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## Veterans Day remembrance

Crowds gathered at the Veterans War Memorial in Flagler Park on Monday for the community Veterans Day ceremonies.



Guest speakers for the Veterans Day ceremony included Paul Hiott (right) who was one of the original organizers of the Veterans Memorial in the park. It took 17 years for the park display to be complete with the recent arrival of the Huey Helicopter. Keynote speaker Sergeant Buck Thompson (left) of the Marine 22nd Expeditionary Force, shared his experience as one of the first troops into Mogadishu. For more photos online, go to [florida.newszip.com](http://florida.newszip.com) or see the link on the Okeechobee News page on Facebook.

## DEP head outlines lake goals

State's plan to clean water fails to treat the problem before water enters the lake

By Eric Kopp  
Okeechobee News

The head of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) was in Okeechobee last week to not only discuss Lake Okeechobee, but what's being done to help it now and how

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## Animal Planet stars to visit Okeechobee

See Gator Boys, Savage Wild and Wild Planet stars at Arnold's Wildlife Rehabilitation Center Open House Nov. 16

Some of the stars from Animal Planet will be in Okeechobee on Saturday for the Arnold's Wildlife Rehabilitation Center open house and fundraiser.

Special guests will include Paul Bedard of "The Gator Boys"; Manny Puig of "Shark Week," "Jackass 2," "Extreme Adventures," "Wild Boyz" and "Savage Wild!"; and, Rey Becerra of "Wild Planet!"

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# Mortgage assistance for elderly homeowners

## Federal assistance will help homeowners struggling with their reverse mortgage

Florida Housing Finance Corporation (Florida Housing), in cooperation with Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA), Fannie Mae and the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury), launched the Elderly Mortgage Assistance Program (ELMORE) on Tuesday. Using \$25 million in federal funding allotted to Florida from the Treasury's Hardest-Hit Fund (HHF), the ELMORE program will assist elderly homeowners with home equity conversion mortgages (HECMs)—better known as “reverse mortgages”—who, as a result of a hardship, are having difficulty making property tax and homeowner's insurance payments. As a result, these homeowners may be facing foreclosure for non-payment of these required expenses.

“There are thousands of reverse mortgages in Florida that are in delinquency,” said Florida Housing Executive Director Steve Auger, executive director for Florida Housing. “After implementing other HHF programs that target the more ‘traditional’ homeowner, it is now time to help homeowners who are in the twilight of their years, on a fixed income, experiencing a hardship and facing foreclosure. This new program should help them sustain their homes, while they look at ways to free-up income to pay their homeowner expenses moving forward.”

Florida homeowners with reverse mortgages who want to see if they qualify for the ELMORE program should first contact their reverse mortgage servicer. If the servicer is unable to assist, a homeowner should then contact the toll-free ELMORE Application and Information Line at 1-800-601-3534 to apply and/or receive more information on the program. Additional information is available at the ELMORE program website at [www.FloridaELMORE.org](http://www.FloridaELMORE.org) or [www.KnowYourOptions.com/reverse](http://www.KnowYourOptions.com/reverse).

Homeowners who meet specific qualifications may be eligible for a two-year, forgivable loan of up to \$25,000. The funds will be distributed to the mortgage servicer, on the homeowner's behalf, in a lump sum to repay property-related expenses advanced by the servicer (e.g., property taxes, homeowner's insurance, flood insurance and association fees). Funds may also be used to pay upcoming property-related expenses for up to 12 months.

Chief Homeownership Preservation Officer Mark McArdle, for Treasury, said, “This program will provide much needed assistance to elderly homeowners with reverse mortgages, and Treasury is proud to partner with the State of Florida to implement it.”

“We commend the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for launching this new initiative to help elderly homeowners with reverse mortgages stay in their homes,” said Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Commissioner Carol Galante. “The HECM program allows senior citizens to age in place by tapping into their home equity to help pay expenses. The ELMORE program builds on this goal by giving qualified seniors who have experienced financial hardship an alternative to foreclosure.”

“In accordance with the Older Americans Act, it is the mission of the Department of Elder Affairs to address the needs of Florida seniors and to create an environment that allows them to remain in their own homes and communities as they age, said Florida DOEA Secretary Charles T. Corley. “We support tools, such as the ELMORE Program, that help to accomplish this important task.”

“We are pleased to partner with Florida Housing on this important initiative for our struggling homeowners,” said Joy Cianci, senior vice president of Making Home Affordable® and Foreclosure Prevention at Fannie Mae. “We commend them for being the first state to implement a program to assist elderly homeowners in reverse mortgages with resources from the Hardest-Hit

Fund and hope to see other states soon follow suit.”

Reverse mortgages offer unique benefits to elderly homeowners, allowing them to access the equity in their homes. However, with a reverse mortgage, homeowners have specific responsibilities that are set by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which insures most reverse mortgages, including the timely payment of property-related expenses. If the homeowner falls behind on those obligations, the servicer may issue a demand for payment in full of the reverse mortgage or even foreclose on the property. The ELMORE program—for those who qualify and demonstrate they will be able to reasonably recover from the hardship that contributed to the property-related expenses becoming delinquent—can be the support that an elderly homeowner needs to ensure their home is preserved.

First announced on Feb. 19, 2010, by the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury), the “Housing Finance Agency (HFA) Innovation Fund for the Hardest-Hit Housing Markets” (HFA Hardest-Hit Fund) provides federal funding to states hardest hit by the aftermath of the burst of the housing bubble. To date, \$7.6 billion has been infused into the HFA Hardest-Hit Fund for 18 states and the District of Columbia; Florida's allocation stands at more than \$1 billion. The goal is to help create sustainable home ownership in our state.

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## Extended Forecast

**Thursday:** Partly cloudy with a chance of rain. High of 75F. Winds from the ENE at 10 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 20%.

**Thursday Night:** Overcast in the evening, then partly cloudy. Fog overnight. Low of 61F. Winds from the ENE at 5 to 10 mph.

**Friday:** Mostly cloudy in the morning, then overcast with a chance of rain. High of 79F. Winds from the East at 10 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 20%.

**Friday Night:** Overcast with a chance of a thunderstorm and rain, then a chance of rain after midnight. Fog overnight. Low of 63F. Winds from the SE at 5 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 40%.

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# IRSC to host the DECA craft and gift bazaar

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The Indian River State College Chapter of Delta Epsilon Chi (DECA), a student business organization, will present the 33rd Annual DECA Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 23, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the IRSC Main Campus, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce. Hundreds of craft and gift items including holiday decorations, toys, fabric, books, haircuts, car wash, and more will be on sale. Food, drinks, and bake goods will also be available.

Each year the bazaar provides a forum for IRSC students to apply various skills learned in the classroom. IRSC business students

plan, coordinate, and organize this exciting event. The event features approximately 125 vendors, and hundreds of people typically attend the annual event.

Funds will be raised through various activities including a cut-a-thon, in which IRSC Cosmetology & Barbering students will provide low-cost haircuts. Cut-a-thon tickets may be purchased at the bazaar or pre-purchased through the IRSC Cosmetology & Barbering Department at 772-462-7229.

The Interior Design Sale will be located in the Koblegard Student Union (KSU). The sale will feature accessories to beautify your home for the holidays, holiday fabrics, as

well as design displays and consultation. Students will give presentations on the latest design trends and interior technology.

A portion of all proceeds raised by IRSC student activities will benefit the President's Challenge Scholarship Fund. Through the IRSC Foundation, the fund provides full two-year scholarships to financially disadvan-

tagged students who maintain good grades and complete high school.

For information, call 1-866-792-4772, ext. 7660.



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## Three-way blood donor competition

The Okeechobee 600 Blood Roundup got off to a great start on Nov. 9 when a three-way blood donor competition earned a donor two tickets to the last NASCAR race in Homestead. Okeechobee Dodge Manager Jim Rider presented the prize to winner Merry Jean Herrera. The main Roundup drive will be Saturday, Nov. 16, and Sunday, Nov. 17, at the Freshman Campus auditorium from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. each day.

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### Bogus cop calls

• It appears a situation gets a cop response no matter how seemingly low priority that situation is. The person that called the cops expects a response, and expects service. Sometimes a simple phone call from a cop would handle the issue. Most times when someone get cops involved, nobody wins. Sometimes the presence of a cop increases a tense situation into a volatile one and compels the cop into a use of force situation. Then people complain that the cop created the problem. Cops will protect the innocent first, then themselves and other cops. When the cop arrives, sometimes people get liquid courage because a cop is there and the problem escalates. People use cops all the time as a tool for some sort of personal agenda, especially in divorce/custody disputes. But even though cops know, they still have to go.

• Regardless of any "college boy" degrees, etc., the police are simply not prepared intellectually, educationally, or practically speaking, sufficiently trained to manage many of the situations in which they are now placed. Many of the situations are not traditional "bad guy vs. the Law," as in days long gone by. Small wonder why there are problems with "escalation," or worse. Of course, the safest solution is always, "arrest them all,

let the court sort them out." But that does unimaginable damage to the reputation and trust in police that the common citizenry should have.

• In days of old, police usually patrolled in "pairs." For their own safety, of course; but the real reason was to train the "new guy." In days of old, inherently unsuccessful police did not last long on the "beat." The older, well-experienced and more mature "partner" held the power of life and death, from a career standpoint, over the fresh, new and inexperienced officers. This system produced police officers that were not "gasoline on the fire" when they approached the public. It also produced well trained desk sergeants, supervisors, and dispatchers etc., that could sort out the "my neighbor's dog is barking" phone calls, without resorting to the easy way out of sending a police officer to every complaint, regardless of any validity for doing so.

### Obamacare

• Unlike most Americans that are rooting for the failure of this law, I am looking for this to succeed. Patience my friends. If it is a failure after a year of implementation, then we the people as a majority will take care of it. But in the meantime people against this need to come up with a good alternative.

### High school football

• I attended the OHS football game on Friday with friends and watching the scene, I have to wonder if the best days are gone for high school football. The Okeechobee team was 1-8 this season. The sport does not attract the number of players it once did. Many parents are concerned about the growing evidence about the dangers of head injuries.

## Letters to the editor

### Help appreciated

The Okeechobee 600 Blood Roundup wants all of Okeechobee to know of the kindness and skill of City of Okeechobee Sgt. Russ Cale. We were preparing to fill our goody bags for The Roundup when I realized that, in the excitement and business, I had locked my keys in the van which was filled full with boxes of goodies. With an additional trailer-load of goodies and 20 vol-

unteers waiting to start bagging, this was a major problem. Sgt. Cale to the rescue. In a matter of moments he got the car open and we were able to accomplish our purpose. Thank you Sgt. Cale, we are in your debt; and thank you Okeechobee Police Department for having such a kind, patient and courteous person in your employ.

**Raye Deusinger**

## Letters to the editor

### Child's health endangered by Medicaid fraud

Hello, my name is Earl Thomas. I'm writing this letter to let the public know how easy it is to change someone's life. I have a grandson that was born with cerebral palsy and needs two different medications, that are very expensive, to live a normal, productive life. He had insurance with Children's Medical Service through his father who has full custody of my grandson. Everything was fine until his mother (that is divorced from his father) claimed my grandson, along with her other children that she does not have custody of, on Medicaid to receive food stamps. She fraudulently filed paperwork to receive benefits on these children. She does not have custody of any of these three children nor does she provide ANY financial support for them. Three of the four fathers are providing all financial support for these children and yet she was granted government assistance without the proper paperwork. My son has to show proof by providing court documents to get anything for my grandson, yet he is placed on Medicaid by someone who apparently did not have to provide any documentation of having the right to file on behalf of him or the other children she claimed. How is it that someone who doesn't have custody and doesn't provide financial support for her children can receive benefits from our government without providing any documentation? It took my son to get the insurance in place because documentation was REQUIRED from him, yet she was allowed to so easily mess all that up.

My grandson was put on Medicaid for two months thereby removing him from CMS. My son received a letter stating that my grandson's insurance was cancelled due to being on Medicaid. When it was time for my grandson's doctor's appointment to be evaluated for his medication and when the medication was being filled there were issues because of the insurance change and the father not having any information in regards to the Medicaid number. Upon looking into the matter, it was discovered what the mother had done. Some of my grandson's doctors don't accept Medicaid so he has not been able to go for his medical visits which he is now past due for. My grandson currently does not have insurance since the Medicaid ended at the end of September and Healthy Kids is continuing to give them the run around. His medication is almost \$500 a month and it is time yet again to fill them. For two months my daughter-in-law has been trying to get him back on his regular insurance, but she continues to run into a brick wall as far as getting help from the

Dept. of Child Services or the D.O.R. to admit the mistake and file the necessary paperwork to fix the problem. After a visit to D.O.R. to see what information could be obtained as to what was filed by the mother, she was sent to Access Florida. After waiting for about 30 minutes, the only thing they would tell her is that he is eligible for insurance and that they would have to reapply for the insurance. A phone call was then made to Healthy Kids to check to see if his insurance had been reinstituted, but they said they are still waiting for Medicaid verification. She was told a few days prior that this process usually takes about 72 hours; however, on Nov. 4, she was told the process would take about 4-6 weeks to get verification from Medicaid. This means that he may not be covered by insurance until the beginning of the year. What I am asking is for someone to be honest and take responsibility for the mistake that should never have happened and fix the problem for the health of my grandson.

**Earl Thomas**

### Legs from the Lake

The team of Legs from the Lake would like to extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to all those who donated and supported us, so we could embark on an amazing journey in the fight to end breast cancer! We participated in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day, in Tampa, Oct. 25-27, and walked 60-miles over the course of three days. The proceeds raised by the Komen 3-Day, help fund national research and public health and outreach programs. The theme was "Everyone Deserves a Lifetime."

Thank you again to help make a difference.

**Melisa Jahner**



Special to the Okeechobee News  
The team of Legs from the Lake participated in the Susan G. Komen 3-day walk, Oct. 25-27, in Tampa. Left to right are Melisa Jahner, Michelle Pritchard and Rachel Jones.

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# Lake Okeechobee needs a champion

By Jane Graham  
Everglades Policy Associate  
Audubon Florida

Imagine a great expanse of clear water with a soft sandy bottom, teeming with native birds and wildlife. This is what Lake Okeechobee used to be. But now, after years of pollution, Florida's great lake is hurting.

Legislators, commissioners, policymakers, and concerned citizens: If you want to be a champion for Florida, become a Lake Okeechobee champion.

Earlier this month, Florida's Senate Select Committee on Indian River Lagoon and Lake Okeechobee Basin held their final meeting and issued a set of recommendations to alleviate the ecological crisis in our southern coastal estuaries. The committee's recommendations advance important restoration projects and water storage projects forward.

While the committee's report mentioned the problem of Lake Okeechobee's water quality, very little was advanced to reduce the continued influx of pollution from human-induced sources into the lake.

Lake Okeechobee is the liquid heart of the Everglades. But sadly, over the last few months, Lake Okeechobee has been villainized and portrayed as a reservoir of dirty water.

As rain fell throughout the region this summer, the Army Corps of Engineers had to release large amounts of water from Lake Okeechobee into the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee estuaries to protect the surrounding levee from breaching. To do otherwise would risk the safety of nearby towns from flooding.

Unfortunately, the large releases of polluted water from the lake led to devastating effects on the coastal communities of the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee. As the lake's water mingled with the estuary waters, there were algae blooms, dead birds and marine life, health problems for humans, and corresponding economic impacts that are still being felt today. Some of the runoff flowing into these estuaries was from the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee watersheds, but a large portion was from the lake. Data show that improving the water quality of the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee estuaries depends on improving Lake Okeechobee's water quality.

But experiencing the magic of Lake Okeechobee's marsh first-hand gives a different perspective. I remember the first time I visited Lake Okeechobee. My colleague Dr. Paul Gray and I were exploring Audubon's Lake Okeechobee Northwest Coast Sanctuary by airboat.

The ecosystem was bursting with life. We were enveloped in a watery field of birds, alligators, turtles, and butterflies — more than I'd ever seen in Everglades National Park. It was a symphony of chirping, splashing, humming, and whistling in surround sound.

Lake Okeechobee is the second largest freshwater lake in the southeastern United States, an Eden for endangered species like the Everglade Snail Kite, and a stronghold for tourism. Also, the lake has some of the most productive bass fisheries in the country.

