

## Two dead in shooting

The Collier County Sheriff's Office obtained an arrest warrant Monday for a 34-year-old man in connection with the shooting deaths of two people in Immokalee on Sunday evening.



Evoull Bachat

Elkim Angervil, 30.

CCSO detectives gave this account of the incident, which was reported around 7:30 p.m.:

Bachat followed his ex-girlfriend Touissant to an apartment at 501 Doak Ave. #B1 and started a verbal altercation with her. Touissant went inside the apartment. Her current boyfriend, Angervil, was already inside the apartment, which belongs to his parents.

A short time later Bachat forced

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## Athletic director: It's about building citizens

by **Patty Brant**  
Immokalee Bulletin

*This series of articles will be dedicated to recognizing the courage, foresight and entrepreneurship many local residents have shown in their success stories. It is also hoped that their stories will serve as beacons for those still plotting their course in life, especially the young people.*

"This community's got a hold on me."

Tony Allen was born in Miami and came to Immokalee with his family in 1976 at six years of age. He is a 1988 graduate of Immokalee High School, where he was a three-sport athlete: football, basketball and track.

Even a passing acquaintance with Immokalee will show you that IHS athletics are a big factor in this community - and that is exactly where Tony Allen's passion lies. With high school athletics and the young people who participate in them.

Immokalee has been blessed with many

talented young people and also with the adults who help guide them. People like Tony. As IHS Athletic Director, his "business" is not just to build these kids' athletic ability but to build their confidence and their character.

He takes his job very seriously.

He came to IHS as a non-instructional employee and became assistant football coach. He completed his teaching degree from Nova Southeastern and earned a masters in education leadership. This is his third year as athletic director.

In the last 25 years national media coverage of high school athletics has increased dramatically, putting more pressure on young athletes, he points out.

That kind of attention is a very tough influence on impressionable youngsters that can have a very negative effect. So "TA," as he is known, makes sure to treat all the athletes the same.

He believes it's important to teach all students to use their own unique talent to benefit their school as well as themselves. It's his job

to provide support for difficult decisions like their choice of college, which will affect their entire life. He tries to "put it all on the table"

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Tony Allen

## I.H.S. Indians work Cross Country magic for the season

Submitted photo

The last three weeks have been really successful for our boys and girls cross country teams. The boys took first place at the district meet in Lemon Bay with Lionel Cruz as the overall winner. The girls team took second place and Anita Munoz rose to overall winner. Both teams finished third at the regional meet, then went on to state in Tallahassee where Lionel and Anita again were overall regional champs.



At state, the boys placed fourth and the girls tenth. Lionel Cruz also took the 2A state individual championship - I.H.S.' first ever. Anita took third place. The Indians used the momentum gained at the district and regional meets to have a great weekend at states. The boys placed fourth as a team and the girls tenth with many of our athletes running their best times of the year. To make this trip even more special, Lionel Cruz was able to capture the 2A State individual championship becoming the first in school history to do so, with a time of 15:50. Anita was able to place third in the girl's race with a time of 18:30. With the season over, Coach Hugo and Coach Galicia would like to thank the parents, the community and the school for all their support throughout the season.

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for each student - how those choices with affect their family and their ability to play. He helps them choose a school that will be a good fit for them academically.

"I help them find the school with the uniqueness that fits their own personality academically, socially, athletically" and to consider the amount of stress that being away from home can cause both the student and his or her family.

It's a collective effort between the school, community and family working together to totally develop each student athlete. The goal is to help kids "mature into the decision making process."

His own road to success began with his family. TA is the youngest of six siblings, most of whom attended some college.

Both his parents were born in South Georgia. Neither finished high school till later in life when they earned their GEDs. They wanted their children to better their position in life.

TA was exposed to the college experience through older siblings. Admitting to always being a "sports junkie," when visiting older siblings away at school he always wanted to see the stadium, the gym, the players. He also watched as an older brother played some sports. He watched and he took it all in.

Growing up, TA played Pop Warner and high school football - receiver, defensive back, quarterback and basketball. Sports helped shape him as a man. He said he especially responded to the responsibility, the leadership, of being quarterback.

"It taught me I could handle pressure. It gave me an opportunity to prove I could do it; to work hard and put my mind to it. I still rely on that experience," he said.

