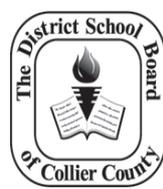


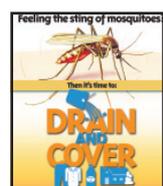
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A fresh start for IFD

By **Patty Brant**
Immokalee Bulletin

After many months of turmoil, Immokalee's Fire Department is on its way back to wholeness.

After receiving a two-year SAFER grant, IFD restored all operational employees, leaving only administrative positions still being shared with Big Corkscrew Fire Department.

The Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response

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Thanks to grant funding, the Immokalee Fire Dept. Engine is ready and operational in case of emergency. The SAFER Grant provides restoration of employees and equipment.

Early voting changes OK'd

Early voting in Collier County will change to 8 days, with 12 hours per day

Last week, the U.S. Department of Justice granted preclearance to the early voting changes in Florida's election law HB 1355, passed in 2011. The changes, reviewed by a federal panel of judges, mean that early voting in Collier County will begin Oct. 27 and end Nov. 3, including Sunday, Oct. 28, with early voting locations open 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Collier County has long been a "covered" jurisdiction under the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965. What this essentially means, is that election changes cannot be implemented without first obtaining federal approval. In 2011, the Florida Legislature made several changes to the Florida election law, including the early voting adjustments, which were enacted throughout most of the state. The early voting changes were not implemented in Collier or four other Florida counties while awaiting federal approval.

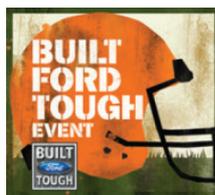
"Our office has been making preparations for each possible ear-

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Thanks to a successful fundraising effort held on Saturday, Sept. 15, IHS band members along with some help from band boosters and the local Winn-Dixie, band members raised \$1,200, enough to pay for much needed band uniform cleaning. See more photos on Page 4



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(SAFER) Grant, which provides funding to increase the number of trained, "front line" firefighters in local communities.

Chief Rita Greenberg, Assistant Chief and the training officer are still doing double duty, covering both departments.

Between the \$736,920 SAFER grant and additional tax monies approved by residents through a referendum the chief said the department is coming around.

Station 31 on Carson Road reopened on August 6, providing regular coverage and four of the firefighters laid off last summer have returned. The department is back up to its full capacity and the chief is putting money into fleet and operation reserves.

A new Fire Board will be seated in November - Dick Rice, Terry Heath, Travis Anderson and "Ski" Oleski will all return. A fifth member will be appointed to complete the board.

The additional taxing for fire district should pull the department through, Chief Greenberg said.

However, she admitted that, if the economy doesn't improve, the department may not be able to keep all firefighters after the SAFER grant runs out. It is possible that they could apply for another extension, she said.

The department's preliminary budget is done, Chief Greenberg said, It will come out September 26 at Station 30.

She said the department is able to upgrade bunker gear as well as equipment like



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Volunteer firefighters help in helping to supply their own upgraded firefighting equipment, however the department can take care of upgrades in essentials like boots and helmets.

boots and helmets.

Volunteer firefighters work to supply their own upgraded equipment.

The chief said there has been a slight increase in call volume of 2-3 percent that was a challenge when Station 31 was closed.

Chief Greenberg is looking forward to a fresh start when the new budget year begins October 1.

VOTING

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ly voting outcome," said Jennifer J. Edwards, Collier County Supervisor of Elections. "We are pleased to know that a final decision has been made, so we can move ahead and communicate the schedule to our voters as soon as possible."

While the new law changed the start of early voting from 15 days prior to Election Day to 10 days prior, allowing for no less than 6 and no more than 12 hours a day, the federal judges indicated approval would come only if early voting in the preclearance counties offered the same number of hours—96—that the old law provided, to avoid discrimination. Therefore, Collier

County is required to set a 12-hour schedule to ensure 96 hours of early voting.