But here's where the trouble starts. Despite the abundant wildlife in its marsh, the lake has a major pollution problem. There is a lot of phosphorus already in the lake and the Okeechobee watershed from decades of pollution from human sources. On top of that, every year, thousands of tons of phosphorus enter the watershed.

Where is this pollution coming from? Fertilizers, animal and human waste spread on pastures, stormwater, and wastewater.

Phosphorus is a pollutant? After calcium, phosphorus is the most abundant mineral in your body. However, for the ecosystem, too much phosphorus can contribute to a host of problems: algae blooms, cloudy water, and the increased growth of unwanted vegetation that crowds out habitat.

In 2001, the state of Florida devised a plan to meet phosphorus water quality goals for Lake Okeechobee by Jan. 1, 2015. But recent reports show phosphorus levels are over 300% as much as the goal. The bottom line is the plan is not working.

During the Select Committee hearing I mentioned earlier, Sen. Alan Hays (R-Umatilla) made the statement, "Prevention is the best way to ensure nutrients aren't getting into the lake." He is right. Programs that partner with agriculture and urban users, known as best management practices (BMPs), to reduce the amount of phosphorus from entering the watershed are key. The Select Committee report even stated that, "BMPs are the

most effective methods to limit the release of nutrient pollution."

But the committee report recommended the same anemic amount of funding for the program as previous years. And, there was no discussion on how to improve the effectiveness of the program.

But wait. Right now, state agencies are working on a plan to update a plan to make a plan that might reduce phosphorus, in maybe the next couple decades. And that should fix Lake Okeechobee's problem?

Dear plan makers: Stop planning and take action. Now.

There needs to be measurable reductions of pollution in the watershed. To accomplish this, some state laws and rules need to be changed, and pollution prevention programs will require additional funding. While these changes might not be as sexy as starting big treatment projects, they are equally important and can reduce costs in the long term. These new laws and rules can and should be implemented in a way that is helpful, not hurtful, to all of those affected.

Audubon Florida recommends the following:

1. Update the BMP program for agriculture in the Northern Everglades to significantly reduce the amount of phosphorus from fertilizer and other sources added to the watershed. Trust, but verify. Fully fund agency representatives to get their "boots on the ground" and visit farmers to help track what works and what does not work, and update as needed.

2. Limit the amount of phosphorus coming off of new developments in urban areas in the watershed.

3. Close the loophole that allows dried-out residuals from human waste to be used as fertilizer. Yuck.

4. Store more water on lands north of Lake Okeechobee to slow the flow of water into the Lake.

To those Lake Okeechobee champions who love and respect Florida's great lake, we need your voices. Call or write your decision makers today. Let them know that fixing Lake Okeechobee's water quality is a priority, and that it needs their full attention in the upcoming legislative session.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Veteran saves lives by donating blood

I have the honor of interviewing local residents to write their amazing stories involving blood donations — either donating the gift of life or receiving it. We do this together in the hope that other people will read their accounts and be inspired to donate blood at the upcoming 8th Annual Okeechobee 600 Blood Roundup to be held at the Freshman Campus on Nov. 16 and 17. Veteran's Day was Monday, Nov. 11, and it is appropriate to include a story of a local veteran who is a recipient of donated blood and, in the case of Buckhead Ridge resident Ralph Mundy, has donated gallons of it.

Ralph joined the Navy when he was 17 and was shipped to Korea soon after enlisting. Being a service man, he donated blood as often as he could, and being a service man in Korea, many times he saw the results of his donations immediately. Ralph truly understands

how donating his blood can give someone else the gift of life — he has seen it happen right before his own eyes. Ralph also discovered that he was a universal donor, someone who can donate blood to anyone else, with a few rare exceptions. People with O- blood are considered universal blood donors since their blood can be given to every other blood type. However, an O- recipient can safely take blood ONLY from an O- donor.

Back home in Maryland, Ralph continued to donate blood. The local hospital contacted him often when blood was in short supply; several times he was asked to go directly to the emergency room where his donated blood was taken into the next room and given to someone in dire need of it. Again, Ralph saw how a blood transfusion can immediately save a person's life. Direct transfusion has not been allowed for many years.

Ralph is a donor of blood and a recipient of donated blood. Recently, he had two knee replacement surgeries and received two units of blood during each surgery. Ralph is 78

years of age and donates blood twice a year because the act of giving the gift of life makes him feel better — both physically and emotionally.

Please take the time and make the effort to donate blood at the 8th Annual Okeechobee 600 Blood Roundup; somebody will be extremely thankful that you did. This year's theme is the "Okeechobee 600" where we are racing to save lives with a goal of 600 units of life-saving blood collected in two days. The main race event will be held on Nov. 16 and 17 at the Freshman Campus. A pre-race event on Nov. 9 at the Ford, Chevy and Dodge dealerships, is open to blood donors who will be attending the NASCAR event and, therefore, unable to attend the Main Event the following week. Tickets to Homestead Miami Speedway will be awarded at the Nov. 9 drive. All blood donors at the pre-race and main race events will receive a T-shirt, goody bag and refreshments.

**Susan Williams**

## Community Events

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### VFW to host quarter auction

VFW #4423, at 300 N.W. 34th St. will host a quarter auction on Wednesday, **Nov. 13**, from 6 until 9 p.m. You must be 18 or older to attend. All proceeds go to the VFW. For information, or to become a vendor, call 863-532-2201.

### Support group meets Nov. 13

A meeting of the Stroke Support Group will be held at the Heritage Assisted Living, Wednesday, **Nov. 13**, at 6 p.m. This is a good chance to talk with others about their experiences. Light refreshments available. For information, call 863-763-1700 or 863-634-8412.

### Chamber offers coupon class

The Chamber of Commerce of Okeechobee County will host Brittany Ramos, author of ThePrudentPatron.com, for a two-hour grocery coupon workshop. Attendees will leave with a better understanding of how to shop with coupons using strategic couponing and menu planning techniques and achieve savings of 50 percent or more! The class will be held Wednesday, **Nov. 13**. Please register with the Chamber of Commerce of Okeechobee County, at 863-467-6246; or, go to the web site [www.okeechobeebusiness.com](http://www.okeechobeebusiness.com). There will be a \$5 fee you can pay online when you register.

### Democrats will meet Nov. 14

The Okeechobee Democratic executive committee will meet on Thursday, **Nov. 14**, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Okeechobee Public Library. Any interested Democrat is invited.

### Elks Lodge meeting slated

The Lake Okeechobee Elks Lodge #2871 will meet Thursday, **Nov. 14**, at the VFW South in Treasure Island at 7 p.m. On sale that night will be our 26-Week Club tickets. We have a new PA system which will help everyone enjoy the meeting better.

### Eagles offering steak dinner

On Friday, **Nov. 15**, the Aerie 4137/North Eagles, 9985 U.S. 441 N., will serve rib eye dinners from 6 until 9 p.m. Music will be on the venue for your listening and/or dancing pleasure. Saturday, Nov. 16, five-card bingo starts at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, is bingo starting at 1 p.m. On Wednesday, Nov. 20, bingo starts at 5:30 p.m. The public is invited. Proceeds go to support community and national charities. The Eagles are strong supporters of the Diabetes Research Foundation.

### Legion hosts Al Jones

American Legion 64 hosts Al Jones from 4 until 7 p.m. on **Nov. 16**. All proceeds go to assist in veterans' needs.

### Eastern Star plans yard sale

Okeechobee Chapter No. 128, Order of the Eastern Star will hold a yard sale Saturday, **Nov. 16**, at 8 a.m. at the Okeechobee Shrine Club, 1740 S.W. 53rd St., just off S.R. 78 W. Items on our sale tables are too numerous to list. We may have just what you have been looking for so come out and see what we have to offer. For information, contact Mary Ann Holt at 863-763-5210.

### Embroidery group to meet

Do you have an embroidery machine, or want to learn about them? Then join the monthly Fancy ME—Machine Embroidery Group where we all learn and share ideas while working on beautiful embroidery projects. The next meeting is Saturday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the local Red Cross office at 323 N. Parrott Ave. Please call Linda at 863-697-2450 or Mary at 863-697-1920 for information.

### Fundraiser helps 4-H club

Bits and Spurs 4-H Club will have its Saddle Cleaning fundraiser at Tractor Supply on Saturday, **Nov. 16**, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. If anyone needs to drop saddles off earlier, or for information, call Laura at 863-801-3599. The monies raised will be used for club riding clinics and the Bits and Spurs Scholarship Fund.

### Managing diabetes event set

Raquel Cordoves, a certified diabetes educator, will be at Holiday Inn Hotel, 3101 U.S. 441 S., Saturday, **Nov. 16**, at 10 a.m. She will provide expert advice on diabetes, the importance of checking blood sugar levels, what is A1C and how it affects the blood sugar, meal planning and exercising, information on medical tests, and basic info on the types of medications. This service is open to the public and no appointment is necessary. For information or to pre-register, call 561-870-2142.

### Annual 4-H yard sale planned

The annual 4-H yard sale will take place Saturday, **Nov. 16**, from 8 a.m. until noon. The sale will be held in the parking lot of the Okeechobee County Extension Office at 458 U.S. 98, Okeechobee. Household items, books, toys, and clothes will be among the many items for sale. All proceeds will benefit the Okeechobee County 4-H program.

### Event benefits Toys for Tots

AMVETS Post 200, 8591 S.R. 78 W., to host a benefit bike show for Toys for Tots. Saturday, **Nov. 16**, starting at 9 a.m. All bikes are welcome. Registration time is 9 until 11 a.m. judging will start a 4 p.m. There will be lots of things to do from bingo, cornhole games and a 50/50 drawing. All proceeds go to help out vets with Toys for Tots. For information, call Pat at 330-556-1576.

## Christmas Bazaar to be held

The Peace Lutheran Church Quilters will host their fifth annual Quilt and Craft Bazaar on Saturday, **Nov. 16**. It is from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Peace Lutheran Church. Breakfast of homemade cinnamon rolls and coffee will be available and the church youth will serve lunch. Local craft vendors will display and sell Christmas ornaments, jewelry, plants, paintings, baby gifts, tree skirts, handbags and more. There will be a bake sale and a big "white elephant" sale. The Peace Quilters will have many handmade quilts of all sizes for sale and two lovely quilts will be raffled. Tickets are available at the bazaar. For information, call Dottie at 863-532-8100.

### Brock benefit is Nov. 16

The inaugural "you will never walk alone" Breast Cancer Benefit and walk for Deborah Brock will be held Saturday, **Nov. 16**, in Flagler Park across from Zippy's from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The benefit will start with a 2-mile walk and activities in the park will follow. There will be a barbecue chicken dinner for sale for a \$10 donation. For information, call Kim at 863-623-8840 or Shannon at 863-801-7189.

### Legion has Sunday bingo

American Legion Post 64 will host Sunday night bingo **Nov. 17** 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.

### Republicans plan open house

The Republican Party of Okeechobee invites you to their office open house Monday, **Nov. 18**, from 5 until 7 p.m. Come see the office, meet your Representative Dr. Cary Pigman and be part of the ribbon cutting and fun night! The new office is located in the White House Plaza, 1126 S. Parrott Ave., across from the Lodge Restaurant. This will be the last night to get your ticket for the Abraham Lincoln Commemorative drawing which will take place at the event at 7 p.m. For information, call the Republican Party at 863-532-9623.

### Auction aids children's ranch

A quarter auction will be held for Real Life Children's Ranch on Tuesday, **Nov. 19**, at the American Legion. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. There will be a special drawing if you bring a non-perishable food item, a 50/50 drawing and more. Come out and have a great time, but 18 and up only please. For information, call 863-697-1247.

### Family forum set for Nov. 21

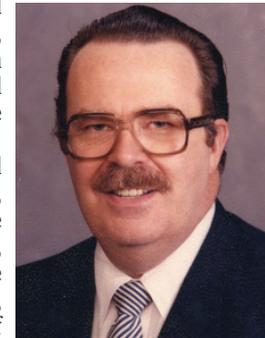
Parents, students and family are invited to attend A Family Forum Guiding Good Choices on Thursday, Nov. 21, at the Okeechobee Achievement Academy at 6 p.m. with guest speaker Dr. Ellisa C. Scott from Changing Tree Wellness Center. For information, call Pat Murry at 863-462-5125, ext. 105.

## Obituaries

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

### Roy F. Moyer, III, age 76

ROKEECHOBEE — Roy F. Moyer, III, 76, of Okeechobee, passed away November 10, 2013. Roy was born in Kingston, Pa. and lived most of his life in West Palm Beach. Roy was preceded in death by his wife, Kathryn Robinette Moyer; and sister, Marilyn Hughes. He is survived by sister, Judith Monahan of Charleston, S.C.; five children, Alan (Janet) Cameron of Boise, Idaho, Colin Cameron of Okeechobee, Douglas (Lottie) Cameron of Bryon, Ga., Timothy Cameron of Boise, Idaho and David (Monique) Cameron of Los Angeles, Calif.; six grandchildren, Mary, James Alan, Randy, Kathryn, Trevor and Harrison Cameron; and four great grandchildren. Roy requested no services.



I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one,  
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles  
when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo  
whispering softly down the ways  
of happy times and laughing times, and bright  
and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who  
grieve to dry before the sun, of happy  
memories that I leave when life is done.

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

Those wishing to leave a message of condolence may sign the online register book at [www.OkeechobeeFuneralHome.com](http://www.OkeechobeeFuneralHome.com)

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

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# Local churches host special programs

A **Praise and Worship Concert** will be held in Flagler Park on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 7 to 10 p.m. Bring an open heart and a chair. Bands and singers who would like to be part of this event may contact Ryan Reister or Kathy Rose at 863-697-1123.

**Okeechobee Mission Baptist Church** will host a discover youth program every Wednesday, from 7 to 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-763-3681.

The AWANA Club at **Oakview Baptist Church** invites all children from pre-Kindergarten, age 3 to fifth graders. The club is from 5:45 to 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Come join in the fun as with the Cubbies, Sparks and T & T classes for Bible memory and game time fun! Call the church office for more details at 863-763-1699.

"Bible at Lunch Time" at **First United Methodist Church** has resumed for the fall, same time, same place, but the day of the week has changed. Everyone is invited to bring a sack lunch (drinks are provided) on Thursdays at 11:30 a.m., Room #21, 200 N.W. Second St. The current study is "Adventures in Prayer." Participants will look at the prayers of Daniel, David, Paul and, of course, Jesus, in a study from Moody by Stuart Briscoe; prayers and hymns from some of the masters: Augustine, the Welseys and the Reformers; the contemporary prayers of Catherine Marshall, Joyce Meyers, Henry Blackaby and Ravi Zacharias. For more information, call Nancy Vaughan at the church, 863-763-4021.

**Jesus Holy Ghost Crusade Ministry Soup Kitchen and Thrift Store**, 1401 N.E. Park St., is in need of donations of any type. All donations are tax deductible. Help is needed to put a roof on the church and paint the building. The thrift store is open Monday-Friday from noon to 4 p.m. and the building fund yard sale will be the first and second Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The soup kitchen is under construction. For more information, call 863-634-9194.

**Church of God of Prophecy** has an Open Arms Ministry, at 102 N.W. 10th St. The Hurting Women's Ministry meets on the second and fourth Friday of each month at 7 p.m. This is a ministry for women of all ages who are going through or have been through crisis in their lives. For more information, please call 863-254-8304.

The **First United Methodist Church** Library would like to invite everyone to visit their Lending Library, Room 20, at 200 N.E. Second St., in Okeechobee. All are welcome to complete an application, no charge, to take advantage of wholesome reading, viewing and educational material for adults, children and youth. They have fiction and nonfiction in literature, philosophy, religion and Christian romance, social sciences, geography and history. They also have materials for home schooling, with over 200 DVDs,

VCRs, cassettes, national magazines, etc. Hours are Sunday, 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, 6-8 p.m. For further information, call Doris Entry at 863-467-1548.

The **Peace Lutheran Church** Quilters meet every Tuesday in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone who loves to quilt or wishes to learn is welcome to join the group at 11 a.m. Bring a snack for lunch break. Dessert and coffee is furnished.

The **Peace Lutheran Church** Frontline Warriors, a group of men dedicated to loving Jesus and serving others, meet weekly on Tuesday morning at 6:30 a.m. For additional information, call 863-763-5042. Seasoned Seniors, anyone 50+, meet the fourth Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for dinner and interesting programs.