"When something seems unattainable, that quarterback experience comes out."

His father is a pastor from the Glendale Baptist Church - a mega church in Miami that did a lot of outreach. Participating in that outreach to Pahoee, Clewiston and Immokalee, he fell in love with this community and started his own church here - also called Glendale Baptist.

In the beginning, his dad and one of TA's brothers stayed here, while his mother and

the rest of the children stayed in Miami. They drove all the way to Immokalee every Sunday and Wednesday for two years until things were settled enough that they could stay.

His dad would drive the "Old Gray Ghost," an old bus, picking up all the kids around who wanted to come to church on Sunday morning. There would be 30-50 kids and just one or two adults. His father's calling was to teach and preach to them.

He also did summer camps to Miami, skating trips, etc., and the church grew. Even now, he said, former members of church who have moved, often come back to visit.

"My father's a tough guy," TA relates, and he learned a lot from him. "I still call on him - his resolve and strength."

From his mother, he learned consistency. She never stops, he said. When TA came home from games at 10:30-11 p.m. she always got up and cooked him a full meal.

When in difficulty, he said he thinks about his parents and calls his dad for encouragement and strength.

He wants his athletes to know that it's not all about sports. They need to focus on academics and use their gift to help change the future. He wants them to understand that college produces citizens.

"That's why I do this job," he points out.

Besides his parents, TA's role models include former coach Norm Ayer, his former teacher Dr. Ryan (the first person to put down the lesson that, as an upper classman at IHS, he was almost an adult.) She told him and his unruly class "Do you realize in a year or so you will be responsible to take care of yourself?"

He recalls that her words hit their mark with the whole class. Former Coach John Weber taught him how to deal with kids from all walks of life. Coach Weber told him, "You have to meet the kids where they are."

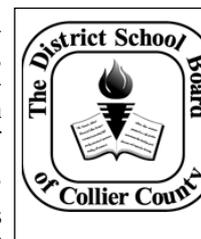
TA hopes his own legacy will be that, some day, any student will come to him and say "You made a difference. You taught me how to be a man."

To become the person you can be, he said, "You have to be bigger than yourself."

# Students First

by Marisol DeArmas

Ever wonder what it would be like to live a day in the life of...I don't know...an A-list celebrity, or a race car driver, or maybe an air traffic controller? How about a day in the life of a school principal? Well, our school principals, all 50 of them, recently asked community members to join them as "Principal for a Day."



The "principals" came from all walks of life - CEOs, banking and insurance executives, presidents of local non-profits, doctors, government officials, and more.

They each got to see the "inside scoop" - the day-to-day business operation of a school and the work that goes into educating our children.

One "principal" at an Immokalee elementary school said he "was impressed with the operations and how the staff works as a team."

Another was impressed with "the skills

and passion of the staff - from the principal to lunch room person. In short - how much they care for these kids."

The day's guest principals got to experience things such as car rider duty, observing classroom teaching, cafeteria duty, data chats with school administrative teams, and other daily operation tasks making for a busy day of activity.

So busy, in fact, that one "principal" suggested, "let the Principal for a Day have a nap after lunch!" I think he might only be half joking.

When asked if their day's visit to the school was worthwhile, one participant said "this was a valuable experience that allowed me to see how the youth is being prepared to take on the challenges of the world."

Another got so much out of his experience that he wishes "every taxpayer in Collier County could spend a day like I just had." All in all, Collier County Public Schools' second annual "Principal for a Day" was indeed successful.

In fact, one of the comments received sums it up quite well: "There is so much more to running a school than just teaching."

Before I close out today, I want to make sure to send a big "good luck" to the Immokalee High School Indians as they head to the second round of football playoffs at their Class 5A regional semifinal game against Plantation-American Heritage tomorrow.

The Indians had an intense regional quarterfinal game last week against Cardinal Gibbons, but they came out the winners with a last-minute...and I mean last-minute...24-yard field goal making the final score 25-23. We wish the Indians the best of luck, as well as the Naples High School Golden Eagles, as they also head to their Class 6A regional semifinal game.

# Warrant

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his way inside the apartment. Bachat shot Angervil with a handgun. Touissant ran out of the apartment. Bachat caught up to her at 507 Doak Ave. and shot her. Bachat fled the area.

Both Touissant and Angervil were pronounced dead at the scene.