This change will allow more hours before many voters must report to work, as well as increased evening hours and voting on Sunday. The federal approval would also bring more uniformity across the state. In the 2012 Primary Election, 62 counties, including neighboring Lee County, offered this 8-day schedule of early voting. The confusion that occurred between bordering counties that were on separate schedules could be alleviated.

For more information, including Collier County's early voting locations, visit www.CollierVotes.com or contact the Supervisor of Elections office at 239-252-8450.

Local apartments encouraged to adopt smoke-free housing

In an effort to reduce secondhand smoke exposure and decrease apartment turnover costs, the Tobacco Free Collier Partnership is encouraging local apartments to adopt smoke-free housing policies. According to the 2010 US Census Bureau, 48% of Collier County residents live in a multi-unit structure. In these structures, smoke can travel through spaces between walls, windows, doors, balconies, air ducts, electrical outlets, and garbage disposals. Containing over 7,000 chemicals, of which over 100 are toxic and 70 can cause cancer, there is no risk-free level of exposure to secondhand smoke. Chemicals such as arsenic, lead, formaldehyde and benzene are known to be toxic and can cause or contribute to health problems in infants, children and adults.

According to the 2010 Florida Youth Tobacco Survey in Collier County, 44.4% of middle school and 53.7% of high school students were exposed to secondhand smoke during the past seven days. Property Managers and Owners are encouraged to commit to the health and safety of their

residents by implementing tobacco-free policies that will reduce the number of people who are exposed to secondhand smoke.

Besides increasing the safety of the community, one study by the Smoke-Free Environments Law Project found that the unit turn over costs when a non-smoking tenant leaves is around \$558, while the costs to turn over a unit exposed to heavy smoking is up to seven times higher at \$3,509. Demand for smoke-free housing is increasing nationwide. However, there is a shortage of multi-unit housing options for people who want to, or, for health reasons, need to live in a smoke-free environment. 84% of Collier County residents are tobacco-free, therefore, a smoke-free apartment option could be viewed as an amenity that would appeal to the majority of residents, as well as provide a competitive advantage for a property manager to go smoke-free. Save lives and money by partnering with the Tobacco Free Collier Partnership.



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Pepper Ranch Preserve to open for Non-Hunt Saturdays

Pepper Ranch Preserve will be open to the public every Non-Hunt Saturday from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. from Oct. 1, 2012 through June 1, 2013. Visitors must check-in at the visitor center to receive a daily permit and lock combination that will allow them to drive the scenic ranch road. A trail will also be available to visitors for hiking near the visitor's center.

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Letters to the Editor

So long and thanks!

This is a rather difficult letter to write. However I wanted to let my friends and business associates know that, as of the end of this month, I will be retiring from my leadership of I HOPE, Inc.

Thanks to GOD's help we've had one of the most successful Long Term Disaster Recovery Organizations in the state. FEMA and many other disaster organizations have called on us to provide assistance to multitudes of needy families in Immokalee. We saw GOD provide over \$3 million in funding after Wilma tore through our community in 2005, and saw the lives and hopes of hundreds of families being restored. The work of I HOPE continues now with a new focus—the I HOPE Distribution Center or IDC, and hopefully will continue to provide the community with its home-improvement warehouse for years to come.

Grant moneys are extremely difficult to obtain now, but the warehouse with its

partnerships should be sustainable for years to come. Over 500 families pay an annual membership fee of \$25.00 to shop and save money, while over 20 business members also take advantage of fantastic sale items for their businesses.

I want to thank the board of I HOPE and all of you who have been an encouragement to us in the work we've done over the years.

Any correspondence to I HOPE can be directed to either of our officers, Dick Rice, chair- marandic@comcast.net, or Pastor Dennis Norvell, treasurer- norvell52@gmail.com.

