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More charges filed in beating case

Video of teen beaten at 'house party' went viral; 2 face new felony charges

By Eric Kopp
Okeechobee News

A prosecutor has filed new felony charges against an Okeechobee man and woman who were both involved, albeit at different levels, in the beating of a 16-year-old boy.

Assistant State Attorney Ashley Albright filed warrants Wednesday, Aug. 20, that charged both Andrew Logan Wheeler and Evadean Lydecker Dailey with additional felony charges. Both were arrested Wednesday afternoon.

Those new charges stem from the Aug. 8 beating of the local teen at a house party in Dailey's home in the 600 block of S.W. Ninth St.

Wheeler, 19, is now facing an additional charge of aggravated child abuse and is being held on \$200,000 bond in the Okeechobee County Jail. He was already charged with one felony count of child abuse and was being held on \$20,000 bond.

Dailey, 40, now faces felony charges of ag-

gravated child abuse, child abuse - intentional act and child neglect. Her bond on those charges has been set at \$100,000.

She was initially arrested on misdemeanor charges of allowing an open house party and contributing to the delinquency of a child. Her bond on those two charges was set at \$10,000 and she was released on bond shortly after being booked.

When first arrested last week, law enforce-



Evadean Lydecker Dailey



Andrew Logan Wheeler

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City officials flooded with calls

By Charles M. Murphy
Okeechobee News

Okeechobee City Council members defended the handling of the Andrew Wheeler case by the Okeechobee Police Department during their regular meeting on Tuesday.

Councilman Dowling Watford said the city staff and council members have been flooded by emails and calls over the beating of an Okeechobee teen at a house party. He said he is concerned about the misinforma-

tion that was out online which he called unfair.

"They really blasted the mayor and council for not having oversight and that was unfair. We must ensure the public that we are aware of the case. All of us find the video to be horrendous," he said.

Mayor Kirk said it was a trying situation. He said he has gotten calls from all over the country. He said many of them were one-

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Pryor fights for NFL career

By Charles M. Murphy
Okeechobee News

Okeechobee's Lonnie Pryor knows he will have to show the new coaching staff for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers some versatility if he is to make the NFL this season.

Pryor's first game at Jacksonville on Aug. 8, was a good start as he got playing time at fullback and also on special teams in a Bucs 16-10 loss to the Jaguars.

Pryor also converted a third down and one for the offense, quite a feat if you consider the wholesale criticism the team's offensive line received in the Tampa Bay press after the game.

Pryor is competing with former Miami Dolphin Jorvorskie Lane, a horse

of a man, and rookie Ian Thompson for a spot on the 53-man roster. Pryor got a boost when third-round draft pick Charles Sims, was lost for three months with an ankle injury.

Pryor said he felt he has held his own and likes the fact he is used on various special teams, which gives coaches a chance to see what he can do.

"I did really good and did all my blocking pretty well. I showed the coaches I can block in the game, get a first down when they need it and play special teams," he noted.

Pryor said he has enjoyed the training camp so far, takes one day at a time, and doesn't second guess his

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OCT staging open auditions for shows

Special to the Okeechobee News

The Okeechobee Community Theatre (OCT) is holding open auditions for would-be performers to fill roles in the first two shows of its 36th season.

The November production, "The Service at Rocky Bluff," calls for men and women who like to sing gospel music, and who have a comic flair. The December show, "The Wizard of Oz," has spots for 17 or more adults to play all of the familiar roles from the classic M-G-M motion picture, along with openings for a very limited number of young people. All available roles in both shows require at least some singing ability, but no prior acting experience is necessary. Auditions will be held Monday and Tuesday evenings, Aug. 25 and 26, at 7 p.m. in the Okeechobee Freshman Campus Auditorium, on Southwest Second Avenue at Seventh Street, one block behind Golden Corral Restaurant. Participants will be asked to sing a short song of their own choosing, without musical accompaniment, and may be asked to read a passage from a provided script. Those who audition may specify that they are trying out for one or for both shows at their option.

"The Service at Rocky Bluff" is part comedy, part gospel concert, in the tradition of the OCT's most popular show of all time, "Smoke on the Mountain." When a small Baptist congregation learns that a search committee plans to visit their church to potentially lure away their beloved pastor,

they hatch a hilarious plot to keep him. The show contains more than a dozen gospel song favorites, including "Just a Closer Walk With Thee," "Daddy Sang Bass," "Farther Along," "It Is Well With My Soul," and "I'll Fly Away." The comic antics never get in the way of the great songs, or of the message they convey.

Cast requirements for "Rocky Bluff" are for three men and three women, all of whom must sing — some solos, some duets, trios, etc. Songs in the show will be performed with background tracks, organ accompaniment, and a cappella. The ability to play an instrument is not necessary, but use of a guitar could potentially be worked into the show, if available. Anyone trying out may choose to accompany themselves on guitar for their audition song if they wish.

"The Wizard of Oz" will be performed in concert, according to the format of the highly acclaimed production at New York's Lincoln Center, which was subsequently broadcast on TNT and PBS television. The well-known songs will be included, but dialogue will be read from scripts, just as the performers did in the New York presentation. Costumes to be used are patterned after those especially designed for Lincoln Center. They are quite different and whimsical, but very appropriate for each character. Some members of the cast will play the main roles in the story throughout. Others will be part of an ensemble who will ap-

pear in multiple parts as Munchkins, citizens of the Emerald City, flying monkeys, etc. The available roles for young people are for three girls and four boys, of approximately ages 8 or above. All must be able to sing, and some simple ballet ability would be helpful for the girls.

In addition to the acting roles in the two shows, there is also a need for volunteers to handle behind the scenes duties including stage crew, construction of the sets, and operation of the lighting and sound equipment. No experience is necessary, volunteers will be trained. Anyone interested in applying for these positions should also attend one of the audition sessions.

For information on auditions call Ron or Jacque Hayes at 863-763-1307; or, visit the theatre's website at www.okeechobee-communitytheatre.com/postings.

Season tickets for all three shows in the OCT's 36th season, which will also include an old-fashioned "boo the villain" melodrama to be performed in March, are now on sale for a limited time for \$28 — a savings of \$8 off the regular price of \$12 per ticket. Purchase information is available on the website, or by calling the number listed above. The OCT is an all-volunteer organization of local residents who produce Broadway-style live stage comedies, dramas and musicals for area audiences. The OCT is a member of the Florida Theatre Conference and the American Association of Community Theatre.

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Extended Forecast

Saturday: Sunny. High 93F. Winds NNW at 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Clear skies. Low 74F. Winds SSE at 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday: Sunny skies during the morning hours followed by thunderstorms in the afternoon. High 96F. Winds NNW at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 80%.

Sunday Night: Thunderstorms during the evening, then partly cloudy overnight. Low around 75F. Winds NE at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 80%.

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Public Forum/Speak Out

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

Teachers

- I have been for the most part very pleased with the teachers in Okeechobee. But the teachers can only do so much. It is up to the parents to do their part, to make sure their children are prepared for school each day and keep up with their homework. The school system has the Skyward computer system where you can keep track of just how your child is doing and if you see there are missing assignments or the grades are dropping, then it's time to step up and find out what is wrong.

Landfill trust fund

- It feels like the Landfill Trust Fund is used as a slush fund to finance things that the taxpayers don't want like the aggravation center and the proposed new office for the property appraiser/tax collector/drivers license. If it's so critical to have \$8 million in there, I'm curious as to the rational for taking millions out at a time for unwanted projects. I think if we end up agreeing that \$8 million should be kept on hand, then it should require a referendum of the voters to use those funds for anything other than the landfill.

- I've always based my logic of government like this: It's like walking on beach sand — if their walk (governing/spending our tax money) can be accomplished without leaving any prints, then by all means go right ahead. They (BOCC) shouldn't be obligated to get permission from the voters. However, if their actions (governing/spending our tax money) will leave prints in that sand, then the final decision(s) should be left up to the majority of voters through referendum, then if the outcome hits the fan it will be the citizens/voters who will carry that burden and have to live with the aftermath of their choice instead of only five people trying to second guess large expenditures.

- Regarding the landfill, it was one thing I think the county did right. They had a li-

ability — a landfill that was leaking and was going to cost a fortune to bring into compliance, and that would have cost the taxpayers a lot of money. Waste Management put in the liners and fixed it up to code and paid the county. The county got, if I remember correctly, about \$7 million up front, and at first they were getting millions a year in tipping fees. Tipping fees went down in recent years, but in the beginning it meant the taxpayers got a break because they were using part of the tipping fees to keep the millage rates lower.

Safe rides

- Every year the school system has a program that tries to teach the kids how dangerous it is to drink and drive and what the consequences can be. But they are kids and they don't seem to believe it can happen to them. Parents, sit your kids down and give it one more try. Make them promise they will never drive after consuming any alcoholic beverage — not even one beer — or after taking any drug that can impair reaction time or judgement. Even if they are on a prescription medication or over-the-counter cold remedy, if it can slow their reaction time, they should not be driving. And also make them promise they will never get in the car with a driver who is impaired. Offer to come and get them, any time, any place, in order to keep them safe.

Landscaping

- I want to compliment the city and Okeechobee Main Street and whoever else was involved for the nice improvements to the medians on Parrott Avenue. The native trees and flowers make it so much more attractive. I have always wondered why other cities had trees and flowers along their streets and Okeechobee looked so plain. It is a nice improvement and I hope it is well maintained. But since they used native plants, it should not be that hard to maintain. People get into trouble when they plant something that does not normally grow in Florida and can't withstand the heat and heavy rains.

