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Caloosahatchee River exposure considered harmful

Health Dept. issues warning against exposure

The Hendry & Glades County Health Departments have issued an advisory to warn people against exposing themselves, their pets or their livestock to the waters in the Caloosahatchee River. This advisory applies to the river’s fresh-water segments from the Moore Haven Locks extending westward through LaBelle to the Lee County Line, as well as the river’s tributaries because of possible sporadic but potentially harmful algae blooms. If the river waters look greenish, off-color, smells different or if you see dead or distressed animals or marine life, local health officials are recommending folks not to fish in the waters, not to participate in recreation in the waters and do not to drink the water. Algae may grow in lakes, canals and rivers throughout the region for the foreseeable future and tracking all of them is impractical. Local health officials may upgrade this advisory to a health warning if toxic blooms are identified in public areas.

Up, up and almost away - Wind conditions keep Balloon Festival grounded

By Rick Heers

Special to the Immokalee Bulletin

Immokalee’s first hot air balloon launch, sponsored by the Seminole Casino, drew thousands of people to the community this past weekend. However, due to higher winds than expected, the balloons were unable to leave the ground.

The hundreds of people who arrived early Saturday and Sunday mornings were hopeful that they’d see these thirty giant balloons gently leave the earth and go skyward. However, regulations do not allow the balloon to leave their tethered spots unless the winds are less than 8 knots, and unfortunately, winds were measured in excess of 9 knots, with even greater gusts occasionally.

Those who came out early were amazed to stand alongside these giant balloons which were inflated by flames that trapped the heated air and held them aloft with a magical glow while tethered to the ground waiting and hoping for better weather reports.

The many who came still had the opportunity to enjoy scores of booths with great food, games and entertainment. Drums’n’Strings, a classical string quartet and a great drummer serenaded visitors from the temporary stage.

For those who stayed around they got to enjoy a wonderful parade down Main Street later in the morning. Floats and fancy cars carried local participants including the honorary chair, and the newly crowned Harvest Festival Queen-Diana Sanon, and Junior Queen-Azariah Howard. Organized by the Immokalee Chamber of Commerce president, Bernardo Barnhart, this year’s Harvest Festival was coordinated to return to the community of Immokalee a great weekend festival that had been absent for several years.

Despite the balloons not going aloft, everyone attending had a great time and are already making plans for the 2013 Harvest Festival.

Harvest Festival Pageant 2012

By Joanne Loukonen

Special to the Immokalee Bulletin

The Harvest Festival Pageant was a huge success! There were 17 young ladies competing for the two Queen titles. Competing for Jr. Miss Harvest Queen were Joselynn Solorzano, Maria Ramirez, Jennifer Villa, Cartaya Billie, Natalie Garcia, Kyra Stewart, Azariah Howard, Biank Guadian, Lauren Posada, Jaylen Carroll, Ariana Martinez & Carica Astrel. Azariah Howard was selected as the new Jr. Miss Queen. First runner-up was Carica Astrel. Talent winner was Azariah Howard.

Five young ladies competed for Miss Harvest Festival Queen. They were Alex Romero, Alexis Aguilar, Kritina Contreras, Diana Sanon, and Yecenia Solorzano. Diana Sanon was chosen the new Miss Harvest Festival. First runner-up was Alex Romero. The girls sold over $1,600 in advertising for the pageant booklet. The top ad sale winner was Natalie Garcia. The second place trophy went to Azariah Howard.

The evening began with an opening number to the music “Harvest Time” by Luke Bryan. The Immokalee Beta Club had decorated the stage and the lobby with giant helium balloons in the shapes of vegetables and fruit and hung glittered “Harvest Time” signs. All of the young ladies competed in modeling, talent, evening gown and a question and answer portion. The modeling competition was especially fun as each girl had to model her interpretation of a vegetable or fruit grown in Immokalee. They were quite creative and the crowd was very enthusiastic. All of the contestants learned many skills that can help them in the future, such as walking, modeling, vocal expression and exploring and developing their talents. There was no mention of the responsibility for showing up for 40 hours of practices and rehearsals. Added to that, they had to obtain their sponsors, sell ads, and turn in their money, business cards, and ads for the pageant book. The judges and contestants were thrilled to be gifted with a big cooler full of Immokalee fruits and vegetables and salad dressing.

