

IOI+ THINGS TO DO *in the Lake Okeechobee area*



There's lots to do in the Big Lake area

The rural counties around Lake Okeechobee offer a surprising variety of activities for those who take the time to explore the area.

Entertainment

The Big Lake area offers lots of entertainment options. The Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center at the Palm Beach State College campus in Belle Glade presents a variety of cultural and entertainment performances. The Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts at South Florida State College in Avon Park offers a performing arts series of international and national touring productions. Indian River State College in Fort

Pierce offers an annual series of concerts and plays featuring IRSC student performers

Sebring, Okeechobee and LaBelle have active community theatre organizations, presenting annual seasons of shows by local performers.

Many local clubs and organizations have weekly dinners with live entertainment, as well as annual dinner/dances. Fundraising events for local charities include concerts and dances.

Festivals and parades

January starts Florida's annual festival season, with festivals that celebrate area

history and the state's winter and spring harvests.

Outdoors

By land, sea or air, the Lake Okeechobee area is beautiful. Residents of and visitors to the Lake Okeechobee area have plenty of options for outdoor fun.

Airboat tours allow participants to see parts of Florida that many never see. Airboats skim across the surface of the water, exploring the marshes along the lake shore and the Kissimmee River or the Everglades south of Lake Okeechobee.

Lake Okeechobee is world-famous for bass fishing and attracts major professional fishing tournaments each year. The lake is also renowned for speckled perch (aka black crappie) — Okeechobee is known as the "Speckled Perch Capital of the World."

Hunting is also popular in the big lake area. Hunting opportunities include bear, Burmese python, deer, dove, quail, squirrel, rabbit, turkey, waterfowl, duck, wild hog and furbearers. For information on hunting, go to myfwc.com.

State parks offer opportunities for hiking, bicycling, camping, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, stargazing and other outdoor fun. For information on area parks, go online to floridastateparks.org.



BELLE GLADE — The Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center will present "Pirates of Penzance" on Feb. 10.



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MOORE HAVEN — Glades County's annual Chalo Nitka Festival is held each vear in March.

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Brighton Seminole Reservation hosts Field Day Festival

GLADES COUNTY — The Seminole Tribe of Florida's Brighton Field Day Festival will take place Friday through Sunday, Feb. 14-16, on the festival grounds next to the Fred Smith Rodeo Arena off County Road 721 (Reservation Road) in Glades County, on the Brighton Seminole Reservation.

This festival showcases Seminole and other Native American arts, crafts, food, dances and traditions. They also host a rodeo that runs all weekend.

History of the festival

The tradition of the Brighton Seminole Field Day started with the establishment of the first Brighton Indian Day School, according to the records of the Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum.

Mr. and Mrs. Boehmer arrived at the Brighton Reservation in 1938. William Boehmer had been hired by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as the teacher at the new school. Edith Boehmer's official title was "school housekeeper." She also assisted her husband with teaching and worked on other community projects. Mrs. Boehmer helped to establish the Seminole Arts Guild on the Brighton Reservation.

The Boehmers organized the first Brighton Seminole Field Day as a day of fun in November 1938. Tribal members from other Florida reservations were invited to come and compete in events such as traditional clothing contests, cooking contests, footraces and horse races. Okeechobee-area merchants donated prizes that were given



Photos by Richard Marion

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The 2019 Brighton Field Day included traditional dances (above) and a demonstration of the type of fighting that took place during the Battle of Okeechobee (below).



away in drawings.

The school was built as a project of the Civilian Conservation Corps, Indian Division, and officially opened Jan. 9, 1939. At the Brighton Indian Day School, students were taught English, math and sciences as well as poultry husbandry, gardening, homemaking and cattle raising. Enrollment was small in the beginning and attendance was spotty, but by 1954 when the school closed, they had 100 percent enrollment and about 95 percent attendance.

Besides working as the schoolteacher and on community development projects, Mr. Boehmer was a hobby photographer. While working for the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the Brighton Reservation (1938-66), Mr. Boehmer took more than a thousand photographs documenting the Seminoles.

While the festival began as a gathering of members of the Seminole Tribe, the celebration grew to include other tribes from North America, with admission open to the public.

Friday is Kids' Day, when bus loads of area schoolchildren visit to learn about the Seminole heritage. Gates open at 9 a.m., with activities starting at 10 a.m. On Saturday, gates open at 8:30 a.m., with activities starting at 9 a.m. A rodeo will take place Friday and Saturday at 3 p.m.

The Fred Smith Rodeo Arena is located at 500 Harney Pond Road, off County Road 721 in Glades County. From Okeechobee, take State Road 70 west to SR 721, turn south on County Road 721, then turn right on Harney Pond Road and travel 1 mile to Fred Smith Arena; or, take State Road 78 west to County Road 721 and turn north on County Road 721, then left on Harney Pond Road.



TICKETS \$10.00 (UNDER IOYRS FREE)

EVENT SCHEDULE

ROUND 1: SATURDAY 25TH, SPM ROUND 2: SUNDAY 26TH, 2PM

FOOD VENDORS ON SITE

More information contact: Marvin Hines *office 863:467.6039, M-F 8am-4pm *Cell 863:227.6925 Diane Smith *863:763:5290 *Cell 863:634:1760

Battle re-enactment honors local history

Special to 101+ Things to Do

OKEECHOBEE — The Battle of Okeechobee of the Second Seminole War will be re-enacted in Okeechobee County on Saturday, Feb. 22, and Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020.

The Okeechobee Battlefield Friends Inc. host the annual re-enactment to heighten public awareness for this historic battle and the battlefield's plight as the friends strive to improve the battlefield park.

Time-period Federal and Seminole artifacts will be featured and on hand for display.

Gates will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days and battle re-enactments will be held at 2 p.m. both days. Seating is limited; it is recommended to bring your own chair.

This historic battle, fought on Christmas Day in 1837, was the largest and fiercest battle of the Second Seminole War. A talented cast of reenactors will portray fierce Indian warriors such as the great Indian war leaders Abiaca, Coacoochee, Halleck-Tustenuggee and Alligator. Some of these great warriors are portrayed by their descendants. As the drama unfolds, it depicts how the Seminoles, greatly outnumbered, battled the massive militia and U.S. Army troops led by Col. Zachary Taylor and Col. Richard Gentry of the Missouri Volunteers.

Experience Seminole and other artisans, Seminole clothing raffles, Pow Wow Dancing, period vendors and exhibits, Seminole Indian food, living history, cannon demonstrations, alligator demonstrations, children's horse rides, music, fun, food and more!

The battlefield is at 3500 S.E. 38th Ave., in Okeechobee, off U.S. 441 S.E. Watch for the signs.

Admission is \$10 per car.



OKEECHOBEE — The annual Battle of Okeechobee Re-enactment is held in February on the Okeechobee Battlefiled State Park.







Wednesday, January 8

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 9

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Comedy: Barefoot in the Park**, Indian River State College, McAlpin Fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/calendar.

• Everglades Roots Festival, Trail Lake Campground, 4090 Tamiami Trail E., Ochopee. This is a festival celebrating Everglades cultural heritage, bluegrass music, blues and folk, and much more. For more information, visit EvergladesRootsFestival. com.

Friday, January 10

• Friday night dinner and music, Okeechobee Shrine Club, Oasis Lounge, 1855 SW. 53rd St., Okeechobee, 6 to 9 p.m. Other bar foods and drinks will be available. For information, call 863-763-3378.

• **Cowboy**, will entertain at the KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• "Nunsense," a musical comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Palm Beach Modern and Contemporary Art Fair, Palm Beach Modern & Contemporary Pavilion, 825 S. Dixie Hwy. and Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit artpbfair.com.

