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## Pedestrian killed

A 71-year-old pedestrian was struck and killed August 7 as he was walking westbound on East Eustis Avenue. Isnady Dorcent of Immokalee was walking with the traffic flow on the right side edge of the road, according to the Florida Highway Patrol report.

A 2005 E-150, driven by Marion A. Zarate, 37, also of Immokalee, moved to the left and crossed Mr. Dorcent's path, striking him with the front of his vehicle. Mr. Dorcent was pronounced dead at North Collier Hospital. The accident occurred at 6:44 a.m. at Eustis Ave. and Gaunt Street.

Mr. Zarate had one passenger, Mario A. Zarate Jr., 21, also of Immokalee. No one in the vehicle was injured and alcohol was not a factor in the accident.

## New changes to early voting

Collier County, Fla.—August 12, 2014: Collier County voters will see some changes during Early Voting this year including a new Early Voting location at the North Collier Regional Park off of Livingston Road.

Since the 2013 Summer Legislative Session, Supervisors have been given more flexibility with Early Voting days, hours and

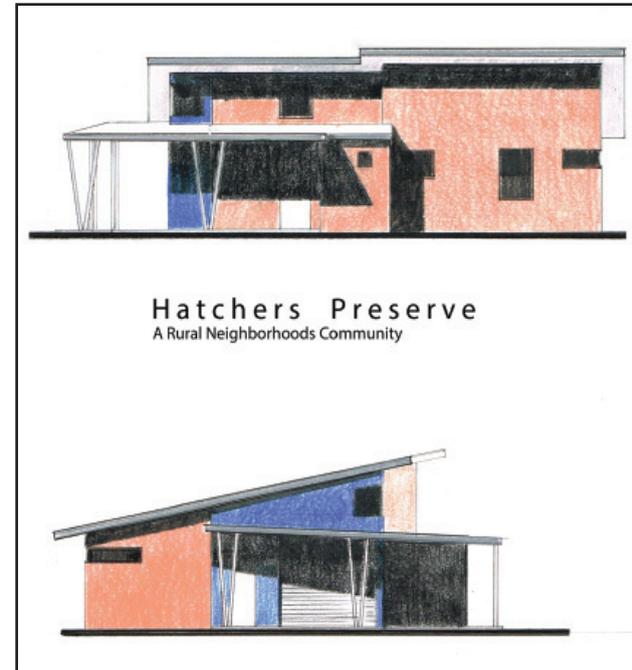
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LEFT: Streets and lighting have already been installed at Hatchers Preserve on Westclox Road. RIGHT: Renderings of side view (top) and front view (bottom) of a Hatchers Preserve home. Design by Ted Hoffman



Hatchers Preserve  
A Rural Neighborhoods Community

## Affordable housing development to serve working families in Immokalee

In addition to a new hotel at the Seminole Casino and a proposed Wal-Mart Superstore, Immokalee's robust economic growth now includes an affordable housing development on Westclox Road.

Featuring 18 single-family homes on a five-acre tract, Hatchers Preserve will be sponsored by Big Cypress Housing Corporation, part of Rural Neighborhoods, Incorporated, a Homestead-based charitable group that provides housing to working families in seven Florida counties.

Steven Kirk, president of Rural Neighborhoods, said construction bids are expected to be issued in August with groundbreaking to follow in September. Completion of the entire community is targeted in spring 2015.

Rural Neighborhoods is acquiring the Hatchers Preserve site from the Empowerment Alliance of Southwest Florida, which envisioned a home-ownership commu-

nity when it bought the property from the Hatcher family in 2006. By the time \$400,000 in infrastructure (roads, lighting, drainage) was completed in 2009, the recession eliminated the possibility of home ownership for the low-income families it was intended to attract, explained Dottie Cook, executive director of the Empowerment Alliance.

"When everything went down with the market, we couldn't build a unit and get it appraised for what it cost to build," Ms. Cook explained. "We are happy that we're able to make the project go forward because we put so much time, effort and money into it. While it won't be home ownership, the families will still enjoy the benefits of safe, affordable housing."

The rental homes, which will cost an estimated \$100,000 each to build, will rent for \$600-\$650 per month to qualified families, Kirk said.