The 2011 Jr Miss Maleighnna Cade entertained the crowd and the 2011 Miss Harvest Festival Queen Lisa Carver asked the onstage questions. Both queens had a page in the Pageant book sharing their memories of their year representing Immokalee.

The 2011 pageant director, Joanne Loukonen, also directed the “Harvest Time” pageant. Her committee consisted of Mrs. Linda Ayer, Rick Heers also did an outstanding job as master of ceremonies; Norma Ramirez, who put together the gifts for the judges; Aixa Ramirez, who helped with the music selection and also worked backstage assisting the girls with make-up and hair; Eva Deyo, who printed the final copy of the pageant book; Danny Campos, who choreographed the opening number and worked as our stagehand; Everett Loukonen, Pete and Julie Cade worked the sound and lighting booth; Mrs. Audrey Moss and the Beta Club put all of the decorations together.
A Harvest Fest ‘Thank You’

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the community of Immokalee for the warm welcome we received this past weekend at the Harvest Festival. With the invitation from Mrs. Joanne Loukonen to attend and perform at the festival’s pageant. It was a wonderful evening watching all the girls represent Immokalee and a congratulations goes to Diane Sanon the 2012 Harvest Festival Queen and Azariah Howard the 2012 Harvest Festival Jr Queen. We extend our thank you to the Immokalee Chamber of Commerce especially Mr. Bernardo Barnhart Chamber President and Mr. Daniel Rosario, Executive Director. We enjoyed riding in the parade and performing at the festival, you truly treated us like royalty! Also, a huge thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas who invited us to Immokalee like we were their own. It was a privilege representing LaBelle, and it is occasions like this that bring our communities closer to one another.

Sincerely,
Mallory Allen and Abby Arnold
2012 Miss Swamp Cabbage Queen and Princess

Community News in Brief

Church to host garage sale fundraiser

House of Prayer of the Living God, Inc. will host a benefit yard sale on Saturday, April 21, from 6-7 p.m. at Immokalee Community Park, 321 N. 1st Street, 239-657-4449.

Immokalee Community Skate Park set to open

Immokalee Community Parks will host Immokalee Community Skate Park Grand Opening this Saturday, April 21, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be an invocation by Everett Loukonen, Executive Director. We enjoyed riding in the parade and performing at the festival, you truly treated us like royalty! Also, a huge thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas who invited us to Immokalee like we were their own. It was a privilege representing LaBelle, and it is occasions like this that bring our communities closer to one another.

Community Meeting planned

A meeting is planned to discuss a petition regarding South Immokalee Park, Dreamland Park, and Immokalee Sports Complex Fitness Center. The meeting will be held on Monday, April 23, from 6-7 p.m. at Immokalee Community Park, 321 N. 1st Street, 239-657-4449.

Block party with fun & food for families

First Baptist Church is having a special Block Party for all families and children in Immokalee with fun, games and food free for all! This Saturday, April 21, from 9 a.m.- Noon all children from Immokalee are invited to come and enjoy free games, rides, hot dogs, popcorn and ice cream in the big field beside First Baptist-1411 Lake Trafford Road. This is First Baptist Church’s way of saying “We want to show God’s love to all families of Immokalee.”

2012’ Annual Harvest Festival Event

Our Harvest Festival Queen Competition started of our Harvest Festival Event Off. Our winners of the Queen competition are as follow:

Miss Harvest Festival Queen: Diana Sanon
1st runner up - Alexandra Romero
Talent - Diana Sanon
Jr. Miss Harvest Festival: - Azariah Howard
1st runner up - Carica Astrel
Talent - Azariah Howard
Overall Ad Sale winner: - Natalie Garcia
2nd Place Ad Sales - Azariah Howard
On Saturday April 14, Our Harvest Festival started with a parade on 9th and Main going all the way to our Regional Airport Park.