• **46th Annual Stuart Boat Show**, on Dixie Highway, Stuart, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, visit stuartboatshow. com. • **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

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• "Nunsense," a musical comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Fort Pierce Home and Garden Show, Havert L. Fenn Center, 2000 Virginia Ave., Ft. Pierce, 10 a.m. For information, visit facebook.com/events/havert-l-fenncenter/the-fort-pierce-home-and-gardenshow/421671255310024. • VFW Full Breakfast, VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East, Buckhead Ridge, 8 to 10:30 a.m. Open to the public. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• VFW Wing Night, VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East, Buckhead Ridge, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Open to the public. For information, call 863-467-2882.

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• **46th Annual Stuart Boat Show**, on Dixie Highway, Stuart, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, visit stuartboatshow. com.

• Front Porch Blues, Summer Crush Vineyard & Winery, 4200 Johnston Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 4 p.m. Jumpin Joe Hastings and Billy Boy Somers play traditional blues, Buffett and Chesney for the beach crowd, and standards from the 60s. For information, visit summercrushwine.com.



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Saturday, January 11

• Okeechobee Outdoor Expo, Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, visit eventbrite.com.

• **Comedy: Barefoot in the Park**, Indian River State College, McAlpin Fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/calendar.

• **Sebring Gun Show**, Highlands County Fairgrounds, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit patriotshows.com.

• Martin Luther King Celebration and Parade, fairgrounds on U.S. 27, South Bay. The parade begins at 11 a.m. with celebration to follow. Featuring national recording artist Shirley Murdock.

• MLK Prayer Breakfast, Rev. Leon Camel Jr. Resource Center, Belle Glade. All attendees must have a ticket for entry and tickets are \$15.

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Sunday, January 12

• Bee Gees Now, Okeechobee KOA Resort, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 7 to 9 p.m. Bee Gees Now takes the audience on a masterful musical journey that mixes in the Bee Gees songbook of beautiful love ballads and dance fever inducing hits that made the Bee Gees a musical sensation. For information, visit koa.com/campgrounds/ okeechobee/events/.

• **Sebring Gun Show**, Highlands County Fairgrounds, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit patriotshows.com.

• "Nunsense," a musical comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 2 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Church of the Nazarene Winter Concert Series Presents: the **Brian Arner Family**, Okeechobe, will go live on Sunday, **Jan. 12**, at 6 p.m.

• Fort Pierce Home and Garden Show, Havert L. Fenn Center, 2000 Virginia Ave., Ft. Pierce, 10 a.m. For information, visit facebook.com/events/havert-l-fenncenter/the-fort-pierce-home-and-gardenshow/421671255310024.

• VFW Full Breakfast, VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East, Buckhead Ridge, 8 to 10:30 a.m. Open to the public. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• **Bingo Night**, American Legion Post 64, 501 S.E. Second St., Okeechobee, 6:30 p.m. Seasonal sports and AYCE grilled chicken dinner will be served with mashed potatoes, gravy, green bean and rolls. For information, call 863-763-5309.

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• Vettes in the Vines all Corvette Car & Art Show, Summer Crush Vineyard & Winery, 4200 Johnston Road, Fort Pierce, noon to 4 p.m. Corvette Show celebrating the Corvette's debut at the NYC General Motors Autorama on January 17, 1953. For information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Okeechobee Outdoor Expo, Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, visit eventbrite.com.

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Monday, January 13

• **Bingo**, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• **Bingo Bar Card**, American Legion Post 64, 501 S.E. Second St., Okeechobee, 1 to 3 p.m. For information, call 863-763-5309.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Tuesday, January 14

• **Spaghetti dinner**, Okeechobee Shrine Club, 1855 S.W. 53rd St., Okeechobee, 4 to 7 p.m. Dinner includes spaghetti, salad, dessert and choice of tea of coffee. There will be live entertainment for your listening and dining pleasure. For information, call 863-763-3378.

• YeeHaw Music Festival, Agri-Civic Center, 4601 SR 710, Okeechobee. Call 386-385-3500 to secure your campsite and seat today! Performers will include Lonesome River Band, IIIrd Tyme Out, Kenny & Amanda Smith, Nothin Fancy, Eric Ellison as Gordon Lightfoot, In the Spotlight with host Rodney Parker, Jo Odom, Jan Ladd, Corey Zink & Company, Keith Bass & The Florida Bluegrass Express, Bandana Rhythm, Alicia Robicheau, Swinging Bridge, Penny Creek Band, special performances by country legends Mickey Gilley & Johnny Lee and many more! • **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Jim Witter: A Tribute to Piano Men Billy Joel, Elton John, and Barry Manilow, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• Annual MLK Jr. Oratorical Contest, Rosenwald Elementary School, 1321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., South Bay, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, January 15

• YeeHaw Music Festival, Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee. Call 386-385-3500.

• **Crochet/Needle Crafting**, Serenity Coffee Shop, 601 S.W. Park St., Okeechobee, 9:30 to 11 a.m. For information, call 863-824-2287.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Eddie Metz Trio, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 16

• YeeHaw Music Festival, Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee. Swinging Bridge Band, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.; Nothing Fancy, 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Call 386-385-3500.

• "Nunsense," a musical comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• "**Hits of the 40s, 50s, & 60s**", Winter Concert Series, Okeechobee County Public Library, 206 S.W. 16th St., Okeechobee, 4 p.m.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Friday, January 17

• **Sandi Patty**, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 S.W. College Dr., Belle Glade. 561-993-1160.

• Friday night dinner and music, Okeechobee Shrine Club, Oasis Lounge, 1855 SW. 53rd St., Okeechobee, 6 to 9 p.m. Other bar foods and drinks will be available. For information, call 863-763-3378.

• **Deb**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• YeeHaw Music Festival, Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee. Bandana Rhythm, 1 p.m. and 6 p.m.; Penny Creek Band, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Florida Bluegrass Express, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.; Lonesome River Band, 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. 386-385-3500

• "Nunsense," a musical comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair. com.

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Peace of Woodstock**, Summer Crush Vineyard & Winery, 4200 Johnston Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. A musical tribute celebrating the legendary music of Woodstock. For information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

Saturday, January 18

• Wes & Deb, will entertain at the KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• YeeHaw Music Festival, Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee. Music workshops 10-11 a.m.; Bandana Rhythm, 2 p.m.; Zink & Company, 3 p.m.; IIIrd Tyme Out, 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Urban Cowboy Reunion featuring Mickey Gilley and Johnny Lee, 8 p.m. Call 386-385-3500.

• "Nunsense," a musical comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair.com.

• VFW Full Breakfast, VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East, Buckhead Ridge, 8 to 10:30 a.m. Open to the public. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• VFW Wing Night, VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East, Buckhead Ridge, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Open to the public. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• Sour Orange Festival and Quilt Show, Lakeport Community Center, 1239 Red Barn Road, 10 a.m. Event features a quilt show, vendors, music, swamp cabbage, sour orange pie, and pulled pork and chicken dinners. Call Muriel Green at 863-946-1494. For vendor information, call Jo Randolph at 863-227-4323.

Saturday, January 18

• **Celebration in the Sky**, Seminole Hotel Casino, 506 S. First St., Immokalee, 9 p.m. For more information, call toll-free 800-218-0007.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. visit pbiec.cloth.com

• Saturday Wine Down with the Nouveaux Honkies, Summer Crush Vineyard & Winery, 4200 Johnston Road, Fort Pierce, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. For information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Reel 'Em In for Autism Charity Bass Tournament, Roland and Mary Ann Martin's Marina and Resort, Clewiston, safe daylight until 2 p.m. Registration begins at 5 a.m. in tackle shop. For information contact Jim Finley 561-441-2759.

• Jim Brickman 25th Anniversary Hits, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• **Muse Honey Festival**, Community Park, 1125 Rainbow Blvd., LaBelle, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• The annual **Martin Luther King Banquet**, the Douglas Brown Center, 826 N.E. 16th Ave., 6 p.m. For more information, contact Shirlean Graham at 863-697-6107.