**Okeechobee Missionary Baptist Church**, at 4212 Hwy. 441 N., and Pastor Clinton Currington, would like to invite all to participate in church services. The King James Bible is used. Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m., with worship at 10:45 a.m. Sunday Night BTC is at 5:30 p.m. followed by worship service at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday is Bible Study at 7 p.m.

**Oakview Baptist Church**, at 677 S.W. 32 Street, would like to invite everyone to the Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. and to our Wednesday Worship Service at 6 p.m. We also have Sunday School (for all ages) at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings and we have classes at 6 p.m. on Sunday evenings. Come and worship with us! For more information, call 863-763-1699. Our website is oakviewbaptist.com.

**Victory Baptist Church**, 500 S.W. 9th St, would like to invite the public to attend any or all of their services each Sunday. Sunday School is at 10 a.m. for all ages. Morning worship service is at 10:45 a.m. and includes old fashion singing and praising God. The youth "band," consists of the piano, violin, mandolin and guitar, as well as, various singing groups. Be blessed with the preaching of God's Word (KJV) and a church family with a heart of love. Wednesday evening prayer and Bible study is at 7 p.m. For more information, please call: 863-763-0669.

**Gathering in Grace and Prayer** meets every Wednesday at 7:45 a.m. in the park at the pavilion. All are welcome.

**Northside Baptist Church** invites all to join the church for old-fashioned preaching based on the Bible, God-focused prayer, hymns we grew up on, Southern-Gospel favorites, with piano and bass duets on Sundays at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m., with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and Prayer Meeting on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Northside Baptist is located about 6 miles north on 441 at 51 NW 98th St.



## Places of Worship

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**Florida Southeast Connection will be hosting an open house in your area to share information and hear from the community.**

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**Florida Southeast Connection Open House**

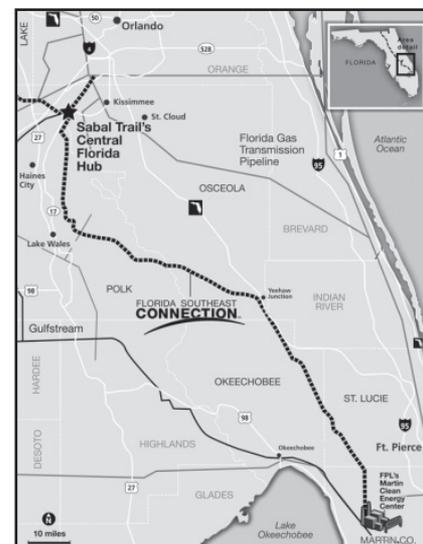
Date: Thursday, Nov. 21, 2013

Time: Join us any time between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.  
 Location: Quail Creek Plantation, 1907 NE 224th St., Okeechobee, FL 34972

If you are unable to attend this open house, we encourage you to visit our website, [FloridaSoutheastConnection.com](http://FloridaSoutheastConnection.com), and/or call us at (855) 327-2660 for more information. This is an important initiative for the people of Florida, and we appreciate your feedback.

Florida Southeast Connection Proposed Project Location Map\*

\*as of September 2013



## DEP

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that goal is going to be achieved.

DEP Secretary Herschel Vinyard addressed a modest crowd of about 44 people Wednesday, Nov. 6, at the Williamson Convention Center on the Okeechobee Campus of Indian River State College. That crowd was made up of members of the Economic Council of Okeechobee and the Agri-Civic Council.

The meeting was not open to the public or the media. When the Okeechobee News asked to cover Mr. Vinyard's presentation, economic council executive director Tara Minton Rowley stated, "Economic Council meetings are reserved for members of the organization and are not open to the public." When asked later why the newspaper was denied access, she said it "... was at the pleasure of the board (of directors)."

She went on to explain that monthly meetings of the economic council are not normally open to the media.

Mr. Vinyard was contacted by phone and said his speech detailed DEP's priorities, and focused on water along with having the appropriate amount of quality water.

"If we don't have sufficient clean water for the environment, people and agriculture, then we're not going to have a state we enjoy living in," he said.

When asked what's being done to help clean water before it enters Lake Okeechobee, Mr. Vinyard alluded to the unfinished Kissimmee River Restoration Project that's helping to remove contaminants by putting the river "... back the way God created it."

He explained plants help by taking up nutrients from the water column which is the way the natural system was designed to operate.

"That's one federal and state project that needs to be completed to help the health of Lake Okeechobee," he said.

While restoring the river could benefit the lake, a bill signed into action in May by Governor Rick Scott puts into action projects that will benefit both Florida coasts but does nothing to treat the problem at the source.

House Bill 7065 calls for six projects that will create over 6,500 acres of new storm water treatment areas (STAs) and 110,000 acre-feet of additional water storage through the construction of flow equalization basins (FEBs). These projects have been divided into three flow paths — eastern, central and

western. There is no mention of any projects north of Lake Okeechobee.

The bill amends the Everglades Forever Act and how an agriculture privilege tax on agricultural property will help pay for the enhancement, operation and maintenance of the Everglades Construction Project.

According to the legislation, the implementation of the technical plan is estimated to cost \$880 million. The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is proposing to use \$220 million in cash reserves to fund the plan, along with \$300 million in anticipated ad valorem tax revenues and a state appropriation of \$32 million in each year of the 12-year implementation period.

Mr. Vinyard went on to point out that a Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) "... is our road map to improve impaired water bodies throughout the state," but it wasn't put into action to help the lake until recently. However, he's since got that plan — which is a collaborative effort between the DEP and the SFWMD — under way.

He said a number of things have led to the contamination of Florida waters, as well as Lake Okeechobee.

"We can't point our finger at one thing — it's all of us. Humans have replumbed South Florida," he said. "It's septic tanks, urban runoff, agriculture, pet wastes — it's a lot of things."

Besides the restoration project, Mr. Vinyard said dispersed storage areas north of the big lake can be of help in removing contaminants from water before it reaches the lake. These areas are privately-owned property where rain water is held for a period of time and then released.

Water managers pay area farmers up to \$150 per acre to use their property for dispersed storage — whether they are storing water or not. When there is no water on the property, livestock is allowed to live and graze on the land.

"I do think we need to keep available as many tools in the toolbox as we can, and dispersed water storage is one of those tools," explained Mr. Vinyard.

As for the bad rap Lake Okeechobee has been receiving lately from residents on both coasts about lake discharges causing algae blooms and "toxic water," Mr. Vinyard indicated "basin runoff" from properties along the estuaries on both coasts coupled with lake discharges are at the root of the problem.

"Even though locks are closed, there's still basin runoff due to the extraordinary

amounts of rainfall. It's not a result of any single source," he said.

The DEP head went on to say it's not only important to use every tool given his agency and the SFWMD by state legislators, but to

have a clear and definitive road map on how to get to the desired end — clean water.

"If you don't know where you're going, any road will take you there," Mr. Vinyard added.



Special to the Okeechobee News  
Paul Bedard of "The Gator Boys" (left) will be one of the special guests at the Arnold's Wildlife Rehabilitation Center Open House on Saturday, Nov. 16.

## ANIMAL

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The gates will open at 10 a.m. on Nov. 16 and close at 5 p.m.

Adult tickets are \$10; children under the age of 12 will be admitted free.

The open house will include reptile shows, hay rides, T-Rex entertainment and tours of the center.

Visitors will also have a chance to win a helicopter ride.

Arnold's Wildlife & Rehabilitation Center is a 501 (c) (3) non profit organization that saves Florida wildlife.

Sue Arnold and the volunteers work hard to save injured Florida wildlife for future generations to enjoy.

Mrs. Arnold has been rehabilitating injured and orphaned animals for more than 15 years. Many are released back into the wild. Those that cannot be released — such as a three-legged deer — find a home at the center. A habitat is built to allow those animals to live a long, healthy and happy life.

The center operates from donations alone.

This fundraiser is a yearly event. How-

ever, this year some of the stars from Animal Planet will make it extra special and help educate about our Florida wildlife. Television crews will film part of the event for future use on "The Gator Boys."

Arnold's Wildlife is open to the public 365 days a year.

In addition to rescuing Florida wildlife, Mrs. Arnold also takes in exotic animals. Some of these animals were brought to the center by owners who could no longer care for them. Some were confiscated by FWC from owners who were unlicensed or did not provide proper care for the animals.

The center is home to panther, bobcats, servals, caracals, monkeys, fennec foxes and a variety of unusual birds. Many of these animals are endangered species.

Arnold's Wildlife is about 12 miles north of the city of Okeechobee, at 14895 N.W. 30th Terrace. From Okeechobee, go north on U.S. 441 to N.W. 144th Drive (aka Potter Road). Go left (west) on N.W. 144th Drive (Potter Road) to N.W. 30th Terrace. Turn left (south) on N.W. 30th Terrace and watch for the signs.

For more information, call 863-634-6804 or 772-349-8979, or go online to [www.arnoldswildlife.org](http://www.arnoldswildlife.org).

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## Okeechobee Arrest Report

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

- Tracy Lynn Eckenwiler, 40, N.E. 30th Ave., Okeechobee, was arrested Nov. 8 by Deputy Yero Todman on an Okeechobee County warrant charging her with the felonies of fraudulent use of a credit card and criminal use of personal identification information (three counts). Her bond was set at \$20,000.

- Jim Rockley Allen, 38, N.E. Fourth Lane, Okeechobee, was arrested Nov. 9 by Deputy Yero Todman on an Okeechobee County warrant charging him with the felony of child abuse. His bond was set at \$2,500.

- William Dakota Fulwider, 19, S.W. 10th St., Okeechobee, was arrested Nov. 9 by Deputy Matthew Grumbling on an Okeechobee County warrant charging him with dealing in stolen property. His bond was set at \$10,000.

- Eric Exantus, 26, N.E. 11th St., Okeechobee, was arrested Nov. 9 by Deputy Paul Jackson on a felony charge of domestic battery by strangulation. His bond was set at \$7,500.

- Sarah Elizabeth Hawk, 30, S.E. Eighth St., Okeechobee, was arrested Nov. 9 by Deputy Fred Bradley on an amended DOC warrant charging her with the felonies of violation of probation - giving false information to a pawnbroker and violation of probation - trafficking in stolen property. She is being held without bond.

- Christopher Lamont Lousane Jr., 17, Saginaw Ave., West Palm Beach, was arrested Nov. 9 by Trooper D. Maliszewski on a felony charge of possession of a short-barreled gun, and the misdemeanors of possession of marijuana under 20 grams and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was booked into the Okeechobee County Jail then released into the custody of a parent.

- Ervin Edward Jackson, 21, Saginaw Ave., West Palm Beach, was arrested Nov. 9 by Trooper D. Maliszewski on felony charges of possession of a short-barreled gun and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana under 20 grams and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. His bond was set at \$21,000.

- Marquise Sharkear Hudson, 19, Hiawatha Ave., West Palm Beach, was arrested Nov. 9 by Trooper D. Maliszewski on a felony charge of possession of a short-barreled gun and misdemeanor charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, driving while license suspended and carrying a concealed electric weapon or device. His bond was set at \$8,500.

- Argelio D. Martinez Perez, 33, 23rd Place N., West Palm Beach, was arrested Nov. 9 by Trooper D. Maliszewski on a felony charge of possession of a short-barreled gun and a misdemeanor charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. His bond was set at \$5,500.

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

## OCSO Investigations

The Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office investigated the following reports of crimes last week.

### ASSAULT

- 1500 block of N.E. 14th St.
- 600 block of S.W. Ninth St.
- 1600 block of N.W. 47th Terrace

### BURGLARY

- 2900 block of S.E. 34th Ave.
- 2800 block of S.E. 19th Court
- 2800 block of S.E. 19th Court
- 2700 block of S.E. 38th Trail
- 4700 block of U.S. 441 S.E.
- 2000 block of S.E. 33rd St.
- 1500 block of N.W. 43rd Ave.
- 3100 block of S.E. 34th Ave.
- 3400 block of S.E. 28th St.
- 7300 block of N.W. 92nd Court
- 900 block of N.W. 39th Circle
- 3400 block of S.E. 27th St.
- 3100 block of S.E. 27th St.
- 3900 block of N.W. Third St.
- 1800 block of S.W. 23rd Terrace
- 3100 block of S.E. 27th St.

### FRAUD

- 1600 block of S.W. 22nd Terrace
- 12600 block of U.S. 441 S.E.

### CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

- 1600 block of S.R. 70 W.
- 600 block of U.S. 441 S.E.
- 800 block of N.W. 36th St.
- 1700 block of N.W. Eighth St.
- 3100 block of U.S. 441 S.E.
- 4200 block of S.E. 23rd Court

### THEFT

- 30500 block of N.W. 72nd Ave.
- 2400 block of N.W. 50th Ave.
- 5300 block of U.S. 441 S.E.
- 300 block of S.E. 14th Ave.
- 3500 block of N.W. 24th Ave.
- 3300 block of S.E. 34th Ave.
- 3700 block of N.E. Fourth Trail
- 9200 block of S.E. 61st Drive
- 900 block of N.W. 23rd Lane
- 3400 block of S.E. 38th Ave.
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- 1000 block of N.E. 128th Ave.
- 2400 block of U.S. 441 S.E.
- 3500 block of S.W. 21st St.
- 11500 block of U.S. 441 S.E.
- 2800 block of S.E. 36th Ave.

### Farm-City Luncheon is Nov. 21

The Kiwanis Club of Okeechobee and the Okeechobee Area Agri-Council will co-host the 20th annual Kiwanis/Ag Council Farm-City Week Luncheon at the Okeechobee KOA. The luncheon is scheduled to begin at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, **Nov. 21**. Tickets can be purchased in advance at Farm Credit, 863-763-6466, or Farm Bureau, 863-763-3101. They can also be purchased at the door on the day of the luncheon. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door.

### Eagles to hold Turkey Shoot

Aerie 4137/North Eagles, 9985 U.S. 441 N., on Saturday, **Nov. 23**, will host a Turkey Shoot starting at 11 a.m. Bring a friend or two and show your skill and take home your Thanksgiving turkey. Proceeds go to benefit the various charities supported by the Eagles.

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# Tin Fish Restaurant will soon open in Okeechobee

A Tin Fish restaurant is planned in Okeechobee.

Tin Fish founder Joseph Melluso said he was encouraged to open a restaurant in Okeechobee by Okeechobee residents who dine in the Tin Fish restaurants in Jensen Beach, West Palm Beach and Port St. Lucie. Over the years, they had often been asked, "why don't cha' come out to Okeechobee?"

"While working on expanding the Tin Fish Brand, we had meetings out in Okeechobee with a gentleman who kept taunting us to come out there," Mr. Melluso explained.

He said they spent several days scouting the area and met with Terry Burroughs of the Chamber of Commerce of Okeechobee County.

Mr. Burroughs hand walked Mr. Melluso through the city offices and everyone was excited to help and make the arrival as smooth as possible.

They decided on the building that formerly housed the "Five Guys" restaurant at 301 N. Parrott Ave. They met with landlord Chris Close and struck a deal. Tin Fish signed a 10-year lease with four, five-year options.

They plan to cook for the community, fish after fish after fish, day after day after day.

"It is what we do, we love it," said Mr. Melluso.

Tin Fish restaurants adjust the menu to the locale.

"We adjust to all neighborhoods," Mr. Melluso explained. "In Okeechobee, we will serve catfish, gator and frog legs, which we have great experience with at some of our other locations. Specials will include seasonal options of fresh mullet and grits and shrimp and grits."

The Tin Fish menu will also offer the basic choices Tin Fish restaurant patrons love. The "Off the Grill" menu section will feature clean lean and healthy grilled salmon, mahi mahi, grouper, snapper, and shrimp served with the classic sweet and tangy cole slaw or a salad of mixed greens, chopped tomatoes, Mandarin orange segments, dried sweetened cranberries and toasted almonds.

Selections on the "Lightly Breaded" menu will include fish and chip platters, seafood combos, sandwiches, tacos and burritos. The lightly breaded and deep fried items seem to get a lot of "wows," accompanied by the Tin Fish tradition of ringing the bell.

The ship's bell rings when a great comment is shouted or someone throws a tip in the tip jar.

The key to making great fried fish is "oil integrity," Mr. Melluso said. Tin Fish changes its oil every day and the oil is filtered between shifts.

"That's what makes our super quality even better, clean oil," he said.

They also have a few secrets and special recipes.