"This is not 'public housing,' these are well-designed homes for working families who are employed in the local community," he said. "The families who reside there might work at the new Wal-Mart if it's developed, or they might be employed at the new Seminole Casino hotel. Hatchers Preserve will offer quality, single-family housing not just for those in local agricultural but for Collier County residents who move to Immokalee because of the new economic activity."

Federal funding was allocated for the project by the Collier County Housing, Human and Veteran Services Administration and private sources.

Designed by veteran architect Ted Hoffman of LaBelle, the homes will incorporate a creative, contemporary style with three bedrooms, two bathrooms, totaling 1,100

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# Housing

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square feet of living space and carport. Designed with abundant natural lighting, the homes will be built to Florida Building Green standards.

"So often workforce housing looks boxy and unimaginative," Hoffman said. "If you believe, as I do, that design influences resident pride and neighborhood identity, it only makes sense to do something creative. The use of contemporary design and playful site placement doesn't have to cost any more." Hatcher's Preserve adds a uniqueness to a rebounding, emerging street."

"Our charitable group's targeted spotlight on Westclox Road builds on past hard work by Habitat for Humanity in its Liberty Landing subdivision, recent local government spending on schools and the poised

private investment by Wal-Mart," according to Kirk. "The mission is to build more than 18 homes, let's rebuild a neighborhood."

Hatchers Preserve is walking distance to Eden Gardens Elementary School and steps away from the 20-acre Reserve at Eden Gardens, a \$13.8 million Rural Neighborhoods rental community of 88 farmworker families and four formerly homeless households. The complex is routinely at full occupancy and has a waiting list. Other housing in the area of Westclox and Carson Roads generally consists of older, dilapidated mobile homes, many of which are at serious risk in the next tropical storm or hurricane.

Elsewhere in Florida, Rural Neighborhoods has developed communities in Miami-Dade, Hendry, Okeechobee, St. Lucie, Polk and Hillsborough Counties, totaling nearly 1,600 units at a cost of more than \$200 million.

# Students First

## by Maribel De Armas

That back-to-school feeling is officially in the air! Here we are just days before school doors open to welcome our nearly 45,000 students to the new 2014-2015 school year. The first day of school for Collier County Public Schools is set for Monday, August 18th, and it will be without a doubt a great kick off to a successful year of learning.

I want to take this opportunity to share some important back-to-school reminders parents may find useful as they plan to get back into the everyday school routine. All of this information, and more, can be found online. If you have access to a computer at home or at your nearby library, or if you have a smartphone with Internet access, visit the 2014-2015 Back-to-School Information page at [www.collierschools.com](http://www.collierschools.com). Just click on the red school house icon in the "What's New" area on the right side of the home page.

## SCHOOL START AND END TIMES

Eden Park Elementary 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
Highlands Elementary 8:35 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Lake Trafford Elementary 7:55 a.m. - 2:50 p.m. (Pre-K starts at 8:25 a.m.)  
Pinecrest Elementary 7:55 a.m. - 2:50 p.m. (Pre-K starts at 8:25 a.m.)  
Village Oaks Elementary 7:55 a.m. - 2:50 p.m. (Pre-K starts at 8:25 a.m.)  
Immokalee Middle 8:55 a.m. - 3:40 p.m.  
Immokalee High 7:10 a.m. - 2:05 p.m.

## BUS SCHEDULES

If your child needs to ride a school bus to and/or from school, you can access bus stop information plus pick-up and drop-off times online at [bus.collierschools.com](http://bus.collierschools.com). You'll be asked to enter your child's student ID and



birthdate in order to access the information.

**BREAKFAST & LUNCH**

Free breakfast is served at all CCPS schools and is available to all enrolled students.

Lunch for elementary school students costs \$2, for secondary students it costs \$2.25, and adults pay \$3. Free and reduced-priced meal applications can be obtained at your child's school on the first day of classes.

Finally, as a wrap-up to our back-to-school column this week, I want to share some tips parents and students can use over the weekend to get ready for the big day.

- Get back into school routines if you haven't already. Be sure to get back into the "school year" sleeping schedule, and be sure Sunday is an early-to-bed night so we can guarantee a good night's sleep.

