





**Pictona Open By Emerge Insurance Services** starts Thursday! 880 Players will compete in Pickleball Paradise at Pictona!



#### **Emerge Essentials: Prepare for the 2024 Pictona Open Safely**

As a proud sponsor of the Pictona Open, Emerge Insurance Services wants you to be prepared for the tournament – physically, mentally, and financially. Here's how:

#### **Last-Minute Prep Tips for a Winning Tournament:**

- Stay Active, But Don't Overdo It: Maintain your fitness with light exercises, yoga, and stretching. Avoid overexertion in the days leading up to the tournament.
- Hydration and Nutrition: Drink plenty of water and electrolyte-rich fluids. Focus on a balanced diet with lean proteins, whole grains, and vegetables. Avoid heavy meals or foods that may weigh you down on game day.
- Rest: Aim for 7-8 hours of sleep each night to allow your body and mind to recover.
- Mental Preparation: Visualize your game, focusing on techniques and strategies to improve focus and reduce anxiety.

#### Why Accidental Injury Insurance is Essential

Pickleball is a fast-paced sport, and accidents can happen, even to the most prepared players. Many people mistakenly believe their health insurance will cover all medical expenses, but high deductibles can lead to significant out-of-pocket costs.

# Did you know that in 2024, out-of-pocket expenses for a family could be as high as \$16,100?

Emerge's Accidental Injury Insurance provides:

- 24/7 Coverage: Protection on and off the court for covered accidental injuries.
- Cash Benefits: Paid directly to you to help cover deductibles, co-pays, and other expenses, regardless of your health insurance coverage.
- 25% More Benefits: For injuries during organized sports activities like the Pictona Open (up to \$1,000 per accident).
- Guaranteed Approval: Get approved online in less than 10 minutes.

#### Prepare Today for a Safe, Successful Tournament

In the days leading up to your pickleball tournament, it's crucial to focus on your health, preparation, and safety. With Accidental Injury Insurance

through Emerge, you can step onto the court with confidence, knowing you're protected should the unexpected happen.

**Don't let an injury derail your finances. Get the coverage you need now –** no deductibles, fast approval and cash benefits when you need it most.

Click Here to get your free quote today: https://pickleball.emerge.me/? company=Pictona

Play safe, play smart, and focus on your game knowing you're protected with Emerge.



Not only is this the kick-off to tournament season, this is also the LARGEST tournament that Pictona runs! From October 24-27, over 880 players from all over Florida and the U.S. will descend on Pictona for an exciting weekend of play!

We are thrilled with the turnout for our annual Pictona Open, but please note, due to the number of players registered on Sunday, we will have to use all 49 courts here at Pictona, that includes courts 1-8.

We always try and reserve courts 1-8 for our members, however, due to the great interest and success of the Pictona Open, we need to use these courts on Sunday for tournament play. We are thrilled to have over 530 players signed up to play on Sunday – this is a testimony to our outstanding facility and the great work from both our staff and our volunteers who help make our tournaments run so smoothly!

The best tournaments in Florida are at Pictona, but we couldn't do it without the help of our volunteers and tournament sponsors. Thank you for your support!

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The Wing Stop

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### Thank you!

**Approximately 25 Volunteers are still needed in several areas!** 

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PICTONA OPEN! Click here to sign up!



We have two additional fundraising tournaments that we are hosting!

Stetson Women's Basketball

- Saturday, November 2 at 9:00 am
- Heather McCormick <u>hmccormick@stetson.edu</u>
- Salvation Army
  - Saturday, November 16 at 10:00 am
  - Kaylynn Green <u>kalynn.green@uss.salvationarmy.org</u>
- Spruce Creek High School
  - Saturday, December 14 at 6:00 pm
  - Jeremy Davies <u>jpdavies@volusia.k12.fl.us</u>

If you know of a non-profit organization that would like to host a fundraising event at Pictona, please contact Deb Christensen at <a href="mailto:debc@pictona.org">debc@pictona.org</a>



Class Prices are \$50 through October - Register HERE!



View and download the calendar HERE.

Reserve your spot by calling (386) 310.7067 or by registering **HERE**. See you on the courts!

<u>Reminder</u> Only certified instructors may charge a fee for their instructional services. Anyone else may instruct or coach, but cannot charge a fee.

## **SHERRIFF CHITWOOD - SCAM PREVENTION TALK**



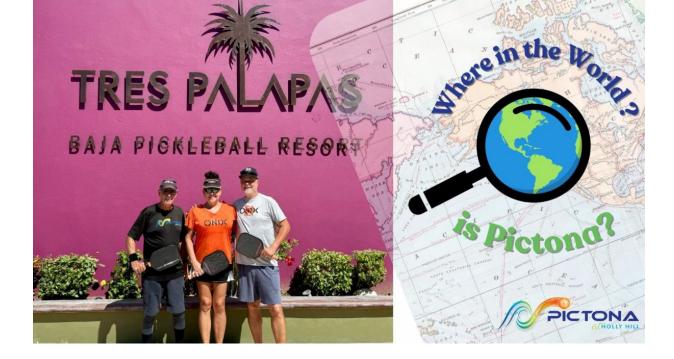
Sheriff Chitwood will be at Pictona to provide tips on how to recognize these scams so YOU will not become a victim.





**SAVE THE DATE! Wednesday, October 30** Join us in MetroHealth Stadium - Sheriff Chitwood will be on hand to talk about ways to protect yourself from Scam Artists.