Mr. Melluso's breeding recipe dates back to 1969 when as a newbie in the fish business, he started working in a neighborhood fish market.

The Tin Fish menu varies based on the season. Fish is filleted and skinned in house on a daily basis to ensure quality. Fish may be trucked in and flown in — some has even arrived by helicopter — to ensure freshness.

Tin Fish is known for good prices, great value and making people happy through food.

The menu will also include hamburgers (including a 10-ounce super burger) and chicken.

The community can help get the new business ready to open.

"We are so proud to announce the soon-to-open, in Okeechobee Tin Fish," said Mr. Melluso. "We are excited and strong supporters of the environment and are repurposing woods and metals to contribute to not wasting and not being careless in creating a special ambiance. They are looking for photos and items related to fishing, farming and hunting to display in the restaurant."

"Just call us at 619-708-1134. All items will receive a plaque stating who it is from with details about the item," Mr. Melluso explained.

The first item brought in, a 45-year-old frog gig, came from Bernard Swindell.

Mr. Melluso along with new store opening trainer Peter Gay, and Anthony Olivieri will spend a lot of time getting the Tin Fish open and will welcome every customer.

Shawn and Donna Devlin the operators of the Okeechobee Tin Fish are excited to be in the community and are looking forward to meeting and cooking for their customers.

The Okeechobee Tin Fish staff looks forward to the opening, soon after Thanksgiving.

## Everglades students enjoy Red Ribbon Week

Everglades Elementary School "Red Ribbon Week" Coloring Contest Winners included:

**Kindergarten:** First place - Adrian Garcia; Second - Gwendolyn Mitchell; Third - Cecilia Santibanez.

**First grade:** First place- Florencio Salazar; Second- Billie Jo Whaley; Third - Patryk Jaskot.

**Second grade:** First place - Nayeli Ocha; Second- Reagan Tucker; Third- Angelina Rose.

**Third grade:** First place - Taylor Elgin; Second - Isis Guerrero; Third - Kali Reichaert.

**Fourth grade:** First place- Franciso Hernandez; Second- Thalia SanMartin; Third- Princessa Ortega.

**Fifth grade:** First place- Keyana Johnson; Second - Micah Fricks; Third - Daniel Estrada.

**ESE:** First Place - Yesenia Damien; Sec-

ond Place - Brayam Yoc-Godines.

Everglades Student Council would like to thank the Okeechobee Sheriff Dept., McGruff and Officer Stripling for all their help with our Red Ribbon Week Events. Mrs. Cheryl Hollin, Student Council Sponsor.



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## OHS senior football players and parents honored at Senior Night game



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The Okeechobee High School football team celebrated Senior Night at the football game on Nov. 8. E.J. Neal was joined by parents Eddie and Sheila Neal.



Okeechobee News/Charles Murphy

Cory Vickers, #51, played tremendous football all season for the Brahms. He was among the group of seniors honored before Friday's game.



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Khalil Smith, #11, was joined by his father and assistant coach Darryl Allen and family at OHS senior night on Friday.



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John Morgan was among the Brahms seniors who played their final high school game at Brahman stadium Friday.

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# Senior OHS Marching Band members honored

The Senior OHS Marching Band members were honored during Parent Senior Night on Nov. 8. They marched for the last time on the OHS football field during half-time of the Okeechobee vs. Clewiston football game. They will perform their show "Immortal Love" for the final time during the state competition in St. Petersburg on Nov. 23.



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# United States Marine Corps Reserve to help Toys for Tots collection

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Saint Lucie County Emergency Management, American Red Cross of the Treasure Coast, Indian River County Community Emergency Response Teams and Florida Department of Health agencies in Martin, Saint Lucie, Okeechobee and Indian River counties are partnering with the United States Marine Corps Reserve in their goal to "deliver, through a new toy at Christmas, a message of hope to less fortunate youngsters that will assist them in becoming responsible, productive, patriotic citizens." On Saturday, **Nov. 23**, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., volunteers and employees from four counties will accept new, unwrapped toys at Saint Lucie County Emergency Operations Center, located at 15305 Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 34945 (next to the St. Lucie County Fairgrounds).

When a large scale disaster takes place, counties provide assistance to each other. Exercises are performed to help strengthen their disaster response skills so they are ready when needed. Public Health Preparedness Coordinators from Martin,

Okeechobee, Saint Lucie and Indian River wanted to develop a multi-county exercise to practice local disaster response plans that would also be of benefit to local communities, utilizing volunteers from their respective Medical Reserve Corps units. While improving local disaster response efforts, this Points of Dispensing (POD) exercise will also provide toys for less fortunate children during the holiday season and food for those in need. After a disaster a POD would provide residents with an opportunity to get much-needed resources like water, food or medicine. Each county has emergency POD plans that explain how they will distribute a large amount of supplies in a timely manner to residents. As part of staying prepared and ready, these plans need to be exercised and evaluated on a regular basis.

"It really started as an idea and has grown into a real opportunity to provide a service for the community as well as exercise our plans" said Sonji Hawkins, Public Health Preparedness Coordinator for Florida Department of Health in St. Lucie County. "We are asking residents from all four counties to come out and bring a new, unwrapped toy

with them and/or a nonperishable food item. The United States Marine Corps Reserve will be on site and accepting the donations of toys and we are working with local food distribution sites to coordinate the donated food items." Hawkins continued.

The process "is going to be very simple for participants. All they need to do is drive to Saint Lucie County Emergency Operations Center and drive through the POD. Volunteers will be there accepting donated items on behalf of the four participating counties. Participating in the exercise and helping the community you live in will be easier than going through the drive-thru at your bank." explained Brian Sell, Public Health Preparedness Coordinator from Florida Department of Health in Okeechobee.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and participate, "the busier we are, the better we will be able to test the effectiveness and efficiencies that we have established in our emergency operations plans and the more families we can help. This is a win-win for participating counties and Saint Lucie County Public Safety and Communication/Division of Emergency Management is excited

to be hosting the exercise" says Tom Daly, Saint Lucie County Emergency Manager. Saint Lucie Emergency Operations Center was chosen as the location because it is centrally located between the four counties.

How can you make a difference? Come out and support your community's preparedness efforts and have a positive impact on local families at the same time by participating in this toy/food drive-thru POD. Donations of new unwrapped toys and/or nonperishable food items will be accepted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

If coming from Okeechobee, head east on Okeechobee Road/State Road 70 and fork off onto Midway Road and the St. Lucie County Emergency Operations Center will be on the south/right side of the road. If coming from Martin, Saint Lucie or Indian River county, take I-95 to Midway Road exit and head west and the St. Lucie County Emergency Operations Center will be on the south/left side of the road (next to the St. Lucie County Fairgrounds).

For more information, contact Brian Sell at 863-634-5218 or brian.sell@flhealth.gov.

## FDOT Roadwatch

The Florida Department of Transportation advises motorists to drive carefully in areas where road work is underway. Work planned this week includes the following.

### Okeechobee County

• **U.S. 98 South of CR 68 near Dixie Ranch:** Maintenance contract project: This two-lane roadway may be reduced to one lane periodically with flaggers directing traffic while crews repair shoulders on either side of the road. Shoulder repairs are expected to continue through the end of November.

• **U.S. 98 South of CR68 in the area of Dixie Ranch:** Maintenance contract project: Crews will be performing shoulder repair work. Lane closures are not expected, but possible. Motorists are advised to approach work zone with caution and be aware of equipment and personnel. Work shall continue through the end of November.

• **U.S. 441 North from Northwest 179th Street to County Road 68 East:** Maintenance project: This two-lane roadway will be reduced to one lane with flaggers directing traffic while crews repair shoulders on either side of the road. Use caution when traveling in the work area.

• **U.S. 441 at Northeast 39th Boulevard (Cemetery Road):** Maintenance permit project: Crews will place casing for underground utilities beneath U.S. 441. No lane closures are expected, however, motorists are advised to use caution.

• **U.S. 441 North from Southwest 9th Street to Southwest 16th Street:** Maintenance project: Crews are repairing the sidewalk on both sides of the roadway. No lane closures are expected, however, motorists are advised to use caution.

• **U.S. 441 Southeast from SR 78 to the Martin County line:** Maintenance project: Crews will be trimming low-hanging tree branches as needed. No lane closures

are expected however, motorists should drive with caution.

• **SR 70 (Northeast Park Avenue) from Southeast 10th Avenue to SE 13th Avenue:** Maintenance permit project: The inside westbound lane will be closed inter-

mittently from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. while crews continue removing the existing raised median. Motorists should use caution and watch for changes in the traffic pattern. Work on this project includes reshaping the raised median to lengthen the left turn lanes be-

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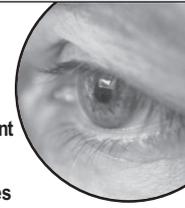
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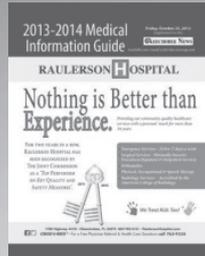


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**2011 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN**

1500 LT, 35, 577 miles, Auto

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SK# 7225999P **\$27,496**

**2005 BUICK LACROSSE**

Auto, 3.8L, V6, 1 owner, Stk#7297281T

**\$10,990**

**2012 NISSAN VERSA**

1 owner, Stability control, Stk#737377P

**\$11,995**

**2008 HYUNDAI SANTA FE**

4dr, sedan Manual 2.0 Stk#7185081T

**\$12,496**

**2011 MAZDA MAZDA3**

1 OWNER! Web Special Stk# 7430323P

**\$12,880**

**2012 CHEVROLET IMPALA LT**

1 owner, Auto, AC, Stk# 7269763P

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**2012 NISSAN SENTRA**

2.04 L, 4 cyl, 1 owner, Stk# 7681804P

**\$13,496**

**2012 FORD FOCUS**

21,148 miles, 2.0L, 4 cyl., Stk#7151352T

**\$14,990**

**2012 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA**

Auto, 38,300 miles, Stk# 7369900P

**\$15,450**

**2012 FORD FOCUS**

1 owner, 38,469 miles, Stk# 7189911P

**\$15,800**

**2009 SATURN VUE HYBRID**

Auto, 2.4L, 4 cyl. Stk# 7532155T

**\$15,980**

**2012 FORD FUSION**

Auto, 27K miles, 2.5L, 4 cyl Stk# 7290761P

**\$16,490**

**2013 DODGE AVENGER SE**

Auto, 4dr, 2.4L, 4 cyl. Stk#7566455P

**\$16,699**

**2012 TOYOTA RAV4 FWD**

1 owner!!! Auto, A/c... Stk#7118341P

**\$16,995**

**2013 NISSAN ROGUE FWD 4DR**

1 owner, CVT Transmission, Cruise, Stk#7511354P

**\$16,999**

**2009 BUICK ENCLAVE**

1 owner, Auto... Stk# 7142367T

**\$18,990**

**2011 TOYOTA RAV4 FWD**

28 MPG Hwy!! Auto, Climate & Cruise Stk#7087335T

**\$18,990**

**2008 GMC SIERRA 1500**

Extended cab, short box Auto. Stk# 7277788T

**\$18,990**

**2010 BUICK LACROSSE**

Auto, 3.0L. Stk# 7270773P

**\$19,990**

**2012 CHRYSLER 300**

Limited RWD, 32, 961 miles Stk#7192114P

**\$19,995**

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**Huge Yard Sale**  
Friday & Saturday  
Nov. 15th & 16th  
8:00 to 2:00  
1946 SW 8th St.  
Clean Name Brand Clothing, Baby Items, Sound Bar, Books, Toys, Household Items, Lots of Misc.

**OKEECHOBEE** - 458 US Highway 98, November 16, 2013, 8:00-12:00. The Annual 4-H Yard Sale. The sale will be held in the parking lot of the Okeechobee County Extension Office. Household items, books, toys, and clothes will be among the many items for sale.

**Treasure Island** - Sat. 11/16. 3044 SE. 35th Ave. 8am-2pm. New portable dishwasher, hot tub, antique chairs, above ground swimming pool, & HH goods.

### Garage/Yard Sales

**We Buy Estates**  
Antiques, Collectibles, Household, Tools, Jewelry and etc.  
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**YARD SALE**  
ALL MUST GO 1177 LAKE DRIVE BUCKHEAD RIDGE, FRIDAY 15TH AND SATURDAY 16TH, 8:00AM - 1:00PM

**Yard Sale Huge Multi Family** Friday Nov. 15th & Saturday Nov. 16th  
8:30 am - 3:00 pm  
NO EARLY BIRDS PLEASE.

312 S.E. 8th Drive, Household items, furniture, clothing, toys, shelving, tools, girls 12v (2) seat Escalade \$150.00. Many more great treasures.

**YARD SALE SAT. NOV. 16TH, 8-2, 500 SW 5TH AVE LOCATED BETWEEN CENTRAL ELEM. AND FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. HOME DECOR, BEDDING, TOWELS, HOLIDAY DECORATIONS**

### Services

**CAREGIVER** - Christian, mature lady, Okeechobee resident for 39 years, patient as a Saint. Will care for your mother, father, loved one, in your home. Go shopping, clean, drive, give showers, read to them. I have many references. Call 863-467-2614 for interview appointment.

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**UP TO \$100 each** for Okeechobee County Florida License Plate Before 1964 Beginning with 57. Rusty Bent Tags OK. Jeff Francis 727-424-1576 email [gobucs13@aol.com](mailto:gobucs13@aol.com) www.floridalicenseplates.com

### Employment

#### Caregivers

**CAREGIVER NEEDED** - Day & Night hours available. \$8 per hour. Detailed background check & good driving record a must. Please call (863)467-0627 for an interview.

#### Employment Full Time

**SEEKING PRODUCTION MANAGER** for our new automated feed mill in Okeechobee, Florida. Responsible for Production/QC/Maintenance, managing mill personnel, computer skills are required. SEND RESUME TO: [unitedfeedco@embarqmail.com](mailto:unitedfeedco@embarqmail.com)

**CLASS A CDL DRIVER** wanted 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.

**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.

Time to clean out the attic, basement and/or garage? Advertise your yard sale in the classifieds and make your clean up a breeze!

**Drivers: \$5,000 Sign-On Bonus!** Great Pay! Consistent Freight, Great Miles on this Regional Account. Werner Enterprises: 1-855-517-2488

**Raulerson Hospital** Housekeeping Supervisor position. Please apply in person @1796 Hwy 441 N M-F 9 to 5. EEO

### Employment Full Time

**Kissimmee River Restoration Project S-65EX1**  
Cajun Constructors is hiring concrete laborers. Workers should have some experience with concrete and formwork. 11.36 per hour and a six day work schedule. Overtime will be paid after 40 hrs. Call 863-357-0022 or apply @ 2403 SW Ruck's Dairy Road, Okeechobee, FL 34974

**Mechanic wanted**  
Alan Jay Chrysler in Clewiston is looking for an experienced technician. Health insurance, 401k, paid vacations, uniforms, ongoing training available. Must have valid drivers license. Sign on bonus. Alan Jay Automotive Network is a drug free work place. Apply in person to Dave Bohlen@ 202 W. Sugarland Hwy Clewiston, Fl.

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### Employment Part Time

**Grand Oaks Assisted Living Community**  
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Buying a car? Look in the classifieds. Selling a car? Look in the classifieds.

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### Financial

#### Business Opportunities

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### 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.

Love the earth Recycle your used items by selling them in the classifieds.

### Merchandise

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**FOR SALE KENMORE 30" SELF CLEAN, CERAMIC TOP RANGE, BLACK TOP, THE REST BISQUE/WHITE WORKS PERFECTLY \$149.00** CALL 863-763-1734 OR 618-292-8803

#### Wanted To Buy

**WILL PAY UP TO \$125.00 FOR 1928 OHIO AUTO LICENSE PLATE** CALL 863-484-0011

### Rentals

#### Apartments

**Large Tiled APT** in town. 2/2, w/d hook up, lawn maint included, \$750 + \$300 sec. (863) 634-3572.

**OKEECHOBEE** - 1/1, New floor covering, clean, furnished, cable, Wi-Fi, elec, satellite W/D incld. \$600/mo plus sec (863)467-1950

#### Houses - Rent

**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, \$1325/mo. 1st, last & sec. Call (561)723-2226

**OKEE- 2/1** - \$498.00 and 3/2 - \$ 625.00 - Newly updated 12 miles N.E. of town center. Lawn, pest, trash and water included Call for details. Mon -Fri. No Pets 863-467-9800.