Rick

Richard L. Heers, Executive Director, I HOPE, Inc.,

Town Hall meeting

Our Superintendent, Dr. Kamela Patton, invites you to join her at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 25, in the Auditorium at Immokalee

High School as she hosts a Town Hall Meeting. Please pass the invitation along to everyone within your circle of influence.

Dr. Patton will use the Town Hall Meeting format to have a conversation with you. She will speak about the renewal of the school district's cost and tax-neutral referendum. Dr. Patton will have a message for parents about graduation requirements and the College & Career Pathways Plan which will better prepare our students for a future after high school. Parents will also learn about the new Parent Portal online tool, and there'll be discussion about STEM education (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) that we're hearing so much about these days.

Translation services will be available the night of the meeting.

Have a question you'd like to ask during Q&A? Please send it now using a link you'll find on our home page at www.collierschools.com or simply bring it to the meeting.

We hope to see you over at Immokalee High School Tuesday evening at 6!

Master Plan vote

The Collier County Commission will have its final vote on the proposed Immokalee Master Plan Tuesday, Sept. 25, in the commission chambers in Naples. This will be the last opportunity for the community to share its thoughts and ideas.

Obituaries

Dan Gardener, 74

IMMOKALEE — Dan Gardener, died on Sept. 11, 2012 in Naples.

He was a native of Mulberry and is survived by his spouse, Fredonia Gardener; and his daughter, Sharon Howard of Immokalee; five other children and their families throughout the Country.

Visitation will be held on Sept. 21, 2012 at the House of Prayer, Immokalee, 401 S. 2nd St., from 6 til 8 p.m. Funeral services will be held at noon on Sept. 22, 2012 at the same location.

Graveside Services and Burial at the Wildwood Cemetery, Bartow, Fla., on Sept. 23, 2012 at 2 p.m. In Lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate monetary donations be sent to the Charles A. Lewis Funeral Home, 1700 2nd St NW, Winter Haven, FL 33881 Phone: 863 293 9830.

Raymond Howard Snyder, 85

LABELLE — Raymond Howard Snyder,

passed away Sept. 16, 2012 in Cape Coral. He was born Dec. 24, 1926 in Miami, Fla., to the late Oscar L. Snyder and the late Lucille Elizabeth (Royal) Snyder.

Raymond served in the Merchant Marine during WWII. Howard was an avid hunter and outdoorsman who spent the last thirty-six years of his life with his wife Golda living on the edge of Sadie Cypress Swamp in a house they called the "Cabin." He was a carpenter by trade and built several houses in the Immokalee area including the home where he and Golda lived and raised their daughters. He was a resident of Immokalee for fifty years and of LaBelle for the past three years.

He was also preceded in death by four brothers.

Survivors include his wife of forty-seven years, Golda Pauline (Skipper) Snyder; daughters, Karen (Waddy) Thompson, Laverne Massey and Gerri Lester; grandchildren, Brad Justice, Steven Justice, Robbie Massey, Ryan Massey, Emily Lester DeVaney, and Erin Lester; and three great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Sat., Sept. 22, 2012, at Akin-Davis Funeral Home in LaBelle with Chaplain Bob Moore officiating. Cremation Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - LaBelle.



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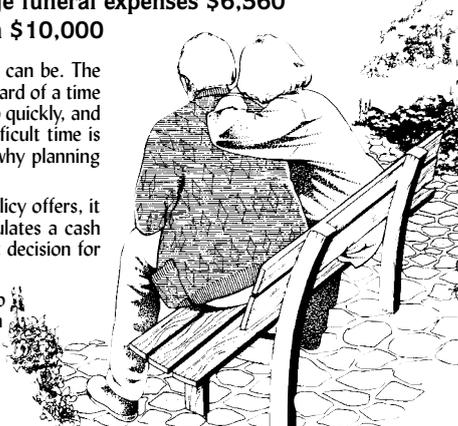
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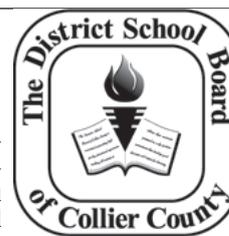
Band fundraiser event

