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## U.S. HUD to offer grant guidance

By Steve Hart

Special to the Immokalee Bulletin



When a department of the U.S. government comes to town to offer assistance, training and guidance on how to apply for and receive U.S. government grants, one should probably pay attention.

The U.S. Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD) will send representatives to

Immokalee on Sept. 16 to conduct a workshop and answer questions about HUD grants. The workshop is set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Southwest Florida Works (the One-Stop Shop), 750 South 5th Street in Immokalee.

"This is very big, especially for anyone who receives funding from U.S. HUD," said Penny Phillippi, executive director of the Immokalee Community Redevelopment Agency.

The workshop will help HUD grant recipients understand the requirements for grants. Phillippi said non-profits who receive HUD

funding should absolutely attend the workshop and make it a priority. And although businesses don't receive money directly from HUD, small business owners could learn quite a lot about the federal grant process by attending the workshop.

Call or write Rosemary Dillon at the Immokalee Business Development Center (IMMBIZ) for more information or to make reservations for the workshop: 239-269-9628, RosemaryDillon@Colliergov.net.



Immokalee Bulletin/Patty Brant

District 77 Representative Denise Grimsley met a very inspiring young lady, Samantha Ayala, at PACE Center for Girls.

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## Rotary plans 'Night Under the Stars' event

The Rotary Club of Immokalee is planning, "A Night Under the Stars," in cooperation with the Southwest Florida Astronomical Society, according to an announcement by President Gary Ferrante.

"Right now, we have the date set as Friday, Nov. 18, Ferrante said, but we're not locked in on a location. We're looking at either the Airport Park or Lake Trafford as viewing areas, and are checking for light interference at each location. We want to have the darkest area available for the best presentation of the stars and various galaxies. As soon as a determination is made on which location allows the best viewing



we'll lock it in and begin informing the public."

Ferwante said The Southwest Florida Astronomical Society, Inc., was formed in 1980 by amateur astronomers in Lee County. Its many goals include educating the public, school children, and scouts about the wonders of the night sky. SWFAS regularly works with the Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium, as well as Florida gulf Coast university with public observation and programs.

"We recently saw a presentation at one of our meetings and just felt it was something we should bring before the public," Ferrante said.

## Denise Grimsley named Legislator of the Year

By Patty Brant  
Immokalee Bulletin

PACE Center for Girls brings out the best in what may be some of Immokalee's most talented - and most at risk - young ladies.

Recently, Florida District 77 Representatives Denise Grimsley visited the PACE Center where she was awarded a plaque as the center's Legislator of the Year.

Impressed with the PACE program, Rep. Grimsley serves as House Appropriations Chair and has managed, even during such lean economic times, to continue funding for PACE centers. She is no stranger to Immokalee as her uncle farmed here when she was a girl. She was elected in 2004 and is planning to run for Florida State Senate.

After touring the Immokalee fa-

cility, she accepted the Legislator of the Year award, she told the audience at the August 18 luncheon for her, "Girls, you are awesome!"

While there, Rep. Grimsley got the chance to meet some of young women PACE staff is very proud of, including 17-year-old Samantha Ayala. Smart and hard working, Samantha was nonetheless on a downward trend. As asthmatic, Samantha was missing a lot of school and even flunked a year. She wasn't able to get credit for some of her work. Things piled up on her until she was ready to give up on her education.

But Samantha's mom, Trudie, had heard good things about PACE and she wasn't giving up on her daughter.

For Samantha's part, she said she

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## PACE

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“didn’t expect much” when she first came to PACE, but soon opened up to a whole new world. Her self described “grumpiness” and “low tolerance,” her “negativity” and “anger” dispelled as her counselor encouraged her to talk out her problems.

Always a social girl with no fear of trying new things, Samantha’s new surroundings

touched just the right chords with her. She opened her heart.

At home, her three other sisters all got along, but Samantha felt like she was on the outside. Now, she sees a different world and is contributing to her own happy home. She said she feels closer to her sisters now. One of her sisters is a new mother and Trudie said Samantha is a “dynamite aunt.”

Both Samantha and her mother got the chance to speak at the luncheon, providing first-hand testimony to the excellence of the PACE program.

# Safety tips offered for coyote encounters

The Collier County Sheriff’s Office and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission remind residents of steps they can take to help avoid problems with coyotes.