### Houses - Rent

**Dixie Ranch Estates**, 3 bedroom 2 bath cbs house, all tile, fenced yard, 1 small pet okay, \$750.00 plus security deposit to move in. Please call 561-596-1344 ask for Fred available November 15th

**Newly remodeled & painted** 3bdm/1b. house in Dixie Ranch Estates. \$800.00 First, Last & Security No Pets. 863-634-2820

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

**Okeechobee- 1600 SW 3rd Ave 3bed/1.5bath** CBS House, close to everything, tile floors, xtra computer room \$850/mo. \$2,000 to move in.

**Okeechobee- 907 SW 2nd Ave 2/2 house**, back screened porch \$700/mo. \$1,500 to move in. 863-634-0512

**SMALL** - 1BR, 1 1/2BA, Lg. storage room, newly decorated, kitchen remodeled, all new appliances. SW 7th Ave., \$550/mo. 1st, last & sec. dep. (863)357-1197 or (863)397-7947

### Office Space Rent

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### Rooms To Rent

**ROOM FOR RENT**, ELEC., CABLE, AC INCLUDED \$300.00 A MONTH 863-447-0632 WHISPERING PINES

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# Real Estate

## Houses - Sale

**3bd/2ba CBS** Dixie Ranch Acres, 2 car garage, pool, privacy fence, hurricane safe windows, screened patio, quiet neighborhood. For appt. to see Call 772-285-1904

**FISHING CABIN FOR SALE** TWO LOTS W/SMALL HOUSE ON CANAL IN LAKEPORT. LOT#35&36, LITTLE SARASOTA WATERFRONT, SIZE 100' ACROSS BY 60' DEEP. POSSIBLE OWNER FINANCE. (863)228-2569

## Land - Sale

**NW 72nd Ave.** Okeechobee 40 Acres vacant land. \$70,000 Call 772-201-1115

## Lots - Sale

**1/2 Acre Lot**, fenced, oak trees, house or mobile home ok, off of 15A & 710 Hwy. One mile to Lake. \$21,000 Call 863-610-1600

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**LOT FOR SALE- BIG "O" RV RESORT A FRIENDLY, ACTIVE, 55+ PARK OKEECHOBEE, FL.** ASKING \$35,000 CALL 716-665-8979

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## Mobile Homes

## Mobile Home Rent

**2/2 MH WITH REC. ROOM, SCREEN ROOM, FRONT PORCH, WASHER/DRYER, EXCELLENT DOWNTOWN LOCATION** \$650/MO. 863-697-3898

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## Mobile Home Rent

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## Mobile Home Sale

**1/2 MOBILE HOME W/FLORIDA ROOM, LOTS OF UPDATES.** MUST SEE STEPHENS WINTER RESORT ADULT PARK 78W 1/4 MILE E OF RIVER, LOT#7 863-623-4060

**2bd/2ba, 10's** of thousands of tile and marble upgrades including 66ft of screened porches, attached carport, detached garage, located by boat ramp to lake O. \$18,000 425-327-0204

**FOR SALE 2 BED/2 BATH MOBILE HOME IN SEMINOLE COVE 55+ PARK.** LOTS OF UPDATES, FURNISHED, IMMEDIATE POSSESSION. \$84,500 CALL 815-716-0872

**NEWLY RENOVATED** Homes for sale in small park. Cheaper than paying rent. Call 239-246-6301 or 863-517-5111

**Older Single Wide** in 55+ Park, w/screened room, porch and dock on Taylor Creek. 1/2 mile from Walmart \$8,000. or best offer Call 828-208-0980

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## Recreation

## Campers/RVs

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

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# Automotive

## Autos Wanted

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

# Public Notices

## Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 13000230CAAXMX**

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff  
VS.  
ANTHONY R. CHAPMAN, et al Defendant(s)

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 2, 2013, entered in Civil Case Number 13000230CAAXMX, in the Circuit Court for Okeechobee County, Florida, wherein SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC. is the Plaintiff, and ANTHONY R. CHAPMAN, et al. are the Defendants, Okeechobee County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in Okeechobee County, Florida, described as:

Lot 8 of Block 4, OAK PARK, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 3, public records of Okeechobee County, Florida.

at public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room, Second Floor, Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 N.W. Third Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972 at 11:00 AM, on the 11th day of December, 2013. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated: October 3, 2013.  
SHARON ROBERTSON  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Sandra L. Creech  
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Corrie Johnson, ADA Coordinator, 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

**SI usted es una persona discapacitada que necesita alguna adaptacion para poder participar de este procedimiento o evento; usted tiene derecho, sin costo alguno a que se le provea cierta ayuda. Favor de comunicarse con Corrie Johnson, Coordinadora de A.D.A., 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 por lo menos 7 dias antes de que tenga que comparecer en corte o inmediatamente despues de haber recibido esta notificacion si es que falta menos de 7 dias para su comparecencia. Si tiene una discapacidad auditiva o de habla, llame al 711. Si ou se yon moun ki kokobe ki bezwen asistans ou apreye pou ou ka patipise nan prosedu sa-a, ou gen dwa san ou pa bezwen peye anyen pou ou jwen on seri de ed. Tanpri kontakte Corrie Johnson, Co-ordinator ADA, 250 NW Country Club Drive, suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 O'mwen 7 jou avan ke ou gen pou-ou parent nan tribunal, ou imediatman ke ou resewa avis sa-a ou si le ke ou gen pou-ou ale nan tribunal-la mwens ke 7 jou; Si ou pa ka tande ou pale byen, rele 711.**

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# Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 47-2009-CA-000711**

OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC., Plaintiff,  
VS.  
MICHAEL R. BRAMAN AND PATRICIA A. BRAMAN, et.al. Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 05/20/2013, and entered in 47-2009-CA-000711 of the Circuit Court of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, wherein OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC., is the Plaintiff and PATRICIA A. BRAMAN; MICHAEL R. BRAMAN; BLUE HERON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANTS are the Defendant(s), Sharon Robertson as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room, 2nd Fl., Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 NW 3rd St., Okeechobee, FL 34972, at 11:00 AM on **DECEMBER 4, 2013**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT 116, BLUE HERON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB, PHASE II ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 59 AND 60, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 18TH day of OCTOBER, 2013.  
Sharon Robertson  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: Sandra L. Creech  
As Deputy Clerk

**IMPORTANT**  
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Corrie Johnson, ADA Coordinator, 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2009-CA-000673**

ONEWEST BANK, FSB Plaintiff(s),  
vs.  
RONALD J. GUNCHEON; et al., Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated JULY 23, 2013, and entered in Case No. 2009-CA-000673 of the Circuit Court of the 19TH Judicial Circuit in and for OKEECHOBEE County, Florida, wherein ONEWEST BANK, FSB is the Plaintiff and RONALD J. GUNCHEON the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room on the 2nd floor, of the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 11th day of DECEMBER 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Order of Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT 190, OF TREASURE ISLAND UNIT NO. ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 57, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the

# Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 47 2012 CA 515**

TD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,  
VS.  
DANA E. SALSER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DANA E. SALSER; ANCIENT OAKS R.V. RESORT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.; LINDA L. SALSER; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE, unknown parties in possession, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 10, 2013 (the "Judgment"), entered in Civil Case No. 47 2012 CA 515 of the Circuit Court of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, in which TD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, is Plaintiff and DANA E. SALSER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DANA E. SALSER n/k/a LINDA LOU SALSER and ANCIENT OAKS R.V. RESORT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., are Defendants.

The Clerk of Court will sell the Property as defined in the Judgment and as set forth below at a public sale on December 11, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. to the "highest bidder," for cash in the Jury Assembly Room at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 2nd Floor, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

The "highest bidder" for purposes of this Notice of Sale, is defined as the party who bids the largest amount of money to purchase the Property (as defined below) and who completes the sale in a timely fashion, as hereinafter set out. The one who bids the largest amount of money to purchase the Property (as defined below) shall be permitted to complete the sale by delivering to the Clerk, the balance of such bid, over and above the deposit, by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the sale.

The following property located in Okeechobee, Florida, is the subject of this Notice of Sale:

**Lot 18, Block 3 of Ancient Oaks R.V. Resort No. 1, a Condominium, including a 1/146th per each lot undivided interest in and to the common elements thereof, all in accordance with and subject to all the terms, provisions, conditions, rights, privileges, obligations, easements, and liens of and as set forth in that certain Declaration of Condominium of Ancient Oaks R.V. Resort No. 1, a condominium, and all its exhibits and attachments, as recorded in Official Records Book 255, Page 916-1045, et seq., including the first amendment to the Declaration of Condominium as recorded in Official Record Book 348, Page 1548, et seq, and all exhibits and amendments thereof, of the Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida**

**TOGETHER WITH A 1986 Park Model Single Wide Mobile Home Vin # 48610611V**

together with all existing or subsequently erected or affixed buildings, improvements, and fixtures (the "Property").

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

DATED on October 14, 2013.  
SHARON ROBERTSON  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
By: Sandra L. Creech  
Deputy Clerk

455345 ON 11/13,20/2013

# Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 47 2012 CA 515**

TD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,  
VS.  
DANA E. SALSER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DANA E. SALSER; ANCIENT OAKS R.V. RESORT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.; LINDA L. SALSER; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE, unknown parties in possession, Defendants.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 10, 2013 (the "Judgment"), entered in Civil Case No. 47 2012 CA 515 of the Circuit Court of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, in which TD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, is Plaintiff and DANA E. SALSER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DANA E. SALSER n/k/a LINDA LOU SALSER and ANCIENT OAKS R.V. RESORT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., are Defendants.

The Clerk of Court will sell the Property as defined in the Judgment and as set forth below at a public sale on December 11, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. to the "highest bidder," for cash in the Jury Assembly Room at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 2nd Floor, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

The "highest bidder" for purposes of this Notice of Sale, is defined as the party who bids the largest amount of money to purchase the Property (as defined below) and who completes the sale in a timely fashion, as hereinafter set out. The one who bids the largest amount of money to purchase the Property (as defined below) shall be permitted to complete the sale by delivering to the Clerk, the balance of such bid, over and above the deposit, by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the sale.

The following property located in Okeechobee, Florida, is the subject of this Notice of Sale:

**Lot 18, Block 3 of Ancient Oaks R.V. Resort No. 1, a Condominium, including a 1/146th per each lot undivided interest in and to the common elements thereof, all in accordance with and subject to all the terms, provisions, conditions, rights, privileges, obligations, easements, and liens of and as set forth in that certain Declaration of Condominium of Ancient Oaks R.V. Resort No. 1, a condominium, and all its exhibits and attachments, as recorded in Official Records Book 255, Page 916-1045, et seq., including the first amendment to the Declaration of Condominium as recorded in Official Record Book 348, Page 1548, et seq, and all exhibits and amendments thereof, of the Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida**

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together with all existing or subsequently erected or affixed buildings, improvements, and fixtures (the "Property").

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

DATED on October 14, 2013.  
SHARON ROBERTSON  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
By: Sandra L. Creech  
Deputy Clerk

455345 ON 11/13,20/2013

# Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE #: 2009 CA 000011**

Federal National Mortgage Association ("FNMA") Plaintiff,  
-VS.-  
Joseph A. Underhill, III, a/k/a Joseph A. Underhill; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for GMAC Mortgage Corporation d/b/a dtcc.com; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; Unknown Parties in Possession #2; If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order dated September 27, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2009 CA 000011 of the Circuit Court of the 19th Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, wherein Federal National Mortgage Association, Plaintiff and Joseph A. Underhill, III a/k/a Joseph A. Underhill are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Sharon Robertson, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at **Jury Assembly Room, on the Second Floor, of the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 N.W. Third Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972** beginning at **11:00 A.M. on December 4, 2013**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

BEING A PORTION OF LOT 37 OF BLOCK 4 OF CONNERS GABLES SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 71 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
COMMENCE AT THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, RUN EAST ON THE SECTION LINE 44 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES, 14 MINUTES, 10 SECONDS WEST 299.73 FEET; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 0 DEGREES, 14 MINUTES, 30 SECONDS WEST ON THE EAST BOUNDARY OF COUNTY ROAD A DISTANCE OF 925.01 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 12 DEGREES, 45 MINUTES, 30 SECONDS EAST ON EAST BOUNDARY OF COUNTY ROAD 46.56 FEET TO SOUTH BOUNDARY OF LOT 36, BLOCK 4, CONNERS GABLES SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 71, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES, 53 MINUTES, 45 SECONDS EAST ON SOUTH BOUNDARY OF LOTS 36 AND 37, BLOCK 4, A DISTANCE OF 671.53 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; FROM POINT OF BEGINNING RUN EAST 150 FEET; THENCE NORTH 290.40 FEET; THENCE WEST 150 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 290.40 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING; LYING IN SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

**Florida Rules of Judicial Administration Rule 2.540 Notices to Persons With Disabilities**

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Corrie Johnson, ADA Coordinator, 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

**SPANISH:** Si usted es una persona discapacitada que necesita alguna adaptacion para poder participar de este procedimiento o evento; usted tiene derecho, sin costo alguno a que se le provea cierta ayuda. Favor de comunicarse con Corrie Johnson, Coordinadora de A.D.A., 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 por lo menos 7 dias antes de que tenga que comparecer en corte o inmediatamente despues de haber recibido esta notificacion si es que falta menos de 7 dias para su comparecencia. Si tiene una discapacidad auditiva o de habla, llame al 711.

**KREYOL:** Si ou se yon moun ki kokobe ki bezwen asistans ou apreye pou ou ka patipise nan prosedu sa-a, ou gen dwa san ou pa bezwen peye anyen pou ou jwen on seri de ed. Tanpri kontakte Corrie Johnson, Co-ordinator ADA, 250 NW Country Club Drive, suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 O'mwen 7 jou avan ke ou gen pou-ou parent nan tribunal, ou imediatman ke ou resewa avis sa-a ou si le ke ou gen pou-ou ale nan tribunal-la mwens ke 7 jou; Si ou pa ka tande ou pale byen, rele 711.

Sharon Robertson  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
Okeechobee County, Florida  
By: Sandra L. Creech  
Deputy Clerk of Court

454535 ON 11/6,13/2013

# Public Notice

**EXTENSION OF EXISTING LEASE TERM CATTLE LEASE OPERATION OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

The South Florida Water Management District, B-1 Building, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406, will be extending the term of a cattle lease number 4600002051 for approximately 4,465.22 acres more or less, located in:

Section 19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, Township 36 South, Range 35 East, Okeechobee County, Florida

Further information on this extension can be obtained by contacting **Sharon Rose, Sr. Contract Specialist, Procurement Bureau at: (561) 882-2167.** 455781 ON 10/30;11/6,13/2013

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES OF THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE WILL MEET TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2013 IN ROOM 302 OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT 3209 VIRGINIA AVENUE, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA 34981-5596.

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE -1:30 P.M.  
PHYSICAL PLANT COMMITTEE -1:45 P.M.  
BOARD POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE-2:30 P.M.

ANY PERSONS SEEKING TO APPEAL THE DECISIONS OF THE BOARD WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT SUCH MEETING WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING IS MADE. 456720 ON 11/13/2013

## 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 policies listed below at their meeting on Tuesday, December 13, 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 amendments are available in the Superintendent's Office, Room 307, 700 S.W. 2nd Avenue, Okeechobee.

- Amendment of Board Policy 5.27 Homeless Students**  
I. This policy provides requirements for the education of homeless students.
- The proposed amendment updates the policy to comply with legislation that provides a definition of Certified Homeless Youth.
- Legal authority for this policy is F.S. 1001.41, 1001.42, 1003.21. Laws implemented are F.S. 382.002, 1000.21, 1001.43, 1003.01, 1003.21, 1003.22; McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, P.L. 100-77; No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, P.L. 107-110.
- This policy amendment will not affect individuals from an economic standpoint.

- Amendment of Board Policy 6.70 Personnel Files**  
I. This policy provides guidelines and requirements for records in personnel files.
- The proposed amendment brings the policy into agreement with current statutes governing instructional personnel files.
- Legal authority for this policy is F.S. 1001.41, 1012.22, 1012.23. Laws implemented are F.S. 112.08(7), 119.07, 119.071, 441.85(10), 1001.32, 1012.31; 34 CFR 99 (FERPA), 45 CFR 164 (HIPAA).
- This policy amendment will not affect individuals from an economic standpoint.