IHS Band members and band booster head, Connie Beliato (above in green) gathered at the Immokalee Winn-Dixie on Saturday, Sept. 15 along with Winn-Dixie store manager, Veronica Alverado in support of fundraising efforts of band members. By the end of the day, band members had raised \$1,600 in total. After expenses were counted, the band secured \$1,200 in funds to help pay for band uniform cleaning expenses. The local Lions Club was also there bringing awareness of there many programs such as assistance with eye exams and surgeries. They are currently funding a program to transport and pay for people who cannot afford to have eye surgery as well as pay for their glasses. They have a very reputable doctor in Fort Myers to help make this endeavor a reality. This along with their many other contributions to the community were funded through donations that day.

Students First

And the winner is....

By Joe Landon
Collier County District Schools



Candace Perez is an Immokalee High School senior, a very special senior I might add. For you see, Candace is a rising star and the recipient of a \$5,000 Sun Life "Rising Star" scholarship. Why Candace? Why was she chosen from among her 291 fellow seniors? It was because of the obstacles she has overcome, and because she's helped improve life in the Immokalee community while showing the world that she's a survivor. She and her mom are migrant farmworkers, forced to migrate, leaving school in Immokalee before the school year is over in mid-April only to return in November, long after a new school year has begun. Candace says that "her entire life was about playing catch up." She credits the after-school program and a favorite teacher at the Guadalupe Center for helping turn her life around – especially helping her with homework since mom couldn't. According to Candace, "Even as a second grader, I knew I had been given a great gift; being part of this program." And, Candace tells us that she knew she wanted to be a part of the program when she herself got older "so I could help students like me learn and believe in themselves." And she did. Six years later, as a freshman at Immokalee High School, Candace became a tutor with the Guadalupe Center Tutor Corps Program. "I am now able to work in the same

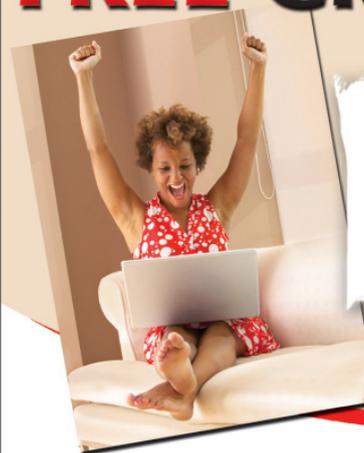
program I once attended." Candace proudly announces that "I am in my third year being a tutor, and I cherish it each and every day. Not everyone was given the opportunity that I was, but I learned very early on that when opportunities are handed to me, I take full advantage of what has been given."

The generous Sun Life Rising Star scholarship comes from Sun Life Financial, Inc. in partnership with the Miami Dolphins and locally with the Guadalupe Center of Immokalee. The Dolphins cheerleaders were on hand yesterday to present the award to Candace. The Rising Star Awards program aims to improve the lives of under-served high school students by helping pay for their college education.

So our Sun Life award winner, Candace Perez, who will be the first in her family to graduate from high school, has some advice to impart. "What are my recommendations for overcoming financial obstacles? I think the answer is clear – education! With a college degree, I can obtain a career where I will be self-sufficient. I also hope that, through my example, my younger brother will follow in my footsteps and together, we can help our family overcome the financial hardships that have strained us for generations."

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Get ready Brandon team, here come your nemesis' the Soccer Pit Cobras. The U18 boys team is ready to rock with a first place spot in the South Division with four wins already this season. They are setting out to be an unstoppable force.



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The U18 girls are two and two this season with one tie. The team for this year has some seasoned players and some newcomers as well. With practice and teamwork they will build an unbeatable team!