- Monday morning: Have students eat a good breakfast at home, or keep in mind that a free, healthy breakfast is available for any student at his or her school.

- Monday evening: Be sure to talk about the first day. You'll want to hear the good news and the not-so-good in case there's a problem you can help with. As you know, probing questions are best – for example, "Tell me one thing you learned today that's new or interesting."

The first day of school is such an exciting time for students, parents, teachers, and all school district staff. I look forward to spending some time at a few Immokalee schools on Monday to share in all of the excitement. Have fun!

# Voting

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locations. For the Primary Election, Collier voters will have 10 eight-hour days to cast their ballot at any of the eight locations across the county:

Everglades City Hall – 102 Copeland Avenue N, Everglades City

Golden Gate Community Center – 4701 Golden Gate Parkway

Immokalee Community Park – 321 N First Street, Immokalee

Library Headquarters – 2385 Orange Blossom Drive

Marco Island Library – 210 S Heathwood Drive, Marco Island

Norris Center at Cambier Park – 755 8th Avenue S

North Collier Regional Park – 15000 Livingston Road

Supervisor of Elections Office – Government Complex, 3295 Tamiami Trail E

"Our goal with the addition of an Early Voting site at the North Collier Regional Park, is to pull some of the traffic from Library Headquarters on Orange Blossom Drive providing more convenience for our voters who live on the northern end of the county," – Jennifer J. Edwards, Supervisor of Elections.

Other Early Voting relocations include a site at Norris Center near Cambier Park, instead of Naples City Hall, Golden Gate Community Center, rather than the Golden Gate Library, and Immokalee Community Park, instead of the Immokalee Library.

Early Voting begins on Thursday, August 14 and voters can check [www.CollierVotes.com](http://www.CollierVotes.com) for wait times, which is updated regularly and provides the exact location of each Early Voting site. For more information, contact the Supervisor of Elections Office at (239)252-VOTE.

# Bus schedules are now online

Collier County Public Schools (CCPS) bus schedules for students needing transportation to attend any of the district's schools when they open again on Monday (August 18) are available online.

To find the location of your bus stop, visit the district website at [www.collierschools.com](http://www.collierschools.com) and click on the Back-to-School red schoolhouse icon located in the "What's New" section on the right side of the page. Then click on the bus icon and enter your child's student ID and birthdate to access their assigned bus information.

If you have questions that cannot be answered by viewing the bus schedule online, please call the CCPS Transportation Department corresponding to your region:

- South Naples-Marco Island: 377-1021
- Golden Gate: 377-1022
- North Naples: 377-1023
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## Community Briefs

### Challenger team

Immokalee is starting its own Challenger division of Little League Baseball. Challenger is for boys and girls ages 4-21 years old that are enrolled in school that would not fit into Little League because of mental or physical differences.

We will show your child what cooperation, consideration, and teamwork experiences are at their best. Our motto is "Challenged not Defeated". You and your child will make this a worthy experience. If you know of anyone that could benefit by this program, please tell them about us. We are counting on you to spread the word. Thank you for listening and informing others. Interested people should call William Trevino 1-239-324-3072 or John Kucko at 1-239-947-9943.

### I.H.S. open house

At Immokalee High School open house you can meet the staff, get Title I information, pick up a class schedule and fill out on-line free and reduced lunch applications.

Come Saturday, August 16, 9-11:30 a.m. at the high school court yard and Migrant Center, 701 Immokalee Drive. Call 239-377-1800.

### Register for Pop Warner

Apply with the Immokalee Seminoles Pop Warner League for Cheer and Football players ages 5-15 for the upcoming sport season.

If you would like to register your child you can pick up an application at the Print Shop, 1390 North 15th Street Suite 300 (across the Florida Community Bank) or go online at [www.ImmokaleeSeminoles.com](http://www.ImmokaleeSeminoles.com). You may register Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Print Shop from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

### Allen Chapel looks forward to back to school

Allen A.M.E. Chapel would like to invite students, teachers, school administrators and school staff to a special Back-to-School worship service on Sunday, August 17, at 11 a.m. Special guest speaker will be Mr. Oliver Phipps, who is an awesome humorous motivational speaker, and is well a respected assistant principal in Collier County.