Sunday, January 19

• YeeHaw Music Festival, Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee. Sunday morning Gospel sing with Jan Ladd, 10 a.m. 386-385-3500.

• "Nunsense," a musical comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 2 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

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• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Sour Orange Festival**, Lakeport Community Association, Red Barn Road, Lakeport, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

• Sunday Funday with the String Assassins, Summer Crush Vineyard & Winery, 4200 Johnston Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 5 p.m. For information, visit summercrushwine.com. • Buckhead Ridge Catfish Festival, 30076 E. S.R. 78, Buckhead Ridge, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• The 182nd Anniversary Annual Seminole Maroon Spiritual Remembrance of Battles, Loxahatchee River Battlefield Park, 9060 Indiantown Road, Jupiter, 9 a.m. . For information, call 305-772-7714 or 305-904-7620 or visit fbhrpinc.org.

Monday, January 20

• South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair. com.

• **Bingo**, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• **Bingo Bar Card**, American Legion Post 64, 501 S.E. Second St., Okeechobee, 1 to 3 p.m. For information, call 863-763-5309.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Muse Honey Festival**, Community Park, 1125 Rainbow Blvd., LaBelle, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade**, Belle Glade. The parade begins at 10 a.m. at Lake Shore Middle School, 425 W. Canal St., followed by the MLK Observance Celebration on the loading ramp.

Tuesday, January 21

• **Spaghetti dinner,** Okeechobee Shrine Club, 1855 S.W. 53rd St., Okeechobee, 4 to 7 p.m. Dinner includes spaghetti, salad, dessert and choice of tea or coffee. There will be live entertainment for your listening and dining pleasure. For information, call 863-763-3378.

• South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair. com.

• **Crochet/Needle Crafting**, Serenity Coffee Shop, 601 S.W. Park St., Okeechobee, 9:30 to 11 a.m. For information, call 863-824-2287.

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• **Golden Girls: A Puppet Parody**, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts. org.

Wednesday, January 22

• South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair. com. • Music with Jay & Patty, American Legion Post 64, 501 S.E. Second St., Okeechobee, 3 to 6 p.m. Tacos will be served from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and a Margarita special.

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 23

• Jack Hanna's "Into the Wild," Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Friday, January 24

• **Gulf State** gospel concert, the Red Barn, located on the left after the S.R. 80 bridge between Moore Haven and Clewiston, 7 p.m. A potluck meal will be shared during intermission. A love offering will be collected. For information, call Judy Swindle at 863-228-0090.

• **REZA – Edge of Illusion**, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 S.W. College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. More than a magic show, REZA infuses state of the art production elements, masterful comedic timing, and numerous interactive and inspirational moments, allowing the audience to experience the magic first hand. For information, visit palmbeachstate.edu/theatre/ DollyHand/, 561-993-1160.

• Friday night dinner and music, Okeechobee Shrine Club, Oasis Lounge, 1855 SW. 53rd St., Okeechobee, 6 to 9 p.m. Other bar foods and drinks will be available. For information, call 863-763-3378.

• Johnny Debt, will entertain at the KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair. com.

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882. • 14th annual Art in the Park, Tom Perry Memorial Park and the Glades County Public Library, 201 Riverside Drive, Moore Haven, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This event features original art entered into the Students Around the Lake Art Contest. Free interactive art projects, handcrafts, antique car show, local food and music by Buckshot. Admission and park is free. Hourly free raffle drawings during the show. For information, call 863-946-0744.

Saturday, January 25

• **Big Winter Fest**, Sebring International Raceway, 113 Midway Drive, Sebring, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person, children under three are free.

• Johnny Debt, will entertain at the KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• **South Florida Fair**, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair. com.

• **The Temptations**, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 8 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre. com.

• VFW Full Breakfast, VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East, Buckhead Ridge, 8 to 10:30 a.m. Open to the public. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• VFW Wing Night, VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East, Buckhead Ridge, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Open to the public. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• Health and Safety Expo, Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 863-462-5000 ext. 1057.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Southern Vine Band, Summer Crush Vineyard & Winery, 4200 Johnston Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 5 p.m. Southern Vine is an acoustic stringed mix of folksy, islandy, country, sea-grassy, surfy, salty, & rocky, multi genre and generational covers with a few unexpected twists and lots of harmonies. For information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Art in the Park, Riverside Drive, Moore Haven, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event includes an antique car show, food booths, live entertainment and art. 863-946-0300.

• The 182nd Anniversary Battle of the Loxahatchee reenactment, Loxahatchee River Battlefield Park, 9060 Indiantown Road, Jupiter. There will be guests speakers, exhibitors, weapons demonstrations and more beginning at 9 a.m. with the reenactment at 2 p.m.

Saturday, January 25

• Whitney Houston Tribute Show, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• Smith Family Ranch Rodeo, Fred Smith Arena, Brighton Seminole Reservation, 17410 Sports Complex Road, Okeechobee, 5 p.m. First round of the rodeo. Food vendors will be on site. For information, call 863-467-6039 Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday, January 26

• South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair.com.

• VFW Full Breakfast, VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East, Buckhead Ridge, 8 to 10:30 a.m. Open to the public. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• **Bingo Night**, American Legion Post 64, 501 S.E. Second St., Okeechobee, 6:30 p.m. Seasonal sports and AYCE grilled chicken dinner will be served with mashed potatoes, gravy, green bean and rolls. For information, call 863-763-5309.

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 2:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Smith Family Ranch Rodeo**, Fred Smith Arena, Brighton Seminole Reservation, 17410 Sports Complex Road, Okeechobee, 2 p.m. Second round of the rodeo. Food vendors will be on site. For information, call 863-467-6039 Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday, January 27

• **South Florida Fair**, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair.com.

• **Bingo**, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

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 Post 64, 501 S.E. Second St., Okeechobee, 1
 to 3 p.m. For information, call 863-763-5309.
 FTI Winter Equestrian Festival,

Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

Tuesday, January 28

• **South Florida Fair**, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. Call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair.com.

• Crochet/Needle Crafting, Serenity Coffee Shop, 601 S.W. Park St., Okeechobee, 9:30 to 11 a.m. For information, call 863-824-2287. • **Spaghetti dinner,** Okeechobee Shrine Club, 1855 S.W. 53rd St., Okeechobee, 4 to 7 p.m. Dinner includes spaghetti, salad, dessert and choice of tea or coffee. There will be live entertainment for your listening and dining pleasure. For information, call 863-763-3378.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• Fabulous Equinox Orchestra, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

Wednesday, January 29

• **Spaghetti dinne**r, Okeechobee Shrine Club, 1855 S.W. 53rd St., Okeechobee, 4 to 7 p.m. Dinner includes spaghetti, salad, dessert and choice of tea of coffee. There will be live entertainment for your listening and dining pleasure. For information, call 863-763-3378.

• **South Florida Fair**, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair.com.

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 30

• **South Florida Fair**, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair.com.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Greater Vision, Oakview Baptist Church, 677 S.W. 32nd St., Okeechobee, 6 p.m., 863-763-1699.

• Dance: Art in Motion, Indian River State College, McAlpin Fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/ calendar.

• The Jason Bishop Show, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. To get more information, visit DollyHand.org or call 561-993-1160.

Friday, January 31

• Friday night dinner and music, Okeechobee Shrine Club, Oasis Lounge, 1855 SW. 53rd St., Okeechobee, 6 to 9 p.m. Other bar foods and drinks will be available. For information, call 863-763-3378.