Streets

- I wish to draw attention to the streets in this city. I find them in a bad condition. When we drive on them, they have many bumps, some bigger than others. When pulling out from a side street, there are parked cars or shrubbery sticking out to block the view of oncoming traffic.

Letters to the editor

Children's Services Council helps the HelpLine

The Children's Services Council of Okeechobee County has been a collaborative partner with 211 HelpLine and has provided funding for the past six years.

Over this time period 211 has helped hundreds of families and children with their search for the most basic of needs such as food, clothing, shelter and financial assistance. Callers have also sought help with medical and health concerns, which also included substance and physical abuse. Seventeen percent of calls to 211 involved mental and emotional health with family members dealing with personal and relationship problems. 211 HelpLine has also been there for those family members who were in mental health and or suicidal crisis. Any time of day or night, the caring staff at 211 have been the warm voice at the other end of the line for Okeechobee families and their children. In times of crisis or for everyday needs, 211 HelpLine is available by simply dialing 2-1-1!

The wellbeing of our community and its children depends on the numerous programs and services, including 211 HelpLine, that are funded through The Children's Services Council of Okeechobee County. Please take the time vote "yes" on Referendum #1 to keep The Children's Services Council as an important part of our community.

Sincerely,
Patrice Schroeder
 Community Relations & Public Information
 211 HelpLine

Trees cut

I am not usually in the paper complaining about a situation, but, my patience have been VERY VERY tested lately. For years, I

have asked the county road department, to please NOT trim my trees out front of my property.

- One time the driver of the equipment did not speak English.

- One time the driver was hard of hearing as he was using hand language.

- One time, my request was granted and my trees were bypassed.

This last time took the cake-per say. As the trees were massacred.

- One time, I asked the driver, "why are the trees cut?" His answer, "It is for the hurricanes." WHAT! I must be crazy, but common sense will tell you that is ridiculous. I have called the road department in years past and begged for the trees to be left alone. To no avail, as the words I speak are lost in the shuffle.

So, I called my County Commissioner, to see what could be done. I explained the ongoing problem to him, Frank Irby. I called his home a couple of times to say how LIVID I am, as this goes on and on. The trees are slaughtered, meanwhile leaving all the debris in the ditch, to further the problem of the culvert being clogged. Not to mention, in the past I have hired a crew to clean the mess up. Why am I cleaning this?? If the county can cut, let them CLEAN!

The response I had from Mr. Frank is, "the trees are just junk trees." What! I beg to differ, as I am a giver to the Arbor tree foundation, as trees produce oxygen, clean the air, shade and privacy, and act like wind breakers. To say that comment to my face was deplorable. If this mess was in front of Mr. Irby's house with limbs, shrub, leaves, in the ditch with water overflowing, it would be a different story. So, I am asking one more time, please send someone to clean up the mess in the ditch. It is good manners to clean up after yourselves.

Beyond aggravated,
Bobbi Poole

Benefit angling tourney Saturday for Tony Sudduth

Skull Hill Steel Archery will host Somethin' for Nothin', a bow and trash fishing tournament to benefit Tony Sudduth, at Okee-Tantie airboat ramp on **Aug. 23** at 7 p.m. Cost is \$25 per person and \$10 per person for the 50/50 big fish entry. For information contact Jacob Mayfield at 561-635-7470; or, by email at jmayfield113@yahoo.com.

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- To treat people with courtesy, respect and compassion.



CALLS

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sided phone conversations, "They don't want to know that we are doing our jobs," he said. "People you are talking to are not listening and don't want to hear what we have to say. We are doing our job. It is more fun to send pot shots at everybody."

Mayor Kirk read a city statement that defended the City Police Department for their work on the case and promised all responsible will be prosecuted.

Councilman Devin Maxwell said the alleged perpetrator was charged with a serious crime and out-of-state residents don't understand how severe the penalty might be.

Chief of Police Denny Davis said more charges are pending and are being reviewed by the state attorney. He noted in 33 years with the city he has never seen anything like this. He noted the city had two dispatchers answer phones for two days and were often subject to severe verbal abuse.

"I have the utmost confidence in my department. We worked this complaint and made an arrest one day later for felony child abuse. We forwarded all documents for additional arrests. Sometimes it takes time — Rome wasn't built in a day. Within moments of getting warrants signed, another arrest was made of the lady that had the party at her house. We are still working hand in hand with the state attorney and we expect further charges to be forthcoming," the chief said.

Chief Davis said he and his department

are just as disgusted about this video as anyone in the world. He said incorrect information was posted on social media and they received a negative response from mostly out of Florida and parts of the world.

"I do want to thank the Okeechobee community for their support," he said. "They know us. Hometown people know our hearts, and we have always tried to do the right thing. We are not perfect and we can't walk across that lake down there but we want to see justice as much as anyone else."

Chief Davis said the phone calls were unbelievable. He said people's opinions are not always factual. He urged people to take time and investigate these comments. He promised an open door policy at the city police department and will be willing to talk to anyone at any time.

Mayor Kirk said he has all of the confidence in the police department and how they handled this matter.

City administrator Brian Whitehall submitted the following statement about the case: "First let me say that the video is as disturbing to me as it is to anyone, perhaps more so. I'm saddened and upset that this type of behavior has taken place in our community but am not naive enough to believe it could happen. Secondly, I take any insinuation of impropriety within the city ranks as a serious accusation, worthy of investigation.

"In spite of allegations to the contrary, there is no evidence whatsoever to impugn the Okeechobee Police Department. The case was investigated properly. The party inflicting the beating on this young man was incarcerated immediately and charged with the appropriate felony. A warrant was immediately submitted through the States At-

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ment referred to her by the last name of Lydecker. However, she is now being referred to in arrest documents as Lydecker Dailey.

Mr. Albright said he chose to go with the new charges because those are the ones he felt were most appropriate "... after reviewing all the evidence and re-interviewing witnesses.

"It's normal in every serious case that we evaluate the case with our investigators and amend or add charges. That's the reason why we have state attorney hearings and 21 filing days after an arrest," he explained. "To my knowledge, we're done with them (Wheeler and Dailey) right now.

"At least one more juvenile will be arrested — possibly more," he added.

Wheeler is accused of brutally beating the teen as he cowered on the floor and begged the man to stop hitting and kneeling him in the head. Prior to pummeling the teen, Wheeler reportedly gave his cell phone to a 17-year-old boy so he could video the beating.

That 47-second video also shows Wheeler apparently pulling the victim across the floor by his hair.

An arrest report indicates the beating started inside Dailey's home but then moved outside where it continued until the teen was choked to a state of unconsciousness and left lying in a ditch.

When the victim awoke he stumbled away from the scene then collapsed onto

the roadway. A woman found the boy in the 500 block of S.W. Sixth St. and called police.

The boy was taken to Raulerson Hospital where he was found to have facial and scalp contusions, a sprained neck and a concussion, the report stated. Mr. Albright said he has subpoenaed the victim's medical records.

Dailey, stated arrest reports, not only watched the beating but did nothing to stop it. She also reportedly purchased alcohol at a downtown convenience store for underage party goers.

Officer Ryan Holroyd, of the Okeechobee City Police Department (OCPD), stated in his arrest report children as young as 12 were drinking at the woman's home.

Family members have said the victim is autistic and when asked if that was the reason for the beating, Mr. Albright said no.

"The victim's attack was not based on any perceived disability," he said.

The video was placed on the internet and has spawned phone calls to the OCPD, the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office and the local state attorney's office from all across the U.S. While many of those callers voiced outrage over the incident, quite a few were also threatening and accusatory toward law enforcement. Some went so far as to accuse local law enforcement of trying to cover up the incident.

"We have received a number of calls from concerned citizens based, in part, on false information that's been put on the internet," acknowledged Mr. Albright.

Why the sheriff's office was being called is not clear since the alleged incident is a city case and was handled by the police department.

torney's Office for those others involved in the incident and there has been at least one additional arrest made to date. The city is hardly dismissing the case and I can assure you that those responsible will be prosecuted to the highest extent provided by law.

There is no connection, by relation, employment or otherwise, between the perpetrator and members of our police department."

Another rally of support for the child is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 22, at 5:30 p.m. at the main intersection. Supporters are asked to wear something blue to support the victim.

In other business at the Tuesday City Council meeting, City Centennial Celebration Ad Hoc Committee Chairman J.D. Mixon reported a slogan of the 100th birthday celebration is "Our pioneering spirit endures."

In January a kickoff dinner will be held at

the freshman campus. A mayor's gala dinner is set for April 2015. The actual celebration will occur on June 13, 2015. Events include a birthday cake contest. Oct. 10, 2015 will commemorate Founders Day when the Raulerson family moved here. In December 2015, a dinner-dance party will also be held. A renovation of the main walkway into city hall is being considered. A time capsule will also be buried near the walkway.

City Councilman Mike O'Connor suggested the city request funds from the Tourist Development Council for promotion of these events.

Mr. Mixon said all of the events will be family friendly. The committee continues to meet regularly and invite input from the public.

The mayor and Chief Davis presented a five-year longevity award to police dispatcher Tammy Hartwell.

Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

- 1 Gush forth, as chimney smoke
- 6 Coldplay gear
- 10 Fix, in a way
- 14 Foil
- 15 Pace
- 16 Old Milano moola
- 17 Shakes, as a tail
- 18 Capital on Chesapeake Bay
- 20 Lost traction
- 21 Drug initially studied for use in treating angina
- 22 To whom Ilsa said "I'll hum it for you"
- 23 Shying away from
- 25 Natural dye
- 27 Advise
- 28 Nest egg item, for short
- 31 Spinoff of TV's "Hercules"
- 32 Place for a cast
- 33 Carmelite, e.g.
- 34 Buckingham buggy
- 35 Boat lifters found in this puzzle's three longest answers

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- 1 Fragrant fir
- 2 Develop gradually
- 3 Sore spot
- 4 Bank offerings
- 5 Abbr. after Cleveland or Brooklyn
- 6 "Come ___?"
- 7 Journalism bigwigs
- 8 Sign of engine trouble, perhaps
- 9 One billed higher than the rest
- 10 Traffic warning
- 11 Pale lagers
- 12 Author Huffington
- 13 Polite assent
- 19 Tuba note
- 21 Vestal ___: Roman flame tenders
- 24 Executes

- 26 Journeys of discovery
- 29 Track
- 30 Dye-making compound
- 35 Leftovers
- 36 Natal opening
- 37 Word from a crib
- 38 Seagoing forces
- 39 Like many supplements
- 45 Hall of Fame pitcher Eckersley
- 46 Nodding
- 47 Bed denizen
- 49 Leave dumbstruck
- 51 Dressing extreme?
- 54 Monthly prmt.
- 55 As found, with "in"
- 58 Source of addl. evening light
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Final OCRA registration date is Saturday

OCRA will hold football/cheerleader, baseball/softball sign ups Saturday, **Aug. 23**, at the sports complex between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Any child 5 to 12 years of age is welcome. The cost for football is \$80 and cheerleading is \$60. Bring a copy of the child's birth certificate and payment. OCRA is also offering fall baseball/softball to boys and girls ages 5-13 (boys) and 5-14 (girls). The cost for fall ball is \$50/child. For information, call 863-634-0515 for football and cheerleading. For fall ball, call 863-234-8024.

Obituaries

Ray Russell Domer

OKEECHOBEE — Ray Russell Domer of Okeechobee passed away in his home in Pine Island on August 17, 2014.

As a sixth generation Floridian, Ray was born in Okeechobee on February 29, 1956 to Russell and Martha (Walker) Domer. At just twenty-two years old, Ray became the third generation owner and operator of Domer's Machine Shop. Started by Ray's grandfather, Victor, in 1926, Domer's is one of the oldest family owned storefront in Okeechobee and is celebrating its 88th year in business.

In 1982, Ray married the late Ginger Greenberger Domer (1956-1987). In 1987, the couple welcomed son Justin to their family. In 1989, Ray married Cynthia (Cindi) Woodham Domer in Roseburg, Oregon. Some of Ray's fondest memories were made while traveling through the Pacific Northwest with Cindi shortly after their wedding. Cindi quickly stepped into the role of mother to Justin and the family welcomed son Jacob in 1995. Ray and Cindi gave birth to, but sadly lost daughter Nettie Graceson in 1996.

While he was happiest spending his days on the water with his loved ones, Ray was passionate about continuing his family's dedication to service in Okeechobee County. In November 2004, Ray upheld this tradition when he beat a second-term incumbent and was elected to the Okeechobee County Commission. Ray proudly continued to serve his community with subsequent reelections in both 2008 and 2012. In addition to his service as a County Commissioner, Ray also was a dedicated member of the Okeechobee Masonic Lodge for over thirty-five years.

Ray was predeceased by his late wife, Ginger Greenberger Domer; his daughter, Nettie Graceson Domer; his father, Russell Victor Domer; and his mother, Martha Walker Domer. He is survived by his wife of twenty-five years, Cynthia Woodham Domer; his sons, Justin Ray Domer and Jacob Holden Domer; his sisters, Alvina Domer Robertson and Jean Domer Rogers (Steve), as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family members, and friends.

Ray's legacy will forever live on, not only in the hearts of his friends and family, but in the community as a whole. He served as a beacon of strength, morality, and love and we were all made better by his presence.

A viewing will be held Thursday, August 21, 2014 at the Buxton and Bass Funeral Home (400 N. Parrott Ave.) from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. The family requests that you bring your favorite photo of Ray to add to a family memory book. The funeral service will take place at the First Baptist Church (401 S.W. 4th Street) on Friday, August 22, 2014 at 10 a.m.; graveside service and reception to follow.



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

Carl Frank Diesslin, 86

OKEECHOBEE — Carl Frank Diesslin died August 19, 2014. He was born May 21, 1928 in Cincinnati, Ohio to Carl Edward and Dorothy Kein Diesslin. He proudly served our country in the U.S. Navy. A resident of Okeechobee since 1987 having come from Wyandotte, Michigan, he enjoyed writing, theology and genealogy. He was a member of the Church of Our Saviour, 56 year member of the Masonic Lodge where he was the former chaplain and member of the American Legion Post 64 where he was also the former chaplain.

Mr. Diesslin was preceded in death by his wife, Carolina Diesslin.

He is survived by his daughter, Sandra "Sandy" DeJean of Clinton Township, Michigan; two sons, William Diesslin of Port St. Lucie and Carl Douglas (Joyce) of Smith Creek, Michigan; five grandchildren; two great grandchildren; brother, Ronald Diesslin (Minnie) of Cincinnati, Ohio; two sisters, Shirley McClain (Donald) and Dotty Miller all of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Visitation will be Sunday, August 24, 2014 at Buxton & Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home from 4 p.m. until Masonic Services at 6 p.m. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Monday, August 25, 2014 at Church of Our Saviour with Rev. Dr. Edward A. Weiss, OSB officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Okeechobee, PO Box 1548, Okeechobee FL 34973.

Those wishing to leave a message of condolence may sign the register book at, 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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Seafood dinner planned

The Cypress Hut Eagles, 7401 U.S. 441 S.E., will serve rib eye steak and seafood dinners Friday, **Aug. 22**, starting at 5:30 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Martin Music. The public is invited. Saturday, Aug. 23, the Eagle Riders will serve breakfast from 8 until 11 a.m. That evening dinner is spaghetti by the auxiliary. Julie and Rick will provide the music. Monday hot dogs or sloppy joes will be served. Tuesday is the weekly dart tournament with hamburgers being served. For information, call the Cypress Hut Eagles at 863-467-1154.

Eagles hosting steak dinner

The Fraternal Order Of Eagles, 9985 U.S. 441 N., will serve a 16oz. rib eye steak dinner Friday, **Aug. 22**, with salad, garlic bread and baked potatoes from 6 until 9 p.m. Music with Lisa will be from 7 until 11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, there will be a '50s Sock Hop from 7 until 11 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Gerry Harmon. All events are open to the public. For information, call 863-763-2552.

VFW offers dinners, bingo

VFW North Post 4423, 300 N.W. 34th St., will host bingo Friday, **Aug. 22**, at 1 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 23, at 1 p.m. Friday karaoke will be D&K Entertainment from 7 until 10 p.m. The Grill will be open Friday from 5 until 9 p.m. and Saturday from 5 until 7 p.m. Please join us for Lori's Sunday, Aug. 24, dinner from 1 until 3 p.m. featuring ham dinner. All proceeds will benefit our veterans programs. The public is invited.

Back to school drive slated

A back to school drive will be held at the J.H.G.C. Mission, 1401 N.E. Park St., Saturday, **Aug. 23**, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. There will be free food, a bounce house, free HIV testing and free breast health education. For information, call 863-634-9194.

OHS fundraiser is Aug. 23

2nd Street Pizza, 202 N.E. Second St., will host a fundraiser Saturday, **Aug. 23**, from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m. for the Okeechobee High School athletic department. Fifty percent of all sales will be donated to OHS. There will also be a 50/50 drawing and more. For information, call 863-763-5000; or, Annie at 772-267-8168.

Enjoy 4-H night with the Mets

Come join your fellow Okeechobee 4-H club members for 4-H night at the Mets game Saturday, **Aug. 23**, at 6:30 p.m. 4-H families and 4-H day campers from H20, history, cooking and horse camps, along with 4-H families from Martin, St. Lucie and Indian River counties are included. Tickets are \$10 each and include admission, hot dog and drink. Call the extension office at 863-763-6469 to RSVP and your ticket will be reserved for purchase at the gate. Be sure to wear your 4-H club shirt or camp shirt to the game!

Christian singles potluck set

A Christian singles potluck will be held Friday, **Aug. 29**, at The Gathering Fellowship Hall, 1735 S.W. 24th Ave., at 6 p.m. For information, contact Molly at 863-763-7195 or 863-763-9626.

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decision to leave the Jaguars in exchange for a spot with the Buccaneers. "I thought it was a good decision at the time. I just wanted to play, took that chance and I didn't want to miss an opportunity. I didn't want to say a year from now why didn't I do that, I'm not one to look back in the past, if the opportunity is there I want to take it."

Pryor's professional life may be up in the air but his private life is coming together. He plans to get married in February in Jamaica to his longtime girlfriend, Caitlyn Winter, who he met at Florida State University.

He also purchased a residence in Tampa only minutes away from Raymond James Stadium.

Pryor knows it's a numbers game as each team keeps 53 players on an active roster and then a practice squad. He said he learns every day and goes out each day to get better and help the team.

Lane looked impressive against the Dolphins Saturday, as he blocked well for Doug

Martin on a pair of runs in the first quarter and also made a nice grab of a swing pass from quarterback Josh McCown for a 14-yard gain. Meanwhile Pryor saw no game action in the first half. The most energy he had to use was running to the locker room at halftime. Such is the life of a player trying to earn a roster spot.

Things looked up for Pryor in the third quarter with work on kick returns and full-back. He had several nice lead blocks and caught a five-yard pass out of the backfield.

"I felt good. I was happy to go out there and do what I can do. I had a good time and did everything right that I tried to do," he explained afterward.