The winners of our Parade Float and walking entries are as follow:
1st Place - Seminole Tribe of Immokalee
2nd Place - I-Tech of Immokalee
3rd Place - Highland Elementary School
Comerical Float Winner: - 1st Place - Lozano Restaurant
2nd Place - Hover-Tec
3rd Place - Immokalee High School

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Little Mr & Ms Tomato:
1st - Place Mr. Tomato winner - Lazarus Deyo
2nd - Place Ms. Tomato winner - Alexis Sophia Rodriguez.

Contestants of the Tomato Contest are: Ricardo Aguilera, Jr., Salizidy Analee Aguilera, Lazarus Deyo, Kaylee Carter, Nicolas Brown, and Fred Tamar Precision.

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The Immokalee Chamber of Commerce gives special Thanks to all of our community supporters, all of our committee members involved in making this a beautiful Harvest Festival Event

Thanks,
Cherryle Thomas—Event Organizer

Disrespectful audience

How disappointing! I was involved in helping with the production of the recent Harvest Festival Queen Pageant.

The night of the pageant, certain individuals, in the audience were extremely rude and disrespectful of the pageant participants. Seventeen young ladies from our local area participated in the pageant and were judged on their modeling, talent, and communication skills. These seventeen ladies can take a lot of pride in their accomplishments as the result of endless practices of their talent and production numbers. If you were not there, you missed a great show.

I challenge those individuals in the audience that created the ruckus to try to acquire some of that “Indian Pride” that makes you respected men and women of society and not losers.

Oh, and by the way, several of the giant balloon decorations in the lobby were stolen as attendees were leaving.

These expensive decorations were created by the Beta Club and the property of the Pageant and were to be used by the Immokalee Chamber of Commerce at the Harvest Festival.

Everett Loukonen
Immokalee

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Run and Ride for Literacy: A great day for all

By Donna Johnston
Special to the Immokalee Bulletin

Amazing is the word to describe the Second Immokalee Run & Ride event for Literacy that took place at the Farm Worker Village in Immokalee on Saturday and Sunday, April 14 and 15. The weather gods were kind for the two day event which brought out a record number of athletes and participants for both the 5k run/walk on Saturday and the bicycle rides on Sunday.

On 5k race morning, 70 runners showed up to the starting line. Following the race participants enjoyed breakfast tacos prepared by the mothers of the Family Literacy Academy. Awards were distributed to top male and female finishers as well as to runners in gender and age categories. Also, numbers were called for drawing prizes that were donated by local businesses: Lozano’s Mexican Restaurant, Davis Oil Co., Tropical Smoothie, Lake Trafford Marina, The Secret Ingredient, Gulfview Photography, and Naples on the Run. Prizes to all participants were the bags filled with fresh vegetables provided by Lipman Produce and McDonald’s coupons that each walker/runner took home. On ride morning, approximately 166 cyclists came to ride one of three routes: a metric century (62 miles), a thirty mile loop, and a 15 mile course that traveled to Lake Trafford and back. Riders enjoyed breakfast tacos prepared by the mothers of the Family Literacy Academy before starting. Upon completing their rides participants were treated to grilled chicken, black beans and rice donated by Roma in Havana, pizza donated by Little Caesar’s, and an Immokalee salad prepared with fresh vegetables donated by Lipman Produce. A raffle during lunch included prizes from Lazano’s Mexican Restaurant, Trek Bike of Naples and Estera, Lake Trafford Marina, Handy Food Stores, Caloosa Riders, Gulfview Photography, and Quality Inns & Suites Gulf Resort. Each participant left with a veggie bag and coupons for Tropical Smoothie, Trek Bike, and McDonald’s.