Just seeing a coyote in a neighborhood doesn’t indicate a threat to human safety. In fact, coyotes have lived in and among humans in urban settings for many years with little fanfare, but coyotes may see small pets as potential food, according to FWC biologists.

Though urban coyotes can be seen at any time of the night or day, it is more common to encounter them between dusk and dawn, particularly near natural areas bordered by water. Residents walking small pets at these times and places should be particularly cautious.

CCSO and FWC encourage pet owners to step up pet-security measures. Don’t allow your dogs or cats to roam freely. Pets that roam free are enticing targets for coyotes. Residents can prevent most conflicts with coyotes and other wildlife by taking a few simple, proactive steps to avoid creating nuisance opportunities.

\* Do not leave food or water outside for your pets.

\* Keep garbage in a tightly sealed container

\* Keep pets on a leash when walking them. If approached by potentially dangerous wildlife, do not hunch over your pet to protect it. Be cautious if you are going to pick up your pet when approached by a coyote. Stand as tall as possible, wave your arms

and shout at the coyote. But be prepared to defend yourself if the coyote continues to go after that pet.

\* Carry a flashlight, noisemaker and a stick or golf club when walking small animals. That can help scare away coyotes and other wildlife.

\* Keep pets inside at night, if possible.

\* Protect livestock, especially chickens, young calves and sheep. When using fencing, be sure that coyotes can’t dig under or climb over the fence.

\* Tell children that coyotes are wild animals, even though they look a lot like dogs, and coyotes should be treated the same as other wildlife. You should stay away from coyotes and do not let them come near you.

Call the FWC’s Wildlife Alert hotline at 888-404-FWCC (3922) to report any problems with coyotes or other wildlife. Call the Sheriff’s Office at 239.252.9300 to report any aggressive behavior. If it’s an emergency, call 911.

The FWC deals with nuisance coyote behavior on a case-by-case basis. If there is a focused problem, there are methods available to residents to help solve the problem and professional trappers to target specific nuisance animals.

For assistance on living with wildlife, visit MyFWC.com/Wildlife or contact the FWC’s South Region office at 561-625-5122. The University of Florida also has coyote information available online at <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu>.

# Planning gets under way for upcoming holiday gala

Christmas Around the World Parade and Gala is planning some exciting activities for this year’s event.

Come and celebrate the Christmas Holidays at the 19th Annual Christmas Around the World Parade and Gala in Immokalee on Saturday Dec. 10, from 5 to 10 p.m.

This event is a Lighted Christmas Parade starting at 5:30 p.m. The parade will start directly across from the Seminole Casino of Immokalee locate at First and Carver Street. After the parade, our Snow Gala will start at the Immokalee Sports complex, 505 Escambia Street in Immokalee.

Come and join us for tons of ice made into a snow-sled mountain and other snow filled piles to play on. Kids can skate on the ice skating rink, enjoy the carnival with all

types of rides and games, play laser tag, sticky wall; all types of exotic foods and enjoy other cool inflatable games. Listen to live hometown entertainment while waiting for Santa’s arrival by helicopter. After Santa’s arrival, pictures will be taken under “Santa Tent” until closing time.

Event admission is \$1 to the Public except kids under 6 years of age are FREE! Games and food require ticket purchase. All proceeds go directly To two graduating High School Seniors, as a scholarship. Remaining funds are used by Parks and Recreation for general operation of the Event. Parade information: call Cherryle Thomas at 239-657-0080 or Eastern Collier Chamber of Commerce (Myriam) 239-657-3237, Gala (Joe Boney) 239-657-1951.

## Public Meetings

• The Collier County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee will meet Monday, **Sept. 12**, at 3 p.m., at the Board of County Commissioners chambers, located on the third floor of the Collier County Government Center, 3299 E. Tamiami Trail, Naples.

• The Collier County Board of County Commissioners will meet Tuesday, **Sept. 13**, at 9 a.m., in the Board of County Commissioners chambers, third floor, Collier County Government Center, 3299 Tamiami Trail East, Naples.

• The Collier County Planning Commission will meet Thursday, **Sept. 15**, at 9 a.m., in the Board of County Commissioners chambers, third floor, Collier County Government Center, 3299 Tamiami Trail East, Naples.