Pryor admits it can be tense because there is pressure to perform in each game. After sitting on the sidelines for the entire half, he was given the opportunity and unlike college or high school, he was not sure whether he'd get back on the field. Pryor got to play considerable snaps with the second team offense in the second half and worked on the kick return and punt return teams.

Pryor remains healthy and each game it seems more and more Bucs head to the sidelines with injuries. Running back Mike James was lost against the Dolphins.

Florida Farm Bureau offers grants to state's teachers

Special to the Okeechobee News

Pre-K, elementary, middle and high school teachers can grow their project budgets for their classrooms by teaching their students about agriculture.

Florida Farm Bureau Federation is offering multiple \$250 mini-grants to certified Florida educators who are engaged in classroom instruction at the pre-K to 12th grade levels for the 2014-15 school year. The grants will be awarded for up to \$250 for original and creative activities or programs that increase the understanding of agriculture among both students and educators.

"Agriculture has no subject boundaries," said Florida Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Coordinator Michael Rogalsky. "We encourage teachers to think outside the box when integrating agriculture into their curriculum. Subject areas such as social studies, math, language arts and sci-

ence are all important to agriculture and teachers that build agriculture into these subjects are encouraged to apply for the grant."

Grant applications are due Oct. 1. Recipients of the grant will be notified no later than Nov. 15 via email. Educators can apply for the grant by visiting http://www.floridafarmbureau.org/programs/teacher_mini_grants.

The Mini-Grant Program is part of the Florida Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee's commitment to support agricultural education in classrooms across Florida. A total of up to \$9,500 will be awarded in mini-grants throughout the 2014-15 school year. Last year, 42 Florida teachers received grant funding for their agricultural projects. Florida Farm Bureau has awarded more than \$150,000 in total grants toward promoting agriculture in the classroom since the program's inception in 1998.

"I just got to keep working and keep doing what I'm doing. Anything I can do to get out there, catch the ball, and play special teams, helps," he said.

Coach Lovie Smith said his entire team needs to get better. He also emphasizes improvement from week to week.

"Other players need to do a better job. They'll learn to. We have a long way to go and we just want to see steps each week," said Smith

Smith said Jorvorskie Lane impressed the coaches with his play versus the Dolphins and has the lead in the battle to start at full-back.

"He has played well throughout and gotten our attention. We can't say right now how many backs we'll keep, it is still a good competition but he's leading going into the clubhouse," he added."

Smith emphasized all of the players must take advantage of their opportunities over the next couple of weeks.

Pryor said he rejoiced when the Florida State Seminoles won the national championship game last January but admitted he wished he had been a part of a team to win the trophy.

"I was happy at the same time, even though I'm not there, I'm still a 'Nole and I wish I'd been there another year to win a national championship. I'm happy we won the ACC title and I hope they win back-to-back national championships."

Pryor also continues to thank Okeechobee for their support and said he always appreciates his hometown fans.

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Local commission candidates answer questions

Three candidates qualified to compete for the County Commission District 4 seat. Republican incumbent Joey Hoover will face Terry Wayne Burroughs in the Republican primary. The winner of the Republican primary will face Democrat Tommy Clay in the general election.

QUESTION: What would you do about the drainage (or lack of drainage) throughout the county?

HOOVER: Drainage issues are certainly nothing new but when we experience an abnormally rainy period as we have this summer, it shows we still have many improvements to be made. I don't know if any community can be completely prepared for all heavy rainfall events or storms but county staff has been quite successful over the last several years in procuring over \$2 million in funding for drainage improvements recently completed including the CSX Railroad cul-

verts west of the Livestock Market and the Southwest Drainage Project just south of the city limits. Many of these problems are in neighborhoods built before the current County Land Development Regulations (LDRs) were adopted. Unfortunately most of these developers are long gone and the improvements now being demanded have to be funded by the current taxpayers. I believe our current LDRs are fair and if developments are correctly constructed to these standards, new projects will not be a financial burden to future taxpayers. Obviously, there are several other areas in need of drainage improvements and we will continue to pursue funding for these projects as funds become available.

BURROUGHS: The county administration should have a plan to address the drainage by categorizing by severity those areas with the greatest need and then have the county road department begin executing

the plan to relieve the problem. This is not an overnight fix, but since we have known about the drainage issues, we should have been taking a more proactive approach in resolving the problems. Currently, the Road Maintenance department presented a plan regarding this effort during a presentation at a recent budget meeting when the road department reviewed their budget.

CLAY: You get to see where the issues lie every wet season. Most of what I see is ditches that need to be cleaned and culverts that are too small. I would start with the worst areas first and use the county road department on these projects as much as possible.

QUESTION: Do you have any great ideas, like ankle bracelets (home incarceration) that not only save the county money but also potentially create jobs here in Okeechobee?

HOOVER: As I have publicly advocated, I believe ankle bracelets for non-violent offenders or those awaiting trial are definitely worth investigating. They have been used in many other communities for many years. I don't claim to know all the details involved with such a system but I do believe that it is necessary to look at alternatives. Not only to reduce the costs involved with our corrections budget but also allow those selected by judges to participate in such a program an opportunity to continue working and taking care of their family and financial obligations. Judge Bryant's implementation of the Drug Court Program has been the same type

of alternative to jail that has been quite successful.

BURROUGHS: The idea of home incarceration saving money has not been fully evaluated to state the amount of savings, if any. As far as providing jobs, I seriously doubt this operation would provide any additional jobs for our community. My focus has been to promote our county to companies in the manufacturing/distribution services area. Recently, Charles Composites located their manufacturing facility in Okeechobee. They have currently hired 10 people with the expectation of hiring up to 50 new skilled workers. These are the type of jobs that will provide good wages and benefits to our community. If elected as your commissioner I will work for the people of this community to ensure prosperity for our community by working with my fellow commissioners to build consensus on attracting new industry to our community, lowering the tax structure and providing quality waged jobs for the families of this community.

CLAY: I would like to see Okeechobee use a firm like the one that was used to sell our community to FPL last week to attract other companies to look at us. I think we need to do away with impact fees and be more aggressive in getting permitting done. Okeechobee needs to target industry that our workforce can support. IRSC has done a great job with their vocational program making classes that can produce a diversified workforce which can help sell our community.

211 HelpLine crisis calls increase

Special to the Okeechobee News

Crisis calls to 211 about depression are on the rise since Robin Williams' death captured the public's attention. 211 calls related to suicide and mental stress are up significantly and experts point to greater public awareness since the comedian's suicide.

The average daily number of suicide calls increased by 61 percent in the days after Robin Williams' death.

"We are surprised by the diversity of calls coming in ... people of all ages, background and professions. Many seem to identify with Robin Williams' depression — that they too put on an appearance of being "happy-go-lucky" while struggling with deep depression," said Patrice Schroeder, Public Information Officer of 211. Caller stories include some who were spurred to take a closer look at their own mental health and depression. Some were calling because they too had thought of suicide and were reaching out for guidance and support. Some people simply called to share their condolences for his family. One caller had lost their only daughter to suicide and wanted to share their sorrow and sympathy for the Williams family.

211's staff members are able to listen and help these individuals with their concerns and to bring a bit of light to the darkness in which some people find themselves. Staff also share information on mental health services should callers choose to explore these options. Several individuals have called simply to say, "Thank you for the work that you do, and for the valuable lifesaving service that you provide."

211 staff also feel that this has been a wake-up call to further the discussion of mental health and depression and the need to create a climate in our society where mental health becomes just as important as physical health. "Depression can be treated and suicide is preventable ... and as a community we all can work together to break the stigma associated with reaching out for help," said Susan Buza, Executive Director for 211. In the meantime, 211 staff work

tirelessly to ensure that a warm comforting voice is at the other end of the line, ready to listen, ready to help.

If you are concerned about yourself or someone you know, or if you just need to talk, any time of day or night, pick-up the phone and dial 2-1-1. They are there to listen, and to help! Online visit www.211palmbeach.org or www.211treasurecoast.org.

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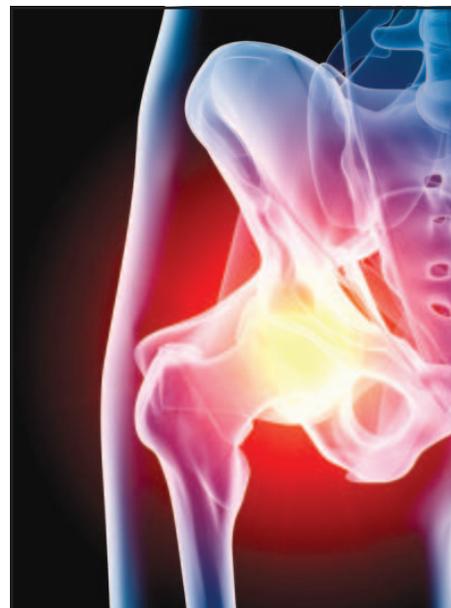
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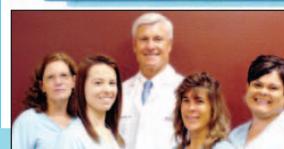
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S & S Wireless opens second local store

By Tammi Kelly
Okeechobee News

S & S Wireless has opened its second store in Okeechobee.

S & S Wireless has served Okeechobee for years. They opened the new location due to feedback from their costumers who said it would be nice for them to have a store on the north side of town. The owner of S & S Wireless, Ash Ahmed, heard the customers and brought a store to them.

“We go the extra distance for our customers,” said Eddy Rivero, store manager. Not only did they add another store to make shopping more convenient for the costumers, but they also provide information and take the time to explain the phone to the customer. When a customer walks out the door with a new phone, they know how to use it.