Sponsors for the Run and Ride for Literacy are Lipman Produce; Johnson Tomato Company; Pepsi Bottling Group; Southwest Florida College; Kenneth K. Thompson, P.A.; International Health Plans; HSA Engineers & Scientists; Collier County Housing Authority; Florida Community Bank; Kipling Capital, L.P.; Publix Super Markets; One on One Leadership Foundation; and All-Star Truck Brokers, Inc.

All proceeds from this event go to the Family Literacy Academy of Immokalee managed by Jump Start.

Students First

“Special guest” wows kids at Village Oaks
By Joe Landon
Collier County District Schools

Daniel Guzman-Ramos is a senior at Immokalee High School, a migrant student, who is being recognized by the National Association of State Directors of Migrant Education. In a congratulatory letter to Daniel he is told the recognition is because of “your mobility and work in agriculture, your excellent academic record, and your persistence in overcoming the many obstacles which have confronted you in your young life.” Members of the association’s scholarship committee are “educators and advocates of migrant students who know the barriers that mobility as a migrant family member can present to students as they face differences in language, curriculum, expectations and requirements.” Daniel will travel to the 2012 National Migrant Education Conference in Portland, Oregon at the end of the month. He’ll be featured on the program, be presented with his award and a $3,000 scholarship check, and then share his experiences as a migrant student in an acceptance speech. Members of the scholarship committee and the migrant education program staff said they were inspired by Daniel’s story telling him he is to be “commended for the courage you have shown in overcoming challenges and for your perseverance in achieving your dreams!” We’ll share his personal story with you next time here in our Students First column.

This is FCAT week in our schools with some testing going on next week as well. And did you hear that “Katy Perry” popped in on an FCAT/SAT 10 pep rally over at Village Oaks Elementary School for students in grades 3 thru 6 last Friday? Check out the photo. So it was actually Assistant Principal Angie Torres-Ferber wowed the kids with some familiar Katy Perry tunes with an “FCAT Twist.”

On Sunday morning at 8 a.m. came send off words from Steve Rodgers, president of Caloosa Riders, and Dee Siemianowski, director of the Family Literacy Academy to riders participating in the event. Cyclists rode the 62 mile Metric Century on Sunday and runners started out at 8 a.m. from the Farm Worker Village on Saturday.
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This file is not limited to classifieds. It also includes classified ads.
Lipman donates $50K to RCMA

Lipman, North America’s largest field tomato grower, recently donated $50,000 to the Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA), an Immokalee-based nonprofit that provides childcare and early educational services to children of migrant farm workers and rural, low-income families.

Lipman’s donation will help with the construction of RCMA’s middle school, the Wimauma Leadership Academy. Funds will also support Immokalee Community School’s after-school program and will go to providing classroom and science supplies.

“Much of our labor force is comprised of migrant workers — so, it’s important for us to support nonprofits like RCMA that help the children of our employees,” said Jaime Weisinger, director of community and government relations for Lipman.

Lipman has donated more than $350,000 to RCMA since 2005. RCMA also operates a daycare on the company’s Naples farm in a building donated by Lipman.

New speed zone on Hendry highway will help protect Florida panther

A new speed zone in Hendry County will make crossing the road safer for panthers and other wildlife. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) worked with the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners and partners such as Defenders of Wildlife to create the new zone on Keri Road, also known as CR 832.

Keri Road is a rural road that passes through the Okaloacoochee Slough State Forest. Since 1996, the FWC has documented nine panthers that were killed by vehicle collisions along this road. Florida’s panther population today is an estimated 100 to 160 adults.

The new speed zone, which will reduce the nighttime speed limit from 55 mph to 45 mph, will go into effect this week. The zone will extend approximately 5.25 miles from the west-end boundary of Okaloacoochee Slough State Forest, with Wild Cow Grade to Railroad Grade.