Witnesses identified Bachat as the shooter, detectives said.

Detectives said Bachat is described as black, 6 feet 2 inches tall and 190 pounds with brown eyes and black hair. He may be driving a white Dodge Charger with Florida license plate number BZBC48.

Anyone with information about Bachat's whereabouts is asked to call the Collier County Sheriff's Office at 239.252.9300, or if you wish to remain anonymous and be eligible for a reward, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-780-TIPS (8477).

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# Helping quit tobacco use can improve a business's bottom line

Tobacco users aren't the only ones paying the cost of their addiction with their health and wallet.

Collier County employers are paying the price as well. Employees who smoke can cost businesses more than \$6,000 per year when compared to non-smokers.<sup>4</sup>

In time for the Great American Smoke Out taking place on Nov. 21, the Florida Department of Health's Tobacco Free Florida program and the Tobacco-Free Collier Partnership are encouraging businesses across Collier to help their employees quit tobacco.

The Florida Department of Health in Collier offers employers free assistance in developing tobacco cessation programs, whether

it's through the company's health insurance provider or the state's free cessation services.

Nearly 70 percent of smokers want to quit, and getting help through their employers can increase their chance of success while simultaneously benefiting the business.

"Addressing employee tobacco use by implementing tobacco-free policies and offering tobacco cessation support can significantly reduce health care costs to the employer, decrease secondhand smoke exposure and increase overall work productivity," explained Rachel Brandhorst, Tobacco Prevention Specialist at the Florida Department of Health in Collier.

Health care costs are one of the largest expenses facing Collier businesses.

On average, health care costs for employees who smoke are up to 34 percent higher compared to non-smokers.

Every employee who smokes can cost employers an extra \$2,056 a year in health care expenses.

Tobacco use is also the leading cause of productivity loss at work. In fact, each smoker can cost a business an average of \$4,056 every year in lost productivity including sick days, distraction at work, and smoking breaks.

Workers who smoke at least one pack a day experience 75 percent more productivity loss than non-smoking workers.

"Businesses who want to help their employees quit tobacco should also implement a tobacco free grounds policy at their workplace," said Tobacco Free Florida Bureau

Chief Shannon Hughes. "These policies are one of the most effective ways to help employees quit and it creates a healthier environment for all."

Tobacco free grounds policies nearly double the chance that employees will quit. For those that do not quit, the policy will reduce the number of cigarettes smoked by employees during the week.

Tobacco free grounds policies are easy to enforce. More than 80 percent of Floridians do not smoke, and research has shown compliance rates for tobacco free grounds policies to be more than 96 percent.

For more information, please contact the Florida Department of Health in Collier at 239-252-6852.

## Dr. Kelley Johnson receives National Dental Award

Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida Chief Dental Officer Dr. Kelley Johnson, DMD has been named the 2013 Harold Slavkin Oral Health Science Education Award recipient by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR).

Nominated by Dr. Lauren Governale, Clinical Director of the Naples Children and Education Foundation Pediatric Dental Center, Johnson will be honored, Nov. 21, during the NIDCR National Conference in Washington D.C.

In her nomination, Governale praised Johnson's success with the Oral Health America 'Smiles Across America' dental sealant program and the "excellent teamwork that has made many things possible in



Dr. Kelly Johnson

Collier County in terms of improving oral health for local children."

"We are extremely proud of Dr. Johnson and her significant contributions, not only to the Healthcare Network, but to the overall improvement of pediatric oral health in Collier County's most underserved children," said Mike Ellis, CEO of the Healthcare Network.

Johnson was instrumental in establishing the dental sealant pilot program, which served second grade students at Title I schools in Collier County.

The program places sealants on the teeth of second graders and rescreens third grad-

ers to replace any sealants that failed.

The program is a partnership between the Healthcare Network, the University of Florida College of Dentistry and Oral Health America. Treatments are provided on school grounds aboard the Network's Ronald McDonald Care Mobile®.

Earlier this year, Johnson helped leverage the success of the program to secure a \$2.4 million grant from the Naples Children and Education Foundation (NCEF) to establish a multi-year health education and prevention program in partnership with Collier Public Schools.

"I am humbled and delighted," Johnson said of the award, "I believe this award recognizes not only me as a person, but my work as an educator; specifically, my life's work teaching and instructing our next generation, not for glory, and least of all for profit, but to educate and train basic life skills which did not exist previously."