S & S Wireless is a no-contract cell phone provider, currently selling Boost Mobile, Vir-

gin Mobile and all employees are certified in Sprint and Samsung. They also do phone and computer repair. You can also pay your bills at the store such as FP&L and Comcast.

“Teamwork, is what makes us unique, it is a top priority here at S & S Wireless,” said Mr. Rivero. In the near future they hope as

the community grows so will S & S Wireless be able to open a third store. S & S Wireless, 3182 U.S. 441 S.E. Their hours of operation are Monday- Saturday from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. The store is closed on Sunday. They can be reached at 863-623-4225 or by email at s&swireless@gmail.com.



Okeechobee News/Tammi Kelly
Eddy Rivero and Derek Borroto are always happy and will to help you with all your cell phone needs.



Episcopal Church welcomes teachers

Above: Seminole Elementary was well represented at the teacher welcome lunch Friday at the Episcopal Church. Left to right are Lisa Quinlin, who will teach fourth grade, and Addys Pereira, who will teach fifth grade this year.



Right: Director of Student Services Tracy Downing and her husband Sean Downing, principal at Osceola Middle School, were among 45 educators on hand for a welcome lunch Friday at the Okeechobee Episcopal Church. The group held a moment of silence to remember the life of an Okeechobee High School senior who died in a crash Friday morning.



20th Annual Miss Firecracker pageant

The 20th Annual Miss Firecracker pageant was held in July by the Okeechobee Fire/Rescue volunteers. Winners were Miss Firecracker Destani Whaley, Junior Miss Firecracker Madison Hancock, Petite Miss Firecracker Jillian Durfee and Little Miss Firecracker Audrina Vang.

Health and Safety Expo meeting planned

The Eighth Annual Okeechobee Family Health and Safety Expo will be held at the Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center on Saturday, Jan. 31, 2015. The Expo will be held from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. If your organization would like the opportunity to share information about your local services as they relate to health and/or safety, this is the event for you. The first planning session will be held Tuesday, **Aug. 26**, at 9 a.m. in the board room of the school board office. The meeting is open to the public. For information, call Sharon Vinson at 863-462-5000, ext. 257.

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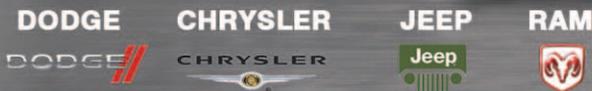
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Be election-ready for August primary

Special to the Okeechobee News

With Florida's Primary Election quickly approaching on Aug. 26, the League of Women Voters of Florida wants to make sure every voter is prepared. Elections give voters the chance to change their state and their communities, and the League is offering some tips to help voters get ready for the primary. Absentee ballots have already been mailed to voters who requested them, and early voting is under way in all of Florida's 67 counties.

Florida offers three ways to vote: by mail, early, and on Election Day.

Voters who have moved or who need to update their voter registration record can do so by contacting their local Supervisor of Elections.

Voting in the primary is critical. Even voters registered as NPA (no party affiliation) may have important nonpartisan races to consider such as those for circuit and county court judge as well as for county and city commission.

As part of its mission to educate voters, the League is also offering nonpartisan voter guides. These guides, along with contact information for each Supervisor of Elections office, can be accessed at www.beareadytovote.org. Floridians can check

their voter status online as well as find locations and hours for early voting. Be-ReadytoVote is available in both English and Spanish (www.vamosavotar.org) and as an app for Android.

"The Florida Primary is about matters impacting your daily world," said Charley Williams, Voter Service Chair for the Florida League. "Roads, schools, courts, justice, safety and water quality: it doesn't get more local than this. As the adage says, 'If you're not voting, then who are you electing?'"

Remember, Election Day is the last day to vote. Don't miss a single election. Be ready!

Floridians can call the League's voter service hotline at 1-855-FL-VOTER with their election-related questions, or visit www.BeReadytoVote.org for more information.

Legion offers Sunday bingo

American Legion 64, 501 S.E. Second St., will host Sunday night bingo **Aug. 24** 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. Proceeds benefit the veterans' programs. The event is open to the public.



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Kiwanis helps Real life Children's Ranch

With school beginning this week, some children don't have the luxury of having the needed supplies. The Kiwanis Club of Okeechobee held their annual school supply drive and donated the proceeds to the Real Life Children's Ranch.

The club raised over \$2000 and two anonymous members matched that total to bring the final tally to over \$4000. The club also donated several notebooks, folders, binders, pens and pencils and other supplies.

Kiwanis member and school supply drive organizer Dowling Watford says the Kiwanis Club of Okeechobee has held this drive for over fifteen years and this was by far the most money raised.

Real Life Children's Ranch director Mark Meyers accepted the donation and was visibly touched and admittedly overwhelmed saying that the Kiwanis has always done so much for the Ranch, but this went above and beyond anything he ever expected.

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- Replacement of No-Passing stripes on US 98 at Dixie Ranch
- Identified drainage blockages in the N.W. area of Okeechobee by flying in an airplane after Tropical Storm Isaac
- Worked with FDOT to replace collapsed culvert at Lofton Road and US 98
- Voted to stop construction of a new building for Driver's License Bureau, saving tax payers \$2.1 million dollars
- Fought to settle lawsuit of a \$25,000 well that cost the county approximately \$500,000 in attorney fees and professional consultants fees
- Spearheaded the replacement of the two collapsed culverts in the canefield area off Potter Road, restoring drainage
- Led the effort to fix drainage at Everglades Elementary
- Worked with FDOT to extend the bike lane/emergency access lane on State Road 70 East from St. Lucie County to the City of Okeechobee
- Spearheaded the reinstallation of the culvert that was removed from SW 70th in Four



Seasons, restoring proper drainage to the residents to the northeast

- Assisted in acquiring the Huey Helicopter for Veterans Park

VOTE!

United Way announces new staff members

Special to the Okeechobee News

United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee announced five new staff have joined the organization: Bryce Aaron, Allison Chandler, Stephanie Harrison, Crystal Rodriguez and Michael Willis.



Michael Willis

Bryce Aaron and Crystal Rodriguez are United Way 211 Information and Referral Specialists. Aaron graduated from the University of Texas at San Antonio and has previously worked for United Way Partner Agency AHF-ICAN. Rodriguez is a graduate of Kutztown University and has worked in the healthcare service industry.

United Way 211 is a free, 24-hour information and referral service for health and social services that provide food, housing, medical, child care assistance and more.

Allison Chandler is United Way Manager for Okeechobee County. She has lived in Okeechobee for 10 years and is working on a degree in Business and Finance. Ms. Chandler is an active volunteer in Okeechobee.

Stephanie Harrison is Community Programs Manager for United Way. Harrison is a graduate of Valencia Community College, and has 10 years of experience in community banking.

Michael Willis is Director of Finance for United Way. Willis is a life-long Florida resident, and a licensed CPA with a Master's Degree in Accounting and Taxation from Florida Gulf Coast University. He has been employed in the accounting field for over 10 years.

Since the inception of United Way in 1957, \$128 million dollars have been raised in our community. All money raised in the United Way campaign stays in the local community to help support the local human service network. United Way partner agencies and initiatives like Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, Children's Advocacy Center, Harry Chapin Food Bank, The Salvation Army, and United Way 211 serve a diverse range of needs in our community such as nurturing children and youth, strengthening families, meeting critical needs such as helping the elderly and disabled live independently, and empowering communities by bringing health and human services to neighborhoods.

In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies and initiatives, helping them to work together focusing on issues and solutions that continue to improve lives. For more information, please call United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee at 239-433-2000 or visit www.unitedwaylee.org.



Special to the Okeechobee News
New United Way staffers include (left to right) Crystal Rodriguez, Allison Chandler, Stephanie Harrison and Bryce Aaron.



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March of Dimes volunteers attend training

March of Dimes volunteers from the Treasure Coast attended Leadership Training in Orlando on Aug. 16. This highly interactive training was presented by March of Dimes to provide its volunteer leaders with resources to help set the stage for success in March for Babies. Volunteers and staff from across the state heard from past and current March for Babies chairs who have implemented successful campaigns. Left to right are: Nick Blount (recently retired from FPL), who is the chair of the March of Dimes Treasure Coast Division board of directors; Donna Gaiser (former business owner in Okeechobee), chair for March for Babies 2015 in Okeechobee; Genelle M. Yost, superintendent of schools in St. Lucie County and co-chair for March for Babies 2015 in St. Lucie and Martin counties; and Laura McCall, from the Law Office of Cassels & McCall in Okeechobee, vice-chair of the March of Dimes Treasure Coast Division board of directors.

IT'S OUR CENTENNIAL!



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OFC staff kicks off new year with breakfast



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The Okeechobee Freshman Campus staff kicked off the new year on a positive note by enjoying a breakfast at Applebee's which was generously donated by the Gilbert Family of Companies.



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Richonda Manson, Danny Thomas (at left), and Elisabeth Fox and Carla Boggs (at right).



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Shannon Arnold and Nikki Faircloth.



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J.D. Mixon, Carol Revels and Bryan Van Camp helped celebrate the new school year.



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At left, Casandra Peterson and Chris Koch; at right, Barbara Quam and Liz Devereux.

Guns, medals and clothing taken in burglary

By Eric Kopp
Okeechobee News

While he has recovered some of the items, a local detective continues to search for the remainder of things stolen from a local home late last week as well as those involved in the theft.

Detective James Pickering, of the Okeechobee City Police Department (OCPD), said Wednesday, Aug. 20, he has arrested a local man who was found to have purchased some of the things taken in the Aug. 14 burglary.