Join us for ice cream and cake after the service. Also, teachers and students will have the opportunity to win a variety of restaurant and Wal-Mart gift cards.

### Sign up for Pace Girls Center

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### Christmas Around the World

Christmas around the World Parade and Gala Event is the second largest Winter Event in Southwest Florida.

The event is DECEMBER 13, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. (Christmas Parade is directly across from The Seminole Casino of Immokalee) and continues immediately after the parade.

"The Snow Gala" begins at the Aquatic Park @ 505 Escambia Street.

In August, the Immokalee Chamber of Commerce's Christmas Committee will announce the Christmas Parade theme and have the entire Christmas Event Packages ready to come to you.

If you need additional information on the above, please contact Cherryle Thomas @ 239-657-0080 or Mariela Romero @ 239-658-0704.

### Adoption discounts on cats

During the month of August, Collier County's Domestic Animal Services (DAS) will discount all cat adoptions. Cats can be adopted for just \$10, the cost of the Collier County license. Cat adoptions are usually \$60. Each adoption includes spay/neuter surgery, vaccinations, county license, and a microchip. A generous donation from a local pet lover made this promotion possible.

Adoptable cats can be seen at [www.collierpets.com](http://www.collierpets.com) or in person at DAS at 7610 Davis Blvd., Naples, Florida 34104. Adoption hours are Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call Daniel Christenbury, Public Information Coordinator at 239-252-6957.

## AVOID THE LINES.... Prepare for Back-to-School Now!

Collier: AVOID THE LINES... Is your child going into Pre-k, Kindergarten or 7th grade this fall? Does your child have all of his/her required school immunizations in order to start school in the fall? The 2014-2015 school year is fast approaching. To avoid the lines and extended waiting periods, we encourage you to visit your local health department or private healthcare provider as soon as possible. Please don't forget to bring your child's DOH 680 immunization record form with you.

Vaccines are free for all children, birth through 18 years of age. No appointments are needed at the Florida Department of

Health in Collier County (DOH-Collier). Additional information can be obtained by calling (239) 252-8595 or (239) 252-8555. You can also visit the DOH-Collier web site at <http://www.collierhealthdept.org/> for more information. DOH-Collier offers immunizations at two locations:

Naples Site: Building H, Collier County Government Complex 3339 East Tamiami Trail Naples, FL 34112. Monday - Friday: Registration from 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Immokalee Site: 419 North 1st Street Immokalee, FL 34142.

Monday - Friday: Registration from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

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- Two track meets
- Pop Warner Saturday morning throughout the school year
- And many other leased events.

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# Lipman distributes 1,200 backpacks to Immokalee children

IMMOKALEE, Fla. (Aug. 7, 2014) – Lipman — North America’s largest field tomato grower— recently distributed more than 1,200 backpacks filled with school supplies to Immokalee elementary and middle school students at a community event at the Immokalee Sports Complex.

“We look forward to our backpack distribution event every year because it’s such a meaningful way to give back to the families and children in the Immokalee community,” said Jaime Weisinger, community relations director for Lipman. “Encouraging education is very important to us, and we hope to serve even more children in the coming years.”

school supplies were collected during the produce company’s “Homerun Harvest” softball tournament, held each April. Sponsors included Everglades Farm Equipment, Bronco Packaging, Aljoma Lumber, Bruno Air Conditioning, Immokalee Produce Shippers, and Produce Connection.

In addition to the backpack distribution, more than 30 local organizations provided information and services to families during the event, including Habitat for Humanity; Immokalee Friendship House; Naples Shelter for Abused Women and Children; University of Florida/IFAS Extension; Health Care Network of Southwest Florida/Marion Fether Medical Center; Susan G. Komen Network; Imaginarium Science Center; Boys

& Girls Club of Collier County, and PACE Center for Girls. Representatives from the Immokalee Fire Control District displayed

emergency vehicles, and the Sheriff’s Department’s Crime Prevention Unit provided educational materials.



Submitted photo  
Two Immokalee students pose with their free backpacks with school supplies, provided through Lipman’s community event.