• The Collier County Board of County Commissioners will meet Thursday, **Sept. 8**, at 5:05 p.m., in the Board of County Commissioners chambers, located on the third floor of the Collier County Government Center, 3299 Tamiami Trail E., Naples. The public hearing was also advertised in recently mailed TRIM notices.

• The Collier County Board of County Commissioners will meet Tuesday, **Sept.**

**13**, at 9 a.m., in the Board of County Commissioners chambers, third floor, Collier County Government Center, 3299 Tamiami Trail East, Naples.

• The Immokalee CRA/EZDA Advisory Boards may attend a Land Development Regulations Workshop on Thursday, **Sept. 15**, at 6 p.m. at Southwest Florida Works located at 750 South 5th Street, Immokalee.

• The Immokalee CRA/EZDA Advisory Boards will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, **Sept. 21**, at 8:30 a.m., at the new Immokalee Community Redevelopment Agency office located at 1320 North 15th Street, Immokalee.

• The Collier County Consumer Advisory Board will meet Tuesday, **Sept. 20**, at 2 p.m., in the Board of County Commissioners chambers, third floor, Collier County Government Center, 3299 Tamiami Trail East, Naples.

• The Collier County Contractors Licensing Board will meet Wednesday, **Sept. 21**, at 9 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners chambers, third floor, Collier County Government Center, 3299 Tamiami Trail East, Naples.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Visit from the Superintendent of Schools



**Dr. Kamela Patton**

The 2011-2012 school year is off to a fabulous start. In my visits to many of our schools thus far, I have had an opportunity to see wonderful examples of student engagement and learning. In some instances, what I observed gave me the impression that we were farther into the school year. In my tour of the district, on behalf of the Governance Team (School Board Members and the Superintendent), School Board Chair Julie Sprague and I were actually able to feel the positive energy and enthusiasm of our teachers, especially our "newbies." Our visits, which were in keeping with our "Way of Work - Collier" Governance Model, made me fondly recall my years in the classroom. As I reflect upon them, I realize those were the best times in my 25-year career. Having taught at all levels, I have a sincere regard for what our 3,000 teachers do on a daily basis.

During my visits, I also witnessed a great deal of parent and community involvement. It does as they say, "take a village to raise a child." We are in this together. The commitment made by the community and parents, and the support we receive from both sectors is much appreciated. To help parents remain involved in their child's life - and more specifically their education - we will soon be launching our "Be There" campaign which will help parents turn ordinary moments with their children into extraordinary ones.

As you probably know, I am all about communication. It is a top priority for me. I will soon be announcing dates and locations of my series of Town Hall Meetings and I will be reaching you monthly with my Collier Communicator articles. I wish to stay in touch on a more regular basis by communicating electronically, via e-mail, since this is the preferred method of communication for most of us. To help me do this, I ask that you

share your e-mail address. Go to the home page at [www.collierschools.com](http://www.collierschools.com) to find two side-by-side "send us your e-mail" links - one for parents and another for community members. I look forward to communicating with you.

I hope this is your best school year yet!  
**Dr. Kamela Patton, Superintendent  
 Collier County District Schools**

### Truly Remarkable

Re: Honoring a Legacy – Connecting the Past article which appeared in September 1 edition of the Immokalee Bulletin

I was invited to the August 20 reception held by the Immokalee Front Porch to honor a legacy of commitments and dedication to the Immokalee community. Upon arrival and not knowing what to expect, I was dazed to enter the building adorned with a classy, upscale décor and a warm welcome by energetic volunteers. And then to see familiar faces sitting around reminiscing about the past was totally different but meaningful.

Born 1940, to the parents of Jerry Lee and Ella Ree Lankster at C.J. Jones Sawmill originally located on Sanitation Road in Immokalee, that evening of chatting with old friends brought back many memories. The highlights of the evening were the interview sessions that captured the historical moments from our point of view. At the end of the evening, the most notable surprise was that of the honorees and guests that attended the reception, I was honored for my lifelong tenure as a resident of Immokalee. I truly can say that this is the first time in 71 years that anyone has ever asked me about life growing up in the community and the challenges we overcame. For this reason, I want to extend a hearty thank you for the work of the Immokalee Front Porch in our community, their endeavor to serve others and mostly, for their apathy and letting their lights shine. I wholeheartedly commend the Immokalee Front Porch organization as a whole and know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jeweldine Gray

## Weather Forecast

Weather forecast for Collier County from the National Weather Service

### Local Forecast

**Thursday:** Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 93. Calm wind becoming south between 6 and 9 mph. Chance of precipitation is 50 percent.