The investigator has arrested Jerry Wayne Suarez, 63, N.W. Sixth Ave., on a felony charge of dealing in stolen property. He was



Jerry Suarez

booked into the Okeechobee County Jail on \$5,000 bond. He has since been released on bond.

Even though Suarez was in actual possession of some of the stolen items, Detective Pickering was quick to point out "Suarez is not part of this (burglary) investigation."

When asked about the break-in, Detective Pickering said the homeowner was not home and that her N.E. Third Street home was locked. The thieves, he continued, took so much from the home the homeowner "... doesn't know what's missing."

Some of those items taken include: a pink commercial-grade mixer/blender; a television; military medals, patches and chevrons; collector Barbie™ dolls; other kitchen equipment; rifles; and, clothing that belonged to the woman's dead husband.

OCPD Sergeant Belen Reyna took the ini-

tial report on the burglary.

"They (the thieves) got, conservatively, \$15,000 to \$20,000 worth of items," said Detective Pickering. "They took their time and made several trips. They went there two to three times."

The detective explained he was contacted by a concerned citizen, who gave him enough information that he was able to get a warrant to search Suarez's home. Taking part in the Aug. 18 search were deputies from the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office, detectives from the Okeechobee Narcotics Task Force and OCPD officers and detectives.

When law enforcement went to the

man's home, he was not there. The officers entered the home and began their search. During their search of the home and an apartment on the property, Detective Pickering said they found some of the items taken from the woman's home — including the pink mixer/blender and the military items.

They also found a rifle that had been taken in another burglary currently being worked by the police department.

The veteran investigator is now hunting for those involved in the Aug. 14 burglary, as well as the rest of the missing items.

If you have any information regarding this case, you are asked to call Detective Pickering at 863-763-5521.

Man accused of kicking detective

By Eric Kopp
Okeechobee News

A Loxahatchee man accused of kicking a detective and trying to swallow suspected marijuana has been released on bond from the county jail.

Joshua Aquental McCollum, 24, 84th Court N., was arrested Aug. 19 on felony charges of aggravated battery on a law enforcement officer and tampering with evidence. He was booked into the Okeechobee County Jail on \$5,000 bond.

An arrest report by Deputy Leland Schoonmaker, of the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office (OCSO), stated he conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 3200 block of U.S. 441 S. because it only had one working headlight.

When the deputy asked the driver, later identified as McCollum, to roll his window down the driver would only lower it a couple of inches.

Because of the man's suspicious behavior, Deputy Schoonmaker asked for backup. A detective from the Okeechobee Narcotics Task Force arrived at the scene shortly after the deputy's call.

When McCollum finally rolled down his driver's side window, Deputy Schoonmaker stated he could see pieces of what looked like marijuana on the man's shirt. After McCollum got out of his vehicle the deputy



Joshua McCollum

stated the man was "... trying to eat something."

Deputy Schoonmaker ordered the man to open his mouth, but he allegedly refused.

According to the report the deputy then grabbed McCollum's mouth and he opened it just wide enough that Deputy Schoonmaker could see a green substance that he suspected was marijuana.

McCollum, continued the report, refused to spit out the substance and tried to swallow it instead. Deputy Schoonmaker went on to state he didn't want the man to "... ingest a substance that could possibly do harm to him physically."

At that point the deputy and the detective took McCollum, who reportedly was still refusing to spit out the substance, to the ground. While on the ground, McCollum allegedly started kicking the detective in the upper thigh area.

McCollum finally relented and spit out the substance, stated the deputy.

Pieces of suspected marijuana was reportedly found "... scattered all over the seat and on the floorboard" of the car, added the report.

The report indicated the total weight of all the suspected pot was 8.0 grams.

Besides the felonies, McCollum was also charged with possession of marijuana under 20 grams — a misdemeanor.

Deputy Schoonmaker also issued the man a traffic citation for the faulty headlight.

'60s reunion party planned

Buckhead Ridge Moose Lodge #2417, 1016 Linda Road, is hosting a '60s reunion party at 7 p.m. on Saturday, **Aug. 23**. Come see musical performances on big screens along with 60s music DJ by John Gallagher. Also there will be a \$25 bar tab for Best Women and Man outfits along with '60s TV theme trivia. For information, call John Gallagher at 954-592-3111. All proceeds go to Moose Charities.

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Employment

Employment Full Time

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Employment Full Time

LOWBED DRIVER
 J.W. Cheatham, LLC has a local job starting soon and is accepting applications for Lowbed Driver. Requires a Class A CDL, Valid Medical Card and acceptable MVR. Must have experience loading and chaining heavy construction equipment i.e. loader, dozer, grader, paver. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.
To apply, please call 561-471-4100 ext 239 or fax resume to 561-471-8348. Drug Free, EEO, E-Verify

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Employment Full Time

MECHANIC
 J.W. Cheatham, LLC has an immediate opening for a field mechanic. Must have experience troubleshooting shooting, repairing and performing preventative maintenance on heavy construction equipment i.e. roller, loader, dozer, excavator, etc. Requires valid drivers license, acceptable MVR and own tools.
 Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Position is located in West Palm Beach, to apply please call 561-471-4100 ext 239 or fax resume to 561-471-8348. Drug Free, EEO, E-Verify

RANCH FOREMAN needed, must have experience with Rotational Grazing, Electric fencing, Equip. maintenance & Pasture mowing. Housing is available. Apply at: Helpwanted4755@gmail.com or by mail to: Ranch Foreman c/o Okeechobee News 107 S.W. 17th St., Suite D., Okeechobee, FL 34974

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Seasonal

Bus Driver - Seasonal Position (6 to 9 months) ECMHSP is now accepting applications for Bus Driver for a Migrant Head Start Program. Responsible for providing transportation for children. Preferred: High School Diploma or GED, Commercial Driving License (class A or B), with P & S endorsement. School Bus Driver Certificate of Training and documented years of experience driving a bus. Accepted: High School Diploma or GED, Commercial Driving License (class A or B), with P & S endorsement. School Bus Driver Certificate of Training. Starting salary \$12.32 - 15.01. Personal Leave and employer-matched retirement plan. Call 252-234-7108/ fax resume 252-234-1635

Bus Monitor - Seasonal Position (6 to 9 months) ECMHSP is now accepting applications for Bus Monitor(s) for a Migrant Head Start Program. Responsible for ensuring children's safety on the bus and providing an environment, which is conducive to the optimum development of each child while they are being transported. Serve as liaison between center and families, maintaining on-going communication between the center and families. Preferred: High School Diploma/GED and CDL. Accepted: High School Diploma/GED. Starting salary \$8.66 - 10.34. Personal Leave and employer-matched retirement plan. Call 252-234-7108/ fax resume 252-234-1635

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Seasonal

Monitor de autobus o De 6 a 9 meses cada temporada ECMHSP esta aceptando solicitudes de empleo para el puesto de monitor de autobus para un programa de Migrant Head Start. Tendra la responsabilidad de asegurarse de la seguridad de los niños en el autobus y proveer un ambiente adecuado para el óptimo desarrollo de cada niño mientras son transportados. Ademas servira como enlace entre el centro y las familias, manteniendo una comunicación continua entre el centro y las familias. Se prefiere: Diploma de escuela secundaria/GED y COL. Se acepta: Diploma de escuela secundaria/GED. Salario inicial \$8.66 -10.34. Se ofrece permiso personal, permiso por enfermedad y beneficios de retiro con contribución del empleador Call 252-234-7108/ fax resume 252-234-1635

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Apartments

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OKEE - ADORABLE In Town, 2 1/2 br., 1ba., W/D Hook up, Lawn Service. Non Smoking. Sm pet ok. \$800 mo. 1st, last & \$500 sec. (941)504-3954

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Mobile Home Rent

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Palm Harbor Homes - limited time offer! \$5 towards any exterior package. We have 24 wide, 26, 28 & 30 wide homes. 3 stock units reduced 26K, Homes for the \$60's plantcity.palmharbor.com or 800-622-2832 *Se habla espanol

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Automobiles

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Public Notices

Public Notice

NOTICE OF OFFICE CLOSURE

Dr Masood Hashmi will be closing his office, Space Coast Neurology at 109 NE 19th Drive, Okeechobee FL 34972 on September 15, 2014.

After September 15, 2014 all requests for medical records should be mailed to the following address;
Attn: Dr Masood Hashmi
PO Box 13759
Mesa, AZ 85216

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES OF THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE WILL MEET TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2014, IN ROOM 302 OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT 3209 VIRGINIA AVENUE, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA 34981-5596.

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE - 2:00 P.M.
BOARD POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE - 2:15 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. 466904 ON 8/22/2014

LEGAL NOTICE

A public auction of stored personal property from **Okeechobee Store-N-Lock** to be conducted at the following locations in Okeechobee, FL: **WEST - 2701 Hwy 70 West and NORTH - 3050 SW 3rd Terrace.** The auction will be held to pay unpaid storage fees (pursuant to the Florida statutes, Section 83.806). Public Auction to be held on **September 6, 2014** beginning at **9:00 a.m.** at the WEST location. We will then proceed to the NORTH location. All payments must be made in full, **CASH ONLY**, by the date/time of auction.

