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Welcome back sports fans to another edition of *Vision*, the e-newsletter of the Miami-Dade Sports Commission! Designed to keep you up-to-date and in the loop on the latest sporting events and activities taking place in Miami-Dade County and at your local Sports Commission, you can be sure you won't miss a thing!

**OLYMPIAN GARY HALL SR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2006 MIAMI-DADE SENIOR GAMES**

Three time Olympian Gary Hall Sr. will join Miami-Dade Senior Games participants at the Celebration of Athletes, November 11th at the Miccosukee Resort from 6 PM to 9 PM. "I am excited to be a part of the Miami-Dade Senior Games. Sports have always played a large role in my life and continue to do so today. I salute all of the athletes over 50 who still live an athletic lifestyle and continue to push themselves to compete at a high level," states Hall.

Gary Hall Sr has participated in 3 Olympics: 1968 silver (400 IM), 1972 silver (200 Fly), 1976 bronze (100 Fly). He has 10 World Records, 23 National AAU Swimming titles, 7 NCAA Championships titles and 23 American Records.

Gary, along with Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Alvarez, and Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz, will address participants about the importance of a lifetime of sport activity. The evening will include dinner and dancing, and provide Senior Game participants an opportunity to celebrate their successes!

The Miami-Dade Senior Games was created to promote healthy and active lifestyles for Miami-Dade County residents over the age of 50. This event will provide local senior athletes with the incentive to train and an opportunity to compete in a true Olympic-style sports competition. The Games will include sports such as Archery, Badminton, 3 on 3 Basketball, Bowling, Dominoes, 5k Road Race, Tennis, and Track & Field.

This is your chance to show what you're made of and let everyone know that turning 50 is just the beginning!

Register today by visiting [www.MiamiDadeSeniorGames.org](http://www.MiamiDadeSeniorGames.org) or download the Registration Form by [CLICKING HERE](#).

## RUN, WALK, SKIP TO THE FINISH LINE AT THE 2006 MIAMI-DADE SENIOR GAMES

### GET IN GEAR

The Miami-Dade Sports Commission, in partnership with Vista HealthPlans, will host a 5K Road Race, 5K Race Walk, and 5K Fun Walk at the 2006 Miami-Dade Senior Games, **Saturday, November 11** at **Amelia Earhart Park**.

The Races will begin as follows:

- 6:30 AM - 7:00 AM - Check-in / Onsite Registration
- 7:30 AM - 5K Road Race
- 7:35 AM - 5K Race Walk
- 7:40 AM - 5K Fun Walk

Get in gear and bring out your company, your friends and your family to participate! The group organizer with the largest participation will receive two tickets to the sold out [NEXTEL NASCAR FORD 400](#) at the Homestead Miami Speedway, November 19, 2006!

Register today at [www.MiamiDadeSeniorGames.org](http://www.MiamiDadeSeniorGames.org) or download the form [HERE](#)!

## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL FEVER HITS MIAMI

## 2006 DODGE FHSAA FOOTBALL FINALS

As the 2006 Dodge FHSAA Football Finals draws near, high school football fever rises throughout Miami-Dade County and the state of Florida!

With 11 undefeated teams left in the Top 25 and one week left of regular season play, no one knows who will be in the 2006 Finals. But one thing is for sure, these Florida Football teams are coming out fired up and determined to find their way to Dolphin Stadium. So get ready football fans, you are guaranteed to see some of the greatest young football talent in the country!

Here's a glimpse of the Week 10  
**Beef O' Brady's Top 25** from Around the State!

- 1 - Lakeland - Class 5A
- 2 - Miami Northwestern - Class 6A
- 3 - Nease (Ponte Vedra) - Class 4A
- 4 - Pahokee - Class 2B
- 5 - Bolles (Jacksonville) - Class 2A
- 6 - Trinity Catholic (Ocala) - Class 2B
- 7 - St. Augustine - Class 3A
- 8 - Armwood - Class 4A
- 9 - Clewiston - Class 2A
- 10 T - Booker T. Washington (Miami) - Class 4A
- 10 T - St. Thomas Aquinas (FTL) - Class 5A

To see a complete list of the Beef O' Brady's Top 25 please [CLICK HERE](#).

The temperature is rising around the state, this year's Finals are sure to be packed full of excitement, talent and pure football fun! Be sure and get your 2006 Dodge FHSAA Football Finals tickets today at [www.RoadtoMiami.org](http://www.RoadtoMiami.org).

For group ticket packages please [CLICK HERE](#) or contact Shawn Thorimbart at (305) 818-7188, ext 1003.

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## MIAMI SPORTS BOARD ORIENTATION

The Miami-Dade Sports Commission will host a Miami Sports Board Orientation on Thursday, November 2, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Marriott Biscayne Bay.

The Miami Sports Board Orientation will provide an opportunity for members of the community to learn more about the Sports Commission and our mission. On July 13, 2006, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners unanimously approved proposed changes to the Ordinance creating the Miami-Dade Sports Commission. The action expanded the MDSC Board of Directors from nine members to a maximum of 46. According to Co-Chair Larry Gautier, "This expansion allows for great involvement from the sports community, corporate community, and overall local community."

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Miami-Dade Sports Commission Board of Directors, or plan to attend the Orientation, please contact (305) 818-7188 or email a letter of interest to [MWSophia@MiamiSports.org](mailto:MWSophia@MiamiSports.org).

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A man can be as great as he wants to be. If you believe in yourself and have the courage, the determination, the dedication, the competitive drive and if you are willing to sacrifice the little things in life and pay the price for the things that are worthwhile, it can be done. ~ **Vince Lombardi**

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