- Amendment of Board Policy 6.90 School Board Employees with HIV, Aids, or other Communicable Diseases**  
I. This policy provides general guidelines regarding employee protection from exposure to infection diseases and accommodations for infected employees.
- The proposed amendment brings the policy into agreement with current statutes.
- Legal authority for this policy is F.S. 1001.41, 1001.42, 1012.22, 1012.23. Laws implemented are F.S. 381.0098, 1001.43, 1012.27, 1013.12, 1013.42.
- This policy amendment will not affect individuals from an economic standpoint.

Ken Kenworthy  
Superintendent of Schools  
456123 ON 11/13/2013

provision of certain assistance. Please contact Corrie Johnson, ADA Coordinator, 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. 452779 ON 11/13,20/2013

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case #: 2010 CA 000364

Greenwich Investors XLIII Trust 2013-1 Plaintiff, -vs. Tony G. Huet a/k/a Tony G. Huet, III; Okeechobee County, Florida Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order dated October 1, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2010 CA 000364 of the Circuit Court of the 19th Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, wherein Greenwich Investors XLIII Trust 2013-1, Plaintiff and Tony G. Huet a/k/a Tony G. Huet, III are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Sharon Robertson, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room, on the Second Floor, of the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 N.W. Third Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972 beginning at 11:00 A.M. on DECEMBER 11, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

BEING A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE WEST-QUARTER CORNER OF SAID SECTION 21; BEAR SOUTH 89 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 31 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 21, FOR A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF A PARCEL OF LAND, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 226, PAGE 1623, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 31 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS 226, PAGE 1623, FOR A DISTANCE OF 6.00 FEET TO A POINT LYING ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF S.E. 80TH AVENUE (A/K/A B & B MCARTHUR ROAD); THENCE BEAR NORTH 89 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, FOR A DISTANCE OF 562.81 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 00 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, FOR A DISTANCE OF 400.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE BEAR SOUTH 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST, FOR A DISTANCE OF 1089.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE BEAR SOUTH 00 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, PARALLEL WITH THE SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF S.E. 80TH AVENUE, FOR A DISTANCE OF 400.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE BEAR NORTH 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST, FOR A DISTANCE OF 1089.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

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Sharon Robertson CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Okeechobee County, Florida BY: Sandra L. Crech DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT ATTY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO, FISHMAN & GACHE, LLP 2424 North Federal Highway, Suite 360 Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (561) 998-6700 (561) 998-6707 PUBLISH: 454546 ON 11/13/2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: 2012-CA-300

SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BIG LAKE NATIONAL BANK Plaintiff,

WAYTOVICH, DECEASED are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the OKEECHOBEE COUNTY JUDICIAL CENTER, 312 NW 3rd Street, JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, OKEECHOBEE, FLORIDA 34972, at 11:00 a.m. on the 11th day of December, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

DEBORAH D. WAYTOVICH A/K/A DEBORAH D. EASTRIDGE; FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 n/k/a WALLY KLAY; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 n/k/a BECKY WAGONEER; RUSSELL PAUL WAYTOVICH, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED; RUSSELL PAUL WAYTOVICH, INDIVIDUALLY AS HEIR OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED; AND JOSHUA ROBERT WAYTOVICH, INDIVIDUALLY AS HEIR OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 27, 2013, and entered in Case No. 2012-CA-300, of the Circuit Court of the 19th Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, wherein SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK, is the Plaintiff and DEBORAH D. WAYTOVICH A/K/A DEBORAH D. EASTRIDGE; FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 n/k/a WALLY KLAY; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 n/k/a BECKY WAGONEER; RUSSELL PAUL WAYTOVICH, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED; RUSSELL PAUL WAYTOVICH, INDIVIDUALLY AS HEIR OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED; AND JOSHUA ROBERT WAYTOVICH, INDIVIDUALLY AS HEIR OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 27, 2013, and entered in Case No. 2012-CA-300, of the Circuit Court of the 19th Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, wherein SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK, is the Plaintiff and DEBORAH D. WAYTOVICH A/K/A DEBORAH D. EASTRIDGE; FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 n/k/a WALLY KLAY; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 n/k/a BECKY WAGONEER; RUSSELL PAUL WAYTOVICH, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED; RUSSELL PAUL WAYTOVICH, INDIVIDUALLY AS HEIR OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED; AND JOSHUA ROBERT WAYTOVICH, INDIVIDUALLY AS HEIR OF RUSSELL D. WAYTOVICH, DECEASED, Defendants.

LOT 78, OUSLEY ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGES 36 AND 37, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH 1990 GLEN HS VIN#FLK79A087946L & #FLK79B087946L. Property address: 4300 SW 16th Avenue, Okeechobee, FL 34974 ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Corrie Johnson, ADA coordinator, 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port Saint Lucie, FL 34986 (772) 807-4370 within 2 working days of your receipt of this Notice if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Dated the 15 day of October 2013. SHARON ROBERTSON Clerk of Circuit Court BY: Sandra L. Crech Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff: Devin R. Maxwell, Esq.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2011-CA-413

2010-1 RAD/CADC VENTURE, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Plaintiff,

vs. ROYAL PROFESSIONAL BUILDERS, INC., a Florida corporation, WALLACE D. SANGER, an individual, PALM VILLAGE RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., an inactive Florida non-profit corporation, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, including all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the above named or described Defendants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Stipulated Final Judgment of Foreclosure (In Rem Only) entered on September 23, 2013, in Case No. 2011-CA-413 of the Circuit Court of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, wherein Plaintiff is 2010-1 RAD/CADC PROPERTY I, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and Defendants are ROYAL PROFESSIONAL BUILDERS, INC., a Florida corporation, et al., the Clerk of Court of Okeechobee County, Florida will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 North-West Third Street, Jury Assembly Room - 2nd Floor, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, at 11:00 a.m. EST, on the 4th day of December, 2013, the following described real and personal property as set forth in said Stipulated Final Judgment of Foreclosure to-wit:

EXHIBIT "A" LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THE EAST 10.24 ACRES OF THAT PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 500, PAGE 754, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA LYING NORTH OF SOUTHWEST 6TH STREET AND SOUTH OF SOUTH PARK STREET IN SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHWEST 6TH STREET, SAID POINT BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THAT PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 452 PAGE 1439; THENCE SOUTH 89°48'47" WEST, ALONG THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHWEST 6TH STREET, A DISTANCE OF 285.13 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°09'05" WEST, DEPARTING SAID NORTH LINE, ALONG A LINE PARALLEL TO THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE SEA BOARD COAST LINE RAILROAD AS LOCATED ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 500, PAGE 754, TO THE INTERSECTION WITH A LINE AND THE EXTENSION THEREOF, 100.0 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF THE LAND DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 293 PAGE 257, A DISTANCE OF 994.54 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°49'33" EAST, ALONG A LINE PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 293 PAGE 257, TO THE INTERSECTION WITH A LINE LYING 70.0 FEET EAST OF AND PARALLEL TO THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID PARCEL DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 293 PAGE 257, A DISTANCE OF 49.69 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°07'58" WEST, ALONG SAID LINE AND THE EXTENSION THEREOF LYING 70.0 FEET EAST OF THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 293 PAGE 257, A DISTANCE OF 537.64 FEET TO A POINT ON A NON-TANGENT CURVE AND THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHWEST 2ND STREET, THROUGH WHICH A RADIAL LINE BEARS NORTH 33°24'04" WEST, SAID CURVE BEING CONVEX TO THE NORTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 414.00 FEET; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY, ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 47°12'31", ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHWEST 2ND STREET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTH PARK STREET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 341.19 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°49'33" EAST, ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTH PARK STREET, A DISTANCE OF 23.95 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE SEA BOARD COAST LINE RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY; THENCE SOUTH 00°09'05" EAST, DEPARTING SAID SOUTH LINE, ALONG THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE SEA BOARD COAST LINE RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY, A DISTANCE OF 1,040.16 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°50'55" EAST, DEPARTING SAID WEST LINE, ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE SEA BOARD COAST LINE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND THE SOUTH LINE OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 463 PAGE 1488, A DISTANCE OF 80.00 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 316 PAGE 1436; THENCE SOUTH 00°09'05" EAST, DEPARTING SAID SOUTH LINE, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 316 PAGE 1436, A DISTANCE OF 693.33 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THAT PARCEL DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 452 PAGE 1439; THENCE SOUTH 89°48'47" WEST, DEPARTING SAID WEST LINE, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, A DISTANCE OF 50.00 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 452 PAGE 1439; THENCE SOUTH 00°09'05" EAST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID PARCEL DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 452 PAGE 1439, A DISTANCE OF 76.17 FEET TO A POINT ON SAID NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHWEST 6TH STREET, AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 445,984.29 SQUARE FEET OR 10.238 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. Dated this 27th day of September, 2013.

SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF COURT, OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY: Sandra L. Crech Deputy Clerk

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MAXWELL & MAXWELL, P.A. Florida Bar No.: 172693 405 NW 3rd Street Okeechobee, Florida 34972 (863) 763-1119 - Telephone 454536 ON 11/13,20/2013

IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BIG LAKE NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff,

vs. KAREN A. DAVIS, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, MACON COUNTY

IN THE DISTRICT COURT, CASE NO. 13-CVD-462 KEITH ALAN BATES VS. LESLEE MARIE BATES

TO: LESLEE MARIE BATES

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is custody of the minor children of the marriage. You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than December 11, 2013 and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This the 31st day of October, 2013. Bradley S. Tisdale Attorney for the Plaintiff 26 Jotta Street Franklin, NC 28734 828-349-6400 4516126 ON 11/6,13,20/2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CASE NO. 472013CA000310

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 472012CA000340CAXXXX

BEACH COMMUNITY BANK, a Florida state chartered bank, Plaintiff, vs. WATER'S EDGE MOTOR COACH RESORT, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

472012CA000340CAXXXX of the Circuit Court of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, wherein WATER'S EDGE MOTOR COACH RESORT, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, TELEHAR CORP, a Florida corporation, LYNCH PAVING & CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. J&L CUSTOM CONSTRUCTION, INC., a Florida corporation, DRMP, INC., a Florida corporation, F/K/A DYER, RIDDE, HILLS, & PRECOURT, INC., a Florida corporation, CHARLIE'S LAWN & LANDSCAPE OF THE STATE AREA, INC., a Florida corporation, SOLID FLORIDA CUSTOM POOLS, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, and WATER'S EDGE MOTOR COACH RESORT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC. are the Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at 11:00 a.m. on the 4th day of December, 2013, at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 2nd Floor, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida, 34972, the following described property as set forth in said Amended Final Judgment, to wit: Lots 9 and 10, Block B, Lakeview Subdivision, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, page 1, Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida.

ALSO: Lot 29, Less the North 10 feet and all of Lot 30, Block B, LAKEVIEW SUBDIVISION, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page(s) 1, Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida. ALSO: Begin at the Hancock Meander corner on section line between Sections 23 and 24, Township 38 South, Range 36 East; run thence South 42 degrees 58' West to the South line of State Road # 15 (also known as Conners Highway) for the point of beginning; said point being 50 feet measured at right angles from the center line of said State Road #15; run thence South 42 degrees 58' West to the 17 foot water level of Lake Okeechobee; run thence North 37 degrees 05' West 101.5 feet; run thence North 42 degrees 58' West 259.1 feet to the intersection with the South line of State Road #15, and point of intersection being 50 feet measured at right angles from the center line of said State Road #15; run thence Southeasterly along the South line of said State Road #15 to the point of beginning. ALSO:

Commencing at the Hancock Meander corner, between said Sections 23 and 24, Township 38 South, Range 36 East, and bear South 44°25'54" West a distance of 420.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence bear South 31°19'59" East on a line parallel to the Southwesterly line of Lots 14 and 15, Block 9, Plat of Farm Lands of Consolidated Land Company, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 5, Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida, a distance of 224.59 feet to a point; thence North 42°03'04" East a distance of 198.79 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way of State Road 15; thence bear North 32°44'41" West along said Southerly right of way line a distance of 214.83 feet; thence bear South 44°24'54" West a distance of 191.02 feet to the point of beginning. ALSO:

Commencing at the Hancock Meander corner between Sections 23 and 24, Township 38 South, Range 36 East, and bear South 44°25'54" West a distance of 420.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence bear South 31°19'59" East on a line parallel to the Southwesterly line of Lots 14 and 15, Block 9, Plat of Farm Lands of Consolidated Land Company, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 5, Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida, a distance of 224.59 feet to a point; thence bear South 42°03'04" West to the intersection with the 17 foot contour line of Lake Okeechobee; thence bear Northwesterly along said 17 foot contour line to a point lying South 44°24'54" West of the point of beginning; thence bear North 44°24'54" East to the Point of Beginning. ALSO:

A portion of reclaimed lake bottom lying in fractional Section 23, Township 38 South, Range 36 East, Okeechobee County, Florida and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Hancock Meander corner lying on the East line of said Section 23 (also being the West line of Section 24); thence South 43°53'31" West, a distance of 245.15 feet to the Southwesterly right of way (R/W) line of State Road #15 (100' in width); thence continue South 43°53'31" West, a distance of 319.02 feet to the 17 foot contour line of Lake Okeechobee as established by the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) as per South Florida Water Management District R/W and top map for Levee 47 - Section 2, DWG. No. L-47-4, Sheet 4 of 8, dated 3/22/65; thence continue South 43°53'31" West, a distance of 57.68 feet to the Southwesterly R/W line of Levee 147; thence North 34°17'45" West along said Southwesterly R/W line of Levee 147, a distance of 201.44 feet; thence North 56°44'25" East along the Southwesterly extension of the Southerly line of the North 10.00 feet of Lot 29, Lakeview Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 1, of the Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida, a distance of 49.52 feet to the intersection with the aforesaid 17 foot contour line of Lake Okeechobee; thence South 36°24'18" East along said contour line, a distance of 188.86 feet to the point of beginning. ALSO:

A parcel of land lying in fractional Section 23, Township 38 South, Range 36 East, Okeechobee County, Florida being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Hancock Meander corner lying on the East line of said Section 23 (also being the West line of Section 24); thence South 43°53'31" West, a distance of 245.15 feet to the Southwesterly right of way (R/W) line of State Road #15 (100' in width); thence continue South 43°53'31" West, a distance of 319.02 feet to the 17 foot contour line of Lake Okeechobee as established by the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) as per South Florida Water Management District R/W and top map for Levee 47 - Section 2, DWG. No. L-47-4, Sheet 4 of 8, dated 3/22/65; thence North 36°24'18" West along said 17 foot contour line, a distance of 90.46 feet to the Southwesterly extension of the Southerly line of the North 10.00 feet of Lot 29, Block B, Lakeview Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 1, of the Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida; thence North 56°44'25" East along said Southwesterly extension of the South line of the North 10.00 feet of Lot 29, Block B, a distance of 66.75 feet to the Southerly line of Lot 29, Block B; thence South 34°50'27" East along said Southerly line of Lot 29, Block B, a distance of 75.79 feet to the Southermost corner of said Lot 29 and the Northwesterly line of that parcel of land described in O.R. Book 265, Page 1316, of the aforesaid Public Records of Okeechobee County; thence South 43°53'31" West along said Northwesterly line, a distance of 65.52 feet to the point of beginning. ALSO: Lots 8 and 11, Block B, Lakeview Subdivision, according to the map or Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 1, Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida. ALSO:

Commence at the Hancock Meander between Sections 23 and 24, Township 38 South, Range 36 East, Okeechobee County, Florida and bear South 44 degrees 25' 54" West a distance of 420 feet to a point; thence bear South 31 degrees 19' 39" East on a line parallel to the Southwesterly line of Lots 14 and 15, Block 9, Consolidated Land Company, a distance of 224.59 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 31° 19' 39" East a distance of 224.38 feet to a point; thence bear North 39 degrees 51' 15" East a distance of 206.82 feet to a point on the Southerly Right of Way line of State Road 15; thence bear North 32 degrees 44' 41" West along said Southerly Right of Way line a distance of 214.82 feet; thence bear South 42 degrees 03' 04" West a distance of 198.79 feet to the Point of Beginning. LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING:

Unit No. 27, Waters Edge Motor Coach Resort, a Condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium filed February 28, 2011, and recorded in O.R. Book 697, Page 1846, and also being recorded in Condominium Plat Book 1, Page 61 through 64, inclusive, all of the Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida.