• Ericson Holt, will entertain at the KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• **Recycled Percussion**, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

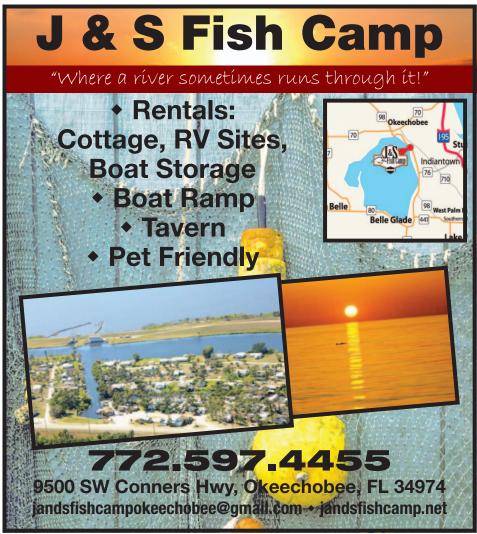
• **South Florida Fair**, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair.com.

• Memories of Conway & Loretta with Tre Twitty and Tayla Lynn, **Opening Johnny & June Carter Cash Tribute**, Summer Crush Vineyard & Winery, 4200 Johnston Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. An evening of classic country duos with Conway Twitty and Loretta Lynn's grand children, Tre Twitty and Tayla Lynn paying tribute to their family's musical legacies. Plus a special opening Johnny and June Carter Cash tribute with the Sandy Back Porch Trio For information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• TOC Stop One – Barrel Racing, Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center & Fairgrounds, 4601 SR 710, Okeechobee, 2 to 5 p.m. Barrel Racing hosted by the South East Florida Barrel Racers. For information, visit Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center on Facebook.

• Dance: Art in Motion, Indian River State College, McAlpin Fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/ calendar.





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Saturday, February 1

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• The 54th Annual Lake Placid Arts & Crafts Fair, Devane Park, 115 West Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Entrance and parking are free. For more information, email lakeplacidcountyfair@ gmail.com.

• Third Annual Florida Cigar Box Guitar Fest and Art Show, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **TOC Stop One - Barrel Racing**, Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center & Fairgrounds, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 2 to 5 p.m. Barrel Racing hosted by the South East Florida Barrel Racers. For information, visit Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center on Facebook.

• Sour Orange Festival, Lakeport in Glades County, hosts the annual Sour Orange Festival the first Saturday in February each year. This festival features the celebrated "Sour Orange Dessert Contest," in which residents and visitors are encouraged to enter desserts using the wild oranges. Details were not available at presstime. For more information, see the website lakeokeechobeenews.com.

• The Highwaymen art exhibit, South Florida Expo Center at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, visit southfloridafair.com.

• South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair. com.

• **Dance: Art in Motion**, Indian River State College, McAlpin Fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/calendar.

• Ericson Holt, will entertain at the KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• **Manatee Fest**, Manatee Lagoon, 6000 N. Flagler Drive West Palm Beach, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. Online at visit manateelagoon.com.

• The 19th Annual Hobe Sound Festival of the Arts, 11954 S.E. Dixie Highway, Hobe Sound, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Sunday, February 2

• **Streetcar Named Desire**, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 2:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org. • The 54th Annual Lake Placid Arts & Crafts Fair, Devane Park, 115 West Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Entrance and parking are free. For more information, email lakeplacidcountyfair@

gmail.com. • South Florida Fair, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 11:30 a.m. For information, call 561-793-0333 or visit southfloridafair. com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Doo Wop & Chevy SSR Show, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• TOC Stop One - Barrel Racing, Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center & Fairgrounds, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 2 to 5 p.m. Barrel Racing hosted by the South East Florida Barrel Racers. For information, visit Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center on Facebook.

• The 19th Annual Hobe Sound Festival of the Arts, 11954 S.E. Dixie Highway, Hobe Sound, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Monday, February 3

• **Bingo**, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m. Call for information, 863-763-3727.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Tuesday, February 4

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Broadway Tonight**, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

Wednesday, February 5

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 6

• "Happy Trails: Songs of the

West," Winter Concert Series, Okeechobee County Public Library, 206 S.W. 16th St., Okeechobee, 4 p.m. Call for information, 863-763-3536. • **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Bandstand: The Musical**, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• "Happy Trails: Songs of the West," Winter Concert Series, Okeechobee Public Library, 206 S.W. 16th St., Okeechobee, 4 p.m. Call for information, 863-763-3536.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

• **The Isaacs**, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. For more information or tickets, visit dollyhand.org or call 561-993-1160.

Friday, February 7

• **Simple Faith** gospel concert, the Red Barn, located on the left after the S.R. 80 bridge between Moore Haven and Clewiston, 7 p.m. A potluck meal will be shared during intermission. Bring food to share. A love offering will be collected. For information, call Judy Swindle at 863-228-0090.

• **"Butterflies Are Free,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• **Highlands County Fair**, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Johnny Roger's presents **The Day The Music Died: A tribute to Buddy Holly, Richie Valens, and the Big Bopper**, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30. to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

Saturday, February 8

• **"Butterflies Are Free,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Highlands County Fair, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• Top of the Lake Art Fest, Flagler Park, 55 S.E. Third Ave., Okeechobee, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, visit OkeechobeeMainStreet.org. • **Taste of Okeechobee**, a division of the Top of the Lake Art Fest, Flagler Park, 55 S.E. Third Ave., Okeechobee

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Simply Queen**, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30. to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Lara Hope's Gold Hope Duo, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 4 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

• Vero Beach Gun Show, Indian River County Fairgrounds, 7955 58th Ave., Vero Beach, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit patriotshows.com.

Sunday, February 9

• **Turnstiles**, the ultimate tribute to the music of Billy Joel, KOA Resort, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets on sale at the KOA office starting Nov. 1. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• **"Butterflies Are Free,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 2 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Highlands County Fair, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• **Top of the Lake Art Fest**, Flagler Park, 55 S.E. Third Ave., Okeechobee, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, visit OkeechobeeMainStreet.org.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Free Genesis Tribute Show by Collins & Company, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 5 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Artrageous: Interactive Art & Music Experience, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 3 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

• Vero Beach Gun Show, Indian River County Fairgrounds, 7955 58th Ave., Vero Beach, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit patriotshows.com.





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Monday, February 10

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• Highlands County Fair, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• **Bingo**, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

• **Pirates of Penzance**, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. For information or tickets, visit dollyhand.org or call 561-993-1160.

Tuesday, February 11

• **Highlands County Fair**, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• Hendry County Fair and Livestock Show, 710 S. Francisco Ave., Clewiston, 6:30 to 11 p.m. For more information, visit www.hendrycountyfair.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• Splish Splash: The Bobby Darin Experience, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

• **"Short Takes: A Grab Bag of Old Florida Stories"** by professional storyteller Dr. Caren Neile, Highlands Hammock State Park, 5931 Hammock Road in Sebring 7 p.m. Park entry fees of \$6 per vehicle are waived after 6 p.m. 863-386-6094.

Wednesday, February 12

• Highlands County Fair, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• Hendry County Fair and Livestock Show, 710 S. Francisco Ave., Clewiston, 6:30 to 11 p.m. For more information, visit www.hendrycountyfair.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• Terry Lower and Edye Evans Hyde, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfcarts org • Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 13

• **"Butterflies Are Free,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Highlands County Fair, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• Hendry County Fair and Livestock Show, 710 S. Francisco Ave., Clewiston, 6:30 to 11 p.m. For more information, visit www.hendrycountyfair.com.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

Friday, February 14

• **Cross Ties** gospel concert, the Red Barn, located on the left after the S.R. 80 bridge between Moore Haven and Clewiston, 7 p.m. A potluck meal will be shared during intermission. Bring food to share. A love offering will be collected. For information, call Judy Swindle at 863-228-0090.

• Brighton Field Day Festival & Rodeo, Brighton Seminole Reservation, Fred Smith Arena, 500 Harney Pond Road off State Road 721 in Glades County, 9 a.m. Friday is Kid's Day at the festival. Entertainment includes alligator wrestling, a reptile show, Native American dancers, music, rodeo, arts and crafts, and more. For information, call 863-467-6039 or visit rezrodeo. com.

