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Ultimate Tailgate Party raises funds for **Guardian ad Litem** volunteer training

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Besides the "Big Game," there also is a "Big Fundraiser" Feb. 4 presented by the Voices for Children of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast that will be a big win for the children and volunteers of the 19th Circuit Guardian ad Litem pro-

The Ultimate Tailgate Party is set to score big for those who advocate for the best interests of children who are alleged abused, neglected, or abandoned and involved in court proceedings.

A hundred percent of the event's profits will be used to train and retain Guardian ad Litem volunteers and provide for the unmet needs of the children in care.

The party at the Pelican Yacht Club in Fort Pierce kicks off at 1 p.m. and ends at 5 p.m.—so everyone will be home in plenty of time for the big game.

The pregame event features food, drinks, an auction that includes a puppy, door prizes, a photo booth and surprise guests. Tickets are \$125 per person.

There's also the chance to win a 2017 Ford Focus from Sunrise Ford raffled off that day. Tickets are \$25 or five for \$100 and you need not be present to win.

A dedicated tailgate committee includes:Kip Lyman, event chair; Bob Perry, president of Voices for the Children of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast; Jim Pawlak, immediate past-president of Voices for the Children of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast; Terence Channon and Howard Rothman. board members; Omar Walker and Tommie McDermid.

Major sponsors are Dr. Ron Lyman and the Animal Emergency & Referral Center, Sunrise Ford and Print Headquarters.

Event and car raffle tickets can be purchased online VoicesForChildrenOTC.org or contact event chair Kip Lyman at 561-452-6638 or KipLyman@aol.com.

Voices for Children of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit that raises funds to support the GAL program.



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On The Cover:

Ultimate Tailgate Party organizers and sponsors: (Seated) Jane Perry, Carol Matulonis, Tommie McDermid, Chris Binsbachar, Kip Lyman, Sara Davis, (standing, front row) Terence Channon, Gordon Matulonis, Dr. Ron Lyman, Fort Pierce Mayor Linda Hudson, Vern Melvin, Bob Perry, Richard Whittemore, (standing, back row) Ian Lloyd, Howard Rothman, Mike Brown, Sr., James Pawlak and Dana Binsbachar.



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