p>		<p>5058-M: Lake Montaza - Investors Special! Two SWMH on 4.88 acres. Both are 2 br, 1 ba, property is fenced. Call today to make arrangements to see. \$65,000 MLS #207176</p>

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Boswell, Thomas pace OHS in JV win

By Charles M. Murphy
Okeechobee News

Terrance Boswell rushed for over 100 yards Tuesday evening and Trevor Thomas threw for three scores as the Brahman junior varsity football team defeated Port St. Lucie 22-6.

Thomas found Chris Epps for a 35-yard score and threw two touchdown passes to Wyatt Bessenbacher to lead the Brahman offensive unit.

The Brahman defense was also stout throughout as they prevented the Jaguars from scoring until the final minutes of the game. Alvaro Anderson caught a 22-yard touchdown pass for PSL.

Demetrius Clark had a 25-yard kick return and Jacob Emmick returned an interception for 25 yards for Okeechobee.

Coach Joe Smith said his team is resilient and have done a good job buying into the system and the concepts the coaches have taught this season.

"They are just hard to beat. My defense does not give up points and my offense scores enough to win," he pointed out.

Smith said when he switched his offense to emphasize more misdirection and motion, and put his best athletes in the backfield, the team started to score more points.

"We didn't have to do misdirection tonight. We lined up and ran straight at them. The kids got their blocks, Terrance Boswell got to the open holes and made things happen," he added.

Smith said he was also impressed with the improvement in the passing game. He said Thomas has started to refine the fundamentals and has made better decisions in the pocket.

"A lot of people say they can play quarterback, but until you're out there with the defensive line screaming down your throat, you don't know," he said. "Decisions have to be made quickly. For the most part, he's being doing the job."

Smith said he expects Thomas to compete for playing time on the varsity over the next three seasons.

Tristen Anderson was among the team leaders on defense in the game. He had three interceptions in a 2-16 victory over Martin County last week.

He dedicated himself to off-season workouts to build strength, endurance, and speed. He said he tried to work out with older kids so he would be forced to push himself harder. He said the key to stopping Port St. Lucie was to stop the big play.

"We didn't let them go vertical. They had to run from east to west and the defense used the sideline to help stop them tonight," he added.

Sophomore linebacker Alex Garcia said his goal is to always do his job and take on his responsibilities. He said the defense has clicked all year and the offense has started to come around.

"I think the defense played amazing tonight. We played fast and physical and that is what helped us win," he added.

Bessenbacher said he felt the team has improved in each game due to hard practices and excellent instruction. He made a leaping grab in the fourth quarter for a 30-yard touchdown that basically clinched the game.

"I knew the cornerback was a little shorter and I just jumped over him to catch the ball," said Bessenbacher.

Smith said the victory over Martin County gave his team additional confidence. The

team had six interceptions in that game, which included an interception by Epps that he returned for a touchdown. He said Martin County brought their best but his team was able to handle it.

"It comes down to which team makes the least mistakes. We took advantage of their mistakes, and we won a dogfight," he added.

Boswell had a rushing touchdown in the victory in Stuart last week.

The OHS JV will travel to South Fork to meet the Bulldogs Thursday, Oct. 17.



Okeechobee News/Charles Murphy
Jacob Emmick returns a second-half interception for 25 yards in their win over Port St. Lucie on Tuesday, Oct. 8.



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Terrance Boswell sticks his head down to gain extra yards in the junior varsity victory on Tuesday.

Okeechobee Sports News in Brief

By Charles M. Murphy
Okeechobee News

Yearling Middle School swept Storm Grove on Monday in Vero Beach in middle school volleyball action. Megan Hargraves had two kills and six service aces. Tyra Smith had 11 aces and one kill. Rachel Bryan had two aces and two kills. Stephanie Ruiz had four aces and Artha Jonassaint added two aces and one kill. Tory Garcia had seven assists, three kills and one ace. Arianna Robshaw added one kill and one ace for the Lady Bulls, (11-1).

The Yearling Young Guns defeated Storm Grove in one exhibition game. Janelle Markham and Emily Rhodes had one kill apiece. Kendall Harrison and Ashley Bowers

had one service ace. Lillian Henry had three aces.

- YMS soccer was rained out at Storm Grove on Monday.

- The Lady Brahman golf team had their best match of the year as they split a match with South Fork and Fort Pierce Central on Tuesday. OHS shot their low round of the year, 192. South Fork shot 185 while Fort Pierce Central shot 198. Hannah Raulerson shot 46, Danyelle Sheffield 47, Kirsten Doney 49 and Bethany Stuart and Cameron White both shot 50. Coach Bruce Conrad said the team has improved because they simply have gotten more experience and practice time. "I'm thankful for the good weather lately and I hope the busy schedule this week will help the girls get ready for districts next week."

Humane Society needs volunteers

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