**Thursday night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 11 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 73. Southwest wind around 6 mph becoming calm.

### Extended Forecast

**Friday:** A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 92. Calm wind becoming south between 7 and 10 mph.

**Friday night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. West wind between 3 and 6 mph.

**Saturday:** A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a

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**Saturday night:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 73.

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From left to right are: Mr. Phipps, Francisco Brito, Efrain Porcayo Jr., Jorge Herrera, Marc Galindo, and Melanie Trejo.

# Eden Park Elementary kids rewarded for FCAT scores

On Wednesday, June 6, students at Eden Park Elementary attended an assembly that had drawings for some fantastic prizes. Mr. Krause, math coach at Eden Park, spearheaded a plan to provide incentives to reward students for their hard work preparing for the state mandated FCAT. The prizes awarded were 19" flat screen tv, a Nintendo DSI, \$100 gift card to Best Buy, Moon Shoes and a Wii. Students had the opportunity to win the prizes based on their FCAT scores from last year's test. Students were given a ticket in reading and/or math based on their gain scores from last year. If a student showed at least a year's growth in math and/or reading they received a prize ticket and with that ticket they were given the chance to win a prize

of their choice. Excitement was in the air as students sat in the assembly in anticipation of the drawing of names. The winners were: Francisco Brito - \$100 Gift Card, Efrain Porcayo Jr. won the Wii, Jorge Herrera won the Nintendo DSI, Melanie Trejo won the Moon Shoes and Marc Galindo was the winner of the flat screen TV. Local businesses donated the prizes and Eden Park wants to thank McDonalds and Horace Mann Insurance for their donations and commitment in helping the students at Eden Park Elementary. If anyone is interested in getting involved this year and helping reward students at Eden Park Elementary for their hard work, they can contact Mr. Krause at Eden Park Elementary at 239-377-7320.

## IMMBIZ to host Understanding Your Credit Workshop



Saturday, Oct. 8, at 10 a.m. to noon at Immokalee Business Development Center, 1320 N. 15TH Street, Immokalee. Do you know your credit score and how it affects you? Do you know what causes your credit score to increase or decrease, how to dispute incorrect items, and how to rebuild damaged credit? To learn more, join us for this workshop. For more information or to register contact Rosemary Dillon at 239-269-9628.

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## Students First

### iTECH - host to growing student population

By Joe Landon  
 Collier County District Schools



Immokalee Technical Center, or iTECH as everyone calls it, continues to grow, drawing more adults and dual enrollment high school students to its state-of-the-art facility with quality programs and a welcoming, supportive atmosphere. This year we've already seen a 30% increase in the number of dual enrollment students coming to iTECH from the traditional partner schools - Immokalee High School, Immokalee TAPP, and PACE Center for Girls. That number is expected to grow even more because students from Palmetto Ridge High School and Beacon High are now eligible to attend iTECH. Principal Dorin Oxender is excited about opening his center to more high school students. "A lot of young people don't know yet what they want to do with their lives, but there are others who are lucky enough to know what they want to do for a living, long before they get their high school diploma. Students like that are hungry to start taking the training they'll need to get that first job," said Oxender. "When there's a fit between a student's dreams and iTECH's career programs, it's incredibly rewarding to be able to bring the two together - to see that

student turning wrenches in the auto shop, or building a portfolio of architectural drawings, helping a 4-year-old learn to count in the Little Indians Preschool, or creating a website in the Multimedia Lab." Principal Oxender stresses that "it's what we're here for!"

The iTECH evening programming is set to expand as well. Edison at iTECH has grown to include three Edison State College evening classes, and iTECH's own English Language and GED classes. Plans are also in the works to offer a variety of community education courses later this fall. According to Dorin Oxender, "People have expressed an interest in taking classes like Smart Phone 101, Flower Arranging, Conversational Spanish, and Basic Auto Maintenance. We want to serve the Immokalee community by offering the kinds of classes people will take for their own personal growth or just for fun." He emphasizes that "the possibilities are practically endless because we're not tied to any list of approved courses, and the instructors don't have to worry about teaching certificates. They just need in-depth knowledge of their subject, and a group of eight or ten people who want to learn about it." If you're interested in teaching a community education class, please call Dorin Oxender at 239-377-9903 or just send an e-mail to him at [oxendo@collierschools.com](mailto:oxendo@collierschools.com). He'd love to hear from you.