WEST
ANGELA GILLOTTI, Unit # 7-38
DANIELLE ARNOLD, Unit # 7-43
RASHIEKA MINONODO, Unit # 8-16
VALENTINE MARTINEZ, Unit # 9-29

NORTH
SOBEIDA RODRIGUEZ, Unit # N0064
LEMMIE PRESCOTT, Unit # N0079
JOSEPH MOORE, Unit # N0080
SHAKIRA MAYS, Unit # N0175
MERYL HIGH-ANDERSON, Unit # N0135, N0139, & N0181
466909 ON 8/22,29/2014

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Okeechobee, Centennial Celebration Ad Hoc Committee (CCAHC) meeting will be held on **Monday, August 25, 2014, 5:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible, at City Hall, 55 SE 3rd Ave, Rm 200, Okeechobee, Florida. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. Contact City Clerk's Office at 863-763-3372 x215, or website, cityofokeechobee.com, to obtain a copy of the agenda.

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

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

By: J.D. Mixon, CCAHC Chairperson
466806 ON 8/22/2014

NOTICE AS TO THE EXCHANGE OF COUNTY REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Okeechobee County, Florida, will hold a public hearing on September 11, 2014, at 9:00 O'Clock A.M., in the Okeechobee County Courthouse, County Commission Chambers located at 304 N.W. 2nd Street, Okeechobee, Florida, for the purpose of receiving comments in consideration of the adoption of a resolution ratifying the conveyance of the north 2 1/2 acres of the parcel upon which Fire Station Number 4 is located, in exchange for 2 1/2 acres adjacent to the east property line of the fire station in order to provide additional road frontage along NE 168th Street, Okeechobee County, Florida. Fire Station Number 4 is located at 1199 NE 168th Street, Okeechobee, Florida.

A copy of this Notice of Intent will be available for public inspection at the County Commission office, Room 106, Okeechobee County Courthouse, 304 N.W. 2nd Street, Okeechobee, Florida each week day, Monday through Friday, except holidays between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M..

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at such hearing, they will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Frank Irby, Chairman
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
Sharon Robertson, Clerk
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

466910 ON 8/22,29/2014

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Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Okeechobee County Board of County Commissioners will hold its **Regular Session on Thursday, August 28, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.**, in the "Judge William L. Hendry Courtroom" at the Historic Courthouse, 304 N.W. 2nd Street, Okeechobee, Florida.

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

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

Frank Irby, Chair
Board of County Commissioners
Okeechobee County, Florida

Sharon Robertson, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Okeechobee County, Florida
/s/ Paula Poskonj/ Deputy Clerk
466543 ON 8/22/2014

Notice of Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting of the Grove Community District

The Board of Supervisors of the Grove Community District will hold a public hearing and Regular Board Meeting on September 2, 2014, at 2:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, in a Conference Room of the South Florida Water Management District - Okeechobee Service Center located at 3800 NW 16th Boulevard, Okeechobee, Florida 34972.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public comment on the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Proposed Final Budget of the Grove Community District. The purpose of the Regular Board Meeting is for the Board to consider any other business which may properly come before it. A copy of the Budget and/or the Agenda may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501 Burns Road, Suite A, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, during normal business hours. The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. Meetings may be continued as found necessary to a time and place specified on the record.

There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone; therefore, a speaker telephone will be present at the meeting location so that Supervisors may be fully informed of the discussions taking place.

In accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations or an interpreter to participate at these meetings should contact the District Manager at (561) 630-4922 and/or toll free at 1-877-737-4922, at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the meetings.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made at their own expense and which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is based.

Grove Community District
466721 ON 8/15,22/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

2014TD109

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

Certificate No: **2493** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**

Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 5 LOT 80 BLOCK 59**

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

Name in which assessed:
BARRY BIONDO

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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

NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990: In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770. 466315 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

LEGAL NOTICE

Okeechobee County School Board Employment Termination Hearing

The Okeechobee County School Board will conduct a public hearing to consider termination of employment for Tom Bonasera. The hearing will take place on Thursday, August 28, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. in the School Board Administration Building, Room 303, at 700 SW 2nd Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida. 466906 ON 8/22/2014

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

Public Auction will be held at Johns Towing Service storage lot located at 704 Northeast 2nd Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34972 on SEPTEMBER 5, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. Pursuant to Florida Statute 713.78 for unpaid towing and storage charges. Year, make, model and VIN are as follows.

2000 TOYOTA CAMRY
VIN#4T1BG22K8YU011682
2000 JEEP CHEROKEE
VIN#1J4FT48S2Y1223739

Terms of sale are cash, and no checks will be accepted. Seller reserves the right of final bid. ALL SALES ARE FINAL! NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE! Said automobiles will be sold in "As Is" condition with no guarantee's. 466527 ON 8/22/2014

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

2014TD112

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

Certificate No: **2506** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**

Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 6 LOT 47 BLOCK 64**

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

Name in which assessed:
RAMON TRIZARRY

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

2014TD113

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

Certificate No: **2508** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**

Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 6 LOT 53 BLOCK 64**

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

Name in which assessed:
MARIA D RODRIGUEZ RODRIGUEZ

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

2014TD104

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

Certificate No: **2485** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**

Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 5 LOT 25 BLOCK 58**

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

Name in which assessed:
RAY LEE VALENTIN

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD107
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **TC 2012 LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **3753** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **CITY OF OKEECHOBEE LOT 11 & E 1/2 OF LOT 12 BLOCK 42**
3-15-37-35-0010-00420-0110
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
JANET L ESTRELLA
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
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 466320 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD108
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **TC 2012 LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **3861** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **1ST ADDITION TO CITY OF OKEECHOBEE LOT 4 BLOCK 204**
3-21-37-35-0020-02040-0040
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
TERESA HOLLOMAN
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**.
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 Deputy Clerk
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 466321 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD105
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **2490** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 5 LOT 61 BLOCK 59**
1-05-37-35-0050-00590-0610
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
JOSE RAUL MARRERO VELEZ PISTEROS AND DISPLAYS INC
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466313 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD103
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **TC 2012 LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **2333** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **WHISPERING PINES HEIGHTS LOT 41**
1-04-37-35-0020-00000-0410
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
EDGAR OCHOA ERASTO OCHOA PAULA OCHOA
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466311 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD097
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **256** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **LOT F OF TRACT 23 E1/2 OF W1/2 OF S1/2 OF N1/2 OF TRACT 23 12 34S 33E**
1-12-34-33-0A00-00023-F000
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
GENITE BEAULAN
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **18th day of September, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466169 ON 8/8,15,22,29/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD111
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **2505** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 6 LOT 46 BLOCK 64**
1-05-37-35-0060-00640-0460
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
GENOVEVA VALENTIN VICTOR M VALENTIN
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466317 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD110
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **2504** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 6 LOT 45 BLOCK 64**
1-05-37-35-0060-00640-0450
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
G VALENTIN VICTOR M VALENTIN
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466316 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD098
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **ANTHONY & LORI KIBLER** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **863** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **LOT L OF TRACT 24 W1/2 OF W1/2 OF N1/2 OF S1/2 OF TRACT 24 22 34S 33E**
1-22-34-33-0A00-00024-L000
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
LESSONN VEDRINE MIFRANE VEDRINE
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **18th day of September, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466170 ON 8/8,15,22,29/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD095
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **TOM FELDT** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **1519** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **LOT P OF TRACT 25 E1/2 OF E1/2 OF S1/2 OF S1/2 OF TRACT 25 29 34S 33E**
1-29-34-33-0A00-00025-P000
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
ROXAN GARDNER
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **18th day of September, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466172 ON 8/8,15,22,29/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD106
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **BE A MAN BUY LAND LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **2491** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **BASSWOOD UNIT 5 LOT 62 BLOCK 59**
1-05-37-35-0050-00590-0620
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
JOSE RAUL MARRERO VELEZ PISTEROS AND DISPLAYS INC
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466314 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD099
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **WOONGYE CHUNG** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **3738** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **CITY OF OKEECHOBEE LOT 2 BLK 26**
3-15-37-35-0010-00260-0020
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
LEROY PAGE JR ESTATE MARY CAMPBELL WANDA PAGE
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **18th day of September, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466175 ON 8/8,15,22,29/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD094
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **TOM FELDT** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
 Certificate No: **1518** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**
 Description of Property: **LOT J OF TRACT 25 WEST 1/2 OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF TRACT 25 SECTION 29 AS TO THE SOUTHERN COLONIZATION COMPANY PLAT OF TOWNSHIP 34 SOUTH RANGE 33 EAST ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4 PAGES 3-3E INCLUSIVE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FLORIDA**
1-29-34-33-0A00-00025-J000
 Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida
 Name in which assessed:
RAQUEL SEARCHWELL SHANE SEARCHWELL
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **18th day of September, 2014**.
SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES
 SHARON ROBERTSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 Okeechobee County, Florida
 /s/ Robin R. Parrish
 Deputy Clerk
 NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990; In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
 466171 ON 8/8,15,22,29/2014

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD096
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **JOSEPH FREDERICK GAZZA** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No: **3589** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2011**

Description of Property: **LAR KEE LAKES LOTS 8 AND 9 BLOCK 4 LAR KEE LAKES 2ND ADDITION FOR MOBILE HOMES ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4 PAGE 6 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FLORIDA**

1-04-38-36-0040-00040-0080
Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
**MARILYN S GUTHRIE PERKINS
MAURICE E GUTHRIE
MYRTLE M GUTHRIE AKA MYRTLE MAE GUTHRIE AKA MYRTLE MAE HEWITT AKA MYRTLE HEWITT GUTHRIE AKA MYRTLE MAE FOSTER**

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **18th day of September, 2014**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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

NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990: In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986, 1.772.807.4370 within two working days of your receipt of this notice. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 1.800.955.8770.
466174 ON 8/8,15,22,29/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 14000201CAAXMX

U.S BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
VS.
PAMELA KAY SCHNELL AKA PAMELA SCHNELL, et al,
Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