Annually, the Healthcare Network of Southwest Florida provides primary care for 36,000 people in Southwest Florida (25,000 are children) at 13 medical and dental service locations including the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile®.

In 2009 NCEF invested \$5.5 million to establish the NCEF Pediatric Dental Center on the campus of Edison State University.

Thanks to a partnership with the Healthcare Network and the UF College of Dentistry, this award-winning, state-of-the-art pediatric facility has provided more than 65,000 patient visits to date with a focus on care and prevention.

For more information on the Healthcare Network call Kaydee Tuff at (239) 658-3113 or ktuff@healthcareswfl.org.

## Solid waste collection for Thanksgiving Holiday

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, all Collier County recycling drop-off centers will be closed on Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29.

The recycling drop-off centers will reopen for business on Saturday, November 30. The Collier County Landfill and Immokalee Transfer Station will be closed on Thursday, November 28.

There will be no garbage/recycling/yard waste collection on Thursday, November 28, in the areas of Collier County serviced by Waste Management, including Marco Island and Everglades City, nor in the Immokalee area serviced by Progressive Waste Solutions (Choice Environmental Services).

There is no make-up day. If Thursday,

### Commissioner office open

Collier Commissioner Tim Nance opened his new office in the Immokalee Government Center, 106 South First Street.

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## Immokalee High school Homecoming 2013 November 1, 2013

LEFT: The 2013 IHS Homecoming Court. RIGHT: Homecoming Queen Maleighna Cade and King Benny Valdez. Maleighna is also the current Miss Harvest Festival and Benny is the recent winner of the IHS Fall Talent Competition. Both students are active members of the Nationally ranked IHS BETA Club.

# Students selected to receive instruments

Music is in the air for eight Collier County middle school students who have been selected to receive brand new instruments thanks to the Music for Minors organization. The instruments will be awarded at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 16th at the Steinway Piano Gallery.

Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving instruments:

- Estelle Collafarina – Gulfview Middle School
- Tamar Prisca Coriolan – Manatee Middle School
- Christelle Francoeur – Manatee Middle School
- Mayra Ruiz – Manatee Middle School
- Erica De La Rosa – Manatee Middle School

- Maria Lopez – Pinecrest Elementary School
- David Casillas – Pinecrest Elementary School
- Frantz Paul – Cypress Palm Middle School

To participate in the Music for Minors program, students are nominated by their middle school music teacher because they sincerely desire to make music a part of their lives. The students are selected after an interview process, then receive the instrument of their choosing, and participate in the program for four years as their musical progress is followed. At the end of the four years, students are awarded a diploma showing ownership of the instrument for

life. The following students, who are now in high school, are graduating from the Music for Minors program this year and will now own their instruments:

- Christopher Cherenfant – Lorenzo Walker Technical High School (Alto Saxophone)
- Chelsea Desinor – Palmetto Ridge High School (Trumpet)
- Isabella Gomez – Palmetto Ridge High School (Viola)
- Esperanza Velez – Palmetto Ridge High School (Viola)
- Jose Velez – Palmetto Ridge High School (Trumpet)
- Ariana Foti – Gulf Coast High School (Violin)
- Jonathan Mendoza – Immokalee

- High School (Baritone)
- Ilbia Perez – Immokalee High School (Flute)
- Wesley Salomon – Lely High School (Alta Saxophone)
- Ariadne Vasquez – Gulf Coast High School (Viola)
- Taylor Curry Stokes – Golden Gate High School (Viola)
- Gabriel Trevino – Naples High School (Trombone)

To learn more, please contact Collier County Public Schools' Fine Arts Coordinator Linda Cummings at [cumminli@collier-schools.com](mailto:cumminli@collier-schools.com).

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# Who would steal from Santa Claus?

For twenty five years Immokalee has had the privilege of enjoying the goodness of one of its own citizens who gave and gave to children and families of the community. In a few weeks again, this wonderful man will don the bright red outfit, travel from school to school, go from service club to service club and fly into Immokalee at the conclusion of its annual Christmas parade at the Parks and Rec Center.