Soccer Pit Cobras take top divisional spot

The Soccer Pit Cobras U18 boys climbed to first place in South Division of the USA Soccer league by sweeping both games this past weekend. They beat Englewood by the score of 4-0 and Heartland by a 3-0 score. The boys have only allowed two goals so far this year when they tied Plant City 2-2, their four wins have come via shutouts.

They will play Brandon this Saturday, Sept. 22, in Immokalee at 11 a.m. at the Immokalee Sports Complex

The girls thus far have posted a record of two wins, two loses, and one tie. After winning the first two games they have struggled a little the last three games. We are confident that they will pick up their level of play very soon and will resume their winning ways.

This team has a mixture of experienced players and some newcomers. The more they play the more success they will have. They have a lot of enthusiasm and energy.

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Two Immokalee students win national contest

Immokalee Middle School and Immokalee High School are proud of two students who were declared winners in the national 2012 Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs' (AFOP) Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Children Essay and Art contest.

· Eduardo Hernandez - 8th grade student at Immokalee Middle School

Third place – Essay (age category 10-13)

· Efren Varela - 11th grade student at Immokalee High School

Third place – Art (age category 14-18)

Participants in this year's contest – themed Rhythm of the Harvest – were asked to highlight how the patterns of field work

have affected children from farmworker families. Contest entries were judged by the Child Labor Coalition and winners were selected from across the country.

Eduardo and Efren's entries will appear in the October issue of AFOP's Washington Newsline, alongside all of the first, second, and third place winners in each category. The essays and artwork will also be compiled along with other selected entries into educational materials that will be presented to key members of Congress.

To learn more, please contact either Immokalee Middle School at 239-377-4200 or Immokalee High School at 239-377-1800.

News in Brief

Democratic Club of Immokalee to meet

The Democratic Club of Immokalee will meet on Tuesday, September 25 at 7 p.m. at Mi Ranchito, 710 W Main St #A, Immokalee, (239) 657-1766.

The club will discuss What's on the Ballot and Why You Should Vote November 6th. The meetings are open to all.

IHS 1992 Reunion planned

Attention Immokalee High School class of 1992: Our 20 year class reunion is set, schedule as follows: Friday, **Nov. 9**. Meet at 6 p.m. at the IHS homecoming game, after party at the casino, Saturday, Nov. 10, formal dinner at Lani Kai in Ft. Myers beach, at the Sabal Palm Room, (cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. and dancing at 9 p.m.) and Sunday is open for anything. For more information please go to our page on facebook, "Immokalee class of 1992 reunion group."

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**IMMOKALEE WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Sealed bids will be received by the Immokalee Water & Sewer District at 1020 Sanitation Rd., Immokalee, Florida 34142, until Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 2:00 PM, when they will be opened and publicly read. The bids are concerning:

Cleaning Services at the offices located at 1020 Sanitation Road, Immokalee, FL.

Additional information may be obtained at the District website at www.iwsd.com, or upon application to Eva Deyo, Executive Director, 1020 Sanitation Road, Immokalee, FL 34142

The District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, to waive any informalities, and to re-advertise when deemed in the best interest of the District. The District may reject any proposal that is not submitted in the specified format. The District reserves the right to retain all proposals, or to use any ideas in a proposal, whether or not the proposal is selected. There is no implied obligation to reimburse responding entities for any expenses in the development of their proposal. **Proposals may not be withdrawn for a period of 180 days after the Bid Opening. Bids may not be submitted by e-mail, teletcopy, facsimile, or other electronic method.**

Immokalee Water & Sewer District
Eva J. Deyo
Executive Director

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

Public Notice

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RCMA School Board Meeting Notice For Immokalee Community School

The RCMA School Board Meeting will take place on Monday, Sept. 24, 2012. The meeting will be held at the University of Florida Gulf Coast Research & Education Center, 14625 CR 672, Wimauma, Florida. The School Board Meeting begins at 12:30 PM and is open to the public. Questions or concerns, please call Jim McDevitt at (239) 867-3220
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Rabies prevention begins at home