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# Summer of opportunity for some local students

The summer was a busy one for the students and staff of The Immokalee Foundation, a nonprofit organization that provides educational opportunities for Immokalee's children. The students took part in a variety of activities and programs, and the staff was there to make it all happen. For students, these were opportunities and experiences designed to lead them on a pathway to success.

Marcos Gonzalez, for one, inched closer to his dream of becoming a civil or environmental engineer. Gonzalez was chosen to attend the University of Florida Student Science Training Program, a seven-week residential research program for up to 100 selected students.

While some students worked directly with a UF faculty research scientist for seven weeks, others, including Gonzalez, were given projects to do on their own. His project? He designed a UV light chamber, then wrote a detailed report explaining his methods. "I love having the ability to be creative and design and build something," he stated. "This experience only solidified my desire to become an engineer."

Collier Health Services and Florida State University College of Medicine Immokalee Health Education Site co-hosted a five-week medical internship for nine TIF students. Each day, the students had the opportunity to experience what it might be like to work in the medical industry by shadowing staff and attending weekly lectures. Other local



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**Immokalee Foundation student, Marcos Gonzalez attended the University of Florida student science training program on his journey to becoming and fulfilling his dream of becoming an environmental/civil engineer.**

businesses, including BCB Homes, Media Vista Group, Thomas Riley Artisans Guild, Salazar Machine & Steel Inc. and Freeman & Freeman Construction, also provided beneficial internships for students.

Three students were selected to represent Immokalee in the Youth Leadership Collier program developed and maintained by The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce Leadership Collier Foundation. The students

participated in team building activities, met with community leaders, and visited businesses, government agencies and civic organizations.

Participant Juan Sandoval said of his learning experience, "We are each individuals, but together we can change the world."

To help improve each student's test scores, TIF organized a three-week ACT Prep course for 31 students, which offered personalized instruction from knowledgeable instructors that focused on the

skills students will need to succeed on test day. The foundation also offered a three-week College Success Institute program that offered recent graduates and rising seniors the opportunity to participate in an intensive college readiness course. In addition, Ave Maria University and TIF worked together to provide a three-day "Boot Camp" for 20 graduating seniors who received scholar-

ships through TIF. The camp offered activities and workshops to help students prepare for the next stage in their life.

Other students had the opportunity to spend three days touring six of Florida's major universities, providing them with a firsthand look at the character and diversity that each institution offers.

The summer wasn't just about education and career opportunities but also about life opportunities. Thanks to proceeds from TIF's Fund A Dream auction held last November as the highlight of TIF's Charity Classic event, 29 kids had the chance to attend Cirque Du Soleil's Alegria at Germain Arena in Estero; five students had the opportunity to make their first trip to Washington, D.C.; and 12 were given the life-changing opportunity to attend prestigious summer camps in New England.

No matter what the experience, The Immokalee Foundation had one unforgettable summer.

The Immokalee Foundation has a range of programs that focus on building pathways to success through college and vocational school, mentoring and tutoring, and opportunities for broadening experiences and life skills development. To learn more about the Charity Classic Celebration, volunteering as a mentor or for additional information, call 239-430-9122 or visit [www.immokaleefoundation.org](http://www.immokaleefoundation.org).



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# Summer camps offer experiences of a lifetime

## Immokalee Foundation gives local kids a taste of New England

Eight students recently had the life-changing opportunity to attend prestigious New England summer camps, thanks to The Immokalee Foundation and proceeds from last year's Charity Classic Fund A Dream auction.

Students were selected based on grades, involvement and accountability to attend Kingsley Pines, a three-week camp located in Maine. Two TIF students were invited to the all boys Camp Deerwood in New Hampshire, and Jesus Velazco, who attended Kingsley Pines camp last year was personally invited by the camp owners to participate in a three-week leadership camp this summer.