This year however, Santa, also known as Ski Olesky of the Lake Trafford Marina may not be able to be quite as generous as previous years. Three months before Christmas, on September 26th, someone from Immokalee burglarized his home above the Marina, knowing that he was out for the evening-taking a family to a Turkey Federation dinner-breaking down the door to his house and stealing cash, and jewelry that set him back considerably.

The thought of someone knowingly

stealing from the man who represents Santa each year to our community is unbelievable! Members of our community are asking for information from people from Immokalee who may be able to track down the individuals responsible. The Collier County Sheriff's Office has an open investigation and would love to have anyone with information about this incident to contact investigator Steve Delisle at 252-9837. There is a reward of \$15,000.00 for the person(s) who provide information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the individual(s) responsible.

Surely there is someone out in our community that would like to make Christmas better for Santa Claus, our community and even for yourself. Remember, if you have any lead, call the sheriff's department at 252-9837.

# Win two round trip passes to anywhere Southwest Airline flies!

The Family Literacy Academy of Immokalee is raffling off two passes donated by Southwest Airlines, through the Florida Literacy Coalition. The passes are good through May 31, 2014 and may be extended for a fee, and there are no blackout dates!

The raffle was kicked off at the November 6 Immokalee Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting at the Roma in Havana Ristorante in Immokalee; the drawing will be December 4, 2013 at the ICC breakfast. Tickets are donations of \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00 or a book of 12 for \$50. To buy your tickets contact either Dee at 239.370.3630 or Donna at 484.908.2186. Make checks payable to CCHA Land, Inc.

The passes are donated by Southwest Airlines through the Florida Literacy Coalition,

for fundraising purposes. All donations benefit the Family Literacy Academy of Immokalee, a nonprofit under the Collier County Housing Authority Land Inc.'s 501(c)3.

The Family Literacy Academy of Immokalee, managed by Jump Start, provides full service family literacy to Immokalee families with children age birth to five. Classes include preschool instruction and educational play for children 0 to 5 as well as classes in English as a second language, reading and parenting for parents. The Family Literacy Academy of Immokalee is structured to involve the family as a whole, thereby making long-term intergenerational change in order to secure a healthy quality of life for children thus breaking the cycle of illiteracy.

# Organization offers specialty plate

Brandon, FL (October 3, 2013) – Big Brothers Big Sisters Association of Florida (BBBSAF) announced today that the State of Florida has approved a specialty BBBSAF license plate for sale to all Florida tag owners. The plates will not only raise money from all sales of the new license plate for BBBSAF but will also create a state-wide awareness. Proceeds will be used to help BBBSAF fund its mentoring programs for children throughout the state.

1,000 vouchers must be purchased on or before June 1, 2015. Once the goal of 1,000 vouchers has been met, production of plates will begin. Vouchers for the new plates can now be purchased at local County Tax Collector's offices for \$25 plus county registration service fees.

"We are extremely excited to launch our specialty license plate program," said Jody Clifford, CEO BBBS Association of Florida. "We invite community members

to take their support on the road and buy their plates today to help generate much-needed revenue to expand mentoring opportunities for children in Florida."

For more information on the BBBS license plate program, or how you can be an inspiration to a child, visit [www.bbbsflorida.org](http://www.bbbsflorida.org).

**About Big Brothers Big Sisters Association of Florida:** Organized in 1995, Big Brothers Big Sisters Association of Florida is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Our statewide capacity-building initiatives assist to sustain and advance the 13 Big Brothers Big Sisters member agencies to provide children across Florida with long-term, nurturing, one-to-one mentoring relationships with caring adults to change the lives of our children for the better, forever.

# DEP reminds Floridians of importance of recycling

TALLAHASSEE – In recognition of America Recycles Day, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection reminds Florida businesses and residents to recycle daily in order to help the state achieve its 75 percent recycling goal by 2020.

Last year on America Recycles Day, the Department announced the expansion of its Recycling Recognition Program. Since then, the Department has recognized eight commercial entities for their outstanding recycling efforts. Recipients include International Speedway Corporation/NASCAR, Tervis, Rooms To Go, Children's World Uniform Supply and Global Organic Specialty Source. Most recently, the Department recognized Florida State University, which was the first university to join the program.

The Department encourages private businesses, governmental entities and universities who have a recycling rate of 40 percent or more to submit their recycling data to our Division of Waste Management for review and recognition.

