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Fernandez Enters Race For 2010 Mayor

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Mildred Fernandez, Orange County Commissioner - District 3

On Wednesday, September 2nd Orange County Commissioner for District 3, **Mildred Fernandez** formally filed to run for the 2010 Orange County Mayoral seat.

Commissioners Fernandez and Segal (who has also filed to run) will be required to submit a letter of resignation by June 4, 2010, exactly ten days before the qualifying date on June 14, 2010. If both commissioners resign, a special election will be held in 2010 for individuals to serve the remaining 2-years of these terms.

Former Orange County Commissioner **Ted Edwards** has filed to run for the District 5 seat and other individuals are expected to come forward for the District 3 seat including **State Representative Scott Randolph** and **John Kelly Harris** who ran against Fernandez in 2008.

Blocker, Flynn, Grego, Robbinson, Wheeler



CFHLA Members joined by Osceola School Board Member Jay Wheeler, Osceola School District Superintendent Michael Grego, Orange County Public School Superintendent Ron Blocker and Orange County School Board Member Daryl Flynn

The Wednesday, September 2nd CFHLA Adopt-A-School "Kick-off" Luncheon featured remarks from Orange County Public Schools Superintendent **Ron Blocker**. Superintendent Blocker thanked CFHLA for its positive impact on education, noting that all of the schools involved in this program increased their overall grades significantly.

The following elected officials and community leaders joined in this celebration:

Daryl Flynn - Orange County School Board Member, District 2
Dr. Michael A. Grego - Superintendent of the Osceola County School District
Nancy Robinson - Orange County School Board Member, District 6
Jay Wheeler - Osceola County School Board Member, District 1

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2010 Election Dates



City Of Orlando / Apopka / Belle Isle / Edgewood / Maitland / Oakland / Ocoee / Windermere / Winter Park:

- General Election: Tuesday, March 9, 2010
- Run-off Election (if needed): Tuesday, April 13, 2010

State of Florida / Orange County / Osceola County / Seminole County:

- Primary Election: Tuesday, August 24, 2010
- General Election: Tuesday, November 2, 2010

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PAC September Meetings and Events



On Tuesday, September 8th the CFHLA-PAC Board will meet with Orange County Commissioner - District 5 and 2010 Candidate for Orange County Mayor, **Bill Segal**.

On Wednesday, September 16th the CFHLA-PAC Board will meet again to discuss this meeting as well as the following business items:

- 2010 Elections Update
- PAC Powerhouse Golf Outing / Power "Pow Wow" Luncheon
- PAC Elections
- PAC Board Size
- New CFHLA-CCE (Committee of Continuous Existence)

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Have You Registered Yet?



The CFHLA - [PAC Golf Outing and Power "Pow-Wow" Luncheon](#) with Keynote Speaker **Senator Andy Gardiner (R), District 9**, is set to occur on **September 24, 2009, 12:00pm** at the [Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress](#). This new event will serve as a fundraiser for the CFHLA Political Action Committee.

As of today, the following elected officials plan to join us this day: **Comm. Brandon Arrington, Comm. Scott Boyd, Rep. Steve Crisafulli, Sheriff Jerry Demings, Rep. Chris Dorworth, Senator Andy Gardiner, Comptroller Martha Haynie, Rep. Mike Horner, Rep. Bryan Nelson, Rep. Steve Precourt, Rep. Scott Randolph, and Rep. Darren Soto**

Not A Golfer? Join us for the Power 'Pow Wow' Luncheon!

Please note all registrations must be received online before 2:00pm, September 16th.

[Click Here To Register For These Events Online](#)

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Have You Seen Any Pizza Flyers Lately?



As another way of combating the distribution of unauthorized "Pizza Flyers" on hotel properties, CFHLA is asking its members to file a complaint with the [Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation \(DBPR\)](#) for any unlicensed activity relating to the distribution of 'pizza flyers' on their properties.

Not only is CFHLA working with local law enforcement on this issue, now CFHLA members can "take matters into their own hands."

We encourage you to verify the license of these businesses and file a complaint with DBPR at their website <http://www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr/> or to fax a completed form to DBPR Orlando Offices at **407.312.7839**.

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I-Drive Bus Lanes Receive Final Approval

On Tuesday, September 1st at the Orange County Board of County Commissioners Meeting, the addition of the I-Drive Bus Lanes project was approved. The I-Drive Bus Lanes project, along with a list of other eligible projects, will be funded by the I-Drive CRA.

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Upcoming TDC Meetings

Orange County TDC Meeting: Thursday, September 10th, 2:00pm
Orange County Admin. Bldg. (1st Floor)
201 South Rosalind Avenue
Orlando, 32801

Osceola County TDC Meeting: TBD (Last Meeting on August 26th)

Seminole County TDC Meeting: Thursday, September 10th, 10:00am
Clarion Inn & Conference Center
230 West State Road 436
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

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GrayRobinson

On Friday, September 25th the law firm of [GrayRobinson](#) will host a fundraising reception hosted by future Senate President **Senator Don Gaetz**, **Senator Andy Gardiner** and **Senator Mike Haridopolos**.

The following elected officials and candidates have been invited to attend:

- Senator Thad Altman
- Senator Steve Oelrich
- Senator Joe Negrón
- Senator Ronda Storms
- Hillsborough County Commissioner Jim Norman
- Representative Alan Hays
- Former Senator Jack Latvala
- Former Representative David Simmons
- Former Representative Rene Garcia

CFHLA encourages members - if they are available - to show their support on this day.



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