• **"Butterflies Are Free,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Highlands County Fair, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• Hendry County Fair and Livestock Show, 710 S. Francisco Ave., Clewiston, 6:30 to 1 a.m. For more information, visit www.hendrycountyfair.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• Barry White Valentine Tribute, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit www.summercrushwine.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882 • Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

Saturday, February 15

• Brighton Field Day Festival & Rodeo, Brighton Seminole Reservation, Fred Smith Arena, 500 Harney Pond Road off State Road 721 in Glades County, 9 a.m. Friday is Kid's Day at the festival. Entertainment includes alligator wrestling, a reptile show, Native American dancers, music, rodeo, arts and crafts, and more. For information, call 863-467-6039 or visit rezrodeo. com.

• "Butterflies Are Free," a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• The Man in Black: A Tribute to Johnny Cash, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit www.sunrisetheatre.com.

• **Highlands County Fair**, Highlands News-Sun Center, 781 Magnolia Ave., Sebring, 9 a.m.

• Hendry County Fair and Livestock Show, 710 S. Francisco Ave., Clewiston, 6:30 to 11 p.m. For more information, visit www.hendrycountyfair.com. • FTI Winter Equestrian Festival,

Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visitpbiec.cloth.com.

• "You Auto be Mind Valentine" Car and Truck Show, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, noon to 4 p.m. For information, visit www.summercrushwine.com.

• Hannan & Varble's good ole guitar pull is back, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit www.summercrushwine.com.

• Wes 'n' Deb, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

Sunday, February 16

• Brighton Field Day Festival & Rodeo, Brighton Seminole Reservation, Fred Smith Arena, 500 Harney Pond Road off State Road 721 in Glades County, 9 a.m. For information, call 863-467-6039 or visit rezrodeo.com.

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Sunday, February 16

• **"Butterflies Are Free,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 2 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Hendry County Fair and Livestock Show, 710 S. Francisco Ave., Clewiston, 6:30 to 11 p.m. For more information, visit hendrycountyfair.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• Church of the Nazarene Winter Concert Series Presents: the Mark Dubbeld Family, Okeechobee, will go live on Sunday, Feb. 16, at 10:30 a.m.

• **St. Johns Wood**, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 5 p.m. An American experience of the 60s British invasion. Visit summercrush-wine.com.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Online at floridastatefair. com.

Monday, February 17

• **Bingo**, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival,

Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. 301 North, Tampa, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 813-621-7821 or go online at floridastatefair. com.

Tuesday, February 18

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• The Florida Orchestra, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

Wednesday, February 19

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 20

• Catapult: The Amazing Magic of Shadow Dancing, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Neil Berg's 50 Years of Rock & Roll, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• **Musical: Grease**, Indian River State College, McAlpin Fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/calendar.

Friday, February 21

• Johnny Debt, will entertain at the KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. visit pbiec.cloth.com. • Seals & Crofts 2, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• **Bill Engvall**, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 8 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• **Musical**: **Grease**, Indian River State College, McAlpin Fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/calendar.

• **Sons of Mystro**, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. For information or tickets, visit dolly-hand.org or call 561-993-1160.

Saturday, February 22

• The Battle of Okeechobee, Okeechobee Battlefield Historic State Park, 3500 S.E. 38th Ave., Okeechobee. The gates open at 10 a.m. and the battle starts at 2 p.m. Admission is \$10 per car.

• Johnny Debt, will entertain at the KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.



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Saturday, February 22

• The Great Smoke 2020, Americas Great Cigar Event, Expo Center at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, noon to 5 p.m. For information, visit thegreatsmoke.com.

• The Beach Boys in concert, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 8 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre.com.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• New Bluenotes Generations, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and more information, visit summercrushwine. com.

• Free Roy Orbison Tribute, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 4 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

 Neil Berg's 50 Years of Rock & Roll, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

 Louis Armstrong & Ella Fitzgerald Tribute Lisa Kelly and J. B. Scott Sextet, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts. org.

Sunday, February 23

• The Battle of Okeechobee, Okeechobee Battlefield Historic State Park, 3500 S.E. 38th Ave., Okeechobee. The gates open at 10 a.m. and the battle starts at 2p.m. Admission is \$10 per car.

• Dinosaur World Live: A dino-mite adventure direct from the west end, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre.com.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Blues Legends: JP Soars & Terry Hanck, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 5 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine. com.

Monday, February 24

• Bingo, Sacred Heart Catholic Church. 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Tuesday, February 25

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Central Park Revisited: James Taylor, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Bingo, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 27

 Hotel California: A Salute to The Eagles, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre.com.

• Winter Concert Series presents "Canjun ABC," Okeechobee County Public Library, 206 S.W. 16th St., Okeechobee, 4 p.m. Call for information, 863-763-3536.

• Natural Wonder: The Ultimate Stevie Wonder Experience, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 S.W. College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit palmbeachstate.edu/ theatre

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Okeechobee Ag Tour, departing form 1750 U.S. Highway 98 N., Okeechobee, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Stops include dairy, sod, beef and water. The \$45 fee per person includes steak lunch and transportation. Call 863-763-6469 for reservations.

• The Florida Strawberry Festival, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

Friday, February 28

• Celebration Singers gospel concert, the Red Barn, located on the left after the S.R. 80 bridge between Moore Haven and Clewiston, 7 p.m. A potluck meal will be shared during intermission. Bring food to share. A love offering will be collected. For information, call Judy Swindle at 863-228-0090

• Saint Lucie County Fair, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For information, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair. org.

• "Death and Taxes," Okeechobee Community Theatre, 610 S.W. Second Ave., Okeechobee, 8 p.m. For more information, visit okeechobeecommunitytheatre.com.

 FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Dinner, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882

• The Florida Strawberry Festival, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com. or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

• Ray Johnson, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Saturday, February 29

• Saint Lucie County Fair, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For infor-mation, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair.

• "Death and Taxes", Okeechobee Community Theatre, 610 S.W. Second Ave., Okeechobee, 2 p.m. For more information, visit okeechobeecommunitytheatre.com.

• The Florida Strawberry Festival, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com, or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

• Spring Garage Sale, Expo Center at South Florida Fair Grounds, 9067 Southern Blvd. West Palm Beach, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Never Stop Believin' - The Ultimate Journey Tribute, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Mopar and All Chrysler, Jeep, AMC and Art Show, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, noon to 4 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Blue Jupiter – NYC based a cappella quartet in concert, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

· Jason Colannino, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.



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Sunday, March 1

• Saint Lucie County Fair, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For information, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair. org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit

pbiec.cloth.com. • Free Concert with Coley McCabe and Thom Shepherd, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 6 to 9 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• The Florida Strawberry Festival, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

• **Chalo Nitka Rodeo**, across the street from the Chalo Nitka Park on 10th St., Moore Haven, 7 p.m. For more information, visit ChaloNitka.com or call 863-946-0300.

Monday, March 2

• Chalo Nitka Festival, Chalo Nitka Park on 10th St., Moore Haven, Parade starts at 10 a.m. followed by the festival. For more information, visit ChaloNitka.com or call 863-946-0300.

• Chalo Nitka Rodeo, across the street from the Chalo Nitka Park on 10th St., Moore Haven, 7 p.m. For more information, visit ChaloNitka.com or call 863-946-0300.

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• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **The Florida Strawberry Festival**, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com. or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

Tuesday, March 3

• **St. Lucie County Fair**, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For information, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair.org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• The Florida Strawberry Festival, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com. or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

• **Tamburitzans**, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org. • "Charles R. Knight: The Artist Who Saw Through Time," talk by guest speaker David Schmidt, curator of the Civilian Conservation Corps Museum, Hammock State Park, 5931 Hammock Road in Sebring, 7 p.m. Park entry fees of \$6 per vehicle are waived after 6 p.m. 863-386-6094.