"America Recycles Day is the perfect time to educate Floridians on how to increase recycling, which, in turn, better protects Florida's natural resources," said DEP Secretary Herschel T. Vinyard Jr. "The Department continues to focus on encouraging expanded recycling in the commercial sector in order to reach Florida's 75 percent recycling goal."

In July, the Department released the 2012 municipal solid waste annual report, which reported Florida's statewide recycling rate is 48 percent. In 2008, the Florida Legislature established a statewide recycling goal of 75 percent to be achieved by 2020.

The Department has an easy tool for companies to track recycling efforts -- the Florida DEP Business Recycling Tracking Tool. Through the website, which includes free registration, companies can track different types of recycling efforts and produce reports on how those efforts are helping to shrink their carbon footprint. The tracking will help the Department to recognize companies that are doing more to go green.

Commercial municipal solid waste accounts for approximately 55 percent of the total municipal solid waste stream in Florida. In order for Florida to reach its 75 percent goal, the Department is urging all sectors, especially the commercial sector, to actively increase its recycling efforts. According to the 2012 data, less than half of commercial waste is being recycled. It is crucial that businesses, schools and other commercial recyclers increase their recycling efforts. Recycling provides a direct cost savings to most businesses because the more that is recycled means less waste and lower waste management operating costs. Reuse of materials can also represent a cost savings

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# Community Briefs

## New board, vice chair at school board

The Collier County School Board held its Annual Organizational Meeting this morning (Nov. 19). The Board selected Pat Carroll as the new School Board Chair and Kathy Curatolo as the new Vice Chair. The two School Board veterans, both elected in 2002, will serve one-year terms as Chair and Vice Chair.

## Immokalee Dems to meet

The Democratic Club of Immokalee will meet on Tuesday, November 26, at 6:45 p.m., at Mi Ranchito, 710 W. Main Street, Immokalee, (239) 657-1766. The club will be discussing the best way to increase voter participation. The meetings are open to all.

## Thanksgiving food giveaway

Allen Chapel AMC Church is planning its second annual Thanksgiving Giveaway and Outreach Ministry for Sunday, November 24. Last year 120 turkeys were distributed along with over 200 bags of rice and beans.

The church needs the community's support. This year their goal is to give 150 turkeys away. Please send your donations to 208 S. 3rd Street, PO Box 477, Immokalee Florida 33413. "The Church that is intentional about ministry." Pastor Lori Snell.

## Help feed needy

I am personally feeding 300 families throughout Hendry and unincorporated Collier counties. "To whom much is given, much is required." I'm so thankful to be in a position where I can fund such an event to help those in need. I'm seeking pastors help who may know of families who are in need also teachers, social workers and etc. who know of families that can use the assistance. November 26 I will be at Immokalee Park on North 1st St. at 10 a.m. Please contact me asap. Larry Wilcoxson 305-609-3813. larry-wilcoxson@gmail.com.

## Want to make a real difference?

Become a VITA volunteer! You can help a family get back the money they have earned and become more financially stable. VITA is a program offered through the United Way that helps low to moderate income persons by providing free tax preparation assistance. We are looking for volunteers to better serve our clients. No experience is necessary and volunteers are provided free training online. Flexible hours are available January through mid April. Taxes will be prepared at many locations in Lee, Hendry, Glades, Collier and Charlotte counties. For more information email Amy Singer at amy@unitedwaylee.org or 239.433.2000 ext. 229.

## VPK

If you live in Florida and your child turns 4 years of age by September 1, Your child is eligible to participate in Florida's FREE Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) education program

For more information please call (239) 252-4449.

## After School Nutrition Program

The Southwest Florida Workforce Development Board, Inc. announces the sponsorship of the Afterschool Nutrition Program, a subcomponent of the Child Care Food Program. This program is designed primarily to provide nutritious snacks and suppers to children in afterschool programs. Snacks and suppers are available at no separate charge to the children at the sites listed below:

iGeneration Charter School 1411 Lake Trafford Rd, Immokalee.

Community Center 321 North 1st Street, Immokalee.

Sports Complex 505 Escambia St, Immokalee.

