What's Happening Now? Columbia County Tax Collector Ronnie Brannon, CFC 758-1080

1. **Tag Renewal costs are going up on September 1, 2009** The 2009 Florida Legislature adopted new tag and title rates during their last session. You can save money now if you renew your tags before September 1, 2009; please review the following chart to see if you can renew and save the new fees for at least 1 year:

YOUR BIRTHDAY		RENEW YOUR TAG	
June, July, August or September		June, July	y or August
October		July or August	
November		August	
2. <u>New Rates beginning September 1. 2009</u> :			
	Old	New.	<u>Savings prior to September 1st</u>
Under2,5001bs	\$28.10	\$46.65	\$18.55
2,500 thru 3,499 lbs.	\$36.10	\$57.65	\$21.55
Over 3,500 lbs.	\$46.10	\$71.15	\$25.05

You can renew you tag for two(2) years at the current rate and save for another year!

3. Partial Payments will be allowed in 2009 on your Real Estate Taxes:

The 2009 Florida Legislature also passed a bill that will, at the discretion of the Tax Collector, allow Partial Payment to be made for current Real Estate Taxes beginning in 2009. You have always had the option of Quarterly Installments payments and now you can make as many payments as you want between November and April 1st; however,

- Partial Payments are allowed for CURRENT taxes only.
- No Discounts are allowed on Partial Payments.
- A fee of \$10 will be paid for each Partial Payment.
- A Tax Sale Certificate will be issued on any remaining balance at the end of May, which could result in a loss of Title at some future date.