Subject to the Mortgagee's Consent to the dedication of the streets, retention areas, easements, storm drainage system and utilities, as shown on Condominium Plat Book 1, Pages 61-64, Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida to the use of Water's Edge Motor Coach Resort Condominium Association, Inc. AS WELL AS:

- (a) All buildings, structures, and improvements of every nature whatsoever now or hereafter situated on the above described real property ("Land"), and all fixtures, fittings, building materials, machinery, equipment, furniture and furnishings and all personal property of every nature whatsoever used or intended to be used in connection with or with the operation of said property, buildings, structures, or other improvements, including all extensions, additions, improvements, betterments, renewals, substitutions, replacements, and accessories to any of the foregoing, and whether such fixtures, fittings, building materials, machinery, equipment, furniture, furnishings and personal property actually are located on or adjacent to the Land or not, and whether in storage or otherwise, and wheresoever the same may be located (the "Improvements"); (b) All accounts, general intangibles, contracts and contract rights relating to the Land and Improvements, whether now owned or existing or hereafter created, acquired or arising, including without limitation, all construction contracts, architectural services contracts, management contracts, leasing agent contracts, purchase and sale contracts, part or other option contracts, and all other contracts and agreements relating to the construction of improvements on, or the operation, management and sale of all or any part of the Land and Improvements; (c) Together with all easements, rights of way, gores of land, streets, ways, alleys, passages, sewer rights, waters, water courses, water rights and powers, and all estates, leases, subleases, licenses, rights, titles, interests, privileges, liberties, tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances whatsoever, in any way belonging, relating, or appertaining to any of the property hereinabove described, or which thereafter shall in any way belong, relate or be appurtenant thereto, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever at law, as well as in equity, in and to the same, including but not limited to: (1) All rents, royalties, profits, issues and revenues of the Land and Improvements from time to time accruing, whether under leases or tenancies now existing or hereafter created; and (2) All judgments, awards of damages and settlements hereafter made resulting from condemnation proceedings or the taking of the Land and Improvements or any part thereof under the power of eminent domain, or for any damage (whether or not caused by such taking or otherwise) to the Land and Improvements or any part thereof, or to any rights appurtenant thereto, including any award for change of grade or streets. (d) All cash and non-cash proceeds and all products of any of the foregoing items or types of property described in (a), (b), (c) or (d) above, including, but not limited to, all insurance, contract and tort proceeds, and claims, and including all inventory, accounts, chattel papers, documents, instruments, equipment, fixtures, consumer goods and general intangibles acquired with cash proceeds of any of the foregoing items or types of property described in (a), (b), (c) or (d) above; (e) All construction contracts and agreements, now or hereafter existing, relating in any way to the construction of the Improvements; (f) All surveys of all or any part of the Premises now existing or hereafter made; (g) All architects' and/or engineers' contracts, drawings, plans, specifications, general contracts, AIA contracts, management agreements, surveys, bonds, sureties, permits, licenses, and other governmental approvals, and all amendments, revisions and modifications thereto, now or hereafter existing, relating in any way to the construction of the Improvements; (h) All environmental permits, wetlands permits, development orders, development of regional impact orders, conditional use permits and approvals, licenses, franchises, certificates of occupancy, permits, water and sewer taps, and all other governmental approvals pertaining or applicable to, or relating in any way to the present or future operation of the Premises, whether now or existing or hereafter arising; (i) All right, title and interest in or to any and all business or trade names now or hereafter used or adopted in connection with the Premises; (j) All unexpired warranties and guarantees covering the buildings, improvements, fixtures, appliances, equipment, personal property and other property described above; (k) All right, title and interest in and to all maintenance and service contracts relating to the Premises, whether now existing or hereafter arising; (l) All right, title, and interest in and to all equipment leases and other leases entered into with respect to the Premises, whether now existing or hereafter arising; (m) All payment and/or performance bonds now existing or hereafter entered into with respect to the construction of the Improvements; and (n) All right, title and interest in and to all permits, certificates, licenses, and approvals (collectively the "Permits") issued by, or agreements entered with, any governmental or private authority, person or agency relating to the ownership, development, construction, operation, maintenance, marketing, sale and use of the Land and Improvements as well as all rights and privileges heretofore, hereafter or otherwise arising in connection with or pertaining thereto, including without limitation, any right or privilege to sewer and water rights, reservations of sewer or water capacity, prepaid impact fees, wetlands mitigation credits and other agreements or rights relating to sewer, water, septic tanks, or other utilities and any right or privilege under any lease, contract, or other agreement with any third party pertaining to the ownership development, construction, operation, maintenance marketing, sale and use and in use thereof (collectively, the "Developer's Rights") and any and all plans and specifications (the "Plans and Specifications") prepared for or to be used in connection therewith.

Dated this 14th day of October, 2013. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT BY: Sandra L. Crech, DEPUTY CLERK

The Winig Law Firm, P.A. Attorney for Plaintiff and Third Party Purchaser 4400 Northcross Parkway Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33421 Telephone (561) 7144 Fax (561) 847-7118 Primary Email: swinig@winiglaw.com Secondary Email: Melissa@pbcountylegal.com BY: /s/ Steven L. Winig, Steven L. Winig, Esq; Fl. Bar. No. 374253 455321 ON 11/6,13/2013

MAKE: MERI ID NO: SW3668277424 & B Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 14th day of October, 2013. SHARON ROBERTSON CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY: Sandra L. Crech DEPUTY CLERK 455343 ON 11/13,20/2013

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 472012CA000340CAXXXX

BEACH COMMUNITY BANK, a Florida state chartered bank, Plaintiff, vs. WATER'S EDGE MOTOR COACH RESORT, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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ALSO: Lot 29, Less the North 10 feet and all of Lot 30, Block B, LAKEVIEW SUBDIVISION, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page(s) 1, Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida. ALSO: Begin at the Hancock Meander corner on section line between Sections 23 and 24, Township 38 South, Range 36 East; run thence South 42 degrees 58' West to the South line of State Road # 15 (also known as Conners Highway) for the point of beginning; said point being 50 feet measured at right angles from the center line of said State Road #15; run thence South 42 degrees 58' West to the 17 foot water level of Lake Okeechobee; run thence North 37 degrees 05' West 101.5 feet; run thence North 42 degrees 58' West 259.1 feet to the intersection with the South line

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Pursuant to the final decree of foreclosure entered in a case pending in said Court, docket number: 2013-CA-216, the style of which is: PRAIRIE ESTATES, LLC, Plaintiffs, VS. DREAMBUILDERS INVESTMENTS CLUB, INC., a dissolved Florida Corporation and RUTH THOMPSON, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, SHARON ROBERTSON, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Okeechobee County, Florida, will on the 11th day of December, 2013, at 11:00 A.M., at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 Northwest 3rd Street, Jury Assembly Room, Second Floor, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, in the City of Okeechobee, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Okeechobee County, Florida, to-wit:

DESCRIPTION Being a parcel of land lying in Section 9, Township 34 South, Range 34 East, Okeechobee County, Florida, said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Northeast corner of section 9, Thence South 01° 21' 43" West a distance of 1563.30 feet along the East line of said section 9 to the intersection with the centerline of existing dirt grade; Thence departing the East line of said Section 9; North 77° 31' 34" West, a distance of 36.08 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

Thence South 32° 04' 42" West, a distance of 63.19 feet; Thence South 58° 08' 45" West, a distance of 106.59 feet; Thence South 90° 00' 00" West, a distance of 156.60 feet; Thence South 63° 09' 35" West, a distance of 438.77 feet; Thence South 35° 36' 11" West, a distance of 613.65 feet; Thence South 58° 22' 01" West, a distance of 247.15 feet; Thence South 30° 07' 14" West, a distance of 92.46 feet; Thence South 47° 01' 49" West, a distance of 78.83 feet; Thence departing the said centerline, South 14° 05' 40" West, a distance of 640.96 feet; Thence South 90° 00' 00" West, a distance of 318.82 feet; Thence North 04° 11' 44" West, a distance of 483.51 feet to the intersection with the said centerline;

Thence along the following courses and distances: Thence North 87° 47' 59" East, a distance of 45.74 feet; Thence departing the said centerline, North 00° 00' 00" West, a distance of 1726.20 feet; Thence South 69° 35' 41" East, a distance of 836.78 feet; Thence South 77° 31' 34" East, a distance of 1049.02 feet; To the POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING: 40.28 acres of land, more or less. SUBJECT TO: An easement over the East 200' of the above described as same in Official Record Book 257, Page 356, Public Records, Okeechobee County, Florida.

ALSO SUBJECT TO: An easement for ingress and egress being more particularly described as follows: An easement over a strip of land, 30 feet in width lying in Section 9, Township 34 South, Range 34 East, Okeechobee County, Florida, being more particularly described as lying 15 feet on each side of the following described centerline:

COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of said Section 9; Thence along the North line of said Section 9, North 89° 49' 34" East, a distance of 357.31 feet to the intersection with the centerline of an existing dirt grade, and the POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence, departing said North line of said section 9, and along said centerline the following courses and distances:

South 53° 31' 20" East, a distance of 1112.13 feet; Thence South 87°31' 08" East, a distance of 1692.16 feet; Thence South 69° 35' 41" East, a distance of 1409.81 feet; Thence South 77° 31' 34" East, a distance of 1085.10 feet to the POINT OF TERMINATION.

ALSO SUBJECT TO: An easement for ingress and egress being more particularly described as follows: An easement over a strip of land, 30 feet in width lying in Sections 9 and 16, Township 34 South, Range 34 East, Okeechobee County, Florida being more particularly described as lying 15 feet on each side of the following described centerline:

Commence at the Southeast corner of the Northeast one-quarter (1/4) of said section 16; Thence along the East-West one-quarter (1/4) line of said Section 16, South 89° 12' 25" West, a distance of 79.79 feet to the intersection with the centerline of an existing dirt grade; Thence departing said East-West one-quarter line, and along said centerline the following courses and distances:

Thence North 19° 28' 27" West, a distance of 41.30 feet; Thence North 66° 37' 01" West, a distance of 144.18 feet; Thence North 31° 45' 39" West, a distance of 98.75 feet; Thence North 17° 00' 38" West, a distance of 253.36 feet; Thence North 21° 22' 22" West, a distance of 368.37 feet; Thence North 08° 21' 24" West, a distance of 281.77 feet; Thence North 02° 02' 56" West, a distance of 323.78 feet; Thence North 75° 43' 12" West, a distance of 213.51 feet; Thence North 52° 45' 57" West, a distance of 402.79 feet; Thence North 69° 04' 21" West, a distance of 493.07 feet; Thence North 69° 47' 15" West, a distance of 129.34 feet; Thence North 69° 42' 03" West, a distance of 327.81 feet; Thence South 53° 45' 44" West, a distance of 167.70 feet; Thence South 73° 47' 04" West, a distance of 170.18 feet; Thence South 47° 21' 39" West, a distance of 164.70 feet; Thence South 61° 33' 04" West, a distance of 234.67 feet; Thence South 37° 33' 19" West, a distance of 108.51 feet; Thence South 17° 30' 31" West, a distance of 366.97 feet; Thence South 56° 32' 52" West, a distance of 154.91 feet; Thence North 07° 08' 24" West, a distance of 86.55 feet; Thence North 30° 30' 37" West, a distance of 160.61 feet; Thence North 02° 06' 37" East, a distance of 99.05 feet; Thence North 03° 11' 56" West, a distance of 139.16 feet; Thence North 25° 46' 57" West, a distance of 135.37 feet; Thence North 86° 13' 52" West, a distance of 226.71 feet; Thence North 66° 25' 11" West, a distance of 112.80 feet to a point hereinafter referred to as Point "A";

Thence continuing along said centerline North 53°32'26" West, a distance of 55.08 feet; Thence North 69° 37' 55" West, a distance of 145.82 feet; Thence North 28°18' 42" West, a distance of 142.14 feet; Thence North 29°30' 59" West, a distance of 285.40 feet; Thence North 25°56' 29" West, a distance of 386.35 feet; Thence North 26° 55' 36" East, a distance of 199.83 feet; Thence North 08° 14' 22" East, a distance of 356.14 feet; Thence North 23° 12' 22" West, a distance of 386.86 feet; Thence North 08° 14' 22" West, a distance of 147.84 feet; Thence North 15° 21' 23" East, a distance of 686.58 feet; Thence North 66° 12' 18" East, a distance of 272.78 feet; Thence North 73° 23' 55" East, a distance of 172.78 feet; Thence South 81° 05' 20" East, a distance of 126.32 feet; Thence North 65° 06' 57" East, a distance of 97.45 feet; Thence North 76° 58' 38" East, a distance of 132.78 feet; Thence North 47° 48' 20" East, a distance of 142.02 feet; Thence North 78° 39' 27" East, a distance of 360.61 feet to a point hereinafter referred to as Point "B";

Thence continuing along said centerline North 59° 46'44" East, a distance of 213.81 feet; Thence North 82°54' 24" East, a distance of 129.82 feet; Thence North 70° 54' 01" East, a distance of 403.21 feet; Thence North 68° 13' 18" East, a distance of 414.41 feet; Thence North 86° 16' 01" East, a distance of 140.65 feet; Thence North 75° 54' 20" East, a distance of 254.85 feet; Thence North 83° 38' 30" East, a distance of 216.17 feet; Thence North 86° 27' 48" East, a distance of 181.00 feet; Thence North 87° 47' 59" East, a distance of 228.05 feet; Thence North 65° 30' 53" East, a distance of 315.81 feet; Thence North 47° 01' 49" East, a distance of 78.83 feet; Thence North 30° 07' 14" East, a distance of 92.46 feet; Thence North 58° 22' 01" East, a distance of 247.15 feet; Thence South 35° 36' 11" East, a distance of 613.65 feet; Thence North 63° 09' 35" East, a distance of 438.77 feet; Thence North 90° 00' 00" East, a distance of 156.60 feet; Thence North 58° 08' 45" East, a distance of 106.59 feet; Thence North 32° 04' 42" East, a distance of 63.19 feet to the POINT OF TERMINATION.

BEGINNING at the aforesaid Point "A" thence North 43° 05' 32" East, a distance of 149.73 feet; Thence North 86° 42' 24" East, a distance of 200.76 feet; Thence North 51° 11' 30" East, a distance of 62.14 feet; Thence North 00° 00' 00" East, a distance of 50.78 feet to the POINT OF TERMINATION.

BEGINNING at the aforesaid Point "B" thence South 08° 27' 50" East, a distance of 147.26 feet; Thence South 38°45' 12" East, a distance of 350.29 feet; Thence South 47°32' 02" East, a distance of 387.84 feet; Thence South 57°05' 02" East, a distance of 215.57 feet; Thence North 82°47' 05" East, a distance of 249.81 feet; Thence North 82°18' 28" East, a distance of 332.07 feet; Thence North 87°16' 30" East, a distance of 326.11 feet; Thence South 67°36' 25" East, a distance of 244.19 feet; Thence South 78°14' 13" East, a distance of 211.26 feet; Thence South 69°23' 06" East, a distance of 117.48 feet to the POINT OF TERMINATION.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said Court, this 31st day of October, 2013.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Corrie Johnson, ADA Coordinator, 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

SHARON ROBERTSON, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Okeechobee County, Florida. By: Sandra L. Crech, DEPUTY CLERK

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2013 CA 000066

VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC., a Tennessee Corporation, P.O. Box 9800 Maryville, TN 37802, Plaintiff, v. CHARLES E. KENNEY, JUDITH G. MILLER, THE UNKNOWN PARTY IN POSSESSION OF 2303 S.E. 30TH STREET, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974, n/k/a STEVE GALLAGER, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Plaintiffs Final Summary Judgment to Foreclose Mortgage en-

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tered in the above-captioned action, I will sell the property situated in Okeechobee County, Florida, described as follows, to-wit: LOTS 513 AND 514, TAYLOR CREEK ISLES SECTION FOUR-A, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 7, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1990 SUNR MOBILE HOME, SERIAL NUMBER 320280V13966A. Commonly known as: 2303 S.E. 30TH STREET, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974.