The Collier County Health Department (CCHD) and Domestic Animal Services (DAS) are partnering to promote rabies awareness, education, and prevention by celebrating World Rabies Day on Sept. 28. In 2011 the Collier County Health Department investigated 59 cases of animal bites where post-exposure (after the bite) rabies treatment was recommended to prevent rabies transmission. Collier County health officials remind residents that rabies prevention begins at home. Although the majority of rabies cases occur in wildlife, most humans are exposed to the virus as a result of an encounter with an infected domestic animal. Keeping pets, including cats and dogs, up-to-date on vaccinations, is a primary means of helping to prevent rabies in humans and domestic animals. DAS will be offering a low cost vaccination clinic on Saturday, Sept. 22 at Collier County Domestic Animal Services located at 7610 Davis Blvd., Naples, FL. For more information, call 252-PETS (7387).

If your pet, farm animal, or any wild animal bites you or someone, you should wash the wound thoroughly with soap and water for at least 5 minutes, contact your physician

immediately, and report the bite to the local health department and/or local animal control services. If your pet or farm animal is bitten by another animal, you should contact local animal control services, and your veterinarian immediately and have him/her examine your pet and assess your pet's vaccination needs.

Rabies is caused by a virus that people and other mammals can get through certain exposures to the saliva or nervous tissue from a rabid animal and is nearly always fatal without proper post-exposure treatment. When an animal is infected with rabies, the virus is shed in the saliva and can be passed to another animal or a person, usually through a bite. Transmission may also occur if this saliva or the animal's nervous tissue enters open wounds, the mouth, nose or eyes of another animal or person. It is estimated that every year 30,000-40,000 U.S. residents are potentially exposed to rabies, requiring human rabies post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP). Twenty-seven counties in FL have reported 70 animal rabies cases during the period January 1, 2012-August 31, 2012. Unvaccinated outdoor cats are the domes-

tic animal particularly at risk for developing rabies in FL. Because of good animal vaccination programs and human post-exposure treatment, rabies is an uncommon human disease in the U.S. Typically 1-3 cases of human rabies are reported per year in the U.S. During 2011 four human rabies cases from the U.S. were reported to the CDC.

CCHD promotes, protects and improves the health of all people in Collier County. Please protect your family and join the Collier County Health Department and Domestic Animal Services in raising awareness about this serious disease, and the methods for preventing it. For more information about rabies and World Rabies Day, please visit <http://www.myfloridaeh.com/medicine/rabies/rabies-index.html> or www.worldrabiesday.org.

World Rabies Day was founded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Alliance for Rabies Control, a UK charity. The World Rabies Day initiative aims to bring together relevant partners in an effort to address rabies prevention and control.

Practice 'Drain and Cover' against pesky mosquitoes

With recent rains and lots of standing water, mosquitoes are gathering to enjoy the bounty.

The Dept. of Health is offering suggestions to help cut down on areas where mosquitoes can gather leaving the potential for mosquito borne illness to spread.

Here is a plan to help keep standing wa-

ter at a minimum:

DRAIN standing water to stop mosquitoes from multiplying

DRAIN: water from garbage cans, house gutters, pool covers, coolers, toys, flower pots or any other containers where sprinkler or rain water has collected.

DISCARD: Old tires, drums, bottles, cans, pots and pans, broken appliances and other items that aren't being used.

EMPTY and CLEAN: Birdbaths and pet's water bowls at least once or twice a week.

PROTECT: Boats and vehicles from rain with tarps that don't accumulate water.

MAINTAIN: The water balance (pool chemistry) of swimming pools. Empty plastic swimming pools when not in use.

COVER your skin with clothing and use mosquito repellent.

CLOTHING: If you must be outside when mosquitoes are active, cover up. Wear shoes, socks, long pants, and long sleeves.