Wednesday, March 4

• **St. Lucie County Fair**, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For information, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair.org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **The Florida Strawberry Festival**, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com. or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

• New Victrola Dixieland Band featuring Mark & Kathy Zauss, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 5

• Okeechobee Music and Arts Festival, Sunshine Grove, Okeechobee. For more tickets and information, visit OkeechobeeFest.com.

• Saint Lucie County Fair, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For information, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair. org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **The Florida Strawberry Festival**, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com, or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

Friday, March 6

• Okeechobee Music and Arts Festival, Sunshine Grove, Okeechobee. For more tickets and information, visit OkeechobeeFest.com.

• Saint Lucie County Fair, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For information, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair. org.

• "Death and Taxes," Okeechobee Community Theatre, 610 S.W. Second Ave., Okeechobee, 8 p.m. For more information, visit okeechobeecommunitytheatre.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.



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Friday, March 6

• The Florida Strawberry Festival, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com, or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

• **Cowboy**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Saturday, March 7

• Okeechobee Music and Arts Festival, Sunshine Grove, Okeechobee. For more tickets and information, visit OkeechobeeFest.com.

• **St. Lucie County Fair**, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For information, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair.org.

• Georgia On My Mind: Celebrating the Music of Ray Charles, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 8 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrise theatre. com.

• "Death and Taxes," Okeechobee Community Theatre, 610 S.W. Second Ave., Okeechobee, 2 p.m. For more information, visit okeechobeecommunitytheatre.com.

• Winter Concert Series presents **"All Shook Up: Early Hits of Elvis**", Okeechobee County Public Library, 206 S.W. 16th St., Okeechobee, 4 p.m. Call for information, 863-763-3536.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **3rd Annual Old Florida Festival**, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **South Carolina Ballet: Cinderella**, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts. org.

• **Cowboy**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Sunday, March 8

• Okeechobee Music and Arts Festival, Sunshine Grove, Okeechobee. For more tickets and information, visit OkeechobeeFest.com.

• Saint Lucie County Fair, 15601 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, 9 a.m. For information, call 772-464-2910 or visit stluciefair. org.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Sunday Funday with the String Assassins, Summer Crush Winery, 4200

Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 5 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrush-wine.com.

• The Florida Strawberry Festival,

303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FIStrawberryFestival.com. or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

• Back Home Again: A Tribute to John Denver, KOA Resort, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets on sale at the KOA office now. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Sunday, March 8

• The Florida Strawberry Festival, 303 North Lemon St., Plant City, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit FlStrawberryFestival.com, or order by phone at 813-754-1996.

Monday, March 9

• **Bingo**, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Tuesday, March 10

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Changes in Latitudes**, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

Wednesday, March 11

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 12

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• An American in Paris - a musical production, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• Here Comes the Sun: A Beatles Tribute, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 S.W. College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit palmbeachstate.edu/theatre.

Friday, March 13

• Gulf State and Simple Faith gospel concert, the Red Barn, located on the left after the S.R. 80 bridge between Moore Haven and Clewiston, 7 p.m. Gulf State and Simple Faith perform together for a night of fun and inspirational gospel singing. Call Judy Swindle at 863-228-0090.

• **"Til Beth Do Us Part,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Fire and Rain and the Boxers,

Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• The James Taylor Experience of "Fire & Rain," Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com. • Wes 'n' Deb will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Saturday, March 14

• **"Til Beth Do Us Part,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• **"An American in Paris"**, a musical, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 8 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Front Porch Blues, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 4 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• John Ford Coley and Billy Dean, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Grammy nominee **Jekalyn Carr**, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 S.W. College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. For tickets and information visit palmbeachstate.edu/ theatre/DollyHand.

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Saturday, March 14

• Wes 'n' Deb, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• The Speckled Perch Festival, sponsored by Okeechobee Main Street, Flagler Park, 55 S.E. Third Ave. (just west of the intersection of U.S. 441 and S.R. 70), Okeechobee, 10 a.m. For more information, visit OkeechobeeMainStreet.org.

Sunday, March 15

• **"Til Beth Do Us Part,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 2 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• **The Beatle Guys Band**, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 5 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• The Speckled Perch Festival, sponsored by Okeechobee Main Street, Flagler Park, 55 S.E. Third Ave. (just west of the intersection of U.S. 441 and S.R. 70), Okeechobee, 10 a.m. For more information, visit OkeechobeeMainStreet.org.

Monday, March 16

• **Bingo**, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Tuesday, March 17

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival,

Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Okeechobee County Fair,

Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 5 p.m. This year's fair includes the petting zoo and the demolition derby, as well as The Swamp Cowboys Alligator Show, Freestyle Motocycle and BMX Throwdown, and "Horses, Horses, Horses." Keep an eye out for Max Power & Nitro, an interactive nine-foot robot and his music-pumping, mini monster truck, NITRO. For more information, visit Okeechobee-CountyFair.com.

Wednesday, March 18

• NY Rockabilly presents "Shake, Rattle, Roll," rock and roll songs of the 50s, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Okeechobee County Fair,

Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 5 p.m. This year's fair includes the petting zoo and the demolition derby, as well as The Swamp Cowboys Alligator Show, Freestyle Motocycle and BMX Throwdown, and "Horses, Horses, Horses." Keep an eye out for Max Power & Nitro, an interactive nine-foot robot and his music-pumping, mini monster truck, NITRO. For more information, visit Okeechobee-CountyFair.com.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 19

• **"Til Beth Do Us Part,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com. • Okeechobee County Fair, Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 5 p.m. This year's fair includes the petting zoo and the demolition derby, as well as The Swamp Cowboys Alligator Show, Freestyle Motocycle and BMX Throwdown, and "Horses, Horses, Horses." Keep an eye out for Max Power & Nitro, an interactive nine-foot robot and his music-pumping, mini monster truck, NITRO. For more information, visit Okeechobee-CountyFair.com.

Friday, March 20

• **"Til Beth Do Us Part,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Clewiston Sugar Festival Kickoff Concert, 110 W. Osceola Ave., Clewiston, around 7 p.m. For more information, visit clewistonsugarfestival.com.

• **FTI Winter Equestrian Festival**, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• US Stones; The American Rolling Stones Tribute Band, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5;30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• Okeechobee County Fair, Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 5 p.m. This year's fair includes the petting zoo and the demolition derby, as well as The Swamp Cowboys Alligator Show, Freestyle Motocycle and BMX Throwdown, and "Horses, Horses, Horses." Keep an eye out for Max Power & Nitro, an interactive nine-foot robot and his music-pumping, mini monster truck, NITRO. For more information, visit Okeechobee-CountyFair.com.

• **Rita Meyers**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Saturday, March 21

• **"Til Beth Do Us Part,"** a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Clewiston Sugar Festival, 110 W. Osceola Ave., Clewiston, 10 a.m. For more information, visit clewistonsugarfestival. com.

• **Rita Meyers**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• Okeechobee County Fair, Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, opens at noon. This year's fair includes the petting zoo and the demolition derby, as well as The Swamp Cowboys Alligator Show, Freestyle Motocycle and BMX Throwdown, and "Horses, Horses, Horses." Keep an eye out for Max Power & Nitro, an interactive nine-foot robot and his music-pumping, mini monster truck, NITRO. For more information, visit OkeechobeeCountyFair.com.

• Okeechobee County Fair Demolition Derby, Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, 6 p.m., and will include a Kids Power Wheels Derby. For more information, visit OkeechobeeCountyFair.com.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Spring Flower Power Cruise In & Winestock, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, noon to 4 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

Sunday, March 22

Okeechobee County Fair,

Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center, 4601 S.R. 710, Okeechobee, opens at noon. Keep an eye out for Max Power & Nitro, an interactive nine-foot robot and his music-pumping, mini monster truck, NITRO. For more information, visit OkeechobeeCountyFair.com.