TO: PAMELA KAY SCHNELL AKA PAMELA SCHNELL, 3590 SE 8TH STREET, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF PAMELA KAY SCHNELL AKA PAMELA SCHNELL, 3590 SE 8TH STREET, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974
UNKNOWN TENANT #1, 3590 SE 8TH STREET, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974
UNKNOWN TENANT #2, 3590 SE 8TH STREET, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974
Residence unknown and if living, including any unknown spouse of the Defendant, if remarried and if said Defendant is dead, his/her respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant; and the aforementioned named Defendant and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant and such of the unknown named Defendant as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property, to-wit:
LOTS 8 AND 9, BLOCK 26, A REVISED AND ADDITION TO PLAT OF CONNERS GABLES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 15, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA..
more commonly known as 3590 Southeast 8th Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34974

This action has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, GILBERT GARCIA GROUP, P.A., whose address is 2005 Pan Am Circle, Suite 110, Tampa, Florida 33607, on or before 30 days after date of first publication and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 18th day of August, 2014.
Sharon Robertson
OKEECHOBEE County, Florida
By: Arlene Nealis
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.
466891 ON 8/22,29/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

2014TD100

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

Certificate No: **1933** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**

Description of Property: **LOT 86 HUDSON LAKE RANCHES UNRECORDED PLAT A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN A PORTION OF SECTION 24 TOWNSHIP 36 SOUTH RANGE 34 EAST OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 24 THENCE SOUTH 01 DEG 00 MIN 00 SEC WEST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 24 FOR 766.91 FEET THENCE SOUTH 89 DEG 00 MIN 00 SEC EAST FOR 338.61 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING SAID POINT BEING THE BEGINNING OF A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE SOUTH SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 1985.00 FEET A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 14 DEG 05 MIN 31 SEC AND FROM SAID POINT A RADIAL LINE BEARS SOUTH 10 DEG 15 MIN 15 SEC WEST THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID CURVE FOR 488.21 FEET THENCE SOUTH 29 DEG 38 MIN 17 SEC WEST FOR 524.73 FEET THENCE NORTH 66 DEG 40 MIN 43 SEC WEST FOR 381.96 FEET THENCE NORTH 79 DEG 38 MIN 39 SEC WEST FOR 8.55 FEET THENCE NORTH 18 DEG 55 MIN 49 SEC EAST FOR 473.77 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING 5.09 ACRES**

1-26-36-34-0010-00000-0860
Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
THE OKEECHOBEE GROUP LLC

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **18th day of September, 2014**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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

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466173 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

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ANSWER:

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
2014TD102
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **TC 2012 LLC** the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **2121** Year of Issuance: **June-01-2012**

Description of Property: **COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 14 TOWNSHIP 34 SOUTH RANGE 35 EAST RUN THENCE NORTH 89 DEG 54 MIN 17 SEC EAST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID SECTION 14 AND THE CENTERLINE OF SR S15C FOR A DISTANCE OF 545.50 FEET THENCE RUN SOUTH 01 DEG 35 MIN 37 SEC WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 33.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH RW LINE OF SAID SR S15C FOR POINT OF BEGINNING THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 01 DEG 35 MIN 37 SEC WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 80.00 FEET THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEG 54 MIN 17 SEC WEST PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID SECTION 14 FOR A DISTANCE OF 255.00 FEET THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEG 35 MIN 37 SEC EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 80.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE FORESAID SOUTH RW LINE OF SR S15C THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEG 54 MIN 17 SEC EAST ALONG SAID RW LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 255.00 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING SUBJECT TO A COMMON EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS THE EAST 17.5 FEET AND THE WEST 17.5 FEET THEREOF LYING IN AND COMPRISING A PART OF THE WEST 1/2 OF NORTHWEST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 14 TOWNSHIP 34 SOUTH RANGE 35 EAST OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FLORIDA**

1-14-34-35-0A00-00002-0170
Said property being in the County of Okeechobee, State of Florida

Name in which assessed:
**BOBBY FRALIX
REBECCA FRALIX AKA BECKY FRALIX AKA REBECCA E FRALIX**

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Okeechobee County Judicial Center, Jury Assembly Room, 312 NW 3rd Street, Okeechobee, Florida **10:00 A.M.**, on the **2nd day of October, 2014**. SUBJECT TO CURRENT TAXES

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

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466310 ON 8/22,29;9/5,12/2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 19TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 14000156CAAX

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
VS.
BETHA JIMENEZ, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: **BERTHA JIMENEZ**
Last Known Address: 3306 NW 34th Ave., Okeechobee, FL 34972
Current Residence: Unknown

UNKNOWN TENANT
Last Known Address: 3306 NW 34th Ave., Okeechobee, FL 34972
Current Address: 3306 NW 34th Ave., Okeechobee, FL 34972

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:
LOT 24, BLOCK 49, BASSWOOD, INC., - UNIT NO. 5, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 51, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Choice Legal Group, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is P.O. BOX 9908, FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33310-0908 within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the OKEECHOBEE NEWS and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

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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 6 de habla, llame al 711.

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WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 11th day of August, 2014.

SHARON ROBERTSON
As Clerk of the Court
By: Arlene Nealis
As Deputy Clerk

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Public Notice

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No.: 2014 DR 258
Division: Domestic

Crecencio Calvillo,
Petitioner
and
Betty Jo Devault,
Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: **Betty Jo Devault**
Last known Address:
7857 NE 16th St.
Okeechobee, FL 34972

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Crecencio Calvillo whose address is 7857 NE 16th St., Okeechobee, FL 34972 on or before 9-8-14, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 312 NW 3rd St., Okeechobee, FL 34972, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit's Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file the Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915). Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: 8-4-2014
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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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466669 ON 8/8,15,22,29/2014

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2014-CP-139
JUDGE: GARY SWEET

IN RE: Estate of
FRANCES HELLENSMITH,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(Testate, Summary Administration)
TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration is sought to be entered in the Estate of **FRANCES HELLENSMITH**, Deceased, Case Number 2014-CP-139, by the Circuit Court for Okeechobee County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Okeechobee County Judicial Center, 312 NW 3rd Street, Suite 125, Okeechobee, FL 34972; that the decedent's date of death was June 24, 2014; that the total value of the estate subject to probate is approximately \$45,000.00; and that the names and addresses of those to whom it is sought to be assigned by such order are:

NANCY K. WELCH
S3717A Woodland Road
Viroqua, WI 54665

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those listed for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this Court **WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE.**

ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this notice is: Aug. 15, 2014.

NANCY K. WELCH, Petitioner
S3717A Woodland Road
Viroqua, WI 54665

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Attorney for Petitioner
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Last known address:
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Okeechobee, FL

If further assistance is needed, please contact the Okeechobee County Supervisor of Elections.

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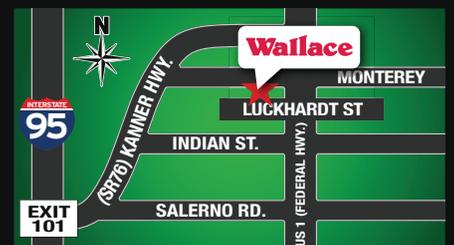
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OHS hosting Lake Placid in Kickoff Classic tonight

By Charles M. Murphy
Okeechobee News

A young but promising Brahman football team hits the field for the kickoff classic tonight when Okeechobee hosts the Lake Placid Green Dragons.

Lake Placid is led by new coach Jason Robinson who only joined the team over the summer after the sudden resignation of their head coach, Jason Holden, during spring football practice.

Neither team played a spring game against an opposing school in May. Both teams struggled last year as OHS finished 1-9, while Lake Placid finished 2-7.

OHS will unveil the new Pistol Wing T offense and hope to overcome the mistakes of youth. A majority of the team's impact players this year will be underclassmen.

OHS coach Chris Branham said he is excited about the potential of this group and praised the team for their work ethic and their focus this month in getting ready for the season.

"I'm excited about this group and what they can be. We are young and somewhat inexperienced but we have a lot of ability and a lot of competition for starting jobs," he said.

Featured players on offense will be Bubba Fludd at quarterback, who is nursing a groin injury and won't play tonight, Wingbacks Drayton Billie, running backs like Jajuan Cherry, and Lamar Williams and wide receivers like Zeke Matthews, and Marquez McLemore.

Eight players are competing for spots on the offensive line with veteran Greg Hernandez the only sure starter at offensive tackle.

The defense also is young, spearheaded by Fludd and Cherry in the secondary. Branham also has been impressed with players like Terrence Boswell and Devion Wigfall at linebacker and Arthur Woodruff at defensive

end. Eli McMullen has opened eyes as a long snapper and place kicker Jarrett Mills has drawn praise for his accuracy.

Other players to look out for include Juan Yae Ford, Joe Benjamin, James Thomas and Tyrone Peterson.

Key players for the Dragons include Foster Walker, their senior quarterback, and Carlos Santana. Wide receiver Markyarie McCray and running back Travis Wiggins are other senior leaders on the team.

Game time is 7 p.m. at Brahman stadium. There is a charge for parking and entrance.



Scouting Report

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Special to the Okeechobee News

Okeechobee Battlefield Park surveyed

The National Park Service, with the assistance of many local volunteers, conducted an archaeological survey of selected portions of the Okeechobee Battlefield Historic State Park on Aug. 16 and 17. Although the metal detecting was hampered by very wet conditions and high grass, two potential artifacts were located and several others marked for further study. The survey was led by John Cornelison, National Park Service archaeologist, and his staff from Tallahassee. Pictured are the staff and volunteers before beginning work on Saturday morning.

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