"Each camp provided the students with unique experiences and adventure that they never dreamed about," said TIF program manager, Patricia Rizo. "Some of them have never been outside of Florida, or even Immokalee, others have never been on an airplane."

The camps emphasized building character and friendships, along with learning new skills and enjoying a healthy outdoor summer experience.

Erial Perez attended the Maine camp and described it as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. She had heard about the camp from another friend, Monique Williams who also attended, and was excited when she heard she had been chosen to attend Kingsley Pines. She said the camp was full of activities, including archery, crafts, basketball, tennis, rock climbing, canoeing, water skiing and evening campfires. Campers make their own activity choices and are encouraged to challenge themselves and master skills in a variety of areas.

Theater was one of her favorite activities, with campers creating and performing different skits. "It was so much fun," Perez said. She also enjoyed getting to know her fellow campers from all over the country and world. "It was interesting to get to know more about them and where they were from."

Velazco was thrilled to learn he was invited to attend the Teen Leadership Camp, which consisted of only eight campers and three counselors. The program included a

weeklong road trip to Acadia National Park in Maine and Quebec City, Canada, as well as numerous team building and leadership activities over a three-week period.

"It was an amazing experience," said Velazco. "As time went on, we built friendships and learned to trust one another – all while having fun."

Above all, he noted that the camp helped give him the courage and strength to want to do something else. "I want to travel the world. Now, I can gather my goals and dreams and make them a reality."

For Rizo, seeing the kids' faces upon their return is unlike anything else. "It is amazing how a few weeks of camp can change their lives, but it does. When they come back, you can see on their faces the image of confidence and real winners; that nothing is impossible and the opportunities in life are endless."

The 2011 Charity Classic Celebration dinner and auction will take place Friday, Nov. 11 at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples. The theme of this year's event, "Building Blocks for a Brighter Future" celebrates the foundation's mission to provide sustained educational opportunities that make aspirations come true for the youth of Immokalee. Ticket prices

are \$550 per guest, tables are available at \$5,000 for 10 and \$6,000 for 12. Sponsorship and underwriting opportunities are also available.

The Immokalee Foundation has a range of programs that focus on building pathways to success through college and vocational school, mentoring and tutoring, and opportunities for broadening experiences and life skills development. To learn more about the Charity Classic Celebration, volunteering as a mentor or for additional information, call 239-430-9122 or visit [www.immokaleefoundation.org](http://www.immokaleefoundation.org).

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## September is national library card sign-up-month

Collier County Library is promoting library card sign up month with the slogan "The Smartest Card: Get It, Use It, @ Your Library!" It's the smartest card for a lot of reasons: for the access it provides to a wide spectrum of reliable information resources and for the value it provides to every card holder. Customers can borrow rather than buy books and movies, download audiobooks and take advantage of a wide variety of programs and events for every age group which makes their library card a most valuable asset.

Over a dozen community businesses are

partnering with Collier County Public Library to make the library card even more valuable in September. Anyone who shows their library card at: Aurelio's Pizza, Ben & Jerry's Homemade Ice Cream, Florida Olive Oil Company, King Richard's Family Fun Park, Lindburgers Restaurant, Miller's Ale House, Naples Flatbread, Regina's Ice Cream Pavilion, Sam Sneed's Tavern, Senor Tequila's Mexican Grill, TGI Friday's, Simply Cupcakes of Naples, Town Centre 6 Movie Theatres, Tropical Smoothie Café and Wynn's Market receives a special offer not available to non-card holders.

Check out the library website at: [www.colliergov.net/library](http://www.colliergov.net/library) for more details. The website will feature the business name, address, phone number and the special being offered to library card holders.

The Collier County Library has been serving the community since 1957 and now has 10 locations throughout Collier County. To find the location nearest you and more about library resources and programs/events visit our website at: [www.colliergov.net/library](http://www.colliergov.net/library).

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## First Baptist Church to host 95th Homecoming celebration

First Baptist Church Of Immokalee is having its 95th Homecoming Celebration on Oct. 9. Dr. Babb Adams will be our visiting pastor and we are looking forward to having former members and anyone who wishes to celebrate with us to join us at 9:30 a.m., for a special time of sharing and music. We will be honoring our "Distinguished Senior Members" for their accomplishments to the church and our community. Remember to mark your calendars to join us on Sunday, Oct. 9, for Homecoming. We will also have "dinner on the grounds" in the fellowship hall immediately following the celebration. Please stay and have lunch and fellowship with us. First Baptist is located at 1411 Lake Trafford Road, Immokalee..