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2013. If you are a subordinate lien holder claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the Clerk of Court no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim, you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Corrie Johnson, ADA Coordinator, 250 NW Country Club Drive, Suite 217, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, (772) 807-4370 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the

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scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. SHARON ROBERTSON, Clerk of the Circuit Court. By: Sandra L. Crech, Deputy Clerk

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Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

- ACROSS 1 Nightly news graphic 11 Dweeb 15 Mechanic's supply 16 Memorable word from Pilate 17 Memory aids 18 Beyond the horizon 19 Vacation souvenir 20 Practice with dolls 21 Austrian city on the Danube 22 It was founded by Henry VI 24 Chance to shine 25 Stamp closer? 26 Cuban title 28 Name from the Latin for "I trust" 30 Prepare for a coup 31 One of two in Dickens's "Martin Chuzzlewit" 33 "Perfect!" 35 Seller of torpedoes and bullets 39 Gets one's act together 40 "The Beverly Hillbillies" sobriquet 42 Keystone figure 43 Downwind 44 Warning 46 1965 protest site 50 Basic, in coll. 51 "No kidding?" 53 Outcry 54 Playless? 56 Bargains 58 Old TV component 59 Adman's start 60 Mollify 62 Look like a satyr 63 Particle physics subject 64 Actress Best 65 Minuscule

- 3 Program with steps 4 Rx instruction 5 "Designed to Sell" network 6 Hungarian mathematician Paul 7 Deal with leaks in, perhaps 8 Schmaltzy 9 On a par with 10 Cozumel coin 11 Color akin to pine green 12 "A woman drove me to drink and I didn't even have the decency to thank her" speaker 13 Volunteer's assurance 14 Dvorák piece for two violins and viola 23 Hose projection 27 '70s-'80s Quebec premier Lévesque 29 Pen emanation 30 Besiege (with), as questions 32 Zen meditation hall

- 34 The Mekong flows along its border 35 Statistical dividing point in a four-group data set 36 On-road vehicle requirement since 1996 37 Haughty, unemotional woman 38 Musical half step 41 Global warming? 45 Vitamin in liver 47 Spot 48 Mink relative 49 Major route 52 Like guck 55 Skater Lipinski 56 Jazz style 57 Side with a hero 61 Suburban suffix

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

Grid of crossword puzzle answers with letters filled in black squares.

- DOWN 1 Squanders 2 Subject of an awkward meeting, perhaps

Large crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-65 indicating starting positions.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**CASE NO.: 472011CA000301**

TD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,  
 VS.  
 RICHARD CERNIGLIA, AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE, if any, AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEIRS IN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS, WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR LIVING, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; JOHN AND/OR JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION, THE NAMES BEING FICTITIOUS TO ACCOUNT FOR PARTIES IN POSSESSION, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 2, 2013 (the "Judgment"), entered in Civil Case No. 47-2011-CA-000301 of the Circuit Court of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida, in which TD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, is Plaintiff, and RICHARD CERNIGLIA and UNKNOWN SPOUSE are Defendants.

The Clerk of Court will sell the Property as defined in the Judgment and as set forth below at a public sale on December 4, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. to the "highest bidder", for cash in the Jury Assembly Room at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 2nd Floor, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

The "highest bidder" for purposes of this Notice of Sale, is defined as the party who bids the largest amount of money to purchase the Property (as defined below) and who completes the sale in a timely fashion,

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ion, as hereinafter set out. The one who bids the largest amount of money to purchase the Property (as defined below) shall be permitted to complete the sale by delivering to the Clerk, the balance of such bid, over and above the deposit, by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the sale.

The following property located in Okeechobee, Florida, is the subject of this Notice of Sale:

**Lot 7, Block 1, OKEECHOBEE LITTLE FARMS, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 100 of the Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida,** together with all existing or subsequently erected or affixed buildings, improvements, and fixtures (the "Property"), which Property has a street address of 249 NW 110th Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

DATED on October 3, 2013.  
 SHARON ROBERTSON  
 Clerk of Circuit Court  
 BY: Sandra L. Crech  
 Deputy Clerk  
 454432 ON 11/6,13/2013

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**CASE NO. 472013CA000309**

SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff,  
 VS.  
 JAMES T. BROWN, JR., et al., Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 10, 2013, entered in Case No. 13-CA-309 in the Circuit Court of the 19th Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County,

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Florida wherein Seacoast National Bank is Plaintiff, and James T. Brown, Jr, TD Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Riverside National Bank and Okeechobee County Board of County Commissioners, are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room, 2nd Floor, Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972 at 11:00 am on the 11th day of December, 2013, the following described property Okeechobee County, Florida: **Lots 13, 14 and 15, Block B, WRIGHT AND BASS SUBDIVISION, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 7, Public Records of Okeechobee County, Florida.**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 14th day of October, 2013.  
 SHARON ROBERTSON  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 BY: Sandra L. Crech  
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 455348 ON 11/13,20/2013

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**CASE NO. 472013CA000269**

SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff,  
 VS.  
 BERYL UNDERWOOD A/K/A

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BERYL N. UNDERWOOD A/K/A BERYL NAOMI UNDERWOOD, et al., Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 7, 2013, entered in Case No. 13-CA-269 in the Circuit Court of the 19th Judicial Circuit in and for Okeechobee County, Florida wherein Seacoast National Bank is Plaintiff, and Beryl Underwood a/k/a Beryl N. Underwood, Elvis Underwood a/k/a Elvis N. Underwood, John Doe, unknown tenant, and Jane Doe, unknown tenant, the names being fictitious to account for parties in possession, are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room, 2nd Floor, Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972 at 11:00 am on the 4th day of December, 2013, the following described property Okeechobee County, Florida:

**Commencing at the 1/4 Section corner on the East boundary line of Section 12, Township 37 South, Range 34 East; thence S 0°08'00" W, along the Section line for a distance of 1386.00 feet to a point; thence N 89°40'00" W, parallel to the North boundary line of Section 12 for a distance of 3036.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N 0°08'00" E, parallel to the East boundary line of Section 12, a distance of 660.00 feet to a point; thence N 89°40'00" W, parallel to the North boundary line of Section 12, a distance of 165.00 feet to a point; thence S 0°08'00" W, a distance of 660.00 feet to a point; thence S 89°40'00" E, parallel to the North boundary line of Section 12, a distance of 665.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.**

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room, Second Floor, Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 N.W. Third Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972 at 11:00 AM, on the 4th day of December, 2013. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus

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The above land lying and being in Okeechobee County, Florida.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 8th day of August, 2013.  
 SHARON ROBERTSON  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 BY: Sandra L. Crech  
 DEPUTY CLERK  
 450987 ON 11/6,13/2013

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 10000167CAAXMX**

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, Plaintiff  
 vs.  
 ELIZABETH MUNOZ, et al., Defendant(s)

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated 15th day of October, 2013, entered in Civil Case Number 10000167CAAXMX in the Circuit Court for Okeechobee, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP the Plaintiff, and ELIZABETH MUNOZ, et al., are the Defendants; I will sell the property situated in Okeechobee Florida, described as:

**THE WEST ONE-HALF (W 1/2) OF LOTS 11, 12, AND 13, BLOCK 21, CONNERS HIGHLANDS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 21, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room, Second Floor, Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 N.W. Third Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972 at 11:00 AM, on the 4th day of December, 2013. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus

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from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated October 17, 2013.  
 SHARON ROBERTSON  
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 BY: Sandra L. Crech  
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### Honored for service

Kenneth Keller (left) was honored for service on the City Planning Board/ Board of Adjustments and Appeals/Design Review Board by Mayor Jim Kirk (right) at the Nov. 5 meeting of the Okeechobee City Council.



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### National Adoption Month

Melissa Neeley (left), with Children's Home Society of the Treasure Coast, accepted proclamations for National Adoption Month and National Runaway Month from Mayor Jim Kirk at the Nov. 5 City Council meeting.



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### Retired Educators Day

At the Nov. 5 meeting of the Okeechobee City Council, Gay Carlton accepted a proclamation for 'Retired Educators Day' which is celebrated on Nov. 17.



Okeechobee News/Charles Murphy

### Services Honored

Emma Cinelli (left) was honored for 15 years of service to the county by Commissioner Frank Irby. She is a meals driver for Senior Services.

### Honored for 15 years of service

County Administrator Robbie Chartier was honored for 15 years of service to the county.



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### Proclamation accepted by McCool

Kay McCool (left) accepted a proclamation for Retired Educators Day on Nov. 17 from County Commission Chairman Frank Irby (right).

## Going Out: A Guide to Area Entertainment and Attractions

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### Students of the week

These Osceola Middle School Students of the Week for Oct. 31 were ready for trick-or-treating early! Pictured are: Lexy Arnold, Saint Barbosa, Christian Campos, Edwin Reyes, Caley Edwardson, Tristen Belangia, Brianna Jewel, Jillian Crosby, Kirstie Crosby, Jessica Trent and Delaney Jones. Congratulations, students!

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# Boaters cautioned to watch for manatees

Florida manatees are beginning their annual migration to warmer waters, which is their instinctual response to winter's approach and surviving the cold.

As these slow-moving aquatic mammals migrate along rivers, canals, bays and coastlines, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) cautions boaters to slow down and watch out for manatees. The average adult manatee is 1,000 pounds and 10-feet long but may be difficult to spot despite its size.

"You can help manatees by slowing down and following posted speed zones when operating boats or personal watercraft. Manatees often feed in shallow seagrass beds adjacent to deeper waters," said Carol Knox, the FWC's Imperiled Species Management Section Leader. "Wearing polarized sunglasses helps you spot a manatee underwater. Also watch for circular wave patterns on the water's surface — called manatee footprints — indicating a manatee's presence below."

Throughout the state, many seasonal manatee protection zones go into effect Nov. 15. Look for signs posted on the water indicating boat speed zones. A "slow speed" zone means a boat should be completely

settled in the water, not creating an excessive wake. Go to [MyFWC.com/Manatee](http://MyFWC.com/Manatee), and click on Data and Maps to see FWC manatee protection zones.

November is also Manatee Awareness Month, a time to celebrate Florida's official state marine mammal.

The FWC asks people to report sick, injured, orphaned, entangled or dead manatees by calling the Wildlife Alert hotline at 888-404-FWCC (3922), texting [Tip@MyFWC.com](mailto:Tip@MyFWC.com), or calling #FWC and \*FWC via cell phone.

Floridians can support manatee conservation efforts by purchasing a manatee license plate at [BuyaPlate.com](http://BuyaPlate.com) or through their local tax collector's office when obtaining or renewing a vehicle tag. They also can get a manatee decal at those offices or by visiting [MyFWC.com/Manatee](http://MyFWC.com/Manatee) and clicking on "Decals."

For "A boater's guide to living with Florida Manatees," go to [MyFWC.com/Wildlife](http://MyFWC.com/Wildlife).

More manatee information is available at [MyFWC.com/Manatee](http://MyFWC.com/Manatee).

# FWC is seeking experienced pet owners to adopt exotic species

Special to the Okeechobee News

Are you an experienced pet owner interested in adopting an exotic species?

Do you know how to safely care for pets such as a boa constrictor, leopard gecko, African spurred tortoise, African grey parrot or sugar glider, and are you capable of a long-term commitment to their upkeep?

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and the Southwest Florida Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (SW CISMA) are offering qualified adopters the chance to take home exotic species turned in by those who no longer can keep these pets.

Qualified people can take advantage of an opportunity to adopt these animals at the Exotic Pet Amnesty Day on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at North Collier Regional Park in Naples.

Exotic Pet Amnesty Days encourage owners to turn in their exotic pets without cost or penalty and discourage the release of nonnative species into the wild.

"We encourage people who would like to own nonnative animals to be responsible pet owners and fully understand the commitment before purchasing or adopting one. These animals may live for a long time, many over 10 years," said Jenny Novak, who coordinates the FWC's Exotic Pet Amnesty program. "People should not bring one of these animals home without understanding the level of responsibility and long-term commitment."

The FWC is looking for adopters with the knowledge and expertise to care for exotic pets. Adopters must have an understanding

of the natural history and safe caging requirements for the animals they are interested in adopting. Anyone interested in adopting can download the application forms at [MyFWC.com/Nonnatives](http://MyFWC.com/Nonnatives). There is no fee for becoming an adopter. Adoption applications must be received by **Nov. 14** to be processed in time for this event.

"Releasing exotic pets into the wild is a major pathway to exotic species causing harm to Florida's native wildlife and habitats," Novak said. "Often, pet owners don't understand the difference between native and nonnative species or don't realize the possible effects of releasing a nonnative species. Releasing exotic species is also illegal in Florida. This event offers a legal, ethical option for pet owners who can no longer take care of their pets or no longer wish to keep them."

A veterinarian will examine each animal, and every attempt will be made to place healthy animals with qualified adopters.

Exotic Pet Amnesty Day is free and open to the public. Live animals will be on display, and this is a chance for people to talk to experts about proper care of exotic pets. Also, this event will be held in conjunction with the Florida Panther Festival.

Learn more about the Florida Panther Festival at [www.floridapantherfestival.com/](http://www.floridapantherfestival.com/).

For more information about Exotic Pet Amnesty Days, visit [MyFWC.com/Nonnatives](http://MyFWC.com/Nonnatives) and click on "Amnesty Day Events."

# Brahmans get 4-2 soccer victory

By Charles M. Murphy  
Okeechobee News

The Okeechobee High School **Brahmans boys soccer team** opened the regular season with a 4-2 victory over Sebring on Monday.

Brian Guerrero had three goals and Wilson Barahona had one goal and three assists for Okeechobee. Logan Laskey added an assist in the victory.

OHS led 4-0 until a few late defensive breakdowns in the final minutes of the match.

Coach Lonnie Sears said he got excellent play from two seniors at sweeper and defense from Jose Ponce De Leon and Devin Jimenez. He also gave praise to freshman Jesus Garcia on defense.

"Offensively, we left some goals out there but I did see a lot of movement off the ball," Sears said. "I would like to see a little more give and go plays from the forwards, but that is a work in progress."

Sears said he felt that unselfish play will be the key for the Brahman success this year. The home opener for Okeechobee is this Friday at 7 p.m. against St. Lucie West Centennial.

The **Lady Brahman soccer team**

continued to look for its first win last week as they fell 1-0 at Sebring. The team played strong defense against the Lady Blue Streaks but couldn't get any balls in the opponents net.

Coach Sonya Smith said the girls looked for each other and played like a team. They also got off to a strong start which helped their confidence.

Smith singled out Jackie Barrera and Selina Sanchez for two excellent defensive plays and Emilse Serrano for another excellent defensive play in the first half.

"We were determined to shut down Sebring in the second half and all 15 shots on goal were stopped by Stormy Stokes," she added.

Brianna Nunez returned to the team this week after a strong season for the volleyball team. Smith said the team has also practiced hard and have tried to improve their weaknesses.

"It was a loss but still a huge improvement from our previous games. We hope the things we learn in practice will be put into play in future matches," she pointed out.

## SUDOKU

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2013 MKS FWD

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Optional features shown not included in lease price. \*55% Residual, 10,500 miles/year 36 month lease, plus tax, tag, title, and \$699 dealer fee included.



2013 MKT FWD

**\$399** A MONTH FOR 36 MONTH LEASE LINCOLN AFS RED CARPET LEASE\* **\$1,200** CASH DUE AT SIGNING AFTER \$1,000 RCL CASH BACK.

Optional features shown not included in lease price. \*55% Residual, 10,500 miles/year 36 month lease, plus tax, tag, title, and \$699 dealer fee included.



2013 MKX FWD

**\$499** A MONTH FOR 36 MONTH LEASE LINCOLN AFS RED CARPET LEASE\* **\$1,200** CASH DUE AT SIGNING AFTER \$1,000 RCL CASH BACK.

Optional features shown not included in lease price. \*55% Residual, 10,500 miles/year 36 month lease, plus tax, tag, title, and \$699 dealer fee included.



2013 NAVIGATOR

**\$599** A MONTH FOR 36 MONTH LEASE LINCOLN AFS RED CARPET LEASE\* **\$3,800** CASH DUE AT SIGNING AFTER \$1,000 RCL CASH BACK.

Optional features shown not included in lease price. \*55% Residual, 10,500 miles/year 36 month lease, plus tax, tag, title, and \$699 dealer fee included.

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<sup>1</sup>Based on effective roof opening as measured by Webasto. Take new retail delivery from dealer stock by 11/30/13. See dealer for qualifications and complete details. Payment plus tax, includes tag, title and \$699 dealer fee.