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101 + Things To Do



Sunday, March 22

• "Til Beth Do Us Part," a comedy, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 2 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Paddy Pardy with Uproot Hootenanny and Rowan the Wanderer, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1 to 5 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

Monday, March 23

• Bingo, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Tuesday, March 24

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Shepherd King: The Story of the Bible, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

Wednesday, March 25

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

 Motwon with a Twist - featuring Dancing with the Stars celebrity pros, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.

• Shepherd King: The Story of the Bible, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• Bingo, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 26

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Vocal & Instrumental Music

College, McAlpin fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/calendar.

• Shepherd King: The Story of the Bible, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

· Golden Dragon Acrobats, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 1977 College Drive, Belle Glade, 7 p.m. For information or tickets, visit dollyhand.org or call 561-993-1160.

Friday, March 27

• The Marvelous Wonderettes, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org. We first meet Cindy Lou, Betty Jane, Missy and Suzy aka The Wonderettes at their 1958 Prom Night, performing a selection of girl-group classics in front of their fellow classmates. The quartet returns after intermission to pick up on their lives 10 years later, as reflected in the brightly colored miniskirts and go-go boots. An entertaining blast from the past, Wonderettes is everything that community theater should be: humorous, entertaining, and a chance to forget the real world for just a moment.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Peaceful Easy Eagles – A Tribute to the Eagles, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information. call 863-467-2882.

• Vocal & Instrumental Music Concert: In the Mood, Indian River State College, McAlpin fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/calendar.

• The Shanty Hounds (from Key West), will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Saturday, March 28

• The Marvelous Wonderettes, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Marks and the Surf City All Star Band, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• Free Elton John Tribute with Bill Connor, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

Vocal & Instrumental Music Concert: In the Mood, Indian River State College, McAlpin fine Arts Center, Building T, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. For information or to purchase tickets, call 772-462-4750 or visit irsc.edu/calendar.

• Art in the Park, Moore Haven City Park and Library, 201 Riverside Drive, Moore Haven, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• The Shanty Hounds (from Key West), will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Sunday, March 29

• The Marvelous Wonderettes, Highlands Lakeside Playhouse, 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring, 2:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslakesidetheatre.org.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

• Free Concert: Larry Johnson's Essence of Motown. Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

Monday, March 30

• Bingo, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 901 S.W. Sixth St., Okeechobee. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and game begins at 7 p.m.

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival, Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.

Tuesday, March 31

• FTI Winter Equestrian Festival,

Palm Beach International Equestrian Center, 3400 Equestrian Club Drive, Wellington, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit pbiec.cloth.com.



OKEECHOBEE — The Okeechobee County Fair is set for March 17-22 at the Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center. Spectator entrance is off State Road 710.



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Wednesday, April 1

• **The Marvelous Wonderettes**, Highlands Little Theatre, 356 S. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslittletheatre.org.

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 3

• **The Marvelous Wonderettes**, Highlands Little Theatre, 356 S. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslittletheatre.org.

• Ram National Rodeo Finals, Silver Spurs Arena, Osceola Heritage Park, 1875 Silver Spur Lane, Kissimmee, 7:30 p.m. For tickets, call 800-745-3000 or visit TicketMaster.com. For more detailed information, visit RNCFR.com.

• Waylon Jennings Band - Waymores Outlaws, Summer Crush Winery, 4200 Johnson Road, Fort Pierce, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For tickets and information, visit summercrushwine.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• **Scott Benge**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• **Sebring Soda Festival**, Circle Park Drive, downtown Sebring, 5 to 8 p.m. Visit sebring.org for more information.

Saturday, April 4

• 10th Annual West Palm Beach Art Festival, 700 S. Rosemary Ave., West Palm Beach, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit artfestival.com/cities/west-palmbeach. Admission is free.

• **The Marvelous Wonderettes**, Highlands Little Theatre, 356 S. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslittletheatre.org.

• **Ram National Rodeo Finals**, Silver Spurs Arena, Osceola Heritage Park, 1875 Silver Spur Lane, Kissimmee, 1 to 7:30 p.m. For tickets, call 800-745-3000 or visitTicket-Master.com. For more detailed information, visit RNCFR.com.

• **Phil 'n' Scott**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

• 42nd Annual Black Gold Jubilee Festival, Torry Island Recreational Campground, 5000 W. Canal St. N., Belle Glade. The event kicks off at 7:30 a.m. with a 5k run/walk followed by activities. For more information, visit blackgoldjubilee.org.

• Sebring Soda Festival, Circle Park Drive, downtown Sebring, 5 to 8 p.m. Visit sebring.org for more information.

Sunday, April 5

• 10th Annual West Palm Beach Art Festival, 700 S. Rosemary Ave., West Palm Beach, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit artfestival.com/cities/west-palmbeach. Admission is free.

• The Marvelous Wonderettes,

Highlands Little Theatre, 356 S. Center Ave., Sebring, 2:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslittletheatre.org.

Wednesday, April 8

 The Marvelous Wonderettes, Highlands Little Theatre, 356 S. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslittletheatre.org.
 Bingo, American Legion Post 20, 101

S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 10

• **The Marvelous Wonderettes**, Highlands Little Theatre, 356 S. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslittletheatre.org.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882.

• Dennis McCaughey (national recording artist), will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Saturday, April 11

• **The Marvelous Wonderettes**, Highlands Little Theatre, 356 S. Center Ave., Sebring, 7:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslittletheatre.org.

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Sunday, April 12

• **The Marvelous Wonderettes**, Highlands Little Theatre, 356 S. Center Ave., Sebring, 2:30 p.m. For information, visit highlandslittletheatre.org.

Wednesday, April 15

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 16

• Barrett-Jackson, Car Collector Auction, Expo Center at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 8 a.m. For information, visit barrett-jackson.com.

Friday, April 17

• **"A Murder Has Been Renounced,"** a mystery, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Barrett-Jackson, Car Collector Auction, Expo Center at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 8 a.m. For information, visit barrett-jackson.com.

• **Dinner**, Buckhead Ridge VFW, 29012 S.R. 78 E., Okeechobee 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call 863-467-2882. • Wes 'n' Deb will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Saturday, April 18

• **"A Murder Has Been Renounced,"** a mystery, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For more information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Barrett-Jackson, Car Collector Auction, Expo Center at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 8 a.m. For information, visit barrett-jackson.com.

• Wes 'n' Deb, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Sunday, April 19

• **"A Murder Has Been Renounced,"** a mystery, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 2 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

Wednesday, April 22

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 23

• **"A Murder Has Been Renounced,"** a mystery, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

Friday, April 24

• **"A Murder Has Been Renounced,"** a mystery, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Florida Outdoor Expo. Explore sports and outdoor activities, Expo Center at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For information, visit floridaoutdoorexpo. com.

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• Shepherd King: The Story of the Bible, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• **Beach Billies**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Saturday, April 25

• **"A Murder Has Been Renounced,"** a mystery, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 7 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Florida Outdoor Expo. Explore sports and outdoor activities, Expo Center at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For information, visit floridaoutdoorexpo. com.

• Shepherd King: The Story of the Bible, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

• **Beach Billies**, will entertain at the Okeechobee KOA Shanty Lounge, 4276 U.S. 441 S., Okeechobee, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 863-763-0231.

Sunday, April 26

• **"A Murder Has Been Renounced,"** a mystery, Firehouse Community Theatre, 241 Bridge St., LaBelle, 2 p.m. For information, visit firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

• Florida Outdoor Expo. Explore sports and outdoor activities, Expo Center at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information, visit floridaoutdoorexpo. com.

• Shepherd King: The Story of the Bible, Alan Jay Wildstein Center for Performing Arts, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, 4 p.m. For tickets and information, call the box office at 863-784-7178 or visit sfscarts.org.