Please call the church, 239-657-2694 if you have any questions or need directions.

## St. Matthews House in dire need of food staples - donations needed

Due to the recent increase of families in need of groceries, the St. Matthew's House food pantries are running dangerously low on staple items like mac 'n cheese, dry cereal, peanut butter and jelly (small jars), canned tuna, pasta, spaghetti sauce (16 oz. jars), and both powdered and evaporated milk. Immokalee Friendship House is also in need of the following items: Canned potatoes/corn/green beans/peas/chicken broth/spinach, as well as onions and boxed mashed potatoes. Over 100 grateful families come to SMH each week for agency referrals

and bags filled with \$40 worth of groceries. Donations can be brought to the kitchen entrance at St. Matthew's House, 2001 Airport Rd., South in Naples.

SMH is thankful for any and all donations to continue their mission to serve those less fortunate in this time of need. For more information about SMH or any additional food pantry and Direct Assistance program needs, please contact Communications and Event Officer Julie Clay, or call 239-298-5026. Outside of business hours, please call the Front Desk at 239-774-0500.

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## Pets of the Week

### Billy-boy

Billy is a 3-month-old male brown domestic short hair tabby. He is classically beautiful with his soft, fluffy coat and bushy tail. He is affectionate and loves to be petted. He gets along well with his roommates and is an all-around awesome little guy. Take Billy home with you and let him be your forever pal. (Please refer to A144496 when calling for adoption information on Billy).



### Orange Munchkin

Munchkin is a 3-month-old female orange domestic short hair tabby. She is petite, lovely and very affectionate. Female orange tabbies are uncommon and even more uncommon are short-tailed ones. Check out her little tail that she proudly carries pointed straight up. Munchkin's special looks coupled with her great personality make her an exceptional kitty. (Please refer to A144289 when calling for adoption information on this little Munchkin).

The adoption fee for cats is \$60 and for dogs \$85. The fee includes sterilization surgery, vaccinations, pet license, ID microchip and a bag of food. To adopt these pets, visit Collier County Domestic Animal Services from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays at 7610 Davis Blvd., Naples. Information: 252-7387 or [www.colliergov.net/pets](http://www.colliergov.net/pets).

## IHS Indians host home season opener- Big game of the year

### Hometown team takes on rival Naples High School



With the experience, talent and excellent coaching staff at the high school this year there may be many big games. Few games, however, can rival the intensity of the annual match against Naples High School.

This Friday the Indians will open their home season against the Eagles.

If you are in Immokalee and cannot attend the ball game, now you can listen to

every play of the game. That's correct Indian fans!

You can now tune into 90.5 the CALL-FM and listen to all the exciting games of the Immokalee Indians as Bernardo Barnhart, vice president of Florida Community Bank, brings you the play by play. All away games are also going to be broadcast on the CALL-FM.

The CALL-FM is a non profit Christian radio station looking for additional businesses or personal sponsors who would like to support these great broadcasts. Show your support for our Indians by calling Bernardo Barnhart at Florida Community Bank at 863-657-3161 to offer your contribution. Go Indians!

### 'Remembering Our Babies' a community memorial service

A special remembrance ceremony for those who have lost a baby will be offered by Avow Hospice in partnership with the Collier County Department of Health and the Florida Department of Health. The service will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 13, at the Health Department Conference Room located at 419 N. First Street in Immokalee. The service will include readings and a lighting of candles. Participants are invited to bring photos and/or share their story. Refreshments will be served. No fee to attend. Reservations requested. Call 239-252-7307 or 239-252-7306; Spanish-line 239-252-7358.



## Reflect, Honor & Remember

# 10 Years Later... WE REMEMBER SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

A decade has passed since the terrorist attacks of September 11 shocked our nation and the world, forever changing so many lives and the course of history. Today we pause to honor the memory of those who perished, and salute those who answered the call of duty. Their courage and their sacrifice will never be forgotten.

On September 11, 2011, we remain grateful to the heroes of 9.11 and to our men and women in uniform. We remain committed to the ideals of freedom, liberty and justice for all.

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