REPELLENT: Apply mosquito repellent to bare skin and clothing. Always use repellents according to the label. Repellents with DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, and IR3535 are effective. Use mosquito netting to protect children younger than 2 months.

COVER doors and windows with screens to keep mosquitoes out.

Keep mosquitoes out of your house. Repair broken screens on windows, doors, porches, and patios.

Repellent Information

Always read label directions carefully for the approved usage before applying a repellent to skin. Some repellents are not suitable for children.

Products with concentrations of up to 30 percent DEET are generally recommended. Other EPA-approved repellents contain picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or IR3535. These products are generally available at lo-

cal pharmacies. Look for active ingredients to be listed on the product label.

Apply insect repellent to exposed skin or onto clothing, but not under clothing.

In protecting children, read label instructions to be sure the repellent is age-appropriate. According to the CDC, mosquito repellents containing oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under the age of 3 years. DEET is not recommended on children younger than 2 months old.

Infants should be kept indoors or mosquito netting should be used over carriers when mosquitoes are present.

If additional protection is necessary, apply a permethrin repellent directly to your clothing. Again, always follow the manufacturer's directions.

For more information, see the CDC's guidelines: http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/qa/insect_repellent.htm or EPA guidelines: <http://cfpub.epa.gov/oppref/insect/>

Other Prevention Measures

Limit outdoor activity at when mosquito's are most active. Avoid areas where there are a lot of mosquitoes.

Contact your local mosquito control agency if there is a significant mosquito problem where you live or work.

Fill in holes or dips in the ground that collect water. Level the ground around your home so water can run off.

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Hold Back.....\$1,131

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GM Bonus Cash.....\$500

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Any Old Trade Worth.....\$3,000



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\$16,784

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MSRP.....\$28,110

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Hold Back.....\$816

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\$418 per month

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\$22,426

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NEW 2011 Malibu LS

Stock #BF329266

\$248 per month

34 mpg

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Hold Back.....\$672

GM Final Pay.....\$3500

USAA.....\$750

GM Courtesy Transport.....\$1,000



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\$16,442

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2010 Nissan Rouge

Stock #3029115

MSRP When New.....\$29,300

Sale Price.....\$18,884

Any Old Trade Worth.....\$3,000



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SALE
\$15,884

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NEW 2012 Chrysler Town and Country

Stock #2252621

MSRP.....\$30,930

LaBelle Savings.....\$1,157

Hold Back.....\$900

Southeast Bonus Cash.....\$1,750

Minivan Conquest.....\$750

Military Discount.....\$500

Total Savings.....\$5,057

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\$423 per month

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NEW 2012 Cruze LS

Stock #C7143200

38 mpg

\$232 per month

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Hold Back.....\$540

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\$15,545

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2009 Honda Civic

Stock #3360973

MSRP When New.....\$22,600

Sale Price.....\$16,284

Any Old Trade Worth.....\$3,000



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NEW 2012 Ram 1500 Quad Cab

Stock #2116598

MSRP.....\$27,540

LaBelle Savings.....\$1,692

100% Dealer Hold Back.....\$796

Southeast Bonus Cash.....\$2,500

FFA Member.....\$500

Trade Assistance.....\$1,000

Military Discount.....\$500

College Graduate.....\$500

Trade or Cash Down.....\$3,000

Total Savings.....\$7,488



\$324 per month

YOU CAN BUY FOR
\$17,052

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OWNER DEMO 2011 Tahoe LTZ

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Belle Glade Savings.....\$3,206

Hold Back.....\$1645

USAA.....\$750

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2007 Dodge Dakota 4x4 Club Cab

Stock #3179386

MSRP When New.....\$25,700

Sale Price.....\$14,784

Any Old Trade Worth.....\$3,000



\$229 per month

SALE
\$11,784

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Stock #2-505932

MSRP.....\$20,990

LaBelle Savings.....\$202

100% Dealer Hold Back.....\$600

VPA Bonus.....\$400

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