Submitted photo  
More than 30 local organizations provided information and services to families during Lipman’s community event, including RCMA and University of Florida/IFAS Extension.



Submitted photo  
One hundred Lipman employees and community members volunteered to help provide necessities for children and families in need in Immokalee

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# 500 dresses donated to PACE Collier from one special heart

Love That Dress! Collier August 23, 2014

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA (August 12, 2014) – PACE Center for Girls, Collier at Immokalee received a generous donation from one special heart. Marina Zelner Lamitina, PACE Collier Board Member and Founder of Queen Grace Collection donated 500 Plus Size dresses to Love That Dress! It was this time last year when Marina received news that she was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. She cancelled her plans to attend the Collier event and began treatment immediately. Over the year many decisions were made, one of which was to sell her business Queen Grace Collection, a Plus Size retailer of fashion for women.

“I had to make my health my priority and donating the inventory to PACE Collier and Love That Dress! was my pleasure. Beauty comes in all shapes and sizes, the dresses will compliment dresses donated by presenting sponsor White House Black Market. There will truly be something for every woman who attends this year’s event,” says Marina Zelner Lamitina.

Tickets for Love That Dress!, benefiting PACE Center for Girls, are now on sale for \$30 per person on-line only at [www.LoveThatDress.org](http://www.LoveThatDress.org). Guests can shop over 3,000 dresses priced reasonably between \$10 and \$40 dollars. The Queen Grace Collection is exclusive to the Naples event on August 23 at The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club.

PACE Center for Girls, Inc. is a non-residential delinquency prevention program targeting the unique needs of girls, ages 12 to 18, facing challenges such as abuse, school truancy, academic failure, foster care, exposure to substance use and/or incarcerated parent(s). At PACE, girls find a supportive environment focusing on their strengths through a gender-responsive approach that centers on the emotional and physical safety of each girl. As a result, PACE reduces the significant long term costs associated with teen pregnancy, substance abuse, unemployment and long term economic dependency. For more information, visit [www.pacecenter.org](http://www.pacecenter.org).



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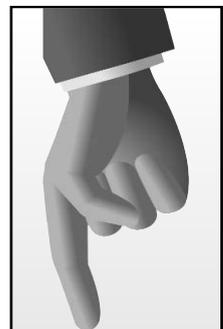
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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

There will be a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Immokalee Water & Sewer District, on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 4:00 P.M., at the office of the Immokalee Water & Sewer District, located at 1020 Sanitation Rd, Immokalee, FL 34142.

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Preliminaries
  - A. Pledge of Allegiance
  - B. Roll Call
  - C. Public Comment/Adoption of Agenda
  - D. Employee Recognition
    1. May 2014-Norma Garcia
    2. June 2014-Olga Gonzalez
  - E. Public Concerns
  - F. Staff Good Cause Items
  - G. Board Concerns
  - H. Old Business
  - I. New Business
3. Public Comment/Consent Agenda
  - A. Adoption of Minutes
    1. July 16, 2014 Regular Meeting
  - B. Civil Rights Compliance Report
  - C. July Budget Review
  - D. Fixed Assets Acquisitions-Disposals
  - E. Various Reports
  - F. USDA Reporting for Stimulus Money
  - G. Project Change Orders
  - H. Engineer's Report - Greeley and Hansen
  - I. Director's Report
4. Action Agenda
  - A. Resolution 14-01-Fringe Benefit Policy
5. Discussion Agenda
  - A. Attorney's Report
6. Other Public Interests
7. Adjournment

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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

There will be a Budget Hearing of the Board of Commissioners for the Immokalee Water & Sewer District on Wednesday, August 20, 2014, at 5:05 p.m., at the office of the Immokalee Water & Sewer District, located at 1020 Sanitation Road, Immokalee, Florida 34142.

**BUDGET MEETING AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Preliminaries
  - A. Roll Call
  - B. Adoption of Agenda
3. Review of 2014-2015 Budget
4. Public Comment
5. Adoption of 2014-2015 Budget and Amend 2013-2014 Budget
6. Adjournment

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# Grants available for children's healthcare

TAMPA, Fla., (Aug. 11, 2014) – The UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation (UHC-CF) is seeking grant applications from families in need of financial assistance to help pay for their child's health care treatments, services or equipment not covered, or not fully covered, by their commercial health insurance plan.