#### Where in the World is Pictona?

Mike Cole, playing pickleball while in Mexico at the beautiful Tres Palapas Baja Pickleball Resort, located near Los Barriles, MX. Mike's brother, Senior Pro Steve Cole and his lovely wife, Denise.

If you find yourself traveling about in your Pictona gear, snap a photo and share it with us at **Marketing@pictona.org**. You may just find yourself included in an upcoming newsletter!





October Flex Leagues are open for registration! Start time for morning Flex is NOW 9:00 AM!

Sign up for the 2.50 - 3.49 League **HERE**.

Sign up for the 3.0 - 3.99 League **HERE**.

Sign up for the 3.5 - 4.0+ League HERE.

Sign up for the Women's 3.0 - 3.99 Flex League **HERE**.*Pictona's Flex Leagues are sponsored by Wire 3.* 





If you're relatively new to pickleball and you're working on mastering your skills, then the Arrow Rookie Rally at Pictona is a tournament just for you. It is your opportunity to play others of like skill and age in a fun round robin format.

Team up with your partner to play men's, women's, and mixed doubles at the 2.5 and 3.0 skill level.

Register for the Arrow Rookie Rally HERE!





### Weekly SPECIALS in The Kitchen!

Come on in for <u>Wing It Wednesdays!</u> \$1.00 Off per basket on Wednesdays! (No other discounts apply during this offer)

Now offering Gluten Free Boneless Buffalo Bites! Get them in any of our wing flavors from mild to WILD! Hot, Medium, Mild, Teriyaki, BBQ, Garlic Parm every day, but on Wednesdays, we will have TWO of our chef's special sauce recipes. Come try one, or Both!

#### Oct 28 - Nov 3 Special:

#### Taco Salad Bowl

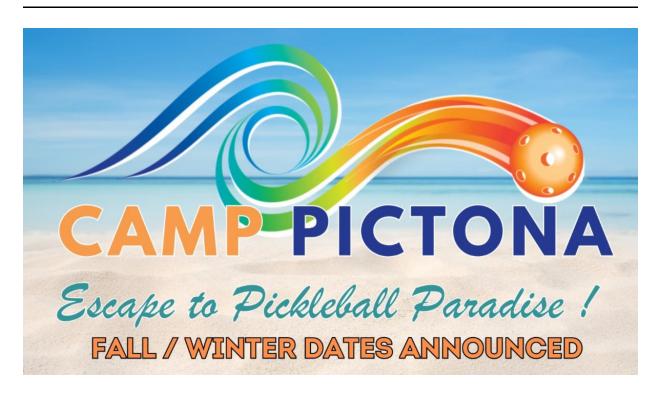
A crispy tortilla bowl filled with Lettuce, Diced Tomato, Diced Onion, Shredded Cheese, and Ground Taco Seasoned Beef, drizzled with taco sauce. (Sour Cream and Pico De Gallo available upon request) \$10



Pictona and Florida Health Care Plans have worked together to open the NEW **FHCP Activity Center at Pictona!** These classes are offered to the public for *free or for a small donation* and are taught by experienced and knowledgeable instructors. Click **HERE** for class info!







Camp Pictona will once again be holding 3-day camps this fall and winter for beginner and intermediate levels. Pictona instructors are highly experienced at teaching pickleball players how to improve their games. Camp Pictona will not only provide you with a warm escape, but will provide quality instruction and lots and lots of playing opportunities help make that winter seem much shorter!

For more information, including how to register click **HERE**.

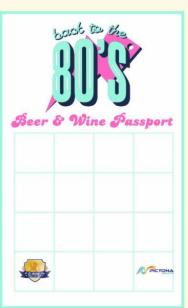
## Camp Dates:

- December 11-13, 2024: Skill level 2.5 3.0
- January 28-30, 2025: Skill level 3.0 4.0
- February 18-20, 2025: Skill level 3.0 4.0
- March 12-14, 2025: Skill level 2.5 3.0









#### **BEFORE THE SHOW!**

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm,

S.R. Perrott will have tents in the Aetna Gardens with

14 FREE BEER & WINE SAMPLINGS!

Bring your ticket to The Depot to snag your wristband, and don't forget your ID!

**CONCERT!** Kip Sweeny is back for an all-out 80s tribute to Huey Lewis and the iconic 80s classics we love! A world-traveling dance instructor, disc jockey, choreographer, and male vocalist, Sweeny knows how to get the party started. So tease up that hair & dust off your leg warmers because you won't want miss this unforgettable show!

**GET YOUR TICKETS HERE!!!!** 





Pictona will be hosting the Pickleball Senior Games in October! Anyone 50+ is eligible to participate in any or all of the 10 sporting events. To find out more, Click HERE!



Pictona Singles Mingle Festival - January 31 - February 2 Join single like-minded Pickleball enthusiasts for a weekend of Pickleball fun, open play, a Round-Robin tournament, King of the Court competitions, Friday night Italian Pasta Buffet, Saturday night Dance Party, socializing, merriment, and more! Pictona's Metro Health stadium offers the Depot concessions with food, beer, and wine, music jamming on the courts, and a huge deck to relax and socialize between the games.

Pictona also offers The Kitchen, a full-service restaurant, locker rooms, and an amazing Player Shop for all your Pickleball merchandise needs.

## **Register for Singles Mingle Festival HERE**

# Leave us a Review!







We'd love your feedback! Please take a moment to review us on Yelp TripAdvisor, or Google! Your feedback will help us ensure we continue to be the state-of-the-art facility you love!



Pictona was built through a public-private partnership with the City of Holly Hill and Martens Charities, and \$2.9 million in Volusia County ECHO grants.















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