## Public invited to iGeneration board meeting

The public is invited to the Board Meeting for iGeneration Empowerment of Collier at Immokalee. Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. Community members, current students' families and families who are considering advancing the education of their students are welcome. There is open enrollment for all Immokalee transfer or new students. iGeneration Empowerment Academy of Collier at Immokalee: 1411 Lake Trafford Road (corner of 29 & Lake Trafford Road, next to the First Baptist Church).

For more information call Synthia LaFontaine, Campus Director, at 239-658-0690.

## iTECH class open

Machining class, 1500 hours, Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-2:15 p.m. Class begins on or around December 2, 2013 at the Immokalee Technical Center, 508 North 9th Street,

(239) 377-9900. Program supported by: Arthrex, US Sugar, Haynes Corporation, Shaw Development. For more information about our graduation rates, costs and other important information, please visit our website at [http://www.itech.edu/gainful\\_employment.html](http://www.itech.edu/gainful_employment.html)

## ARunning Club Comes to Immokalee

The Gulf Coast Runners Youth Team is creating a running branch in Immokalee. The GCR youth team is open to all young runners 7-17. Most of our members are in elementary or middle school. We train for both fitness and competition year round.

Runners have to learn skills such as self-discipline, motivation, and setting and achieving goals. The GCR youth team wants to give every young athlete who has the desire to run, the opportunity to run. If you are interested in joining the running club- there are practices are twice a week, Monday and Wednesday, located at the Immokalee High School Track at 5:00pm. There is no cost to join-get involved! If you have any questions Hugo Gijon (239) 273-3171.

## Parks Rec launches web site

Collier County Parks and Recreation recently launched its mobile web site.

Access [www.collierparks.com](http://www.collierparks.com) on your smart phone or tablet to view the mobile device-friendly site. Add the Collier County Parks and Recreation icon to your home screen to access quickly the information you need to enjoy all the recreational amenities offered by Collier County Parks and Recreation. For more information, contact Parks and Recreation Administration at (239) 252-4000.

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# Shoot hoops for charity

You are invited to come out enjoy a family evening of fun at the third Annual Turkey Hoops Basketball Game on Saturday, November 30, 7-9 p.m. The game will be held at "The Gym" located on the campus of the Immokalee Sports Complex. Doors open at

6 p.m. For information or to signup, call Wilson "Toot" Riley at 239-867-1394.

Sponsored by Greater Immokalee Front Porch and Collier County Parks and Recreation.

## IHS Drumbeat

### New graduation rules

Parent meeting for Grades 9-12 at the I.H.S Auditorium, Thursday Night November 21, at 6:30 p.m. Come learn about the new Graduation requirements.

### Playoff Football

Come out and support your Immokalee Indians vs. American Heritage at Gary Bates Stadium November 22; 7:30 p.m. Kick-off. Admission: \$8.00. Only State Series passes will be accepted



## Community Brief

### Childcare available

A Step Up Immokalee, operated by Collier Child Care Resources, Inc., provides childcare for teen parents, school district teachers and staff, county workers. They care for infants to four years of age Monday through Friday 6:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. with extended hours till 3 p.m. There is a warm and inviting atmosphere with nurturing childcare providers, free childcare tuition to members of the Teenage parenting Program. Located at 701 Immokalee Drive. Phone 239-377-1172; cell 239-980-9021 or go to [www.collierchildcare.org](http://www.collierchildcare.org).



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## Velazco plays for Sailsbury Prep

Standing ninth from the left is Jesus Velazco. 2013 Immokalee High School graduate and Soccer Pit player since the inception of the club. The team is pictured at the New England All Star Game this past Sunday. Jesus, who is now attending Salisbury Prep School in Connecticut for one year, was one of three players from his school to play in the All Star Game. Jesus is doing real well academically and has adapted well to his new environment. He is now in the process of selecting a college to attend the Fall of 2014. We congratulate Jesus for his accomplishments as he has represented his community, his school and his club extremely well.

## Help needed for widow, son

Mike Sammons of Covenant Tomato in Felda Florida passed away on Sunday, November 17, 2013 of a brain aneurism. Mike is survived by his wife Jennifer and son Lucas, who has autism. There is a fund established at First Bank of Clewiston for donations. The account is set up in the name of Jennifer Sammons and is titled The Mike Sammons Fund. All donations will go directly to his family. All will be greatly appreciated as this tragedy was unexpected. Donations can be made at any First Bank Branch and can be handled with a simple phone call. Thank you in advance.



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