Qualifying families can receive up to \$5,000 per grant with a lifetime maximum of \$10,000 per child to help pay for medical services and equipment such as physical, occupational and speech therapy, counseling services, surgeries, prescriptions, wheelchairs, orthotics, eyeglasses and hearing aids.

To be eligible for a grant, children must be 16 years of age or younger. Families must meet economic guidelines, reside in the United States and have a commercial health insurance plan. Grants are available for medical expenses families have incurred 60 days prior to the date of application as well as for ongoing and future medical needs. Parents or legal guardians may apply for grants at [www.UHCCF.org](http://www.UHCCF.org), and there is no application deadline.

In 2013, UHCCF awarded more than 1,700 medical grants, worth \$5.6 million, to children and their families across the United States for treatments associated with medical conditions such as cancer, spina bífida, muscular dystrophy, diabetes, hearing loss, autism, cystic fibrosis, Down syndrome, ADHD and cerebral palsy.

UHCCF was founded in 1999. Since 2007, UHCCF has awarded more than 7,500 medical grants, totaling more than \$23 million, to children and their families across the United States, including a total of 422 grants to Florida families and children, totaling more than \$1.1 million.

"Thousands of children struggle every day for something many of us take for granted – our health. That reality is the driving force behind UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation's mission to help families in need access medical care that will improve their child's health. Our medical grants have already helped hundreds of Florida children in need and thousands across the U.S., and we are looking to help thousands more children in the future," said David Lewis, United Healthcare CEO Central & North Florida.

**New children's book to raise funds**  
To help raise additional funds for its

child medical grant program, UHCCF has published a new children's book, "Oliver & Hope's Adventure Under the Stars" – the second book in the Oliver & Hope series.

The new 32-page hand-illustrated book continues the story of Oliver the lovable bear and Hope the spirited butterfly as they join their friends Millie the barn owl and Chewie the English bulldog for their first camping trip. The night is filled with amazing discoveries and silly games that make the shadows a little less scary and the adventure a lot more fun. The book follows last year's award-winning book, "Oliver & Hope's Amusing Adventure."

Both "Oliver & Hope's Adventure Under the Stars" and "Oliver & Hope's Amusing Adventure" are available on Amazon.com for \$13.95 each. The first 250 people who purchase an "Oliver & Hope's Adventure Under the Stars" book will receive a Chewie the English bulldog plush toy, to be shipped separately.

Proceeds from UHCCF products, including the Oliver & Hope books, help fund UHCCF grants that help families pay for children's medical expenses not covered, or not fully covered, by commercial insurance. Also, organizations and private donors can make tax-deductible donations to UHCCF at [www.UHCCF.org](http://www.UHCCF.org). Donations are used for grants to help children and families in the region in which they are received.

Both books were written and illustrated by Meg Cadts and Samantha Fitch. Meg Cadts is the pen name for the UHCCF team of writers and contributors.

The Oliver and Hope characters also host their own page on the UHCCF website, Oliver & Hope's Clubhouse ([www.UHCCF.org/oliverandhope](http://www.UHCCF.org/oliverandhope)), which features free audio-book versions of the books, activities and games.

For more information on UHCCF and to visit the clubhouse, visit [www.UHCCF.org](http://www.UHCCF.org).

About UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation The UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation (UHCCF) is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that provides medical grants to help children gain access to health-related services not covered, or not fully covered, by their parents' commercial health insurance plan. Families can receive up to \$5,000 annually per child (\$10,000 lifetime maximum per child), and do not need to have insurance through UnitedHealthcare to be eligible. UHCCF was founded in 1999. Since 2007, UHCCF has awarded more than 7,500 grants valued at over \$23 million to children and their families across the United States. UHCCF's funding is provided by contributions from individuals, corporations and UnitedHealth Group (NYSE: UNH) employees. To apply, donate or learn more, please visit [www.UHCCF.org](http://www.UHCCF.org).



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