Wednesday, April 29

• **Bingo**, American Legion Post 20, 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 30

• **My Little Pony Live**, Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second St., Ft. Pierce, 6 p.m. For tickets and information, visit sunrisetheatre. com.



The Okeechobee Music Festival will be held the first weekend in March at Sunshine Groves in northeastern Okeechobee County.



Cool weather increases chance to see manatees

Special to 101+ Things to Do

Manatees live in Florida year-round. It is not unusual to see them in Lake Okeechobee and the Rim Canal. Manatees are so common in the Big O that the locks entering the lake are equipped with manatee protection devices to ensure that manatees swimming underwater through the locks are not crushed when the gates close. While spotting a manatee in the lake can be a delightful surprise, there's an easier way to find manatees.

The manatee, Florida's gentle giant, can be seen in largest numbers during the winter and early spring. When water temperatures fall below 68 degrees, manatees seek warmer waters. During the cold spells, the best places to see manatees are Florida's 72-degree freshwater springs, and the warm water outflow areas near power plants.

Manatee Lagoon

Manatee Lagoon, 6000 N. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, is an FPL Eco-Discovery Center. Visitors to Manatee Lagoon share an experience the whole family can enjoy in the company of endangered and unique Florida manatees as these gentle giants huddle and snuggle in the warm-water outflows of Florida Power & Light Company's (FPL) Riviera Beach Next Generation Clean Energy Center during manatee season. The manatee center was built shortly after FPL modernized this natural gas plant.

Manatee Lagoon is open Tuesday through Sunday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. All of the manatees that visit the center are wild. Admission is free. For information online, go to visitmanateelagoon.com.

Manatee Observation and Education Center

The Manatee Observation and Education Center, 480 N. Indian River Drive, Fort Pierce, is a waterfront environmental education and wildlife viewing center located on Florida's east coast in beautiful downtown Fort Pierce.

The center lies just west of the Atlantic Ocean and straddles the nationally recognized Indian River Lagoon, a saltwater estuary, and Moore's Creek, a freshwater tributary. The site is a historical congregating place for Florida manatees as a result of warm water effluence from the long-retired Henry B. King Power Plant. While the plant is no longer there, it continues to be a congregating place for manatees and visitors alike.

Admission is \$1 per person. Children 5 and under are free with a paying adult.

Manatee Education Center is open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

For information, call 772-429-6266 or go online to manateecenter.com.

Manatee Park

Manatee Park, 10901 State Road 80 (Palm Beach Blvd.) in Fort Myers, is open 7 a.m. to sunset.

Manatee Park is a non-captive warm

water refuge for the Florida manatee.

Optimum viewing periods are during late December, January and February when the Gulf of Mexico water temperature is below 68 degrees Fahrenheit. Manatees are generally not present during the warm summer months. Current Gulf temperature may be found at recon.sccf.org.

The park has an extensive butterfly garden and is a demonstration landscape for the Florida Friendly Landscaping (FFL) program. Birds and other wildlife can be found throughout the park.

Amenities include restrooms, playgrounds, Live Oak amphitheater, Chickee Hut, pavilion, shelters and a picnic area. Fishing enthusiasts can enjoy the fishing pier on the Orange River. Bring your canoe/ kayak and launch to the Orange River for fun and exploration.



When the weather is cool, manatees seek out places with warm water.



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Golden Dragon Acrobats

BELLE GLADE — The Golden Dragon Acrobats will perform at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center in Belle Glade on March 26.



Top of the Lake Art Festival OKEECHOBEE — At the Top of the Lake Art Festival in Flagler Park in downtown

OKEECHOBEE — At the Top of the Lake Art Festival in Flagler Park in downtown Okeechobee, visitors can watch chalk artists create sidewalk art. The 2019 festival, sponsored by Okeechobee Main Street, is set for Feb. 8 and 9.





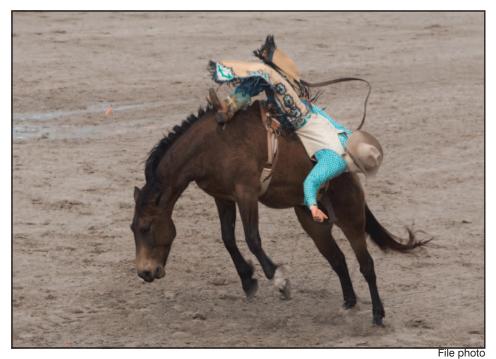
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Courtesy photo

Hike from the ocean to the lake The Ocean to Lake Hiking Trail runs for approximately 63 miles from Hobe Sound Beach to Lake Okeechobee. The Loxahatchee Chapter of the Florida Trail Association maintains the trail. For maps and more information online, go to loxfltrail.org.



Florida's Cowtown Rodeo in March OKEECHOBEE — The Cowtown Rodeo is traditionally held at the Okeechobee

Cattlemen's Arena on U.S. 441 North on the same weekend as the Speckled Perch Festival in March. Details on the 2020 event were not available at presstime for 101 + Things to Do. For updated information, see the Lake Okeechobee News print edition or go online to lakeokeechobeenews.com.



Summer Crush offers libation and entertainment

By Tom Timmons

Special to the Lake Okeechobee News

FORT PIERCE — Like many people in the area, Gary Roberts suffered through the economic downturn a few years ago, when his landscaping and nursery business got in trouble when the work dried up and he went looking for something else to do.

After much searching and time with consultants and text books, Gary became a wine maker, and in 2012 opened the Summer Crush Vineyard and Winery at 4200 Johnson Road in Fort Pierce. It is now a Florida Certified Farm Winery that grows three varieties of muscadine grapes and currently bottles nine different wines.

To create the wines, Muscadine Grapes are individually handpicked from vines in the 10-acre vineyard, during the harvest season that takes place in August and September, and then packed in large bags and frozen. The grapes are picked every two weeks, to ensure they are at their sweetest, most flavorful, and after freezing, they are used to create nine different varieties of wines, some of which include other fruit flavors, like mangos.

Visiting the Summer Crush Vineyard and Winery is a real treat. Gary and his family have created a multi-use venue, with places for concerts, weddings and parties, as well as a tasting room, for his wines. He has live music every weekend in a very large covered pavilion at the vineyard with ticketed events in this large building, and some big-name entertainers. Most recently they hosted a Beatles tribute band and an amazing Elvis tribute event. Check out summercrushwine.com/our-concerts-events.

You can tell that Gary started out as a landscaper, as the grounds are beautiful, with long brick walkways, and nice



Courtesy photo Simply Queen! will perform at Summer Crush on Feb. 8.

for a few minutes, as he was getting ready for his Saturday crowd, and found him personable and easy to engage.

If you are NOT a wine drinker, there are other beverages available, including craft brewed beers from some of the area's local breweries, wine-based smoothies for those warm days, and even wine-based mocktails that look and taste like mixed drinks. For something to eat, there are food trucks found on the site on the weekends.

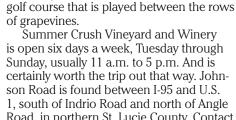
The entire feeling of the place is laid back, and the pavilion features a large collection of surfboards from Gary's early love affair with surfing here in Florida to include surfboards made into tables in the large

plantings as well. The entire place exhibits his lighthearted attitude toward life, with clever









pavilion lounge area.

Road, in northern St. Lucie County. Contact number there is 772-460-0500 and they have a beautiful web page, that will give you a look and answer most questions, at summercrushwine.com

The winery is also kid-friendly with

checkers, and a children's play area near

the pavilion as well as a pond with a dock.

The vineyard also includes a nine-hole disk

things out in the lawn for them to do, giant

This is the exterior of the Summer Crush tasting room.



Courtesy photo Summer Crush Vineyard will host the Vettes in the Vines car show on Jan. 12.



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Special to the Lake Okeechobee News/Tom Timmons The large music pavilion of the Summer Crush Vineyard and Winery is the venue for concerts.



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