Reducing your speed reduces your stopping distance. If an animal is on the road, potential collisions can be avoided.

Vehicle collisions are the greatest source of human-caused mortality to this federally endangered species. Already, in 2012, there have been three documented deaths of panthers hit by vehicles. Among the 24 documented panther deaths in 2011, nine, or more than a third, were due to collisions with vehicles.

“Traveling at 45 mph instead of 55 mph adds about one minute to the five-mile drive,” said Land. Motorists should be aware that violators may receive fines exceeding $200 for their first offense of exceeding the slow speed zone, and any violation of more than 29 mph over the posted limit may result in a mandatory court appearance.

The FWC encourages people to report sightings of an injured or dead panther by calling the FWC’s Wildlife Alert Hotline at 888-404-FWCC (3922) or #FWC or *FWC on a cell phone. Another option is texting Tip@MyFWC.com (standard usage fees may apply).

For more information on Florida panthers and how you can help, visit www.floridaPanther.net and click on “Safe Roads for People and Panthers” under the “Further Reading” section.

I HOPE receives grant funds

By Rick Heers

Special to the Immokalee Bulletin

Recently, I HOPE was presented with a donation from the Betsy McCormack Fund to assist the local ministry to poor families in Immokalee with a warehouse-The 1 D C-I HOPE Distribution Center. In early 2011, the McCormack Fund generously donated $10,000 to help I HOPE establish and open its warehouse at the Tradeport Technology Park in southeast Immokalee, across from the Immokalee Airport.

This year, I HOPE was invited to be one of only three organizations to attend and glean materials from the International Floor and Wall Covering Exhibition at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando. Reid Carpenter, administrator of the McCormack Fund this year provided a grant of $6,000 to help pay I HOPE’s expenses to bring in materials from the Tradeport Exhibition. This weekend staff from I HOPE along with several others will be attending the conclusion of the show and will be bringing back to Immokalee five semiloads of tile, granite, marble, and a variety of other household goods. The I D C has recently changed its hours to better serve the community-now open from 9-5 P.M. Tuesday through Friday, and 9-noon on the first and third Saturdays of each month.

This week I HOPE will be closed on Friday, April 20 and Saturday, April 21 as staff will be at the Exhibition Hall. Tuesday, April 24, members of the I D C are welcome to come into the warehouse at 2050 Commerce Avenue, Unit #7 to get a first-hand look at the new and exciting home improvement materials-tile, carpeting, cabinets, windows, blinds, shutters, etc. that are available. For an annual fee of $25 any family can join and take advantage of savings of up to 75 percent off normal costs. Those people who have rentals or are in the building industry can take out a business membership for $100 per year and take advantage of similar savings on any materials available.

Other used goods available include a 65” Mitsubishi projection television, tables, couches, pictures and occasionally appliances in good condition. Proceeds from the warehouse as well as building supplies continue to provide I HOPE with the opportunity to repair homes of elderly, low-income families.

FREE GIVE AWAY-I HOPE will this Thursday only will be giving away whole pallets of bathroom, kitchen and border tile to those who can carry it away to make room for our new merchandise arriving soon.
Harvest Festival- Balloons Over Paradise 2012

The winner for first place Commercial Float in this year’s Harvest Parade Festival was Lozano’s Mexican Restaurant in Immokalee. The winner for the first place regular float was the one produced by the Seminole Tribe.

The winner of the “Mr. Legs” Contest, Bernardo Barnhart, was voted to have the most muscular legs as well as the nicest “Sexiest” legs overall.

Ever see an orange orangutan? Well where was one, big as life, at the Child’s Activity Village. It was part of the Charities for Change presentation at the festival.

2012 Miss Harvest Festival Diana Sanon, right, and Junior Miss Harvest Festival Azariah Howard, both were top draw entertainers at the pageant Thursday, April 12.

Story teller Mary Williams engaged and amazed children and adults with her “fractured fairy tales” like Rapunzel.

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